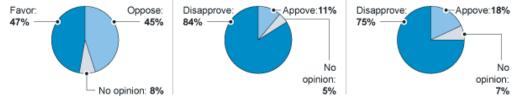
Less than 50% of Chicagoans support the Chicago 2016 Olympic Bid!

Support for the 2016 Olympic Games among city respondents has fallen from 61 percent in February to 47 percent.

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Q: Do you favor or oppose Chicago hosting the 2016 Olympic Games? Q: Would you approve of using tax revenue to cover the loss ... or would you disapprove? Q: Do you approve or disapprove of an unlimited financial guarantee for the Olympics in case of a revenue shortfall?

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SOURCE: Market Shares Corp. telephone poll of 380 respondents in Chicago. Margin of error is +/- 5 percentage points.

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