

# Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board of Commissioners

# **Minutes of the Litigation Committee**

## 9:00 AM

**Tuesday, May 6, 2025** 

Chicago Botanic Garden, 1000 Lake Cook Rd, Glencoe, IL 60022

### ATTENDANCE

**Present:** Britton, Degnen, Morita, Stamps and Trevor (5)

**Absent:** Lowry (1)

Excused Absence: S. Morrison (1)

#### **PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

Chairman Britton asked the Secretary to the Board to call upon the registered public speakers, in accordance with Forest Preserves Code of Ordinances, Section 1-5-4.

No public speaker

#### 25-0207

### **COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 04/08/2025

A motion was made by Commissioner Trevor, seconded by Commissioner Stamps, to approve 25 0207. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Ayes:** Britton, Degnen, Morita, Stamps and Trevor (5)

**Absent:** Lowry (1)

Excused Absence: S. Morrison (1)

25-0201

Presented by: EILEEN FIGEL, Interim General Superintendent

**REPORT** 

**Department:** Legal Department

**Request:** Receive and File

**Report Title:** Outside Counsel Invoices

**Report Period:** 4/9/2025 - 5/6/2025

**Summary:** Summary report of outside counsel invoices submitted in connection with Board Item No. 25-0202.

A motion was made by Commissioner Trevor, seconded by Commissioner Stamps, to receive and filed 25-0201. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Ayes:** Britton, Degnen, Morita, Stamps and Trevor (5)

**Absent:** Lowry (1)

**Excused Absence:** S. Morrison (1)

### 25-0202

### INVOICES RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL

- 1. Invoices submitted for legal services 03/01/2025 through 04/10/2025 by Ancel Glink, P.C. for various litigated matters, labor related matters and a real estate related matter.
- 2. Invoices submitted for legal services 09/01/2024 through 02/28/2025 by the Cook County State's Attorney Office for ordinance enforcement and general matters.
- 3. Invoices submitted for legal services 03/01/2025 through 03/31/2025 by Del Galdo Law Group, LLC for various labor related and litigated matters.
- 4. Invoices submitted for legal services 12/01/2024 through 03/31/2025 by DeVore & Radunsky, LLC for a litigated matter.
- 5. Invoice submitted for legal services 02/01/2025 through 02/28/2025 by Franczek, P.C. for a labor related matter.
- 6. Invoices submitted for legal services 03/01/2025 through 03/31/2025 by Gildea, Coghlan & Regan, Ltd. for various litigated matters.
- 7. Invoices submitted for legal services 02/01/2025 through 03/31/2025 by Hinshaw & Culbertson, LLC for a litigated matter, a real estate related matter, an employment matter, and ordinance review and related template drafting.
- 8. Invoices submitted for legal services 03/01/2025 through 03/31/2025 by Klein, Thorpe and Jenkins, Ltd. for a litigated matter, various labor related matters, tax related matters, and a real estate related matter.

- 9. Invoices submitted for legal services 02/01/2025 through 02/28/2025 by Miner, Barnhill & Galland, PC for a real estate related matter and a labor/employment related matter.
- 10. Invoices submitted for legal services 02/01/2025 through 02/28/2025 by Odelson, Murphey, Frazier & McGrath, Ltd. for various litigated matters and an employment related matter.
- 11. Invoices submitted for legal services 02/01/2025 through 02/28/2025 by Tristan & Cervantes for various employment related matters.

A motion was made by Commissioner Trevor, seconded by Commissioner Stamps, to concur with the recommendation of the Forest Preserve District attorneys on the legal matter(s) listed above 25-0202. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Ayes:** Britton, Degnen, Morita, Stamps and Trevor (5)

**Absent:** Lowry (1)

Excused Absence: S. Morrison (1)

25-0203

Presented by: EILEEN FIGEL, Interim General Superintendent

### CASES - INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY

- 1. Mirabel Santin v. Chicago Zoological Society & Forest Preserve District of Cook County 2024 L 07001
- 2. Jesler Delos Reyes v. Forest Preserve District of Cook County, et al 2024 L 014475

A motion was made by Commissioner Degnen, seconded by Commissioner Morita, to receive and file 25-0203. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Ayes:** Britton, Degnen, Morita, Stamps and Trevor (5)

**Absent:** Lowry (1)

Excused Absence: S. Morrison (1)

### **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Commissioner Trevor, seconded by Commissioner Stamps, to adjourn. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Britton, Degnen, Morita, Stamps and Trevor (5)

**Absent:** Lowry (1)

Excused Absence: S. Morrison (1)

Respectfully submitted,

Swappetter

Chairman Secretary

Lynne M. Jurur

A complete record of this meeting is available at <a href="https://fpdcc.legistar.com">https://fpdcc.legistar.com</a>.