



**Forest Preserve District of Cook County  
Board of Commissioners**

**Real Estate Committee**

**Tuesday, February 25, 2020**

**9:30 AM**

**Cook County Building, Board Room  
118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois**

**NOTICE AND AGENDA**

**There will be a meeting of the committee or subcommittee of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board of Commissioners at the date, time and location listed above.**

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

Authorization as a public speaker shall only be granted to those individuals who have submitted in writing, their name, address, subject matter, and organization (if any) to the Secretary 24 hours in advance of the meeting. Duly authorized public speakers shall be called upon to deliver testimony at a time specified in the meeting agenda. Authorized public speakers who are not present during the specified time for public testimony will forfeit their allotted time to speak at the meeting. Public testimony must be germane to a specific item(s) on the meeting agenda, and the testimony must not exceed three minutes; the Secretary will keep track of the time and advise when the time for public testimony has expired. Persons authorized to provide public testimony shall not use vulgar, abusive, or otherwise inappropriate language when addressing the Board; failure to act appropriately; failure to speak to an item that is germane to the meeting, or failure to adhere to the time requirements may result in expulsion from the meeting and/or disqualify the person from providing future testimony.

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**COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 1/14/2020

[20-0008](#)

**Presented by:** ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

**PROPOSED INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT**

**Department:** Department of Planning and Development

**Other Part(ies):** Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago ("MWRD")

**Request:** Authorization to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement (“IGA”) with MWRD for reconstruction and maintenance of the McCook levee.

**Goods or Services:** MWRD proposes to improve, raise, and maintain the McCook Levee on the west side of the Des Plaines River from 45th Street downstream to the railroad in Ottawa Trail Woods. This project will require the grant of a permanent easement from the Forest Preserves to MWRD.

**Agreement Number(s):** N/A

**Agreement Period:** Continuous

**Fiscal Impact:** None

**Accounts:** N/A

**District(s):** 16

**Summary:** MWRD proposes to repair, rehabilitate, and replace a levee along the west side of the Des Plaines River from 45th Street to Lawndale Avenue, known as the McCook Levee, to protect commercial and residential structures from flooding. MWRD will complete the proposed work and assume future maintenance responsibility for the levee pursuant to an agreement for project design and construction with the United States Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) and the proposed IGA. The proposed 3.58-acre permanent easement will provide access and right of entry to MWRD and the Corps for the construction, operation and maintenance of the levee on Forest Preserves property. Under the IGA, the Forest Preserves will have record keeping and reporting obligations, as well as use restrictions, in relation to MWRD funding certain improvements with bond funds.

A two-block portion of the Salt Creek Trail will be closed and temporary access to an on-street detour provided during the construction period. Tree mitigation and other fees will be waived for MWRD consistent with a Memorandum of Understanding providing for mutual waiver of fees between MWRD and the Forest Preserves approved on May 11, 2017. The Forest Preserves may also grant MWRD and the Corps waivers to applicable work-hour limits and truck-traffic restrictions upon written request. The proposed IGA is subject to final review and approval by the Forest Preserves’ Legal Department.

**Legislative History :** 1/14/20 - FPD Board of Commissioners - refer to the Real Estate Committee

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Secretary

Chairman: Anaya

Vice-Chairman: Moore

Members: Committee of the Whole