



**Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board of Commissioners  
County Board Room, County Building**

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**BOARD AGENDA**

**for the**

**Meeting of the Board of Commissioners**

**Tuesday, April 8, 2014, 10:00 AM**

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

Pursuant to Forest Preserve District of Cook County Code Section 1-4-30 *Public Testimony*, public testimony will be permitted at regular and special meetings of the Board. Duly authorized public speakers shall be called upon at this time to deliver testimony germane to a specific item(s) on the meeting agenda, and the testimony must not exceed three minutes. The names of duly authorized speakers shall be published in the Post Board Action Agenda and the Journal of Proceedings as prepared by the Secretary to the Board.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

Pursuant to Forest Preserve District of Cook County Code Section 1-4-7 *Consent Calendar*, the Secretary to the Board of Commissioners hereby transmits Resolutions for your consideration. Any Consent Calendar Resolutions shall be published in the Post Board Action Agenda and Journal of Proceedings as prepared by the Secretary to the Board.

**COMMISSIONERS****COMMITTEE REPORTS****14-0204****COMMITTEE REPORT**

Committee Name: Real Estate

Committee Date: 4/8/2014

**14-0206****COMMITTEE REPORT**

Committee Name: Rules

Committee Date: 4/8/2014

**14-0208****COMMITTEE REPORT**

Committee Name: Finance

Committee Date: 4/8/2014

**OFFICE OF THE GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT****14-0156**

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

**PROPOSED INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT**

**Department:** Planning and Development

**Other Part(ies):** Cook County Sheriff's Office

**Request:** authorization to enter into and execute

**Goods or Services:** Cook County Sheriff's Office plans to pilot a new program to train inmates and post release participants from the Vocational Rehabilitation Impact Center (a/k/a "Boot Camp") and participants in the Sheriff's Work Alternative Program ("SWAP") to provide deconstruction and building material salvage services for removal of cabins at Forest Preserve campgrounds (Dan Beard, and Sullivan) and at a residential property (7 Hickory Lane in Westchester).

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

**Agreement Period:** 3/11/2014 - 3/10/2015, with option to extend for and additional one (1) year period.

**Fiscal Impact:** \$84,839.00

**Accounts:** Building, 51-6710 & 52-6710 Real Estate Land Acquisition, 06-6801

**Summary:** The Forest Preserve District of Cook County (the "Preserves") is in need of demolition/deconstruction services to clear old campground cabins for redevelopment, as well as remove a residential building for grant compliance purposes. Under the terms of the IGA, the Sheriff's Office is responsible for inmate deconstruction training, transportation, supervision, equipment, reconstruction and demolition of buildings specified by the Preserves, packaging and removal of reusable building materials according to the Preserves' specifications, and hauling of remaining construction debris. The Preserves would commit capital demolition funds to compensate the Sheriff's office for deconstruction training, job site supervision, waste hauling and other costs for each site up to an agreed cap.

**14-0185**

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

**PROPOSED GRANT APPLICATION AUTHORIZATION REQUEST**

**Department:** Planning and Development

**Grantee:** The Forest Preserve District of Cook County (the "Preserves")

**Grantor:** Illinois Department of Natural Resources, Illinois Park and Recreation Facility Construction Grant Program (PARC)

**Request:** Authorization to apply for grant and provide match funds if awarded

**Purpose:** Approval of resolution authorizing the Preserves to apply for a grant and provide match funds if the grant is awarded to the Preserves. This grant would provide funding to develop the existing barn at Camp Sullivan into a recreation activity barn. The barn will be transformed into a recreation hub where visitors can utilize an indoor rock climbing wall, a ropes course and participate in indoor adventure activities.

**Grant Amount:** \$1,700,250.00

**Grant Period:** Two (2) Years from award date

**Fiscal Impact:** The Preserves Match Amount - \$566,750.00 over a two (2) year period is contingent on the Forest Preserve District Board of approval.

**Account(s):** Construction and Development, 54-6730

**Concurrences:**

The Chief Financial Officer and Chief Attorney have approved this item.

**Summary:** The proposed barn renovation for recreational and program activities for Camp Sullivan was determined to be a fit for the state PARC grant program. The priorities for this program are indoor recreation facilities. The grant program requires a resolution confirming that the applicant has committed matching funds.

## 14-0186

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

### PROPOSED GRANT APPLICATION AUTHORIZATION REQUEST

**Department:** Conservation and Experiential Programming Department

**Grantee:** The Forest Preserve District of Cook County (the "Preserves")

**Grantor:** ComEd Green Region Grant Program

**Request:** Authorization to apply for grant

**Purpose:** The Preserves and its partners, including the Field Museum, Audubon Chicago Region, Eden Place Nature Center, and the Chicago Housing Authority, propose to engage in an effort to reactivate Beaubien Woods Forest Preserves. The project proposes to engage the Altgeld Riverdale Community Working Group and other site stakeholders in a community planning process that will identify how to make Beaubien Woods a more appreciated resource for area stakeholders.

**Grant Amount:** \$10,000.00 with matching contributions of \$7,500.00 from the Forest Preserve Foundation and \$2,500.00 from the National Audubon Society for a total of \$20,000.00 that is contingent on the Forest Preserve District Board of approval.

**Grant Period:** 7/1/2014 - 12/31/2015

**Fiscal Impact:** None

**Accounts:** N/A

**Concurrences:**

The Chief Financial Officer and Chief Attorney have approved this item.

**Summary:** This project advances the goals of the Preserves' Centennial Campaign Plan to expand and increase usership in urban areas.

**14-0192**

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

**PROPOSED CONTRACT AMENDMENT**

**Department(s):** Planning and Development

**Vendor:** Fox & Fox Architects, Chicago, Illinois

**Request:** Authorization for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County (the "Preserves") to increase a previously executed task order contract

**Good(s) or Service(s):** Professional Services

**Original Contract Period:** Twenty-four (24) months from the issuance of the Notice To Proceed

**Proposed Contract Period Extension:** N/A

**Total Current Contract Amount Authority:** \$157,851.00

**Original Approval:** 7/16/2013, \$149,851.00

**Previous Increase(s):** 11/4/2013, \$8,000.00

**This Increase Requested:** \$55,300.00

**Estimated Fiscal Impact:** \$55,300.00

**Accounts:** Professional Services, 25-6740

**Contract Number(s):** Task Order #13-80-01-7R1D

**Concurrences:**

The Chief Financial Officer and Chief Attorney have approved this item.

The Vendor has met the Minority and Women Business Enterprise Ordinance Provisions.

The Vendor is in good standing with the State of Illinois.

**Summary:** Contract (Task Order) #13-80-01-7R1D is for architectural and engineering design services for the Preserves' building capital improvement program. This contract was originally approved at the 7/16/2013 Board Meeting. The original project scope for Package 7R1D included design and construction administration for the renovation of the Preserves' General Headquarters and Corner Pavilion based on a preliminary estimated construction budget of \$1,500,000.00. As the project has become more developed, a more detailed building condition assessment and cost estimate have been completed.

The estimated construction budget is now \$2,072,500.00 and additional services are needed to address the increased scope of construction.

The Purchasing Agent approved an additional \$8,000.00 on 11/4/2013 to fund additional design services provided by the Consultant to that date. The proposed \$55,300.00 addition to the Consultant’s contract would increase the total contract amount to \$213,151.00.

Original Task Order (approved on 7/16/2013)	\$149,851.00
Task Order Increase (executed on 11/4/2013)	\$8,000.00
<u>Task Order Increase (requested)</u>	<u>\$55,300.00</u>
Total Adjusted Amount (requested)	\$213,151.00

**14-0193**

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

**PROPOSED INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT**

**Department:** Planning and Development

**Other Part(ies):** City of Chicago Heights, Illinois

**Request:** Approval

**Goods or Services:** This agreement will allow the City of Chicago Heights to participate with the Preserves in the construction funding for a ¼ mile portion of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County (the “Preserves”) Thorn Creek Bicycle Trail Project on property owned by Chicago Heights from 14th Street (Lincoln Highway) to 16th Street. The cost for the City’s segment is estimated at \$128,497.55 of which the City will be responsible for 20% (\$25,699.51). The Preserves previously received the Illinois Department of Transportation’s ITEP (Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program) funding for all phases of Engineering and Construction for the 4.75 mile Thorn Creek Bicycle Trail Completion.

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

**Agreement Period:** One-time agreement

**Fiscal Impact:** None (The Preserves will be reimbursed by Chicago Heights in the amount of \$25,699.51)

**Account(s):** Professional Services, 25-6740 and Working Cash Grant Fund - Fund 07

**Summary:** The Forest Preserve District legal department reviewed and approved the Intergovernmental Agreement and the City of Chicago Heights has accepted and executed.

**14-0194**

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

**PROPOSED CONTRACT AMENDMENT**

**Department(s):** Planning and Development

**Vendor:** Ross Barney Architects, Inc., Chicago, Illinois

**Request:** Authorization for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County (the “Preserves”) to increase a previously executed task order contract

**Good(s) or Service(s):** Professional Services

**Original Contract Period:** Twenty-four (24) months from the issuance of the Notice To Proceed

**Proposed Contract Period Extension:** N/A

**Total Current Contract Amount Authority:** \$179,801.00

**Original Approval:** 7/16/2013, \$179,801.00

**Previous Increase(s):** N/A

**This Increase Requested:** \$113,867.00

**Estimated Fiscal Impact:** Up to \$113,867.00 pending grant reimbursement

**Account(s):** Professional Services, 25-6740 and Working Cash Grant Fund - Fund 07

**Contract Number(s):** Task Order #13-80-01-7R2D

**Concurrences:**

The Chief Financial Officer and Chief Attorney have approved this item.

The Vendor has met the Minority and Women Business Enterprise Ordinance Provisions.

The Vendor is in good standing with the State of Illinois.

**Summary:** Contract (Task Order) #13-80-01-7R2D is for architectural and engineering design services for the Preserves’ building capital improvement program. This contract was originally approved at the 7/16/2013 Board Meeting. The original project scope for Package 7R2D included master plan, design and construction administration at Swallow Cliff Woods with an estimated construction budget of \$1,000,000.00. The Preserves has increased the estimated construction budget to \$1,490,000 and additional services are needed to address the increased scope of construction, perform redesigns due to changes in schematic plans, and register this project with the U. S. Green Building Council as a LEED Silver certified building. Up to \$113,867.00 of the additional A/E Fees relating to LEED design and certification will be offset by a grant that has been awarded to the Preserves by the Illinois Clean Energy Community Foundation (ICECF).

The Preserves is currently seeking approval of a \$113,867.00 addition to increase the total contract amount to \$293,668.00.

Original Task Order (approved on 7/16/2013)	\$179,801.00
<u>Task Order Increase (requested)</u>	<u>\$113,867.00</u>
Total Adjusted Amount: (requested)	\$293,668.00

**14-0202**

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

**PROPOSED CONTRACT AMENDMENT**

**Department(s):** Facilities and Fleet Maintenance

**Vendor:** Integrys Energy Services, DePere, Wisconsin

**Request:** Authorization for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County the ("Preserves") to extend for one year and increase the contract.

**Good(s) or Service(s):** Delivery of Districtwide Electricity

**Original Contract Period:** 12/1/2012 - 11/30/2014

**Proposed Contract Period Extension:** 12/1/2014 - 11/30/2015

**Total Current Contract Amount Authority:** \$200,000.00

**Original Approval Date:** 11/15/2012, \$200,000.00

**Previous Increase(s):** N/A

**This Increase Requested:** \$600,000.00

**Estimated Fiscal Impact:** FY 2014 \$300,000.00 FY 2015 \$300,000.00

**Accounts:** Electricity and Natural Gas, 01-6400

**Contract Number(s):** 11-87-004

**Concurrences:**

The Chief Financial Officer and Chief Attorney have approved this item.

The Vendor has met the Minority and Women Business Enterprise Ordinance Provisions.

The Vendor is in good standing with the State of Illinois.

**Summary:** Participating in Cook County's contract for electricity will allow the Preserves to aggregate electric usage and obtain an approximate cost savings. The Preserves has acquired additional property and is in the process of designing buildings in relation to the Camping Master Plan which will increase electricity usage along with over 50 buildings and landscape/civil construction packages. The original amount that was budgeted in December of 2012 was for one fiscal year.



**14-0216**

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

**REPORT**

**Department:** Finance and Administration

**Request:** Receive and file

**Report Title:** Procurement and Disbursements Report

**Report Period:** 2/1/2014 - 2/28/2014

**Summary:** Submitting the Procurement and Disbursements Report for the period. This report is to be received and filed in compliance with Section 1-8-2 (BB) of the District's Code of Ordinances.

**14-0200**

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

**Forest Preserves of Cook County Events and activities from 4/8-5/20/2014****Ongoing until 5/26****Birdhouse Building Contest, Crabtree Nature Center, Barrington**

Build a creative birdhouse this spring! We'll set them up along our trails, and visitors can vote for their favorites all summer. Limited entries. Call or visit [fpdcc.com](http://fpdcc.com) for details and birdhouse specifications. Houses due 5/26.

**Tuesday, 4/8, 7:30 pm****Nightlife: Passenger Pigeons with Joel Greenberg, River Trail Nature Center, Northbrook**

Author Joel Greenberg will give a one-hour program and sign his new book, *A Feathered River Across the Sky: The Passenger Pigeon's Flight to Extinction*. Register by 4/1. \$5.00.

**Friday, 4/11 - Sunday 4/13, 10 am - 5 pm****Antique and Garden Fair, Chicago Botanic Garden**

Develop the unique character of your garden and home with garden furniture, antiques, vintage décor, and botanically themed merchandise offered by more than a hundred dealers from around the world. Ticket fee applies.

**Tuesday, 4/15 10 am to 3 pm Caldwell Woods, Chicago****Friday, 4/18, 10 am to 3 pm, Thatcher Woods, River Forest****Spring Breakout Adventures**

Spring is finally here-time to "break out" and enjoy the outdoors. Youth and families are invited for a day of exploration. Activities include team-building fun, hikes using GPS, animal pelt stations, art making and more. Come for the whole day or just an hour. Call 708-771-1010 for details.

**Saturday, 4/19 • 10 am - 2 pm****Earth Day, Little Red School House, Willow Springs**

We only have one planet, and most of its surface is water. Fun water activities will show you how important water really is.

**Sunday, 4/20, 10:00 am; 11:30 am and 1 pm**  
**Easter Day Brunch, Chicago Botanic Garden**

Enjoy a delicious buffet and Easter egg hunt! Registration and fee apply.

**Sunday, 4/20 • 1 pm**

**Snake Migration, Sagawau Environmental Learning Center, Lemont**

As temperatures rise, snakes leave their burrows, often pausing on pavement to warm up. Learn ways to protect migrating snakes.

**Saturday, 4/26, 10 am - 3 pm**

**Earth Day, Sand Ridge Nature Center, South Holland**

Join us for a day set aside as a reminder to be good stewards of our planet. Activities include hikes, puppet shows, a craft and Earth Day Jeopardy!

**Saturday, 4/26, 1 pm**

**Earth Day Walk to McDonald Woods, Chicago Botanic Garden**

Meet at the *What's in Bloom* cart in front of the Visitor Center.

**Saturday, 4/26, 9 am - 2 pm**

**Annual Earth Day Parks and Preserves Cleanup**

**Whistler Woods, 480 Acme Dr., Riverdale**

Help clean up the preserves in the morning, and then celebrate with fun activities, recycling, hikes and more. Register at [www.earthdaychicago.com](http://www.earthdaychicago.com) <<http://www.earthdaychicago.com>> in partnership with Friends of the Parks.

**Sunday, 4/27, noon - 4 pm**

**Arbor Day Celebration, LaBagh Woods, 5400 N. Cicero, Chicago**

Enjoy tree plantings, tree ID, tree-caching, scavenger hunts, art projects and more.

**Sunday, 5/4, 10 am - 3 pm**

**Spring Festival, Trail Side Museum of Natural History, River Forest**

Celebrate spring with a day of activities for all ages, including guided hikes, dip netting, a meet-and-greet with our newest animal, animal encounters, craft corner and much more.

**Saturday, 5/10, noon - 4 pm**

**International Migratory Bird Day, Crabtree Nature Center, Barrington**

Celebrate the return of birds to their breeding range with an afternoon of activities.

**Saturday, 5/10, 7:30 am - 3 pm**

**International Migratory Bird Day Festival, Sagawau Environmental Learning Center, Lemont**

Spend the day celebrating migratory birds as they travel north to their breeding areas. Learn simple ways to identify and protect these birds by visiting our Tip Stations. Answer the question "Why do birds matter?" by learning about the American robin.

**Thursday, 5/15, 6 - 9 pm**

**Third Thursdays: Papier-Maché Birds with Urban Craft Lab, Cummings Square River Forest**

Create a sculpture using newspaper, paste and wire. Birdsong sets the tone and nature provides the inspiration! Best for adults and families with children 12 & up. Space is limited, so call 708-771-1373 to reserve your spot.

**Saturday, 5/17, noon - 4 pm**

**Nature Block Party: A Celebration of Biodiversity, Eggers Grove, 11201 S. Ave B, Chicago**

Discover the flora and fauna of the urban preserves with restoration activities, bird hikes, tree hikes, biking and more. Nearby Powers Recreation Area will be open for additional activities. Part of Urban Biodiversity Week, May 11-18. More at [www.urbanbioweek.illinois.gov](http://www.urbanbioweek.illinois.gov) <<http://www.urbanbioweek.illinois.gov>>

**Sunday, 5/18, 8 am**

**Des Plaines River Canoe and Kayak Marathon**

Join the second oldest continual canoe race in the United States! Race begins at Oak Springs Road in Libertyville and ends at Dam #2 in Mount Prospect. Free for spectators. Race starts at 8 am. Activities at Dam #2 start at 11 am. To register, visit [www.canoemarathon.com](http://www.canoemarathon.com) <<http://www.canoemarathon.com>>