



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

**Legislation and Intergovernmental Relations**

**Tuesday, October 7, 2014**

**9:15 AM**

**Cook County Building, Board Room, Rm 569  
118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois**

**SECTION 1**

**ATTENDANCE**

**Present:** Chairman Suffredin, Commissioners Butler, Daley, Garcia, Gorman, Goslin, Reyes, Schneider and Sims (9)

**Absent:** Vice Chairman Fritchey, Commissioners Collins, Gainer, Moore, Murphy, Silvestri, Steele and Tobolski (8)

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

Chairman Suffredin asked the Secretary to the Board to call upon the registered public speakers, in accordance with Forest Preserve District of Cook County Code Section 1-4-30 Public Testimony.

**The Secretary announced that there were no public speakers.**

**14-0400**

**PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDMENT**

**FOREST PRESERVE FEE SCHEDULE**

Amending the Forest Preserve District of Cook County Code of Ordinances to facilitate the ability to obtain a permit for activities such as rallies, pickets, protests, speeches, and demonstrations.

**BE IT ORDAINED**, by the Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board of Commissioners, that Title 7 - Fees, Chapter 1 - Fee Schedule of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County Code is hereby amended as follows:

**7-1-1: FEE SCHEDULE**

**Picnic Permits\* .....**

- Picnic Permits - one grove per permit, fees assessed for all permits; large groups may require multiple permits and/or security.  
Picnic permit category W = 25 to 99 people  
Picnic permit category X = 100 to 399 people  
Picnic permit category Y = 400 to 999 people  
Picnic permit Level 4 = Large area events
- Special use permits: special accommodations such as tents, beer truck, caterer, rides, generator, lights, overflow parking. A special use permit will be required for the aforementioned accommodations even if a picnic permit is not required based on the size of the group.

- Special activity/event permits: activities not included in picnic permits and/or special use permits. Usually sold to a group.
- Rallies, pickets, protests, speeches, and demonstrations involving 25 or more persons shall be considered activities requiring special event permits.
- Nonprofit organizations with proper documentation may qualify for a reduced rate of 50% on designated picnic permit charges.

**Effective date:** This ordinance shall be in effect immediately upon adoption

**Legislative History:** 9/9/14 Board of Commissioners referred to the Legislation and Intergovernmental Relations.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner García, that this Ordinance Amendment be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Chairman Suffredin, Commissioners Butler, Daley, Garcia, Gorman, Goslin, Reyes, Schneider and Sims (9)

**Absent:** Vice Chairman Fritchey, Commissioners Collins, Gainer, Moore, Murphy, Silvestri, Steele and Tobolski (8)

**ADJOURNMENT**

**A motion was made by Commissioner García, seconded by Commissioner Reyes, that this meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Chairman Suffredin, Commissioners Butler, Daley, Garcia, Gorman, Goslin, Reyes, Schneider and Sims (9)


**Absent:** Vice Chairman Fritchey, Commissioners Collins, Gainer, Moore, Murphy, Silvestri, Steele and Tobolski (8)

**SECTION 2**

**YOUR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THE FOLLOWING ACTION  
WITH REGARD TO THE MATTERS NAMED HEREIN**

File 14-0400.....Recommended for Approval

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Chairman

  
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Secretary

\*A video recording of this meeting is available at <https://cook-county.legistar.com>