



**Forest Preserve District of Cook County  
Real Estate Committee Report**

**Tuesday, November 18, 2014**

**9:00 AM Cook County Building, Board Room, Rm 569  
118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois**

**SECTION 1**

**ATTENDANCE**

**Present:** Chairman Murphy, Vice Chair Gorman, Commissioners Butler, Daley, Fritchey, Goslin, Moore, Silvestri, Sims, Steele, Suffredin and Tobolski (12)

**Absent:** Commissioners Collins, Gainer, García, Reyes, Schneider, (5)

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

Vice Chairman Gorman asked the Secretary to the Board to call upon the registered public speakers, in accordance with Cook County Code, Sec. 2-107 (dd)

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

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

**14-0170**

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

**Sponsored by: LARRY SUFFREDIN, County Commissioner**

**A Resolution Opposing the United States Army Corps of Engineers Proposed Use of the Fullerton Woods and Harry Semrow Golf Driving Range for Stormwater Management**

**WHEREAS**, in August of 2013, the United States Army Corps of Engineers (“U.S. Army Corps”) issued an Integrated Feasibility Report and Environmental Assessment for the Upper Des Plaines River and Tributaries of Illinois and Wisconsin (the “Report”);

**WHEREAS**, the Report sought to create a comprehensive plan for addressing flooding and stormwater along the Des Plaines River; and

**WHEREAS**, the Report proposed a variety of remediation measures along the Des Plaines river, including the creation of a reservoir within the Aptakisic Creek watershed, in Lake County, Illinois, near the Village of Buffalo Grove; and

**WHEREAS**, in October, 2013, the Village of Buffalo Grove passed a resolution opposing the siting of the reservoir at Aptakisic Creek; and

**WHEREAS**, the U.S. Army Corps issued a “Documentation of Changes to the Draft Integrated Feasibility Report and Environmental Assessment” (the “Documentation of Changes”) in response to the Village of Buffalo Grove’s resolution;

**WHEREAS**, the Documentation of Changes removed the proposal for a reservoir within the Aptakisic Creek watershed and proposed the creation of two reservoirs at Fullerton Woods and the Harry Semrow Driving Range within the Forest Preserve District of Cook County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County were never presented with and have not ruled upon the proposal within the Documentation of Changes;

**WHEREAS**, the proposed creation of the reservoirs is not supported as a land use under law and is against the mission and land use policies of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County; and

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Real Estate Committee of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board of Commissioners convene a public hearing to discuss the proposed creation of reservoirs at Fullerton Woods and the Harry Semrow Driving Range; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Superintendent of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County, and/or his designee, report to the Real Estate Committee of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County Commissioners on the proposed reservoirs; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Commissioners of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County will investigate the creation of reservoirs at Fullerton Woods and the Harry Semrow Golf Driving Range; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that an official copy of this Resolution be tendered to the United States Army Corps of Engineers.

**Legislative History:** 3/11/14 FPD Board of Commissioners adopted as amended\_  
3/11/14 FPD Board of Commissioners referred to the Real Estate Committee  
4/08/14 Real Estate Committee deferred  
6/17/14 Real Estate Committee recommended for deferral  
7/22/14 Real Estate Committee deferred  
7/22/14 FPD Board of Commissioners deferred

**A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that this resolution be recommended for receiving and filing. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** Chairman Murphy, Vice Chair Gorman, Commissioners Butler, Daley, Fritchey, Goslin, Moore, Silvestri, Sims, Steele, Suffredin and Tobolski (12)

**Absent:** Commissioners Collins, Gainer, García, Reyes, Schneider, (5)

**PROPOSED LICENSE REQUEST**

**Request:** Requesting authorization for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County (“the Preserves”), as Licensor to grant a License to The Village of Niles, Illinois (“the Village”) to locate, operate and maintain a 72-inch storm sewer and outfall structure to the North Branch Chicago River. The storm sewer is part of a storm water relief program that also includes a detention basin and bioinfiltration facility on other village property. The sewer will capture storm water runoff to relieve flooding and to reduce the combined sewer overflow discharge. The request also includes licensing the existing combined sewer overflow structure for which no license or agreement is known. The Village will also construct a new ADA crosswalk on Caldwell Avenue at Cleveland Street with push button activated flashers, and a new paved trail connection, along the route of the new storm sewer, to the existing North branch Trail. The crossing will improve accessibility and safety and provide an alternative to the current use of the FPCC driveway and parking lot to access the trail..

**Term:** Continuous

**License Fee:** \$23,439.39

**License Application Fee:** \$500.00

**YELAR Fee:** \$3,400.00

Total one-time upfront fee of \$27,339.39 for the term of the License (Sec. 5-2A-4 and 5-2B-4)

**Tree Mitigation Fee:** \$141,212.64

**The area of the License is:** 0.34 Acre

**Concurrence(s):** The Chief Financial Officer and Chief Attorney have approved this item. Grantee has met the insurance requirements under the License Agreement.

The Forest Preserves staff has reviewed this license application and plans and has found them to be acceptable; therefore, it is recommended that the Forest Preserve District Board of Commissioners approve the issuance of this license.

**District(s):** 13

**Legislative History:** 9/9/14 FPD Board of Commissioners referred to the Real Estate Committee

10/7/14 Real Estate Committee recommended for deferral

10/7/14 FPD Board of Commissioners deferred

**A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that this License Request be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** Chairman Murphy, Vice Chair Gorman, Commissioners Butler, Daley, Fritchey, Goslin, Moore, Silvestri, Sims, Steele, Suffredin and Tobolski (12)

**Absent:** Commissioners Collins, Gainer, García, Reyes, Schneider, (5)

ADJOURNMENT

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

**Aye:** Chairman Murphy, Vice Chair Gorman, Commissioners Butler, Daley, Fritchey, Goslin, Moore, Silvestri, Sims, Steele, Suffredin and Tobolski (12)

**Absent:** Commissioners Collins, Gainer, García, Reyes, Schneider, (5)

SECTION 2

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

File Id Number 14-0170 .....Recommended for Receive and File  
File Id Number 14-0419 .....Recommended for Approval

Respectfully submitted,

  
Chairman

  
Secretary

\*A video recording of this meeting is available at <https://fpdcc.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>