



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

**Minutes of the Finance Committee**

**Tuesday, May 23, 2023**

**9:30 AM**

**Sagawau Environmental Learning Center  
12545 West 111th Street, Lemont, IL**

**ATTENDANCE**

**Present:** Lowry, Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gordon, Gainer, Miller, Moore, Morita, Morrison, Morrison, Quezada and Trevor (15)

**Absent:** Deer (1)

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

**Chairman Lowry 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 Speakers.**

[23-0368](#)

**COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 04/25/2023

**A motion was made by Commissioner Morita, seconded by Commissioner Britton, to approve 23-0368. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Lowry, Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gordon, Gainer, Miller, Moore, Morita, Morrison, Morrison, Quezada and Trevor (15)

**Absent:** Deer (1)

[23-0351](#)

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

**RECOMMENDATION OF THE FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEE (LITIGATION)**

Finance Subcommittee Meeting on Litigation -5/23/2023

The Finance Subcommittee on Litigation met on the above listed date and recommends the following for approval:

Proposed Settlements Approved Fiscal Year 2023 to Present: \$55,000.00

Proposed Settlements to Be Approved: \$0.00

Legal Fees Approved Fiscal Year 2023 to Present: \$412,594.50

Legal Fees for 5/23/2023 to Be Approved: \$81,671.90

**A motion was made by Commissioner Britton, seconded by Commissioner Anaya, to approve 23-0351. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Lowry, Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gordon, Gainer, Miller, Moore, Morita, Morrison, Morrison, Quezada and Trevor (15)

**Absent:** Deer (1)

[23-0271](#)

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

**PROPOSED BID RECOMMENDATION**

**Department:** Department of Facilities and Fleet

**Request:** Authorization for the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the “Forest Preserves”) to enter into and execute a contract for supply and delivery of liquid propane.

**Reason:** Contract #74000012158 issued under Project #22-53-008455R. The proposed contract is to supply and deliver liquid propane to the Forest Preserves of Cook County for facilities and vehicle use, for a period of three (3) years. Propane is domestically produced. Propane has low carbon and low oil contamination which may result in a longer engine life and produce lower amounts of harmful greenhouse gas emissions. The project was originally solicited on 12/9/2022 which received no response and rebid on 12/29/2022 with the same results. The project was rebid a third time on 2/10/2023 which provided one (1) respondent.

**Bid Opening Date:** 3/2/2023

**Bid Results:**

<u>Firm</u>	<u>Bid Amount</u>
1. AmeriGas Propane	\$876,390.00

**Estimated Fiscal Impact:** FY 2023 \$191,420.00, FY 2024 \$290,463.00, FY 2025 \$295,464.00, FY 2026 \$99,043.00

**Contract Period:** 5/23/2023 - 4/30/2026

**Account Name/Number:** Propane Gas and Heating 51001.530261

**District:** Districtwide

**Concurrence(s):** The Interim Chief Financial Officer and Chief Attorney have approved this item.

The contract-specific Minority- and Women-Owned Business Enterprise goal for this contract was set at zero.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Trevor, seconded by Commissioner Anaya, to approve 23-0271. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Lowry, Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gordon, Gainer, Miller, Moore, Morita, Morrison, Morrison, Quezada and Trevor (15)

**Absent:** Deer (1)

[23-0338](#)

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

**PROPOSED BID RECOMMENDATION**

**Department:** Department of Planning and Development

**Request:** Authorization for the Forest Preserves of Cook County to enter into a construction contract with Fabex Technologies, primary place of business Chicago, Illinois, for improvements at the Central Garage located near Maywood.

**Reason:** Contract #74000012315 issued under Project #23-80-04 Construction of Stair Enclosures at Central Garage. The work addresses the need to isolate the basement levels of the building from the remainder of the facility. The work includes, but is not limited to, carpentry and electrical work, and other related items as specified in the plans and specifications.

**Bid Opening Date:** 4/28/2023

**Bid Results:**

<u>Firm</u>	<u>Bid Amount</u>
1. Fabex Technologies	<b>\$158,426.50</b>
2. Berglund Construction Company	\$249,500.00

**Estimated Fiscal Impact:** \$158,426.50

**Contract Period:** Two hundred seventy (270) days from the issuance of the notice to proceed.

**Account Name/Number:** Property Maintenance & Operations 51009.560105, 51028.560105, 51030.560105, 51031.560105, 51033.560105, 51051.560105 and future Construction and Development accounts

**District:** 1

**Concurrence(s):** The Interim Chief Financial Officer and Chief Attorney have approved this item.

The vendor has met the Minority- and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Ordinance provisions via direct participation.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Quezada, seconded by Commissioner Aguilar, to approve 23-0338. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Lowry, Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gordon, Gainer, Miller, Moore, Morita, Morrison, Morrison, Quezada and Trevor (15)

**Absent:** Deer (1)

[23-0349](#)

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

**PROPOSED BID RECOMMENDATION**

**Department:** Department of Planning and Development

**Request:** Authorization for the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the “Forest Preserves”) to enter a construction contract with Martinez Frogs Inc., primary place of business Melrose Park, Illinois, for Beaubien Woods Boat Launch Outdoor Recreation Amenities in Chicago, southeast Cook County.

**Reason:** Contract #74000012314 issued under Project #21-80-22C1 Beaubien Woods Boat Launch Outdoor Recreation Amenities includes reconstruction of onshore fishing boardwalk, river-edge seating, railings, a new program shelter, accessible canoe/kayak launch system and interpretive signs. This work is funded in large part by grants from the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (see Open Space Land Acquisition and Development and Boat Area Access Development grant awards, Board Item No. 22-0363 and Board Item No. 23-0217).

**Bid Opening Date:** 4/27/2023

**Bid Results:**

<u>Firm</u>	<u>Bid Amount</u>
1. <b>Martinez Frogs, Inc.</b>	<b>\$1,978,900.01</b>
2. Great Lakes Landscape Co.	\$2,707,484.00
3. AGAE Contractors, Inc.	\$3,168,230.00
4. Meru Corp.	\$3,223,855.00

**Estimated Fiscal Impact:** \$1,978,900.01

**Contract Period:** Four hundred twenty (420) days from notice to proceed

**Account Name/Number:** Land Improvements 51009.560019, 51010.560019, 51028.560019, 51030.560019, 51031.560019, 51033.560019, 51051.560019 and future Construction & Development accounts

**District:** 5

**Concurrence(s):** The Interim Chief Financial Officer and Chief Attorney have approved this item.

The vendor has met the Minority- and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Ordinance provisions via direct participation.

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Miller, to approve 23-0349. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Ayes:** Lowry, Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gordon, Gainer, Miller, Moore, Morita, Morrison, Morrison, Quezada and Trevor (15)

**Absent:** Deer (1)

[23-0350](#)

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

**PROPOSED BID RECOMMENDATION**

**Department:** Department of Planning and Development

**Request:** Authorization for the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the “Forest Preserves”) to enter a construction contract with Pan-Oceanic Engineering, Inc., primary place of business Chicago, Illinois.

**Reason:** Contract #74000012317 issued under Project #23-80-06R, Solicitation #23-80-008905R for Trail Safety Improvements North Branch & Salt Creek paved trail systems includes, but is not limited to, drop gates and bollard removal, replacement or repair, trail striping and sign installation along the North Branch and Salt Creek paved bike trail systems.

**Bid Opening Date:** 3/23/2023

**Bid Results:**

<u>Firm</u>	<u>Bid Amount</u>
1. Pan-Oceanic Engineering	\$465,011.94
2. Everlast Blacktop, Inc.	\$526,154.80*
3. Meru Corp.	\$575,950.40

\*The cost proposal submitted of \$572,620.80 was discovered to have a clerical error and corrected to read \$526,154.80.

**Estimated Fiscal Impact:** \$465,011.94

**Contract Period:** One hundred and twenty (120) days from notice to proceed.

**Account Name/Number:** Land Improvements 51009.560019, 51028.560019, 51029.560019, 51030.560019, 51031.560019, and 51033.560019; and future Construction and Development accounts

**District:** 10, 12, 13, 14, 16, 17

**Concurrence(s):** The Interim Chief Financial Officer and Chief Attorney have approved this item.

The vendor has met the Minority- and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Ordinance provisions via direct participation.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Anaya, seconded by Commissioner Morrison, to approve 23-0350. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Lowry, Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gordon, Gainer, Miller, Moore, Morita, Morrison, Morrison, Quezada and Trevor (15)

**Absent:** Deer (1)

[23-0343](#)

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

**REPORT**

**Department:** Department of Finance and Administration

**Request:** Receive and File

**Report Title:** Corporate Fund Analysis of Revenue and Expenditures

**Report Period:** 1/1/2023 - 3/31/2023

**Summary:** Detailed Fund Analysis of Revenue and Expenditures for March 2023.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Gordon, seconded by Commissioner Morrison, to receive and file 23-0343. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Lowry, Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gordon, Gainer, Miller, Moore, Morita, Morrison, Morrison, Quezada and Trevor (15)

**Absent:** Deer (1)

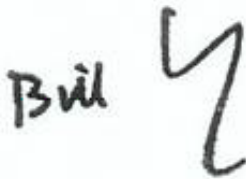
**ADJOURNMENT**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Miller, seconded by Commissioner Gainer, to adjourn. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Lowry, Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gordon, Gainer, Miller, Moore, Morita, Morrison, Morrison, Quezada and Trevor (15)

**Absent:** Deer (1)

Respectfully submitted,



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Chairman



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Secretary

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