



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

**Minutes of the Real Estate Committee**

**Tuesday, June 22, 2021**

**9:30 AM**

**Virtual Meeting**

**ATTENDANCE**

**Present:** Anaya, Moore, Aguilar, Arroyo, Britton, Daley, Deer, Degnen, Gainer, Johnson, Lowry, Miller, Morrison, Morrison, Silvestri, Sims and Suffredin (17)

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

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

**No public speakers**

[21-0335](#)

**COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 05/11/2021

**A motion was made by Commissioner S. Morrison, seconded by Commissioner Britton, to approve 21-0335. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Anaya, Moore, Aguilar, Arroyo, Britton, Daley, Deer, Degnen, Gainer, Johnson, Lowry, Miller, Morrison, Morrison, Silvestri, Sims and Suffredin (17)

[21-0244](#)

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

**PROPOSED LICENSE REQUEST**

**Request:** Requesting authorization for the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the "Forest Preserves"), as Licensor to grant a License to Oakton Community College ("OCC"), Grantee, to locate, operate and maintain a 114-foot sidepath, guardrail and stormwater improvements on the west side of College Drive,

approximately one quarter mile north of Golf Road at Kloempken Prairie. This sidepath is designed to provide a safer route to the campus for bicyclists and pedestrians, who currently must share College Drive with motor vehicles. OCC has agreed to include interpretive signage at this location, notifying sidepath users of the adjacent forest preserve.

**Term:** Ten (10) Years

**License Fee:** \$4,710.74

**License Application Fee:** \$1,500.00

**License Review Fees:** \$3,000.00

**YELAR Fee:** \$6,750.00

Total one-time upfront fee of \$15,960.74 for the term of the License (Sec. 5-2A-4 and 5-2B-4)

**Tree Mitigation Fee:** None

**The area of the License is:** 0.0523 Acre

**Concurrence(s):**

The Chief Financial Officer has approved this item. Final agreement is subject to legal review and approval.

Grantee will be required to meet the insurance requirements under the License Agreement.

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

**District(s):** 9

**A motion was made by Commissioner Silvestri, seconded by Commissioner S. Morrison, to approve 21-0244. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Anaya, Moore, Aguilar, Arroyo, Britton, Daley, Deer, Degnen, Gainer, Johnson, Lowry, Miller, Morrison, Morrison, Silvestri, Sims and Suffredin (17)

[21-0243](#)

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

**PROPOSED INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT**

**Department:** Department of Planning and Development

**Other Part(ies):** The Village of Melrose Park (“Melrose Park”)

**Request:** Authorization for the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the “Forest Preserves”) to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement (“IGA”) with Melrose Park to widen and maintain two (2) drainage ditches in Thatcher Woods.

**Goods or Services:** The authority requested is to grant permission to Melrose Park to widen and maintain two (2) existing drainage ditches on approximately 0.17 acres of Forest Preserves land located on the west side of the Des Plaines River in Thatcher Woods just south of North Avenue.

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

**Agreement Period:** Perpetual, subject to termination after twenty (20) years

**Fiscal Impact:** \$15,000.00 one-time upfront payment to the Forest Preserves for ecological restoration

**License Fee:** \$15,495.87 (waived)

**License Application Fees:** \$3,500.00 (waived)

**YELAR Fee:** \$6,750.00 (waived)

**Tree Mitigation Fee:** N/A

**Accounts:** N/A

**District(s):** 9

**Summary:** Melrose Park seeks permission to widen and maintain two (2) existing drainage ditches on Forest Preserves land, at no cost to the Forest Preserves, to avoid standing water near adjacent residential property. The Forest Preserves and Melrose Park have been exploring mutually acceptable solutions to avoid stormwater retention near the residences dating back to at least 2016. Dredging will impact two (2) corridors, one approximately 350 feet in length to the east of the residential complex to the Des Plaines

River and the other 150 feet in length running south from the complex to the river. No trees will be impacted. Melrose Park will maintain the ditches to ensure stormwater does not build-up on Forest Preserves property. In view of past arrangements between the Forest Preserves and municipalities to resolve stormwater drainage, the Forest Preserves has agreed in this instance to waive licensing fees and requirements. Melrose Park has agreed to pay the Forest Preserves \$15,000.00 for restoration work to be performed on Forest Preserves property.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Silvestri, seconded by Commissioner S. Morrison, to approve 21-0243. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** Anaya, Moore, Aguilar, Arroyo, Britton, Daley, Deer, Degnen, Gainer, Johnson, Lowry, Miller, Morrison, Morrison, Silvestri, Sims and Suffredin (17)

**ADJOURNMENT**

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

**Ayes:** Anaya, Moore, Aguilar, Arroyo, Britton, Daley, Deer, Degnen, Gainer, Johnson, Lowry, Miller, Morrison, Morrison, Silvestri, Sims and Suffredin (17)

Respectfully submitted,



Chairman



Secretary

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