

**JOURNAL OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF COOK COUNTY**

**County Board Room, County Building**

**Board Meeting of  
Tuesday, February 18, 2014, 10:00 A.M.**



TONI PRECKWINKLE, PRESIDENT

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ROBERT B. STEELE  
LARRY SUFFREDIN  
JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI

**MATTHEW B. DeLEON  
SECRETARY TO THE BOARD**

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**OFFICIAL RECORD**

President Preckwinkle in the Chair.

**CALL TO ORDER**

At 10:00 A.M., being the hour appointed for the meeting, the President called the Board to order.

**QUORUM**

Secretary to the Board, Matthew B. DeLeon called the roll of members and there was found to be a quorum present.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Commissioners Butler, Daley, Fritchey, Gainer, Garcia, Gorman, Goslin, Moore, Reyes, Schneider, Silvestri, Sims, Steele, and Suffredin (14)

Absent: Commissioners Collins, Murphy, and Tobolski (3)

Also Present: President Preckwinkle;

**INVOCATION**

Pastor Albert D Tyson III, from the Saint Stephen African Methodist Episcopal Church, gave the invocation.

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

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

1. George Blakemore, Concerned Citizen

**FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT OF COOK COUNTY**

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

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**14-0098**

**Sponsored by:** TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board of Commissioner and JERRY BUTLER, EARLEAN COLLINS, JOHN P. DALEY, JOHN A. FRITCHEY, BRIDGET GAINER, JESÚS G. GARCÍA, ELIZABETH “LIZ” DOODY GORMAN, GREGG GOSLIN, JOAN PATRICIA MURPHY, EDWIN REYES, PETER N. SILVESTRI, DEBORAH SIMS, STANLEY MOORE, ROBERT B. STEELE, LARRY SUFFREDIN AND JEFFREY R. TOBOLSKI, Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board of Commissioners

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

**RECOGNIZING ELK GROVE HIGH SCHOOL AP ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE CLASS**

**WHEREAS,** the Elk Grove High School AP Environmental Science class has completed an in depth study of the water quality in Busse Woods; and

**WHEREAS,** the AP Environmental Science class consists of 48 junior and senior students who elected to take the course; and

**WHEREAS,** the tests were conducted in Busse Woods at both Busse Lake and Salt Creek in September 2013; and

**WHEREAS,** the students used the Water Quality Index test which are typically used by professionals in the field of environmental science;

**WHEREAS,** the tests are used to measure the water quality and identify any problems in the water supply; and

**WHEREAS,** the results showed that the water quality was average, showing no indications of any problems in the water quality; and

**WHEREAS,** the students worked to compile into a detailed lab report which they would like to turn over to the Cook County Forest Preserve District.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, the Board of Commissioners of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County would like to recognize and congratulate the AP Environmental Science Class form Elk Grove Village High School and its study and report of the water quality in the Cook County Forest Preserve District; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this resolution is presented to the students from the Elk Grove High School AP Environmental Science class.

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**A motion was made by Commissioner Goslin, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that this Consent Calendar Resolution be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Ayes:** 14 - Commissioner Butler, Commissioner Daley, Commissioner Fritchey, Commissioner Gainer, Commissioner Garcia, Commissioner Doody Gorman, Commissioner Goslin, Commissioner Moore, Commissioner Reyes, Commissioner Schneider, Commissioner Silvestri, Commissioner Sims, Commissioner Steele and Commissioner Suffredin

**Absent:** 3 - Commissioner Collins, Commissioner Murphy and Commissioner Tobolski

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**PRESIDENT**

**14-0087**

**Sponsored by:** TONI PRECKWINKLE, President, Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board

**PROPOSED ORDINANCE**

**ORDINANCE FOR THE LEVY OF TAXES FOR THE YEAR 2014**

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Board of Commissioners of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County:

**Section 1.** That this Ordinance is and the same is hereby termed the “Ordinance for the Levy of Taxes for the Year 2014.”

**Section 2.** That the Committee on Finance of the Board of Commissioners of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County Illinois, has considered the subject of the Annual Tax Levy for the year 2014, and the several sums necessary to be levied to meet the needs and requirements of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County for said year and has recommended that this ordinance for the levy of taxes be adopted.

**Section 3.** That the Commissioners of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County heretofore having approved and adopted the Annual Appropriation Ordinance for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County for the year commencing January 1, 2014, at its meeting held December 3, 2013, which ordinance was published by authority of said Board as provided by law, and which portion of said Appropriation Ordinance pertaining to Fund and Departmental Appropriations, together with marginal columns captioned “ Payable from the Tax Levy” and “Payable from sources other than the Tax Levy” where applicable, is hereinafter set forth.

**Section 4.** That the sum of Eighty-Six Million, Five Hundred Eight Thousand, Five Hundred Seventy Three Dollars and No Cents (\$86,508,573), being the sum of Appropriations heretofore legally made which are to be paid from the collection of the Annual Tax Levy of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County, Illinois for the Levy Year 2014 A.D. for the corporate purposes, for the construction of improvements and development of the forests and lands, for real estate acquisition, for payment for principal and interest on bonded debt, for payment for contributions to Employees' Annuity and Benefit Fund, and for the payment of amounts to the Chicago Zoological Society and the Chicago Horticultural Society, all as adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County at its meeting held December 3, 2013 and published by the authority of said Board according to law, is hereby levied on all the taxable property within said Forest Preserve District of Cook County, Illinois for the Levy Year 2014 being composed of the specific amounts for the various purposes herein before named.

**Forest Preserve District of Cook County, Illinois**

**ANNUAL TAX LEVY ORDINANCE FOR THE YEAR COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2014**

**SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS AND SOURCES THEREOF ALL FUNDS**

	<b>Amount of Appropriation</b>	<b>Payable From the Tax Levy</b>	<b>Payable From Sources Other Than Tax Levy</b>
Corporate	57,577,147	47,809,540	9,767,607
Self-Insurance	3,000,000		3,000,000
Const. & Development	2,913,540	3,000,000	(86,460)
Capital Improvements	4,000,000		4,000,000
Bond & Interest	19,932,213	15,935,863	3,996,350
PPRT Bond & Interest Abatement	(3,996,350)	(3,996,350)	
Bond & Interest Abatement	(3,312,489)	(3,312,489)	
Empl. Annuity & Benefit	3,154,808	2,839,012	315,796
Zoological	64,206,586	14,884,927	49,321,659
Botanic Garden	31,590,461	9,348,070	22,242,391
<b>Total</b>	<b>179,065,916</b>	<b>86,508,573</b>	<b>92,557,343</b>

**Section 5.** This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

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

**Aye:** 13 - Commissioner Butler, Commissioner Daley, Commissioner Gainer, Commissioner Garcia, Commissioner Doody Gorman, Commissioner Goslin, Commissioner Moore, Commissioner Reyes, Commissioner Schneider, Commissioner Silvestri, Commissioner Sims, Commissioner Steele and Commissioner Suffredin

**Absent:** 4 - Commissioner Collins, Commissioner Fritchey, Commissioner Murphy and Commissioner Tobolski

**A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that this Ordinance be motion to reconsider. The motion failed by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 13 - Commissioner Butler, Commissioner Daley, Commissioner Gainer, Commissioner Garcia, Commissioner Doody Gorman, Commissioner Goslin, Commissioner Moore, Commissioner Reyes, Commissioner Schneider, Commissioner Silvestri, Commissioner Sims, Commissioner Steele and Commissioner Suffredin

**Absent:** 4 - Commissioner Collins, Commissioner Fritchey, Commissioner Murphy and Commissioner Tobolski

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**14-0091**

**Sponsored by:** TONI PRECKWINKLE, President, Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

**IN ADOPTION OF THE NEXT CENTURY CONSERVATION PLAN**

**WHEREAS**, one hundred years ago, visionary leaders had the foresight to create the Forest Preserve District of Cook County (hereafter the “Preserves”) in 1914 with the mission”...to acquire...and hold lands containing one or more natural forests” for the purpose of restoring and preserving these lands and for the education and recreation of the public; and

**WHEREAS**, in recognition of the need to refresh the 100-year old vision in honor of the Preserves’ centennial anniversary, a blue-ribbon commission of civic leaders was appointed to develop the Next Century Conservation Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the Preserves are one of the most important assets of Cook County and ensuring that they thrive in the coming century is critical to the success of our entire region; and

**WHEREAS**, the Next Century Plan Commission was assisted by Metropolis Strategies and Openlands, and working closely with, key stakeholders, content experts, conservation advisors, and Preserves staff, created the Next Century Conservation Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the Next Century Conservation Plan’s vision states that the people of Cook County will celebrate and nurture our thriving woodlands, prairies and waters as world-class treasures that sustain our great metropolis; and

**WHEREAS**, the Next Century Conservation Plan sets goals and priorities to be implemented over the next 25-years; and

**WHEREAS**, the Next Century Conservation Plan calls for transforming the Preserves to places that foster a variety of plants, animals, and habitats and welcome diverse people; and

**WHEREAS**, the benefits of implementing the Next Century Conservation Plan include a healthy, diverse and beautiful natural environment; cleaner air and water; opportunities for nature-related businesses, jobs and tourism; healthy and active communities; educational enrichment and research opportunities, and an enhanced quality of life for everyone in Cook County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners will have the continued support and advice of conservation experts to advance the goals and priorities outlined in the Next Century Conservation Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, in 25 years, because of the successful implementation of the Next Century Conservation Plan, the Preserves will be home to thousands of acres of healthy woodlands, wetlands, and prairies filled with thriving native plants and animals; and

**WHEREAS**, millions of people will enjoy the many recreational and educational opportunities the Preserves offer and will reflect the diverse population of Cook County; and

**WHEREAS**, Cook County communities will prosper from the economic benefits the Preserves provide; and

**WHEREAS**, visionary and innovative leadership will successfully manage one of the world’s largest and healthiest metropolitan nature preserves.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the President and the Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board of Commissioners do hereby adopt the Next Century Conservation Plan.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the President and Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board of Commissioners extend their appreciation and thanks to Next Century Plan Commission co-chairs John McCarter, Wendy Paulson, Arthur Velasquez and Eric Whitaker, the Commission members, and to Metropolis Strategies and Openlands for their contributions to the plan

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**A motion was made by Commissioner Goslin, seconded by Commissioner Steele, that this Resolution be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 14 - Commissioner Butler, Commissioner Daley, Commissioner Fritchey, Commissioner Gainer, Commissioner Garcia, Commissioner Doody Gorman, Commissioner Goslin, Commissioner Moore, Commissioner Reyes, Commissioner Schneider, Commissioner Silvestri, Commissioner Sims, Commissioner Steele and Commissioner Suffredin

**Absent:** 3 - Commissioner Collins, Commissioner Murphy and Commissioner Tobolski

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**COMMISSIONERS**

**14-0099**

**Presented by:** TIMOTHY O. SCHNEIDER, Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board of Commissioner

**REPORT**

**Department:** Commissioner Timothy O. Schneider

**Request:** Receive and File

**Report Title:** Water Quality Index Report



**Report Period:** One time report

**Summary:** Busse Lake and Salt Creek Water Quality

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**A motion was made by Commissioner Schneider, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that this Report be received and filed. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 14 - Commissioner Butler, Commissioner Daley, Commissioner Fritchey, Commissioner Gainer, Commissioner Garcia, Commissioner Doody Gorman, Commissioner Goslin, Commissioner Moore, Commissioner Reyes, Commissioner Schneider, Commissioner Silvestri, Commissioner Sims, Commissioner Steele and Commissioner Suffredin

**Absent:** 3 - Commissioner Collins, Commissioner Murphy and Commissioner Tobolski

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**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Forest Preserve District of Cook County**

**Report of the Finance Committee**

**Tuesday, February 18, 2014      10:00 AM      Cook County Building, Board Room 569  
118 North Clark Street, Chicago, IL 60602**

**SECTION 1**

**ATTENDANCE**

**Present:** Chairman Goslin, Vice Chair Steele, Commissioners Butler, Daley, Fritchey, Garcia, Gorman, Moore, Reyes, Schneider, Silvestri, Sims and Suffredin (13)

**Absent:** Commissioner Collins, Gainer, Murphy and Tolbolski (4)

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

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

1. George Blakemore, Concerned Citizen

**14-0112**

**COMMITTEE REPORT**

Committee Name: Finance Subcommittee on Litigation

Committee Date: 1/14/2014

Proposed Settlements Approved Fiscal Year 2014 to Present:

\$3,852.96

Proposed Settlements to be Approved:

\$0.00

Legal Fees Approved Fiscal Year 2014 to Present:

\$14,257.65

Legal Fees for 1/14/2014 to be Approved:

\$106,439.41

**\*For details on payment approvals by the Litigation Subcommittee, refer to the Litigation Subcommittee Report for 1/14/2014.**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Silvestri, seconded by Commissioner Schneider, that this Committee Report be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** Chairman Goslin, Vice Chair Steele, Commissioners Butler, Daley, Fritchey, Garcia, Gorman, Moore, Reyes, Schneider, Silvestri, Sims and Suffredin (13)

**Absent:** Commissioners Collins, Gainer, Murphy and Tobolski (4)

**14-0113**

**COMMITTEE REPORT**

Committee Name: Finance Subcommittee on Workers' Compensation

Committee Date: 2/18/2014

Workers' Compensation Claims Approved Fiscal Year 2014 to Present:

(\$25,000.00)\*

Workers' Compensation Claims To Be Approved:

\$6,617.87

**\*Lien Recovery**

**\*For details on payment approvals by the Workers' Compensation Subcommittee, refer to the Workers' Compensation Subcommittee Report for 2/18/2014**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Schneider, seconded by Commissioner Reyes, that this Committee Report be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** Chairman Goslin, Vice Chair Steele, Commissioners Butler, Daley, Fritchey, Garcia, Gorman, Moore, Reyes, Schneider, Silvestri, Sims and Suffredin (13)

**Absent:** Commissioners Collins, Gainer, Murphy and Tobolski (4)

14-0089

REPORT

Department: Finance & Administration

Request: Finance Committee Receive and File

Report Title: Revenue and Expense Report

Report Period: Forest Preserve District of Cook County Corporate Fund Analysis of Revenue and Expense as of 12/31/2013

Summary: Attachment

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Steele, seconded by Commissioner Reyes, that this Report be received and filed as Amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Chairman Goslin, Vice Chair Steele, Commissioners Butler, Daley, Fritchey, Garcia, Gorman, Moore, Reyes, Schneider, Silvestri, Sims and Suffredin (13)

Absent: Commissioners Collins, Gainer, Murphy and Tobolski (4)

ADJOURNMENT

Vice-Chairman Steele moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Reyes. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned.

SECTION 2

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

File Id Number 14-0112.....Recommended for Approval
File Id Number 14-0113.....Recommended for Approval
File Id Number 14-0089.....Recommended for Receiving and Filing as Amended

A motion was made by Commissioner Goslin, seconded by Commissioner Butler, that this Committee Report be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 14 - Commissioner Butler, Commissioner Daley, Commissioner Fritchey, Commissioner Gainer, Commissioner Garcia, Commissioner Doody Gorman, Commissioner Goslin, Commissioner Moore, Commissioner Reyes, Commissioner Schneider, Commissioner Silvestri, Commissioner Sims, Commissioner Steele and Commissioner Suffredin

Absent: 3 - Commissioner Collins, Commissioner Murphy and Commissioner Tobolski

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Report Rules Committee

Tuesday, February 18, 2014

9:45 AM

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

SECTION 1

ATTENDANCE

**Present:** Chairman Suffredin, Vice Chairman Gorman, Commissioners Daley, Fritchey, Schneider, Sims and Steele (7)

**Absent:** Commissioners Gainer and Silvestri (2)

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

The Secretary announced that there were no public speakers.

14-0106

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

SECRETARY TO THE BOARD, Matthew B. DeLeon, presented in printed form a record of the Journal of Proceedings of the regular meeting held on Tuesday, January 14, 2014.

**A motion was made by Vice Chairman Gorman, seconded by Commissioner Daley, that this Journal of Proceedings be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** Chairman Suffredin, Vice Chairman Gorman, Commissioners Daley, Fritchey, Schneider, Sims and Steele (7)

**Absent:** Commissioners Gainer and Silvestri (2)

ADJOURNMENT

**Commissioner Daley moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by. Vice-Chairman Gorman The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned.**

SECTION 2

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

File Id Number 14-0160.....Recommended for Approval

**A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Commissioner Doody Gorman, that this Committee Report be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 14 - Commissioner Butler, Commissioner Daley, Commissioner Fritchey, Commissioner Gainer, Commissioner Garcia, Commissioner Doody Gorman, Commissioner Goslin, Commissioner Moore, Commissioner Reyes, Commissioner Schneider, Commissioner Silvestri, Commissioner Sims, Commissioner Steele and Commissioner Suffredin

**Absent:** 3 - Commissioner Collins, Commissioner Murphy and Commissioner Tobolski

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**Real Estate Committee Report**

*Tuesday, February 18, 2014*

*9:15 AM*

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

**SECTION 1**

**ATTENDANCE**

**Present:** - Vice Chair Gorman, Commissioners Daley, Fritchey, Gainer, García, Goslin, Moore, Reyes, Schneider, Silvestri, Sims, Steele and Suffredin (13)

**Absent:** - Chairman Murphy, Commissioners Butler, Collins and Tolbolski (4)

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

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

- 1. George Blakemore, Concerned Citizen

**A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri to Defer 13REAL0002 to the end of the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** - Vice Chairman Gorman, Commissioners Daley, Fritchey, Gainer, Garcia, Goslin, Moore, Reyes, Schneider, Silvestri, Sims, Steele and Suffredin (13)

**Absent:** - Chairman Murphy, Commissioners Butler, Collins and Tobolski (4)

**13REAL0002**

ARNOLD L. RANDALL, General Superintendent, requesting authorization for the District to grant License Number 1729 to the Village of Morton Grove (Village) for construction, operation and maintenance of a 12-inch water main and a 20-inch water main through Miami Woods from Caldwell Avenue at Main Street to the St. Paul Woods parking area. The area requested for the License is 0.976 acres. The Village indicates that 33 trees will be removed and another 39 trees may be impacted by construction.

Reason: The Village operates and maintains existing 12-inch and 20-inch water mains at this location under License 605 granted by the District in 1965. The existing water mains are deteriorated and need frequent repair. Replacement of the water mains will reduce leakage onto District property and minimize future disruptions for repair.

*Legislative History:* 7/16/13 Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board of Commissioners referred to the Real Estate Committee.

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

**Aye:** - Vice Chairman Gorman, Commissioners Butler, Daley, Fritchey, Gainer, Garcia, Goslin, Moore, Reyes, Schneider, Silvestri, Sims, Steele and Suffredin (13)

**Absent:** - Chairman Murphy, Commissioners Collins and Tobolski (4)

**14-0024**

**EASEMENT REQUEST**

**Request:** Requesting authorization for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County (the “District”) to grant permanent and temporary easements to the Illinois Department of Transportation (“IDOT”) at Algonquin Woods, along the east side of Des Plaines River Road from Touhy Avenue to Oakton Avenue for 0.031 acre or 1,350 square feet of permanent easement and 0.056 acre or 2,439 square feet of temporary easement.

**Reason:** The permanent easement is for construction and maintenance of drainage structures. The temporary easement is for re-grading and reconstruction of driveway entrances. IDOT states that the existing road is severely deteriorated and the project will improve safety and capacity. In addition, raising the road profile will reduce flooding on the road and adjacent properties.

The area for the permanent easement is 0.056 acres. IDOT indicates that no trees are expected to be removed for this project.

**Easement Fee:** \$5,900.00

**Tree Mitigation Fee:** None

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

**District(s):** 17

*Legislative History:* 1/4/14 Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board of Commissioners referred to the Real Estate Committee.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, to accept the substitution for File Id 14-0024. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** - Vice Chair Gorman, Commissioners Daley, Fritchey, Gainer, Garcia, Goslin, Moore, Reyes, Schneider, Silvestri, Sims, Steele and Suffredin (13)

**Absent:** - Chairman Murphy, Commissioners Butler, Collins and Tobolski (4)

**SUBSTITUTE FOR FILE ID 14-0024**

**EASEMENT REQUEST**

**Request:** Requesting authorization for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County (the “District”) to grant permanent and temporary easements to the Illinois Department of Transportation (“IDOT”) at

Algonquin Woods, along the east side of Des Plaines River Road from Touhy Avenue to Oakton Avenue for 0.031 acre or 1,350 ~~358~~ square feet of permanent easement and 0.056 ~~030~~ acre or 2,439 ~~1,311~~ square feet of temporary easement.

**Reason:** The permanent easement is for construction and maintenance of drainage structures. The temporary easement is for re-grading and ~~reconstruction of driveway entrances~~ erosion control on an existing swale. IDOT states that the existing road is severely deteriorated and the project will improve safety and capacity. In addition, raising the road profile will reduce flooding on the road and adjacent properties.

The area for the permanent easement is 0.056 acres. IDOT indicates that no trees are expected to be removed for this project.

**Easement Fee:** \$5,900.00

**Tree Mitigation Fee:** ~~None~~ \$9,688.55

**Concurrence(s):**

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

**District(s):** 17

**A motion was made by Commissioner Silvestri, seconded by Commissioner Daley, that this Easement Request File Id 14-0024 be adopted as amended by substitution. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** - Vice Chair Gorman, Commissioners Daley, Fritchey, Gainer, Garcia, Goslin, Moore, Reyes, Schneider, Silvestri, Sims, Steele and Suffredin (13)

**Absent:** - Chairman Murphy, Commissioners Butler, Collins and Tobolski (4)

**14-0032**

**PROPOSED LICENSE REQUEST**

**Request:** Requesting authorization for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County (“The District”), as Licensor to grant a License the Village of Elmwood Park (“the Village”), Licensee, to locate, operate and maintain a storm sewer outfall structure to the Des Plaines River, a floodwall along Thatcher Avenue, and a floodgate at the entrance to Evans Field as part of a Flood Mitigation Project to reduce flooding of Thatcher Avenue and adjacent neighborhoods. The project will separate the storm water from an existing combined sewer and eliminate the potential for combined sewage to enter District property. The floodwall will allow Thatcher Avenue to remain open during flood events. In addition, the floodgate will automatically close the entrance to Evans Field during flood events. The Village states that the flood stage and duration will not increase due to the floodwall.

The proposed license also is contingent upon the Village’s agreement to acquire (at their appraised value) two small parcels owned by the District that already have been deemed surplus property by the District, thereby relieving the District of the responsibility and expense for maintaining the same.

**Term:** Continuous

**License Fee:** \$11,477.27

**License Application Fee:** \$500.00

**YELAR Fee:** \$3,300.00

Total one-time upfront fee of \$15,277.27 for the term of the License  
(Sec. 5-2A-4 and 5-2B-4)

**Tree Mitigation Fee:** \$13,281.09

**The area of the License is:** 0.174 acre

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

**District(s):** 9

**Legislative History:** 1/14/14 Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board of Commissioners referred to the Real Estate Committee.

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

**Aye:** - Vice Chairman Gorman, Commissioners Daley, Fritchey, Gainer, Garcia, Goslin, Moore, Reyes, Schneider, Silvestri, Sims, Steele and Suffredin (13)

**Absent:** - Chairman Murphy, Commissioners Butler, Collins and Tobolski (4)

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Commissioner Daley moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Vice-Chairman Gorman The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned.**

**SECTION 2**

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

FILE ID 13REAL0002

Recommended for Approval

FILE ID 14-0024

Recommended for Approval as Amended by Substitution

FILE ID 14-0032

Recommended for Approval

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**A motion was made by Commissioner Doody Gorman, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that this Committee Report be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**



**Aye:** 14 - Commissioner Butler, Commissioner Daley, Commissioner Fritchey, Commissioner Gainer, Commissioner Garcia, Commissioner Doody Gorman, Commissioner Goslin, Commissioner Moore, Commissioner Reyes, Commissioner Schneider, Commissioner Silvestri, Commissioner Sims, Commissioner Steele and Commissioner Suffredin

**Absent:** 3 - Commissioner Collins, Commissioner Murphy and Commissioner Tobolski

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**OFFICE OF THE GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT**

**14-0074**

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

**PROPOSED CONTRACT**

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

**Vendor:** Hey & Associates, Volo, Illinois

**Request:** Authorization for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County (the “Preserves”) to enter into and execute a contract for architectural and engineering design services.

**Good(s) or Service(s):** This contract (Task Order) between Hey & Associates, Volo, Illinois, and the Preserves is for architectural & engineering design services to assist the Preserves in the design of certain dam repairs and new canoe launches as part of its landscape and civil engineering program.

**Contract Value:** \$128,525.00

**Contract period:** 2/18/2014 - 8/15/2015 (17 Months from Notice to Proceed)

**Estimated Fiscal Impact:** \$128,525.00

**Accounts:** General Consulting Services Accounts (25-6740, 51-6740, 52-6740 and 60-6740)

**Contract Number(s):** 13-80-02-10D

**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) #13-80-02-10D is for architectural and engineering design, bidding and construction administration for the repair of thirteen (13) dams and four (4) new canoe launches at various locations Districtwide with an estimated construction budget of \$710,000.00.

On 12/5/2012, the Board of Commissioners approved a pre-qualified pool of 85 firms for architectural and engineering design services for the Preserve’s capital improvement programs. A professional services agreement was subsequently executed with each pre-qualified firm which provided for engagement of

services for specific projects via a Task Order. The Preserves issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) on 8/2/2013, to six pre-qualified firms and received proposals from two firms. A selection committee determined that Hey & Associates, Volo, Illinois, and its team of sub-consultants was most qualified to provide design services for the landscape and civil engineering program.

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**A motion was made by Commissioner Goslin, seconded by Commissioner Steele, that this Contract be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 14 - Commissioner Butler, Commissioner Daley, Commissioner Fritchey, Commissioner Gainer, Commissioner Garcia, Commissioner Doody Gorman, Commissioner Goslin, Commissioner Moore, Commissioner Reyes, Commissioner Schneider, Commissioner Silvestri, Commissioner Sims, Commissioner Steele and Commissioner Suffredin

**Absent:** 3 - Commissioner Collins, Commissioner Murphy and Commissioner Tobolski

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**14-0076**

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

**PROPOSED CONTRACT**

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

**Vendor:** Upland Design Ltd., Plainfield, Illinois

**Request:** Authorization for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County (the “Preserves”) to enter into and execute a contract for architectural and engineering design services.

**Good(s) or Service(s):** Design, bidding and construction administration for the paved loop trail identified in the master planning of Miller Meadow.

**Contract Value:** \$30,449.00

**Contract period:** 2/18/2014 -8/15/2015 (17 Months from Notice to Proceed)

**Estimated Fiscal Impact:** \$30,449.00

**Accounts:** General Consulting Services Accounts - (25-6740, 51-6740, 52-6740 & 60-6740) and Miller Meadow account # 10-5820.

**Contract Number(s):** 13-80-02-06Db

**Concurrences:**

The Chief Attorney and Chief Financial Officer 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) #13-80-02-06Db is for architectural and engineering design services for the Preserve’s landscape and civil engineering capital improvement program. The project scope includes design, bidding and construction administration for the paved loop trail identified in the master plan for Miller Meadow. The estimated construction budget is \$560,000.00.

On 12/5/2012, the Board of Commissioners approved a pre-qualified pool of 85 firms for architectural & engineering design services for the Preserve’s capital improvement programs. A professional services agreement was subsequently executed with each pre-qualified firm which provided for engagement of services for specific projects via a Task Order. A Task Order (#13-80-02-06D) was previously issued to Upland Design Ltd. on 5/1/2013, in the amount of \$99,866.00 for master plans or design of improvements at Thatcher Woods, Trailside Museum, GHQ, and Miller Meadow. A Task Order (#13-80-02-06Da) was previously issued to Upland Design Ltd. on 11/12/2013 in the amount of \$83,360.00 for design, bidding and construction administration of improvements at Thatcher Woods, Trailside Museum, GHQ, and Miller Meadow. The Preserves now desires to issue a new Task Order to Upland Design Ltd for up to \$30,449.00. This new Task Order requires Board approval as the total combined award equals \$231,675.00.

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**A motion was made by Commissioner Goslin, seconded by Commissioner Steele, that this Contract be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 14 - Commissioner Butler, Commissioner Daley, Commissioner Fritchey, Commissioner Gainer, Commissioner Garcia, Commissioner Doody Gorman, Commissioner Goslin, Commissioner Moore, Commissioner Reyes, Commissioner Schneider, Commissioner Silvestri, Commissioner Sims, Commissioner Steele and Commissioner Suffredin

**Absent:** 3 - Commissioner Collins, Commissioner Murphy and Commissioner Tobolski

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**14-0078**

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

**PROPOSED CONTRACT**

**Department(s):** Resource Management

**Vendor:** Audubon Chicago Region, Evanston, Illinois

**Request:** Authorization for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County (the “Preserves”) to enter into and execute

**Good(s) or Service(s):** Internship program focused on ecological restoration throughout the Preserves. The internship provides hands-on experience in the fields of ecological restoration and forestry.

**Contract Value:** Not to exceed \$900,000.00 over three years

**Contract period:** Date of execution to 12/31/2016

**Estimated Fiscal Impact:** Not to exceed \$300,000.00 per year

**Accounts:** Intern Programs 09-6758, Habitat Restoration 09-6750

**Contract Number(s):** 13-31-118

**Concurrences:**

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

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

**Summary:** Contract 13-31-118 consists of an internship program focused on ecological restoration throughout the Preserves. The Preserve received nine (9) proposals for this project Audubon Chicago Region and their team, including Citizens for Conservation, was determined to have submitted one of the most responsive and responsible proposals submitted.

The Preserves assembled a review panel which consisted of various Preserve staff that considered Audubon Chicago Regions’ proposal one of the most responsive including particular strengths in experience, expertise and performance capacity as it relates to the work as requested in the proposal. The internship will provide support to the Volunteer Stewardship Program through implementation of ecological restoration at the many stewardship sites throughout the Preserve’s holdings. Additionally, the interns will work directly with Preserve Resource Management and Trails crews to provide further experience in forestry work and prescribed fire.

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**A motion was made by Commissioner Goslin, seconded by Commissioner Steele, that this Contract be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 14 - Commissioner Butler, Commissioner Daley, Commissioner Fritchey, Commissioner Gainer, Commissioner Garcia, Commissioner Doody Gorman, Commissioner Goslin, Commissioner Moore, Commissioner Reyes, Commissioner Schneider, Commissioner Silvestri, Commissioner Sims, Commissioner Steele and Commissioner Suffredin

**Absent:** 3 - Commissioner Collins, Commissioner Murphy and Commissioner Tobolski

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**14-0079**

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

**PROPOSED CONTRACT**

**Department(s):** Resource Management

**Vendor:** City of Chicago, Department of Transportation, Chicago, Illinois

**Request:** Authorization for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County (the “Preserves”) to enter into and execute

**Good(s) or Service(s):** Green industry job training program, GreenCorps Chicago, focused on ecological restoration and forestry work.

**Contract Value:** Not to exceed \$1,200,000.00 over three years

**Contract period:** Date of execution to 12/31/2017

**Estimated Fiscal Impact:** Not to exceed \$400,000.00 in a fiscal year

**Accounts:** Intern Program 09-6758, Habitat Restoration 09-6750

**Contract Number(s):** 13-31-118

**Concurrences:**

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

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

**Summary:** Contract 13-31-118 consists of a green industry jobs training program called GreenCorps Chicago. The Preserve received nine (9) proposals for this project. Audubon Chicago Region and their team, including Citizens for Conservation, was determined to have submitted one of the most responsive and responsible proposals submitted.

The Preserves assembled a review panel which consisted of various Preserve staff that considered the City of Chicago, Department of Transportation’s proposal one of the most responsive including particular strengths in experience, expertise and performance capacity as it relates to the work as requested in the proposal. GreenCorps Chicago provides re-entry opportunities and skills to unemployed individuals in landscaping, horticulture, tree care, ecological restoration and prescribed burning. GreenCorps Chicago will undertake assigned ecological restoration and habitat enhancement projects. Additionally, GreenCorps Chicago will work directly with Preserve Resource Management and Trails crews to provide further experience in forestry work and prescribed fire

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**A motion was made by Commissioner Goslin, seconded by Commissioner Steele, that this Contract be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 14 - Commissioner Butler, Commissioner Daley, Commissioner Fritchey, Commissioner Gainer, Commissioner Garcia, Commissioner Doody Gorman, Commissioner Goslin, Commissioner Moore, Commissioner Reyes, Commissioner Schneider, Commissioner Silvestri, Commissioner Sims, Commissioner Steele and Commissioner Suffredin

**Absent:** 3 - Commissioner Collins, Commissioner Murphy and Commissioner Tobolski

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**14-0080**

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

**PROPOSED CONTRACT**

**Department(s):** Resource Management

**Vendor:** Friends of the Forest Preserves, Chicago, Illinois

**Request:** Authorization for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County (the “Preserves”) to enter into and execute

**Good(s) or Service(s):** The Chicago Conservation Leadership Corps internship program will engage high school students and adult leaders in hands-on ecological restoration work at sites throughout the Preserves

**Contract Value:** Not to exceed \$900,000.00 over three years

**Contract period:** Date of execution to 12/31/2016

**Estimated Fiscal Impact:** Not to exceed \$300,000.00 in a calendar year

**Accounts:** Interns Programs 09-6758, Habitat Restoration 09-6750

**Contract Number(s):** 13-31-118

**Concurrences:**

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

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

**Summary:** Contract 13-31-118 consists of an internship program focused on ecological restoration throughout the Preserves. The Preserve received nine (9) proposals for this project. Friends of the Forest Preserves and their team, including the Student Conservation Association, was determined to have submitted one of the most responsive and responsible proposals submitted.

The Preserves assembled a review panel which consisted of various Preserve staff that considered Friends of the Forest Preserves proposal one of the most responsive including particular strengths in experience, expertise and performance capacity as it relates to the work as requested in the proposal. The Chicago Conservation Leadership Corp internship program will engage approximately forty (40) high school students and nine (9) adult leaders in hands-on ecological restoration activities including invasive species control through various removal methods. The program is an intensive six week paid internship over the summer that will promote stewardship of natural lands by the next generation of conservation leaders through ecologically based educational activities, conservation awareness, hands-on restoration and enjoyment of the forest preserves.

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**A motion was made by Commissioner Goslin, seconded by Commissioner Steele, that this Contract be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 14 - Commissioner Butler, Commissioner Daley, Commissioner Fritchey, Commissioner Gainer, Commissioner Garcia, Commissioner Doody Gorman, Commissioner Goslin, Commissioner Moore, Commissioner Reyes, Commissioner Schneider, Commissioner Silvestri, Commissioner Sims, Commissioner Steele and Commissioner Suffredin

**Absent:** 3 - Commissioner Collins, Commissioner Murphy and Commissioner Tobolski

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**14-0088**

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

**REPORT**

**Department:** Finance and Administration

**Request:** Receive and file

**Report Title:** Procurement and Disbursements Report

**Report Period:** 12/1/2013 - 12/31/2013

**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

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**A motion was made by Commissioner Goslin, seconded by Commissioner Steele, that this Report be received and filed. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 14 - Commissioner Butler, Commissioner Daley, Commissioner Fritchey, Commissioner Gainer, Commissioner Garcia, Commissioner Doody Gorman, Commissioner Goslin, Commissioner Moore, Commissioner Reyes, Commissioner Schneider, Commissioner Silvestri, Commissioner Sims, Commissioner Steele and Commissioner Suffredin

**Absent:** 3 - Commissioner Collins, Commissioner Murphy and Commissioner Tobolski

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**14-0092**

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

**PROPOSED CONTRACT AMENDMENT**

**Department(s):** Finance & Administration

**Vendor:** Ralph G. Moore & Associates, Chicago, Illinois

**Request:** Authorization for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County to extend the current contract.

**Good(s) or Service(s):** Development of a Comprehensive MBE/WBE Program

**Original Contract Period:** 9/11/2012 - 9/10/2013

**Proposed Contract Period Extension:** From 11/10/2013 - 7/1/2014

**Total Current Contract Amount Authority:** \$87,500.00

**Original Approval:** 9/11/2012

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

**This Increase Requested:** None

**Estimated Fiscal Impact:** N/A

**Accounts:** Contractual Services 01-6200

**Contract Number(s):** 12-20-110

**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:** This item provides for additional time necessary to finalize the development and implementation of a comprehensive strategy, including but not limited to policies and procedures, to increase MBE/WBE utilization in all feasible contracts.

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**A motion was made by Commissioner Goslin, seconded by Commissioner Steele, that this Contract Amendment be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 14 - Commissioner Butler, Commissioner Daley, Commissioner Fritchey, Commissioner Gainer, Commissioner Garcia, Commissioner Doody Gorman, Commissioner Goslin, Commissioner Moore, Commissioner Reyes, Commissioner Schneider, Commissioner Silvestri, Commissioner Sims, Commissioner Steele and Commissioner Suffredin

**Absent:** 3 - Commissioner Collins, Commissioner Murphy and Commissioner Tobolski

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**14-0093**

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

**PROPOSED CONTRACT AMENDMENT**

**Department(s):** Finance & Administration

**Vendor:** Harris Computer Systems, Libertyville, Illinois

**Request:** Authorization for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County to extend this contract.

**Good(s) or Service(s):** Municipal and financial software upgrades

**Original Contract Period:** 7/11/2012 - 6/30/2013

**Proposed Contract Period Extension:** From 8/30/2013 - 9/30/2015

**Total Current Contract Amount Authority:** \$100,000.00



**Original Approval:** 7/11/2012

**Previous Increase(s):** 4/29/2013, \$10,000.00

**This Increase Requested:** \$60,000.00

**Estimated Fiscal Impact:** FY 2014 \$35,000.00, FY 2015, \$25,000.00

**Accounts:** Other Professional Services 01-6217

**Contract Number(s):** 13-20-2001

**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:** This contract increase and extension provides for Phase 2 which includes completing the software upgrade and implementation of the remaining necessary modules, training and licenses fees that were initiated in 2012.

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**A motion was made by Commissioner Goslin, seconded by Commissioner Steele, that this Contract Amendment be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 14 - Commissioner Butler, Commissioner Daley, Commissioner Fritchey, Commissioner Gainer, Commissioner Garcia, Commissioner Doody Gorman, Commissioner Goslin, Commissioner Moore, Commissioner Reyes, Commissioner Schneider, Commissioner Silvestri, Commissioner Sims, Commissioner Steele and Commissioner Suffredin

**Absent:** 3 - Commissioner Collins, Commissioner Murphy and Commissioner Tobolski

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**14-0097**

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

**PROPOSED CONTRACT AMENDMENT**

**Department(s):** Permits, Concessions & Volunteer Resources

**Vendor:** Clarity Partners, LLC, Chicago, Illinois

**Request:** Authorization for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County to extend and increase this contract

**Good(s) or Service(s):** Services to facilitate the enhancement of the electronic permitting process.

**Original Contract Period:** 8/13/2013 - 1/31/2014

**Proposed Contract Period Extension:** 2/1/2014 - 12/31/2015

**Total Current Contract Amount Authority:** \$50,000.00

**Original Approval:** 8/13/2013

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

**This Increase Requested:** \$100,000.00

**Estimated Fiscal Impact:** FY 2014 \$60,000.00, FY 2015 \$40,000.00

**Accounts:** Permit Contractual Services 01-6250

**Contract Number(s):** 13-53-404A

**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:** This proposed contract extension is to provide website engineering for Phase 2 of the implementation of online reservations and permitting enhancements.

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**A motion was made by Commissioner Goslin, seconded by Commissioner Steele, that this Contract Amendment be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 14 - Commissioner Butler, Commissioner Daley, Commissioner Fritchey, Commissioner Gainer, Commissioner Garcia, Commissioner Doody Gorman, Commissioner Goslin, Commissioner Moore, Commissioner Reyes, Commissioner Schneider, Commissioner Silvestri, Commissioner Sims, Commissioner Steele and Commissioner Suffredin

**Absent:** 3 - Commissioner Collins, Commissioner Murphy and Commissioner Tobolski

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**14-0104**

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

**PROPOSED SALE OR PURCHASE OF REAL ESTATE**

**Department(s):** Legal

**Other Part(ies):** Village of Elmwood Park, Illinois

**Request:** It is respectfully requested that this proposed sale be approved.

**Description of Real Estate:**

**SURPLUS PARCEL 1**

0.49403 ± acres described as follows:

That part of Lots 10 and 11 in Assessor’s Division of Northeast ¼ of Section 35, Township 40 North, Range 12 East of the Third Principal Meridian, lying northeasterly of Thatcher Road in Cook County, Illinois.

Part of PINs 12-35-200-008-0000 and 12-35-200-009-000

**SURPLUS PARCEL E**

0.350 ± acres described as follows:

That portion of the East ½ of the Southeast ¼ of Section 35, Township 40 North, Range 12 East of the Third Principal Meridian lying northeasterly of the northeasterly right of way line of Thatcher Avenue in Cook County, Illinois.

Part of PIN 12-35-400-003-0000

**Section:** N/A

**Parcel(s):** Surplus Parcel 1 and Surplus Parcel E

**Estimated Fiscal Impact:** \$250,000 in Revenue.

**Accounts:** 06-5500 Anticipated Land Sales/Surplus

**Summary:** The Forest Preserve District of Cook County (the “Forest Preserves”) recently concluded negotiations for the sale of two Surplus Parcels that have been approved for sale by the State Legislature, Surplus Parcel 1, consisting of approximately 0.49403 acres, and Surplus Parcel E, consisting of approximately 0.350 acres (the “Surplus Parcels”). The Surplus Parcels are not contiguous with or connected to any other Preserves property. The Surplus Parcels are in close proximity to each other and are both immediately adjacent to the Oak Park Country Club in River Grove, Illinois.

During the mid-80’s, Preserves staff undertook a comprehensive study of all Preserves holdings, resulting in a list of 30 parcels being considered for disposal. Subsequently, the Preserves sought and obtained permission, on 9/23/1985 via Public Act 84-867, from the State Legislature to offer 27 of the 30 aforementioned parcels for sale, including Surplus Parcel 1, with the monies to accrue to the Preserves’ Real Estate Acquisition Fund. On 8/16/2001, via Public Act 92-0403, the State Legislature authorized the sale of an additional 5 surplus parcels including Surplus Parcel E.

The Village of Elmwood Park (the “Buyer”), has agreed to buy the Surplus Parcels from the Preserves for the sum of TWO HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 00/100 (\$250,000.00). The Preserves has obtained M.A.I. certified appraisals for each of the Surplus Parcels. The purchase price reflects the combined purchase price of the Surplus Parcels and is consistent with the appraisals received for those individual parcels.

District(s): 9

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**A motion was made by Commissioner Doody Gorman, seconded by Commissioner Steele, that this Sale or Purchase of Real Estate be referred to the Real Estate Committee. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 14 - Commissioner Butler, Commissioner Daley, Commissioner Fritchey, Commissioner Gainer, Commissioner Garcia, Commissioner Doody Gorman, Commissioner Goslin, Commissioner Moore, Commissioner Reyes, Commissioner Schneider, Commissioner Silvestri, Commissioner Sims, Commissioner Steele and Commissioner Suffredin

**Absent:** 3 - Commissioner Collins, Commissioner Murphy and Commissioner Tobolski

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**14-0086**

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

**Calendar of Events  
February 2014**

**Wednesday, 2/12, 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.**

**Darwin Days, Trailside Museum, River Forest**

Celebrate Charles Darwin's Birthday! We will be exploring adaptation, fitness, selection and survival through activities and displays.

Drop-in program for all ages; free.

**Saturday and Sunday, 2/15 & 2/16, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

**Surf the White Winter Wave, Sagawau Environmental Learning Center,**

Join us for a Polynesian take on winter. After skiing the “frozen wave,” relax and enjoy surfing videos and live updates on surf conditions from Oahu’s North Shore. Dress Hawaiian and win a prize.

**Saturday, 2/15 - Sunday, 3/16 , 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

**The Orchid Show, Chicago Botanic Garden**

This exquisite exhibition, and the only one of its kind in the Chicago area, showcases more than 10,000 brilliantly beautiful and unusual orchids from around the world.

Admission free.

**Monday, 2/17, 1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.**

**Holiday Program: Wild Dogs, Sand Ridge Nature Center, South Holland**

Learn about the canine cousins of the Forest Preserves. Touch the skins and skulls of foxes, coyotes and even wolves.

**Friday, 2/ 21, 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.**

**Nightlife Winter Hike, River Trail Nature Center, Northbrook**

Join us for a winter night hike to learn about nocturnal animals that live at River Trail. Afterwards, warm up inside with snacks and hot chocolate.

Registration required by February 19; Cost: \$2 /person.

**Sunday, 2/ 23, 1:00 p.m.**

**This Old Birdhouse, Crabtree Nature Center, Barrington**

Prepare for the upcoming nesting season by building a birdhouse. One per family.

Registration required. \$5 per birdhouse.

**Sunday, 2/23, 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.**

**Seed Swap, Chicago Botanic Garden**

Share and swap your saved or extra vegetable, flower, and herb seed packets with other gardeners. Participants will enjoy demonstrations on how to start seeds indoors, test germination, and save seeds.

**Saturday, 3/1, 12:00 - 4:00 p.m.**

**Winter Exploration Day, Dan Ryan Woods Pavilion (Grove 5), 87th & Western, Chicago**

Bring the whole family outside for winter fun! Try a variety of outdoor activities for all ages, including sledding and snowshoes (depending on conditions), fire, nature hikes, crafts, snacks and more

**Saturday, 3/1, 9:30 - 11:00 a.m. or 1:00 - 2:30 p.m.**

**Weekend Family Class: Homemade Ice Cream, Chicago Botanic Garden**

Get an up-close look at one of the world's tiniest seeds from the vanilla orchid, make a batch of ice cream, and pot up a plant that can flavor ice cream.

Registration and fee.

**Thursday, 3/6, 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.**

**S.E.N.I.O.R.S. IN NATURE, Little Red School House, Willow Springs**

Seniors Enjoying Nature Inside/Outside Rain or Shine! Seniors, are you looking for a new way to stay active that involves nature? If so, you are invited to have fun and get some fresh air with friends. Different activities will be featured each week. Seniors 55 years and up

**Saturday, 3/8, 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.**

**One Earth Film Festival: Green Gold**

Cummings Square, 536 N. Harlem, River Forest

The Forest Preserves will host a screening of Green Gold (2012, 53 min), a film about healing large-scale landscapes and with them life, livelihoods, security and the future. For festival details, visit [www.oneearthfilmfest.org](http://www.oneearthfilmfest.org).

**A motion was made by Commissioner Doody Gorman, seconded by Commissioner Goslin, that this Miscellaneous Item of Business be received and filed. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 14 - Commissioner Butler, Commissioner Daley, Commissioner Fritchey, Commissioner Gainer, Commissioner Garcia, Commissioner Doody Gorman, Commissioner Goslin, Commissioner Moore, Commissioner Reyes, Commissioner Schneider, Commissioner Silvestri, Commissioner Sims, Commissioner Steele and Commissioner Suffredin

**Absent:** 3 - Commissioner Collins, Commissioner Murphy and Commissioner Tobolski

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**NEW ITEMS**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Goslin, seconded by Commissioner Steele, that this board meeting was motion to suspend the rules. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 14 - Commissioner Butler, Commissioner Daley, Commissioner Fritchey, Commissioner Gainer, Commissioner Garcia, Commissioner Doody Gorman, Commissioner Goslin, Commissioner Moore, Commissioner Reyes, Commissioner Schneider, Commissioner Silvestri, Commissioner Sims, Commissioner Steele and Commissioner Suffredin.

**Absent:** 3 - Commissioner Collins, Commissioner Murphy and Commissioner Tobolski

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**OFFICE OF THE GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT**

**14-0117**

**REPORT**

**Department:** Finance & Administration

**Request:** referral to the appropriate committee or subcommittee of the Board

**Report Title:** Chicago Botanic Garden MBE/WBE Expenditure Report

**Report Period:** 9/12/2012 - 12/31/2013

**Summary:** Submitting the Chicago Botanic Garden Minority Business Enterprise/Women Business Enterprise Actual Expenditures Report.

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**A motion was made by Commissioner Steele, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that this Report be referred to the Contract Compliance. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 14 - Commissioner Butler, Commissioner Daley, Commissioner Fritchey, Commissioner Gainer, Commissioner Garcia, Commissioner Doody Gorman, Commissioner Goslin, Commissioner Moore, Commissioner Reyes, Commissioner Schneider, Commissioner Silvestri, Commissioner Sims, Commissioner Steele and Commissioner Suffredin

**Absent:** 3 - Commissioner Collins, Commissioner Murphy and Commissioner Tobolski

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**14-0118**

**REPORT**

**Department:** Finance & Administration

**Request:** referral to the appropriate committee or subcommittee of the Board

**Report Title:** Chicago Zoological Society MBE/WBE Expenditures Report

**Report Period:** 9/12/2012 - 12/31/2013

**Summary:** Submitting the Chicago Zoological Society Minority Business Enterprise/Women Business Enterprise Actual Expenditures Report.

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**A motion was made by Commissioner Steele, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that this Report be referred to the Contract Compliance. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 14 - Commissioner Butler, Commissioner Daley, Commissioner Fritchey, Commissioner Gainer, Commissioner Garcia, Commissioner Doody Gorman, Commissioner Goslin, Commissioner Moore, Commissioner Reyes, Commissioner Schneider, Commissioner Silvestri, Commissioner Sims, Commissioner Steele and Commissioner Suffredin

**Absent:** 3 - Commissioner Collins, Commissioner Murphy and Commissioner Tobolski

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**14-0119**

**REPORT**

**Department:** Finance & Administration

**Request:** referral to the appropriate committee or subcommittee of the Board

**Report Title:** Forest Preserve of Cook County MBE/WBE Expenditures Report

**Report Period:** 9/12/2012 - 12/31/2013

**Summary:** Submitting the Forest Preserve District of Cook County Minority Business nterprise/Women Business Enterprise Actual Expenditures Report.

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**A motion was made by Commissioner Steele, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, that this Report be referred to the Contract Compliance. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 14 - Commissioner Butler, Commissioner Daley, Commissioner Fritchey, Commissioner Gainer, Commissioner Garcia, Commissioner Gorman, Commissioner Goslin, Commissioner Moore, Commissioner Reyes, Commissioner Schneider, Commissioner Silvestri, Commissioner Sims, Commissioner Steele and Commissioner Suffredin

**Absent:** 3 - Commissioner Collins, Commissioner Murphy and Commissioner Tobolski

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**14-0120**

**Presented by:** PETER N. SILVESTRI, Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board of Commissioners

**PROPOSED INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT**

**Department:** Forest Preserve District of Cook County

**Other Part(ies):** Forest Preserve District of Cook County and the Village of River Forest, Illinois

**Request:** Refer to the Forest Preserve Committee on Real Estate

**Goods or Services:** After final review and approval as to form of such proposed Intergovernmental Agreement by the Forest Preserve District of Cook County legal department, to allow the Village of River Forest (the "Village") to install, operate, repair, and maintain an automatic traffic law enforcement system.

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

**Agreement Period:** one-time agreement

**Fiscal Impact:** Revenue Generating

**Accounts:** N/A

**Summary:** The Village and the Forest Preserve District of Cook County (the “Preserves”) wish to better ensure the safety of pedestrians walking to and from their parks and headquarters located at Cummings Square, and in the spirit of intergovernmental cooperation, the District desires to grant the Village a revocable license to install, operate, situate, locate, repair, and maintain an automated red light enforcement system (the “System”) on the District’s property located at the northwest corner of Lake and Harlem in River Forest, Illinois. The Village shall be responsible for costs associated with the installation, operation, situation, repair, and maintenance of the System. Pursuant to the proposed Intergovernmental License Agreement, the Preserves also desires to grant the Village a revocable license to install, operate, and maintain utilities necessary for operation of the System.

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**A motion was made by Commissioner Silvestri, seconded by Commissioner Doody Gorman, that this Intergovernmental Agreement be referred to the Real Estate Committee. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 14 - Commissioner Butler, Commissioner Daley, Commissioner Fritchey, Commissioner Gainer, Commissioner Garcia, Commissioner Doody Gorman, Commissioner Goslin, Commissioner Moore, Commissioner Reyes, Commissioner Schneider, Commissioner Silvestri, Commissioner Sims, Commissioner Steele and Commissioner Suffredin

**Absent:** 3 - Commissioner Collins, Commissioner Murphy and Commissioner Tobolski

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**ADJOURNMENT**

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

**by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 14 - Commissioner Butler, Commissioner Daley, Commissioner Fritchey, Commissioner Gainer, Commissioner Garcia, Commissioner Doody Gorman, Commissioner Goslin, Commissioner Moore, Commissioner Reyes, Commissioner Schneider, Commissioner Silvestri, Commissioner Sims, Commissioner Steele and Commissioner Suffredin

**Absent:** 3 - Commissioner Collins, Commissioner Murphy and Commissioner Tobolski