



**FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT OF COOK COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**Cook County Building, Board Room, 118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois  
(Board Room Closed to Public - Meeting Virtual for Public)**

**BOARD AGENDA**

**Tuesday, January 24, 2023, 10:00 AM**

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

Authorization as a virtual public speaker shall only be granted to those individuals who have submitted in writing, their name, email address, phone number, subject matter, and organization (if any) to the Secretary 24 hours in advance of the meeting. Duly authorized virtual public speakers may speak live from the Commissioners reception area at 118 N. Clark Street, 5th Floor, Chicago, IL or be sent a link to

virtually attend the meeting and will be called upon to deliver testimony at a time specified in the meeting agenda.

Authorized public speakers who are not present during the specified time for public testimony will forfeit their allotted time to speak at the meeting. Public testimony must not exceed three minutes; the Secretary will keep track of the time and advise when the time for public testimony has expired. After each speaker has completed their statement, they will be removed from the meeting. Once removed, you will still be able to follow the proceedings for that day at:

<https://www.cookcountyil.gov/service/watch-live-board-proceedings> or in a viewing area at 69 W.Washington Street, 22nd Floor Conference Room B, Chicago, IL. Persons authorized to provide public testimony shall not use vulgar, abusive, or otherwise inappropriate language when addressing the Board; failure to act appropriately; failure to speak to an item that is germane to the meeting, or failure to adhere to the time requirements may result in expulsion from the meeting and/or disqualify the person from providing future testimony. Written comments will not be read aloud at the meeting, but will be posted on the meeting page and made a part of the meeting record.

**PRESIDENT****23-0109**

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

**PROPOSED ORDINANCE****AN ORDINANCE TO CREATE A FOREST PRESERVE NEAR SWEET WOODS**

**AN ORDINANCE CREATING A FOREST PRESERVE** in part of Section 10, Township 35 North, Range 14, East of the Third Principal Meridian, all in Cook County, Illinois near Sweet Woods in District 5.

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County, Illinois (the "District"), pursuant to the statutes in such case made and provided, has from time to time acquired by purchase, condemnation, gift, grant, devise, or otherwise, lands necessary and desirable for District purposes containing one or more natural forests or parts thereof, or lands connecting such forests or parts thereof, or lands capable of being reforested for the purpose of protecting and preserving the flora, fauna, and scenic beauties within the Forest Preserve District of Cook County, Illinois, and to restore, restock, protect, and preserve the natural forests and said lands together with their flora and fauna, as nearly as may be, in their natural state and condition, for the purpose of the education, pleasure, and recreation of

the public; and

**WHEREAS**, the said Board of Commissioners of the District also has acquired in like manner lands for the consolidation of such preserves into unit areas of a size and form convenient and desirable for public use and economical maintenance and improvement, and lands for the purpose of connecting such preserves with forested ways or links in order to increase their accessibility, use, and enjoyment, and lands for improvement by forestation, roads, and pathways, and lands for the purpose of constructing, maintaining, and operating recreational facilities; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners of the District has in a like manner acquired lands along water courses or elsewhere which, in their judgment, were required to control drainage and water conditions and necessary for the preservation of forested areas acquired or to be acquired as preserves and lands for the purpose of extension of roads and forested ways around and by such preserves and for parking space for automobiles and other facilities not requiring forested areas but incidental to the use and protection thereof.

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Board of Commissioners of the District as follows:

Section 1. That a unified Forest Preserve be and the same is hereby created within the District which shall contain and connect lands now owned and lands to be acquired in substantial accordance with the plat now on file in the office of the General Superintendent of the District, which by reference is hereby made a part hereof, and for the purposes of said Forest Preserve and for the carrying out of the statutory purposes more particularly set out in the preamble of this ordinance, it is necessary and desirable for the District to own and it shall acquire property hereinafter described in Section 2 of this ordinance, for the purpose of creating a Forest Preserve and for District uses.

Section 2. That the lands referred to in Section 1 of this ordinance are more particularly described as follows:

19220, 19300, & 19330 South Cottage Grove Avenue, Glenwood, Cook County, Illinois

PARCEL 1:

LOT 1 IN FAIRWAYS OF GLENWOOD, BEING A SUBDIVISION IN PART OF THE EAST HALF OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER AND PART OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 10, TOWNSHIP 35 NORTH, RANGE 14, EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

ALSO,

PARCEL 3:

THE NORTHWEST QUARTER (EXCEPT THE SOUTH 355 FEET OF THE EAST 614 FEET THEROF) AND (EXCEPT FAIRWAY OF GLENWOOD SUBDIVISION) OF THE SOUTHEAST

QUARTER OF SECTION 10, TOWNSHIP 35 NORTH, RANGE 14, EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

ALSO,

PARCEL 4:

THE SOUTH 355 FEET OF THE EAST 614 FEET OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER (EXCEPT FAIRWAYS OF GLENWOOD SUBDIVISION) OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 10, TOWNSHIP 35 NORTH, RANGE 14, EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

PINs: 32-10-400-006-0000, 32-10-400-007-0000, & 32-10-400-008-0000

SAID PARCELS (1, 3, & 4) CONTAINING 4,535,467.2 SQUARE FEET, OR 104.12 ACRES, MORE OR LESS.

19400 & Part of 19330 South Cottage Grove Avenue, Glenwood, Cook County, Illinois

PARCEL 2:

THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER (EXCEPT THE EAST 325 FEET THEREOF) AND (EXCEPT FAIRWAYS OF GLENWOOD SUBDIVISION) OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 10, TOWNSHIP 35 NORTH, RANGE 14, EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

ALSO,

PARCEL 5:

THE NORTHEAST QUARTER (EXCEPT THE SOUTH 475 FEET THEREOF) AND (EXCEPT FAIRWAYS OF GLENWOOD SUBDIVISION) AND EXCEPT ROAD OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 10, TOWNSHIP 35 NORTH, RANGE 14, EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

PINs: 32-10-401-008-0000 & Part of 32-10-401-007-0000

SAID PARCELS (2 & 5) CONTAINING 1,113,785 SQUARE FEET, OR 25.569 ACRES, MORE OR LESS.

Section 3. This ordinance is hereby made and ordained to be severable as to each parcel of land or portion thereof or right of interest in any of the same hereby authorized to be acquired, and failure to acquire any of the said parcels of land described in Section 2 hereof or right of interest in any of the same shall not impair or invalidate the authority by this ordinance granted to hold, own, or acquire any other of said parcels or any right or interest therein, it being the intention of said Board of Commissioners of the District to carry out the general plan provided in this ordinance so far as legally and financially practicable, and to negotiate for purchases, condemn, or otherwise acquire from time to time the several

parcels of land described in Section 2 hereof and all right or interest therein.

Section 4. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

District 5

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

**23-0110**

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

**PROPOSED SALE OR PURCHASE OF REAL ESTATE**

**Department(s):** Legal Department

**Other Part(ies):** The Catholic Bishop of Chicago, an Illinois Corporation Sole (Owner of Record)

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

**Description of Real Estate:** 19220, 19300, & 19330 South Cottage Grove, Glenwood, Cook County, Illinois

**Section:** N/A

**Parcel(s):** 32-10-400-006-0000, 32-10-400-007-0000, & 32-10-400-008-0000

PARCEL 1:

LOT 1 IN FAIRWAYS OF GLENWOOD, BEING A SUBDIVISION IN PART OF THE EAST HALF OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER AND PART OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 10, TOWNSHIP 35 NORTH, RANGE 14, EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

ALSO,

PARCEL 3:

THE NORTHWEST QUARTER (EXCEPT THE SOUTH 355 FEET OF THE EAST 614 FEET THEROF) AND (EXCEPT FAIRWAY OF GLENWOOD SUBDIVISION) OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 10, TOWNSHIP 35 NORTH, RANGE 14, EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

ALSO,

PARCEL 4:

THE SOUTH 355 FEET OF THE EAST 614 FEET OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER (EXCEPT FAIRWAYS OF GLENWOOD SUBDIVISION) OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 10, TOWNSHIP 35 NORTH, RANGE 14, EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

SAID PARCELS CONTAINING 4,535,467.2 SQUARE FEET OR 104.12 ACRES, MORE OR LESS.

**Fiscal Impact:** \$1,040,000.00 purchase price plus closing costs up to \$10,000.00 (up to \$1,050,000.00 in total)

**Accounts:** Real Estate and Land Acquisition Fund 51006.560010; and Grant Fund 51010.560010

**District(s):** 5

**Summary:** The Forest Preserves of Cook County (the “Forest Preserves”) has identified three (3) parcels of land for acquisition that would add to the Forest Preserves’ current holdings near Sweet Woods (the “Property”). The Property, commonly known as 19220, 19300, & 19330 S Cottage Grove Avenue, Glenwood, Cook County, Illinois, consists of approximately 104.12 ± acres. The Property has natural and fallowed land and contains a part of Deer Creek.

Through negotiations, the Owner of Record (the “Seller”), has agreed to sell the Property to the Forest Preserves for the sum of ONE MILLION FORTY THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 00/100 (\$1,040,000.00) plus closing costs up to \$10,000.00 (up to \$1,050,000.00 in total). The purchase price is based upon two (2) M.A.I. appraisals obtained by the Forest Preserves and is subject to the Forest Preserves’ satisfactory completion of its due diligence. The Forest Preserves was awarded a Land and Water Conservation Fund grant for this acquisition and will be reimbursed up to \$280,000.00 of the purchase price.

Permission is now sought, upon satisfactory completion of all due diligence and negotiation of any and all required documentation as determined by the Forest Preserves Legal Department, to effectuate payment in the amount of the purchase price plus closing costs as full compensation for the acquisition of the Property.

This land acquisition advances the goals of the Forest Preserves’ Southeast Cook County Land Acquisition Plan, Next Century Conservation Plan, and Acquisition and Disposition of Land Position Paper.

**23-0111**

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

**PROPOSED SALE OR PURCHASE OF REAL ESTATE**

**Department(s):** Legal Department

**Other Part(ies):** The Catholic Bishop of Chicago, an Illinois Corporation Sole (Owner of Record)

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

**Description of Real Estate:** 19400 & Part of 19330 South Cottage Grove, Glenwood, Cook County, Illinois

**Section:** N/A

**Parcel(s):** 32-10-401-008-0000 & Part of 32-10-401-007-0000

PARCEL 2:

THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER (EXCEPT THE EAST 325 FEET THEREOF) AND (EXCEPT FAIRWAYS OF GLENWOOD SUBDIVISION) OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 10, TOWNSHIP 35 NORTH, RANGE 14, EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

ALSO,

PARCEL 5:

THE NORTHEAST QUARTER (EXCEPT THE SOUTH 475 FEET THEREOF) AND (EXCEPT FAIRWAYS OF GLENWOOD SUBDIVISION) AND EXCEPT ROAD OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 10, TOWNSHIP 35 NORTH, RANGE 14, EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

SAID PARCELS CONTAINING 1,113,785 SQUARE FEET, OR 25.569 ACRES, MORE OR LESS.

**Fiscal Impact:** \$255,000.00 purchase price plus closing costs up to \$10,000.00 (up to \$265,000.00 in total)

**Accounts:** Real Estate and Land Acquisition Fund 51006.560010; and ARPA Fund 51032.560010

**District(s):** 5

**Summary:** The Forest Preserves of Cook County (the "Forest Preserves") has identified two (2) parcels

of land for acquisition that would add to the Forest Preserves' current holdings near Sweet Woods (the "Property"). The Property, commonly known as 19400 & Part of 19330 S Cottage Grove Avenue, Glenwood, Cook County, Illinois, consists of approximately 25.569 ± acres. The Property has natural and fallowed land and contains a part of Third Creek.

Through negotiations, the Owner of Record (the "Seller"), has agreed to sell the Property to the Forest Preserves for the sum of TWO HUNDRED FIFTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 00/100 (\$255,000.00) plus closing costs up to \$10,000.00 (up to \$265,000.00 in total). The purchase price is based upon two (2) M.A.I. appraisals obtained by the Forest Preserves and is subject to the Forest Preserves' satisfactory completion of its due diligence. This acquisition advances the Forest Preserves' Southeast Land Acquisition Plan and 100% of the acquisition, site preparation, and restoration costs will be reimbursed from a \$7 million American Rescue Plan Act grant sub-awarded by Cook County (See Board Item No. 22-0289).

Permission is now sought, upon satisfactory completion of all due diligence and negotiation of any and all required documentation as determined by the Forest Preserves Legal Department, to effectuate payment in the amount of the purchase price plus closing costs as full compensation for the acquisition of the Property.

This land acquisition advances the goals of the Forest Preserves' Southeast Cook County Land Acquisition Plan, Next Century Conservation Plan, and Acquisition and Disposition of Land Position Paper.

### **23-0123**

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

#### **PROPOSED ORDINANCE**

#### **AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF LAND VIA DONATION FROM THE ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CREATING A FOREST PRESERVE NEAR WOLF ROAD PRAIRIE NATURE PRESERVE**

**AN ORDINANCE CREATING A FOREST PRESERVE** in parts of Fractional Section 30, Township 39 North, Range 12 East of the Third Principal Meridian, all in Cook County, Illinois near Wolf Road Prairie Nature Preserve in District 17.

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County, Illinois, pursuant to the statutes in such case made and provided, has from time to time acquired by purchase, condemnation, gift, grant, devise, or otherwise lands necessary and desirable for Forest Preserve purposes containing one or more natural forests or parts thereof, or lands connecting such forests or



parts thereof, or lands capable of being reforested for the purpose of protecting and preserving the flora, fauna, and scenic beauties within the Forest Preserve District of Cook County, Illinois, and to restore, restock, protect, and preserve the natural forests and said lands together with their flora and fauna, as nearly as may be, in their natural state and condition, for the purpose of the education, pleasure, and recreation of the public; and

**WHEREAS**, the said Board of Commissioners of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County, Illinois also has acquired in like manner lands for the consolidation of such preserves into unit areas of a size and form convenient and desirable for public use and economical maintenance and improvement, and lands for the purpose of connecting such preserves with forested ways or links in order to increase their accessibility, use, and enjoyment, and lands for improvement by forestation, roads, and pathways, and lands for the purpose of constructing, maintaining, and operating recreational facilities; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County, Illinois has in a like manner acquired lands along water courses or elsewhere which, in their judgment, were required to control drainage and water conditions and necessary for the preservation of forested areas acquired or to be acquired as preserves and lands for the purpose of extension of roads and forested ways around and by such preserves and for parking space for automobiles and other facilities not requiring forested areas but incidental to the use and protection thereof; and

**WHEREAS**, the lands and premises hereinafter described, all of which are situated within the boundaries of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County, Illinois, are necessary and desirable for the lawful uses and purposes of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County, Illinois, as hereinabove set forth, and also are of the character and nature of the lands which the statutes of the State of Illinois authorizes and empowers it to acquire; and

**WHEREAS**, the Forest Preserve District of Cook County, Illinois recently reached an agreement with the Illinois Department of Natural Resources to acquire five parcels of land located adjacent to Wolf Road Prairie Nature Preserve, consisting of approximately 57 acres ("Property") as described in Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Board of Commissioners of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County, Illinois as follows:

**Section 1.** That a unified Forest Preserve be and the same is hereby created within the Forest Preserve District of Cook County, Illinois ("District"), which shall contain and connect lands now owned and lands to be acquired in substantial accordance with the plat now on file in the office of the General Superintendent of the District, which by reference is hereby made a part hereof, and for the purposes of said Forest Preserve and for the carrying out of the statutory purposes more particularly set out in the

preamble of this Ordinance, it is necessary and desirable for the District to own and it shall acquire property hereinafter described in Exhibit A of this Ordinance, for the purpose of creating a Forest Preserve and for Forest Preserve District uses.

**Section 2.** That the Property referred to in Section 1 of this Ordinance is more particularly described in Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

**Section 3.** The Board hereby determines that the acquisition of the Property from the Illinois Department of Natural Resources is in the public interest. The Board hereby authorizes the acquisition of the Property from the Illinois Department of Natural Resources by quit claim deed, for nominal consideration and closing costs not to exceed TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS and 00/100 CENTS (\$10,000.00), for the public purposes of preserving the existing land in an appropriate manner and as required by applicable laws and protecting and preserving the flora, fauna, and scenic beauties, in accordance with the District's authority. Such acquisition shall be subject only to restrictions, covenants and easements shown of record and shall be "as is" without warranties of any sort.

**Section 4.** The Board hereby authorizes the President or their designee to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the acquisitions described herein in accordance with customary terms and conditions, subject to this Ordinance.

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

**EXHIBIT A**  
**LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

Tract 1

Part of "26th Street and Wolf Road Subdivision", according to the plat thereof, recorded September 30, 1925, as document 9051579, in Book 218 of Plats, Page 8; and part of "31st Street and Wolf Road Subdivision", according to the plat thereof, recorded September 30, 1925, as document 9051580, in Book 218 of Plats, page 7, all in Fractional Section 30, Township 39 North, Range 12 East of the Third Principal Meridian, Cook County, Illinois, described more particularly as follows:

Commencing at the Southeast corner of said Section 30 also being the platted intersection of the centerlines of 31st Street and Wolf Road, thence North 02 degrees 37 minutes 22 seconds West, 664.10 feet along the centerline of Wolf Road to the intersection of the centerline of 30th Street; thence South 88 degrees 04 minutes 58 seconds West along the centerline of 30th Street, 50.00 feet to the West right of way line of Wolf Road, also being the Point of Beginning; thence continuing South 88 degrees 04 minutes 58 seconds West along the centerline of 30th Street, 950.41 feet to the intersection of the centerline of Woodlawn Avenue; thence North 02 degrees

33 minutes 08 seconds West along the centerline of Woodlawn Avenue 663.77 feet to the intersection of the centerline of 29th Street; thence North 88 degrees 03 minutes 53 seconds East along the centerline of 29th Street, 333.17 feet to the intersection of the centerline of Park Avenue; thence North 02 degrees 34 minutes 50 seconds West along the centerline of Park Avenue, 663.88 feet to the intersection of the centerline of 28th Street; thence South 88 degrees 02 minutes 47 seconds West along the centerline of 28th Street, 332.72 feet to the intersection of the centerline of Woodlawn Avenue; thence North 02 degrees 32 minutes 47 seconds West along the centerline of Woodlawn Avenue, 623.77 feet to the South right of way line of Constitution Drive (formerly 26th Street); thence North 88 degrees 01 minutes 41 seconds East along the South right of way line of Constitution Drive (formerly 26th Street), 573.86 feet to the Northwest corner of Lot 2 in Block 2; thence South 02 degree 35 minutes 46 seconds East along the West line of Lot 2 in Block 2 extended, 135.01 feet to the centerline of an alley; thence North 88 degree 01 minutes 41 seconds East along the centerline of an alley, 91.28 feet to the intersection of the centerline of Drake Avenue; thence North 02 degree 35 minutes 46 seconds West along the centerline of Drake Avenue, 135.37 feet to the South right of way line of Constitution Drive (formerly 26th Street); thence North 88 degree 01 minutes 41 seconds East along the South right of way line of Constitution Drive (formerly 26th Street), 282.57 feet to the West right of way line of Wolf Road; thence South 02 degrees 37 minutes 22 seconds East along the West right of way line of Wolf Road, 1952.25 feet to the Point of Beginning.

Tract 2

Part of "31st Street and Wolf Road Subdivision", according to the plat thereof, recorded September 30, 1925, as document 9051580, in Book 218 of Plats, page 7, all in Fractional Section 30, Township 39 North, Range 12 East of the Third Principal Meridian, Cook County, Illinois, described more particularly as follows:

Commencing at the Southeast corner of said Section 30 also being the platted intersection of the centerlines of 31st Street and Wolf Road, thence North along the centerline of Wolf Road to the North right of way line of 31st Street extended easterly; thence West along said North right of way line of 31st Street to the Southeast corner of Lot 24 of Block 8, being the Point of Beginning; thence continuing West along the North right of way line of 31st Street to the Southwest corner of Lot 25 of Block 8; thence North along the West line of Lot 25, Block 8 extended to the centerline of a 20.00 wide alley; thence East along the centerline of said alley to the intersection of the East line of Lot 24 of Block 8 extended; thence South along said East line to the Point of Beginning.

ALSO,

The West half of the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 30, Township 39 North, Range 12 East of the Third Principal Meridian, in Cook County, Illinois.

ALSO,

The South half of the Northeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 30,

Township 39 North, Range 12 East of the Third Principal Meridian, in Cook County, Illinois.

ALSO,

The South half of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 30, Township 39 North, Range 12 East of the Third Principal Meridian, in Cook County, Illinois.

AND,

Tract 1:

The North half of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 30, Township 39 North, Range 12 East of the Third Principal Meridian in Cook County, Illinois.

Tract 2:

Easement for the ingress and egress for the benefit of Tract 1 aforesaid as created by Grant from Joseph C. Steiner and Georgianna Steiner, his wife and Catholic Bishop of Chicago to Albert B. Bunta dated October 11, 1966 and recorded December 21, 1966 as Document 20027273, over and across the West 40.0 feet of the Southwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 30, Township 39 North, Range 12 East of the Third Principal Meridian, lying South of and adjoining above described property and extending South to 31st Street, all in Cook County, Illinois (EXCEPT that part falling in Tract 1 aforesaid).

Subject to: (1) existing public utilities, existing public roads, and any and all reservations, easements, encumbrances, covenants, and restrictions of record; and (2) the express condition that if the real property ceases to be used for public purposes, it shall revert to the State of Illinois, Department of Natural Resources.

PINs: 15-30-419-001-0000, 15-30-400-018-0000, 15-30-400-010-0000, 15-30-400-022-0000, & 15-30-400-023-0000

SAID PARCELS CONTAINING 2,482,920 SQUARE FEET, OR 57.00 ACRES, MORE OR LESS.

[23-0132](#)

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

#### **PROPOSED APPOINTMENT**

**Appointee(s):** Daisy Feidt, Megan Bang, and Ryen Nagle

**Position:** New Conservation and Policy Council members. The Conservation and Policy Council advises

the President, Board of Commissioners and General Superintendent on specific steps to implement the Next Century Conservation Plan, the Forest Preserves of Cook County's ambitious long-range plan to restore our forest preserves to ecological health and ensure that all the residents of Cook County are welcome at the Forest Preserves of Cook County.

**Department/Board/Commission:** Conservation and Policy Council

**Effective date:** 2/7/2023

**Expiration date:** This appointment will remain in effect until 12/31/2025.

**Summary:** The ordinance establishing the Conservation and Policy Council specifies areas of expertise to be considered in appointing individuals to the Council. Such areas of expertise include conservation, ecology, education, outdoor recreation, and other areas as specified in Section 1-18-3 of the Forest Preserves Code of Ordinances.

On December 2, 2022, the Nominating Committee recommended that Daisy Feidt, Megan Bang, and Ryen Nagle be appointed to fill three of the vacancies on the Conservation and Policy Council. As indicated in the profiles below, each candidate would bring to the Council one or more areas of desired expertise. President Preckwinkle supports the committee's recommendation and seeks the Board's advice and consent regarding the proposed appointments.

Daisy Feidt is Executive Vice President of Access Living, Chicago's Center for Independent Living. She has worked at Access Living for 24 years and has held a wide variety of management positions during that time. In her tenure at Access Living, Ms. Feidt has led the organization through multiple organizational restructures, and served as interim President and CEO after the passing of Access Living's founding President and CEO, Marca Bristo. Ms. Feidt has extensive management experience in fundraising, evaluation, and program implementation. Ms. Feidt is an alumna of Leadership Greater Chicago, a prestigious and competitive program that provides community awareness and networking opportunities for leaders in the Chicago community. Ms. Feidt has held a variety of board positions during her career. She is currently on the Executive Committee of Openlands, an organization that protects the natural and open spaces of Northeastern Illinois and the surrounding area. Ms. Feidt is also a Director on the Board of the Illinois Network of Centers for Independent Living, the state association of centers for independent living. Area(s) of expertise: Management, Business; Policy and Planning; Racial Equity, Diversity & Inclusion

Megan Bang (Ojibwe and Italian descent) is a Professor of the Learning Sciences and Psychology at Northwestern University and is currently serving as the Senior Vice President at the Spencer Foundation. Dr. Bang studies dynamics of culture, learning, and development broadly with a specific focus on the

complexities of navigating multiple meaning systems in creating and implementing more effective and just learning environments in science, technology, engineering, arts, and mathematics education. She focuses on reasoning and decision-making about complex socio-ecological systems in ways that intersect with culture, power, and historicity. Central to this work are dimensions of identity, equity and community engagement. She conducts research in both schools and informal settings across the life course. She has taught in and conducted research in teacher education as well as leadership preparation programs. Dr. Bang currently serves on the Board of Science Education at the National Academy of Sciences. She also serves as an executive editor of *Cognition and Instruction* and is on the editorial boards of several other top tiered journals in the field. Area(s) of expertise: Ecology, Education/Interpretation

Dr. Ryen Nagle is Dean of Science, Business & Computer Technology at Moraine Valley Community College. He oversees six academic departments and provides leadership to several grant-funded projects. He has co-chaired a variety of college initiatives, including the Strategic Priority Indicators Team and the Technology Governance Council. His work at Moraine Valley has been recognized by receiving the Innovation of the Year Award and the Vernon O. Crawley Leadership Award. He has additionally received community college leadership awards from the Illinois Council of Community College Administrators, the College of Education at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, and the League for Innovation in the Community College. He has previously served as a member of the Peer Review Corps of the Higher Learning Commission and as a board advisory committee member for Orland School District 135. Area(s) of expertise: Education/Interpretation

**OFFICE OF THE GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT**

**23-0124**

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

**PROPOSED INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT**

**Department:** Department of Law Enforcement

**Other Part(ies):** Village of North Riverside

**Request:** Refer to the Real Estate Committee

**Goods or Services:** The Village of North Riverside is seeking to install, maintain, repair, and operate an automated license plate reader on Forest Preserves of Cook County's property

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

**Agreement Period:** 2/1/2023 - 1/31/2024 with two (2) one-year renewal options subject to the discretion of the General Superintendent

**Fiscal Impact:** N/A

**License Fee:** (waived)

**License Application Fee:** (waived)

**YELAR Fee:** (waived)

**Tree Mitigation Fee:** N/A

**Accounts:** N/A

**District(s):** 16

**Summary:** The Village of North Riverside and the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the "Forest Preserves") wish to improve the law enforcement capabilities, improve public safety of motorists and pedestrians of both the Village of North Riverside and the Forest Preserves by installing an automated license plate reader system ("ALPR system") at Zoo Woods. In the spirit of intergovernmental

cooperation, the Forest Preserves desires to grant the Village a revocable license to install, operate, situate, repair, and maintain an ALPR System on Forest Preserves' property located at just south of 31st Street, and east of S. 1st Avenue. The Village shall be responsible for all costs associated with the installation, operation, situation, repair and maintenance of the ALPR system. The Forest Preserves will have reciprocal access to the ALPR system for law enforcement purposes. Pursuant to the proposed Intergovernmental License Agreement, the Forest Preserves also desires to grant the Village a waiver of associated fees related to the use of Forest Preserves' property. The terms, conditions and procedures of Title 2, Chapter 5 of the Forest Preserves' Code of Ordinances have not been applied to the proposed agreement. Final agreement is subject to legal review and approval.

**23-0016**

**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 Streamwood Park District, Grantee, to locate, operate and maintain a 10-inch water main. The Streamwood Park District needs to access water supply, and in order to do so, the Illinois Department of Public Health requires them to tap off of a loop water main circuit. To create this loop, two subdivisions, one on either side of a Forest Preserves' 33-foot wide strip of land, need to be connected via this water main. This License would encompass that 33-foot part of the Forest Preserves' parcel that the water main would go across to connect it to the main circuit.

**Term:** Ten (10) years

**License Fee:** \$4,600.00

**License Application Fee:** \$500.00

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

**YELAR Fee:** \$6,900.00

Total one-time upfront fee of \$15,000.00 for the term of the License  
(Sec. 5-2A-4 and 5-2B-4)

**Tree Mitigation Fee:** N/A

**The area of the License is:** 0.0114 acre

**Concurrence(s):** The Chief Financial Officer has approved this item. Final license 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 Agreement.

**District(s):** 15

**23-0106**

**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 ComEd, Grantee, to locate, operate and maintain approximately 2,658 linear feet of electric cable in 6-inch conduit primarily within the Central Road right-of-way, on the south side of Central Road, east of Freeman Road in Hoffman Estates. Forest Preserve property extends to the center line of the road, from the south.

**Term:** Ten (10) years

**License Fee:** \$84,206.61

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

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

**YELAR Fee:** \$6,900.00

**Additional Fee to support restoration:** \$3,000.00

Total one-time upfront fee of \$98,606.61 for the term of the License  
(Sec. 5-2A-4 and 5-2B-4)

**Tree Mitigation Fee:** N/A

**The area of the License is:** 0.9153 acre(s)

**Concurrence(s):**

The Chief Financial Officer has approved this item. Final license 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 Agreement.

**District(s):** 15

**23-0116**

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

**PROPOSED CONTRACT**

**Department(s):** Department of Conservation and Experiential Programming

**Vendor:** Alltown Bus Service, LLC, Skokie, Illinois

**Request:** Authorization for the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the "Forest Preserves") to enter into and execute

**Good(s) or Service(s):** Bus Transportation Services

**Contract Value:** Not to exceed \$500,000.00

**Contract Period:** 2/1/2023 - 1/31/2026 with two (2) one-year optional renewals at the discretion of the General Superintendent.

**Estimated Fiscal Impact:** FY 2023 \$100,000.00; FY 2024 \$100,000.00; FY 2025 \$100,000.00; FY 2026 \$100,000.00 (optional); FY 2027 \$100,000.00 (optional)

**Accounts:** Advertising and Promotions 51001.520610; Special or Co-op Programs 51001.521313; Institutional Supplies 51001.530170; Other Supplies 51001.531900; and Grant accounts

**Contract Number(s):** #74000011723 issued under Project #22-35-008321R

**Concurrences:**

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

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

**District(s):** Districtwide

**Summary:** The Departments of Conservation and Experiential Programming and Volunteer Resources unit provides transportation for school groups and community groups to come to the Forest Preserves for

education, recreation, and volunteer programs. In addition, programming needs often require shuttle bus transportation between program sites and parking areas. The Forest Preserves put out an RFP for bus transportation services and received three (3) proposals. The Forest Preserves is proposing contracts with all three (3) vendors (see also Board Item Nos. 23-0135 and 23-0136).

**23-0135**

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

**PROPOSED CONTRACT**

**Department(s):** Department of Conservation and Experiential Programming

**Vendor:** First Student, Naperville, Illinois

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

**Good(s) or Service(s):** Bus Transportation Services

**Contract Value:** Not to exceed \$500,000.00

**Contract Period:** 2/1/2023 - 1/31/2026 with two (2) one-year optional renewals at the discretion of the General Superintendent.

**Estimated Fiscal Impact:** FY 2023 \$100,000.00; FY 2024 \$100,000.00; FY 2025 \$100,000.00; FY 2026 \$100,000.00 (optional); FY 2027 \$100,000.00 (optional)

**Accounts:** Advertising and Promotions 51001.520610; Special or Co-op Programs 51001.521313; Institutional Supplies 51001.530170; Other Supplies 51001.531900; and Grant accounts

**Contract Number(s):** #74000011722 issued under Project #22-35-008321R

**Concurrences:**

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

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

**District(s):** Districtwide

**Summary:** The Conservation and Experiential Programming Department and the Volunteer Resources unit provides transportation for school groups and community groups to come to the Forest Preserves for education, recreation, and volunteer programs. In addition, programming needs often require shuttle bus transportation between program sites and parking areas. The Forest Preserves put out an RFP for bus

transportation services and received three (3) proposals. The Forest Preserves is proposing contracts with all three (3) vendors (see also Board Item Nos. 23-0116 and 23-0136).

**23-0136**

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

**PROPOSED CONTRACT**

**Department(s):** Department of Conservation and Experiential Programming

**Vendor:** North American Central Bus Service, Joliet, Illinois

**Request:** Authorization for the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the "Forest Preserves") to enter into and execute

**Good(s) or Service(s):** Bus Transportation Services

**Contract Value:** Not to exceed \$500,000.00

**Contract Period:** 2/1/2023 - 1/31/2026 with the option for two (2) one-year renewals at the discretion of the General Superintendent.

**Estimated Fiscal Impact:** FY 2023 \$100,000.00; FY 2024 \$100,000.00; FY 2025 \$100,000.00; FY 2026 \$100,000.00 (optional); FY 2027 \$100,000.00 (optional)

**Accounts:** Advertising and Promotions 51001.520610; Special or Co-op Programs 51001.521313; Institutional Supplies 51001.530170; Other Supplies 51001.531900; and Grant accounts

**Contract Number(s):** #74000011724 issued under Project #22-35-008321R

**Concurrences:**

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

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

**District(s):** Districtwide

**Summary:** The Conservation and Experiential Programming Department and the Volunteer Resources unit provides transportation for school groups and community groups to come to the Forest Preserves for education, recreation, and volunteer programs. In addition, programming needs often require shuttle bus transportation between program sites and parking areas. The Forest Preserves put out an RFP for bus transportation services and received three (3) proposals. The Forest Preserves is proposing contracts with all three (3) vendors (see also Board Item Nos. 23-0116 and 23-0135).

**23-0128****Presented by:** ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent**PROPOSED CONTRACT****Department(s):** Department of Conservation and Experiential Programming**Vendor:** CELTS Pool Management, Crestwood, Illinois**Request:** Authorization for the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the "Forest Preserves") to enter into and execute**Good(s) or Service(s):** Aquatic Center Operations and Management Services**Contract Value:** \$3,625,000.00**Contract Period:** 1/25/2023 - 2/1/2026; with two (2) one-year optional renewals at the discretion of the General Superintendent**Estimated Fiscal Impact:** FY 2023 \$675,000.00; FY 2024 \$700,000.00; FY2025 \$725,000.00; FY2026 \$750,000.00 (optional); FY 2027 \$775,000.00 (optional)**Accounts:** Professional Services 51001.520840**Contract Number(s):** #74000011721 issued under Project #22-53-00-7929**Concurrences:** The Chief Financial Officer has approved this item. Final contract is subject to legal review and approval.

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

**District(s):** 4, 10, 16**Summary:** The Forest Preserves put out a request for proposals (RFPs) for management and operations of the three (3) Aquatic Centers from June through September. CELTS Pool Management was selected out of two (2) respondents. The Forest Preserves will pay the management fee plus expenses. The Forest Preserves will receive all revenue from admissions and programming as well as a share of concessions revenue in the form of a set fee and a percentage of sales.

The CELTS management team ran the Forest Preserves Aquatic Centers from 2016 to 2021 as Swim Chicago Southland and understands the operational needs of all three (3) centers.

CELTS best articulated their vision for managing the aquatic centers to meet the needs of the community

and the Forest Preserves, they have the experience necessary to run the point of sales system that is in place and provide the financial and other reports necessary to run the Aquatic Centers. Additionally, CELTS has strategies for hiring a diverse workforce from local communities.

**23-0129**

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

**PROPOSED CONTRACT**

**Department(s):** Department of Conservation and Experiential Programming

**Vendor:** Daylight, L3C, Chicago, Illinois

**Request:** Authorization for the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the "Forest Preserves") to enter into and execute

**Good(s) or Service(s):** Professional services relating to the Department of Conservation and Experiential Programming ("CEP") Vision and Strategic Plan

**Contract Value:** Not to Exceed \$90,000.00

**Contract Period:** 2/1/2023 - 12/31/2023

**Estimated Fiscal Impact:** FY 2023, \$90,000.00

**Accounts:** Professional Services 51001.52083

**Contract Number(s):** #74000011719 issued under Project #23-35-011719

**Concurrences:**

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

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

**District(s):** Districtwide

**Summary:** In 2022, the vendor worked with the CEP team on developing a vision and strategic plan. The vendor was selected out of a competitive RFP process for which there were a total of three (3) respondents. The Forest Preserves now seeks authorization to enter into a new contract with this vendor on a sole source basis to assist with implementing the vision and strategic plan developed last year, including, without limitation, (1) implementing a new departmental mission statement, (2) redefining team leadership and internal processes, and (3) developing more inclusive and detailed external communications. The 2023 work will look to develop external strategic initiatives to move the

department toward more thoughtful growth, with clearly defined goals, unified definitions related to community outreach and engagement, and a forward-thinking plan that leads to better serving the public and connecting more people to nature.

**23-0115**

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

**PROPOSED MISCELLANEOUS ITEM OF BUSINESS**

**Department:** Department of Conservation and Experiential Programming

**Summary:** The Forest Preserves of Cook County (the “Forest Preserves”) requests authorization for the General Superintendent or a designee to have discretionary spending up to \$100,000.00 through the remainder of 2023 to support educational, recreational and community engagement program services with a variety of program partners, including, but not limited to, artists, arts groups, youth development groups, program trainers, curriculum development facilitators, and cultural groups. These program partners would be selected through a variety of processes including the Forest Preserves’ Event and Program Partnership application process. This Event and Program Partnership application is listed on the Forest Preserves’ website on the Doing Business and Partnership page and will be marketed through various Forest Preserves avenues. Program Partnerships may extend into the 2024 fiscal year depending on the program proposal but would not exceed twelve (12) consecutive months. Individual contracts would not exceed \$5,000.00. The program partnerships would be proposed or vetted by the Forest Preserves’ Conservation and Experiential Programming team and selected based on community involvement; ability to provide the service; ability to bring a unique program concept to the Forest Preserves; ability and interest to connect with the Forest Preserves’ mission and vision; ability to serve a community impacted by racial and other inequities; ability to support Forest Preserves’ grant programs; price; and ability to bring a new audience to the Forest Preserves. This program strategy complements the goals of the Next Century Conservation Plan, to connect more people with nature and to make the Forest Preserves more welcoming and accessible. A report on partnership contracts and activities funded through this process in 2022 is attached.

**Programming Good(s) or Service(s):** Programming Partnerships

**Fiscal Impact:** FY 2023 \$90,000.00; FY 2024 \$10,000.00

**Accounts:** Special Events 51001.520635; Supplies and Material 51001.53190; Professional Services 51001.520830 and various other grant funds

**District(s):** Districtwide

23-0122

**Presented by:** ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent**REPORT****Department:** Department of Permits, Rentals and Concessions**Request:** Receive and File**Report Title:** Event and Permit Application Survey**Report Period:** 2022

**Summary:** The Department of Permits, Rentals and Concessions (“PRC”) contracts with a third-party consultant, Penn and Associates, to survey customers who hold picnics or special events in our groves on a weekly basis throughout the summer months. This year, one thousand, one hundred and forty-seven (1,147) patrons completed questionnaires, a 23.5% response rate. Overall, customer satisfaction increased in 2022 compared to a year ago and the results showed continuous month-by-month improvement throughout the 2022 season. PRC, Department of Landscape Maintenance, and Department of Law Enforcement staff who interacted with customers all received extremely high ratings. The full report and presentation include detailed findings. Results of the survey are reviewed by all relevant staff on a weekly basis during the summer months to gauge and improve areas of operations within the Forest Preserves of Cook County.



[23-0006](#)

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

**REPORT**

**Department:** Office of the General Superintendent

**Request:** Refer to Committee on Contract Compliance

**Report Title:** Forest Preserves of Cook County Disparity Study 2022

**Report Period:** Active contracts for the period of 2016 - 2020

**Summary:** Colette Holt & Associates was retained by the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the “Forest Preserves”) in February 2021 (Board Item No. 21-0139) to perform a study of possible disparities on the basis of race and gender to access the Forest Preserves’ prime contracting and associated subcontracting opportunities. The report prepared for the Forest Preserves and hereby submitted to the Forest Preserves of Cook County Board of Commissioners, was based upon procurement data specifically collected and analyzed for the Forest Preserves.

**23-0105**

**Presented by:** MARY MODELSKI, County Auditor

**REPORT**

**Department:** Office of the County Auditor

**Request:** Refer to Audit Committee

**Report Title:** OCA - FPD FY22 4th Quarter Open Recommendations

**Report Period:** 12/30/2022

**Summary:** Status Report on Open Recommendations regarding the Cook County Forest Preserve District

**23-0139**

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

**REPORT**

**Department:** Department of Law Enforcement

**Request:** Refer to Law Enforcement Committee

**Report Title:** Model Policing

**Report Period:** October 2022 through December 2022

**Summary:** Report on the status to achieve the goal of a Model Forest Preserves Police Department

[23-0134](#)

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

**REPORT**

**Department:** Department of Finance and Administration

**Request:** Receive and File

**Report Title:** Procurement and Disbursements Report

**Report Period:** 11/1/2022 - 11/30/2022

**Summary:** Submitting the Procurement and Disbursements Report for the period of November 2022. The report is to be received and filed in compliance with Section 1-8-2 (BB) of the District's Code of Ordinances.

**23-0120**

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

**REPORT**

**Department:** Departments of Legal and Finance

**Request:** Receive and File

**Report Title:** Workers' Compensation Report - November 2022

**Report Period:** 11/1/2022 - 11/30/2022

**Summary:** The Forest Preserves of Cook County Departments of Legal and Finance are submitting Workers' Compensation Claim Payments for the month of November 2022. Payments total \$149,555.67 for November 2022.

**23-0121**

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

#### **PROPOSED CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**Department:** Department of Conservation and Experiential Programming

**Summary:** Forest Preserves of Cook County Calendar: 1/24/2023 - 2/7/2023

Please check the Forest Preserve of Cook County's website for updates and changes.

**Wednesday, 1/25; 11am**

**Walk and Talk, Chicago Portage National Historic Site, Lyons**

Walk and Talk Hikes are for the curious mind who want to know more about the Forest Preserves and natural areas. These hikes will be led at a slower pace with frequent stopping and interpretation. *1 mile. Registration required. Call 312-533-5751.*

**Thursday, 1/26; 6pm**

**Be a Better Birder: Getting Started (Zoom)**

Learn how to build your birding kit, how to get started, and where you can find resources. Great for beginners and those interested in getting into birding. *Registration required.*

**Saturday, 1/28; 10am - 12pm**

**Prehistoric Play Day, Rolling Knolls, Elgin**

Learn about the amazing world of Ice Age Illinois through a series of family-oriented games and activities. *Intended for ages 5-8.*

**Saturday, 1/28; 11am - 2pm**

**All About Fire, Thatcher Woods, River Forest**

Join us for activities related to fire! Learn safe fire building and containment practices, then make your own fire and roast a marshmallow. *Drop-in. All ages.*

**Sunday, 1/29; 1:30pm**

**Groundhog Day, River Trail Nature Center, Northbrook**

Learn the story behind this peculiar holiday.

**Sunday, 1/29; 1pm**

**Headbangers, Crabtree Nature Center, Barrington**

Woodpeckers are the ultimate headbangers and are vital to the health of woodland ecosystems. Learn basic woodpecker species identification and anatomy on this winter bird search.

**Sunday, 1/29; 1pm****Snowshoe Walk, Camp Reinberg, Palatine**

Enjoy the preserves in snowshoes. *Registration required. Snowshoes provided; 4" of snow required. If snowshoeing is not possible, walks and other activities will be offered.*

**Wednesday, 2/1 through Sunday 2/5****Groundhog Week, Sagawau Nature Center, Lemont**

Will Sagawau Sam see his shadow? Ski by our outdoor exhibit to learn about groundhogs and other hibernators. Repeat skiers throughout the week win a prize.

**Friday, 2/3; 3pm - 5pm****Wilderness Survival, Cherry Hill Woods, Palos Park**

This hands-on program demonstrates how to use the natural resources around you.

**Saturday, 2/4; 1:30pm****Live Healthy, Discover Nature! Walk, Sand Ridge Nature Center, South Holland**

Venture out on our scenic trails for a 3 to 4-mile walk led by our nature education staff. *Registration required.*

**Saturday, 2/4; 6pm - 9pm****Sweetheart Night Hike, River Trail Nature Center, Northbrook**

Walk candlelit trails, relax around a campfire, or warm up inside with dinner and drinks. *Registration required. Call River Trail at 847-824-8360. Deadline: 01/30. Ages 21 and up.*

**Saturday, 2/4; 1:30pm****Owls of Trailside, Trailside Museum, River Forest**

Learn about the fascinating owls that call Trailside home and visit one of our ambassador owls! *Registration required. Family program.*

**Sunday, 2/5; 6:30pm****Moon Walk, Little Red Schoolhouse, Willow Springs**

Let the full moon be our guide as we walk in the world's largest Urban Night Sky Place. Warm up by a fire afterwards. *Registration required. All ages.*

**Sunday, 2/5; 1:30pm****Insects in Winter, River Trail Nature Center, Northbrook**

Hunt our trails for the mighty snow flea and learn about winter insects. *All ages.*

**Wednesday, 2/8; 10am - 12pm****Poetry Trail: Black History Month, Bemis Woods-South, Western Springs**

In honor of Black History Month, walk a short, looped trail and read poetry for children written by Black authors along the way. *Grove 7*



**COMMITTEE ITEMS REQUIRING BOARD ACTION**

**RULES COMMITTEE  
MEETING OF JANUARY 24, 2023**

**23-0619 JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS** Special meeting (Tax Levy – 1pm) held on 11/30/2022

**23-0166 JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS** Special meeting (Tax Levy) held on 11/30/2022

**23-0165 JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS** Special meeting (Budget) held on 11/30/2022

**23-0167 JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS** Special meeting (Rules) held on 12/5/2022

**23-0150 JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS** Regular meeting held on 12/13/2022

---

**FINANCE COMMITTEE  
MEETING OF JANUARY 24, 2023**

**23-0004 PROPOSED BID RECOMMENDATION** Department of Planning and Development, Authorization for the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the “Forest Preserves”) to enter into a construction contract with Burling Builders, primary place of business Chicago, Illinois, for improvements at Salt Creek Landscape Maintenance Headquarters located near North Riverside.

**23-0007 PROPOSED BID RECOMMENDATION** Department of Planning and Development, Authorization for the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the” Forest Preserves”) to enter into a construction contract with Berglund Construction Company, primary place of business Chicago, Illinois, for improvements at Forest Preserves central compound located near Forest Park.

**23-0126 RECOMMENDATION OF THE FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEE (LITIGATION)** Finance Subcommittee Meeting on Litigation – 12/13/2022

**23-0127 RECOMMENDATION OF THE FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEE (LITIGATION)** Finance Subcommittee Meeting on Litigation – 1/24/2023

**22-0551 PROPOSED RESOLUTION** Calling for a twelve-week paid paternal leave policy financial impact analysis and report

**23-0133 REPORT** Department of Finance and Administration, Report Title: Corporate Fund Analysis of Revenue and Expenditures, Report Period: 1/1/2022-11/30/2022

---

**CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE  
MEETING OF JANUARY 24, 2023**

**22-0546 REPORT** Department Planning and Development, Report Title: 2023 Update to the 5-Year Capital Improvement Plan, Report Period: Five (5) Years, 2023-2027

—————  
**LABOR COMMITTEE  
MEETING OF JANUARY 24, 2023**

**22-0497 PROPOSED RESOLUTION** Amendments to Collective Bargaining Agreements for Trades  
—————