



**FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT OF  
Cook County Building, Board Room, 118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois**

**BOARD AGENDA**

**Tuesday, October 25, 2016, 10:00 AM**

**PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

Authorization as a public speaker shall only be granted to those individuals who have submitted in writing, their name, address, subject matter, and organization (if any) to the Secretary 24 hours in advance of the meeting. Duly authorized public speakers shall 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 be germane to a specific item(s) on the meeting agenda, and the testimony must not exceed three minutes; the Secretary will keep track of the time and advise when the time for public testimony has expired. 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.

**PRESIDENT****16-0390****Sponsored by:** TONI PRECKWINKLE, Cook County Board of Commissioners**PROPOSED RESOLUTION****ENDORSEMENT OF THE *OUR GREAT RIVERS: A VISION FOR THE CHICAGO, DES PLAINES, AND CALUMET RIVERS***

**WHEREAS,** *Our Great Rivers* is the first unified vision for the Chicago, Des Plaines, and Calumet Rivers in and around Chicago, Illinois; and

**WHEREAS,** the Forest Preserve District of Cook County owns natural areas, and recreational amenities that border the Chicago, Des Plaines and Calumet Rivers; and

**WHEREAS,** *Our Great Rivers* was led by the Metropolitan Planning Council and the City of Chicago Office of the Mayor, in partnership with Friends of the Chicago River, the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning and more than 6,000 area stakeholders; and

**WHEREAS,** the vision includes concrete recommendations and goals to ensure these rivers are productive, living, and inviting spaces for everyone in this region by 2040; and

**WHEREAS,** the vision aims to influence the way citizens think about and experience the rivers by encouraging more jobs along the riverfront, instilling a sense of community pride, promoting a connection with nature, and catalyzing more open space and recreation opportunities; and

**WHEREAS,** *Our Great Rivers* was developed through a consensus-based process involving Chicagoland residents, businesses, non-profit organizations, agencies, and the Great Rivers Chicago Leadership Commission; and

**WHEREAS**, General Superintendent Arnold Randall of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County was a key contributor to the Great Rivers Chicago Leadership Commission, an integral component of *Our Great Rivers* that included business, government, and community leaders; and

**WHEREAS**, *Our Great Rivers* is consistent with the goal of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County to increase connections between people and nature, by building awareness, restoring natural habitats and providing outdoor recreation and environmental education opportunities; and

**WHEREAS**, The Forest Preserve District of Cook County will continue to be an active partner in the implementation of this shared vision for the Chicago, Des Plaines and Calumet Rivers; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that we, the Board of Commissioners of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County, do hereby congratulate the Metropolitan Planning Council on its visionary leadership and collaborative approach to improving our rivers, and enthusiastically endorse the *Our Great Rivers* plan; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this Resolution be added to the permanent Record of Proceedings of the Board of Commissioners of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County, and that a suitable copy of this resolution be presented to the Metropolitan Planning Council, the Friends of the Chicago River, and the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning.

**16-0397**

**Sponsored by:** TONI PRECKWINKLE, Cook County Board of Commissioners

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

**TO APPROVE AND ADOPT IDENTITY PROTECTION POLICY**

**WHEREAS**, due to issues pertaining to identity theft, the Illinois General Assembly passed the Identity Protection Act (5 ILCS 179/1 *et seq.*) in 2010;

**WHEREAS**, the Forest Preserve District of Cook County (the “Forest Preserve”) recognizes that it is important to safeguard social security numbers against unauthorized access and has approved an Identity Protection Policy to comply with the Identity Protection Act;

**WHEREAS**, the Forest Preserve’s Identity Protection Policy does the following: (1) requires that all employees identified as having access to social security numbers in the course of performing their duties be trained to protect the confidentiality of social security numbers; (2) directs that only employees who are required to use or handle information or documents that contain social security numbers have access to such information or documents; (3) requires that social security numbers requested from an individual be provided in a manner that makes the social security number easily redacted if required to be released as part of a public records request; and (4) requires that, when collecting a social security number or upon request by the individual, a statement of the purpose or purposes for which the agency is collecting and using the social security number be provided.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the President and the Board of Commissioners of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County that the Identity Protection Policy is hereby adopted by resolution effective immediately.

**16-0411**

**Sponsored by:** TONI PRECKWINKLE, Cook County Board of Commissioners

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

**TO APPROVE AND ADOPT EMPLOYEE TRAVEL POLICY**

**WHEREAS**, the Forest Preserve District of Cook County (the “Forest Preserve”) recognized the occasional need for employees to travel to various conferences, seminars, meetings, and other work related events;

**WHEREAS**, the Forest Preserve created the Employee Travel Policy to provide guidelines on the following: (1) the types of official business for which travel, meal, and lodging expenses are allowed; and (2) maximum allowable reimbursement for travel, meal, and lodging expenses;

**WHEREAS**, the Forest Preserve created a standardized form for submission of travel, meal, and lodging expenses supported by documentation;

**WHEREAS**, the Employee Travel Policy applies to all Forest Preserve employees;

**WHEREAS**, the Employee Travel Policy is in compliance with the Local Government Travel Expense Control Act, 50 ILCS 150/1 *et seq.* (the “Act”);

**WHEREAS**, under the Act, expenses for travel, meals, and lodging of any officer or employee that exceeds the maximum allowed under the Employee Travel Policy may only be approved by roll call vote at an open meeting of the Forest Preserve’s Board of Commissioners;

**WHEREAS**, under the Act, expenses for travel, meals, and lodging of any member of the Forest Preserve’s Board of Commissioners may only be approved by roll call vote at an open meeting of the Forest Preserve’s Board of Commissioners;

**WHEREAS**, under the Act, the Forest Preserve may not reimburse any commissioner, employee, or officer for any entertainment expense.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, by the President and the Board of Commissioners of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County that the Employee Travel Policy is hereby adopted by resolution effective immediately.

**OFFICE OF THE GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT**

**16-0280**

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

**PROPOSED CONTRACT**

**Department(s):** Facilities and Fleet

**Vendor:** Big Daddy Scrap, Chicago Heights, Illinois

**Request:** Authorization for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County to enter into and execute

**Good(s) or Service(s):** Revenue Generating Scrap and Recycling Vendor

**Contract Value:** Estimated Revenue \$27,000.00

**Contract period:** 36 months from execution, two (2) one (1) year renewal options

**Estimated Fiscal Impact:** Estimated Revenue Gained FY 2016 \$4,000.00; FY 2017 \$9,000.00; FY 2018 \$9,000.00, FY 2019 \$5,000.00

**Accounts:** Miscellaneous Revenue, 01-5515

**Contract Number(s):** Forest Preserve District of Cook County (the "Preserves"), 16-54-113R

**Concurrences:**

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

**District(s):** Districtwide

**Summary:** The Request for Proposal was posted on the Preserves website and received two responses after rebidding. Big Daddy Scrap was selected due to better revenue generation. The Preserves is requesting approval to enter into a contract with Big Daddy Scrap. The Preserves has scrap metal from retired equipment and disposals and through this contract will recycle such metal. This is a benefit to the Preserves because there are companies that pay for scrap metal.

**16-0350**

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

**PROPOSED CONTRACT AMENDMENT**

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

**Vendor:** AGAE Contractors, Inc., Chicago, Illinois

**Request:** Authorization for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County to extend and increase a previously amended Job Order Contract (JOC) contract

**Good(s) or Service(s):** Construction services for life safety, ADA and locker room improvements at the Preserves' Skokie Resource Management Headquarters, Glen Grove Equestrian Center and North Branch Maintenance Headquarters.

**Original Contract Period:** 3/27/2014 - 3/18/2015, Administrative extension (3/19/2015 - 5/18/2015); Board approved extensions (5/19/2015 - 5/18/2016) and (5/19/2016 - 11/15/2016)

**Proposed Contract Period Extension:** Ninety (90) days (11/16/2016 - 2/14/2017)

**Total Current Contract Amount Authority:** \$352,075.92

**Original Approval:** 12/18/2013, \$303,377.00

**Previous Increase(s):** 10/6/2015, \$48,698.92

**This Increase Requested:** \$40,961.75

**Estimated Fiscal Impact:** \$40,961.75

**Accounts:** Building Accounts 25-6710, 26-6710, 52-6710, 54-6710, 55-6710, 56-6710 and 09-6710.

**Contract Number(s):** 13-80-01-G2R1

**Concurrences:**

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

The Vendor has met the Minority and Women Business Enterprise Ordinance Provisions.

**District(s):** 6 and 11

**Summary:** The work is substantially complete except for fire alarm system installations. Design and permitting resulted in a significant increase in the number of fire alarm devices. Additional funding is required to furnish and install fire alarm systems as required by local Fire Prevention Districts. Completion of close-out activities also remains.

**16-0387**

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

**PROPOSED CONTRACT AMENDMENT**

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

**Vendor:** Century Contractors Inc., Bedford Park, Illinois

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

**Good(s) or Service(s):** Construction services for various trail improvements at thirteen (13) locations

**Original Contract Period:** Two hundred and ten (210) days from the issuance of the notice to proceed (4/4/2014 through 11/4/2014); previous board extensions: three hundred sixty five (365) days from (11/5/2014 through 11/4/2015); three hundred sixty five (365) days from (11/5/2015 through 11/4/2016)

**Proposed Contract Period Extension:** Three hundred sixty five (365) day extension from 11/5/2016 - 11/4/2017

**Total Current Contract Amount Authority:** \$536,595.00

**Original Approval:** 3/11/2014, \$536,595.00

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

**This Increase Requested:** N/A

**Estimated Fiscal Impact:** None

**Accounts:** Recreation (Landscape Improvements) Accounts 25-6760, 26-6760, 54-6760, 55-6760, 56-6760 and 09-6760

**Contract Number(s):** 13-80-02-12C1

**Concurrences:**

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

The Vendor has met the Minority and Women Business Enterprise Ordinance Provisions.

**District(s):** Districtwide

**Summary:** A contract extension is required due to the death of the Owner and the contractor going out of business. Approximately 50% of the work has been completed. The contract is being taken over by the contractor's surety and a time extension is needed to complete the remaining work under the contract, as amended. The contractor's surety will bid out this remaining work. The Forest Preserve's usual requirements of contractors will apply (e.g. M/WBE, prevailing wage, etc.). The Forest Preserve will approve the contractor selected by the surety.

16-0347

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

### **PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT**

**Department(s):** Conservation & Experiential Programming

**Other Part(ies):** The Conservation Foundation, McDonald Farm, 10S404 Knock Knolls Rd., Naperville, Illinois

**Request:** Enter into agreement to partner with The Conservation Foundation on the Conservation@Home program

**Good(s) or Service(s):** The Forest Preserves of Cook County (the "Preserves") would like to enter into a long term partnership with The Conservation Foundation on the Conservation@Home Program. Conservation@Home is a program that encourages, celebrates and assists homeowners and gardeners to help them create and maintain eco-friendly gardens and landscapes on their property. The Conservation Foundation will provide technical support, templates, support documents and other resources to aid the Preserves in launching this program for the benefit of residents in Cook County.

**Agreement period:** Ten (10) years from the date of execution.

**Fiscal Impact:** \$1,000.00 onetime fee to The Conservation Foundation

**Accounts:** Advertising and Promotion, 01-6264

**Agreement Number(s):** None

**Summary/Notes:** The Preserves wish to add the Conservation@Home program to the Conservation and Experiential Programming Department's core offerings. The Preserve volunteers who are trained by the University of Illinois Extension program will certify gardens and landscapes in Cook County. The University of Illinois Extension program may also provide additional assistance. The Conservation@Home program offered by the Preserves will encourage gardeners to choose native plants over invasive plants; create habitat for pollinators and native wildlife; practice water conservation, and contribute to the restoration and conservation work of the Preserves. Gardens and landscapes that have been Conservation@Home certified would advance the goals of the Preserves' Next Century Conservation Plan to mobilize people to heal and nurture the land. The Preserves will require a \$50.00 fee from homeowners wishing to certify their gardens; this fee goes towards covering the cost of the sign



and other materials accompanying the certification. The final Conservation@Home agreement will be subject to final review and approval of the Chief Attorney of the Preserves. Volunteers involved in certifying gardens and landscapes will be required to execute liability waivers.

**16-0352**

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

**PROPOSED INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT**

**Department:** Planning and Development

**Other Part(ies):** City of Blue Island, IL

**Request:** Requesting authorization to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Blue Island

**Goods or Services:** After final review and approval as to the form of such proposed intergovernmental agreement by the Forest Preserve's Legal Department, the City of Blue Island and the Forest Preserves plan to enter into such an agreement to share the cost of construction and Phase III engineering for approximately one mile of the Cal Sag Trail including a pedestrian bridge over the Little Calumet River connecting Blue Island and the Forest Preserves.

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

**Agreement Period:** Four (4) years from date of approval

**Fiscal Impact:** \$451,251.00

**Accounts:** Trails 25-6780, 26-6780, 55-6780, 56-6780 and 09-6780

**District(s):** 5

**Summary:** The City of Blue Island and the Forest Preserves wish to enter into an intergovernmental agreement to share the cost of construction and Phase III engineering for approximately one mile of the Cal Sag Trail including a pedestrian bridge over the Little Calumet River connecting Blue Island and the Forest Preserves. The City of Blue Island is the lead agency for this project. The federal government is responsible for eighty percent (80%) of construction and Phase III engineering costs. The City of Blue Island and the Forest Preserves will share the remaining twenty percent (20%) of the construction and Phase III engineering costs. The total project cost is estimated at \$2,800,071.00.

The Forest Preserves' segment, which includes one mile of paved trail and half of the bridge from Little Calumet River to Halsted and 134th Street, is estimated to cost \$1,880,214.00, of which up to 80% or \$1,504,171.00 will be funded via federal Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) funds administered by the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT). The Forest Preserves' 20% share is estimated not to exceed \$376,043.00. To cover unforeseen costs, the City of Blue Island, as the Local Agency, requires

an additional 20% (\$75,208.00) contingency be included in the Forest Preserves' share. The total not to exceed amount attributable to the Forest Preserves for this project is \$451,251 which will be paid by the Forest Preserves in installments as the work on the project is completed.

Under the terms of the agreement, upon transfer of ownership of pedestrian bridge to the Forest Preserves, maintenance and repair responsibilities for the bridge over the Little Calumet River will belong to the Forest Preserves. Under the proposed agreement, the District anticipates that the trail connection will be completed within two (2) years and closeout with four (4) years. Thirteen (13) miles of the twenty-six (26) mile Cal Sag Trail from the Centennial Trail at Route 83 to Cicero Avenue in Alsip has been completed. The remaining thirteen miles of the Cal Sag (East Segment) are anticipated to be built in 2017-2018.

The Forest Preserves seeks approval to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with the City of Blue Island and to pay the City of Blue Island a not to exceed amount of \$451,251.00 with respect to construction and Phase III engineering for approximately one mile of the Cal Sag Trail including a pedestrian bridge over the Little Calumet River connecting Blue Island and the Forest Preserves.

**16-0396**

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

**PROPOSED INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT AMENDMENT**

**Department:** Finance and Administration

**Other Part(ies):** Cook County Government, Chicago, Illinois

**Request:** Authorization to amend the intergovernmental agreement between the County of Cook (the "County") and the Forest Preserve District of Cook County (the "Preserves") for the reimbursement or payment for certain services rendered by various County departments and the Preserves.

**Goods or Services:** The County and the Preserves wish to amend the Agreement to increase the amount of reimbursement or payment due from the Preserves to the County.

**Agreement Number:** N/A

**Agreement Period:** 1/1/2016, retroactively, to 12/31/2016

**Fiscal Impact:** \$1,941,616.00 in expenditures and \$200,500.00 in revenue

**Accounts:** Various Districtwide corporate accounts

**District(s):** Districtwide

**Summary:** In an effort to encourage consolidation and cooperation where appropriate the County and the Preserves entered into an Intergovernmental Agreement on 8/21/2012 authorizing the parties to perform various services for the other in accordance with the Intergovernmental Cooperation Act. The parties agreed to provide various services and to provide reimbursement or payment for said services. The Intergovernmental Agreement was further amended on 4/25/2013, 6/18/2014 and 9/8/2015 to allow for additional cooperation. The Fourth Amended and Restated Intergovernmental Agreement consolidates the prior agreements into one Intergovernmental Agreement, so the parties can refer to one agreement. The Fourth Amended and Restated Intergovernmental Agreement was approved by Cook County's Board of Commissioners on 10/5/2016.

**16-0339**

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

**REPORT**

**Department:** Finance and Administration

**Request:** Receive and File

**Report Title:** Procurements and Disbursements Report

**Report Period:** 8/1/2016 - 8/31/2016

**Summary:** Submitting the Procurements and Disbursements Report for the period of August 2016. This report is to be received and filed in compliance with Section 1-8-2(BB) of the District's Code of Ordinances.

**16-0400**

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

**PROPOSED MISCELLANEOUS ITEM OF BUSINESS**

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

**Summary:** Forest Preserves of Cook County Calendar - 10/26/2016 - 11/15/2016

**Friday, 10/28; 5 - 8 pm**

**Stars, Stories & S'mores: Dia de los Muertos (Day of the Dead) Theme,  
Eggers Grove, 11201 S Avenue B, Chicago**

Bring your family and friends for an opportunity to enjoy an evening in the Forest Preserves. Come join

us for a cozy fire, s'mores, storytelling, astronomy, night hikes, natural material building and other nature-based activities. For more information, call 312-415-2970 or email [experience.nature@cookcountyil.gov](mailto:experience.nature@cookcountyil.gov) <<mailto:experience.nature@cookcountyil.gov>>

**Friday, 10/28; 6 - 7:30 pm**

**Hike Under the New Moon, Little Red Schoolhouse Nature Center, Willow Springs**

Come join us for a night hike followed by a tasty snack. Registration required. Adults only. Limit 25.

**Friday, 10/28; 7 pm**

**Somewhat Scary Stories, Crabtree Nature Center, Barrington Hills**

Enjoy storytelling and treats around a campfire. Family-friendly program. Registration required. \$2 per person.

**Friday, 10/28, 5 - 6:30 pm**

**Dusk Bird Hike, Sand Ridge Nature Center, South Holland**

Join us as we go on a sunset walk to check out what birds we may find at day's close. Space is limited. Register by 10/26.

**Saturday, 10/29 - Sunday, 10/30; 10 am - 5 pm (weather permitting)**

**Trains, Tricks & Treats; Model Railroad Garden; Chicago Botanic Garden, Glencoe**

Spooky surprises await you at the Model Railroad Garden: Landmarks of America, decorated for Halloween with ghosts, goblins, and spider webs. Come in costume for the five trick-or-treat stations offering candy, a planting activity, and other treats. Fee applies.

**Saturday, 10/29; 10 am**

**Photo Meet-up at Trailside, Trailside Museum of Natural History, River Forest**

Enjoy a naturalist-led walk to view and photograph seasonal leaf color, scenic vistas, interesting plants and wildlife. For all photographer levels and camera types.

**Saturday, 10/29; 11 am - 1 pm**

**Spooky Pooch Parade; Chicago Botanic Garden, Glencoe**

Don't miss the annual Halloween-themed costume parade for dogs. This popular event sells out quickly, so register early. Registration and fee applies for participants; free for spectators.

**Sunday, 10/30; 10 am**

**Fossil Quarry Tour, Sagawau Environmental Learning Center, Lemont**

Learn about the formation of Silurian Sea fossils during an indoor presentation. Visit an ancient coral reef with a 1-mile hike to the quarry. No collecting. Registration required.

**Sunday, 10/30; 1:30 pm**

**All Hallows' Eve, Sand Ridge Nature Center, South Holland**

Come and learn about bats, spiders and snakes and why they're really not so scary. Costumes strongly encouraged.

**Sunday, 10/30; 1:30 pm**

**The Un-Haunted Forest, River Trail Nature Center, Northbrook**

Come in costume for a magical hike through the forest and a Halloween treat. Registration required. \$1 per child.

**Monday, 10/31, 5:30 to 8:30 pm****HallowScreen: Family Movie Night, Kickapoo Woods, Riverdale**

The city of Riverdale hosts a family friendly movie night with a showing of Hotel Transylvania 2. Bring a blanket and/or chair, the village will provide popcorn and other light refreshments for this evening of outdoor Halloween fun.

**Thursday, 11/3; 6:30 pm - 9 pm****Friday - Sunday, 11/4 - 11/6; 10 am - 5 pm****Fine Art of Fiber; Regenstein Center, Chicago Botanic Garden, Glencoe**

Celebrate the 20th anniversary of the area's oldest, largest, and most unique fiber event. Fine Art of Fiber includes display pieces, sales items, lectures, fashion shows, demonstrations, and a silent auction. Free.

**Friday, 11/4; 5 - 8 pm****Stars, Stories and S'mores, Rolling Knolls, 11N260 Rohrsen Road, Elgin**

Bring your family and friends for an opportunity to enjoy an evening in the Forest Preserves. Come join us for a cozy fire, s'mores, storytelling, astronomy, night hikes, natural material building and other nature-based activities. For more information, call 312-415-2970 or email

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**Saturday, 11/5; 11 am - 1 pm****Archery 101, Swallow Cliff Archery Day,****Swallow Cliff Stairs (North Entrance), IL Rt 83 (Cal Sag Rd) & US Rt 45**

Enjoy a Saturday with an afternoon of archery fun. Open to those with all levels of experience. Learn from a certified instructor, share tips and enjoy the outdoors.

**Saturday, 11/5; 1-4****The Field Museum****1400 S. Lake Shore Drive, Chicago, IL 60605 - James Simpson Theater**

The event is free, but space is limited, [fpculturalhistoryeventbrite.com](http://fpculturalhistoryeventbrite.com)

Learn about the Chicago area and its long tradition as a crossroads where diverse cultural groups and ideas have come together. Hear local archaeologists and historians discuss Chicago's prehistory, early history, contemporary Native American communities and the cultural significance of the bison, now our National Mammal.

**Saturday, 11/5; 1 pm****Master Gardener Series: Prepare Your Garden for Winter, Sagawau Environmental Learning Center, Lemont**

Learn guidelines for pruning woody plants and how mulching protects plants from freezing temperatures.

**Wednesday, 11/9; 4 - 6 pm**

**Archery 101, National Gove - South 29th St, North Riverside**

Never tried archery before? Attend one of these sessions to learn all things archery: history, bow parts and proper technique.

Archery equipment is provided for all programs. Call 312-533-5751 for more information or to reserve a spot. All archery programs are for ages 10 & up.

**Friday, 11/11; 5 - 8 pm****Stars, Stories & S'mores, Swallow Cliff, 10267 Calumet Sag Rd, Palos Hills**

Bring your family and friends for an opportunity to enjoy an evening in the Forest Preserves. Come join us for a cozy fire, s'mores, storytelling, astronomy, night hikes, natural material building and other nature-based activities. For more information, call 312-415-2970 or email

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**Saturday, 11/12; 1:30 pm****A Walk through Time on Mount Forest Island,****Little Red Schoolhouse Nature Center, Willow Springs**

Take a stroll back in time, and experience what life was like for cultures that lived here hundreds of years ago. Registration required. Ages 10 & up.

**Friday, 11/13; Noon - 2 pm****GPS Scavenger Hunt, River Trail Nature Center, Northbrook**

Stop in and learn about this technology inspired scavenger hunt. We'll provide you with coordinates of some hidden treasures to find in the forest. Check out one of our GPS units or bring your own. Supplies are limited.

**Sunday, 11/13; 1 pm****Autumn Scavenger Hunt and Campfire, Trailside Museum of Natural History, River Forest**

Search for clues about the changing season, then gather 'round a campfire to toast marshmallows and drink hot cider. Family program. \$2/person. Register by 11/11.

**Monday 11/14; 7 pm****Super Full Moon, Crabtree Nature Center, Barrington Hills**

Join us this evening to see the moon at its closest point to Earth. The Super moon looks 7% bigger than an average full moon. Registration required.

**Tuesday, 11/15; 5 - 7 pm****Outdoor Adventures: All about Fire,****Caldwell Woods Warming Shelter, 6350 W Devon Ave, Chicago**

Discover the benefits of fire and what it can do for our land. Learn safe practices for fire building and containment, and then make your own fire! Marshmallows to conclude our evening of fun. All ages.

**COMMITTEE ITEMS REQUIRING BOARD ACTION**

**RULES COMMITTEE MEETING OF 10/25/2016**

**16-0429 JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS** special meeting held on 9/13/2016

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**REAL ESATE COMMITTEE MEETING OF 10/25/2016**

**16-0358 PROPOSED LICENSE REQUEST** Wide Open West d/b/a WOW

**16-0384 PROPOSED LICENSE REQUEST** Willow Building, LLC

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**FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING OF 10/25/2016**

**16-0407 RECOMMENDATION OF THE FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEE (LITIGATION)**  
9/13/2016

**16-0349 PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDMENT** Fee Schedule of the Forest Preserve  
District of Cook County

**16-0342 REPORT** Corporate Fund Analysis of Revenue and Expense 8/1/2016 through 8/31/2016