



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

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

BOARD AGENDA

Tuesday, January 22, 2019, 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**19-0128**

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

PROPOSED RESOLUTION**TO REACH NET ZERO EMISSIONS BY 2050**

WHEREAS, the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the "Forest Preserves") and Cook County Government strive to be leaders in addressing climate change, and

WHEREAS, both units of government are working to reduce harmful greenhouse gas emissions by 80 percent by the year 2050, a goal that is consistent with attempting to keep global temperatures from increasing more than 2°C over preindustrial temperatures, per the 2012 Doha Amendment to the United Nations Kyoto Protocol; and

WHEREAS, with nearly 70,000 acres of land, the Forest Preserves of Cook County ecosystems play an essential climate change mitigation role by absorbing over 1,544,000 tons of CO₂ annually, and further restoration projects will help sequester even more CO₂; and

WHEREAS, each year, ecosystems within the Forest Preserves already provide \$469 million of ecosystem services including the above mentioned carbon storage and including flood control, water purification and groundwater recharge; and

WHEREAS, in October 2018, the International Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) released a new study of the impacts of global warming; and

WHEREAS, the report's findings predict ocean rise of an additional 10 cm with 2°C warming compared to 1.5°C, an arctic free of sea ice in Summer once per decade compared to once per century, complete eradication of coral reefs compared to a 90 percent decline, and the loss of many more ecosystems; and

WHEREAS, in November 2018, the U.S. Global Change Research Program released the U.S. National Climate Assessment, which predicted that climate change could reduce the size of the U. S. economy by 10 percent by the end of the century; and

WHEREAS, an estimated minimum 200 million people around the globe would be subject to inundation from rising seas, and several hundred million more to climate related risks and poverty; and

WHEREAS, the current effects of climate change on Cook County from the warming of over 1°C that has already occurred include increased flooding, heavier rain and snow storms, and more extreme summer heat, all affecting the region's people and economy; and

WHEREAS, the expected future impacts of global warming in Cook County include threats to food supply from impacts on agricultural crops and livestock; increase of invasive species; wildlife habitat destruction; extinction of native plant and insect species; increased incidence of pests and diseases; vulnerability of water supply and decreased quality of water; threats to infrastructure such as roads, rail, water supply and wastewater management; decreased air quality; threats of global unrest causing homelessness and immigration and disruption of business supply chains and markets; and, threats to many natural habitats and species, among others; and

WHEREAS, the IPCC concluded that limiting warming to 1.5°C is possible, but would require global net human-caused emissions of CO₂ to fall by about 45 percent from 2010 levels by 2030, reaching net zero around 2050; and

WHEREAS, limiting CO₂ emissions in the Forest Preserves to these levels would require additional resources and new technologies, and change on an unprecedented scale, including rapid and far-reaching changes in land, energy, industry, buildings, transport and cities, and

WHEREAS, many of the actions required are already underway but would need to accelerate, and action across all fronts will need to proceed as fast as possible; and

WHEREAS, many of the actions required could either save money and resources, or improve other aspects of quality of life and our ability to adapt successfully to the climate change that is already underway; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of Forest Preserves of Cook County does hereby adopt the following goal: to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 45 percent by 2030 and to reach net zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2050; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a plan shall be developed to achieve this goal, and that progress

towards this goal shall be reported by the Forest Preserves of Cook County annually; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that other local government agencies and businesses who interact with the Forest Preserves of Cook County are urged to join with us in adopting this greenhouse gas reduction goal to counter the most harmful effects of climate change.

19-0120

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

PROPOSED ORDINANCE

Ordinance for the Levy of Taxes for the Year 2019

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 2019.”

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 2019 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, 2019 at its meeting held November 15, 2018, 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 set forth hereinafter.

Section 4. That the sum of Ninety Seven Million, Ninety Seven Thousand, Seven Hundred and Sixteen Dollars and No Cents (\$97,097,716), 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 2019 A.D. for the corporate purposes, for the construction of improvements and development of the forests and lands, 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 November 15, 2018 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 2019 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, 2019

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS AND SOURCES THEREOF
ALL FUNDS

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

Fund	Amount of Appropriation	Payable From The Tax Levy	Payable From Sources Other Than The Tax Levy
Corporate	61,712,160	51,612,175	10,099,985
Self-Insurance	6,470,000	0	6,470,000
Const. & Development	6,052,800	6,240,000	-187,200
Bond & Interest	16,146,962	12,151,712	3,995,250
Employee Annuity & Benefit	4,290,290	3,860,832	429,458
Real Estate Acquisition	850,000	0	850,000
Resident Watchmen	223,000	0	223,000
Chicago Zoological	14,389,505	14,284,927	104,578
Chicago Horticultural	8,932,778	8,948,070	-15,292
Total	\$119,067,495	\$97,097,716	\$21,969,779

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

COMMISSIONERS

19-0139

Sponsored by: LARRY SUFFREDIN, Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

REQUESTING A HEARING OF THE BOTANIC GARDEN COMMITTEE FOR A REPORT FROM THE SENIOR STAFF OF THE GARDEN CONCERNING THE OPERATIONS AND PROGRAMS OF THE CHICAGO BOTANIC GARDEN

WHEREAS, in 1962, the Chicago Horticultural Society agreed to help create and manage a new public garden. With the groundbreaking for the Chicago Botanic Garden in 1965 and its opening in 1972, the Society created a permanent site on which to carry out its mission; and

WHEREAS, the Garden has matured into one of the world's great living museums and conservation

science centers. Within the nine laboratories of the Garden's Daniel F. and Ada L. Rice Plant Conservation Science Center, scientists and graduate students conduct a wide array of plant research. The Garden is one of only 17 public gardens accredited by the American Association of Museums. Its Lenhardt Library contains 150,000 volumes-including one of the nation's best collections of rare botanical books; and

WHEREAS, the Garden has 50,000 members - one of the largest memberships of any U.S. botanic garden. People of all ages, interests, and abilities participate in programs, take classes, and stroll the grounds year-round. Annually, one million people visit its 27 gardens and four natural areas that are uniquely situated on 385 acres on and around nine islands and six miles of lake shoreline; and

WHEREAS, the Garden today is an example of a successful public-private partnership. It is owned by the Forest Preserve District of Cook County and operated by the Chicago Horticultural Society. The Garden is an important and valuable asset of the Cook County Forest Preserve District; and

WHEREAS, the Cook County Forest Preserve District annually provides \$9 million for the Garden in support of its world-class operations and programs; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Cook County Board of Commissioners does hereby request that a meeting of the Botanic Garden Committee be convened to discuss the operations and programming of the Chicago Botanic Garden; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a member of the senior staff of the Chicago Botanic Garden appear before the Committee and be prepared to update the Committee on the Garden's operations and programming.

OFFICE OF THE GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT

18-0345

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 the Village of Schiller Park ("the Village"), Grantee, to locate, operate and maintain a 227-foot-long and 16.5-foot-wide paved access road along the west side of the east half of vacated Boylan Avenue in Catherine Chevalier Woods, on Forest Preserves' land that is currently in degraded condition. The access road will provide fire and emergency access, as well as parking access, for the 5035 N. River Road, LLC building, which is being redeveloped from a vacant industrial building to a banquet hall. The Village indicates that three (3) trees are proposed for removal, with a Tree Mitigation value of \$13,063.17. Two nearby surplus parcels would also be purchased from the Forest Preserves as additional benefits. On November 2, 2018, 5035 N. River Road, LLC purchased the Preserves' Surplus Parcel A, an isolated 0.201-acre tract adjacent to the building, for \$93,000.00 (Agenda Item 18-0347) and

the Village has agreed to purchase an isolated 2.7-acre surplus parcel on the west side of River Road (Surplus Parcel 12), currently used by the Village as part of Stalica Park (Agenda Item 19-0122).

Term: Ten (10) years

License Fee: \$7,222.73

License Application Fee: \$500.00

License Review Fees: \$7,000.00

YELAR Fee: \$6,300.00

Total one-time upfront fee of \$21,022.73 for the term of the License (Sec. 5-2A-4 and 5-2B-4)

Tree Mitigation Fee: \$13,063.17

The area of the License is: 0.086 acre

Concurrence(s):

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

Grantee has met the insurance requirements under the License Agreement.

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

District(s): 9

19-0122

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED SALE OR PURCHASE OF REAL ESTATE

Department(s): Legal Department

Other Part(ies): Village of Schiller Park, Illinois

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

Description of Real Estate: Surplus Parcel 12

2.66 ± acres described as follows:

That portion of Block 5 in the Superior Court Partition of that part of the South Section of Robinson's Reserve lying West of the West Right of Way Line of new Des Plaines Avenue and North of North Right of Way Line of Irving Park Boulevard in Township 40 North, Range 12, East of the Third Principal Meridian, in Cook County, Illinois.

Permanent Index Number: Part of 12-15-400-004-0000

Section: N/A

Parcel(s): Surplus Parcel 12

Fiscal Impact: \$625,000.00 in revenue

Accounts: Anticipated Land Sales/Surplus 510006.411466

District(s): 9

Summary: The Forest Preserves of Cook County (the "Forest Preserves") recently concluded negotiations for the sale of a Surplus Parcel that has been approved for sale by the State Legislature, Surplus Parcel 12, consisting of approximately 2.66 acres (the "Surplus Parcel") located in the Village of Schiller Park, Cook County, Illinois. The Surplus Parcel is not contiguous with or connected to any other Forest Preserves property.

During the mid-80's, Forest Preserves staff undertook a comprehensive study of all Forest Preserves holdings, resulting in a list of 30 parcels being considered for disposal. At the June 3, 1985 meeting of the Forest Preserves of Cook County Board of Commissioners (the "Board"). The Board approved the divestiture and procedure for disposal of 28 of the 30 parcels, based on the recommendation of its Advisory Committee. Subsequently, the Forest Preserves sought and obtained permission, on September 23, 1985 via Public Act 84-867, from the State Legislature to offer the 30 aforementioned parcels, including Surplus Parcel 12, for sale with the monies to accrue to the Forest Preserves Real Estate Acquisition Fund.

The Village of Schiller Park (the "Buyer"), has agreed to buy the Surplus Parcel from the Forest Preserves for the sum of SIX HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND 00/100 (\$625,000.00) (the "Purchase Price"). The Purchase Price is consistent with M.A.I. certified appraisals obtained by the Forest Preserves. The Purchase Price will be payable in ten (10) annual cash installments to begin on the effective date of the agreement, and each year thereafter, in the amount of \$60,000.00

prior to closing and \$25,000.00 at the time of closing. No interest rate, fee or penalty provision shall be applicable. If any cash installment is not received by the Forest Preserves on the effective date of the agreement, and each year thereafter, the Forest Preserves shall send written notice to the Buyer demanding such payment and the Buyer shall have ninety (90) days from the date of the notice to comply. If the Buyer does not comply within the ninety (90) day period, the Forest Preserves shall have the option to terminate the agreement and keep any cash installments already received. Additionally, the Buyer has agreed to accept title to the Surplus Parcel with a covenant or deed restriction limiting use of the Surplus Parcel to recreational space for public use.

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 accept the aforementioned Purchase Price and terms, less any customary closing costs, as full compensation for the sale of the Surplus Parcel and to convey by quitclaim deed all of the Forest Preserves' right, title and interest in the Surplus Parcel.

19-0101

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT

Department: Resource Management

Other Part(ies): Illinois Department of Natural Resources, Springfield, Illinois and the Illinois Nature Preserves Commission, Springfield, Illinois

Request: Authorization to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Illinois Department of Natural Resources ("IDNR") and the Illinois Nature Preserves Commission ("INPC")

Goods or Services: Coordination of joint ecological management activities on 114 acres of land owned by the IDNR and the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the "Forest Preserves") at Wolf Road Prairie.

Agreement Number(s): N/A

Agreement Period: 1/22/2019 - 1/21/2024, with one (1) five-year extension option to be executed at the discretion of the General Superintendent

Fiscal Impact: None

Accounts: N/A

District(s): 17

Summary: The Forest Preserves previously entered into an Intergovernmental Agreement (“IGA”) with the IDNR and the INPC for the purpose of cooperatively managing and connecting parcels that are independently owned by each agency in an effort to preserve, conserve, and manage the natural resources at Wolf Road Prairie.

The IDNR owns 58 acres of land within Wolf Road Prairie and the Forest Preserves own an additional 56 acres, 80 acres of which have been dedicated as an Illinois State Nature Preserve under the Illinois Natural Areas Preservation Act (525 ILCS 30). The IGA will allow the Forest Preserves and IDNR to continue to manage the parcels jointly and provide for a more efficient land management process.

19-0104

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT

Department: Conservation and Experiential Programming

Other Part(ies): University of Illinois Extension, Champaign, Illinois

Request: Authorization to enter into Intergovernmental Agreement with the University of Illinois Extension and make quarterly payments of \$56,250.00 on contract

Goods or Services: Environmental education and outreach services

Agreement Number(s): N/A

Agreement Period: 1/22/2019 - 12/31/2019

Fiscal Impact: \$225,000.00

Accounts: Corporate Fund Districtwide Services 51001.700005

District(s): Districtwide

Summary: The University of Illinois Extension (the “Extension”) will provide educational and public

outreach programs, thus significantly expanding educational opportunities for youth and adult populations within Cook County, including the Conservation@Home program. The Extension will also provide professional training workshops for Forest Preserves of Cook County (the “Forest Preserves”) staff in numerous departments and assist in growing the number of Master Naturalists and Master Gardeners that volunteer with the Forest Preserves. The Forest Preserves of Cook County Conservation & Experiential Programming staff will oversee the contract and will work with the Extension staff to coordinate and direct these educational activities as well as on specific projects related to the Next Century Conservation Plan as outlined in their Scope of Work. The Forest Preserves has had an ongoing and positive partnership with the Extension since 2013.

19-0116

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 MCImetro Access Transmission Services LLC (“MCImetro”), Grantee, to locate, operate and maintain 3,078 linear feet of 2-inch underground conduit with fiber optic cable along the north side of 87th Street in the Willow Springs Woods and Buffalo Woods Forest Preserves. The conduit and fiber optic line will be installed by directional bore within and alongside the right of way of 87th Street from vacated Elm Street to Kean Avenue. No trees are proposed to be removed or impacted by this project.

Term: Ten (10) Years

License Fee: \$89,033.06

License Application Fee: \$1,500.00

License Review Fees: \$11,500.00

YELAR Fee: \$6,300.00

Total one-time upfront fee of \$108,333.06 for the term of the License
(Sec. 5-2A-4 and 5-2B-4)

Tree Mitigation Fee: None

The area of the License is: 1.06 Acres

Concurrence(s):

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

Grantee has met 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 Preserve District Board of Commissioners approve the issuance of this license.

District(s): 17

19-0118

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT

Request: Requesting authorization for the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the "Forest Preserves") to enter into a Partnership Agreement with Friends of the Chicago River, Chicago, Illinois.

Reason: Friends of the Chicago River has received a grant from the National Fish & Wildlife Foundation via the Chi-Cal Rivers Fund in the amount of \$242,668.96 to support the restoration of Crooked Creek, a tributary of the Cal-Sag Channel located within the Palos-Sag Valley region in southwest Cook County.

The project will restore the waterway's natural system of infiltration by removing invasive plants from 207 acres and allowing native plants to enhance absorbance. This will lead to improved water quality, decreased storm water volume entering Crooked Creek, and improved habitat for wildlife.

Total budget costs for the project are \$492,668.96, of which the Forest Preserves proposes to contribute \$250,000.00 in cash match and other in-kind support representing an approximate 50% match. This match is being partially met through ongoing brush clearing work at Spears Woods and Pioneer Woods throughout the winters of 2018 and 2019.

Contract period: 1/22/2019 - 12/1/2022

Fiscal Impact: \$250,000.00

Account(s): Habitat Enhancement 51009.521452 and 51058.521452, Habitat Restoration 51009.521444 and 51058.521444, EAB Tree Removal 51009.521456 and 51058.521456, Vegetation Management 51009.521455 and 51058.521455, Intern Programs 51009.521525 and 51058.521525, Grant Match and

Work Fund 51009.521440, Grant & Mitigation accounts 51010.521444

Concurrences:

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

District(s): 17

19-0125

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED CONTRACT AMENDMENT

Department(s): Facilities and Fleet

Vendor: Siemens Industry, Inc., Mount Prospect, Illinois

Request: Authorization for the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the "Forest Preserves") to increase contract

Good(s) or Service(s): Fire and Intrusion Alarm Monitoring

Original Contract Period: 10/1/2017 - 9/30/2018, 1st Administrative Extension 10/1/2018 - 11/29/2018, 2nd Administrative Extension 11/30/2018 - 9/30/2019

Proposed Contract Period Extension: N/A

Total Current Contract Amount Authority: \$31,970.00

Original Approval: 5/24/2018, \$31,970.00

Previous Increase(s): N/A

This Increase Requested: \$31,775.00

Estimated Fiscal Impact: FY 2019 \$31,775.00

Accounts: Professional Services 51001.520840

Contract Number(s): 031517-SIE

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: The Forest Preserves procured services from Siemens Industry, Inc. based on the prices, terms, and conditions offered to members of the National Joint Purchasing Alliance. The Forest Preserves is requesting to increase this contract to provide fire and intrusion alarm monitoring at eighteen (18) Forest Preserves' sites in 2019. The Forest Preserves expects to issue an RFP in 2019 for fire and intrusion alarm monitoring, maintenance, and installation services.

19-0126

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED CONTRACT AMENDMENT

Department(s): Facilities and Fleet

Vendor: Siemens Industry, Inc., Mount Prospect, Illinois

Request: Authorization for the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the "Forest Preserves") to increase contract

Good(s) or Service(s): Fire and Intrusion Alarm and Security Camera Repair Services

Original Contract Period: 9/29/2017 - 9/28/2018, 1st Administrative Extension 9/29/2018 - 11/28/2018, 2nd Administrative Extension 11/29/2018 - 9/28/2019

Proposed Contract Period Extension: N/A

Total Current Contract Amount Authority: \$75,000.00

Original Approval: 9/29/2017, \$75,000.00

Previous Increase(s): N/A

This Increase Requested: \$31,606.93

Estimated Fiscal Impact: FY 2019 \$31,606.93

Accounts: Professional Services 51001.520840

Contract Number(s): 031517-SIE

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: The Forest Preserves procured services from Siemens Industry, Inc. based on the prices, terms, and conditions offered to members of the National Joint Purchasing Alliance. The Forest Preserves is requesting to increase this contract to provide fire and intrusion alarm and security camera repair services in 2019. The Forest Preserves expects to issue an RFP in 2019 for fire and intrusion alarm monitoring, maintenance, and installation services.

19-0127

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

REQUEST APPROVAL TO EXERCISE CONTRACT RENEWAL OPTION

Department(s): Permits, Rentals and Concessions

Vendor: T&M Lakes Inc., Orland Park, Illinois

Request: Authorization for the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the "Forest Preserves") to extend contract

Good(s) or Service(s): Boat concessions

Original Contract Period: 4/14/2015 - 4/13/2018; on 11/14/2017 term extended to 4/13/2019

Proposed Contract Period Extension: 4/14/2019 - 4/13/2020

Total Current Contract Amount Authority: N/A

Original Approval: 4/14/2015

Previous Increase(s): N/A

This Increase Requested: N/A

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$6,000.00 (Revenue Generating)

Accounts: N/A

Contract Number(s): 14-40-409B

Concurrences:

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

District(s): 17

Summary: The Forest Preserves would like to exercise the second of two (2) one-year extension options to allow T&M Lakes to continue to provide boat rental services at the Tampier Lake Boathouse on a seasonal basis. In the past two (2) years, more than 5,000 boats were rented at the Tampier Lake Boathouse. T&M Lakes, Inc was selected through a Forest Preserves RFP process.

19-0129

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

REQUEST APPROVAL TO EXERCISE CONTRACT RENEWAL OPTION

Department(s): Permits, Rentals and Concessions

Vendor: Chicago River Canoe and Kayak, Evanston, Illinois

Request: Authorization for the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the "Forest Preserves") to extend contract

Good(s) or Service(s): Boat concessions

Original Contract Period: 4/10/2015 - 4/9/2018; on 11/14/2017 term extended to 4/9/2019

Proposed Contract Period Extension: 4/10/2019 - 4/9/2020

Total Current Contract Amount Authority: N/A

Original Approval: 4/14/2015

Previous Increase(s): N/A

This Increase Requested: N/A

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$14,000.00 (Revenue Generating)

Accounts: N/A

Contract Number(s): 14-40-409

Concurrences:

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

District(s): 15

Summary: The Forest Preserves would like to exercise the second of two (2) one-year extension options to allow Chicago River Canoe and Kayak to continue to provide boat rental services at the Busse Lake Boathouse on a seasonal basis. In the past two (2) years, more than 20,000 boats were rented at the Busse Lake Boathouse. Chicago River Canoe and Kayak was selected through a Forest Preserves RFP process.

19-0131

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED CONTRACT

Department(s): Planning and Department

Vendor: D&M Welding Inc, Bridgeview, Illinois

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

Good(s) or Service(s): Construction Services to complete Dan Ryan Woods nature play treehouse elements under Contract 17-80-10C1-R

Contract Value: \$71,015.00

Contract period: 1/22/2019 - 6/30/2019

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$71,015.00 (to be partially offset by deductions from the Kee Construction contract amount under Contract 17-80-10C1-R)

Accounts: Site Improvement 51009.560055, 51025.560055, 51026.560055, 51055.560055, 51056.560055, 51057.560055, 51058.560055, 51059.560055 and Grant 51010.560055

Contract Number(s): 17-80-10C1-R-D&M

Concurrences:

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

District(s): 4

Summary: A new sole source contract is needed to complete final steel work for a treehouse at the Dan Ryan Woods nature play area. Contract 17-80-10C1-R was awarded to Kee Construction LLC on 12/12/2017 for \$1,137,794.00 to construct a nature play area, sledding hill fitness stairs and other site improvements at Dan Ryan Woods. More than 90% of the work is now complete, and the Forest Preserves is now seeking to contract directly with the steel supplier to complete remaining steel work, including painting and installation of guardrails. D&M Welding, Inc. is uniquely qualified to expediently complete remaining work.

19-0114

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

REPORT

Department: Finance and Administration

Request: Receive and File

Report Title: Procurement and Disbursements

Report Period: 11/1/2018 - 11/30/2018

Summary: Submitting the Procurement and Disbursements Report for the period of November 2018. The Report is to be received and filed in compliance with Section 1-8-2 (BB) of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County's Code of Ordinance.

19-0103

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Department: Conservation and Experiential Programming

Summary: Forest Preserves of Cook County Calendar - 1/22/2019 - 2/19/2019

When it Snows!

Cross-country skiing is a fun way to stay active during winter. Starting December 15th, as soon as conditions are skiable (frozen ground and 5" snow). Sagawau Nordic in Lemont is open daily from 9am-4pm. Trails will be open and groomed as snow conditions permit and could include a late start or an early finish. Beginner ski lessons are offered on Saturdays at 9:30 am for a fee; Watch Sagawau's Facebook page and call 630-257-2045 for the most up-to-date trail conditions. *Registration required.*

Snowshoes are available at all our Nature Centers

Snowshoes are available when snow is 4" or greater. *Equipment is limited and is loaned with no charge on a first come, first serve basis. Driver's license required.*

Follow us on Facebook to learn about pop-up Snowshoe programs when conditions allow.

Sledding Hills offer winter fun day and night!

Sledding hills are open when the ground is frozen and covered with a minimum of three inches of snow. Dan Ryan, Caldwell Woods, Swallow Cliff, Westchester Woods, Deer Grove, Schiller Woods, Pioneer Woods and Thaddeus S. "Ted" Lechowicz Woods.

Every Day, 11/3 - 1/27; 12pm - 4pm

Chicago Wolves Skating Rink, Chicago Zoological Society/Brookfield Zoo, Brookfield

Glide through the holidays at the new Chicago Wolves Skating Rink at Brookfield Zoo! Skaters are welcome to bring their own skates, or rent skates on site.

Monday, 1/21; 12pm - 3pm

Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service, Dan Ryan Woods, Chicago

Join us for a day of stewardship. Help remove invasive plants while learning how we maintain healthy

habitats. Warm up with a hot drink and brush pile burn while enjoying winter family-fun activities. All ages.

Friday, 1/25; 7pm

Winter Night Hikes, River Trail Nature Center, Northbrook

Use your senses on a winter evening while on a guided hike at River Trail. Afterwards, warm up inside with snacks and hot chocolate. *\$3/person.*

Saturday, 1/26; 11am - 2pm

Snowshoe Trekking, Camp Dan Beard, Northbrook

Enjoy the Forest Preserves on snowshoes. Conditions permitting; 4 inches of hard snow required. *Free.*

Wednesday, 1/30; 6pm - 8pm

All About Fire, Thatcher Woods Pavilion, River Forest

Learn safe practices for fire building and containment, then make your own fire! Marshmallows to conclude our evening of fun. *All ages.*

Saturday, 2/2; 6am - 9am

Sunrise Nature Photography, River Trail Nature Center, Northbrook

An outdoor workshop combining the skills of a naturalist and photographer focusing on amazing winter scenes. *Ages 13 and up.*

Saturday, 2/2; 10am - 1pm

Winter Exploration Day, Caldwell Woods Warming Shelter, Chicago

Learn to navigate using new-found orienteering skills, art making, track animals, and winter shelter building if snow permits. Snowshoeing and sledding, conditions permitting.

Friday, 2/8; 7pm

Spark in the Dark, Crabtree Nature Center, Barrington

Couples, friends and family members are invited to join us for a candlelit Valentine's-themed evening hike focusing on "love" in the animal kingdom. *Ages 18 and up.*

Friday, 2/8; 6pm - 8pm

Botanical Beverages, Dan Ryan Woods Pavilion, Chicago

Learn about the history of plant-based beverages, their benefits, and enjoy a tasting. *Registration required, call 708-386-4042.*

Saturday, 2/9; 9am

Bird N' Bagel, Trailside Museum, River Forest

Enjoy and learn about birds at the feeder with John Elliott of Chicago Audubon, while sipping hot drinks and noshing on bagels. Optional bird walk to follow.

Saturday, 2/9; 12pm - 3pm**Winter Exploration Day, Thatcher Woods Pavilion, River Forest**

Learn to navigate using new-found orienteering skills, art making, track animals, and winter shelter building if snow permits. Snowshoeing and sledding, conditions permitting.

Sunday, 2/10; 1pm - 3pm**History of Camping in the Forest Preserves, Camp Sullivan, Oak Forest**

Join us for a learning session on the connection between camping and the Forest Preserves of Cook County. *Open to all. Refreshments provided.*

Sunday, 2/10; 1pm**Sagawau Science: Winter Insects, Sagawau Environmental Learning Center, Lemont**

Some insects are active through the winter. We'll go out and search for these cold hearty survivors. *Ages 14 and up.*

Friday, 2/15; 6pm - 7pm**Night Hike in the Snow, Sand Ridge Nature Center, South Holland**

Join us for a winter night hike to see what Mother Nature may have in store. Program will take place snow or no snow.

Saturday, 2/16; 10am**Hike the Preserves, St. Mihiel Woods East, Tinley Park**

Get some exercise and learn about local forest preserves. Fitness Hike: over 3.1 miles, less interpretation, faster pace. Interpretive Hike-roughly 3 miles.

Saturday, 2/16; 1pm**Birch Leggings and the Birkie, Sagawau Environmental Learning Center, Lemont**

Learn the history of the Birkebeiner Ski Race and how it became the "greatest show on snow." Ski with wood skies or dress like a Viking and win a prize! Event will take place if ski trails are open.

Saturday, 2/16; 10am**Conservation@Home: Winter Pruning, Little Red School House, Willow Springs**

Join Illinois Extension Master Gardeners to learn how proper pruning can greatly improve the overall appearance and health of woody plants.

Sunday, 2/17; 1pm

Conservation@Home: Creating Native Pollinator Habitats, Crabtree Nature Center, Barrington

Learn to support native pollinators year-round. A “make-and-take” bug hotel for the first 15 participants.

COMMITTEE ITEMS REQUIRING BOARD ACTION

CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING OF 1/22/2019

18-0405 REPORT 2019 Update to the 5-Year Capital Improvement Plan, Report Period: Five (5) Years 2019-2023

LEGISLATION COMMITTEE MEETING OF 1/22/2019

18-0515 PROPOSED APPOINTMENT, Alan M. Bell, Maria Pesqueira, and Shelley Spencer, Members, New Conservation and Policy Council

RULES COMMITTEE MEETING OF 1/22/2019

19-0140 JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS meeting held on 12/11/2018

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING OF 1/22/2019

19-0133 RECOMMENDATION OF THE FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEE (WORKERS COMP)
Finance Subcommittee Meeting on Workers Compensation– 1/22/2019

19-0135 RECOMMENDATION OF THE FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEE (LITIGATION) Finance Subcommittee Meeting on Litigation– 12/11/2018

19-0117 PROPOSED DISBURSEMENT Old Veteran Construction, Inc., Chicago, Illinois

19-0102 REPORT Corporate Fund Analysis of Revenue and Expense 1/1/2018 – 11/30/2018
