



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

**Virtual Meeting**

**BOARD AGENDA**

**Tuesday, February 8, 2022, 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 shall 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 F, 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**

[22-0126](#)

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

**PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDMENT**

Title 6 - Business, License and Permit Provisions

**BE IT ORDAINED**, by the Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board of Commissioners, Title 6 - Business, License and Permit Provisions, Chapter 2- Hawkers and Peddlers, of the Forest Preserve District Code of Ordinances is hereby amended as follows:

**TITLE 6 - BUSINESS, LICENSE AND PERMIT PROVISIONS****CHAPTER 2 - ~~HAWKERS AND PEDDLERS~~ CONCESSIONS PERMITS AND CONTRACTS****6-2-1: - ~~PERMIT REQUIRED~~ CONCESSIONS PERMIT OR CONTRACT REQUIRED**

Outside of authorized District personnel in the performance of their job duties, no Person shall upon or in connection with any District Property: collect fees, admission or cover charges, or display or offer for sale any articles, items or things, or conduct or solicit any business, trade, occupation or profession without obtaining a valid ~~vendor permit~~ Concessions Permit or Contract from the General Superintendent or their

designee, or the Board (if applicable), and then only in accordance with the terms and conditions thereof, it being the intention of the District to control commercial enterprises or sales on District ~~lands~~ property. Nothing in this section shall preclude:

- a. The collection of fees or cover charges, or the sale of articles, items or other things by a Person for the purpose of fundraising for a charitable, humanitarian or benevolent cause under the terms of a special use permit issued by the District; or
- b. The collection of compensation by a Person in connection with the training, instructing, or leading of a fitness or athletic class involving five (5) or fewer individuals.

~~6-2-2: - PENALTY.~~

~~Any person violating any provision of this Chapter shall be fined as provided for in Section 1-4-1 of this Code.~~

6-2-2: - DEFINITIONS

**Applicant.** Any person who seeks the issuance or renewal of a Concessions Permit or Contract under this Ordinance.

**Board.** The Board of Commissioners of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County.

**Classes / Tours Contract.** A contract with the District, no greater than five (5) years in length, for the provision of classes or tours conducted on District property for groups of more than five people, that will not generate more than \$25,000 in revenue to the District on an annual basis, and that otherwise meet the requirements of the District's Concessions Policy and this Ordinance.

**Code.** The Forest Preserve District of Cook County Code of Ordinances

**Concessions Contract.** Pilot Concessions Contracts, Small Concessions Contracts, Large Concessions Contracts, and/or Classes/Tours Contracts.

**Concession(s) Opportunity.** The display or offer for sale of any articles, food, or tangible things; the collection of fees, admissions or cover charges for a service; or conducting or soliciting any business, trade, occupation or profession on District Property subject to the terms of a Concessions Permit or Contract.

**Concessions Permit.** A non-transferable permit, for a Concession Opportunity, issued by the General Superintendent or their designee, that authorizes the named holder to undertake a Concession Opportunity at a specified location on District Property through non-permanent apparatuses including but not limited to push carts and food trucks subject to specific terms and conditions.

**Concessions Policy.** The District's Concessions Policy as promulgated by the General Superintendent.

**Concessionaire.** Any Person issued a Concessions Permit or Contract by the District.

**County.** The County of Cook, State of Illinois.

**District.** The Forest Preserve District of Cook County.

**District Property.** All property owned or leased by the District, including but not limited to material, equipment, buildings, structures, , and real property.

**General Superintendent.** The General Superintendent of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County.

**Large Concessions Contracts.** A contract for any Concession Opportunity that generates more than

\$25,000 in revenue to the District on an annual basis and otherwise meets the requirements of the District’s Concessions Policy and this Ordinance. A Large Concessions Contract must be selected via the District’s Request for Qualifications (“RFQ”) or Request for Proposals (“RFP”) process in compliance with Section 1-8-2(N) of the Code.

**Person.** An individual, corporation, sole proprietorship, organization, business trust, estate, trust, partnership, association or any other legal entity.

**Pilot Concessions Contract.** A contract for a Concession Opportunity that is no longer than two (2) years in length, which will generate no more than \$25,000 in revenue to the District on an annual basis and otherwise meets the requirements of the District’s Concessions Policy and this Ordinance. A Concessions Opportunity for a Pilot Concessions Contract is one brought to the attention of the District by an outside Person.

**Small Concessions Contracts.** A contract for a Concession Opportunity which is no longer than three years in duration, generates no more than \$25,000 in revenue to the District on an annual basis and otherwise meets the requirements of the District’s Concessions Policy and this Ordinance. A Small Concessions Contract must be selected via the District’s Request for Qualifications (“RFQ”) or Request for Proposals (“RFP”) process in compliance with Section 1-8-2(N) of the Code.

**6-2-3: - CONCESSIONS**

**A. Concession Types.** The District shall provide Concession Opportunities within the District to provide access to products and services that enhance patron use of the District while generating revenue to support ongoing District initiatives. This Section 6-2-3 (Concessions) describes the procurement process for various types of Concession Opportunities.

**Table 1**

<b><u>NO.</u></b>	<b><u>TYPE</u></b>	<b><u>REVENUE TO DISTRICT</u></b>	<b><u>TERM</u></b>	<b><u>Competitive Bid</u></b>	<b><u>Posted</u></b>	<b><u>Board Approval</u></b>
1.	<u>Concession Permits (Sec. 6-2-3(A-1))</u>	<u>Per 6-2-4</u>	<u>1 year or less</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
2.	<u>Pilot Concession Contracts (Sec. 6-2-3(A-2))</u>	<u>\$25,000 or less (annual basis)</u>	<u>2 years or less</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>NO</u>
3.	<u>Small Concession Contracts (Sec. 6-2-3(A-3))</u>	<u>\$25,000 or less (annual basis)</u>	<u>3 years or less</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
4.	<u>Large Concession Contracts (Sec. 6-2-3(A-4))</u>	<u>Over \$25,000 (annual basis)</u>	<u>Varies</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>YES</u>
5.	<u>Classes/Tours Contracts (Sec. 6-2-3(A-5))</u>	<u>\$25,000 or less (annual basis)</u>	<u>5 years or less</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>

**1. Concessions Permits.** An Applicant for a Concessions Permit shall submit all necessary forms and materials to the Permits, Rentals and Concessions (PRC) Department by the deadline and in the manner so specified for the particular Concession Opportunity. In addition to the criteria set forth in the District’s Concessions Policy and this Ordinance, Concessions Permits are subject to the requirements listed below.

- a. Concessions Permits are issued throughout the year, but expire no later than 11:59 p.m. on December 31st of the year issued.
  - b. The annual revenue generated to the District through a Concessions Permit is limited to the applicable permit fee paid by the Applicant pursuant to Section 6-2-4 ("Permit Fees") of this Ordinance.
  - c. Concessions Permits shall be granted per site, and the maximum number of permits granted per site shall be based on the number of groves in the applicable preserve per the District's Concessions Policy.
  - d. For equally qualified Applicants, Concessions Permits shall be granted on a first come, first served basis.
  - e. The General Superintendent or their designee may restrict the number of permits awarded for any one Concessionaire based on availability limitations or equity concerns.
  - f. Opportunities for Concessions Permits are limited to those opportunities published on the District's website.
  - g. Requests to have new items or services considered for approval for Concessions Permits opportunities shall be submitted, in writing, to the Director of Permits, Rentals and Concessions, who shall determine, subject to the approval of the General Superintendent, whether the item or service (i) conforms to the criteria listed in the Concessions Policy; and (2) should be advertised on the District's website as a Concessions Permit opportunity or addressed as a Pilot Concessions Contract opportunity and subject to the requirements of Section 6-2-3(A-2) (Pilot Concession Contracts).
  - h. Approval of the District's Board is not required for the issuance of Concessions Permits.
- 2. Pilot Concessions Contracts.** An Applicant for a Pilot Concessions Contract shall submit all necessary forms and materials to the Permits, Rentals and Concessions (PRC) Department by the deadline and in the manner indicated by the General Superintendent or their designee. Pilot Concessions Contract opportunities are proposed to the District by an outside Person and as such will not be posted to the District's website in advance of the opportunity's availability, however, any such Pilot Concessions Contracts will be reported to the Board on an annual basis per Section 6-2-3(D). In addition, if the District decides to proceed with a Pilot Concessions Contract for a specified opportunity, then at the end of the Pilot Concessions Contract such opportunity may be posted as either a Concessions Permit or Concessions Contract with the approval of the General Superintendent. In addition to the criteria listed in the District's

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Concessions Policy and this Ordinance, the conditions listed below apply to Pilot Concessions Contracts.

- a. The contract term shall not exceed a period of two (2) years in duration.
- b. The contract will generate no more than \$25,000 in revenue to the District on an annual basis.
- c. The District may elect to treat a for-profit special event that is thirty (30) days or less as a Pilot Concession Contract opportunity if the District anticipates that a revenue share would result in more revenue to the District than a special event permit.
- d. Approval of the District's Board is not required for the issuance of Pilot Concessions Contracts.

**3. Small Concession Contracts.** An Applicant for a Small Concessions Contract shall submit all necessary forms and materials to the District in the manner so specified in the Request for Qualifications (RFQ) or Request for Proposals (RFP) issued by the District for the particular Small Concessions Contract opportunity. Small Concessions Contracts are subject to compliance with Section 1-8-2(N) (Requests for Proposals and Requests for Qualifications) of the District's Code. In addition to the requirements of the particular RFQ or RFP, the District's Concessions Policy and this Ordinance, the conditions listed below apply to each Small Concessions Contract.

- a. The contract term is three (3) years or less in duration. The contract is renewable for up to three (3) years at the discretion of the General Superintendent.
- b. The contract will generate no more than \$25,000 in annual revenue to the District.
- c. Opportunities for Small Concessions Contracts are limited to those opportunities published on the District's website.
- d. Approval of the District's Board is not required for the issuance of Small Concessions Contracts.

**4. Large Concessions Contracts.** An Applicant for a Large Concessions Contract shall submit all necessary forms and materials to the District in the manner so specified in the Request for Qualifications (RFQ) or Request for Proposals (RFP) issued by the District for the particular Large Concessions Contract opportunity. Large Concessions Contracts are subject to compliance with Section 1-8-2(N) (Requests for Proposals and Requests for Qualifications) of the District's Code. In addition to the requirements of the particular RFQ or RFP, the District's Concessions Policy and this Ordinance, the conditions listed below apply to each Large Concessions Contract.

- a. The Large Concessions Contract generates more than \$25,000 in annual revenue to the District.
  - b. Opportunities for Large Concessions Contracts are limited to those opportunities published on the District's website.
  - c. Approval of the District's Board is required for the issuance of Large Concessions Contracts.
- 5. Classes / Tours Contracts.** An Applicant for a Classes/Tours Contract shall submit all necessary forms and materials to the Permits, Rentals and Concessions (PRC) Department by the deadline and in the manner so specified for the particular Concession Opportunity. In addition to the criteria listed in the District's Concessions Policy and this Ordinance, the conditions listed below apply to Classes/Tours Contracts.
- a. The contract term shall not exceed five (5) years in duration. The contract is renewable for up to three (3) years at the discretion of the General Superintendent.
  - b. The Concession Opportunity will, or is likely to, generate as much or more in revenue to the District over the contract term than the amount that would be generated via a standard permit (See Section 7-1-1 (Fees)) for use of District Property. The contract will generate no more than \$25,000 in annual revenue to the District.
  - c. The Applicant provider is qualified to otherwise offer classes or tours within the District.
  - d. Opportunities for Classes/Tours Contracts are limited to those opportunities published on the District's website.
  - e. Approval of the District's Board of Commissioners is not required for Classes/Tours Contracts.
- B. Code of Ethical Conduct.** The issuance, solicitation, negotiation, approval, denial, renewal, review, evaluation and termination of Concessions Permits and Contracts are subject to the provisions of the District's Code of Ethical Conduct ("Ethics Code"), located at Title I, Chapter 13 of the District Code. Any Concessions Permits or Contracts issued or renewed in violation of the District's Ethics Code are void. Any Applicant who knowingly violates the District's Ethics Code shall be disqualified from being issued future Concessions Permits or Contracts for three (3) years. The General Superintendent shall ensure that any District employees involved in the issuance of Concessions Permits or Contracts undergoes training as required by law or deemed necessary by the General Superintendent or Board. All Applicants for any Concessions Opportunity shall be required to submit a Familial Disclosure form as part of the application for such opportunity.

**C. Authority of General Superintendent.**

1. General. The General Superintendent may establish and publish additional rules and regulations, including, without limitation, requirements pertaining to the application process, insurance requirements, operating standards, environmental standards, food service, and other matters reasonably related to the District's Concessions Policy and this Ordinance. Such rules and regulations shall be incorporated into the District's Concessions Policy. The issuance of Concession Permits and Contracts, that are not subject to Board approval, is subject to the reasonable discretion of the General Superintendent as set forth in the District's Concessions Policy.

2. Pricing. The General Superintendent retains the right to review and approve all items and services offered by Concessionaires and the pricing of all such items and services, unless such items/services and pricing has already been approved by the Board.

3. Revocation. Concessions Permits and Contracts may be terminated in accordance with their terms. Concessionaires will be provided written notice of any revocation by the General Superintendent at the electronic mail address included on the Concessionaire's Permit or Contract application materials, unless otherwise provided for in the terms of the Permit or Contract. Any revocation notification shall state the basis for the revocation and state the effective date of the revocation. The Concessionaire shall forfeit all amounts paid to the District regardless of whether the Concessions Permit or Contract is involuntarily or voluntarily terminated. The General Superintendent may revoke any Concessions Permit or Contract under the following conditions:

a. Any required permit, license or document has been suspended, revoked or canceled;

b. The Concessionaire no longer has current and effective insurance that meets the requirements of the Permit, Contract, this Code, or the District's Concessions Policy;

c. The Concessionaire has violated or failed to meet any of the applicable provisions of the Permit or Contract, District's Concessions Policy, or District Code;

d. The application, issuance or renewal of the Concessions Permit or Contract was in violation of the District's Ethics Code;

e. In the reasonable discretion of the Superintendent, the Concessionaire's continued operation will, or is likely to, pose a threat to the health or safety of



the public or employees of the District; or harm or damage the District's property, reputation, good will; or otherwise subject the District to adverse legal proceedings or liability; and/or

f. As otherwise provided for in the District's Concessions Policy.

4. Renewal. The General Superintendent shall have the right to extend Small Concessions and Classes/Tours Contracts for a renewal term not exceeding three (3) years without approval of the District's Board of Commissioners, subject to the requisite criteria of the District's Concession Policy and this Ordinance.

**D. Annual Report.** On an annual basis, the General Superintendent shall place on the Agenda of the Board's March meeting an Annual Report listing all Concessions Permits and Concessions Contracts awarded by the District for part or all of the prior fiscal year and any Concession Opportunities currently available or anticipated to be made available by the District for the current year.

**E. Notice of Availability.** On an annual basis, the General Superintendent shall publish in a newspaper of general circulation in the County and shall post at the District's General Headquarters and on the District's website a notice of current and available Concession Opportunities, and all existing Concessions Permits or Contracts (including the description of the location and type of Concession Opportunity) scheduled to expire within six months of the notice. The notice shall include any deadline for receipt of applications, the form and manner in which an application can be received, and other procedures for filing the applications.

**F. Compliance with Law.** The Concessionaire shall comply with, and shall operate any concession in compliance with all applicable District ordinances, rules and regulations, including, without limitation, Section 1-8-2(W) (False Statements), 2-3-6 (Signs and Billboards), 3-3-2 (Sale of Alcoholic Beverages), and Section 3-3-8(A) and (B1-6) (Advertisements), as well as all applicable federal, state, and local laws, statutes, rules, regulations, and ordinances. A Concessionaire shall not discriminate against any member of the public, because of race, creed, color, religion, age, sex, marital status, disability, national origin, status of discharge from military, or other protected status.

**G. Compliance with Asset Marketing Program.** If the District is a then current member of Cook County's Asset Marketing Program and, if required by County Board resolution, ordinance or other legal means, then any Concession Opportunity shall be authorized in compliance with all applicable rules and objectives of the Cook County's Asset Marketing Program, per Cook County's Asset Marketing Ordinance (Section 2-321 of the Cook County Code of Ordinances).

**H. Request for Reconsideration and Hearing.** If the General Superintendent revokes any Concessions Permit or Contract under Section 6-2-3(C), the Concessionaire may contest such action by requesting review of the basis of the revocation directly to the General Superintendent

or their designee for reconsideration of the decision. Any such request must be made within five (5) business days of the effective date of the revocation. Untimely requests may be rejected without further consideration.

Any such request shall be in writing and shall state the basis upon which such revocation should be reversed, including any and all subsequent remediation of deficiencies identified in the revocation decision. The General Superintendent or their designee shall render a determination on the request for reconsideration within thirty (30) calendar days of the Concessionaire's written application contesting the revocation. This determination shall be delivered to the Concessionaire at the email address provided by the Concessionaire in the Concessions Permit or Contract application, unless otherwise provided for in the terms of the Permit or Contract. If the revocation is upheld, this determination shall be forwarded to the Cook County Department of Administrative Hearings.

Within thirty (30) days of receipt of the determination as described above, any Concessionaire who disagrees with the General Superintendent's determination may file an appeal for an administrative hearing with the Cook County Department of Administrative Hearings in accordance with Cook County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2, Administration, Article IX, Administrative Hearings. The filing of an appeal does not stop or prevent the physical closing or prohibition of Concessionaires' operations on District Property. The assigned administrative law judge shall render findings of fact and a recommendation regarding the revocation of the Concessions Permit or Contract. Within fourteen (14) days of receipt of the recommendation from the Department of Administrative Hearings, the General Superintendent shall inform the Concessionaire, in writing, whether the District accepts or rejects the recommendation of the Department of Administrative Hearings. This final decision shall constitute an "Administrative decision" pursuant to the Administrative Review Act (735 ILCS 5/3-101) and may be appealed to the Circuit Court of Cook County.

The exclusive jurisdiction and venue for any suit, appeal or legal challenge related to the final decision by the General Superintendent, or the Department of Administrative Hearing's written findings and recommendation, or this Ordinance shall be the Cook County Circuit Court and the laws of Illinois shall govern any such action.

No Concessionaire may operate a particular Concession Opportunity within the District while their Concession Permit or Contract for said Opportunity is revoked. A Concessionaire shall not operate during any review or appeal period subsequent to the revocation effective date. Any Concessionaire that operates on District Property while revoked may be prohibited from consideration for future Concession Opportunities within the District.

#### **6-2-4: - PERMIT FEES**

An Applicant shall submit the following fees prior to the District's granting of any Concessions Permit: (i) \$250.00 for a single day permit and (ii) \$500.00 for a permit valid for the remainder of the calendar year in which it was issued (i.e. a "multiple day" or "yearly" permit). Further, Concessions Permits may be issued throughout the year, but any permit so issued will expire no later than 11:59 p.m. on

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December 31st of the year issued. The following conditions apply to Concessions Permit fees:

- a. Additional Non-County Resident Premium of ten (10) percent applies to base Concessions Permit Fee.
- b. Application Fee of \$25 applies for each requested location.
- c. Fees must be paid in full up front.
- d. The District reserves the right to host special events at any location, including sites where Concessions Permits are issued. In that event, all Concessionaires can be excluded from the selected location for up to five (5) days with two weeks' notice (14 days). Concessions Permit fees are not refundable for any reason, including, but not limited to construction projects not under the control of the District, acts of God, inclement weather, pandemic, emergencies, or other unforeseeable circumstances.
- e. No discounts otherwise available under Title 7 of the District's Code are available for Concession Permits.

#### **6-2-5: - PENALTY.**

In addition to the potential revocation of a Concessions Permit or Contract, any Person violating any of the provisions of this Title 6 - Business, License and Permit Provisions, Chapter 2 - Permits and Concessions shall be charged penalties as described in Section 1-4-1 (General Penalty and Late Fee). A separate and distinct offense shall be regarded as committed each four-hour period in which such Person continues or permits any such violation to continue on District Property, or fails to make a reasonable effort to comply. If the violation causes the District to reschedule maintenance activities, such Person will be billed for any additional District operating costs incurred by the rescheduling. Enforcement of penalties issued under this section is subject to the provisions of Section 1-4-1.

#### **6-2-6: - REVIEW AND SUNSET**

This Ordinance shall sunset on December 31, 2028. Prior to that sunset date, the District shall review the administration of its Concessions Program and Policy to determine if modifications are advised. The General Superintendent shall report to the Board of Commissioners in advance of the sunset date on the performance of the Program and how the Program has advanced the goals of the District.

**Effective date:** This ordinance shall be in effect April 1, 2022.

#### **OFFICE OF THE GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT**

[22-0139](#)

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

**REPORT**

**Department:** Office of the General Superintendent

**Request:** Receive and File

**Report Title:** Annual Report from the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the “Forest Preserves”) REDI Committee

**Report Period:** 2021

**Summary:** The Forest Preserves of Cook County is committed to advancing racial equity, diversity, and inclusion through organizational culture and policy change. This 2021 report-a second annual REDI report-serves as a tool to hold the Forest Preserves accountable to that commitment while striving to make everyone feel welcome in the Forest Preserves.

The REDI Committee was formed in November 2018 and consists of employees from across the Forest Preserves. The REDI Committee focuses on restructuring internal processes to reflect values of equity and inclusion, while educating fellow co-workers, visitors, partners, and volunteers on how to practice racial equity. The work of the REDI Committee is guided through a partnership with the Department of Public Administration at the University of Illinois at Chicago.

Despite the ongoing challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic in 2021, the REDI Committee welcomed and trained a new group of members. Members of the REDI Committee receive in-depth training on how to operationalize racial equity and build skills in project management, process analysis, peer engagement, and meeting facilitation. REDI continued to advance projects in the areas of Community Engagement, Training and Human Resources.

The annual report is a compilation of all REDI efforts throughout the Forest Preserves of Cook County.

[22-0108](#)

**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 the University of Illinois (the “University”), Champaign, Illinois and the Chicago Zoological Society (“CZS”), Brookfield, Illinois.

**Reason:** The Forest Preserves is proposing to partner with the University of Illinois (the “University”)

and the Chicago Zoological Society (“CZS”) to support a three-year veterinary residency program focused on wildlife health management.

The resident would participate in clinical programs at the Forest Preserves, including providing dedicated veterinary care for managed animals within the Forest Preserves’ nature centers, medical services and biological sampling for wildlife field studies, assistance with the application of wildlife disease management programs, and interpretation of diagnostic test results. The resident would also work with the Wildlife Epidemiology Lab at the University of Illinois, and practice zoological medicine for wildlife under human care at the Chicago Zoological Society’s Brookfield Zoo in association with Forest Preserves research programs. These efforts will further investigation into zoonotic disease, and the role of wildlife health towards the sustainability and success of conservation efforts in Cook County.

The program is available to post-graduate students who have received their Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree and consists of three (3) years of clinical study, research, presentations at conferences and symposia, and formal coursework. It is designed to provide the resident with advanced training under the guidance of clinical faculty and mentors at the Forest Preserves, the University, and CZS to satisfy requirements for certification as a specialist in free-ranging wildlife health management. If approved, this would be only the second American College of Zoological Medicine residency program primarily focused on wildlife health management, out of twenty-two (22) total institutional programs nationwide. Upon successful completion of the program the resident is expected to apply for their credentials, which would then allow them to take the exam for board certification as a Diplomate of the American College of Zoological Medicine.

The resident would be employed by the University. Candidate selection would occur through a nationwide search coordinated through the Veterinary Internship and Residency Matching Program. Total cost for the three-year program is \$206,532.15, which includes a base salary, fringe benefits, and a \$2,000.00 annual stipend for travel expenses.

**Contract Period:** Thirty-six (36) months from date of execution, with an additional one-year renewal option to be exercised at the discretion of the General Superintendent to account for any delays in initial recruitment

**Fiscal Impact:** \$206,532.15 (FY 2022 \$68,109.50; FY 2023 \$68,844.05; FY 2024 \$69,578.60)

**Account(s):** Professional Services 51030.520840; Grant and Mitigation 51010.521314 and 51010.521444; and all future Professional Services accounts

**Concurrences:**

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

**District(s):** Districtwide

[22-0020](#)

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

**PROPOSED AGREEMENT**

**Vendor:** Chicago Zoological Society, Brookfield, Illinois

**Request:** Requesting authorization for the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the “Forest Preserves”) to enter into an agreement

**Reason:** The Forest Preserves’ Conservation & Experiential Program Department (CEP) is requesting permission to continue to tap into the purchasing power of the Chicago Zoological Society (Zoo) on a sole source basis for animal food and bedding for utilization at the Forest Preserves Nature Centers to care for live animals. This agreement will allow the Forest Preserves’ CEP Department to easily order and pick up food for live animals, through the Zoo’s commissary, where items are stocked for animal care. The Zoo purchases in much larger quantities, which enables the Forest Preserves to acquire animal care supplies at a lesser cost. The Forest Preserves of Cook County Board of Commissioners approved a similar agreement with the Zoo on 3/19/2019 (Board Item No. 19-0180).

**Contract Period:** 3/20/2022 - 3/19/2026

**Estimated Fiscal Impact:** Not to Exceed \$140,000.00 (FY 2022 \$30,000.00; FY 2023 \$30,000.00; FY 2024 \$30,000.00; FY 2025 \$30,000.00; FY 2026 \$20,000.00)

**Account(s):** Special Events 51001.520635; and Supplies and Materials - NOC 51001.530252

**Concurrence(s):**

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

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

**District(s):** Districtwide

[22-0021](#)

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

**PROPOSED CONTRACT**

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

**Vendor:** Clark Equipment Company d/b/a Bobcat Company, West Fargo, North Dakota

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

**Good(s) or Service(s):** Four (4) Bobcat T770 Skid Steers with trailer and attachments, one (1) Bobcat T76 Skid Steer with attachments and one (1) Bobcat E42 Excavator with (3) different buckets

**Contract Value:** \$656,936.96

**Contract Period:** one-time purchase

**Estimated Fiscal Impact:** FY 2022, \$656,936.96

**Accounts:** Grant and Mitigation 51010.521314; and Construction and Development 29250.560105

**Contract Number(s):** #74000010182 issued under Project #21-FL-165 (Sourcewell Contract No. 040319-CEC)

**Concurrences:**

The Chief Financial Officer has approved this item. Final agreement 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 Forest Preserves of Cook County is requesting to purchase four (4) Bobcat T770 Skid Steers with trailer and attachments, one (1) Bobcat T76 Skid Steer with attachments and one (1) Bobcat E42 Excavator with three (3) different buckets through a purchasing consortium. Skid steers and attachments are used throughout the Forest Preserves for moving heavy equipment and vegetation. Purchase of the proposed skid steers and attachments will enable the Forest Preserves to continue with its mission towards restoration, management, and preservation of the Forest Preserves. Besides their main use, these skid steers will also play a vital role with regards to storm recovery during post-storm operations. The vendor has been awarded a contract (#040319-CEC) by the Sourcewell Purchasing Cooperative Program through a competitive process.

[22-0022](#)

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

**PROPOSED CONTRACT AMENDMENT**

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

**Vendor:** The Osby Co., Inc d/b/a Osby Water Conditioning, Hebron, Indiana

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

**Good(s) or Service(s):** Maintenance of water filtration systems at Camp Shabbona, Swallow Cliff Warming Shelter, Camp Bullfrog, and Maple Lake Boating Center

**Original Contract Period:** 4/13/2021 - 4/12/2022

**Proposed Contract Period Extension:** 4/13/2022 - 7/12/2022

**Total Current Contract Amount Authority:** \$25,000.00

**Original Approval:** 4/13/2021, \$25,000.00

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

**This Increase Requested:** \$25,000.00

**Estimated Fiscal Impact:** FY 2022 \$25,000.00

**Accounts:** Professional Services 51001.520830

**Contract Number(s):** #74000009143 issued under RFP #21-53-6305

**Concurrences:**

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

The Minority- and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Ordinance is not applicable due to the contract value per year being equal to or less than \$25,000.00.

**District(s):** 4, 17



**Summary:** The contract consists of the maintenance of the reverse osmosis water filtration systems, located at the following Forest Preserves sites:

Camp Shabbona  
15810 Torrence Ave  
South Holland, IL 60473

Camp Bullfrog  
9600 Wolf Road  
Willow Springs, IL 60480

Swallow Cliff  
11918 S. LaGrange Road  
Palos Park, IL 60464

Maple Lake Boating Center  
9600 Wolf Road  
Willow Springs, IL 60480

The Forest Preserves has experienced an unprecedented increase in patron use at the four (4) listed sites in 2021. This increase in usage has influenced system demands relating to providing treated potable water. To properly maintain water service at these locations we have experienced an increase in the frequency of service calls and an increase in the consumption of filtration media and sanitation chemicals.

This request for a time extension and funding increase will support the continuation of providing treated water at these locations for our patrons for the duration of this contract. The Department of Facilities and Fleet with support from the Department of Planning and Development will consult with engineers to review the system to identify potential system improvements taking into account patron usage increases at these locations. The Forest Preserves intends on soliciting for service bids through its public bidding process for water filtration services to bring to the Forest Preserves of Cook County Board of Commissioners for approval later in 2022.

[22-0122](#)

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

#### **PROPOSED CONTRACT**

**Department(s):** Department of Resource Management

**Vendor:** National Safety Council (“NSC”), Itasca, Illinois

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

and execute

**Good(s) or Service(s):** Instructor certification fees and classroom materials for workplace safety courses, such as First Aid/CPR and Defensive Driving

**Contract Value:** Not to exceed \$25,000.00 per year, or \$125,000.00 over the initial five-year term

**Contract Period:** 2/8/2022 - 12/31/2026, with one (1) five-year extension option to be exercised at the discretion of the General Superintendent

**Estimated Fiscal Impact:** FY 2022 \$25,000.00; FY 2023 \$25,000.00; FY 2024 \$25,000.00; FY 2025 \$25,000.00; FY 2026 \$25,000.00

**Accounts:** Special or Co-op Programs 51001.521313

**Contract Number(s):** #74000010188

**Concurrences:**

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

The Minority- and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Ordinance is not applicable due to the contract value per year being equal to or less than \$25,000.00.

**District(s):** Districtwide

**Summary:** The Forest Preserves is seeking authorization to enter into a sole source contract with the National Safety Council for instructor certification fees and classroom supplies necessary to teach in-house First Aid/CPR and Defensive Driving courses for Forest Preserves staff, Conservation Corps participants, and volunteers. The NSC has also served as a resource for other supplemental, topic-based classes intended to promote occupational safety for Forest Preserves employees. These courses are offered in compliance with OSHA standards for workplace safety and, in certain cases, as mandatory trainings associated with the implementation of departmental or internal policy. The NSC has been the service provider for these courses at the Forest Preserves since 2006.

The present cohort of Forest Preserves staff who are certified to teach these courses are authorized to do so under the auspices of the NSC. Instructors are required to re-license every five (5) years.

The proposed contract period exceeds three (3) years in length; therefore, the contract is being presented to the Forest Preserves of Cook County Board of Commissioners for approval per Section 1-8-2(L) of the Forest Preserves' Procurement Code.

[22-0117](#)

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

**PROPOSED DISBURSEMENT**

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

**Action:** Authorization to disburse payment

**Payee:** Enlight Contracting, LLC, Chicago, Illinois

**Good(s) or Service(s):** Contractor services

**Fiscal Impact:** \$287,699.17

**Accounts:** MFT Grant 51029.560060

**Contract Number(s):** #74000009399 issued under Project #19-80-67G-21C6

**District(s):** 15

**Summary:** Payment for contractor services to provide new ADA access amenities at Crabtree Nature Center and construction of a new parking facility at 165 Algonquin Road. Work is pursuant to the construction contract approved by the Forest Preserves of Cook County Board of Commissioners on 7/27/2021 (Board Item No. 21-0353).

[22-0120](#)

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

**PROPOSED MISCELLANEOUS ITEM OF BUSINESS**

**Department:** Office of the General Superintendent

**Good(s) or Service(s):** Advertising and Promotional Services

**Fiscal Impact:** \$150,000.00

**Accounts:** Advertising and Promotional Services 51001.520610

**Summary:** The Forest Preserves of Cook County (the “Forest Preserves”) is requesting authorization for the General Superintendent or a designee to have discretionary spending up to \$150,000.00 throughout 2022 for advertising and promotional services with a variety of media vendors to promote and showcase the amenities, programs and natural areas of the Forest Preserves. The media vendors would be engaged for periods of one (1) year or less. Media purchases would align with the 2022 communications goals of the Forest Preserves, which include focused outreach to communities and populations in Cook County impacted by a history of racial inequity, using metrics and geographical mapping created by the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning.

The advertising and promotional spending packages would be suggested by the Forest Preserves’ Communications Division as part of an integrated marketing plan that may include electronic, print, broadcast and out-of-home (billboard) advertising and vetted based on the desired audience, frequency, reach and budget offered by local media. The marketing strategy also complements the short and long-term goals of the Next Century Conservation Plan, as well as other short and long-term goals of the Forest Preserves.

**Concurrences:**

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

**District(s):** Districtwide

[22-0119](#)

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

**PROPOSED DISBURSEMENT**

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

**Action:** Authorization to disburse payment

**Payee:** Enlight Contracting, LLC, Chicago, Illinois

**Good(s) or Service(s):** Construction services

**Fiscal Impact:** \$226,816.20

**Accounts:** MWRD Grant 51010.560060; BAAD Grant 51010.560055; and MFT Grant 51029.560060

**Contract Number(s):** #74000009398 under Project #19-80-67G-21C5

**District(s):** 1

**Summary:** The project includes the removal and replacement of an existing asphalt parking lot with a porous unit paving parking lot and construction of a new accessible canoe and kayak launch at Schuth's Grove in North Riverside. Funding is provided by a green infrastructure grant awarded by the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (MWRD), a Boat Access Area Development (BAAD) grant awarded by the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, and Motor Fuel Tax (MFT) funds from the Cook County Department of Transportation & Highways. Work is pursuant to the construction contract approved by the Forest Preserves of Cook County Board of Commissioners on 7/27/2021 (Board Item No. 21-0352).

[22-0121](#)

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

#### **PROPOSED DISBURSEMENT**

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

**Action:** Authorization to disburse payment

**Payee:** Enlight Contracting, LLC, Chicago, Illinois

**Good(s) or Service(s):** Contractor services

**Fiscal Impact:** \$119,756.83

**Accounts:** Site Amenities 51009.560060; and Motor Fuel Tax 51029.560060

**Contract Number(s):** #74000009069 issued under Project #19-80-67G-21C2

**District(s):** 9, 14

**Summary:** Payment for contractor services to resurface and improve parking facilities at Bluestar Memorial Woods, Harms Woods Central, Harms Woods North, Irving Park Canoe Landing, and Sunset Bridge Meadow. Work is pursuant to the construction contract approved by the Forest Preserves of Cook County Board of Commissioners on 5/11/2021 (Board Item No. 21-0246).

[22-0136](#)

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

**PROPOSED DISBURSEMENT**

**Department(s):** Department of Resource Management

**Action:** Authorization to disburse payment

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

**Good(s) or Service(s):** Palos Conservation Corps and Forest Preserve Experience programs

**Fiscal Impact:** \$111,762.02

**Accounts:** Professional Services 51030.520840; and Grants & Mitigation 51010.521314

**Contract Number(s):** #74000002912 and #74000006695

**District(s):** Districtwide

**Summary:** Payment for expenses related to execution of the Palos Conservation Corps and Forest Preserve Experience programs pursuant to the contracts originally approved by the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the "Forest Preserves") Board of Commissioners on 11/14/2017 (Board Item No. 17-0390 and Board Item No. 17-0388). These employment programs are administered by Friends of the Forest Preserves and provide youth and young adult participants with paid environmental education and job skills training within the conservation field, with a focus on ecological restoration in the Forest Preserves.

[22-0137](#)

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

**REPORT**

**Department:** Department of Finance and Administration

**Request:** Receive and File

**Report Title:** Corporate Fund Analysis of Revenue and Expenditures

**Report Period:** 1/1/2021 - 12/31/2021

**Summary:** Detailed Fund Analysis of Revenue and Expenditures for December 2021.

[22-0138](#)

**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:** 12/1/2021 - 12/31/2021

**Summary:** Submitting the Procurement and Disbursements Report for the period of December 2021. The report is to be received and filed in compliance with Section 1-8-2 (BB) of the District's Code of Ordinances.

[22-0125](#)

**REPORT**

**Department:** Departments of Legal and Finance

**Request:** Receive and File

**Report Title:** Workers' Compensation Report - December 2021

**Report Period:** 12/1/2021 - 12/31/2021

**Summary:** The Forest Preserves of Cook County Departments of Legal and Finance are submitting Workers' Compensation Claim Payments for the month of December 2021. Payments total \$138,144.46 for December 2021.

[22-0124](#)

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

**RECOMMENDATION OF THE FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEE (LITIGATION)**

Finance Subcommittee Meeting on Litigation - 1/11/2022

The Finance Subcommittee on Litigation met on the above listed date and recommends the following for approval:

Proposed Settlements Approved Fiscal Year 2022 to Present: \$0.00

Proposed Settlements to Be Approved: \$0.00

Legal Fees Approved Fiscal Year 2022 to Present: \$61,110.07

Legal Fees for 1/11/2022 to Be Approved: \$58,107.30

[22-0144](#)

**JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS**

INTERIM SECRETARY TO THE BOARD, Lynne M. Turner, presented in printed form a record of the Journal of Proceedings of the regular meeting held on 01/11/2022.

[22-0140](#)

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

**PROPOSED CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

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

**Summary:** Forest Preserves of Cook County Calendar 2/8/2022 - 3/15/2022

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

**Friday, 2/11; 6pm - 8:30pm**

**Evening Valentine's Walk, Sand Ridge Nature Center, South Holland**

Enjoy Sand Ridge at night during a relaxing candlelit walk through the woods. While you walk, learn about native wildlife's mating habits, from a short fling to a bond that lasts a lifetime. Multiple time slots available. *Registration and facemasks required.*

**Saturday, 2/12; 10am**



**Nature Tales: The Stories Tracks Leave, Sand Ridge Nature Center, South Holland**

Learn how to identify different wildlife tracks and go on a walk to see who's stopped by the nature center. *Registration and facemasks required.*

**Saturday, 2/12; 1pm****Resting Reptiles, Crabtree Nature Center, Barrington**

Let's discover together how our native reptiles are surviving Winter. Ages 6 and up. *Facemasks required.*

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

Learn to navigate using new-found orienteering skills, make a craft using natural materials, track animals and go on a photo scavenger hunt. *Facemasks required.*

**Sunday, 2/13; 1:30pm****Superb Owl Party, River Trail Nature Center, Northbrook**

Help us celebrate owls and learn what makes them so unique! *Facemasks required.*

**Wednesday, 2/16; 6pm****Moon Walk, Little Red Schoolhouse, Willow Springs**

Let the full moon be our guide as we hike the 1-mile White Oak Trail, and warm up by a fire under the night sky afterwards. All ages. Please bring binoculars. Limited pairs to lend. *Registration and facemasks required.*

**Wednesday, 2/16; 4:30pm****Winter Woodworking, Caldwell Woods Warming Shelter, Chicago**

Repurpose the common European buckthorn into something new! Equipment provided. Ages 10 and up. Participants under 16 must be accompanied by an adult. *Registration and facemasks required.*

**Saturday, 2/19; 11am - 1:30pm****Explore: Horsetail Lake, Horsetail Lake, Palos Park**

Adults and families, come explore with us at Horsetail Lake! Grabbing a self-guided exploration activity or join our staff on one of our guided hikes. Join a litter pickup and help cleaning up the preserve, warm up by a fire, and take home a nature activity to continue your adventure. *Facemasks required.*

**Saturday, 2/19; 4pm****Sunset Hike, Camp Sullivan, Oak Forest**

Join us for a stroll in the Forest Preserves and take in the evening sunset. Depending on snow conditions,

snowshoes will be available to borrow for the hike. Registration and facemasks required. *Register at [experience.camping@cookcountyil.gov](mailto:experience.camping@cookcountyil.gov)*

**Saturday, 2/19; 10:30am****Cold Blooded (Animals!), Trailside Museum, River Forest**

Learn about the “cool” adaptations that help animals survive winter, followed by a short nature walk to see what winter animals are around and about! *Registration and facemasks required.* Call 708-366-6530.

**Saturday, 2/19; 10:30am****Trail Tales, Crabtree Nature Center, Barrington**

Have fun on a winter day with a guided story trail and activities! Ages 2 to 6 with a caregiver. *Facemasks required.*

**Tuesday, 2/22; 9am****Photography Walk, Swallow Cliff Woods, Palos Park**

We will hike around Swallow Cliff and to Teason’s Woods in hopes of capturing some magical winter photography. Meet on the patio out front of the pavilion. *Registration and facemasks required.* Call 312-533-5751.

**Wednesday, 2/23; 3:30 pm****Walk and Talk: Black Environmentalists, Glenview**

Join us for a nature walk as we highlight the work of black environmentalists-locally and abroad. *Registration and facemasks required.*

**Saturday, 2/26; 10am - 3pm****Black History Month: Underground Railroad Walks, Sand Ridge Nature Center, South Holland**

Join us on a self-guided journey that follows the Underground Railroad route connected to the Calumet Region during the mid-1800s. *Facemasks required*

**Saturday, 2/26; 10:30am****Winter Dog Days Dog Walk, Trailside Museum, River Forest**

This one is for the dog walkers! Join a naturalist as you and your best friend go on a casual nature walk along Trailside’s scenic trails. Dogs must be leashed. *Registration and facemasks required.* Call 708-366-6530.

**Saturday, 2/26; 9am****Birkie Race Day, Sagawau Nature Center, Lemont**

The American Birkebeiner is the largest Nordic ski race in the U.S. Visit our exhibits and watch the race live. *Facemasks required.*

**Saturday and Sunday, 2/26 and 2/27; 10:30am and 1:30pm**

**Sap's Rising, River Trail Nature Center, Northbrook**

Walk in the sugar maple forest to learn about the sweet process of maple syrup making. *Facemasks required.*

**Sunday, 2/27; 9am**

**Woodpecker Walk, Little Red Schoolhouse, Willow Springs**

Learn about Illinois woodpeckers and look for sights and sounds of our hard-headed friends on a relaxing, morning walk. *Registration and facemasks required.*

**Saturday, 3/5; 1pm**

**Block Print Workshop, Trailside Museum, River Forest**

Enjoy the easy and creative art of carving, inking, and printing your own block prints of a plant or animal. All instruction and materials provided. Ages 9 and up. *Registration and facemasks required.* Call 708-366-6530.

**Saturday, 3/5; 10am - 1pm**

**Beaubien Woods Community Day, Beaubien Woods, Chicago**

Spend time giving back to the land. Try your hand at restoration or enjoy a fun activity. *Facemasks required.*

**Saturday, 3/5; 1pm - 3pm**

**Campfire Foods 101, Little Red Schoolhouse, Willow Springs**

Learn how to make campfire foods for your next campout. Join us as we walk through different yummy foods to make over a fire. Samples, materials provided. \$5 per person. *Registration and facemasks required.*

**Saturdays and Sundays, 3/5, 3/6, 3/12, 3/13; 10:30am and 1:30pm**

**Sap's Rising, River Trail Nature Center, Northbrook**

Walk in the sugar maple forest to learn about the sweet process of maple syrup making. *Facemasks required.*

**Sunday, 3/6; 1pm**

**Crabtree History, Crabtree Nature Center, Barrington**

Experience a walk through time together as we discuss the early days of Crabtree Nature Center and what

came before. Ages 12 and up. *Registration and facemasks required.*

**Tuesday, 3/8; 10am**

**Forest Therapy Walk, Deer Grove-East, Palatine**

Awaken your senses and renew your bond with the nature and the Preserves. Certified Forest Therapy guide. Ages 18 & up. *Registration and facemasks required.*

**Thursday, 3/10; 5:30pm**

**Camping 101, Camp Bullfrog, Willow Springs**

Join us for a workshop covering basic camping skills. *Registration and facemasks required.*

**Saturday, 3/12; 11am**

**Know Before You Go: Map Reading and Orienteering, Camp Reinberg, Palatine**

Learn basic map reading and compass skills. *Ages 8 and up. Registration and facemasks required.*

**Saturday, 3/12; 10am**

**Women's History Month Walk, Thatcher Woods Pavilion, River Forest**

Join us on a hike where we highlight conservation leader Isabel Bassett Wasson and the work and discoveries she made at Thatcher Woods and beyond. *Registration and facemasks required.*

**Saturday, 3/12; 8am**

**Bird Walk, Eggers Grove, Chicago**

Join a naturalist as we explore this preserve while looking for local birds. *Facemasks required.*

**COMMITTEE ITEMS REQUIRING BOARD ACTION**

**REAL ESTATE COMMITTEE MEETING OF 02/08/2022**

**22-0004 PROPOSED LICENSE REQUEST** Requesting authorization for the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the “Forest Preserves”), as Licensor to grant a License to Zayo Group, LLC (“Zayo”), Grantee

**22-0005 PROPOSED LICENSE REQUEST** Requesting authorization for the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the “Forest Preserves”), as Licensor to grant a License to Zayo Group, LLC (“Zayo”), Grantee

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**AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETING OF 02/08/2022**

**22-0001 REPORT** Office of the County Auditor, Report Title: FY’21 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Open Recommendation Status Report, Report Period: December 2021

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**ENVIRONMENTAL AND SUSTAINABILTY COMMITTEE MEETING OF 02/08/2022**

**22-0016 REPORT** Office of the General Superintendent, Report Title: Sustainability and Climate Resiliency Plan Progress Report, Report Period: FY 2018 - FY 2021

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