



**Forest Preserve District of Cook County
Board of Commissioners**

Minutes of the FPD Board of Commissioners

Tuesday, January 24, 2023

10:00 AM

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

ATTENDANCE

Present: Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Gordon, Johnson, Lowry, Miller, Morrison, Morrison and Quezada (13)

Absent: Deer, Moore, Morita and Trevor (4)

A motion was made by Commissioner BILL LOWRY, seconded by Commissioner SCOTT R. BRITTON, to allow for remote participation in meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Gordon, Johnson, Lowry, Miller, Morrison, Morrison and Quezada (13)

Absent: Deer, Moore, Morita and Trevor (4)

PUBLIC TESTIMONY

- 1. Toby Matzliach**
- 2. Kyle Goddard**
- 3. Wyatt Widmer**
- 4. Leslie Golden**
- 5. Campsie Grothendieck**
- 6. Brittany Michelson**
- 7. Jodie Wiederkehr**

PRESIDENT

[23-0109](#)

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

PROPOSED ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE TO CREATE A FOREST PRESERVE NEAR SWEET WOODS

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

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

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

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

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

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

purpose of creating a Forest Preserve and for District uses.

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

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

PARCEL 1:

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

ALSO,

PARCEL 3:

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

ALSO,

PARCEL 4:

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

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

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

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

PARCEL 2:

THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER (EXCEPT THE EAST 325 FEET THEREOF) AND (EXCEPT FAIRWAYS OF GLENWOOD SUBDIVISION) OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION

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

ALSO,

PARCEL 5:

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

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

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

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

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

District 5

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Britton, to refer 23-0109 to the Real Estate Committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Gordon, Johnson, Lowry, Miller, Morrison, Morrison and Quezada (13)

Absent: Deer, Moore, Morita and Trevor (4)

[23-0110](#)

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED SALE OR PURCHASE OF REAL ESTATE

Department(s): Legal Department

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

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

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

Section: N/A

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

PARCEL 1:

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

ALSO,

PARCEL 3:

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

ALSO,

PARCEL 4:

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

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

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

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

District(s): 5

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

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

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

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Britton, to refer 23-0110 to the Real Estate Committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Gordon, Johnson, Lowry, Miller, Morrison, Morrison and Quezada (13)

Absent: Deer, Moore, Morita and Trevor (4)

[23-0111](#)

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED SALE OR PURCHASE OF REAL ESTATE

Department(s): Legal Department

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

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

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

Section: N/A

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

PARCEL 2:

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

ALSO,

PARCEL 5:

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

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

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

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

District(s): 5

Summary: The Forest Preserves of Cook County (the “Forest Preserves”) has identified two (2) parcels of land for acquisition that would add to the Forest Preserves’ current holdings near Sweet Woods (the

“Property”). The Property, commonly known as 19400 & Part of 19330 S Cottage Grove Avenue, Glenwood, Cook County, Illinois, consists of approximately 25.569 ± acres. The Property has natural and fallowed land and contains a part of Third Creek.

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

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

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Britton, to refer 23-0111 to the Real Estate Committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Gordon, Johnson, Lowry, Miller, Morrison, Morrison and Quezada (13)

Absent: Deer, Moore, Morita and Trevor (4)

[23-0123](#)

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

PROPOSED ORDINANCE

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

AN ORDINANCE CREATING A FOREST PRESERVE in parts of Fractional Section 30, Township

39 North, Range 12 East of the Third Principal Meridian, all in Cook County, Illinois near Wolf Road Prairie Nature Preserve in District 17.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

EXHIBIT A
LEGAL DESCRIPTION

Tract 1

Part of "26th Street and Wolf Road Subdivision", according to the plat thereof, recorded September 30, 1925, as document 9051579, in Book 218 of Plats, Page 8; and part of "31st Street and Wolf Road Subdivision", according to the plat thereof, recorded September 30, 1925, as document

9051580, in Book 218 of Plats, page 7, all in Fractional Section 30, Township 39 North, Range 12 East of the Third Principal Meridian, Cook County, Illinois, described more particularly as follows:

Commencing at the Southeast corner of said Section 30 also being the platted intersection of the centerlines of 31st Street and Wolf Road, thence North 02 degrees 37 minutes 22 seconds West, 664.10 feet along the centerline of Wolf Road to the intersection of the centerline of 30th Street; thence South 88 degrees 04 minutes 58 seconds West along the centerline of 30th Street, 50.00 feet to the West right of way line of Wolf Road, also being the Point of Beginning; thence continuing South 88 degrees 04 minutes 58 seconds West along the centerline of 30th Street, 950.41 feet to the intersection of the centerline of Woodlawn Avenue; thence North 02 degrees 33 minutes 08 seconds West along the centerline of Woodlawn Avenue 663.77 feet to the intersection of the centerline of 29th Street; thence North 88 degrees 03 minutes 53 seconds East along the centerline of 29th Street, 333.17 feet to the intersection of the centerline of Park Avenue; thence North 02 degrees 34 minutes 50 seconds West along the centerline of Park Avenue, 663.88 feet to the intersection of the centerline of 28th Street; thence South 88 degrees 02 minutes 47 seconds West along the centerline of 28th Street, 332.72 feet to the intersection of the centerline of Woodlawn Avenue; thence North 02 degrees 32 minutes 47 seconds West along the centerline of Woodlawn Avenue, 623.77 feet to the South right of way line of Constitution Drive (formerly 26th Street); thence North 88 degrees 01 minutes 41 seconds East along the South right of way line of Constitution Drive (formerly 26th Street), 573.86 feet to the Northwest corner of Lot 2 in Block 2; thence South 02 degree 35 minutes 46 seconds East along the West line of Lot 2 in Block 2 extended, 135.01 feet to the centerline of an alley; thence North 88 degree 01 minutes 41 seconds East along the centerline of an alley, 91.28 feet to the intersection of the centerline of Drake Avenue; thence North 02 degree 35 minutes 46 seconds West along the centerline of Drake Avenue, 135.37 feet to the South right of way line of Constitution Drive (formerly 26th Street); thence North 88 degree 01 minutes 41 seconds East along the South right of way line of Constitution Drive (formerly 26th Street), 282.57 feet to the West right of way line of Wolf Road; thence South 02 degrees 37 minutes 22 seconds East along the West right of way line of Wolf Road, 1952.25 feet to the Point of Beginning.

Tract 2

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

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

along the North right of way line of 31st Street to the Southwest corner of Lot 25 of Block 8; thence North along the West line of Lot 25, Block 8 extended to the centerline of a 20.00 wide alley; thence East along the centerline of said alley to the intersection of the East line of Lot 24 of Block 8 extended; thence South along said East line to the Point of Beginning.

ALSO,

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

ALSO,

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

ALSO,

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

AND,

Tract 1:

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

Tract 2:

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

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

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

& 15-30-400-023-0000

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Britton, to refer 23-0123 to the Real Estate Committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Gordon, Johnson, Lowry, Miller, Morrison, Morrison and Quezada (13)

Absent: Deer, Moore, Morita and Trevor (4)

[23-0132](#)

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED APPOINTMENT

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

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

Department/Board/Commission: Conservation and Policy Council

Effective date: 2/7/2023

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

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

On December 2, 2022, the Nominating Committee recommended that Daisy Feidt, Megan Bang, and Ryen Nagle be appointed to fill three of the vacancies on the Conservation and Policy Council. As indicated in the profiles below, each candidate would bring to the Council one or more areas of desired

expertise. President Preckwinkle supports the committee's recommendation and seeks the Board's advice and consent regarding the proposed appointments.

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

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

Dr. Ryen Nagle is Dean of Science, Business & Computer Technology at Moraine Valley Community College. He oversees six academic departments and provides leadership to several grant-funded projects. He has co-chaired a variety of college initiatives, including the Strategic Priority Indicators Team and the Technology Governance Council. His work at Moraine Valley has been recognized by receiving the Innovation of the Year Award and the Vernon O. Crawley Leadership Award. He has additionally received community college leadership awards from the Illinois Council of Community College Administrators, the College of Education at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, and the League for Innovation in the Community College. He has previously served as a member of the Peer

Review Corps of the Higher Learning Commission and as a board advisory committee member for Orland School District 135. Area(s) of expertise: Education/Interpretation

A motion was made by Commissioner Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Britton, to refer 23-0132 to the Legislation and Intergovernmental Relations . The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Gordon, Johnson, Lowry, Miller, Morrison, Morrison and Quezada (13)

Absent: Deer, Moore, Morita and Trevor (4)

COMMISSIONERS

OFFICE OF THE GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT

[23-0124](#)

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT

Department: Department of Law Enforcement

Other Part(ies): Village of North Riverside

Request: Refer to the Real Estate Committee

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

Agreement Number(s): N/A

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

Fiscal Impact: N/A

License Fee: (waived)

License Application Fee: (waived)

YELAR Fee: (waived)

Tree Mitigation Fee: N/A

Accounts: N/A

District(s): 16

Summary: The Village of North Riverside and the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the "Forest Preserves") wish to improve the law enforcement capabilities, improve public safety of motorists and

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Britton, to refer 23-0124 to the Real Estate Committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Gordon, Johnson, Lowry, Miller, Morrison, Morrison and Quezada (13)

Absent: Deer, Moore, Morita and Trevor (4)

[23-0016](#)

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED LICENSE REQUEST

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

Term: Ten (10) years

License Fee: \$4,600.00

License Application Fee: \$500.00

License Review Fee: \$3,000.00

YELAR Fee: \$6,900.00

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

Tree Mitigation Fee: N/A

The area of the License is: 0.0114 acre

Concurrence(s): The Chief Financial Officer has approved this item. Final license agreement is subject to legal review and approval.

Grantee will be required to meet the insurance requirements under the License Agreement.

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

District(s): 15

A motion was made by Commissioner Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Britton, to refer 23-0016 to the Real Estate Committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Gordon, Johnson, Lowry, Miller, Morrison, Morrison and Quezada (13)

Absent: Deer, Moore, Morita and Trevor (4)

[23-0106](#)

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED LICENSE REQUEST

Request: Requesting authorization for the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the “Forest Preserves”), as Licensor to grant a License to ComEd, Grantee, to locate, operate and maintain approximately 2,658 linear feet of electric cable in 6-inch conduit primarily within the Central Road right-of-way, on the south side of Central Road, east of Freeman Road in Hoffman Estates. Forest Preserve property extends to the center line of the road, from the south.

Term: Ten (10) years

License Fee: \$84,206.61

License Application Fee: \$1,500.00

License Review Fee: \$3,000.00

YELAR Fee: \$6,900.00

Additional Fee to support restoration: \$3,000.00

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

Tree Mitigation Fee: N/A

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

Concurrence(s):

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

Grantee will be required to meet the insurance requirements under the License Agreement.

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

District(s): 15

A motion was made by Commissioner Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Britton, to refer 23-0106 to the Real Estate Committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Gordon, Johnson, Lowry, Miller, Morrison, Morrison and Quezada (13)

Absent: Deer, Moore, Morita and Trevor (4)

[23-0116](#)

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED CONTRACT

Department(s): Department of Conservation and Experiential Programming

Vendor: Alltown Bus Service, LLC, Skokie, Illinois

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

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

Contract Value: Not to exceed \$500,000.00

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

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

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

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

Concurrences:

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

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

District(s): Districtwide

Summary: The Departments of Conservation and Experiential Programming and Volunteer Resources unit provides transportation for school groups and community groups to come to the Forest Preserves for education, recreation, and volunteer programs. In addition, programming needs often require shuttle bus transportation between program sites and parking areas. The Forest Preserves put out an RFP for bus transportation services and received three (3) proposals. The Forest Preserves is proposing contracts with all three (3) vendors (see also Board Item Nos. 23-0135 and 23-0136).

A motion was made by Commissioner Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Britton, to approve 23-0116. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Gordon, Johnson, Lowry, Miller, Morrison, Morrison and Quezada (13)

Absent: Deer, Moore, Morita and Trevor (4)

[23-0135](#)

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED CONTRACT

Department(s): Department of Conservation and Experiential Programming

Vendor: First Student, Naperville, Illinois

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

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

Contract Value: Not to exceed \$500,000.00

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

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

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

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

Concurrences:

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

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

District(s): Districtwide

Summary: The Conservation and Experiential Programming Department and the Volunteer Resources unit provides transportation for school groups and community groups to come to the Forest Preserves for education, recreation, and volunteer programs. In addition, programming needs often require shuttle bus transportation between program sites and parking areas. The Forest Preserves put out an RFP for bus transportation services and received three (3) proposals. The Forest Preserves is proposing contracts with all three (3) vendors (see also Board Item Nos. 23-0116 and 23-0136).

A motion was made by Commissioner Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Britton, to approve 23-0135. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Gordon, Johnson, Lowry, Miller, Morrison, Morrison and Quezada (13)

Absent: Deer, Moore, Morita and Trevor (4)

[23-0136](#)

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED CONTRACT

Department(s): Department of Conservation and Experiential Programming

Vendor: North American Central Bus Service, Joliet, Illinois

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

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

Contract Value: Not to exceed \$500,000.00

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

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

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

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

Concurrences:

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

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

District(s): Districtwide

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Britton, to approve 23-0136. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Gordon, Johnson, Lowry, Miller, Morrison, Morrison and Quezada (13)

Absent: Deer, Moore, Morita and Trevor (4)

[23-0128](#)

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED CONTRACT

Department(s): Department of Conservation and Experiential Programming

Vendor: CELTS Pool Management, Crestwood, Illinois

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

Good(s) or Service(s): Aquatic Center Operations and Management Services

Contract Value: \$3,625,000.00

Contract Period: 1/25/2023 - 2/1/2026; with two (2) one-year optional renewals at the discretion of the General Superintendent

Estimated Fiscal Impact: FY 2023 \$675,000.00; FY 2024 \$700,000.00; FY2025 \$725,000.00; FY2026 \$750,000.00 (optional); FY 2027 \$775,000.00 (optional)

Accounts: Professional Services 51001.520840

Contract Number(s): #74000011721 issued under Project #22-53-00-7929

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

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

District(s): 4, 10, 16

Summary: The Forest Preserves put out a request for proposals (RFPs) for management and operations

of the three (3) Aquatic Centers from June through September. CELTS Pool Management was selected out of two (2) respondents. The Forest Preserves will pay the management fee plus expenses. The Forest Preserves will receive all revenue from admissions and programming as well as a share of concessions revenue in the form of a set fee and a percentage of sales.

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

CELTS best articulated their vision for managing the aquatic centers to meet the needs of the community and the Forest Preserves, they have the experience necessary to run the point of sales system that is in place and provide the financial and other reports necessary to run the Aquatic Centers. Additionally, CELTS has strategies for hiring a diverse workforce from local communities.

A motion was made by Commissioner Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Britton, to approve 23-0128. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Gordon, Johnson, Lowry, Miller, Morrison, Morrison and Quezada (13)

Absent: Deer, Moore, Morita and Trevor (4)

[23-0129](#)

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED CONTRACT

Department(s): Department of Conservation and Experiential Programming

Vendor: Daylight, L3C, Chicago, Illinois

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

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

Contract Value: Not to Exceed \$90,000.00

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

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

Accounts: Professional Services 51001.52083

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

Concurrences:

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

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

District(s): Districtwide

Summary: In 2022, the vendor worked with the CEP team on developing a vision and strategic plan. The vendor was selected out of a competitive RFP process for which there were a total of three (3) respondents. The Forest Preserves now seeks authorization to enter into a new contract with this vendor on a sole source basis to assist with implementing the vision and strategic plan developed last year, including, without limitation, (1) implementing a new departmental mission statement, (2) redefining team leadership and internal processes, and (3) developing more inclusive and detailed external communications. The 2023 work will look to develop external strategic initiatives to move the department toward more thoughtful growth, with clearly defined goals, unified definitions related to community outreach and engagement, and a forward-thinking plan that leads to better serving the public and connecting more people to nature.

A motion was made by Commissioner Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Britton, to approve 23-0129. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Gordon, Johnson, Lowry, Miller, Morrison, Morrison and Quezada (13)

Absent: Deer, Moore, Morita and Trevor (4)

[23-0115](#)

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED MISCELLANEOUS ITEM OF BUSINESS

Department: Department of Conservation and Experiential Programming

Summary: The Forest Preserves of Cook County (the “Forest Preserves”) requests authorization for the General Superintendent or a designee to have discretionary spending up to \$100,000.00 through the remainder of 2023 to support educational, recreational and community engagement program services with a variety of program partners, including, but not limited to, artists, arts groups, youth development groups, program trainers, curriculum development facilitators, and cultural groups. These program partners would be selected through a variety of processes including the Forest Preserves’ Event and Program Partnership application process. This Event and Program Partnership application is listed on the Forest Preserves’

website on the Doing Business and Partnership page and will be marketed through various Forest Preserves avenues. Program Partnerships may extend into the 2024 fiscal year depending on the program proposal but would not exceed twelve (12) consecutive months. Individual contracts would not exceed \$5,000.00. The program partnerships would be proposed or vetted by the Forest Preserves' Conservation and Experiential Programming team and selected based on community involvement; ability to provide the service; ability to bring a unique program concept to the Forest Preserves; ability and interest to connect with the Forest Preserves' mission and vision; ability to serve a community impacted by racial and other inequities; ability to support Forest Preserves' grant programs; price; and ability to bring a new audience to the Forest Preserves. This program strategy complements the goals of the Next Century Conservation Plan, to connect more people with nature and to make the Forest Preserves more welcoming and accessible. A report on partnership contracts and activities funded through this process in 2022 is attached.

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

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

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

District(s): Districtwide

A motion was made by Commissioner Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Britton, to approve 23-0115. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Gordon, Johnson, Lowry, Miller, Morrison, Morrison and Quezada (13)

Absent: Deer, Moore, Morita and Trevor (4)

[23-0122](#)

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

REPORT

Department: Department of Permits, Rentals and Concessions

Request: Receive and File

Report Title: Event and Permit Application Survey

Report Period: 2022

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Britton, to receive and file 23-0122. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Gordon, Johnson, Lowry, Miller, Morrison, Morrison and Quezada (13)

Absent: Deer, Moore, Morita and Trevor (4)

[23-0006](#)

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

REPORT

Department: Office of the General Superintendent

Request: Refer to Committee on Contract Compliance

Report Title: Forest Preserves of Cook County Disparity Study 2022

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

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Britton, to refer 23-0006 to the Contract Compliance Committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Gordon, Johnson, Lowry, Miller, Morrison, Morrison and Quezada (13)

Absent: Deer, Moore, Morita and Trevor (4)

[23-0105](#)

Presented by: MARY MODELSKI, County Auditor

REPORT

Department: Office of the County Auditor

Request: Refer to Audit Committee

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

Report Period: 12/30/2022

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Britton, to refer 23-0105 to the Audit Committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Gordon, Johnson, Lowry, Miller, Morrison, Morrison and Quezada (13)

Absent: Deer, Moore, Morita and Trevor (4)

[23-0139](#)

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

REPORT

Department: Department of Law Enforcement

Request: Refer to Law Enforcement Committee

Report Title: Model Policing

Report Period: October 2022 through December 2022

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Britton, to refer 23-0139 to the Law Enforcement Committee. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Gordon, Johnson, Lowry, Miller, Morrison, Morrison and Quezada (13)

Absent: Deer, Moore, Morita and Trevor (4)

[23-0134](#)

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

REPORT

Department: Department of Finance and Administration

Request: Receive and File

Report Title: Procurement and Disbursements Report

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

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Britton, to receive and file 23-0134. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Gordon, Johnson, Lowry, Miller, Morrison, Morrison and Quezada (13)

Absent: Deer, Moore, Morita and Trevor (4)

[23-0120](#)

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

REPORT

Department: Departments of Legal and Finance

Request: Receive and File

Report Title: Workers' Compensation Report - November 2022

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

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Britton, to receive and file 23-0120. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Gordon, Johnson, Lowry, Miller, Morrison, Morrison and Quezada (13)

Absent: Deer, Moore, Morita and Trevor (4)

[23-0121](#)

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Department: Department of Conservation and Experiential Programming

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

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

Wednesday, 1/25; 11am

Walk and Talk, Chicago Portage National Historic Site, Lyons

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

Thursday, 1/26; 6pm

Be a Better Birder: Getting Started (Zoom)

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

Saturday, 1/28; 10am - 12pm

Prehistoric Play Day, Rolling Knolls, Elgin

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

Saturday, 1/28; 11am - 2pm

All About Fire, Thatcher Woods, River Forest

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

Sunday, 1/29; 1:30pm

Groundhog Day, River Trail Nature Center, Northbrook

Learn the story behind this peculiar holiday.

Sunday, 1/29; 1pm

Headbangers, Crabtree Nature Center, Barrington

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

Sunday, 1/29; 1pm

Snowshoe Walk, Camp Reinberg, Palatine

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

Wednesday, 2/1 through Sunday 2/5

Groundhog Week, Sagawau Nature Center, Lemont

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

Friday, 2/3; 3pm - 5pm

Wilderness Survival, Cherry Hill Woods, Palos Park

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

Saturday, 2/4; 1:30pm

Live Healthy, Discover Nature! Walk, Sand Ridge Nature Center, South Holland

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

Saturday, 2/4; 6pm - 9pm

Sweetheart Night Hike, River Trail Nature Center, Northbrook

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

Saturday, 2/4; 1:30pm

Owls of Trailside, Trailside Museum, River Forest

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

Sunday, 2/5; 6:30pm

Moon Walk, Little Red Schoolhouse, Willow Springs

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

Sunday, 2/5; 1:30pm

Insects in Winter, River Trail Nature Center, Northbrook

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

Wednesday, 2/8; 10am - 12pm

Poetry Trail: Black History Month, Bemis Woods-South, Western Springs

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Britton, to receive

and file 23-0121. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Gordon, Johnson, Lowry, Miller, Morrison, Morrison and Quezada (13)

Absent: Deer, Moore, Morita and Trevor (4)

COMMITTEE ITEMS REQUIRING BOARD ACTION

RULES COMMITTEE

[23-0169](#)

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

SECRETARY TO THE BOARD, Lynne M. Turner, presented in printed form a record of the Journal of Proceedings of the special meeting held on 11/30/2022 Tax Levy 1pm mtg .

A motion was made by Commissioner Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to approve as amended 23-0169. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Gordon, Johnson, Lowry, Miller, Morrison, Morrison and Quezada (13)

Absent: Deer, Moore, Morita and Trevor (4)

[23-0166](#)

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

SECRETARY TO THE BOARD, Lynne M. Turner, presented in printed form a record of the Journal of Proceedings of the special meeting held on 11/30/22 Tax Levy .

A motion was made by Commissioner Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to approve 23-0166. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Gordon, Johnson, Lowry, Miller, Morrison, Morrison and Quezada (13)

Absent: Deer, Moore, Morita and Trevor (4)

[23-0165](#)

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

SECRETARY TO THE BOARD, Lynne M. Turner, presented in printed form a record of the Journal of Proceedings of the special meeting held on 11/30/2022- Budget.

A motion was made by Commissioner Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to approve 23-0165. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Gordon, Johnson, Lowry, Miller, Morrison, Morrison and Quezada (13)

Absent: Deer, Moore, Morita and Trevor (4)

[23-0167](#)

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

SECRETARY TO THE BOARD, Lynne M. Turner, presented in printed form a record of the Journal of Proceedings of the special meeting held on 12/5/2022 .

A motion was made by Commissioner Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to approve 23-0167. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Gordon, Johnson, Lowry, Miller, Morrison, Morrison and Quezada (13)

Absent: Deer, Moore, Morita and Trevor (4)

[23-0150](#)

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

SECRETARY TO THE BOARD, Lynne M. Turner, presented in printed form a record of the Journal of Proceedings of the regular meeting held on 12/13/22.

A motion was made by Commissioner Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to approve 23-0150. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Gordon, Johnson, Lowry, Miller, Morrison, Morrison and Quezada (13)

Absent: Deer, Moore, Morita and Trevor (4)

FINANCE COMMITTEE

[23-0004](#)

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED BID RECOMMENDATION

Department: Department of Planning and Development

Request: Authorization for the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the “Forest Preserves”) to enter into a construction contract with Burling Builders, primary place of business Chicago, Illinois, for improvements at Salt Creek Landscape Maintenance Headquarters located near North Riverside.

Reason: Contract #74000011607 issued under Project #22-80-26 is for the redevelopment of the Salt Creek Landscape Maintenance Headquarters campus. Work includes, but is not limited to, the demolition of an existing 1930s-era garage that over time had been converted to an office space, demolition of an older existing metal storage garage and replacement of both structures with a single office/garage headquarters building. The new energy-efficient facility will include a training room, locker rooms, washrooms and offices and a 5-bay vehicle storage garage. The all-electric, super-insulated structure will run on renewable energy (a geo-thermal heating system and rooftop solar panels). A \$4.4 million Build Illinois Bond grant will cover more than half the cost of the work (see grant award Board Item No. 22-0250).

Burling Builders is recommended as the lowest qualified local bidder.

Bid Opening Date: 11/9/2022

Bid Results:

1. George Sollitt	\$7,999,294.00*
2. AGAE Contractors Inc	\$8,075,000.00**
3. Burling Builders	\$8,113,500.00***
4. K.R. Miller Contractors Inc	\$8,117,000.00
5. Construction Inc.	\$8,175,000.00
6. PATH	\$8,235,000.00
7. Pacific Construction	\$8,493,422.00

* George Sollitt (Wood Dale, DuPage County, Illinois) does not meet the definition of a local business under Forest Preserve Code Section 1-8-2E.

** AGAE Contractors Inc. (Chicago, Illinois) submitted insufficient qualifications to perform the scope of work of this contract.

*** Burling Builders (Chicago, Illinois) is a local qualified business with a bid of 1.4% higher than the bid submitted by George Sollitt. Forest Preserve Code Section 1-8-2E authorizes the procurement of goods and services from a local business provided its bid is no more than five percent (5%) higher than the bid from a non-local bidder.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: \$3,713,500.00 (FY 2023 \$1,300,000.00; FY 2024 \$2,413,500.00); with \$4,400,000.00 to be reimbursed by IDNR grant

Contract Period: Five hundred seventy (570) days from notice to proceed

Account Name/Number: Property Maintenance and Operations bond funds 51027.560105, grant funds 51010.560105, Capital Improvement funds 51009.560105, Construction & Development funds 51028.560105, 51030.560105, 51031.560105, 51033.560105, 51051.560105 and future Construction and Development funds

District: 16

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

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to approve 23-0004. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Gordon, Johnson, Lowry, Miller, Morrison, Morrison and Quezada (13)

Absent: Deer, Moore, Morita and Trevor (4)

[23-0007](#)

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

PROPOSED BID RECOMMENDATION

Department: Department of Planning and Development

Request: Authorization for the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the” Forest Preserves”) to enter into a construction contract with Berglund Construction Company, primary place of business Chicago, Illinois, for improvements at Forest Preserves central compound located near Forest Park.

Reason: Contract #74000011694 issued under Project #22-80-27 Masonry Repairs and Window Replacements at Central Compound. The work addresses energy efficiency improvements, deferred maintenance issues, and life safety improvements. Specific work includes, but is not limited to, masonry repairs, window replacements, creation of a fire stair enclosure and other related work as specified in the plans and specifications.

Bid Opening Date: 11/9/2022

Bid Results:

- 1. Toro Construction Corp. \$1,080,668.00*
- 2. Berglund Construction Company \$1,235,000.00

3. Paul Borg Construction Company	\$1,309,000.00
4. AGAE Contractors, Inc.	\$1,345,000.00
5. Newcastle Tuckpointing, Inc.	Incomplete

*Toro Construction Corp.’s bid has been determined to be non-responsive. In addition, the bid amount submitted was \$1,205,411.00 but the sum of bid line items was \$1,080,668.00 and Toro Construction Corp. declined to enter into a contract for total amount based on the lower sum of bid line items.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: 2023, \$1,235,000.00

Contract Period: Two hundred seventy (270) days from notice to proceed

Account Name/Number: Property Maintenance & Operations 51009.560105, 51028.560105, 51030.560105, 51031.560105, 51033.560105, 51051.560105 and future Construction & Development Funds

District: 1

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

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to approve 23-0007. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Gordon, Johnson, Lowry, Miller, Morrison, Morrison and Quezada (13)

Absent: Deer, Moore, Morita and Trevor (4)

[23-0126](#)

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

RECOMMENDATION OF THE FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEE (LITIGATION)

Finance Subcommittee Meeting on Litigation - 12/13/2022

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

Proposed Settlements Approved Fiscal Year 2023 to Present: \$0.00

Proposed Settlements to Be Approved: \$0.00

Legal Fees Approved Fiscal Year 2023 to Present:	\$0.00
Legal Fees for 12/13/2022 to Be Approved:	\$78,648.15

A motion was made by Commissioner Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to approve 23-0126. The motion carried by the following vote:

- Ayes:** Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Gordon, Johnson, Lowry, Miller, Morrison, Morrison and Quezada (13)
- Absent:** Deer, Moore, Morita and Trevor (4)

[23-0127](#)

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

RECOMMENDATION OF THE FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEE (LITIGATION)

Finance Subcommittee Meeting on Litigation - 1/24/2023

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

Proposed Settlements Approved Fiscal Year 2023 to Present:	\$0.00
Proposed Settlements to Be Approved:	\$0.00

Legal Fees Approved Fiscal Year 2023 to Present:	\$78,648.15
Legal Fees for 1/24/2023 to Be Approved:	\$81,595.48

A motion was made by Commissioner Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to approve 23-0127. The motion carried by the following vote:

- Ayes:** Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Gordon, Johnson, Lowry, Miller, Morrison, Morrison and Quezada (13)
- Absent:** Deer, Moore, Morita and Trevor (4)

[22-0551](#)

Sponsored by: BRIDGET DEGNEN, FRANK J. AGUILAR, ALMA E. ANAYA, SCOTT R. BRITTON, JOHN P. DALEY, DENNIS DEER, BRIDGET GAINER, MONICA GORDON, BILL LOWRY, DONNA MILLER, STANLEY MOORE, JOSINA MORITA, SEAN M. MORRISON, ANTHONY J. QUEZADA and MAGGIE TREVOR, Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board of Commissioners

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR A TWELVE WEEK PAID PARENTAL LEAVE POLICY

FINANCIAL IMPACT ANALYSIS AND REPORT

WHEREAS, the United States is the only high-income country, and one of only seven countries in the world that does not mandate paid maternity leave; and

WHEREAS, beginning on January 1 of 2023, City of Chicago employees will be entitled to twelve weeks of paid parental leave for both birthing and non-birthing parents. This is an increase from the previously allowed four to six weeks of paid leave for the birthing parent and two weeks of leave for non-birthing parents; and

WHEREAS, the Forest Preserves of Cook County provides employees with four weeks of paid leave for a birthing parent that delivers non-surgically and six weeks for a surgical delivery. Non-birthing parents are entitled to two weeks of paid leave. Employees that adopt a child are entitled to two weeks of paid leave; and

WHEREAS, paid parental leave correlates with reduced financial stress, and enhanced mental and physical health outcomes for parents and children. Studies make a correlative finding between longer leave time and overall improved family benefit; and

WHEREAS, less than eight weeks of paid leave is linked to a reduction in overall health status and increased depression for birthing parents. For every week of paid leave allotted to a mother, there is a two percent reduction in her likelihood of designating her mental health as poor. Research shows that when the birthing parents have paid time off, there is a 51% decrease in the risk of rehospitalization due to complications. When the non-birthing parent also takes parental leave, both caregivers see an increased benefit to their family health from lower stress levels, leading to reduced physical complications and improved health benefits to babies; and

WHEREAS, studies identify the link between parent-child bonding during the first months of life and increased cognitive brain function in babies as a crucial identifier in overall positive health outcomes. This link also improves the baby’s behavioral and socioemotional skills, confirming adequate paid parental leave can improve mental health over the life span of a child. Paid leave is also associated with better language skills in toddlers; and

WHEREAS, health outcomes are better for babies in areas where there are longer paid parental leave policies. Paid leave greater than 12 weeks increases timely infant vaccination, and parents have been found to be more likely to take their infants to all child wellness check-ups in their first year. These health benefits for infants carry on into their childhood and adulthood; and

WHEREAS, research suggests that underprivileged families may benefit the most from longer parental leave policies, due to better birth outcomes, fewer early term births, increased access to medical care, and more economic stability. One study found that the introduction of paid maternity leave in five states (California, Hawaii, New Jersey, New York, and Rhode Island) led to a reduction in low birthweight and preterm births, especially for Black mothers; and

WHEREAS, a consistent parental paid leave policy for all parents regardless of how an employee chooses to become a parent leads to equitability for all family structures;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Forest Preserves of Cook County’s Finance and Administration Department prepare a fiscal note assessing the financial impact to the Forest Preserves of a blanket 12-week paid parental leave policy for full-time Forest Preserves of Cook County employees. The fiscal note shall be submitted to the Forest Preserve District Board of Commissioners on or before the previously scheduled meeting of the Board of Commissioners on March 14, 2023.

A motion was made by Commissioner Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to approve 22-0551. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Gordon, Johnson, Lowry, Miller, Morrison, Morrison and Quezada (13)

Absent: Deer, Moore, Morita and Trevor (4)

[23-0133](#)

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: 1/1/2022 - 11/30/2022

Summary: Detailed Fund Analysis of Revenue and Expenditures for November 2022.

A motion was made by Commissioner Lowry, seconded by Commissioner Degnen, to receive and file 23-0133. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Gordon, Johnson, Lowry, Miller, Morrison, Morrison and Quezada (13)

Absent: Deer, Moore, Morita and Trevor (4)

CAPTIAL IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

[22-0546](#)

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

REPORT

Department: Department of Planning and Development

Request: Refer to Capital Development and Ecological Restoration Committee

Report Title: 2023 Update to the 5-Year Capital Improvement Plan

Report Period: Five (5) Years, 2023-2027

Summary: This report is an update of capital improvement projects and funding needs for the next five (5) years (2023-2027). Capital improvement needs were identified by Forest Preserves' staff, partner organizations and members of the public. The draft report can be downloaded from the Forest Preserves' website. Comments can be submitted on that web page and a final report will be issued in January.

A motion was made by Commissioner Miller, seconded by Commissioner Johnson, to receive and file 22-0546. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Gordon, Johnson, Lowry, Miller, Morrison, Morrison and Quezada (13)

Absent: Deer, Moore, Morita and Trevor (4)

LABOR COMMITTEE

[22-0497](#)

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

PROPOSED RESOLUTION

AMENDMENTS TO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENTS FOR TRADES

WHEREAS, on 4/5/2022, the Forest Preserves of Cook County Board of Commissioners approved Collective Bargaining Agreements for the period of January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2024 for the following four trades: (1) Sheet Metal Workers International Association, Local No. 73, (2) Chicago Journeymen Plumbers Local Union 130, U.A., (3) International Brotherhood of Painters and Allied Trades, District Council #14, and (4) International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 134 (Board

Item Nos. 22-0128, 22-0129, 22-0130, 22-0131) (Collectively, the “Trade Agreements”); and

WHEREAS, while the Trade Agreements covered prevailing wages and healthcare plans, such agreements did not cover one-time payments; and

WHEREAS, on 6/14/2022, the Forest Preserves of Cook County Board of Commissioners approved salary schedules, wage adjustments and healthcare plans, including one-time payments for non-union employees and Teamsters Local 700 bargaining unit members (Board Item Nos. 22-0118 and 22-0132); and

WHEREAS, representatives of the respective trades have requested one-time payments of One-Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) for each bargaining unit member, which is estimated to equal in total an amount not to exceed Twenty-Thousand Dollars (\$20,000).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Forest Preserves of Cook County Board of Commissioners does hereby approve an amendment to each Trade Agreement to allow for a single one-time payment of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) to each full-time bargaining unit member of each trade in an active status as of the date this resolution is approved by the Forest Preserves of Cook County Board of Commissioners.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Forest Preserves Director of Human Resources, Chief Financial Officer and Comptroller are hereby authorized to implement the above-referenced one-time payments.

A motion was made by Commissioner Anaya, seconded by Commissioner Johnson, to approve 22-0497. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Gordon, Johnson, Lowry, Miller, Morrison, Morrison and Quezada (13)

Absent: Deer, Moore, Morita and Trevor (4)

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner BILL LOWRY, seconded by Commissioner SCOTT R. BRITTON, to adjourn. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aguilar, Anaya, Britton, Daley, Degnen, Gainer, Gordon, Johnson, Lowry, Miller, Morrison, Morrison and Quezada (13)

Absent: Deer, Moore, Morita and Trevor (4)

Respectfully submitted,



Chairman

Secretary

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