

# Forest Preserve District of Cook County Real Estate Committee Report

Tuesday, February 18, 2014

9:15 AM

Cook County Building, Board Room, 569 118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois

## **SECTION 1**

#### **ATTENDANCE**

Present: - Vice Chair Gorman, Commissioners Daley, Fritchey, Gainer, García, Goslin, Moore, Reyes,

Schneider, Silvestri, Sims, Steele and Suffredin (13)

Absent: - Chairman Murphy, Commissioners Butler, Collins and Tolbolski (4)

## **PUBLIC TESTIMONY**

Chairman asked the Secretary to the Board to call upon the registered public speakers, in accordance with Cook County Code, Sec. 2-107(dd)

1. George Blakemore, Concerned Citizen

A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri to Defer 13REAL0002 to the end of the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: - Vice Chairman Gorman, Commissioners Daley, Fritchey, Gainer, Garcia, Goslin, Moore, Reyes, Schneider, Silvestri, Sims, Steele and Suffredin (13)

Absent: - Chairman Murphy, Commissioners Butler, Collins and Tobolski (4)

#### 13REAL0002

ARNOLD L. RANDALL, General Superintendent, requesting authorization for the District to grant License Number 1729 to the Village of Morton Grove (Village) for construction, operation and maintenance of a 12-inch water main and a 20-inch water main through Miami Woods from Caldwell Avenue at Main Street to the St. Paul Woods parking area. The area requested for the License is 0.976 acres. The Village indicates that 33 trees will be removed and another 39 trees may be impacted by construction.

Reason: The Village operates and maintains existing 12-inch and 20-inch water mains at this location under License 605 granted by the District in 1965. The existing water mains are deteriorated and need frequent repair. Replacement of the water mains will reduce leakage onto District property and minimize future disruptions for repair.

Legislative History: 7/16/13 Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board of Commissioners referred to the Real Estate Committee.

A motion was made by Commissioner Suffredin, seconded by Commissioner Daley, that this License Request be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: - Vice Chairman Gorman, Commissioners Butler, Daley, Fritchey, Gainer, Garcia, Goslin, Moore, Reyes, Schneider, Silvestri, Sims, Steele and Suffredin (13)

Absent: - Chairman Murphy, Commissioners Collins and Tobolski (4)

#### 14-0024

# **EASEMENT REQUEST**

**Request:** Requesting authorization for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County (the "District") to grant permanent and temporary easements to the Illinois Department of Transportation ("IDOT") at Algonquin Woods, along the east side of Des Plaines River Road from Touhy Avenue to Oakton Avenue for 0.031 acre or 1,350 square feet of permanent easement and 0.056 acre or 2,439 square feet of temporary easement.

**Reason:** The permanent easement is for construction and maintenance of drainage structures. The temporary easement is for re-grading and reconstruction of driveway entrances. IDOT states that the existing road is severely deteriorated and the project will improve safety and capacity. In addition, raising the road profile will reduce flooding on the road and adjacent properties.

The area for the permanent easement is 0.056 acres. IDOT indicates that no trees are expected to be removed for this project.

**Easement Fee:** \$5,900.00

Tree Mitigation Fee: None

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

District(s): 17

*Legislative History:* 1/4/14 Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board of Commissioners referred to the Real Estate Committee.

A motion was made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Silvestri, to accept the substitution for File Id 14-0024. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: - Vice Chair Gorman, Commissioners Daley, Fritchey, Gainer, Garcia, Goslin, Moore, Reyes, Schneider, Silvestri, Sims, Steele and Suffredin (13)

**Absent:** - Chairman Murphy, Commissioners Butler, Collins and Tobolski (4)

#### SUBSTISTUTE FOR FILE ID 14-0024

# **EASEMENT REQUEST**

Request: Requesting authorization for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County (the "District") to grant permanent and temporary easements to the Illinois Department of Transportation ("IDOT") at Algonquin Woods, along the east side of Des Plaines River Road from Touhy Avenue to Oakton Avenue for 0.031 acre or 1,350 358 square feet of permanent easement and 0.056 030 acre or 2,439 1,311 square feet of temporary easement.

Reason: The permanent easement is for construction and maintenance of drainage structures. The temporary easement is for re-grading and reconstruction of driveway entrances erosion control on an existing swale. IDOT states that the existing road is severely deteriorated and the project will improve safety and capacity. In addition, raising the road profile will reduce flooding on the road and adjacent properties.

The area for the permanent easement is 0.056 acres. IDOT indicates that no trees are expected to be removed for this project.

**Easement Fee: \$5,900.00** 

Tree Mitigation Fee: None\$9,688.55

Concurrence(s):

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

District(s): 17

A motion was made by Commissioner Silvestri, seconded by Commissioner Daley, that this Easement Request File Id 14-0024 be adopted as amended by substitution. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: -

Vice Chair Gorman, Commissioners Daley, Fritchey, Gainer, Garcia, Goslin, Moore, Reyes,

Schneider, Silvestri, Sims, Steele and Suffredin (13)

Absent: - Chairman Murphy, Commissioners Butler, Collins and Tobolski (4)

14-0032

#### PROPOSED LICENSE REQUEST

Request: Requesting authorization for the Forest Preserve District of Cook County ("The District"), as Licensor to grant a License the Village of Elmwood Park ("the Village"), Licensee, to locate, operate and maintain a storm sewer outfall structure to the Des Plaines River, a floodwall along Thatcher Avenue, and a floodgate at the entrance to Evans Field as part of a Flood Mitigation Project to reduce flooding of Thatcher Avenue and adjacent neighborhoods. The project will separate the storm water from an existing combined sewer and eliminate the potential for combined sewage to enter District property. The floodwall will allow Thatcher Avenue to remain open during flood events. In addition, the floodgate will automatically close the entrance to Evans Field during flood events. The Village states that the flood stage and duration will not increase due to the floodwall.

The proposed license also is contingent upon the Village's agreement to acquire (at their appraised value) two small parcels owned by the District that already have been deemed surplus property by the District, thereby relieving the District of the responsibility and expense for maintaining the same.

Term:

Continuous

License Fee:

\$11,477.27

**License Application Fee: \$500.00** 

**YELAR Fee:** \$3,300.00

Total one-time upfront fee of \$15,277.27 for the term of the License

(Sec. 5-2A-4 and 5-2B-4)

Tree Mitigation Fee: \$13,281.09

The area of the License is: 0.174 acre

Concurrences: The Chief Attorney and Chief Financial Officer have approved this item. Grantee has met the insurance requirements under the License Agreement.

District(s): 9

Legislative History: 1/14/14 Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board of Commissioners referred to the

Real Estate Committee

A motion was made by Commissioner Silvestri, seconded by Commissioner Daley, that this License Request be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Vice Chairman Gorman, Commissioners Daley, Fritchey, Gainer, Garcia, Goslin, Moore, Reyes, Aye: -

Schneider, Silvestri, Sims, Steele and Suffredin (13)

Absent: - Chairman Murphy, Commissioners Butler, Collins and Tobolski (4)

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Daley moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Vice-Chairman Gorman The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned.

# **SECTION 2**

# YOUR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THE FOLLOWING ACTION WITH REGARD TO THE MATTERS NAMED HEREIN

FILE ID 13REAL0002 FILE ID 14-0024

FILE ID 14-0032

Recommended for Approval Recommended for Approval as Amended by Substitution Recommended for Approval

Respectfully submitted,

Vice Chairman