

# Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board of Commissioners

Minutes of the Contract Compliance Committee

Tuesday, May 21, 2019

9:55 AM

River Trail Nature Center 3120 Milwaukee Ave, Northbrook, IL

## ATTENDANCE

Present: Arroyo, Miller, Anaya, Deer, Degnen, Johnson, Lowry and Moore (8)

Absent: Sims (1)

### PUBLIC TESTIMONY

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

**No Public Speakers** 

### <u>19-0278</u>

### **COMMITTEE MINUTES**

Approval of the minutes from the meeting of 06/05/2018

A motion was made by Vice Chair Miller, seconded by Commissioner Anaya, to approve 19-0278. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Arroyo, Miller, Anaya, Deer, Degnen, Johnson, Lowry and Moore (8)

Absent: Sims (1)

#### 19-0229

Presented by: ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

#### REPORT

Department: Finance and Administration

Request: Refer to Contract Compliance Committee

Report Title: Forest Preserves of Cook County Annual Business Diversity Report FY 2018

**Report Period:** 1/1/2018 - 12/31/2018

**Summary:** In July 2012, state legislation authorized the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the "Forest Preserves") to establish provisions to address the underuse of minority and women-owned businesses with respect to procurement contracts. An ordinance establishing the program's parameters and guidelines was passed by the Forest Preserves Board of Commissioners in September 2012. This initiative is significantly benefitting the residents of Cook County by increasing the pool of qualified minority and women-owned businesses that have the opportunity to be selected for contracts awarded by the District each year.

To remedy historic inequity and to facilitate greater inclusion, the Forest Preserves established aspirational contract goals for the participation of minority and women-owned as set forth under the ordinances that comprise the Forest Preserve District of Cook County Municipal Code.

The Minority and Women-Owned Businesses program accomplishments in FY 2018 include; awarded contracts achieved 47% minority and women-owned businesses participation; 55% of contract payments were made to minority and women-owned businesses either as prime contractors or sub-contractors.

The Forest Preserves participated in 16 outreach and workshop conferences, many in collaboration with various government entities. Also, in 2018, the Board approved an amendment to the Minority and Women Business Enterprise Ordinance to create the Established Business Enterprise Program which allows for weighted program participation as Minority and Women-Owned Businesses grow and graduate from the program.

A motion was made by Vice Chair Miller, seconded by Commissioner Anaya, to recommend for receving and filing 19-0229. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Arroyo, Miller, Anaya, Deer, Degnen, Johnson, Lowry and Moore (8)

Absent: Sims (1)

#### ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Vice Chair Donna Miller, seconded by Commissioner Alma Anaya, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Arroyo, Miller, Anaya, Deer, Degnen, Johnson, Lowry and Moore (8)

Absent: Sims (1)

Respectfully submitted,

Chairman

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Secretary

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