



Legislation Text

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PROPOSED CONTRACT AMENDMENT

Department(s): Department of Resource Management

Vendor: Openlands, Chicago, Illinois

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

Good(s) or Service(s): Agreement for the continued preservation, maintenance, management, and restoration of the Deer Grove East O'Hare Modernization Mitigation Account ("OMMA") site through 2023

Original Contract Period: 6/7/2016 - 6/6/2021

Proposed Contract Period Extension: 6/7/2021 - 12/31/2023

Total Current Contract Amount Authority: N/A. Services are being provided by Openlands at no direct cost to the Forest Preserves

Original Approval: 6/7/2016

Previous Increase(s): N/A

This Increase Requested: N/A

Estimated Fiscal Impact: N/A. The Forest Preserves may provide in-kind staff support for the planning, implementation, and monitoring of projects.

Accounts: N/A

Contract Number(s): N/A

Concurrences:

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

District(s): 14

Summary: The Forest Preserves is requesting to extend its stewardship and restoration agreement with Openlands to facilitate the continued preservation, maintenance, and management of the Deer Grove East OMMA site for an additional two and one-half (2 1/2) years. The original agreement was approved by the Forest Preserves' Board of Commissioners

on June 7, 2016, per Board Item No. 16-0230.

Additional time is being requested in order to continue projects needed to sustain and build upon the successful restoration efforts undertaken at Deer Grove East during the initial large-scale habitat enhancement project, which concluded in 2016. All work on the initial project and subsequent management at the site have been paid for by Openlands using OMMA funds, which provide mitigation of off-site wetland impacts resulting from the O'Hare Modernization Program. The cumulative value of the work provided to-date by Openlands under this stewardship agreement, and anticipated to be provided under the proposed extension, is valued at up to \$885,000.00. This agreement calls for no direct cost to the Forest Preserves.