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### **PROPOSED CONTRACT AMENDMENT**

**Department(s):** Department of Permits, Rentals and Concessions

**Vendor:** Chicago River Canoe and Kayak, Evanston, Illinois

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

**Good(s) or Service(s):** Boat concession services for the Maple Lake Boat House

**Original Contract Period:** 4/11/2017 - 4/10/2020 with two (2) two-year optional extensions; (First Extension Option Exercised) 4/11/2020 - 4/10/2022; Per Board Item No. 20-0360 (10/20/2020) additional year added to second extension option; (Second Extension Option Exercised) 4/11/2022 - 4/10/2025

**Proposed Contract Period Extension:** N/A

**Total Current Contract Amount Authority:** Chicago River Canoe and Kayak has agreed to pay the Forest Preserves an annual base fee plus 5% of gross sales. The base fee for 2023 is \$12,000.

**Original Approval:** 4/11/2017

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

**This Increase Requested:** N/A

**Estimated Fiscal Impact:** N/A (Revenue Generating). This amendment will waive the base fee for 2023 of \$12,000.00

**Accounts:** N/A

**Contract Number(s):** 17-40-401

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

**District(s):** 17

**Summary:** Water pump and plumbing restrictions caused significant reductions to Chicago River Canoe and Kayak operations at Maple Lake Boat House for the 2023 season. In addition, the public restrooms were inoperable from these facility related issues. Chicago River Canoe and Kayak was impacted by a significant reduction of revenue because the

business missed operating at the site on major holidays (Memorial Day, Father's Day and Juneteenth) and was only open for twenty-six (26) days primarily due to the plumbing issues. The vendor's seasonal operation at Maple Lake Boat House ended on July 20, 2023, when historically it would end the season sometime in October if weather permitted. Thus, the Forest Preserves is seeking authorization to waive the 2023 Base Fee in the amount of \$12,000.00. The Forest Preserves Facilities Department is currently solicitating quotes to repair the septic field. Chicago River Canoe and Kayak has other boat concession agreements with the Forest Preserves for other sites and the Base Fees for those sites are being paid in full in accordance with the contracted amount.