



Legislation Text

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PROPOSED CONTRACT AMENDMENT

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

Vendor: Go Ape Bemis Woods LLC ("Go Ape"), Frederick, Maryland

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

Good(s) or Service(s): Professional design, construction, operation, and maintenance services for an Aerial Adventure & Zipline Course (the "Course")

Original Contract Period: 5/1/2014 - 5/1/2019; Board Approved Extension (9/8/2015) 5/2/2019 - 5/1/2021

Proposed Contract Period Extension: 5/2/2021 - 6/30/2023, with three (3) one-year renewal options to be exercised at the discretion of the General Superintendent

Total Current Contract Amount Authority: N/A (Revenue Generating). Go Ape has agreed to pay the Forest Preserves a \$20,000.00 annual fee plus a tiered percentage of gross revenue generated at the Course

Original Approval: 10/7/2014

Previous Increase(s): N/A

This Increase Requested: N/A

Estimated Fiscal Impact: N/A (Revenue Generating)

Accounts: N/A

Contract Number(s): 14-40-405

Concurrences:

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

District(s): 17

Summary: In addition to extending the contract, the proposed amendment will allow Go Ape to pay their annual fee to the Forest Preserves in quarterly installments in exchange for an annual administrative fee, based on prime lending rates. It also adds the option for the Forest Preserves to charge a late fee and requires background checks for Go Ape staff who

work with unaccompanied minors, as part of a broader Forest Preserves effort. In 2018, the Go Ape agreement generated \$75,000.00 for the Forest Preserves.