



## Legislation Text

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### **PROPOSED INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT**

**Department:** Department of Planning and Development

**Other Part(ies):** Village of Brookfield, Illinois, Village of Riverside, Illinois, Village of Lyons, Illinois, Village of LaGrange Park, Illinois

**Request:** Request Authority for the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the "Forest Preserves") to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement ("IGA") with the Villages of Brookfield, Riverside, Lyons and LaGrange Park ("The Villages") to share costs

**Goods or Services:** Phase I Engineering Study

**Agreement Number(s):** N/A

**Agreement Period:** Two (2) years

**Fiscal Impact:** \$16,000.00

**Accounts:** Consulting Management Services 51009.520860, 51051.520860, 51056.52860, 51057.520860 and 51058.520860

**District(s):** 16, 17

**Summary:** The Forest Preserves of Cook County (the "Forest Preserves") recently completed a feasibility study to extend the existing paved trails at 26th St. and 1st Ave. to Ogden Ave./Cermak-Ottawa Woods. The feasibility study identified multiple alternatives that included both on-street and off-street options for further Phase I engineering study and design. It also included improved access to the Brookfield Zoo along 31st St. for pedestrians, bicyclists, and other non-motorized trail users. The Forest Preserves requests authority to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with the Villages for a Phase I Engineering Study for routes that will enable future trail users to safely travel from the Salt Creek trail system to the Chicago Portage National Historic Site. 80% of project costs will be covered by state grant funds, the Forest Preserves will make a one-time contribution of \$16,000.00, and the Villages will cover the remaining costs and expenses for the project. The Village of Brookfield will be the lead agency.

By committing a portion of the estimated cost of the Phase I study the Forest Preserves will contribute to the broader goal of connecting its trails with these surrounding communities and close a key segment depicted in the Northeastern Illinois Regional Greenways Plan. The final agreement is subject to legal review and approval.