



Legislation Text

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PROPOSED INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT

Department: Department of Planning and Development

Other Part(ies): Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (MWRD)

Request: Permission for the Forest Preserves of Cook County (the "Forest Preserves") to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with the MWRD

Goods or Services: Green infrastructure partnership for repaving of a Forest Preserves parking lot in unincorporated Cook County, adjacent to Westchester and LaGrange Park. MWRD will contribute the lesser of \$420,000.00 or 50.00% of the total construction cost, as a reimbursement to the Forest Preserves, for the Possum Hollow Woods Green Infrastructure Parking Lot Retrofit project

Agreement Number(s): N/A

Agreement Period: Thirty (30) years

Fiscal Impact: Local match (including contingency) not to exceed \$554,560.00 (FY2021: \$125,813.00 and FY2022: \$428,747.00).

Accounts: Positive \$420,000.00 Grant Revenue 51010.560019. Forest Preserves match at time of contract award: Professional Services 51029.520830, 51009.520830; and Land Improvements 51029.560019, 51009.560019, 51030.560019, 51051.560019 and future Construction & Development accounts.

District(s): 17

Summary: As part of its Green Infrastructure Partnership Opportunity Program, the MWRD proposes to contribute the lesser of \$420,000.00 or 50.00% of the total construction cost, to retrofit an existing access and parking area near Salt Creek to reduce direct discharge of stormwater runoff to the Creek and corresponding downstream flooding and improve water quality. The project includes replacement of over one acre (46,476 s.f.) of existing asphalt with porous unit paving and restoration of almost another acre (39,699 s.f.) of existing asphalt to natural open space. An accessible access path to the existing picnic shelter and interpretive signage will also be included in the project.

The Forest Preserves will be responsible for maintaining the project, including the permanent posting of required signage. In addition to the costs described above, the proposed agreement includes provisions that could result in additional future costs to the Forest Preserves that are unknown at this time. The MWRD will have the right (including any necessary right of access) to conduct its own annual inspection of the constructed project. The Forest Preserves will be required to comply with applicable standards or provisions in MWRD's Purchasing Act and Affirmative Action Ordinance, as well as

MWRD's applicable labor requirements. The agreement also contains requirements with respect to MWRD's Veteran's Business Enterprise Contracting Policy. The final agreement is subject to legal review and approval.