



**REGULAR BOARD MEETING
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**Wednesday, August 12, 2020
7:00 p.m.**

A. CALL TO ORDER

B. PRESENTATIONS

1. Wesley Park Update - Eleanor Blackman, Assistant City Engineer for Environment, City of Champaign

C. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

D. COMMUNICATIONS

E. TREASURER'S REPORT

1. Consideration of Acceptance of the Treasurer's Report for the Month of July 2020

F. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

1. General Announcements

G. COMMITTEE AND LIAISON REPORTS

1. Champaign Parks Foundation

H. REPORT OF OFFICERS

1. Attorney's Report
2. President's Report

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I. CONSENT AGENDA

All items appearing below are considered routine by the Board and shall be enacted by one motion. If discussion is desired, that item shall be removed and discussed separately.

1. Approval of Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting, June 10, 2020
2. Approval of the Minutes of the Special Board Meeting, June 24, 2020
3. Approval of Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting, July 08, 2020
4. Approval of Minutes of the Special Board Meeting, July 22, 2020
5. Approval of Minutes of the Executive Session, July 22, 2020
6. Approval of 1-Year Amended Extension of Virginia Theatre Alcohol Concession Agreement for 2020-2021
7. Approval of the Request for Quote for the Purchase of Two Lawn Mowers

J. NEW BUSINESS

1. Approval of Disbursements as of July 08, 2020
Staff recommends approval of the list of disbursements for the period beginning July 08, 2020 and ending August 12, 2020. **(Roll Call Vote)**
2. Approval of Ordinance No. 647: Regulating Vegetation on Property Owned or Controlled by the Champaign Park District
Staff recommends adoption of Ordinance No. 647 to establish a vegetation ordinance governing the planting, maintenance, and protection of vegetation on property owned or controlled by the Park District. **(Roll Call Vote)**
3. Approval of Acceptance of Interim GASB 75 Actuarial Valuation Report for FYE2020 Ending April 30, 2020
Staff recommends the Board accept the FYE2020 GASB 75 Actuarial Valuation report as presented by NyHart. **(Roll Call Vote)**
4. Approval of the Sale of Real Estate in the Trails at Abbey Fields Subdivisions
Staff recommends the sale Lot 181 in The Trails at Abbey Fields subdivisions for \$55,000 plus the buyer would be responsible for closing costs including title insurance, transfer fees, HOA fees, and any other associated fees. **(Roll Call Vote)**
5. Approval of a Resolution to Commit Cash Proceeds Received in Land Sale to Land Acquisition Fund
Staff recommends approval of a resolution to commit \$55,000 from the sale of Lot 181 at the Trails of Abbey Fields as of the date of this resolution or before April 30, 2021 into the Land Acquisition Fund for the future purchase of land within the Park District. **(Roll Call Vote)**
6. Approval of Rescinding Bid Award for Path Extension at Zahnd Park to Connect Existing Paths
Staff recommends rescinding A&R Mechanical bid award for the path extension at Zahnd Park to connect existing paths. If Board consensus is to collect on A&R's 10% bid bond, staff will reach out to Surety. **(Roll Call Vote)**
7. Approval of Bid for Path Extension at Zahnd Park to Connect Existing Paths
Staff recommends awarding the construction contract to A and A Concrete in the amount of \$56,928.14 and to authorize the Executive Director to enter into the contract. **(Roll Call Vote)**

K. OLD BUSINESS

1. Approval of Bids for Bicentennial Center CUSR Renovation
Staff recommends accepting the bids and authorizing the Executive Director to execute contracts with the respective lowest responsible bidders as follows: Bid Package 1 – Exterior General Trades: English Brothers, \$117,149, Bid Package 2 – Interior General Trades: Broeren Russo \$305,300, Bid Package 3 – Plumbing: United Mechanical, \$62,850, Bid Package 4 – HVAC and Temperature Controls: Davis Houk Mechanical Inc, \$123,750, Bid Package 5: Aladdin Electric, \$112,967. The total cost of the five recommended bids for 2020 will be \$722,016 and funds will be allocated in the FY21 operating budget. **(Roll Call Vote)**

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L. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Trails at Abbey Fields Homeowners Association Vote on Lot Special Assessment.

M. COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS

N. ADJOURN



WESLEY PARK ENLARGEMENT

- (a) Proposed Way Trail
- (b) Existing Field
- (c) Plaza
- (d) Invert
- (e) Boneyard Creek

KEY

- ① Wesley Park (See Enlargement)
- ② Boneyard Creek Daylight
- ③ Oak Ash Wetland
- ④ Boardwalk
- ⑤ Overlook
- ⑥ Dry Weather Underpass
- ⑦ Wet Weather Route
- ⑧ Refurbished Wooden Rail Trestle
- ⑨ Pavilion
- ⑩ Washington Basin
- ⑪ Skelton Park Connection

- Boneyard Creek/ Detention Area
- Greenway Trail
- Wetland
- Detention Basin Plantings



**CHAMPAIGN PARK DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING
BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS**

June 10, 2020

The Champaign Park District Board of Commissioners held a Regular Board Meeting on Wednesday, June 10, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. at the Bresnan Meeting Center, 706 Kenwood Road, Champaign, Illinois, pursuant to published notice duly given. President Hays presided over the meeting. The five individuals identified below were physically present at the meeting with appropriate social distancing. Citizens were given the opportunity to participate in the teleconference at the web address:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81614984748?pwd=UWdudUFGck90QW9ySFNMVHFLeWw0dz09> or by calling 312-626-6799. Citizens were also offered the opportunity to submit comments or questions by email prior to the meeting. Those comments were to be announced by the Executive Director during the public comment portion of the meeting. Email submissions were solicited from the public through a notice of intent to speak or comment to be submitted by noon on Wednesday, June 10, 2020 to be sent to the Executive Director of the Park District at: joe.deluce@champaignparks.org.

Present in person: President Craig W. Hays and Attorney Guy C. Hall.

Present electronically: Vice President Kevin J. Miller, Commissioners Barbara J. Kuhl, Jane L. Solon, Timothy P. McMahon, and Treasurer Donna Lawson.

Staff present in person: Joseph DeLuce, Executive Director, Tammy Hoggatt, Director of HR, Risk and IT, and Jarrod Scheunemann, Assistant to the Executive Director.

Staff present electronically: Andrea Wallace, Director of Finance, Dan Olson, Director of Operations, Jameel Jones, Director of Recreation, Jimmy Gleason, Director of Revenue Facilities, Steven Bentz, Director of the Virginia Theatre, and Amanda Carrington, Hays Recreation Center Receptionist.

Gokhul Ranganath, Project Manager for Broeren Russo Builders, Inc. also attended virtually.

Call to Order

President Hays called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Comments from the Public

There were no comments from the public.

Communications

None.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Lawson reviewed the Treasurer's Report for the month of May 2020. Ms. Lawson reported cash was down \$790,000, which included nearly \$100,000 in refunds for canceled programs. Ms. Wallace added that the first installment of real estate taxes was low at \$1,245,000 when compared to 2019's (\$2,900,000) and 2018's (\$3,800,000) first installments. Commissioner Kuhl asked if the County Clerk's Treasurers Office had been contacted. Ms. Wallace stated they had been contacted and the Park District was waiting for a reply. Discussion ensued.

Commissioner Solon joined the meeting virtually at 7:07 p.m.

Ms. Lawson stated the Treasurer's Report had been reviewed and was found to be in appropriate order.

Commissioner McMahon made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report for the month of May 2020. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kuhl. Upon roll call vote, the vote was as follows: Commissioner Kuhl – yes; Commissioner McMahon – yes; President Hays – yes; Vice President Miller – yes; and Commissioner Solon – yes. The motion passed 5-0.

Executive Director's Report

General Announcements

Mr. DeLuce asked Ms. Hoggatt to present the latest staffing numbers. Ms. Hoggatt reported that the Park District normally employs 81 full-time staff at capacity. Recently, eight full-time staff had either retired (2), resigned to take new jobs (3) or had accepted voluntary furloughs (3). 73 full-time staff were reported to be currently working with three additional staff on medical leave. Six part-time staff were retained as essential workers. Phase three protocols from the Governor's Executive Order had opened up new possibilities and staff were looking to rehire 30 part-time positions in various departments to cover new and existing needs. Discussion ensued.

Commissioner Kuhl asked for insight into why staff had left the Park District. Mr. DeLuce responded that one staff member had resigned to move back home and two had resigned for higher pay elsewhere.

Commissioner Solon requested to know more about the retirees. Ms. Hoggatt responded that Cindy Harvey and Glenn Brown had retired.

Commissioner Kuhl inquired if the positions would be filled. Mr. DeLuce responded that the positions would remain unfilled until September 1st. Ms. Hoggatt mentioned that the open CUSR position had been advertised, but would not be filled until September 1st. Commissioner Kuhl inquired about CUSR's programs. Mr. DeLuce responded that most of CUSR's programs had been held virtually due to its users' higher risk factors.

Mr. DeLuce also noted that the Commissioners should have received the latest capital projects update by email and that a check had been received from the City of Champaign for the Heritage Park shoreline project.

Commissioner Kuhl asked about the Picnic Parks program. Discussion ensued. Mr. DeLuce responded that weather had impacted the first week. He also stated that evenings had more visitors than during lunch hours. He mentioned that the City would be adding umbrellas and possibly live music to these areas in the near future. Commissioner Kuhl asked if the Park District was staffing these Picnic Parks. Mr. DeLuce responded that the Picnic Parks were open from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. and 5-9 p.m. and that the City pays for the Park District to staff the locations. Commissioner Kuhl requested clarification on Park District staff roles for these positions. Mr. DeLuce explained that the staff were serving as Park Ambassadors to clean, help maintain social distancing, and provide general oversight. Commissioner Kuhl asked if it was cost effective for the Park District to be involved. Mr. DeLuce responded that it has been an important component of helping staff maintain their 40 hours even if they had physical limitations and were not able to assist in Operations.

Committee and Liaison Reports

Champaign Parks Foundation

There was no report from Vice President Miller.

Report of Officers

Attorney's Report

Attorney Hall reported that he is working on a number of routine matters, contracts and various Park District issues.

President's Report

President Hays reported on a number of budgetary items. He noted recent refunds totaling \$98,366. President Hays also shared the final total for the new Operations building at \$2,560,000, which was 8.325% over budget. He stated this percentage was normal. However, he wanted to highlight this fact for consideration for future projects. President Hays also reported on a number of Park District flower islands that were expected to be addressed when a flower shipment arrives on 6/15/20.

Commissioner Solon stated she did not know there had been a sale of unused annual flowers to the public. Discussion ensued. Mr. Olson highlighted the dates of recent sales and an income of over \$4,000 to help recover costs for the plants that would not be used. Mr. Olson added that the sale had been promoted on

social media. Mr. DeLuce commented that the staff will do a better job of communicating flower sales to the Board members in the future.

Consent Agenda

President Hays stated that all items on the Consent Agenda are considered routine and shall be acted upon by one motion. If discussion is desired regarding any item, that item shall be removed and discussed separately.

1. Approval of Minutes of the Annual and Regular Board Meetings, May 13, 2020
2. Approval of Minutes of the Special Board Meeting, May 27, 2020

Vice President Miller made a motion to approve the consent agenda. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kuhl. Upon roll call vote, the vote was as follows: Vice President Miller – yes; Commissioner Kuhl – yes; Commissioner McMahon – yes; Commissioner Solon – yes; and President Hays – yes. The motion passed 5-0.

New Business

Approval of Disbursements as of May 13, 2020

President Hays reported that staff recommended approval of the list of disbursements for the period beginning May 13, 2020 and ending June 9, 2020.

Vice President Miller made a motion to approve the list of disbursements for the period beginning May 13, 2020 and ending June 9, 2020. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kuhl. Upon roll call vote, the vote was as follows: Commissioner McMahon – yes; Commissioner Solon – yes; Commissioner Kuhl – yes; Vice President Miller – yes; and President Hays – yes. The motion passed 5-0.

Approval of Setting a Public Hearing on the Budget and Appropriation Ordinance

Ms. Wallace reported on the ordinance draft and budget draft. She stated it had been challenging to plan due to uncertainty related to the COVID-19 virus shutdown. Ms. Wallace commented that supplemental budgets might be appropriate if future phasing allows for revenue generating programs and services. She also highlighted other budgetary data that would be subject to changes as the draft becomes finalized.

Commissioner Solon made a motion to approve setting a public hearing on the proposed budget and appropriation ordinance for Wednesday, July 22, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. at the Bresnan Meeting Center and to receive public comments. Ordinance No. 645, the proposed Budget and Appropriation Ordinance, is available at the Bresnan Meeting Center for public review. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kuhl. Upon roll call vote, the vote was as follows: Commissioner McMahon – yes; President Hays – yes; Vice President Miller – yes; Commissioner Kuhl – yes; and Commissioner Solon – yes. The motion passed 5-0.

Approval of Bids for Bicentennial Center CUSR Renovation

Mr. DeLuce recommended the Board table the approval of the bids for the renovation of the Bicentennial Center due to delays in Fast Track grant process pending with the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (DCEO) until the June 24th Special Board Meeting. Mr. DeLuce, Mr. Olson, and Mr. Ranganath from Broeren Russo concurred that the current bids would be valid for 60 days from opening.

Commissioner Kuhl requested clarification on the amount of money that would be received from state budget appropriations earmarked by Senator Bennett for this project as well as the total from the DCEO grant application if awarded. Mr. DeLuce mentioned that the DCEO grant award would be distributed through reimbursements and if grant monies exceeded the project's budget, the Park District would request less reimbursement from DCEO.

Commissioner Kuhl made a motion to table the approval of the bids for the Bicentennial Center renovation. Commissioner Solon seconded the motion. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Commissioner Solon – yes; Vice President Miller – yes; Commissioner McMahon – yes; President Hays – yes; and Commissioner Kuhl – yes. The motion passed 5-0.

Old Business

None.

Discussion Items

FY20 Performance Management Report

Mr. Scheunemann provided the report. He reviewed the purpose of the Performance Management Report and provided observations on the results in comparison to the previous years. He indicated that several targets were not met due to the COVID-19 crisis and that it should be expected that numbers and targets will look differently in FY21 due to the crisis. He specifically noted the reduction in volunteer hours due to the pandemic and highlighted the potential value of lost time from these volunteers to be more than \$200,000. Mr. Scheunemann also noted comparatives with results from the National Park and Recreation Association (NRPA) were included for the first time in this report.

Commissioner Kuhl stated that in light of the pandemic and future uncertainty it will be important to find areas of focus for FY21.

Commissioner Solon observed the attendance numbers at the Douglass Annex and Hays Recreation Center appeared to be low. Discussion ensued. Mr. Jones responded that the numbers were lower due to the pandemic. He noted that the two populations which are served by the Hays Recreation Center, seniors and special recreation, have not been meeting at these locations since March.

Commissioner Solon commented that the Park District's budget and expenses appeared to be higher than the national averages as presented in the report. Discussion ensued. Mr. Scheunemann responded he would review formulas with NRPA to make sure the results were comparable. Mr. DeLuce and Mr. Hall noted how Illinois' unique Park District system may also have impacted the results. Mr. Scheunemann responded that he would find comparatives within Illinois to present as well. Vice President Miller added the report shows the Park District was deficient in dog parks.

Comments from Commissioners

Commissioner Kuhl clarified who would be responding (Ms. Wallace) to an inquiry from Claire O'Brien, a member of the public. Commissioner McMahon thanked the Park District for the work at Spalding Park to create an outdoor space for a memorial service for the Adams family and for working with Unit 4 in the process. Discussion ensued. Commissioner Solon commented that she received many compliments on the use of Spalding Park for the memorial. She also noted the need to pull weeds in the flower islands and tree damage from one of the lawn mowing services. Mr. DeLuce stated that Mr. Johnson is working with the contractor at Noel Park on the tree damage issue.

Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Kuhl made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner McMahon. The motion passed 5-0 and the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Approved

Craig W. Hays, President

Guy C. Hall, Secretary

**CHAMPAIGN PARK DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS**

June 24, 2020

The Champaign Park District Board of Commissioners held a Special Board Meeting on Wednesday, June 24, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. at the Bresnan Meeting Center, 706 Kenwood Road, Champaign, Illinois, pursuant to published notice duly given. President Hays presided over the meeting. The five individuals identified below were physically present at the meeting with appropriate social distancing. Citizens were given the opportunity to participate in the teleconference at the web address: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89438812005?pwd=b1VFtKvYKzVOcHk4bkhOS3hFK3N3dz09> or by calling 312-626-6799. Citizens were also offered the opportunity to submit comments or questions by email prior to the meeting. Those comments were to be announced by the President Hays during the public comment portion of the meeting. Email submissions were solicited from the public through a notice of intent to speak or comment to be submitted by noon on Wednesday, June 24, 2020 to be sent to the Executive Director of the Park District at: joe.deluce@champaignparks.org. There were no email comments or questions submitted by citizens for consideration by the Board.

Present in person: President Craig W. Hays and Attorney Guy C. Hall.

Present electronically: Vice President Kevin J. Miller, Commissioners Barbara J. Kuhl, Jane L. Solon, Timothy P. McMahon, and Treasurer Donna Lawson.

Staff present in person: Joseph DeLuce, Executive Director, Tammy Hoggatt, Director of HR, Risk and IT, and Jarrod Scheunemann, Assistant to the Executive Director.

Staff present electronically: Andrea Wallace, Director of Finance, Andrew Weiss, Director of Planning, Dan Olson, Director of Operations, Jameel Jones, Director of Recreation, and Jimmy Gleason, Director of Revenue Facilities.

Joseph Brusseau of Hitchcock Design Group, Jean Flood of the League of Women Voters, and Claire O'Brien of the Daily Illini were also electronically in attendance.

Call to Order

President Hays called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Attorney Hall joined the meeting at 5:31 p.m.

Presentations

Human Kinetics Park Project, Hitchcock Design Group

Mr. DeLuce introduced Joseph Brusseau from Hitchcock Design Group to present cost estimates for and updates to the schematic design for Human Kinetics Park.

Mr. Brusseau presented the refinements to schematic designs for Human Kinetics Park. Updates included realigned and widened (from 6 feet to 8 feet) pathways, Martens Center site plan and parking lot updates, and the removal of the Sutu wall. Mr. Brusseau also reviewed cost estimates totaling \$1,157,000. Discussion ensued.

Mr. DeLuce questioned the inclusion of an asphalt line item for paving totaling \$38,000. Mr. Brusseau responded that should not be included, but would need to verify. Attorney Hall clarified that the asphalt paving line item should be considered a subtraction. Mr. Brusseau confirmed it would be a subtraction after verification.

Mr. DeLuce confirmed the original overall project budget of \$900,000, which included a grant from Illinois American Water for \$50,000 and an additional \$50,000 in naming rights.

Commissioner Solon requested clarification on the pathway labeled as “A” on the schematic design. She noted that the path, as drawn, could not be constructed due to crossing land that is not owned by the Park District. Commissioner Kuhl asked if the path in question could be eliminated from the design. Discussion ensued. Ms. Solon and Ms. Kuhl made several additional suggested park pathway modifications. Vice President Miller commented that pathway “A” would be an important link between the new pathway investments at Human Kinetics Park and the broader neighborhood trail system. President Hays responded that the initial cost estimates were \$300,000 over budget and reductions need to be made, however, he supported staff reaching out to the City of Champaign to see if it would be willing to partner on the connecting path. Mr. DeLuce added that staff would make the request to the City at a planning meeting the following week.

Ms. Kuhl also requested the removal of a circular concrete pad and pathway to reduce the congestion near the volleyball and basketball courts. Mr. Brusseau responded that all of the aforementioned suggestions were feasible and their design team would address the Board’s changes quickly.

Comments from the Public

There were no comments from the public.

New Business

Approval of Bid for Playground Surfacing

Mr. Olson presented the report. He discussed the history on the bids for playground surfacing. Discussion ensued. Mr. Olson reported that a company that inadvertently forgot to submit a bid last year was the lowest responsible bidder in 2020.

Mr. DeLuce added that the CU Public Health District had approved the reopening of playgrounds, with stipulations, in phase four of the Governor’s Rebuild Illinois plan. He also noted staff were working to open the playgrounds as quickly as possible.

Commissioner Solon made a motion to approve a contract with the lowest responsible bidder and authorized the Executive Director to purchase playground surfacing mulch from J & L Morris Trucking, LLC at a bid price of \$17.50 per cubic yard, or \$35,000 using the bid multiplier. The motion was seconded by Vice President Miller. Upon roll call vote, the vote was as follows: Vice President Miller – yes; Commissioner McMahon – yes; Commissioner Solon – yes; Commissioner Kuhl – yes; and President Hays – yes. The motion passed 5-0.

Approval of a Subrecipient Agreement between the City of Champaign and the Park District for the Community Matters Program

Mr. DeLuce recommended the Board table the approval of the Subrecipient Agreement between the City of Champaign and the Park District for the Community Matters Program until a fully executed contract has been received from the City of Champaign.

Commissioner Kuhl requested clarification on whether or not delays in the contract process would delay camps for children in need. Mr. Jones responded that camps would not be impacted and that the City would be billed for any expenses that would be incurred in the interim. Mr. DeLuce added that the agreement has been in place for 15 to 20 years. Attorney Hall clarified the expiration date of the current contract. Mr. Jones confirmed June 30, 2020 was the final date for the current agreement.

Commissioner Solon made a motion to table the approval of the Subrecipient Agreement between the City of Champaign and the Park District for the Community Matters Program until the July 8th Regular Board Meeting. The motion was seconded by Vice President Miller. Upon roll call vote, the vote was as follows: Commissioner Kuhl – yes; Commissioner Solon – yes; Commissioner McMahon – yes; President Hays – yes; and Vice President Miller – yes. The motion passed 5-0.

Approval of Updated Board Participation with External Entities Policy

Mr. DeLuce presented the report. He stated that this update was the beginning of the formal process to review and update the Board Policy manual every five years. Mr. Scheunemann and Attorney Hall added that this update included minor revisions to improve reader comprehension.

Commissioner Solon made a motion to approve the updated Board Participation with External Entities Policy. The motion was seconded by Commissioner McMahon. Upon roll call vote, the vote was as follows: Vice President Miller – yes; Commissioner McMahon – yes; Commissioner Kuhl – yes; Commissioner Solon – yes; and President Hays – yes. The motion passed 5-0.

Old Business

Approval of Bids for Bicentennial Center CUSR Renovation

Mr. DeLuce recommended the Board table the approval of the bids for the renovation of the Bicentennial Center due to delays in grant award notice from the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (DCEO) until the July 8th Regular Board Meeting. He also commented that Ms. Auteberry has kept in contact with DCEO about the potential award and that he had reached out to Senator Bennett to help as well.

Commissioner Solon thanked staff for creating a document to fully explain each add alternate. President Hays concurred.

Commissioner Solon made a motion to table the approval of the bids for the Bicentennial Center renovation. Vice President Miller seconded the motion. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: President Hays – yes; Commissioner Solon – yes; Commissioner McMahon – yes; and Vice President Miller – yes. At 6:04 p.m., Commissioner Kuhl lost connection to the meeting via video conference call. The meeting was paused until she was able to rejoin by phone at 6:06 p.m. Commissioner Kuhl then voted yes after verifying she could hear other Board members. The motion passed 5-0.

Discussion Items

FY21 Annual Operating Budget

Ms. Wallace presented the report. She noted the transmittal letter which was used to elaborate on unstable circumstances that would impact the budget such as: the pandemic, interest rates, unemployment, and the minimum wage increase. Other challenges would include related program cancellations and additions with shelter-in-place recommendations changing throughout the year. The budget and appropriation ordinance will be presented for approval at the July 22, 2020 Special Meeting.

Strategic Plan

Mr. DeLuce presented the report. He explained that the Strategic Plan was created in 2019 and combined Department Head goals, Board goals, and the Strategic Plan at that time. He explained that quarter four updates for FY20 were highlighted in red throughout the document. Mr. DeLuce mentioned staff would be available for related questions in the future.

Comments from Commissioners

Commissioner Solon shared appreciation for the flower island installations at Hessel Park and the Neil Street floral peacock. She also attended an outdoor yoga class and noted the quality of the instructor. President Hays complimented the Park Maintenance staff for their work at Porter and Hessel Parks.

Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Solon made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Vice President Miller. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Vice President Miller – yes; Commissioner McMahon – yes; Commissioner Kuhl; Commissioner Solon – yes; and President Hays – yes. The motion passed 5-0.

Approved:

Craig W. Hays, President

Guy C. Hall, Secretary

**CHAMPAIGN PARK DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING
BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS**

July 8, 2020

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joe.deluce@champaignparks.org. There were no email comments or questions submitted by citizens for consideration by the Board.

Present in person: President Craig W. Hays

Present electronically: Vice President Kevin J. Miller, Commissioners Barbara J. Kuhl, Jane L. Solon, Timothy P. McMahon, Attorney Guy C. Hall, and Treasurer Donna Lawson.

Staff present in person: Tammy Hoggatt, Director of HR, Risk and IT, and Jarrod Scheunemann, Assistant to the Executive Director.

Staff present electronically: Joseph DeLuce, Executive Director, Andrea Wallace, Director of Finance, Andrew Weiss, Director of Planning, Dan Olson, Director of Operations, Jimmy Gleason, Director of Revenue Facilities, Laura Auteberry, Development Director, and Steven Bentz, Director of the Virginia Theatre.

Jean Flood of the League of Women Voters, and Claire O'Brien of the Daily Illini were also electronically in attendance.

Call to Order

President Hays called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Mr. DeLuce virtually entered the meeting at 7:02 p.m.

Comments from the Public

There were no comments from the public.

Communications

President Hays acknowledged communications that had been sent to the Board members with the Board packet.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Lawson reviewed the Treasurer's Report for the month of June 2020 and reported it to be in appropriate order. Ms. Lawson stated that revenue was down \$3.2 million and expenses were down \$1.7 million due to the COVID-19 crisis. She noted that cash rose by \$457,000 due to receiving \$1.2 million in real estate taxes and an expected second installment of \$2.8 million dollars, which was \$1 million dollars in arrears when compared with June of 2018.

Vice President Miller made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report for the month of June 2020. The motion was seconded by Commissioner McMahon. The motion passed 5-0. Upon roll call vote, the vote was as follows: Commissioner McMahon – yes, Vice President Miller – yes; Commissioner Solon – yes; Commissioner Kuhl – yes; and President Hays – yes.

Executive Director's Report

General Announcements

Mr. DeLuce gave the report. He disclosed the latest information about Park District management and operations response to the organizational impact of the COVID-19 crisis. He noted that day camps were going well with reduced numbers of participants. Mr. DeLuce shared that splash pads would open the following weekend. He also highlighted a partnership with the University of Illinois to use Washington Park as a COVID-19 testing site for students. Additionally, Mr. DeLuce reported on the number of part-time employees who were collecting unemployment (48), those who were collecting unemployment who have since returned to work for the Park District (18), the number of voluntary layoffs (2), the number of staff who had chosen to take FMLA (3), and the announcement of the FT-2 Dance Coordinator's resignation to return to school.

Committee and Liaison Reports

Champaign Parks Foundation

Vice President Miller reported that the Foundation Board did not have a meeting yet in July. He noted that the Foundation is working on how to host fundraising events if in-person opportunities are not available.

Report of Officers

Attorney's Report

Mr. Hall reported that his office had been in contact with DCEO to inquire about the status of the Rebuild Illinois Fast Track grant applications. He stated that 130 applications had been received for requests in excess of \$65 million for an available \$25 million. He noted other tasks under his purview, such as the Dog Park lease revisions, the review of a resolution to approve and accept modifications to the Open Meetings Act and the review of a Lost and Found policy.

President's Report

President Hays reminded Board members that they would need to deliberate on and pass the budget at the July 22nd Special Meeting. He requested their attention to the budget report's details and that they send their questions to Ms. Wallace as soon as possible.

Commissioner Kuhl requested clarification on the Dog Park negotiations reference by Attorney Hall. Mr. DeLuce responded that he and Attorney Hall were working on extending the lease to 50 years, which would allow for the inclusion of permanent amenities.

New Business

Approval of Disbursements as of June 10, 2020

Staff recommended approval of the list of disbursements for the period beginning June 10, 2020 and ending July 7, 2020.

Commissioner McMahon made a motion to approve the list of disbursements for the period beginning June 10, 2020 and ending July 7, 2020. The motion was seconded by Vice President Miller. Upon roll call vote, the vote was as follows: Commissioner Kuhl – yes; Commissioner Solon – yes; Vice President Miller – yes; Commissioner McMahon – yes, and President Hays. The motion

passed 5-0.

Approval of Bid for Path Extension at Zahnd Park to Connect Existing Paths

Mr. Weiss presented the report. He stated bid opening for this project was held on July 2nd and recommended awarding the construction contract to A and R Mechanical Services in the amount of \$49,074.93 and to authorize the Executive Director to enter into the contract.

Commissioner Solon requested more information about connecting paths highlighted in the corresponding map. Mr. Weiss explained that the path in question led to a concrete spectator area at the 50-yard line of the Zahnd Park football field.

Commissioner McMahon requested the projected completion date. Mr. Weiss responded that the project was scheduled to be completed by the end of August.

Commissioner Solon made a motion to approve the bid for the path extension at Zahnd Park. The motion was seconded by Commissioner McMahon. Upon roll call vote, the vote was as follows: Commissioner McMahon – yes, Vice President Miller – yes; Commissioner Solon – yes; Commissioner Kuhl – yes; and President Hays - yes. The motion passed 5-0.

Old Business

Approval of Bids for Bicentennial Center CUSR Renovation

Mr. DeLuce provided the report. He noted that the deadline for approving the current bids was July 27th. Mr. DeLuce reported that he had a discussion with Mr. Weiss and Jim Lopez from Broenen Russo about sending letters to the bidders to request a 30-day extension. Discussion ensued. Commissioner Kuhl stated that if the lowest responsible bidders do not agree to the extension, the Park District would still be under budget with the acceptance of bids from the second lowest responsible bidders. She recommended waiting until the next Board meeting to approve and if necessary to ask for an extension from the bidders. Commissioners Solon and McMahon concurred. Vice President Miller requested more information on the status of the grant awards. Attorney Hall reiterated that the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (DCEO) had paused the acceptance of applications after receiving 130 inquiries. Commissioner Hays stated that the Board should consider tabling the approval.

Mr. DeLuce recommended the Board table the approval of the bids for the renovation of the Bicentennial Center due to delays in grant award notification from DCEO until the July 22nd Special Board Meeting.

Commissioner Kuhl made a motion to table the approval of the bids for the Bicentennial Center renovation. Commissioner Solon seconded the motion. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Vice President Miller – yes; Commissioner Solon – yes; Commissioner McMahon – yes; Commissioner Kuhl – yes; and President Hays – yes. The motion passed 5-0.

Approval of a Subrecipient Agreement between the City of Champaign and the Park District for the Community Matters Program

Mr. DeLuce gave the report. He stated that the Community Matters program had been an ongoing partnership with the City of Champaign's Neighborhood Services since 2007. He commented that the City has requested the Park Board to approve the contract. He stated the City will finalize the agreement at the Council meeting on August 4th.

Commissioner Kuhl made a motion to approve the subrecipient agreement between the City of Champaign and the Park District for the Community Matters Program. Commissioner Solon

seconded the motion. There was then a roll call vote with the Commissioners voting as follows: Vice President Miller – yes; Commissioner Solon – yes; Commissioner McMahon – yes; Commissioner Kuhl – yes; and President Hays – yes. The motion passed 5-0.

Discussion Items

FY21 Annual Operating Budget

President Hays requested that all Park Board Members email their budget questions to staff. He noted the importance of reviewing the appendix before posing questions. Discussion ensued. Commissioner Kuhl asked for clarification on the type of feedback needed. President Hays responded that the financial review was their priority, but structural revisions such as grammatical or syntax errors would be important as well.

Commissioner McMahon requested a breakdown of the reported revenue losses and whether projected cuts to expenses would balance the budget. Discussion ensued. President Hays responded that the Park District would not balance the budget due to its mission, however, as the summer season continued, more gains from cuts to expenses would be realized. Ms. Lawson responded that she was working with staff to provide clarity on the situation during these challenging times.

President Hays commented that the Commissioners were pressed for time and would need to have all of their questions in and answered by the next meeting. He stated that there will need to be adjustments during the fiscal year and that Board is limited regarding such transfers.

Dodds 3-Plex Restroom

Mr. DeLuce gave the report. He recounted the history of the project. He stated the Board had approved the renovation of the restrooms and concessions building for a total of \$117,000 in the capital budget. Mr. DeLuce noted that the architects had finished their preliminary cost estimates and what they presented was over budget at \$193,000. He reported that staff had asked the architects to review their plans to reduce the total of their cost estimates. He noted that staff had deliberated about ending the project due to price and the architect has been working on reducing the overall cost to realign with the original budget. Revisions reduced the total project cost to \$132,000. Mr. DeLuce requested direction and feedback. Discussion ensued.

Commissioner Solon requested more background information on why the Park District was moving forward with this project. Mr. DeLuce responded that there were a number of issues with the building related to ADA compliance, safety, and that the building was generally in poor condition. Mr. McMahon asked if ADA funds could be used to help pay for expenses. Mr. DeLuce responded that some of the expenses could be covered with ADA funds. Commissioner Solon requested clarification on the age of the structure. Mr. DeLuce responded that the building was constructed in the 70's. Mr. Hall noted that the American's with Disabilities Act was enacted in 1990.

Vice President Miller asked if staff had considered a precast or readymade structure to replace the building. Mr. Weiss responded that staff had previously presented three options to the Board: refurbishment, precast, or new. He added that refurbishment was the option that was within budget. Mr. DeLuce noted the Board could consider only completing cosmetic upgrades. Commissioner McMahon commented that the Board may still need to consider the ADA concerns. President Hays requested more information on the use of the complex to determine if the construction was justified. Mr. DeLuce responded that due to the COVID-19 crisis, recent use had been minimal. However, requests had been increasing and bids for tournaments had been submitted. Commissioner Kuhl noted Rantoul building a new complex.

Mr. Weiss commented that it would be valuable to receive a cost opinion within budget from the architect. Commissioner Kuhl responded that she was concerned with the trend of project costs coming in over budget including the Dodds 3-Plex. Mr. Weiss responded that staff would work with the architect to reduce the overall cost. Further discussion ensued.

Commissioner Kuhl requested the staff review and provide recommendations at the next meeting for the Board to consider. Vice President Miller requested a map of the location that would include the site work.

Comments from Commissioners

Commissioner Kuhl shared that she had visited the newly refinished tennis courts at Morrissey Park and noted their quality and use. She also reported about groundskeeping matters and added that the flower beds looked nice and she appreciated staff's efforts.

Vice President Miller noted that the playgrounds and courts were busy again now that they had been reopened in Phase 4 of the Governor's Rebuild Illinois COVID-19 response plan.

Commissioner Solon concurred. She also highlighted maintenance issues at Trevett Finch Park.

President Hays noted improvements in park maintenance. He requested the Commissioners visit the parks, take notes, and provide them to Mr. Olson. Commissioner Kuhl noted the overflow of garbage at Hessel Park after the 4th of July. Mr. Olson responded that fireworks debris and litter had been excessive this year due to the lack of public fireworks.

Commissioner Kuhl asked about the people without housing gatherings at West Side Park. Mr. DeLuce responded that staff were working with CU at Home and other partners on this issue. He highlighted a number of other current issues that staff had been involved in at the park. Commissioner Kuhl shared her concerns about staff risks. Ms. Hoggatt responded that each situation had been assessed and that staff notify the police when necessary. President Hays commented that the police had been asked to increase night patrols at certain parks.

Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner McMahon made a motion to adjourn. Vice President Miller seconded the motion. There was then a roll call vote with the Commissioners voting as follows: Commissioner Solon – yes; Commissioner Kuhl – yes; Vice President Miller – yes; Commissioner McMahon – yes; and President Hays – yes. The motion passed 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

Approved

Craig W. Hays, President

Guy C. Hall, Secretary

**CHAMPAIGN PARK DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS**

July 22, 2020

PUBLIC HEARING

The Champaign Park District Board of Commissioners held a Public Hearing on Wednesday, July 22, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. at the Bresnan Meeting Center, 706 Kenwood Road, Champaign, Illinois, pursuant to published notice duly given. President Hays presided over the meeting. The five individuals identified below were physically present at the meeting with appropriate social distancing. Citizens were given the opportunity to participate in the teleconference at the web address: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89438812005?pwd=bIVFTkVyKzVOcHk4bkhOS3hFK3N3dz09> or by calling 312-626-6799. Citizens were also offered the opportunity to submit comments or questions by email prior to the meeting. Those comments were to be announced by President Hays during the public comment portion of the meeting. Email submissions were solicited from the public through a notice of intent to speak or comment to be submitted by noon on Wednesday, July 22, 2020 to be sent to the Executive Director of the Park District at: joe.deluce@champaignparks.org. There were no email comments or questions submitted by citizens for consideration by the Board.

Present in person: President Craig W. Hays and Attorney Guy C. Hall

Present electronically: Vice President Kevin J. Miller, Commissioners Barbara J. Kuhl, Jane L. Solon, Timothy P. McMahon, and Treasurer Donna Lawson.

Staff present in person: Joseph DeLuce, Executive Director, Tammy Hoggatt, Director of HR, Risk and IT, and Jarrod Scheunemann, Assistant to the Executive Director.

Staff present electronically: Andrea Wallace, Director of Finance, Andrew Weiss, Director of Planning, Dan Olson, Director of Operations, Jameel Jones, Director of Recreation, Jimmy Gleason, Director of Revenue Facilities, and Steven Bentz, Director of the Virginia Theatre.

Claire O'Brien of CU Citizen Access also attended the public hearing electronically.

Open the Public Hearing

President Hays opened the Public Hearing at 5:30 p.m.

Ordinance No. 645, Budget and Appropriation Ordinance

President Hays stated that the purpose of the public hearing was to discuss and receive comments on the Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for FY20-21. A notice of the public hearing was published in *The News-Gazette* on July 11, 2020 in compliance with state law.

Public Comments

President Hays called for comments from the public. There were no comments received.

Close the Public Hearing

Commissioner McMahon made a motion to adjourn the Public Hearing. The motion was seconded by Vice President Miller. Upon roll call vote, the vote was as follows: Commissioner Solon – yes, Commissioner McMahon – yes; Vice President Miller – yes; Commissioner Kuhl – yes; and President Hays – yes. The motion passed 5-0. The Public Hearing was adjourned at 5:33 p.m.

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

The Champaign Park District Board of Commissioners held a Special Board Meeting on Wednesday, July 22, 2020 immediately following the Public Hearing at the Bresnan Meeting Center, 706 Kenwood Road, Champaign, Illinois, pursuant to notice duly given. President Hays presided over the meeting. The five individuals identified below were physically present at the meeting with appropriate social distancing. Citizens were given the opportunity to participate in the teleconference at the web address:

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Claire O'Brien of CU Citizen Access attended the meeting electronically as well.

Call to Order

President Hays called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m.

Comments from the Public

There were no comments from the public.

New Business

1. Approval of Ordinance No. 645: Budget and Appropriation Ordinance

President Hays reported that staff recommended adopting Ordinance No. 645, an Ordinance Adopting the Combined Annual Budget and Appropriation of Funds for the Champaign Park District, Champaign County, Illinois, for the fiscal year beginning on the first (1st) day of May 2020, and ending on the thirtieth day (30th) of April 2021 in the amount of \$25,082,689 and authorize staff to file it with the Champaign County Clerk's office.

Vice President Miller made a motion to adopt Ordinance No. 645, Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for fiscal year beginning May 1, 2020 and ending April 30, 2021 and authorize staff to file it with the Champaign County Clerk's office. The motion was seconded by Commissioner McMahon. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Commissioner Solon – yes; Commissioner Kuhl – yes; Commissioner McMahon – yes; President Hays – yes; and Vice President Miller – yes. The motion passed 5-0. A copy of Ordinance No. 645 is attached to the minutes.

2. Approval of a Resolution Authorizing stated provisions of Public Act 101-0640 entitled Government Emergency Administration Act as and for its method of addressing meetings in applicable emergency circumstances.

Mr. DeLuce presented the report. He recommended authorizing a resolution to accept the provisions of Public Act 101-0640 entitled Government Emergency Administration Act amending the Open Meetings Act Sections 2.01 and 7 to permit meetings without the physical presence of a quorum, when specific conditions are met.

Commissioner Solon made a motion authorize a resolution to accept the provisions of Public Act 101-0640 entitled Government Emergency Administration Act as and for its method of addressing meetings in applicable emergency circumstances. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kuhl. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Commissioner McMahon – yes; Vice President Miller – yes; President Hays – yes; Commissioner Solon – yes; and Commissioner Kuhl – yes. The motion passed 5-0.

3. Approval of a Lost and Found Policy

Mr. Olson presented the report. He stated that procedures related to public or private property that have been determined to be lost or abandoned in Park District properties and facilities have in place in various departments. He commented that this policy would be used to formalize staff's efforts district-wide, standardize procedures related to returning lost items to rightful owners, and outline how staff should proceed if items remain unclaimed. Discussion ensued.

Commissioner Solon requested clarification on whether or not an incident prompted the creation of this policy. Mr. Olson replied that the Park District had seen an increase in lost or abandoned items during the pandemic, but no single issue had induced the need for approval of a policy.

Commissioner Solon made a motion to approve the Lost and Found Policy. The motion was seconded by Commissioner McMahon. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Commissioner Solon – yes; Commissioner Kuhl – yes; Commissioner McMahon – yes; President Hays – yes; and Vice President Miller – yes. The motion passed 5-0.

4. Approval to Initiate the Process of Purchasing Capital Equipment – Vehicles and Mowers

Mr. Olson presented the report. He indicated that when the Board was presented the capital budget, priorities were placed above a red line in the report. Two vehicles and two small mowers were listed below the red line. Mr. Olson highlighted the need to review these four purchases and requested permission from the Board to begin the process to solicit bids for the vehicles and receive estimates for the mowers. Mr. Olson stated each purchase would be brought back to the Board for final approval when all bids and estimates had been received.

Commissioner Kuhl made a motion to authorize staff to begin the process of purchasing two vehicles and two mowers. The motion was seconded by Vice President Miller. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Vice President Miller – yes; Commissioner Solon – yes; Commissioner Kuhl – yes; Commissioner McMahon – yes; and President Hays – yes. The motion passed 5-0.

5. Approval to Complete Three (3) Roofing Projects

Mr. Olson presented the report. He indicated that the roofing projects for Douglass concession, Dodds Tennis Center shed, and Rotary shelter had been simultaneously included in the operating budget and capital budget (below the red line). Mr. Olson requested permission to purchase the necessary materials to complete the projects in-house and, if necessary, to authorize the Executive Director to enter into an agreement to roof the Rotary shelter. Discussion ensued.

Commissioner Kuhl expressed concern about Operations taking on extra projects with less staff due to the pandemic. Mr. Olson responded that the projects would be spread throughout the budget year to minimize impact on staffing resources and that contractors would be hired, if necessary.

Commissioner Solon made a motion to authorize staff to commence with the three roofing projects at Douglass concessions, Dodds Tennis Center shed, and Rotary shelter and to authorize the Executive Director to enter into an agreement to roof Rotary shelter, if necessary. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kuhl. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Commissioner Kuhl – yes; Commissioner McMahon – yes; Commissioner Solon– yes; President Hays – yes; and Vice President Miller – yes. The motion passed 5-0.

President Hays requested a staff report on whether or not the Park District sustained any hail damage from a recent storm. Mr. Olson responded that despite two recent significant hail events within the Park District, he had no areas of concern to report outside of tree damage.

6. Approval of Request for Quote for Technology Wiring at the Virginia Theatre

Ms. Hoggatt provided the report. She reported that after completing a review of the Park District code, the installation of technology wiring at the Virginia Theatre would not require a formal bid process. Ms. Hoggatt added that three qualified vendors who had previously completed work for the Park District were selected to quote. The quotes that were received were higher than the \$30,000 that had been estimated to complete the work. Vendors were asked to requote and Consolidated Communications submitted a new quote at \$27,221.44. Ms. Hoggatt requested an additional \$2,000 to cover the cost of materials. She stated that this project had been approved as part of the capital plan and was previously listed as an above the red line priority. Ms. Hoggatt added that additional approval to proceed for each capital project had been required by the Board due to the uncertainty of the pandemic. Discussion ensued.

Commissioner Kuhl requested clarification on the quote's price reduction and where the project fit within the Park District's priorities. Mr. DeLuce responded that the current wiring had outlived its usefulness. Ms. Hoggatt responded that it was also important to complete this work to meet fire code standards.

President Hays asked if surveillance cameras would be included in this project. Ms. Hoggatt replied that the cables for the cameras would be installed as part of this project. However, the purchase and installation of the surveillance cameras could be financed through another fund.

Commissioner Solon made a motion to accept the quote from Consolidated Communications for a total \$27,221.44 with an additional \$2,000 for project expenses, and authorization for the Executive Director to enter into the contract. The motion was seconded by Vice President Miller. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Vice President Miller – yes; Commissioner Kuhl – yes; Commissioner Solon– yes; Commissioner McMahon – yes; and President Hays – yes. The motion passed 5-0.

7. Approval of Resolutions to Commit Local Funds for the Rebuild Illinois Competitive Regional Economic Development (RIRED) Grant Application

Mr. Scheunemann provided the report. He reported that \$16 million dollars had been made available for applications with a minimum request requirement of \$500,000 and a maximum of \$2,000,000. Mr. DeLuce identified the Martens Center as the Park District's proposed project. He also stated that to request \$2,000,000 from this grant program, the Park District would need to commit \$2,000,000 for construction due to the potential grant award being released only upon reimbursement for associated expenses.

Mr. Hall addressed approving two resolutions in one action due to the granting agency requiring a templated resolution for their records and another for the Park District to be more consistent with its requirements. Discussion ensued.

Commissioner Solon requested clarification on outcomes if the Park District received both the PARC grant and the RIRED grant for the Martens Center. Ms. Wallace responded that she had used a cost estimate that included construction management costs to account for this potential result.

Commissioner Kuhl made a motion to approve the resolutions to commit local funds for the Rebuild Illinois Competitive Regional Economic Development (RIRED) Grant application. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Solon. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Vice President Miller – yes; Commissioner Kuhl – yes; Commissioner Solon – yes; Commissioner McMahon – yes; and President Hays – yes. The motion passed 5-0.

8. Approval to Apply for the Rebuild Illinois Competitive Regional Economic Development (RIRED) Grant

After discussing the grant program in the previous action item, the Board did not require further deliberation or have additional questions for the approval to apply for the Rebuild Illinois Competitive Regional Economic Development (RIRED) grant.

Commissioner Kuhl made a motion to authorize staff to apply for Rebuild Illinois Fast Track Public Infrastructure Grant and obtain the Board President's signature on the applicable documents. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Solon. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Vice President Miller – yes; Commissioner Kuhl – yes; Commissioner Solon – yes; Commissioner McMahon – yes; and President Hays – yes. The motion passed 5-0.

9. Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the Destruction of Recordings of Executive Sessions

Mr. Scheunemann presented the report. He stated that this action was an annual housekeeping matter. He added that staff recommended approval of a resolution authorizing the destruction of recordings of executive sessions.

Commissioner McMahon made a motion to approve a resolution authorizing, approving and ordering the destruction of the verbatim audio records of the following executive session meetings: February 14, 2018; March 14, 2018; April 11 & 25, 2018; May 9 & May 23, 2018; June 13 & 27, 2018; July 11, 2018; and August 8 & 22, 2018. The motion was seconded by Vice President Miller. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Vice President Miller – yes; Commissioner Solon – yes; Commissioner McMahon – yes; Commissioner Kuhl – yes; and President Hays – yes. The motion passed 5-0.

Old Business

Approval of Bids for Bicentennial Center CUSR Renovation

Mr. DeLuce provided the report. He stated that no word had been received from the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity regarding the announcement of grant awards. Mr. DeLuce noted that all bidders had been contacted with a request to extend their bid for 30 days. He also reported that Reliable Plumbing was the only contractor that would not honor its bid beyond the deadline and D. Joseph Construction was the only contractor that did not respond to the extension request. Mr. Olson added that the Park District would lose \$22,970 if the Board chose to wait on the grant and extend the bid deadline for 30 days due to Reliable Plumbing removing their bid. He added that the next lowest bidder for the plumbing work was willing to extend its bid for 30 days.

Mr. DeLuce recommended the Board table the approval of the bids for the renovation of the Bicentennial Center due to delays in grant award notification from the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (DCEO) until the August 12th Regular Board meeting. He added that the Board may need to accept bids at that point regardless of the grant outcomes. Discussed ensued.

Vice President Miller inquired about the impact fees on others by extending the bids for 30 days beyond the original deadline. Mr. Olson responded that the extension would not impact architectural or engineering fees. He stated that pushing back the deadline would impact the project due to weather conditions. He also noted that fluctuations in material costs would give the Park District less flexibility related to change orders.

Commissioner Kuhl made a motion to table the approval of the bids for the Bicentennial Center renovation. Vice President Miller seconded the motion. Upon roll call, the vote was as follows: Vice President Miller – yes; Commissioner Kuhl – yes; Commissioner Solon – yes; Commissioner McMahon – yes; and President Hays – yes. The motion passed 5-0.

Discussion Items

1. Dodds 3-Plex Restroom

Mr. DeLuce gave the report. He stated that the Board had received a memo and exhibits outlining the project's history, scope of work, and cost estimates. Mr. DeLuce mentioned that staff had been working with Chuck Reifsteck on lowering the overall project cost. He added that the construction of a new building would cost over \$230,000 plus ADA improvements. Chuck Reifsteck and his staff had reduced the overall renovation cost to \$103,000 and \$54,000 in ADA parking and pathway updates. Mr. DeLuce requested direction from the Board related to the options at hand; 1.) place the project on hold, 2.) renovate the building this year and hold on the ADA work until next year, or 3.) complete the building renovation and ADA improvements this year. Ms. Wallace added that the ADA updates had been set aside in the ADA fund and would be available to cover incurred costs. Discussion ensued.

Vice President Miller and President Hays were supportive of completing the restoration and ADA work at the same time. Commissioner McMahon added that it appeared that the cost estimates had been repackaged and had not changed.

Commissioner Kuhl stated that this project is not a priority due to the lack of use of the 3-plex because of pandemic restrictions. Mr. DeLuce responded that fall softball leagues would be opening soon. Commissioner Kuhl questioned why the 3-plex bathrooms would be opened and not Hessel Park, which has been receiving increased use. She added that portable bathrooms could be a viable option.

Commissioner Solon supported completing the renovation and ADA upgrades at the same time if the pricing is within budget.

President Hays restated the Board's desire to move forward with the architect to create plans to complete both the renovation and the ADA upgrades at the Dodds 3-plex Restroom and Concessions at the same time. He commented that the projects could go to bid and if the Board was not ready to move forward or if the pricing is not within budget the Board is not required to approve the construction. Discussion ensued.

Commissioner Kuhl requested clarification on the architect's fees if the Board chose to proceed in this manner. Vice President Miller asked if the asphalt parking lot was included in the cost estimate. Mr. Olson responded that the architect's fees would not increase and that the parking lot would be resurfaced in the future as part of the District-wide parking lot replacement plan.

President Hays confirmed that the Board desired for staff to move forward with developing plans for completing both the renovation of the Dodds 3-plex Restroom and Concessions and the ADA pathway and parking lot upgrades as well as completing the bidding process.

2. Ordinance Regulating Vegetation on Property Owned or Controlled by the Champaign Park District

Mr. Olson presented the report. He reported that this ordinance had been brought before the Board two years ago and staff had revised the document according to the Board's suggestions, staff committee recommendations, and Attorney Hall's counsel. Mr. Olson reiterated the importance of this ordinance to protect the Park District's vegetation and trees. Discussion ensued.

Commissioner Solon requested clarification about updates related to Board requested changes to

volunteer restrictions. Mr. Olson mentioned that restrictions had been alleviated in two areas to support the efforts of various volunteer groups. Commissioner McMahon requested a version of the ordinance that showed revisions. Commissioner Solon requested clarification on the need to have an arborist present when cutting down trees. Mr. Olson responded that an arborist's expertise is critical to the safety of staff and for providing technical advice. Mr. DeLuce inquired about how many arborists were on staff at the Park District. Mr. Olson responded that the Park District has three arborists and that his memo provided random comparatives with other local government bodies in the area. Commissioner Solon requested more information on the number of trees that staff cut down versus the number of trees that were contracted with external entities for removal. Mr. Olson responded that very few trees were contracted for removal. Commissioner Solon requested a review of the ordinance with visible revisions. President Hays reiterated the need to define restrictions for volunteer groups. Mr. DeLuce stated that the ordinance would be brought forward to the Board for approval at the August 12th Regular Board meeting.

Comments from Commissioners

Commissioner Solon commented that she was pleased that staff had been weeding the flowerbeds and that the garbage removal looked appropriate. President Hays reported that staff who removed invasive species at Porter Park knowledgeably shared about the process and variety of plants at the park.

Executive Session

Vice President Miller moved pursuant to the bases set forth below to convene into Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Solon. Upon roll call vote, the vote was as follows: Commissioner McMahon – yes; Commissioner Kuhl – yes; Vice President Miller – yes; President Hays – yes; and Commissioner Solon - yes. The motion passed 5-0. The Board convened into Executive Session under the Illinois Open Meetings Act, specifically 5 ILCS Par. 120/2 (c)(5) for the purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body including meetings held for the purpose of discussing whether a particular parcel should be acquired; (6) the setting of a price for sale or lease of property owned by the public body; and (c)(21) for the discussion of minutes of meetings lawfully closed under this Act, whether for purpose of approval by body of the minutes or semi-annual review of the minutes as mandated by Section 2.06.

RETURN TO REGULAR MEETING

Following the adjournment of the Executive Session, the Board reconvened in open meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ACTION ITEM

Approval to Make Available for Public Viewing Executive Session Minutes

Commissioner Solon made a motion to approve making available for public viewing partial minutes Executive Session meetings on May 11, 2005; July 13, 2005; August 10, 2005; August 31, 2005; September 14, 2005; July 27, 2016; September 14, 2016; September 28, 2016; April 12, 2017; April 26, 2017; May 10, 2017; May 24, 2017; June 12, 2019; June 26, 2019; July 10, 2019; and February 12, 2020. The motion was seconded by Vice President Miller. Upon roll call vote, the vote was as follows: Commissioner Kuhl – yes; Commissioner Solon – yes; Commissioner McMahon – yes; Vice President Miller – yes; and President Hays – yes. The motion passed 5-0.

President Hays opened the floor to any additional comments. Commissioner Kuhl requested an organizational update related to Phase Four reopening efforts.

Mr. DeLuce responded that the Hessel Park splashpad was now open from 10 am to 7 pm. The Douglass Park splashpad was continuing to experience mechanical issues and that staff is working on the problem. Camps are going well despite restrictions and Mr. Gleason is developing a plan to reopen the Leonhard Recreation Center. Mr. DeLuce added that Springer Cultural Center had begun offering social distance pottery classes and that CU at Home would be vacating the Douglass Community Center on 8/26/20. He commented that special recreation would remain virtual due to

the vulnerable populations served by that program and that the tennis and softball programs were growing in registrations. Mr. DeLuce added that the Virginia Theatre sound system construction is on schedule and that staff has been working on small programs and events, staff will be evaluating the budget in the near future. Discussion ensued.

Commissioner Kuhl commented that she had seen a volleyball team using the courts at Hessel Park. Mr. DeLuce mentioned that he would have staff look into it. Mr. DeLuce also added that staff were working with CU at Home and a security firm to work with the individuals without residences who had been congregating at various parks and other efforts are underway to deter other unsavory activities at the parks.

Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner McMahon made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Vice President Miller. Upon roll call vote, the vote was as follows: Commissioner McMahon – yes; Commissioner Kuhl – yes; Commissioner Solon – yes; Vice President Miller – yes; and President Hays – yes. The motion passed 5-0. The meeting was adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

Approved

Craig W. Hays, President

Guy C. Hall, Secretary



REPORT TO PARK BOARD

FROM: Joe DeLuce, Executive Director

DATE: August 12, 2020

SUBJECT: 1-Year Amended Extension of Virginia Theatre Alcohol Concession Agreement for 2020-2021

Proposal

To allow liquor service, including wine, beer, and spirits, at select Virginia Theatre events under a one-year amended extension of an existing park district agreement with Carbri, Inc., doing business as Farren's Pub & Eatery, whose principal address is 117 North Walnut Street, Champaign, Illinois 61820, for the period of September 13, 2020, through September 12, 2021.

Background

Since 2013, alcohol has been served at select Virginia Theatre events through contractual arrangement with outside merchants to sell patrons wine, beer, and spirits in the facility's lobbies. No glass containers are used, and the alcohol concession at these occasions—recent examples include Jo Dee Messina, Chicago, and *That's What She Said*—has been carefully monitored, and the service has gone without serious incident.

For the past six years, Farren's Pub & Eatery has been the park district's exclusive contracted merchant for alcohol service at the Virginia Theatre and has paid the district a commission of 25% of their net sales, providing the Virginia with additional revenue while improving customer service to theatre patrons.

The contracting merchant for alcohol service at the Virginia is responsible for training their own staff and act as an independent business-within-a-business, bringing their own supplies to the theatre and handling all service, set-up, and tear-down. The merchant is further responsible for providing their own stock, insurance, alcohol licensing, "Bassett" certification of bar staff, and service to the public.

Prior Board Action

In 2015, 2016, and 2017, the park board approved successive agreements, each for a period of one year, with Farren's Pub and Eatery to act as sole and exclusive contracted merchant for public liquor sales at the Virginia Theatre. In 2018, the park board approved the option to renew and extend its 2017 agreement with Farren's for a period of one additional year, until September 12, 2019. In 2019, the park board approved an agreement with Farren's to act as sole and exclusive contracted merchant for public liquor sales at the Virginia Theatre for a period of one year, until September 12, 2020, with the option to renew for one additional year by mutual agreement of Farren's and the park district. On July 25, 2018, the park board further approved a proposal to allow the service of spirits at the Virginia, along with the previously approved service of wine and beer.

Budget Impact

Since the Virginia's contracted liquor merchant is responsible for all costs involved in offering the service, expense for the park district is limited to the City of Champaign-mandated purchase of Class T-3 temporary liquor licenses (one per event) from the City. This is a non-refundable fee of \$80.00, per license, projected at \$960.00 for the fiscal year and is included in the Virginia's FY21 Concessions budget. Staff believes that sales commission revenue will easily offset the cost of liquor licenses and will provide additional net revenue to theatre concessions.

Recommended Action

Staff recommends that the park board approve the renewal and extension of the existing agreement between the park district and Carbri, Inc., doing business as Farren's Pub & Eatery, to act as sole and exclusive contracted merchant for public alcohol sales, including wine, beer, and spirits, at the Virginia Theatre for a one year period beginning September 13, 2020.

Prepared by:

Reviewed by:

Steven Bentz
Director, Virginia Theatre

Joe DeLuce, CPRP
Executive Director

EXHIBIT A



**AMENDMENT TO 2019-2020 AGREEMENT BETWEEN
CARBRI, INC., DOING BUSINESS AS FARREN’S PUB & EATERY
AND CHAMPAIGN PARK DISTRICT**

THIS AMENDMENT is made, entered into, and effective as of Sunday, September 13, 2020, by and between the **Champaign Park District**, a municipal corporation (hereinafter referred to as, “Park District”), whose principal address is 706 Kenwood Road, Champaign, Illinois, 61821, and **Carbri, Inc., doing business as Farren’s Pub & Eatery**, a for-profit corporation (hereinafter referred to as “Farren’s”), whose principal address is 119 North Walnut Street, Champaign, Illinois 61820.

Section 1 – General Purpose. With this Amendment, Park District and Farren’s mutually agree to renew for a period of one year an Agreement between Park District and Farren’s which provides the terms and conditions whereby Farren’s shall be permitted to sell and distribute alcoholic beverages (including wine, beer, and other types of alcoholic beverages) at the Park District’s Virginia Theatre, which has a principal address of 203 West Park Avenue, Champaign, Illinois, 61820.

Section 2 – Term. The amended Agreement between Park District and Farren’s shall be effective for a period of **one year to begin Sunday, September 13, 2020, and to end Sunday, September 12, 2021.** This Agreement may be terminated by either Party, in whole or in part, without showing cause, by giving at least thirty (30) days written notice by certified mail.

Section 3 – Authority to Execute Amendment to Agreement. Each person or entity executing this Amendment to the Agreement represents that he/she/it is authorized to execute the Amendment to the Agreement. Each person executing this Amendment on behalf of any entity represents that he or she is authorized to execute this Amendment on behalf of such entity.

Section 4 – Counterparts. This Amendment shall be executed in duplicate, each of which shall be deemed to be an original.

Section 5 – Entire Agreement and Amendment. The Amendment to the Agreement and the Agreement, as executed in writing by the Parties, constitute(s) the entire Agreement between Park District and Farren’s, and may be changed, modified, or further amended only by mutual written Agreement executed by Park District and Farren’s.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be Amended effective as of the day and year first above written.

Champaign Park District
By: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____
Date: _____

Carbri, Inc., D.B.A. as Farren’s Pub & Eatery
By: _____
Name: _____
Title: _____
Date: _____

EXHIBIT B

AGREEMENT BETWEEN CARBRI, INC., DOING BUSINESS AS FARREN'S PUB & EATERY, AND CHAMPAIGN PARK DISTRICT

THIS AGREEMENT is made, entered into, and effective as of September 13, 2019, by and between Champaign Park District, a municipal corporation (hereinafter referred to as "Park District"), which has a principal address of 706 Kenwood Road, Champaign, Illinois, 61821, and Carbri, Inc., doing business as Farren's Pub & Eatery (hereinafter referred to as "Farren's"), which has a principal address of 119 N. Walnut Street, Champaign, Illinois, 61820.

WITNESSETH:

In consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements set forth herein, the Parties agree as follows:

Section 1 - General Purpose. The purpose of this Agreement is to provide the terms and conditions whereby Farren's shall be permitted to sell and distribute alcoholic beverages (including beer, wine, and other types of alcoholic beverages) at the Park District's Virginia Theatre, which has a principal address of 203 West Park Avenue, Champaign, Illinois, 61820, and including, without limitation, the requirements for the purchase of insurance, licensure, reporting, and compliance with the policies and procedures of Park District.

Section 2 - Term. The term of this Agreement shall be effective for a one (1) year period commencing on September 13, 2019, and ending at midnight, September 12, 2020, with the option to renew for one additional year by mutual agreement of Farren's and Park District.

Section 3 - Termination. (a) This Agreement may be terminated by the Parties by a mutual written agreement at any time. (b) This Agreement may be terminated for cause in the event of a breach by a Party. In the event of a termination for cause, the non-breaching Party shall provide the breaching Party with a written notice informing the breaching Party of the nature of such cause and providing ten (10) days' notice to cure. In the event the breaching Party fails to cure within such ten (10) day period, then the non-breaching Party shall send a further notice informing the breaching Party that this Agreement is terminated. (c) Either Party may terminate this Agreement upon providing a thirty (30) day written notice to the other Party.

Section 4 - Farren's Responsibilities. Farren's shall:

- A. Provide a selection of beer, wine, and other types of alcoholic beverages at the Virginia Theatre for suitable events determined by Park District. Staffing will be based on the anticipated attendance in order to provide efficient service to event patrons.
- B. Provide supplies the day of the event and removal of such supplies at the end of said event(s), unless event(s) are on consecutive days, and/or arrangements are made with the Virginia Theatre Director for removal at a later date.
- C. Provide Park District with a monthly report in the form of an Excel spreadsheet that shall be prepared on the first day of the following month accounting for the prior month's sales. Copies of sales, expense, and revenue figures shall be kept on file

at both Farren's and Virginia Theatre. Twenty-five percent (25%) of Farren's net sales shall be payable to Park District. Net sales is defined as gross receipts from the sale of beer, wine, and other types of alcoholic beverages, less fees, sales tax, and labor costs related to the applicable event. Payment to Park District shall be due on the seventh (7th) day of each month.

- D. Abide by all policies and procedures of Park District including Park District Risk Management Association (PDRMA) recommended guidelines and policies.

Section 4 - Champaign Park District Responsibilities. Park District shall:

- A. Provide Farren's with space(s) for distribution of alcoholic beverages. Park District reserves the right to determine appropriate area for distribution of such beverages.
- B. Provide copies of all relevant Park District guidelines and policies, including those from Park District Risk Management Association (PDRMA).

Section 5 - Farren's Equipment. Park District shall not be responsible for lost, stolen, or damaged equipment or items; and Farren's shall indemnify and hold harmless Park District for any lost, stolen, or damaged equipment. Furthermore, Farren's shall pay for the repair or replacement of any Park District property that is lost, stolen, or damaged by Farren's, its officers, employees, agents, or representatives.

Section 6 - Rules, Laws and Ordinances. Farren's shall comply with all applicable laws, ordinances, regulations, rules, and applicable policies, whether federal, state, city of Champaign, or Park District, regarding the matters which are the subject of this Agreement.

Section 7 - Insurance. Farren's shall keep in force, to the satisfaction of Park District, at all times relevant hereto, commercial general liability (CGL), and, if necessary, commercial umbrella insurance with a limit of not less than \$1,000,000 per each occurrence. If such CGL insurance contains a general aggregate limit, it shall apply separately to this location with a limit of not less than \$2,000,000. Liquor and Dram Shop liability coverage shall also be provided with a limit of not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence and \$2,000,000.00 in aggregate.

CGL insurance shall be written on Insurance Services Office (ISO) occurrence form CG 00 01 10 93, or a substitute form providing equivalent coverage, and shall cover liability arising from premises, operations, independent contractors, products-completed operations, personal injury and advertising injury, and liability assumed under an insured contract (including the tort liability of another assumed in a business contract).

Park District shall be included as an additional insured under the CGL, using ISO additional insured endorsement CG 20 26 or a substitute providing equivalent coverage, and under the commercial umbrella, if any. This insurance shall apply as primary insurance with respect to any other insurance or self-insurance afforded to Park District. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by Park District shall be in excess of Farren's insurance and shall not contribute with it.

FARREN'S shall provide all required proof of insurance to Park District no later than Thursday, September 5, 2019.

Section 8 - Hold Harmless and Indemnification. Farren's shall indemnify and hold harmless Park District and its commissioners, officers, employees, volunteers, and agents from and against all claims, damages, losses, and expenses, including, but not limited to, legal fees (reasonable attorney's and paralegals' fees and court costs), arising from or in any way connected with, (a) the conduct or management of the premises or of any business or activity therein, or any work or thing whatsoever done, or condition created in or about the premises during the term of this Agreement; (b) any act, omission, or error on the part of Farren's or any of its partners, directors, officials, officers, agents, employees, members, volunteers, participants, invitees, licensees, contractors, or subcontractors; (c) any accident, injury, or damage whatsoever occurring in or upon any Park District property or facility which is not caused in part by a Party indemnified hereunder. Such obligation shall not be construed to negate, abridge, or otherwise reduce any other right or obligation of indemnity which would otherwise exist as to any Party or person described in this Section. Farren's shall similarly protect, indemnify, and hold and save harmless Park District, its commissioners, officers, employees, volunteers, and agents against and from any and all claims, costs, causes, actions, and expenses including, but not limited to, legal fees, incurred by reason of Farren's breach of any of its obligations under, or Farren's default of, any provision of this Agreement.

Section 9 - Independent Contractors. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the relationship between Park District and Farren's is, and shall remain, one of independent contractors. This Agreement shall not, in any manner whatsoever, be construed to establish a relationship of employer/employee, partners or joint venturers between the Parties. In addition, Farren's may from time to time hire person(s) to perform labor and other services for it, and any such person shall not be construed to be an employee, agent, or representative of or contractor with the Park District in any manner whatsoever. Furthermore, Farren's does hereby acknowledge its obligations and shall remain responsible for the payment of all withholdings, insurance, or other amounts as may be required by law in connection with its hiring or contracting with any such person(s), and shall in all respects hold Park District harmless from and indemnify it for the payment of any such amounts.

Section 10 - Severability. In the event any one or more of the provisions contained in this Agreement shall be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable in any respect, such provision shall be deemed severed from this Agreement, and the validity, legality, or enforceability of the remaining provisions of this Agreement, or any other application thereof, shall not be affected or impaired thereby, and shall remain in effect.

Section 11 - Assignment - Binding Effect. Either Party, or any subsidiary, successor, partner, employee, agent, or affiliate shall not assign or delegate any of their rights or responsibilities under this Agreement without the prior written consent of the other, which shall not be unreasonably withheld.

Section 12 - Waiver. Failure to insist upon strict compliance with any of the terms, covenants, or conditions of this Agreement shall not be deemed a waiver of that term, covenant, or condition, nor shall any waiver or relinquishment of any right or power at any one time or times be deemed a waiver or relinquishment of the right or power at all or any other times.

Section 13 - Default. In the event that either Party fails to comply with the terms of this Agreement, then the non-defaulting Party shall have the right to enforce this Agreement by obtaining any remedy available to it under law or equity in the state of Illinois.

Section 14 - Notice. Any notices or other communication required or permitted under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be (a) personally delivered, or (b) sent by certified or registered United States mail, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, or (c) sent by overnight delivery by a reputable courier to the address of the Party set forth herein or (d) telecopied to the Fax number of the Party set forth in this Section. Such notice or communication shall be deemed given (i) if sent by personal delivery or by overnight courier, when delivered in person, (ii) if sent by telecopier, when evidence of successful transmission by telecopier has been received by sender or, (iii) in the case of mailed notice, forty-eight (48) hours following deposit in the United States mail. Notice of change of address shall be given by written notice in the manner detailed in this Section.

CHAMPAIGN PARK DISTRICT

Attention: Joseph C. DeLuce
Executive Director
706 Kenwood Road
Champaign, IL 61821

CARBRI, INC., d/b/a FARREN'S PUB & EATERY

Attention: Carolyn Farren
Proprietor
119 North Walnut Street
Champaign, IL 61820

Section 15 - Authority to Execute Agreement. Each person or entity executing this Agreement represents that he/she/it is authorized to execute the Agreement. Each person executing this Agreement on behalf of any entity represents that he or she is authorized to execute this Agreement on behalf of such entity.

Section 16 - Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original, and all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument. It shall not be necessary that any single counterpart be executed by all Parties so long as at least one (1) counterpart is executed by each Party. A facsimile, portable document format (PDF) copy, photocopy, or other electronic form of any signature, shall have the same force and effect as an original.

Section 17 – Applicable Law and Venue. The Parties agree that the laws of the State of Illinois shall govern the terms of this Agreement. In the event of any claim or lawsuit regarding this Agreement, a state or federal court located in Champaign County, Illinois, shall be the appropriate venue for such claim or suit.

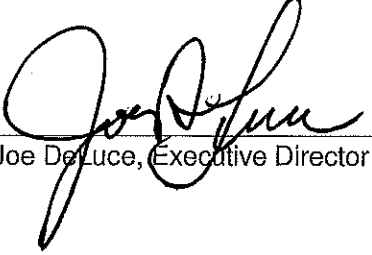
Section 18 - Entire Agreement and Amendment. This Agreement, and any written addendum, amendment, or exhibit to it, executed in writing by the Parties constitute(s) the entire Agreement between Park District and Farren's, and may be changed, modified, or amended only by mutual written agreement executed by the Parties.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be executed effective as the day and year first above written.

CHAMPAIGN PARK DISTRICT

CARBRI, INC., d/b/a FARREN'S PUB & EATERY

By: 
Joe DeLuca, Executive Director

By: 
Carolyn Farren, Proprietor

Attest:

By: 
Cindy Harvey, Board Secretary



REPORT TO PARK BOARD

FROM: Joe DeLuce, Executive Director

DATE: August 03, 2020

SUBJECT: Replacement Walk Behind Mowers Purchase

Background

Staff is requesting Board approval to purchase two (2) replacement walk behind mowers that are primarily used to mow at Sholem, Bresnan, and Dodds. The existing mowers were purchased in July, 2006. These mowers are equipped with closable chutes and bags so that grass clippings can be collected or mulched (contained). One (1) will be a 48" deck and one (1) will be a 52" deck. The existing mowers will be declared surplus at a later date and sold either by auction or sealed bids.

Prior Board Action

The Board approved the FY 20/21 capital budget, with red line priorities, at the April 22, 2020 special meeting.

The Board gave permission to proceed with the process of purchasing these mowers at the July 22, 2020 study session meeting.

Quote Results

Staff solicited quotations from three (3) different vendors, per the District's purchasing policy. The result is as follows:

Vendor	Make & Model	Quoted Price
MTI Distributing	Toro Grandstand 48"	\$7,851.99
	Toro Grandstand 52"	\$8,065.99
	Total - \$15,917.98	
Double Y Sales & Service	Toro Grandstand 48"	\$8,021.60
	Toro Grandstand 52"	\$8,410.10
	Total - \$16,431.70	
Sherman's Small Engine Repair	Toro Grandstand 48"	\$7,948.00
	Toro Grandstand 52"	\$8,612.00
	Total - \$16,560.00	

Budget Impact

\$15,000 was budgeted in the FY 20/21 capital budget for two (2) replacement mowers (Project #210005). Staff suggests using FY20/21 Contingency funding to bridge the \$917.98 difference.

Recommended Action

Staff recommends accepting the low quoted amount of \$15,917.98, from MTI Distributing, and authorizing the Executive Director to purchase one (1) 2020 48" Toro Grandstand and one (1) 2020 52" Toro Grandstand.

Prepared by:
Bret Johnson
Grounds & Maintenance Supervisor

Reviewed by:
Dan Olson
Director of Operations



REPORT TO PARK BOARD

FROM: Joe DeLuce, Executive Director

DATE: July 16, 2020

SUBJECT: Vegetation Ordinance

Introduction

The Champaign Park District has an extremely valuable asset in its vegetation that needs further protection than is currently in place. Implementation of a Vegetation Ordinance will preserve our natural systems, protect employees and patrons, and be a financial investment in our parks.

Examples of the value of our vegetation include:

- We host, fifty-five acres of restored natural areas, the majority is tallgrass prairie, which is estimated to intercept 53 tons of water during a one inch per hour rainfall event.
- A single existing Scarlet Oak in Hessel Park has an **annual** calculated environmental benefit of \$369 in air pollution removal, carbon sequestration, and storm water interception.
- That same Scarlet Oak has an appraised value of \$39,320 using the Trunk Value Calculation.
- Storm damage to trees at Zahnd Park was estimated at \$13,870. This damage may have been higher and the impact worse if best management practices were not in place.
- Approximately 16,000 ft² of landscaped beds in the Flower Island program are dedicated to community beautification efforts through over 50 paid community sponsorships.
- Over 900 program trees have been dedicated by members of the public.

Background

Late in 2017, several factors came together that put the need for vegetation protection front and center. This included the completion of our tree inventory, an increase in natural areas future planning, growth of volunteerism through the Master Naturalist program, expansion of parks and facilities, damage by the Emerald Ash Borer, and many years of successful public tree programs.

A Vegetation Ordinance Committee was formed consisting of several employees including planners, certified arborists, operations specialists, natural areas personnel and others. The committee cross referenced the following documents to ensure alignment with existing programs, ordinances and laws.

1. CPD Tree Program Species Lists (2017)
2. City of Champaign Municipal Code Chapter 35 – Vegetation (2017)
3. Tree City USA Standards (Champaign a Tree City for 32 years)
4. CPD's *An Ordinance Regulating the Use of the Parks and Property Owned or Controlled by the Champaign Park District* (Dec. 2016)
5. CPD's Memorial or Retirement Tree Program (Oct. 2011)

6. CPD's Adopt a Tree Program (Oct. 2011)
7. Growing Together Tree Program (Oct. 2011)
8. Chicago Region Trees Initiative Bronze Tree Preservation Ordinance (2017)

The Park District Risk Management Agency has stated the ordinance does not need to be reviewed by their staff, but encouraged review by local counsel. CPD's counsel has reviewed the ordinance and suggested changes have been incorporated.

Prior Board Action

On August 8, 2018, the board reviewed and discussed the Vegetation Ordinance. Staff made changes recommended by the Board and discussed the updated version in a subsequent meeting. Changes included:

1. Language about restricting plantings, removals, collection, etc. changed to accommodate volunteer groups, workdays, programs, garden help, and other such community and volunteer efforts. Subsequent changes were made in two locations.
2. Align higher decisions on policy and conflict with our other ordinances in that the Executive Director has final approval. Subsequent changes were made in five places.
3. Certified Arborist language. There was comment on how strict we should state having a minimum of two Certified Arborists on staff. As a comparison, we found the following:
 - City of Champaign currently certified six.
 - City of Urbana currently certified eight, but also encouraged the certification of a ¾ time employee when it is filled.
 - Urbana Park District certified one, but is looking to have a second.
 - All three entities pay for arborist training and certification (including transportation and lodging).

At that time, staff mentioned that the District-wide rules, regulations and ordinances needed updating. The Board had consensus to bring the Vegetation Ordinance back for approval when the District-wide changes were made.

Budget Impact

There are no costs expected to implement the new ordinance.

Recommended Action

Staff recommends adoption of Ordinance No. 647 to establish a vegetation ordinance governing the planting, maintenance and protection of vegetation on property owned or controlled by the Park District.

Prepared by:

Daniel J. Olson
Director of Operations

Reviewed by:

Joe DeLuca
Executive Director

ORDINANCE NO. TBD647

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AN ORDINANCE REGULATING VEGETATION ON PROPERTY OWNED OR CONTROLLED BY THE CHAMPAIGN PARK DISTRICT

WHEREAS, the Champaign Park District duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Illinois including an act entitled *The Park District Code*, 70 ILCS 1205/~~Art. 1-1~~ *et seq.*, and

WHEREAS, the Champaign Park District is given the authority to pass all necessary ordinances, rules, and regulations for the proper management and conduct of the business of the Board of Commissioners and Park District and to establish by ordinance all needful rules and regulations for the governance and protection of parks, and other property under its jurisdiction pursuant to 70 ILCS 1205/8-1 (d); and

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WHEREAS, the Champaign Park District recognizes the ecological, aesthetic, and financial benefits its plants provide within and beyond our boundaries; and

WHEREAS, the Champaign Park District strives to protect, enhance and, and, properly maintain all assets within the Park system including plants; and

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WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Champaign Park District has determined that it is in the best interests of the residents of the Park District to establish a vegetation ordinance governing the planting, maintenance and, and, protection of Park District vegetation.

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~~**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** that the Board of Commissioners of the Champaign Park District, in Champaign County, Illinois, adopts the attached Champaign Park District Vegetation Ordinance this _____ day of _____, 20__.~~

APPROVED:

Craig Hays, President

ATTEST:

Cindy Harvey, Secretary

TITLE

This ordinance shall be known as the Champaign Park District ~~Vegetative-Vegetation~~ Ordinance.

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FINDINGS

The Champaign Park District’s planned expansion of landholdings and programs related to vegetation, as well as recent recognition of the value of vegetative assets, validate the need for placing further protections on our existing and future vegetative resources. Implementing a ~~vegetative-vegetation~~ ordinance ~~would~~ support~~s~~ and protect~~s~~ this critical infrastructure.

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PURPOSE

To preserve and protect all Park District vegetation and their systems; and
To enhance and increase the benefits healthy ecosystems provide for the community; and
To promote good public health, safety, and general welfare through proper standards of plant care; and
To safely and sustainably regulate planting, maintenance, and removal of vegetation within Champaign Park District landholdings.

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AUTHORITY

Existing laws of the State of Illinois including *The Park District Code, 70 ILCS 1205/Art. 1 of ~~sec.1-1, et seq.~~*, as amended, ~~gives-grant~~ the Park District, a special district in the state of Illinois, the authority to create and amend ordinances.

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APPLICABILITY

This ordinance ~~provides full power~~addresses the jurisdiction and authority over all vegetation emerging from ground located within the boundaries of the Park District. ~~Land ownership including for this purpose includes,~~ parks, greenways, trails, easements, leased land, lands held ~~in-by~~ agreement, and facilities described herein.

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DEFINITIONS

The following words, terms ~~and, and~~ phrases, when used ~~in this article~~herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them ~~in this article~~, except where the context clearly indicates ~~a different meaning~~otherwise.

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Board shall be the Board of Commissioners of the Park District.

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Cultivated Plant shall mean and include all native or commercially propagated species of woody plants, vines, annual or perennial flowers and grasses, vegetables, herbs, fruit, or plants which are intentionally planted and regularly maintained by the owner or the owner’s designate.

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Family shall mean a group of related plants forming a category ranking between genus and order.

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Genus shall mean a group of related plants forming a category ranking between family and species.

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Invasive Species shall be a species not native to a particular ecosystem which has a tendency to spread to a degree believed to cause damage to the environment, human economy or human health.

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Native Plant shall mean any plant native to Illinois.

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Non-cultivated Plant shall mean and include all species of woody plants, vines, flowers, vegetables, herbs, fruit or other plants, which are not intentionally planted and regularly maintained by the ~~owner~~ Owner or the ~~owner's~~ Owner's designated ~~designee~~.

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Noxious Weed shall be a plant listed in the Illinois Noxious Weed Law, ~~set into as addressed in~~ the Illinois Administrative Code. ~~These~~Such plants have detrimental effects on public health, or agricultural production. These plants must be controlled by the property ~~owner~~ Owner.

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Nuisance Tree shall be a tree which is dead, declining, diseased or irreparable, or has the potential to damage other trees, people, infrastructure or native ecosystems.

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Nuisance Vegetation shall be any plant which is dead, dying, diseased or irreparable, or has the potential to damage plantings, people, infrastructure or native ecosystems.

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Owner shall be defined as the owner of the vegetation.

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Park shall be defined as any landholding of the Park District including but not limited to park, greenway, trail, easement, license agreement, and facility.

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Park District shall be the Champaign Park District.

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Private Tree shall be defined as any tree owned by a private individual, business, developer, or home-owner's association.

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Private Vegetation shall be defined as any plant owned by a private individual, business, developer, or home-owner's association.

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Public Tree shall be defined as any tree owned by the Park District.

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Public Utility shall be defined as an organization that maintains the infrastructure to convey a public service such as, but not limited to, potable water, storm water, septic and sewage, electricity, and natural gas.

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Public Vegetation shall be defined as any tree, shrub, cultivated plant, non-cultivated plant, native plant or turfgrass owned by the Park District.

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Sight Triangle shall mean a triangular-shaped portion of land at each street intersection corner. The sight triangle shall be established by measuring thirty-five (35) feet along the right-of-way boundaries at each intersection corner to create two (2) sides and the third side by drawing a line from the two (2) end points.

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Shrub shall mean a woody perennial plant consisting of several erect, spreading or prostrate stems ~~and, and~~ a general bushy appearance.

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Species shall mean a category of biological classification ranking immediately below genus, comprising a population of organisms capable of interbreeding.

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Tree shall mean a woody perennial plant which, at maturity, is typically fifteen (15) feet or more in height, with one or several trunks unbranched for at least several feet above ground.

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The ~~Director of Operations~~ Executive Director or his/her official designee ~~has~~ shall have the authority to examine vegetation on private and public property and contact the owner when there is a suspected public nuisance or safety concern and ~~request~~ address its ~~reduction~~ correction or removal.

ENFORCEMENT

The ~~Director of Operations~~ Executive Director shall have the power to promulgate and enforce rules, regulations and specifications concerning the trimming, spraying, removal, planting, pruning ~~and~~, and protection of vegetation within and upon Park District ~~landholdings~~ property.

PENALTIES, CLAIMS AND APPEALS

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED that the Board of Commissioners of the Champaign Park District, in Champaign County, Illinois, adopts this Champaign Park District Vegetation Ordinance and any appendices thereto this _____ day of _____, 2020.

APPROVED:

Craig Hays, President

ATTEST:

Guy C. Hall, Secretary

ORDINANCE NO. 647

**AN ORDINANCE REGULATING VEGETATION ON PROPERTY OWNED OR CONTROLLED
BY THE CHAMPAIGN PARK DISTRICT**

WHEREAS, the Champaign Park District duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Illinois including an act entitled *The Park District Code, 70 ILCS 1205/ 1-1 et seq.*, and

WHEREAS, the Champaign Park District is given the authority to pass all necessary ordinances, rules, and regulations for the proper management and conduct of the business of the Board of Commissioners and Park District and establish by ordinance all needful rules and regulations for the governance and protection of parks, and other property under its jurisdiction pursuant to 70 ILCS 1205/8-1 (d); and

WHEREAS, the Champaign Park District recognizes the ecological, aesthetic, and financial benefits its plants provide within and beyond our boundaries; and

WHEREAS, the Champaign Park District strives to protect, enhance, and properly maintain all assets within the Park system including plants; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Champaign Park District has determined that it is in the best interests of the residents of the Park District to establish a vegetation ordinance governing the planting, maintenance, and protection of Park District vegetation.

TITLE

This ordinance shall be known as the Champaign Park District Vegetation Ordinance.

FINDINGS

The Champaign Park District’s planned expansion of landholdings and programs related to vegetation, as well as recent recognition of the value of vegetative assets, validate the need for placing further protections on our existing and future vegetative resources. Implementing a vegetation ordinance supports and protects this critical infrastructure.

PURPOSE

To preserve and protect all Park District vegetation and their systems; and
To enhance and increase the benefits healthy ecosystems provide for the community; and
To promote good public health, safety, and general welfare through proper standards of plant care; and
To safely and sustainably regulate planting, maintenance, and removal of vegetation within Champaign Park District landholdings.

AUTHORITY

Existing laws of the State of Illinois including *The Park District Code*, 70 ILCS 1205/1-1, *et seq.*, as amended, grant the Park District, a special district in the state of Illinois, the authority to create and amend ordinances.

APPLICABILITY

This ordinance addresses the jurisdiction and authority over all vegetation emerging from ground located within the boundaries of the Park District. Land ownership for this purpose includes, parks, greenways, trails, easements, leased land, lands held by agreement, and facilities described herein.

DEFINITIONS

The following words, terms, and phrases, when used herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them, except where the context clearly indicates otherwise.

Board shall be the Board of Commissioners of the Park District.

Cultivated Plant shall mean and include all native or commercially propagated species of woody plants, vines, annual or perennial flowers and grasses, vegetables, herbs, fruit, or plants which are intentionally planted and regularly maintained by the owner or the owner’s designate.

Family shall mean a group of related plants forming a category ranking between genus and order.

Genus shall mean a group of related plants forming a category ranking between family and species.

Invasive Species shall be a species not native to a particular ecosystem which has a tendency to spread to a degree believed to cause damage to the environment, human economy or human health.

Native Plant shall mean any plant native to Illinois.

Non-cultivated Plant shall mean and include all species of woody plants, vines, flowers, vegetables, herbs, fruit or other plants, which are not intentionally planted and regularly maintained by the Owner or the Owner's designated designee.

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Park District shall be the Champaign Park District.

Private Tree shall be defined as any tree owned by a private individual, business, developer, or home-owner's association.

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Public Tree shall be defined as any tree owned by the Park District.

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Appendix A

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Preferred Tree List

This ~~covers list addresses~~ a variety of woody plants. It is sorted by size: ~~;~~ shade trees, small trees ~~and, and~~ shrubs. Within each category, it is sorted by family, genus, ~~and~~ species. This should help us ~~to~~ develop a broadly diverse population. Cultivars are listed for some species. They are intended to illustrate what is available: ~~;~~ ~~#~~New releases arrive every year.

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Desirable features, native habitat, cultural requirements and problems are listed. Proper siting allows the plant to fulfil its genetic potential. ~~Problems noted with the species or variety does not necessarily exclude a tree from being planted. Problems(?) need'to not necessarily exclude a tree. messy~~ ~~For example, unkempt fruit isn't is not a~~ problem if the tree is ~~off the beaten path~~ not located adjacent to a regularly utilized path or trail.

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Native, exotic status is listed. Native plants are important to wildlife, and give authenticity to the landscape. Many exotic trees do not pose ~~a~~ problems. Some problematic exotic trees are not invasive when surrounded by turf. Invasive exotic trees, such as Callery Pear and Kousa Dogwood, are not on this list.

USDA hardiness zones and an estimate of adaptability to climate change has been added to those accessions. Ratings are from the USDA's Chicago Wilderness Region Urban Forest Vulnerability Assessment and Synthesis, Technical Report NRS 168. If that source ~~did~~ does not rate the taxon in question, ~~I said so, adding my best estimate~~ it is identified as such. Estimates are preliminary at this time, and should be updated as more information becomes available.

Appendix A, Preferred Tree List

Shade Trees

Aceraceae

Norway Maple *Acer platanoides* 'Crimson King' - Red foliage. Tolerates compacted soil, polluted sites, not pH sensitive. Zone 4-7, does not grow well in zone 7. May develop girdling roots. Very low seed viability, less invasive than species. Exotic. Moderate climate adaptability – temperature change negative, 'Crimson King' may be more drought sensitive than other cultivars.

Hybrid Shantung Maple *Acer truncatum* x *A. platanoides* 'Norwegian Sunset' - Sterile Norway Maple hybrid, smaller than Norway Maple, orange fall color. Most sites acceptable. No climate listing – probably moderate adaptability – *A. truncatum* is more heat tolerant than *A. platanoides*, and Dirr says this hybrid grew well in S. Carolina. Exotic.

Sugar Maple *Acer saccharum* 'Fall Fiesta', 'Green Mountain', 'Legacy' - Good fall color (yellow-orange). Cultivars with *Acer nigrum* background may have improved drought tolerance. Zone 4-8. Susceptible to sunscald, *Verticillium* wilt. Avoid exposed sites. Shade tolerant, not pH sensitive. Moderate climate adaptability. Temperature change negative, sensitive to flooding. Native to Champaign County.

Red Maple *Acer rubrum* 'Bowhall', 'Red Sunset' - Excellent red fall color, tolerant of compacted, soggy sites. Not drought tolerant, Manganese chlorosis on high pH sites. Zone 3-9, consider provenance of cultivar. Prone to girdling roots. Moderate climate adaptability. Little temperature vulnerability, sensitive to drought. Native to USA.

Marmo Maple *Acer x freemanii* 'Marmo' - Male clone, released by Morton Arboretum. Good fall color, fast growth, fairly strong wood. Zone 4. High climate adaptability – (Freeman Maple) tolerates a range of temperatures, flooding, some vulnerability to storm damage. Parents native to USA.

Betulaceae

River Birch *Betula nigra* – Graceful tree with exfoliating cinnamon colored bark. Zone 3-9. Heat tolerant, resistant to bronze birch borer. Floodplain tree, may become chlorotic on high pH soil. Full sun, not drought tolerant, moist/wet sites. Moderate climate adaptability – tolerates a range of temperatures. Native to Southern Illinois.

Bignoniaceae

Northern Catalpa *Catalpa speciosa* – Large, formal tree with striking floral display. Tough tree, tolerant of pH and poor soil quality. Zone 4-8. Susceptible to *Verticillium*, sheds pods and small branches – messy. No climate listing – probably moderate or better; Dirr describes Catalpa as tolerant of hot, wet ~~and~~ and dry conditions. Native to Illinois.

Cannabaceae

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Hackberry *Celtis occidentalis* – tough tree, interesting bark, fruit for birds. May develop witch's brooms, a fungal/mite complex, nipple gall infestations, hackberry mosaic virus.

Floodplain tree. Zone 3-9. Full sun, tolerates exposed sites, varied soil conditions, range of soil pH. High climate adaptability - tolerates a range of temperatures, drought and a variety of sites. Native to Illinois.

Sugarberry *Celtis laevigata*. ~~Sugarberry~~ ~~*Celtis laevigata*~~ – Southern relative of hackberry, “informal” habit, bark is smoother than Hackberry, resistant to witch's broom, nipple gall. Zone 5-9. Bottomland forest tree, tolerant of urban sites. Moderate-high climate adaptability. Tolerates a range of temperatures, drought ~~and~~ ~~and~~ flooding. Sensitive to wind damage and air pollution. – Native to southern Illinois.

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Cupressaceae

Dawn Redwood *Metasequoia glyptostroboides* – Deciduous conifer. Zone 5-8. Moist, well drained sites, full sun. Moderate climate adaptability – temperature change positive, tolerates flooding (Dirr), vulnerable to air pollution, can be damaged by early frosts. Exotic, not listed as invasive.

Baldcypress *Taxodium distichum* – Deciduous conifer. Floodplain tree. Zone 4-11. Full sun, moist to wet soil, prefers acidic soil. High climate adaptability - temperature change positive, tolerates flooding, sensitive to Dicamba. Native to southern Illinois.

Ebenaceae

Persimmon *Diospyros virginiana* – Blocky bark, handsome silhouette, tough tree. Floodplain tree. Zone 4-9. Full sun, dry to wet soil. Coarse root structure, transplant from root pruning container. Tolerates difficult sites, dioecious, fruit can be messy. May sucker if roots disturbed. Male clones exist, but are not widely available. High climate adaptability - temperature change positive, tolerates drought and flooding. Native to Illinois.

Eucommiaceae

Hardy Rubber Tree *Eucommia ulmoides* – Tough, trouble free shade tree. Full sun, pH, soil tolerant, drought resistant. Zone 4-7. No climate rating – probably moderate or better. Exotic, unlikely to escape in managed areas.

Fabaceae

Yellowwood *Cladrastis kentukea* - Showy white flowers, smooth gray bark, vase shaped – can develop weak structure. Zone 4-8. Sun or shade, not pH sensitive, structure prune for long life. High climate adaptability – tolerates a range of temperatures, vulnerable to storm damage. Native to southern Illinois.

Honeylocust *Gleditsia triacanthos inermis* – 'Shademaster'- Honeylocust was overplanted, but we have very few young trees, and have removed many older

trees. Zone 4-9, but Dirr says most cultivars selected from northern populations, not heat tolerant. Full sun, site tolerant, very salt tolerant. Compatible with turf. Subject to *Thyronectria* canker, *Ganoderma*, webworm. Moderate climate adaptability – tolerates a range of temperatures, drought. Native to Illinois.

Kentucky Coffeetree *Gymnocladus dioica* – Fruit can be messy, male trees preferred for high traffic areas – most “male” trees produce some fruit. Full sun, tolerant of poor, compacted soils and a range of pH conditions. Zone 3-8. Coarse root system, young trees minimally branched. High climate adaptability – drought tolerant. Native to Illinois.

Fagaceae

Chestnuts

Dunstan Chestnut *Castanea dentata x mollissima* ‘Dunstan’ - Hybrid American chestnut that is resistant to Chestnut Blight. GMO trees with a gene for fungal resistance from wheat may be available in 2021. Valuable wildlife tree, edible fruit, spiny involucre can be a hazard – not for use in picnic/playground areas. Zone 4-8. Full sun, part shade, dry to mesic. No climate rating – probably moderate – a tree with an extensive southern range, considered to be quite adaptable. Well drained sites. Native to Illinois.

Beeches

American Beech *Fagus grandifolia* – Beautiful bark, fall color, majestic native tree. Mature mesic forest. Zone 4-9 – more heat tolerant than European Beech. Partial – full shade. Avoid exposed sites, compacted, soggy, high pH soil. Beech bark disease, a *Nectria* canker transmitted by an introduced scale insect, is a problem in New England and some other locations, but has not been reported in Illinois. A serious foliar pathogen, Beech Leaf Disease, associated with a nematode, has been reported in Ohio - see forestry.ohiodnr.gov/portals/forestry/pdfs/BLDAlert.pdf. Moderate climate adaptability – tolerates a range of temperatures. Native to Illinois.

European Beech *Fagus sylvatica* – beautiful gray bark, variety of forms and colors. Zone 4-7, does not thrive in extreme heat. Shade, more site, pH tolerant than *F. grandifolia*. Moderate climate adaptability – sensitive to extreme heat, flooding. Disease status similar to *F. grandifolia*. Exotic, not reported to be invasive.

Oaks

White Oak Group

White Oak *Quercus alba* - pale bark, red fall color, majestic tree. Mesic forest. Zone 3-9. Full sun to part shade, good drainage, no site disturbance. Moderate climate adaptability – tolerates a range of temperatures and soils, sensitive to flooding. Native to Illinois.

Swamp White Oak *Quercus bicolor* – Yellow fall color. Zone 4-8. Full sun, moist/poorly drained sites, not especially drought tolerant. Chlorotic on high pH soil. Can be heavily

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infested by bullet gall. High climate adaptability – tolerates a range of temperatures. Native to Illinois.

Bur Oak *Quercus macrocarpa* – Picturesque, fire tolerant savanna oak, white oak group. Zone 3-8. Full sun, exposed site. Tolerates range of soil moisture, pH. Corky bark provides some insulation during prairie burns. Large acorns can be a problem in high traffic areas. High climate adaptability – tolerates a range of temperatures, some flooding, drought. Var. *oliviformis* is susceptible to Bur Oak Blight; drought stress may increase vulnerability to this pathogen. Native to Illinois.

Chinkapin Oak *Quercus muhlenbergii* – small acorns, rapidly devoured by wildlife. Upland forest on limestone soil. Zone 5-7. Full sun. Moderate climate adaptability – tolerates a range of temperatures, high pH, drought. Listed as “sensitive to disease, insects, and air pollution” **NRS-168**; these oaks seem to do well in our urban settings. Native throughout Illinois, grows into Oklahoma.

English Oak *Quercus robur* - many cultivars, fastigate, variegated, cut leaf... Zone 4-8. Full sun, pH tolerant, often develops powdery mildew, many of our trees have frost cracks, several trees have died in the past few years. No climate rating, probably moderate. Exotic, not listed as invasive. Hybrids, such as ‘Heritage’, do produce acorns.

‘Heritage’ Oak *Quercus robur* x *Q. macrocarpa* - is rated as having high climate adaptability – tolerates a range of temperatures, drought.

Red Oak Group

Scarlet Oak *Quercus coccinea* – red fall color. Zone 4-9. Full sun, more pH tolerant than *Q. palustris*, said to be less stress tolerant than *Q. rubra*. High climate adaptability – tolerates a range of soils and sites. Native to southern Illinois.

Shingle Oak *Quercus imbricaria* – unlobed leaves, excurrent habit, small acorns. Bottomland forest, disturbed sites. Zone 4-8. Full sun, moist, slightly acidic soil. Moderate climate adaptability – flood/ drought tolerant, with an extensive range in the lower Midwest. Very vulnerable to Bacterial leaf Scorch. Native to Illinois.

Northern Red Oak *Quercus rubra* – fast growing, “easily” transplanted, urban tolerant oak. Forest tree, shade tolerant, for an oak. Zone 3-7, shows heat stress in the deep South. Full sun to part shade, slightly acidic, moist soil. High climate adaptability – tolerates a range of temperatures and sites, vulnerable to disease. Native to Illinois.

Black Oak *Quercus velutina* – The other savanna oak, red oak group. Tough, deep rooted, drought tolerant, shade intolerant. Zone 3-9. Full sun, exposed, well drained site, transplant from root pruning container. Moderate climate adaptability – tolerates a range of temperatures, grows well in Georgia and Oklahoma. Very drought tolerant, “vulnerable to disease” - similar to other red oaks. Native to Illinois.

Ginkgoaceae

Ginkgo *Ginkgo biloba* – Tough urban tree, few pests/pathogens. Good yellow fall color. Zone 4-9. Full sun. Male trees only. High climate adaptability –

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tolerates a range of temperatures and sites, drought. Sensitive to flooding. Exotic, not listed as invasive.

Hamamelidaceae

Sweetgum *Liquidambar styraciflua* - 'Rotundiloba' is a male clone. Excellent, long lasting fall color. Fruit can be a problem in high traffic areas. Bottomland tree. Zone 5-9. Full sun, avoid high pH sites. Moderate climate adaptability – heat tolerant, can be damaged by severe cold. Tolerates a range of sites, sensitive to drought, scale insects. Native to southern Illinois.

Hippocastanaceae

Yellow Buckeye *Aesculus flava*, syn. *A. octandra*. Disease resistant, good fall color. Fruit can be messy. Zone 4-8. Full sun, part shade. Moderate climate adaptability – native to cove forests in the Appalachian Mountains. Tolerates heat, drought ~~and, and~~, air pollution. Native to southern Illinois.

Ohio Buckeye *Aesculus glabra* 'Early Glow' – Disease resistant, good fall color. Zone 4-7. Full sun, part shade. Moderate climate adaptability – native to bottomland forests in the lower Midwest. Heat tolerant, sensitive to drought, air pollution. Native to Illinois.

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Juglandaceae

All hickories and walnuts have coarse root systems. They should be transplanted from root pruning containers or grown from seed. Full sun, sensitive to site disturbance.

Bitternut Hickory *Carya cordiformis* – Fast growing, good yellow fall color, small fruit. Zone 4-9. Moderate climate adaptability – tolerates a range of temperatures and sites. Drought, saturated soil tolerant, a common name is Swamp Hickory. Sensitive to air pollution. A *Ceratocystis* canker vectored by an ambrosia beetle may become serious. Native to Illinois.

Kingnut Hickory *Carya laciniosa* – Said to be somewhat faster growing than Shagbark Hickory, similar in appearance. Good fall color, striking bark provides shelter for bats. Large fruit, not for high traffic areas. Zone 5-8. River bottom forest tree, moist site preferred. Moderate climate adaptability – sensitive to drought, air pollution. Native to Illinois.

Pecan *Carya illinoensis* – good fall color, edible fruit. Zone 5-9. Moderate climate adaptability. Tolerates a range of temperatures, tolerates wet sites, some flooding. Shade intolerant. Sensitive to air pollution, restrictive root area. Native to Illinois, grows throughout Oklahoma, into west Texas.

Black Walnut *Juglans nigra* – Tough tree, tolerates drought, high pH, air pollution. Fruit can be a problem in high traffic areas. Juglone poisoning can limit planting near trees. Mesic, bottomland forest. Zone 4-9. Full sun, moist soil. Thousand Canker Disease may become a threat to this species, but has not been reported in Illinois. Moderate climate adaptability. Tolerates a range of temperatures. Sensitive to drought, air pollution, site and root restriction. Native to Illinois.

Magnoliaceae

Tuliptree *Liriodendron tulipifera* – Green/orange flowers, formal, symmetrical shade tree. Cove forest tree. Zone 4-9. Full sun, pH adaptable, not drought/flood tolerant. Sensitive to stress, will defoliate, or fail to grow. Aphids can cause honeydew/black mold problems. Moderate climate adaptability - Wide geographic range, tolerates a range of temperatures. Sensitive to drought, air pollution ~~and, and~~ restrictive planting areas. Native to Southeastern Illinois.

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Cucumbertree Magnolia *Magnolia acuminata* – green flowers, red arillate fruit. 'Butterflies' is a yellow flowered hybrid with *M. denudata*. Forest tree. Zone 4-8. Protected site, partial shade. Moderate soil moisture, moderate pH. Moderate climate adaptability - Tolerates a range of temperatures, intermediate shade tolerance. Sensitive to drought and air pollution. Native to southern Illinois.

Nyssaceae

Black Tupelo *Nyssa sylvatica* 'Afterburner' (excellent fall color), 'Tupelo Tower' (columnar, excellent fall color). Zone 4-9. Full sun – partial shade, moist to average soil, sheltered location. Intolerant of high pH soil. High climate adaptability - Tolerates a range of temperatures and sites, somewhat flood tolerant. Tolerates restricted root space. Sensitive to alkaline soils, air pollution Native to southeastern Illinois.

Pinaceae

Norway Spruce *Picea abies* – Reliable spruce, good for exposed sites, windbreaks. Zone 3-7, barely survives in zone 8. Full sun, moist, slightly acidic soil. Moderate climate adaptability - sensitive to insects, flooding ~~and, and~~ air pollution. Exotic, not listed as invasive.

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1. Currently over planted throughout the district (Ex. White Pine).
2. Difficulty establishing or surviving long-term in Champaign or region (ex. Concolor Fir).

Serbian Spruce *Picea omorica* – Dark green needles with white undersides, pyramidal. Zone 4-7. Adaptable, tolerates some shade, pH tolerant. Moderate climate adaptability. Sensitive to insects (aphids, budworm, borers – Dirr). Exotic, not listed as invasive.

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Lacebark pine *Pinus bungeana* – Rounded, picturesque pine with striking, exfoliating bark. Full sun, well drained soil, pH tolerant. No climate rating – probably moderate adaptability - zone 4-7, grows well in Georgia. Exotic, not considered invasive.

Platanaceae

London Planetree *Platanus x acerifolia* 'Ovation' – Anthracnose resistant, cold tolerant cv. released by Morton Arboretum. Zone 5-8. Full sun – light shade, pH tolerant, tough site tree. Moderate climate adaptability – tolerates drought, flooding, and a range of temperatures. Exotic, not considered invasive.

Sycamore *Platanus occidentalis* - Majestic riverbottom forest tree, with white, exfoliating bark. *Anthracnose* infection can cause leaf drop, cankers ~~and, and~~ distorted growth. Zone 4-9. Full sun – very light shade, moist to wet soil. Moderate climate adaptability - tolerates a range of temperatures, wet sites, intermediate shade tolerance. Disease (*Anthracnose*), susceptible to Sycamore Lace Bugs – has not been serious. Native throughout Illinois.

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Tiliaceae

Basswood *Tilia americana* ('Redmond' is a hybrid between Basswood and Crimean Linden, *T. euchlora*). Fragrant flowers, trees often surrounded by basal suckers. Zone 3-8. Tough tree, Sun – part shade, pH adaptable. High to moderate climate adaptability – tolerates flooding and a range of temperatures (*T. a. var. heterophylla* is the southern variant, zone 5-9). Basswood is native to Illinois.

Glenleven Linden *Tilia cordata* 'Glenleven' Fast growing, more open than species. Zone 3-7, grows poorly in the South. Full sun, moist, well drained soil. Pollution tolerant. High climate adaptability - tolerates limited planting space, vulnerable to Japanese Beetle, salt. Can develop poor branching, leading to wind damage. Some cultivars may have graft incompatibility issues. Exotic, not listed as invasive.

Ulmaceae

American Elm *Ulmus americana* 'Colonial Spirit' – Dutch Elm Disease tolerant, vase shape. 'New Harmony', 'Princeton', and 'Valley Forge' have good disease resistance. Zone 3-9. Site tolerant, bottomland forest tree, tolerates flooding. High to moderate climate adaptability – extensive geographical range, tolerate a range of sites and conditions, sensitive to disease and drought. Native to Illinois.

Hybrid Elm *Ulmus x hybrida* 'Frontier' (Exotic, seldom fruits), Pioneer' (Exotic, not listed as invasive), 'Patriot' (Exotic 3-way cross, not listed as invasive) – Dutch Elm Disease resistant cultivars. Approximate zone 5-9. Full sun. Very site tolerant, vigorous urban trees. 'Accolade', 'Discovery', and 'Frontier' are listed as having high climate adaptability.

Small Trees

Aceraceae

Paperbark Maple *Acer griseum* - Exfoliating cinnamon colored bark. Zone 5-7, not heat tolerant. Sun – part shade, pH adaptable, tolerates clay soil. Low seed viability, between 1-8 percent. This should limit invasive potential. No climate rating, probably moderate adaptability. Exotic.

Anacardiaceae

American Smoketree *Cotinus obovatus* – Small tree with showy seed panicles and beautiful fall color. Limited commercial availability. Zone 4-8. Full sun, good drainage,

culture similar to *C. coggygia*. Deer resistant. No climate rating, but probably high to moderate adaptability - Native to southern USA.

Annonaceae

Pawpaw *Asimina triloba* – striking leaves, yellow fall color. Fruit could be a problem in high traffic areas. Zone 5-8. Understory tree, shade, sheltered location, good soil moisture. No climate rating, probably medium adaptability – widely distributed, tolerates a range of temperatures, moist sites. Will produce suckers. Native to Illinois.

Aquifoliaceae

American Holly *Ilex opaca* – ‘Jersey Knight’, ‘Jersey Princess’, are quite hardy. Slow growing, formal trees. Zone 5-9. Sun to part shade, protected site, with acidic, moist, well-drained soil. Prone to leaf miner, scale. No climate rating, probably medium adaptability - tolerates a range of temperatures and site conditions, very shade tolerant, pollution tolerant, sensitive to flooding. Susceptible to Holly Leaf Miner. Native throughout the south, extreme southern Illinois.

Betulaceae

Dwarf River Birch *Betula nigra* ‘Fox Valley’ cv., useful for raingardens, damp sites. Zone 3b-9. Full sun, low-medium pH. Moderate climate adaptability – tolerates a range of temperatures and sites, vulnerable to drought. Native to southern Illinois.

European Hornbeam *Carpinus betulus fastigiata* – small formal, columnar tree, smooth gray bark. Zone 5-7, fairly heat tolerant. Full sun, tolerates a range of soil conditions, can be sheared. High climate adaptability – tolerates a range of temperatures. Exotic, not known to be invasive.

Blue Beech *Carpinus caroliniana* – cultivars include ‘Firespire’ – columnar, good fall color, ‘Native Flame’- upright, good fall color. Riverbottom forest. Zone 4-9. Shade, can tolerate full sun, adapts to a range of soil conditions as long as moisture is sufficient. High climate adaptability - tolerates a range of temperatures, deep shade, flooding. Sensitive to drought, exposed sites, air pollution. Native to Illinois.

Ironwood *Ostrya virginiana* - ‘Autumn Treasure’ has uniform leaf drop. Upland forest. Tough tree. Zone 4-9. Sun – shade, range of soil types, not flood tolerant, may struggle on very exposed site. High climate adaptability – tolerates a range of temperatures, sites, drought tolerant. Fruit pubescence can irritate skin. Native to Illinois.

Cornaceae

Flowering Dogwood *Cornus florida* ‘Cherokee Brave’ (Powdery Mildew resistant *C. florida* selection), (‘Stellar’ is a hybrid between Flowering and Kousa Dogwoods that is resistant to Anthracnose, Dogwood Borer and Powdery Mildew. It is sterile.). Four season interest. Understory tree. Zone 5-9, depending on provenance. Sheltered location, slightly acid soil, not drought tolerant. Poor air circulation encourages mildew...some cv. are not hardy in Illinois. Moderate climate adaptability – tolerates a

range of temperatures, but sensitive to both drought and flooding, sensitive to air pollution. Native to southern and central Illinois.

Cupressaceae

Eastern Redcedar *Juniperus virginiana* – ‘Emerald Sentinel’ is a pyramidal, dark green form, ‘Burkii’ has silver-blue foliage, turns purplish in winter. ‘Canaertii’ has blue cones, picturesque form. Zone 4-9. Pioneer tree, shade intolerant, pH, drought tolerant. Alternate host for Cedar-Apple Rust. High climate adaptability – tolerates a range of temperatures, drought. Will grow in a variety of sites, including those with restricted root space. Sensitive to air pollution, susceptible to bagworms. Native to Champaign County.

Fabaceae

Eastern Redbud *Cercis canadensis* – purple, pink or white flowers, picturesque form. Understory tree. Zone 4-9, varies with provenance. Moist, well drained soil, sun to shade, not drought tolerant, often short lived. Cankers, *Verticillium* wilt. Moderate climate adaptability - Tolerates a range of temperatures, intolerant of drought, flooding. Sensitive to stress. Native to Illinois.

Hamamelidaceae

Persian Parrotia *Parrotia persica* – Exfoliating bark, excellent late fall color. ‘Vanessa’ is recommended for narrow spaces. Zone 5-8. Full sun to light shade, well drained, slightly acid soil. No climate rating, probably moderate adaptability. Dirr describes as very stress tolerant. Exotic, not known to be invasive.

Hippocastanaceae

Red Buckeye *Aesculus pavia* – no cultivars listed. Showy red flowers. Understory tree. Zones 4-8. Part sun to deep shade, moist soil. No climate rating, probably moderate adaptability – southern species, not drought tolerant. Native to southern Illinois.

Magnoliaceae

Saucer Magnolia *Magnolia x soulangeana* – Pink flowers on bare branches, weather permitting. Zone 4-9. Full sun – light shade, moist, acid soil, Intolerant of heavy pruning. Almost sterile. High climate adaptability – tolerates a range of temperatures, sensitive to drought, flooding. Exotic, not considered invasive.

Sweetbay Magnolia *Magnolia virginiana* – fragrant flowers, silver and green leaves. Zone 5-9. Moist to wet soil, shade tolerant. Acid soil. No climate rating, probably moderate or better adaptability – heat tolerant, tolerates flooding. Native to southern USA, does well in our area.

Star Magnolia *Magnolia stellata* – showy floral display on bare branches, in the absence of late frost. ‘The Girls’ are hybrids between *M. stellata* and *M. liliflora* released

by the National Arboretum that bloom later than *M. stellata*. They are sterile. Zone 4-8. Protected location, moist acid soil. Moderate climate adaptability – sensitive to drought, air pollution. Exotic, not listed as invasive.

Oleaceae

Chinese Fringetree *Chionanthus retusus* – Small tree with striking white flowers, 'China Snow' has exfoliating bark. Zone 5(6)-8. Sun to part shade, moist, acidic soil. Marginally hardy. High climate adaptability – will grow in a variety of sites. Exotic, not considered invasive. (The native fringetree has fallen victim to Emerald Ash Borer, and should not be planted.)

Japanese Tree Lilac *Syringa reticulata* 'Ivory Silk' – Good form, flowers young, flowers not particularly fragrant. Zone 3-7. Soil pH adaptable, full sun for best flowering. Moderate climate adaptability – tolerates a variety of sites, sensitive to air pollution. Exotic, may be invasive in forest/floodplain areas.

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Rosaceae

Shadbush *Amelanchier spp.* – tree or large shrub, with 4 season interest, good fall color. 'Autumn Brilliance' recommended for Midwest. Edge tree. Zone 4-9. Sun – light shade, range of soil types. High climate adaptability – tolerates a variety of sites, sensitive to drought, flooding, stress. Some species native to Illinois, all native to USA.

Flowering Crabapples *Malus x hybrida*

Adams Crab Flower red to pink, fruit red 5/8", rounded habit.

Centurion Crab Flowers red to red, fruit 5/8" red, upright oval.

Floribunda Crab Flowers pink to white, fruit red/yellow 3/8", broad rounded.

Madonna Crab Flowers double, pink to white, fruit 1/2" red-gold, upright.

Prairifire Crab Flowers red to red, fruit red-purple 1/2", upright rounded.

Profusion Crab Flowers red to red, fruit red 1/2", vase

Purple Prince Crab Flowers red to red, fruit maroon 1/2", rounded

Red Jewel Crab Flowers White, Fruit red 1/2", horizontal rounded.

Robinson Crab Flowers red to pink, fruit dark red 3/8", upright spreading.

Snowdrift Crab Flowers pink to white, fruit orange-red 3/8", rounded

Sugar Tyme Crab Flowers pink to white, fruit red 1/2", upright oval.

Zone 4-7. Full sun, slightly acid soil, clay loam preferred. Moderate climate adaptability – tolerate a range of temperatures and sites, susceptible to air pollution. Exotic, possibly invasive.

Sargent Cherry *Prunus sargentii* – Pink flowers before leaves emerge, glossy chestnut bark, yellow-orange fall color. Zone 4-7. Sun to part shade, moist, well drained soil. Moderate climate adaptability – tolerates a range of temperatures and planting sites, sensitive to wind damage and air pollution. Exotic, not listed as invasive.

Chokecherry *Prunus virginiana* – White flowers, cultivar ‘Canada Red’ has red foliage, dark red fruit. Zone 2-6. Full sun for best color, but quite shade tolerant. Understory tree. Moderate climate adaptability – not native much further south, possibly heat sensitive? Infected by Black Knot, infested by Eastern Tent Caterpillars. Sensitive to flooding and air pollution. Native to Champaign County.

Styracaceae

Silverbell *Halesia tetraptera* – White or pink floral display. Understory tree. Zone 4-8. Moist, acid soil, sun – part shade. Very pest resistant. May be chlorotic on high pH soils. No climate rating, probably moderate at best. Native to southern Illinois.

Shrubs

Anacardiaceae

Smokebush *Cotinus coggygria* – Handsome shrub with “smoky” inflorescences, selections for good fall color – ‘Flame’, reduced size – ‘Young Lady’ and yellow – ‘Golden Spirit’ or purple – ‘Royal Purple’ foliage. High climate adaptability – tolerates a variety of sites, full sun, drought tolerant, vulnerable to flooding. Zone 5-8. Exotic, not considered invasive.

Fragrant Sumac *Rhus aromatica* ‘Low Gro’ - Dwarf, good fall color. Zone 3-9. Shade to sun, acidic, well drained soil. Shoots root - can be aggressive. Some people are allergic. No climate rating, probably average adaptability. Native to northern Illinois.

Shining Sumac *Rhus copallina* ‘Prairie Flame’ – Dwarf male, excellent fall color. Zone 4-9. Full sun for best color, adaptable, needs good drainage. Roots send up shoots - can be aggressive. No climate rating, probably average – heat, drought tolerant. Native to Illinois.

Aquifoliaceae

Inkberry *Ilex glabra* ‘Shamrock’ is a compact form. – Evergreen, low maintenance shrub. Zone 5-9. Part sun to shade, slightly acid, moist soil. No climate rating, probably average adaptability. Tolerates heat and flooding. Native to southern USA.

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Winterberry *Ilex verticillata* ‘Winter Red’ is a female cultivar that fruits heavily – Hardy, deciduous holly grown for winter fruit display. Zone 3-9, depending on provenance. Moist to wet soil, full sun to partial shade. No climate rating, probably average. Tolerates heat, cold ~~and~~, and flooding. Native to Illinois.

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Betulaceae

American Hazel *Corylus americana* – Showy catkins, valuable wildlife plant. Zone 4-9. Understory/edge plant, Japanese beetle can be a problem. No climate rating, probably average/high adaptability. Tolerates a range of temperatures, soil moistures, soil pH. Native to Champaign County.

Caprifoliaceae

European Elder *Sambucus nigra* – Tough shrub, attractive to birds. Several cultivars - 'Black Lace' has dark foliage, 'Laciniata' dissected foliage. Zone 5-6, not especially heat tolerant. No climate rating, probably average to low adaptability. Exotic, not known to be invasive.

Arrowwood *Viburnum dentatum* 'Blue Muffin', 'Chicago Lustre', 'Northern Burgundy' – Zone 2-8. Sun to part shade, site tolerant. An introduced pest, the Viburnum Leaf Beetle, has been reported in Illinois. Fruit display best if more than one cv. is planted. No climate rating, probably average adaptability. Native to Illinois.

Witherod Viburnum *Viburnum nudum* – Small shrub with white flowers, multicolored fruit and good fall color. Zone 5-9. Full sun – part shade, moist to wet soil, protected site. No climate rating, probably average adaptability. Tolerates flooding, heat tolerant. Native to eastern USA.

Highbush Cranberry *Viburnum trilobum* 'Red Wing' – Good fall color, fruit production. Zone 2-6. Sun to part shade, site tolerant. No climate rating, probably low adaptability. Not heat tolerant. Native to Illinois.

Clusiaceae

Shrubby St. Johnswort *Hypericum prolificum* – Yellow summer flowers. Zone 3-8. Full sun – part shade, pH adaptable, tolerates drought, clay soil. No climate rating, probably average adaptability. Tolerates heat, drought. Native to Illinois, south to Texas, Florida..

Cornaceae

Redtwig Dogwood *Cornus sericea* – Grown for winter display of red stems, should be rejuvenated periodically. Zone 2-7. Floodplain shrub, but will grow on most sites, prefers wet soil, full sun to partial shade. No climate rating, probably average adaptability. Native to Champaign County.

Cupressaceae

Chinese Juniper *Juniperus chinensis* – Varied colors and forms, 'Gold Star' is light blue with gold tips, 'Mint Julip' is a compact green shrub. Zone 4-9. Full sun, good drainage, *Phomopsis*, *Kabatina* blights can be a problem. No climate rating, probably at least average adaptability. Exotic, not known to be invasive.

Ericaceae

P.J.M. Rhododendron *Rhododendron 'P. J. M.'* – Magenta flowers, some autumn flowering, very hardy, best rhododendron for Midwest. Zone 4-7. Broadleaved evergreen, requires sheltered location, neutral to acid pH, not drought tolerant. No

climate rating, probably low to average adaptability. Hybrid of native *R. minus* and exotic *R. dauricum*, almost sterile.

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Hamamelidaceae

Dwarf Fothergilla *Fothergilla gardenii* – Interesting flowers, excellent fall color. Zone 5-9. Sun to part shade, moist, acid soil. No climate rating, probably average adaptability. Heat tolerant. Native to southeastern USA.

Vernal Witchhazel *Hamamelis vernalis* – Late winter flowers. Sun to shade, moist to wet soil, pH tolerant. Moderate climate adaptability. Also called Ozark Witchhazel, native to south central USA.

Common Witchhazel *Hamamelis virginiana* – Late fall flowers, deer tolerant. Sun to shade, moist soil, acid soil. Moderate climate adaptability - native throughout the eastern United States.

Hippocastanaceae

Bottlebrush Buckeye *Aesculus parviflora* – Showy white summer flowers, yellow fall color. Floodplain shrub. Zones 4-8. Protected site, moist, well drained acid soil, sun – part shade. Fairly site tolerant. No climate rating, probably average adaptability. Native to eastern USA.

Hydrangeaceae

Oakleaf Hydrangea *Hydrangea quercifolia* – Zone 5-9, marginally hardy. Moist, acidic, well drained soil, sun to part shade. Not drought tolerant. No climate rating, probably low to average adaptability. Native to southeastern USA.

Bigleaf Hydrangea *Hydrangea macrophylla* 'Twist and Shout' is remontant – it will bloom even *when* damaged by harsh winter weather. Zone 6-9. Marginally hardy. Protected site, shade, moist to wet; not drought tolerant. No climate rating, probably low to average adaptability. Exotic, not considered to be invasive.

Oleaceae

Border Forsythia *Forsythia x intermedia* – Early, long lasting yellow flowers. Bud hardy cultivars, such as 'Northern Sun', preferred. Zone 5-8. Full sun, pH adaptable, tough. No climate rating, probably high to average adaptability. Exotic, stoloniferous, not considered invasive.

Meyer Lilac *Syringa meyeri* – Tough, low maintenance, floriferous shrub with fragrant purple flowers, resistant to Powdery Mildew. ~~Zone~~ Zone 3-7. Full sun for best flowering, pH adaptable. No climate rating, probably average adaptability. Exotic, not considered invasive.

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Rosaceae

Red Chokeberry *Aronia arbutifolia* – ‘Brilliant’ has white flowers, excellent red fall color, persistent fruit. Zone 4-9. Sun to part shade, moist to dry, tolerant, tends to sucker. No climate rating, probably average to high adaptability. Native to southern, eastern USA

Black Chokeberry *Aronia melanocarpa* ‘Autumn Magic’– Compact, good fall color. Zone 3-8. Tolerates a range of conditions, used in wetland reclamation. No climate rating, probably average to high adaptability. Native to Illinois.

Ninebark *Physocarpus opulifolius* – Cultivars ‘Diabolo’, dark red, ‘Coppertina’, coppery to red, ‘Nugget’, yellow to lime. Zone 2-7. Tough shrub, sun to shade. No climate rating, probably high adaptability. Native to Illinois.

Japanese Spirea *Spiraea japonica* – Small, tough flowering shrub, pink flowers, red fall foliage, gold and variegated forms. Zone 4-8. Full sun, good air circulation. No climate rating, probably average to high. Exotic, not considered invasive.

Snowmound Spirea *Spiraea nipponica* ‘Snowmound’ – Small white flowered shrub, full sun, fairly site tolerant. Zone 4-7. No climate rating, probably average adaptability. Exotic, not considered invasive.

Hardhack *Spiraea tomentosa* – Small floodplain shrub, pink flowers, yellow-orange fall color. Full sun, moist-wet sites. No climate rating, probably average adaptability. Native in parts of Illinois.

Saxifragaceae

Virginia Sweetpire *Itea virginica* ‘Little Henry’ – compact form. Summer blooming native shrub, good fall color. Zone 5-9. Full sun to shade, needs moist, somewhat acidic soil. No climate rating, probably average adaptability. Heat tolerant, not drought tolerant. Native to southern Illinois.

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Appendix A

Preferred Tree List

This list addresses a variety of woody plants. It is sorted by size: shade trees, small trees, and shrubs. Within each category, it is sorted by family, genus, and species. This should help us develop a broadly diverse population. Cultivars are listed for some species. They are intended to illustrate what is available. New releases arrive every year.

Desirable features, native habitat, cultural requirements and problems are listed. Proper siting allows the plant to fulfil its genetic potential. Problems noted with the species or variety does not necessarily exclude a tree from being planted. For example, unkempt fruit is not a problem if the tree is not located adjacent to a regularly utilized path or trail.

Native, exotic status is listed. Native plants are important to wildlife and give authenticity to the landscape. Many exotic trees do not pose problems. Some problematic exotic trees are not invasive when surrounded by turf. Invasive exotic trees, such as Callery Pear and Kousa Dogwood, are not on this list.

USDA hardiness zones and an estimate of adaptability to climate change has been added to those accessions. Ratings are from the USDA's Chicago Wilderness Region Urban Forest Vulnerability Assessment and Synthesis, Technical Report NRS 168. If that source does not rate the taxon in question, it is identified as such. Estimates are preliminary at this time, and should be updated as more information becomes available.

Appendix A, Preferred Tree List

Shade Trees

Aceraceae

Norway Maple *Acer platanoides* 'Crimson King' - Red foliage. Tolerates compacted soil, polluted sites, not pH sensitive. Zone 4-7, does not grow well in zone 7. May develop girdling roots. Very low seed viability, less invasive than species. Exotic. Moderate climate adaptability – temperature change negative, 'Crimson King' may be more drought sensitive than other cultivars.

Hybrid Shantung Maple *Acer truncatum* x *A. platanoides* 'Norwegian Sunset' - Sterile Norway Maple hybrid, smaller than Norway Maple, orange fall color. Most sites acceptable. No climate listing – probably moderate adaptability – *A. truncatum* is more heat tolerant than *A. platanoides*, and Dirr says this hybrid grew well in S. Carolina. Exotic.

Sugar Maple *Acer saccharum* 'Fall Fiesta', 'Green Mountain', 'Legacy' - Good fall color (yellow-orange). Cultivars with *Acer nigrum* background may have improved drought tolerance. Zone 4-8. Susceptible to sunscald, *Verticillium* wilt. Avoid exposed sites. Shade tolerant, not pH sensitive. Moderate climate adaptability. Temperature change negative, sensitive to flooding. Native to Champaign County.

Red Maple *Acer rubrum* 'Bowhall', 'Red Sunset' - Excellent red fall color, tolerant of compacted, soggy sites. Not drought tolerant, Manganese chlorosis on high pH sites. Zone 3-9, consider provenance of cultivar. Prone to girdling roots. Moderate climate adaptability. Little temperature vulnerability, sensitive to drought. Native to USA.

Marmo Maple *Acer x freemanii* 'Marmo' - Male clone, released by Morton Arboretum. Good fall color, fast growth, fairly strong wood. Zone 4. High climate adaptability – (Freeman Maple) tolerates a range of temperatures, flooding, some vulnerability to storm damage. Parents native to USA.

Betulaceae

River Birch *Betula nigra* – Graceful tree with exfoliating cinnamon colored bark. Zone 3-9. Heat tolerant, resistant to bronze birch borer. Floodplain tree, may become chlorotic on high pH soil. Full sun, not drought tolerant, moist/wet sites. Moderate climate adaptability – tolerates a range of temperatures. Native to Southern Illinois.

Bignoniaceae

Northern Catalpa *Catalpa speciosa* – Large, formal tree with striking floral display. Tough tree, tolerant of pH and poor soil quality. Zone 4-8. Susceptible to *Verticillium*, sheds pods and small branches – messy. No climate listing – probably moderate or better; Dirr describes Catalpa as tolerant of hot, wet, and dry conditions. Native to Illinois.

Cannabaceae

Hackberry *Celtis occidentalis* – tough tree, interesting bark, fruit for birds. May develop witch’s brooms, a fungal/mite complex, nipple gall infestations, hackberry mosaic virus.

Floodplain tree. Zone 3-9. Full sun, tolerates exposed sites, varied soil conditions, range of soil pH. High climate adaptability - tolerates a range of temperatures, drought and a variety of sites. Native to Illinois.

Sugarberry *Celtis laevigata*. **Sugarberry** *Celtis laevigata* - Southern relative of hackberry, “informal” habit, bark is smoother than Hackberry, resistant to witch’s broom, nipple gall. Zone 5-9. Bottomland forest tree, tolerant of urban sites. Moderate-high climate adaptability. Tolerates a range of temperatures, drought, and flooding. Sensitive to wind damage and air pollution. Native to southern Illinois.

Cupressaceae

Dawn Redwood *Metasequoia glyptostroboides* – Deciduous conifer. Zone 5-8. Moist, well drained sites, full sun. Moderate climate adaptability – temperature change positive, tolerates flooding (Dirr), vulnerable to air pollution, can be damaged by early frosts. Exotic, not listed as invasive.

Baldcypress *Taxodium distichum* – Deciduous conifer. Floodplain tree. Zone 4-11. Full sun, moist to wet soil, prefers acidic soil. High climate adaptability - temperature change positive, tolerates flooding, sensitive to Dicamba. Native to southern Illinois.

Ebenaceae

Persimmon *Diospyros virginiana* – Blocky bark, handsome silhouette, tough tree. Floodplain tree. Zone 4-9. Full sun, dry to wet soil. Coarse root structure, transplant from root pruning container. Tolerates difficult sites, dioecious, fruit can be messy. May sucker if roots disturbed. Male clones exist, but are not widely available. High climate adaptability - temperature change positive, tolerates drought and flooding. Native to Illinois.

Eucommiaceae

Hardy Rubber Tree *Eucommia ulmoides* – Tough, trouble free shade tree. Full sun, pH, soil tolerant, drought resistant. Zone 4-7. No climate rating – probably moderate or better. Exotic, unlikely to escape in managed areas.

Fabaceae

Yellowwood *Cladrastis kentukea* - Showy white flowers, smooth gray bark, vase shaped – can develop weak structure. Zone 4-8. Sun or shade, not pH sensitive, structure prune for long life. High climate adaptability – tolerates a range of temperatures, vulnerable to storm damage. Native to southern Illinois.

Honeylocust *Gleditsia triacanthos inermis* – ‘Shademaster’- Honeylocust was overplanted, but we have very few young trees, and have removed many older trees. Zone 4-9, but Dirr says most cultivars selected from northern populations, not heat tolerant. Full sun, site tolerant, very salt tolerant. Compatible with turf. Subject to *Thyronectria* canker, *Ganoderma*, webworm. Moderate climate adaptability – tolerates a range of temperatures, drought. Native to Illinois.

Kentucky Coffeetree *Gymnocladus dioica* – Fruit can be messy, male trees preferred for high traffic areas – most “male” trees produce some fruit. Full sun, tolerant of poor, compacted soils and a range of pH conditions. Zone 3-8. Coarse root system, young trees minimally branched. High climate adaptability – drought tolerant. Native to Illinois.

Fagaceae

Chestnuts

Dunstan Chestnut *Castanea dentata x mollissima* ‘Dunstan’ - Hybrid American chestnut that is resistant to Chestnut Blight. GMO trees with a gene for fungal resistance from wheat may be available in 2021. Valuable wildlife tree, edible fruit, spiny involucre can be a hazard – not for use in picnic/playground areas. Zone 4-8. Full sun, part shade, dry to mesic. No climate rating – probably moderate – a tree with an extensive southern range, considered to be quite adaptable. Well drained sites. Native to Illinois.

Beeches

American Beech *Fagus grandifolia* – Beautiful bark, fall color, majestic native tree. Mature mesic forest. Zone 4-9 – more heat tolerant than European Beech. Partial – full shade. Avoid exposed sites, compacted, soggy, high pH soil. Beech bark disease, a *Nectria* canker transmitted by an introduced scale insect, is a problem in New England and some other locations, but has not been reported in Illinois. A serious foliar pathogen, Beech Leaf Disease, associated with a nematode, has been reported in Ohio - see forestry.ohiodnr.gov/portals/forestry/pdfs/BLDAlert.pdf . Moderate climate adaptability – tolerates a range of temperatures. Native to Illinois.

European Beech *Fagus sylvatica* – beautiful gray bark, variety of forms and colors. Zone 4-7, does not thrive in extreme heat. Shade, more site, pH tolerant than *F. grandifolia*. Moderate climate adaptability – sensitive to extreme heat, flooding. Disease status similar to *F. grandifolia*. Exotic, not reported to be invasive.

Oaks

White Oak Group

White Oak *Quercus alba* - pale bark, red fall color, majestic tree. Mesic forest. Zone 3-9. Full sun to part shade, good drainage, no site disturbance. Moderate climate adaptability – tolerates a range of temperatures and soils, sensitive to flooding. Native to Illinois.

Swamp White Oak *Quercus bicolor* – Yellow fall color. Zone 4-8. Full sun, moist/poorly drained sites, not especially drought tolerant. Chlorotic on high pH soil. Can be heavily infested by bullet gall. High climate adaptability – tolerates a range of temperatures. Native to Illinois.

Bur Oak *Quercus macrocarpa* – Picturesque, fire tolerant savanna oak, white oak group. Zone 3-8. Full sun, exposed site. Tolerates range of soil moisture, pH. Corky bark provides some insulation during prairie burns. Large acorns can be a problem in high traffic areas. High climate adaptability – tolerates a range of temperatures, some flooding, drought. Var. *oliviformis* is susceptible to Bur Oak Blight; drought stress may increase vulnerability to this pathogen. Native to Illinois.

Chinkapin Oak *Quercus muhlenbergii* – small acorns, rapidly devoured by wildlife. Upland forest on limestone soil. Zone 5-7. Full sun. Moderate climate adaptability – tolerates a range of temperatures, high pH, drought. Listed as “sensitive to disease, insects, and air pollution” **NRS-168**; these oaks seem to do well in our urban settings. Native throughout Illinois, grows into Oklahoma.

English Oak *Quercus robur* - many cultivars, fastigate, variegated, cut leaf... Zone 4-8. Full sun, pH tolerant, often develops powdery mildew, many of our trees have frost cracks, several trees have died in the past few years. No climate rating, probably moderate. Exotic, not listed as invasive. Hybrids, such as ‘Heritage’, do produce acorns.

‘Heritage’ Oak *Quercus robur* x *Q. macrocarpa* - is rated as having high climate adaptability – tolerates a range of temperatures, drought.

Red Oak Group

Scarlet Oak *Quercus coccinea* – red fall color. Zone 4-9. Full sun, more pH tolerant than *Q. palustris*, said to be less stress tolerant than *Q. rubra*. High climate adaptability – tolerates a range of soils and sites. Native to southern Illinois.

Shingle Oak *Quercus imbricaria* – unlobed leaves, excurrent habit, small acorns. Bottomland forest, disturbed sites. Zone 4-8. Full sun, moist, slightly acidic soil. Moderate climate adaptability – flood/ drought tolerant, with an extensive range in the lower Midwest. Very vulnerable to Bacterial leaf Scorch. Native to Illinois.

Northern Red Oak *Quercus rubra* – fast growing, “easily” transplanted, urban tolerant oak. Forest tree, shade tolerant, for an oak. Zone 3-7, shows heat stress in the deep South. Full sun to part shade, slightly acidic, moist soil. High climate adaptability – tolerates a range of temperatures and sites, vulnerable to disease. Native to Illinois.

Black Oak *Quercus velutina* – The other savanna oak, red oak group. Tough, deep rooted, drought tolerant, shade intolerant. Zone 3-9. Full sun, exposed, well drained site, transplant from root pruning container. Moderate climate adaptability – tolerates a range of temperatures, grows well in Georgia and Oklahoma. Very drought tolerant, “vulnerable to disease” - similar to other red oaks. Native to Illinois.

Ginkgoaceae

Ginkgo *Ginkgo biloba* – Tough urban tree, few pests/pathogens. Good yellow fall color. Zone 4-9. Full sun. Male trees only. High climate adaptability – tolerates a range of temperatures and sites, drought. Sensitive to flooding. Exotic, not listed as invasive.

Hamamelidaceae

Sweetgum *Liquidambar styraciflua* - ‘Rotundiloba’ is a male clone. Excellent, long lasting fall color. Fruit can be a problem in high traffic areas. Bottomland tree. Zone 5-9. Full sun, avoid high pH sites. Moderate climate adaptability – heat tolerant, can be damaged by severe cold. Tolerates a range of sites, sensitive to drought, scale insects. Native to southern Illinois.

Hippocastanaceae

Yellow Buckeye *Aesculus flava*, syn. *A. octandra*. Disease resistant, good fall color. Fruit can be messy. Zone 4-8. Full sun, part shade. Moderate climate adaptability – native to cove forests in the Appalachian Mountains. Tolerates heat, drought, and air pollution. Native to southern Illinois.

Ohio Buckeye *Aesculus glabra* ‘Early Glow’ – Disease resistant, good fall color. Zone 4-7. Full sun, part shade. Moderate climate adaptability – native to bottomland forests in the lower Midwest. Heat tolerant, sensitive to drought, air pollution. Native to Illinois.

Juglandaceae

All hickories and walnuts have coarse root systems. They should be transplanted from root pruning containers or grown from seed. Full sun, sensitive to site disturbance.

Bitternut Hickory *Carya cordiformis* – Fast growing, good yellow fall color, small fruit. Zone 4-9. Moderate climate adaptability – tolerates a range of temperatures and sites. Drought, saturated soil tolerant, a common name is Swamp Hickory. Sensitive to air pollution. A *Ceratocystis* canker vectored by an ambrosia beetle may become serious. Native to Illinois.

Kingnut Hickory *Carya laciniosa* – Said to be somewhat faster growing than Shagbark Hickory, similar in appearance. Good fall color, striking bark provides shelter for bats. Large fruit, not for high traffic areas. Zone 5-8. River bottom forest tree, moist site preferred. Moderate climate adaptability – sensitive to drought, air pollution. Native to Illinois.

Pecan *Carya illinoensis* – good fall color, edible fruit. Zone 5-9. Moderate climate adaptability. Tolerates a range of temperatures, tolerates wet sites, some flooding. Shade intolerant. Sensitive to air pollution, restrictive root area. Native to Illinois, grows throughout Oklahoma, into west Texas.

Black Walnut *Juglans nigra* – Tough tree, tolerates drought, high pH, air pollution. Fruit can be a problem in high traffic areas. Juglone poisoning can limit planting near trees. Mesic, bottomland forest. Zone 4-9. Full sun, moist soil. Thousand

Canker Disease may become a threat to this species, but has not been reported in Illinois. Moderate climate adaptability. Tolerates a range of temperatures. Sensitive to drought, air pollution, site and root restriction. Native to Illinois.

Magnoliaceae

Tuliptree *Liriodendron tulipifera* – Green/orange flowers, formal, symmetrical shade tree. Cove forest tree. Zone 4-9. Full sun, pH adaptable, not drought/flood tolerant. Sensitive to stress, will defoliate, or fail to grow. Aphids can cause honeydew/black mold problems. Moderate climate adaptability - Wide geographic range, tolerates a range of temperatures. Sensitive to drought, air pollution, and restrictive planting areas. Native to Southeastern Illinois.

Cucumbertree Magnolia *Magnolia acuminata* – green flowers, red arillate fruit. ‘Butterflies’ is a yellow flowered hybrid with *M. denudata*. Forest tree. Zone 4-8. Protected site, partial shade. Moderate soil moisture, moderate pH. Moderate climate adaptability - Tolerates a range of temperatures, intermediate shade tolerance. Sensitive to drought and air pollution. Native to southern Illinois.

Nyssaceae

Black Tupelo *Nyssa sylvatica* ‘Afterburner’ (excellent fall color), ‘Tupelo Tower’ (columnar, excellent fall color). Zone 4-9. Full sun – partial shade, moist to average soil, sheltered location. Intolerant of high pH soil. High climate adaptability - Tolerates a range of temperatures and sites, somewhat flood tolerant. Tolerates restricted root space. Sensitive to alkaline soils, air pollution Native to southeastern Illinois.

Pinaceae

Norway Spruce *Picea abies* – Reliable spruce, good for exposed sites, windbreaks. Zone 3-7, barely survives in zone 8. Full sun, moist, slightly acidic soil. Moderate climate adaptability - sensitive to insects, flooding, and air pollution. Exotic, not listed as invasive.

Serbian Spruce *Picea omorica* – Dark green needles with white undersides, pyramidal. Zone 4-7. Adaptable, tolerates some shade, pH tolerant. Moderate climate adaptability. Sensitive to insects (aphids, budworm, borers – Dirr). Exotic, not listed as invasive.

Lacebark pine *Pinus bungeana* – Rounded, picturesque pine with striking, exfoliating bark. Full sun, well-drained soil, pH tolerant. No climate rating – probably moderate adaptability - zone 4-7, grows well in Georgia. Exotic, not considered invasive.

Platanaceae

London Planetree *Platanus x acerifolia* ‘Ovation’ – Anthracnose resistant, cold tolerant cv. released by Morton Arboretum. Zone 5-8. Full sun – light shade, pH tolerant, tough

site tree. Moderate climate adaptability – tolerates drought, flooding, and a range of temperatures. Exotic, not considered invasive.

Sycamore *Platanus occidentalis* - Majestic riverbottom forest tree, with white, exfoliating bark. *Anthraco*se infection can cause leaf drop, cankers, and distorted growth. Zone 4-9. Full sun – very light shade, moist to wet soil. Moderate climate adaptability - tolerates a range of temperatures, wet sites, intermediate shade tolerance. Disease (*Anthraco*se), susceptible to Sycamore Lace Bugs – has not been serious. Native throughout Illinois.

Tiliaceae

Basswood *Tilia americana* ('Redmond' is a hybrid between Basswood and Crimean Linden, *T. euchlora*). Fragrant flowers, trees often surrounded by basal suckers. Zone 3-8. Tough tree, Sun – part shade, pH adaptable. High to moderate climate adaptability – tolerates flooding and a range of temperatures (*T. a.* var. *heterophylla* is the southern variant, zone 5-9). Basswood is native to Illinois.

Glenleven Linden *Tilia cordata* 'Glenleven' Fast growing, more open than species. Zone 3-7, grows poorly in the South. Full sun, moist, well-drained soil. Pollution tolerant. High climate adaptability - tolerates limited planting space, vulnerable to Japanese Beetle, salt. Can develop poor branching, leading to wind damage. Some cultivars may have graft incompatibility issues. Exotic, not listed as invasive.

Ulmaceae

American Elm *Ulmus americana* 'Colonial Spirit' – Dutch Elm Disease tolerant, vase shape. 'New Harmony', 'Princeton', and 'Valley Forge' have good disease resistance. Zone 3-9. Site tolerant, bottomland forest tree, tolerates flooding. High to moderate climate adaptability – extensive geographical range, tolerate a range of sites and conditions, sensitive to disease and drought. Native to Illinois.

Hybrid Elm *Ulmus x hybrida* 'Frontier' (Exotic, seldom fruits), Pioneer' (Exotic, not listed as invasive), 'Patriot' (Exotic 3-way cross, not listed as invasive) – Dutch Elm Disease resistant cultivars. Approximate zone 5-9. Full sun. Very site tolerant, vigorous urban trees. 'Accolade', 'Discovery', and 'Frontier' are listed as having high climate adaptability.

Small Trees

Aceraceae

Paperbark Maple *Acer griseum* - Exfoliating cinnamon colored bark. Zone 5-7, not heat tolerant. Sun – part shade, pH adaptable, tolerates clay soil. Low seed viability, between 1-8 percent. This should limit invasive potential. No climate rating, probably moderate adaptability. Exotic.

Anacardiaceae

American Smoketree *Cotinus obovatus* – Small tree with showy seed panicles and beautiful fall color. Limited commercial availability. Zone 4-8. Full sun, good drainage, culture similar to *C. coggygia*. Deer resistant. No climate rating, but probably high to moderate adaptability - Native to southern USA.

Annonaceae

Pawpaw *Asimina triloba* – striking leaves, yellow fall color. Fruit could be a problem in high traffic areas. Zone 5-8. Understory tree, shade, sheltered location, good soil moisture. No climate rating, probably medium adaptability – widely distributed, tolerates a range of temperatures, moist sites. Will produce suckers. Native to Illinois.

Aquifoliaceae

American Holly *Ilex opaca* – ‘Jersey Knight’, ‘Jersey Princess’, are quite hardy. Slow growing, formal trees. Zone 5-9. Sun to part shade, protected site, with acidic, moist, well-drained soil. Prone to leaf miner, scale. No climate rating, probably medium adaptability - tolerates a range of temperatures and site conditions, very shade tolerant, pollution tolerant, sensitive to flooding. Susceptible to Holly Leaf Miner. Native throughout the south, extreme southern Illinois.

Betulaceae

Dwarf River Birch *Betula nigra* ‘Fox Valley’ cv., useful for raingardens, damp sites. Zone 3b-9. Full sun, low-medium pH. Moderate climate adaptability – tolerates a range of temperatures and sites, vulnerable to drought. Native to southern Illinois.

European Hornbeam *Carpinus betulus fastigiata* – small formal, columnar tree, smooth gray bark. Zone 5-7, fairly heat tolerant. Full sun, tolerates a range of soil conditions, can be sheared. High climate adaptability – tolerates a range of temperatures. Exotic, not known to be invasive.

Blue Beech *Carpinus caroliniana* – cultivars include ‘Firespire’ – columnar, good fall color, ‘Native Flame’- upright, good fall color. Riverbottom forest. Zone 4-9. Shade, can tolerate full sun, adapts to a range of soil conditions as long as moisture is sufficient. High climate adaptability - tolerates a range of temperatures, deep shade, flooding. Sensitive to drought, exposed sites, air pollution. Native to Illinois.

Ironwood *Ostrya virginiana* - ‘Autumn Treasure’ has uniform leaf drop. Upland forest. Tough tree. Zone 4-9. Sun – shade, range of soil types, not flood tolerant, may struggle on very exposed site. High climate adaptability – tolerates a range of temperatures, sites, drought tolerant. Fruit pubescence can irritate skin. Native to Illinois.

Cornaceae

Flowering Dogwood *Cornus florida* ‘Cherokee Brave’ (Powdery Mildew resistant *C. florida* selection), (‘Stellar’ is a hybrid between Flowering and Kousa Dogwoods that

is resistant to Anthracnose, Dogwood Borer and Powdery Mildew. It is sterile.). Four season interest. Understory tree. Zone 5-9, depending on provenance. Sheltered location, slightly acid soil, not drought tolerant. Poor air circulation encourages mildew...some cv. are not hardy in Illinois. Moderate climate adaptability – tolerates a range of temperatures, but sensitive to both drought and flooding, sensitive to air pollution. Native to southern and central Illinois.

Cupressaceae

Eastern Redcedar *Juniperus virginiana* – ‘Emerald Sentinel’ is a pyramidal, dark green form, ‘Burkii’ has silver-blue foliage, turns purplish in winter. ‘Canaertii’ has blue cones, picturesque form. Zone 4-9. Pioneer tree, shade intolerant, pH, drought tolerant. Alternate host for Cedar-Apple Rust. High climate adaptability – tolerates a range of temperatures, drought. Will grow in a variety of sites, including those with restricted root space. Sensitive to air pollution, susceptible to bagworms. Native to Champaign County.

Fabaceae

Eastern Redbud *Cercis canadensis* – purple, pink or white flowers, picturesque form. Understory tree. Zone 4-9, varies with provenance. Moist, well drained soil, sun to shade, not drought tolerant, often short lived. Cankers, *Verticillium* wilt. Moderate climate adaptability - Tolerates a range of temperatures, intolerant of drought, flooding. Sensitive to stress. Native to Illinois.

Hamamelidaceae

Persian Parrotia *Parrotia persica* – Exfoliating bark, excellent late fall color. ‘Vanessa’ is recommended for narrow spaces. Zone 5-8. Full sun to light shade, well drained, slightly acid soil. No climate rating, probably moderate adaptability. Dirr describes as very stress tolerant. Exotic, not known to be invasive.

Hippocastanaceae

Red Buckeye *Aesculus pavia* – no cultivars listed. Showy red flowers. Understory tree. Zones 4-8. Part sun to deep shade, moist soil. No climate rating, probably moderate adaptability – southern species, not drought tolerant. Native to southern Illinois.

Magnoliaceae

Saucer Magnolia *Magnolia x soulangeana* – Pink flowers on bare branches, weather permitting. Zone 4-9. Full sun – light shade, moist, acid soil, Intolerant of heavy pruning. Almost sterile. High climate adaptability – tolerates a range of temperatures, sensitive to drought, flooding. Exotic, not considered invasive.

Sweetbay Magnolia *Magnolia virginiana* – fragrant flowers, silver and green leaves. Zone 5-9. Moist to wet soil, shade tolerant. Acid soil. No climate rating, probably moderate or better adaptability – heat tolerant, tolerates flooding. Native to southern USA, does well in our area.

Star Magnolia *Magnolia stellata* – showy floral display on bare branches, in the absence of late frost. ‘The Girls’ are hybrids between *M. stellata* and *M. liliflora* released by the National Arboretum that bloom later than *M. stellata*. They are sterile. Zone 4-8. Protected location, moist acid soil. Moderate climate adaptability – sensitive to drought, air pollution. Exotic, not listed as invasive.

Oleaceae

Chinese Fringetree *Chionanthus retusus* – Small tree with striking white flowers, ‘China Snow’ has exfoliating bark. Zone 5(6)-8. Sun to part shade, moist, acidic soil. Marginally hardy. High climate adaptability – will grow in a variety of sites. Exotic, not considered invasive. (The native fringetree has fallen victim to Emerald Ash Borer, and should not be planted.)

Japanese Tree Lilac *Syringa reticulata* ‘Ivory Silk’ – Good form, flowers young, flowers not particularly fragrant. Zone 3-7. Soil pH adaptable, full sun for best flowering. Moderate climate adaptability – tolerates a variety of sites, sensitive to air pollution. Exotic, may be invasive in forest/floodplain areas.

Rosaceae

Shadbush *Amelanchier spp.* – tree or large shrub, with 4 season interest, good fall color. ‘Autumn Brilliance’ recommended for Midwest. Edge tree. Zone 4-9. Sun – light shade, range of soil types. High climate adaptability – tolerates a variety of sites, sensitive to drought, flooding, stress. Some species native to Illinois, all native to USA.

Flowering Crabapples *Malus x hybrida*

Adams Crab Flower red to pink, fruit red 5/8”, rounded habit.

Centurion Crab Flowers red to red, fruit 5/8” red, upright oval.

Floribunda Crab Flowers pink to white, fruit red/yellow 3/8”, broad rounded.

Madonna Crab Flowers double, pink to white, fruit 1/2” red-gold, upright.

Prairifire Crab Flowers red to red, fruit red-purple 1/2”, upright rounded.

Profusion Crab Flowers red to red, fruit red 1/2”, vase

Purple Prince Crab Flowers red to red, fruit maroon 1/2”, rounded

Red Jewel Crab Flowers White, Fruit red 1/2”, horizontal rounded.

Robinson Crab Flowers red to pink, fruit dark red 3/8”, upright spreading.

Snowdrift Crab Flowers pink to white, fruit orange-red 3/8”, rounded

Sugar Tyme Crab Flowers pink to white, fruit red 1/2”, upright oval.

Zone 4-7. Full sun, slightly acid soil, clay loam preferred. Moderate climate adaptability – tolerate a range of temperatures and sites, susceptible to air pollution. Exotic, possibly invasive.

Sargent Cherry *Prunus sargentii* – Pink flowers before leaves emerge, glossy chestnut bark, yellow-orange fall color. Zone 4-7. Sun to part shade, moist, well-drained soil. Moderate climate adaptability – tolerates a range of temperatures and planting sites, sensitive to wind damage and air pollution. Exotic, not listed as invasive.

Chokecherry *Prunus virginiana* – White flowers, cultivar ‘Canada Red’ has red foliage, dark red fruit. Zone 2-6. Full sun for best color, but quite shade tolerant. Understory tree. Moderate climate adaptability – not native much further south, possibly heat sensitive? Infected by Black Knot, infested by Eastern Tent Caterpillars. Sensitive to flooding and air pollution. Native to Champaign County.

Styracaceae

Silverbell *Halesia tetraptera* – White or pink floral display. Understory tree. Zone 4-8. Moist, acid soil, sun – part shade. Very pest resistant. May be chlorotic on high pH soils. No climate rating, probably moderate at best. Native to southern Illinois.

Shrubs

Anacardiaceae

Smokebush *Cotinus coggygria* – Handsome shrub with “smoky” inflorescences, selections for good fall color – ‘Flame’, reduced size – ‘Young Lady’ and yellow – ‘Golden Spirit’ or purple – ‘Royal Purple’ foliage. High climate adaptability – tolerates a variety of sites, full sun, drought tolerant, vulnerable to flooding. Zone 5-8. Exotic, not considered invasive.

Fragrant Sumac *Rhus aromatica* ‘Low Gro’ - Dwarf, good fall color. Zone 3-9. Shade to sun, acidic, well-drained soil. Shoots root - can be aggressive. Some people are allergic. No climate rating, probably average adaptability. Native to northern Illinois.

Shining Sumac *Rhus copallina* ‘Prairie Flame’– Dwarf male, excellent fall color. Zone 4-9. Full sun for best color, adaptable, needs good drainage. Roots send up shoots - can be aggressive. No climate rating, probably average – heat, drought tolerant. Native to Illinois.

Aquifoliaceae

Inkberry *Ilex glabra* ‘Shamrock’ is a compact form. – Evergreen, low maintenance shrub. Zone 5-9. Part sun to shade, slightly acid, moist soil. No climate rating, probably average adaptability. Tolerates heat and flooding. Native to southern USA.

Winterberry *Ilex verticillata* ‘Winter Red’ is a female cultivar that fruits heavily – Hardy, deciduous holly grown for winter fruit display. Zone 3-9, depending on

provenance. Moist to wet soil, full sun to partial shade. No climate rating, probably average. Tolerates heat, cold, and flooding. Native to Illinois.

Betulaceae

American Hazel *Corylus americana* – Showy catkins, valuable wildlife plant. Zone 4-9. Understory/edge plant, Japanese beetle can be a problem. No climate rating, probably average/high adaptability. Tolerates a range of temperatures, soil moistures, soil pH. Native to Champaign County.

Caprifoliaceae

European Elder *Sambucus nigra* – Tough shrub, attractive to birds. Several cultivars - 'Black Lace' has dark foliage, 'Laciniata' dissected foliage. Zone 5-6, not especially heat tolerant. No climate rating, probably average to low adaptability. Exotic, not known to be invasive.

Arrowwood *Viburnum dentatum* 'Blue Muffin', 'Chicago Lustre', 'Northern Burgundy' – Zone 2-8. Sun to part shade, site tolerant. An introduced pest, the Viburnum Leaf Beetle, has been reported in Illinois. Fruit display best if more than one cv. is planted. No climate rating, probably average adaptability. Native to Illinois.

Witherod Viburnum *Viburnum nudum* – Small shrub with white flowers, multicolored fruit and good fall color. Zone 5-9. Full sun – part shade, moist to wet soil, protected site. No climate rating, probably average adaptability. Tolerates flooding, heat tolerant. Native to eastern USA.

Highbush Cranberry *Viburnum trilobum* 'Red Wing' – Good fall color, fruit production. Zone 2-6. Sun to part shade, site tolerant. No climate rating, probably low adaptability. Not heat tolerant. Native to Illinois.

Clusiaceae

Shrubby St. Johnswort *Hypericum prolificum* – Yellow summer flowers. Zone 3-8. Full sun – part shade, pH adaptable, tolerates drought, clay soil. No climate rating, probably average adaptability. Tolerates heat, drought. Native to Illinois, south to Texas, Florida.

Cornaceae

Redtwig Dogwood *Cornus sericea* – Grown for winter display of red stems, should be rejuvenated periodically. Zone 2-7. Floodplain shrub, but will grow on most sites, prefers wet soil, full sun to partial shade. No climate rating, probably average adaptability. Native to Champaign County.

Cupressaceae

Chinese Juniper *Juniperus chinensis* – Varied colors and forms, ‘Gold Star’ is light blue with gold tips, ‘Mint Julip’ is a compact green shrub. Zone 4-9. Full sun, good drainage, *Phomopsis*, *Kabatina* blights can be a problem. No climate rating, probably at least average adaptability. Exotic, not known to be invasive.

Ericaceae

P.J.M. Rhododendron *Rhododendron ‘P. J. M.’* – Magenta flowers, some autumn flowering, very hardy, best rhododendron for Midwest. Zone 4-7. Broadleaved evergreen, requires sheltered location, neutral to acid pH, not drought tolerant. No climate rating, probably low to average adaptability. Hybrid of native *R. minus* and exotic *R. dauricum*, almost sterile.

Hamamelidaceae

Dwarf Fothergilla *Fothergilla gardenii* – Interesting flowers, excellent fall color. Zone 5-9. Sun to part shade, moist, acid soil. No climate rating, probably average adaptability. Heat tolerant. Native to southeastern USA.

Vernal Witchhazel *Hamamelis vernalis* – Late winter flowers. Sun to shade, moist to wet soil, pH tolerant. Moderate climate adaptability. Also called Ozark Witchhazel, native to south central USA.

Common Witchhazel *Hamamelis virginiana* – Late fall flowers, deer tolerant. Sun to shade, moist soil, acid soil. Moderate climate adaptability - native throughout the eastern United States.

Hippocastanaceae

Bottlebrush Buckeye *Aesculus parviflora* – Showy white summer flowers, yellow fall color. Floodplain shrub. Zones 4-8. Protected site, moist, well drained acid soil, sun – part shade. Fairly site tolerant. No climate rating, probably average adaptability. Native to eastern USA.

Hydrangeaceae

Oakleaf Hydrangea *Hydrangea quercifolia* – Zone 5-9, marginally hardy. Moist, acidic, well drained soil, sun to part shade. Not drought tolerant. No climate rating, probably low to average adaptability. Native to southeastern USA.

Bigleaf Hydrangea *Hydrangea macrophylla* ‘Twist and Shout’ is remontant – it will bloom even *when* damaged by harsh winter weather. Zone 6-9. Marginally hardy. Protected site, shade, moist to wet; not drought tolerant. No climate rating, probably low to average adaptability. Exotic, not considered to be invasive.

Oleaceae

Border Forsythia *Forsythia x intermedia* – Early, long lasting yellow flowers. Bud hardy cultivars, such as ‘Northern Sun’, preferred. Zone 5-8. Full sun, pH adaptable, tough. No climate rating, probably high to average adaptability. Exotic, stoloniferous, not considered invasive.

Meyer Lilac *Syringa meyeri* – Tough, low maintenance, floriferous shrub with fragrant purple flowers, resistant to Powdery Mildew. Zone 3-7. Full sun for best flowering, pH adaptable. No climate rating, probably average adaptability. Exotic, not considered invasive.

Rosaceae

Red Chokeberry *Aronia arbutifolia* – ‘Brilliant’ has white flowers, excellent red fall color, persistent fruit. Zone 4-9. Sun to part shade, moist to dry, tolerant, tends to sucker. No climate rating, probably average to high adaptability. Native to southern, eastern USA

Black Chokeberry *Aronia melanocarpa* ‘Autumn Magic’ – Compact, good fall color. Zone 3-8. Tolerates a range of conditions, used in wetland reclamation. No climate rating, probably average to high adaptability. Native to Illinois.

Ninebark *Physocarpus opulifolius* – Cultivars ‘Diabolo’, dark red, ‘Coppertina’, coppery to red, ‘Nugget’, yellow to lime. Zone 2-7. Tough shrub, sun to shade. No climate rating, probably high adaptability. Native to Illinois.

Japanese Spirea *Spiraea japonica* – Small, tough flowering shrub, pink flowers, red fall foliage, gold and variegated forms. Zone 4-8. Full sun, good air circulation. No climate rating, probably average to high. Exotic, not considered invasive.

Snowmound Spirea *Spiraea nipponica* ‘Snowmound’ – Small white flowered shrub, full sun, fairly site tolerant. Zone 4-7. No climate rating, probably average adaptability. Exotic, not considered invasive.

Hardhack *Spiraea tomentosa* – Small floodplain shrub, pink flowers, yellow-orange fall color. Full sun, moist-wet sites. No climate rating, probably average adaptability. Native in parts of Illinois.

Saxifragaceae

Virginia Sweetpire *Itea virginica* ‘Little Henry’ – compact form. Summer blooming native shrub, good fall color. Zone 5-9. Full sun to shade, needs moist, somewhat acidic soil. No climate rating, probably average adaptability. Heat tolerant, not drought tolerant. Native to southern Illinois.

Appendix B

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Noxious and Exotic Weeds, Invasive and Problematic Plants

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Introduced, Invasive and Noxious Plants Illinois State-Listed Noxious Weeds

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Teasel – *Dipsacus* spp.
Japanese, and Bohemian knotweed – *Fallopia japonica*, syn. *Polygonum cuspidatum*
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Bristly foxtail – *Setaria verticillata*
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Callery Pear – *Pyrus calleryana*
Canada Thistle – *Cirsium arvense*
Cheatgrass – *Bromus tectorum*
Chicory – *Cichorium intybus*
Chinese Buckthorn – *Rhamnus utilis*
Chinese Silvergrass – *Miscanthus sinensis*
Chinese Wisteria – *Wisteria sinensis*
Chinese Yam – *Dioscorea polystachya*
Common Mullein – *Verbascum thapsus*
Common Reed - *Phragmites australis*
Common St. Johnswort – *Hypericum perforatum*
Common Teasel – *Dipsacus fullonum*
Common Vetch – *Vicia sativa*
Creeping Yellow Loosestrife – *Lysimachia nummularia*
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CHAMPAIGN PARK DISTRICT

REPORT TO PARK BOARD

FROM: Joe DeLuce, Executive Director

DATE: July 16, 2020

SUBJECT: Acceptance of GASB 75 Interim Actuarial Valuation Report for Fiscal Year Ending April 30, 2020

Background

The Park District engaged NyHart to conduct the actuarial valuation for the Park District in relation to health insurance offered to retirees and spouses upon retirement from the Park District. The results of the report are required under governmental accounting standard (GASB) No. 75 *Accounting and Financial Reporting for Postemployment Benefits Other than Pensions*, commonly referred to as OPEB. The report for April 30, 2020 is an update only to the assumptions for health insurance and the discount rate.

The executive summary on page 3 shows a comparison between the current and prior year liability, expenses, and discount rate. Of items to note, the discount rate provided is based on the GASB 75 standard and reflects the 20-year general obligation bond indices, and decreased from the prior year. This resulted in an increase to the OPEB liability at 4/30/2020. A detailed breakdown of the liability is represented on page 4; no liability is recognized for Medicare eligible retirees. The footnote disclosure to be included in the financial audit report, along with the liability to be recognized in the government-wide financials are presented on pages 4-8.

Prior Board Action

April 10, 2019 – Board authorized the Executive Director to execute the Service Agreement with The Howard E Nyhart Company for the two fiscal years ended April 30, 2019 and 2020.

Budget Impact

The FYE2020 budget includes funds to cover this expenditure of \$2,000.

Recommended Action

Staff recommends the Board accept the FYE2020 GASB 75 Interim Actuarial Valuation report as presented.

Prepared by:

Reviewed by:

Andrea N. Wallace
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Joe DeLuce, CPRP
Executive Director



GASB 75 INTERIM ACTUARIAL VALUATION

Fiscal Year Ending April 30, 2020

CHAMPAIGN PARK DISTRICT

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August 5, 2020

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This report summarizes the interim GASB actuarial valuation for the Champaign Park District 2019/20 fiscal year. To the best of our knowledge, the report presents a fair position of the funded status of the plan in accordance with GASB Statement No. 75 (Accounting and Financial Reporting by Employers for Post-Employment Benefits Other Than Pensions).

The information presented herein is based on the actuarial assumptions and substantive plan provisions summarized in this report and participant information furnished to us by the Plan Sponsor. We have reviewed the employee census provided by the Plan Sponsor for reasonableness when compared to the prior information provided but have not audited the information at the source, and therefore do not accept responsibility for the accuracy or the completeness of the data on which the information is based. When relevant data may be missing, we may have made assumptions we feel are neutral or conservative to the purpose of the measurement. We are not aware of any significant issues with and have relied on the data provided.

The discount rate, other economic assumptions, and demographic assumptions have been selected by the Plan Sponsor with the concurrence of Nyhart. In our opinion, the actuarial assumptions are individually reasonable and in combination represent our estimate of anticipated experience of the Plan. All calculations have been made in accordance with generally accepted actuarial principles and practice.

Future actuarial measurements may differ significantly from the current measurements presented in this report due to such factors as the following:

- plan experience differing from that anticipated by the economic or demographic assumptions;
- changes in economic or demographic assumptions;
- increases or decreases expected as part of the natural operation of the methodology used for these measurements (such as the end of an amortization period); and
- changes in plan provisions or applicable law.

We did not perform an analysis of the potential range of future measurements due to the limited scope of our engagement.

To our knowledge, there have been no significant events prior to the current year's measurement date or as of the date of this report that could materially affect the results contained herein.



Neither Nyhart nor any of its employees has any relationship with the plan or its sponsor that could impair or appear to impair the objectivity of this report. Our professional work is in full compliance with the American Academy of Actuaries "Code of Professional Conduct" Precept 7 regarding conflict of interest. The undersigned meet the Qualification Standards of the American Academy of Actuaries to render the actuarial opinion contained herein.

Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. Datta'.

Suraj M. Datta, ASA, MAAA
Consulting Actuary

Executive Summary

Champaign Park District Interim GASB 75 Valuation for Fiscal Year Ending April 30, 2020

Summary of Results

Presented below is the summary of GASB 75 results for the fiscal year ending April 30, 2020 compared to the prior fiscal year as shown in the District's Notes to Financial Statement.

	As of April 30, 2019		As of April 30, 2020	
Total OPEB Liability	\$	304,966	\$	320,633
Actuarial Value of Assets	\$	0	\$	0
Net OPEB Liability	\$	304,966	\$	320,633
Funded Ratio		0.0%		0.0%

	FY 2018/19		FY 2019/20	
OPEB Expense	\$	26,173	\$	27,931
Annual Employer Contributions	\$	15,504	\$	16,744

	As of April 30, 2019		As of April 30, 2020	
Discount Rate		3.79%		2.92%
Expected Return on Assets		N/A		N/A

GASB Disclosures

Champaign Park District Interim GASB 75 Valuation for Fiscal Year Ending April 30, 2020

Schedule of Changes in Net OPEB Liability and Related Ratios

OPEB Liability	FY 2019/20	FY 2018/19
Total OPEB Liability		
Total OPEB Liability - beginning of year	\$ 304,966	\$ 291,538
Service cost	15,028	13,956
Interest	11,813	11,823
Change of benefit terms	0	0
Changes in assumptions	15,201	3,153
Differences between expected and actual experience	(9,631)	0
Benefit payments	(16,744)	(15,504)
Net change in total OPEB liability	\$ 15,667	\$ 13,428
Total OPEB Liability - end of year	\$ 320,633	\$ 304,966
Plan Fiduciary Net Position		
Plan fiduciary net position - beginning of year	\$ 0	\$ 0
Contributions - employer	16,744	15,504
Contributions - active employees	0	0
Net investment income	0	0
Benefit payments	(16,744)	(15,504)
Trust administrative expenses	0	0
Net change in plan fiduciary net position	\$ 0	\$ 0
Plan fiduciary net position - end of year	\$ 0	\$ 0
Net OPEB Liability - end of year	\$ 320,633	\$ 304,966
Plan fiduciary net position as % of total OPEB liability	0.0%	0.0%
Covered employee payroll	\$ 3,641,572	\$ 3,571,632
Net OPEB liability as % of covered payroll	8.8%	8.5%

GASB Disclosures

Champaign Park District Interim GASB 75 Valuation for Fiscal Year Ending April 30, 2020

OPEB Expense

OPEB Expense	FY 2019/20	FY 2018/19
Discount Rate		
Beginning of year	3.79%	3.97%
End of year	2.92%	3.79%
Service cost	\$ 15,028	\$ 13,956
Interest	11,813	11,823
Change of benefit terms	0	0
Projected earnings on OPEB plan investments	0	0
Reduction for contributions from active employees	0	0
OPEB plan administrative expenses	0	0
Current period recognition of deferred outflows / (inflows) of resources		
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ (1,204)	\$ 0
Changes in assumptions	2,294	394
Net difference between projected and actual earnings on OPEB plan investments	0	0
Total current period recognition	\$ 1,090	\$ 394
Total OPEB expense	\$ 27,931	\$ 26,173

GASB Disclosures

Champaign Park District Interim GASB 75 Valuation for Fiscal Year Ending April 30, 2020

Deferred Outflows / (Inflows) of Resources

Deferred Outflows / (Inflows) of Resources represents the following items that have not been recognized in the OPEB Expense:

1. Differences between expected and actual experience of the OPEB plan
2. Changes of assumptions
3. Differences between projected and actual earnings in OPEB plan investments (for funded plans only)

The initial amortization period for the first two items noted above is based on expected future service lives while the difference between the projected and actual earnings in OPEB plan investment is amortized over five years. All balances are amortized linearly on a principal only basis and new bases will be created annually for each of the items above.

Differences between expected and actual experience for FYE	Initial Balance	Initial Amortization Period	Annual Recognition	Unamortized Balance as of April 30, 2020
April 30, 2019	\$ 0	N/A	\$ 0	\$ 0
April 30, 2020	\$ (9,631)	8	\$ (1,204)	\$ (8,427)

Changes in assumptions for FYE	Initial Balance	Initial Amortization Period	Annual Recognition	Unamortized Balance as of April 30, 2020
April 30, 2019	\$ 3,153	8	\$ 394	\$ 2,365
April 30, 2020	\$ 15,201	8	\$ 1,900	\$ 13,301

Net Difference between projected and actual earnings in OPEB plan investments for FYE	Initial Balance	Initial Amortization Period	Annual Recognition	Unamortized Balance as of April 30, 2020
April 30, 2019	\$ 0	N/A	\$ 0	\$ 0
April 30, 2020	\$ 0	N/A	\$ 0	\$ 0

GASB Disclosures

Champaign Park District Interim GASB 75 Valuation for Fiscal Year Ending April 30, 2020

Deferred Outflows / (Inflows) of Resources (Continued)

As of fiscal year ending April 30, 2020	Deferred Outflows	Deferred Inflows
Differences between expected and actual experience	\$ 0	\$ (8,427)
Changes in assumptions	15,666	0
Net difference between projected and actual earnings in OPEB plan investments	N/A	N/A
Total	\$ 15,666	\$ (8,427)

Annual Amortization of Deferred Outflows / (Inflows)

The balances as of April 30, 2020 of the deferred outflows / (inflows) of resources will be recognized in OPEB expense in the future fiscal years as noted below.

FYE	Balance
2021	\$ 1,090
2022	\$ 1,090
2023	\$ 1,090
2024	\$ 1,090
2025	\$ 1,090
Thereafter	\$ 1,789

GASB Disclosures

Champaign Park District Interim GASB 75 Valuation for Fiscal Year Ending April 30, 2020

Sensitivity Results

The following presents the Net OPEB Liability as of April 30, 2020, calculated using the discount rate assumed and what it would be using a 1% higher and 1% lower discount rate.

- The current discount rate is 2.92%.
- The 1% decrease in discount rate would be 1.92%.
- The 1% increase in discount rate would be 3.92%.

As of April 30, 2020	Net OPEB Liability	
1% Decrease	\$	338,686
Current Discount Rate	\$	320,633
1% Increase	\$	303,208

The following presents the Net OPEB Liability as of April 30, 2020, using the health care trend rates assumed and what it would be using 1% higher and 1% lower health care trend rates.

- The current health care trend rate starts at an initial rate of 7.50%, decreasing to an ultimate rate of 4.50%.
- The 1% decrease in health care trend rates would assume an initial rate of 6.50%, decreasing to an ultimate rate of 3.50%.
- The 1% increase in health care trend rates would assume an initial rate of 8.50%, decreasing to an ultimate rate of 5.50%.

As of April 30, 2020	Net OPEB Liability	
1% Decrease	\$	290,044
Current Trend Rates	\$	320,633
1% Increase	\$	356,523

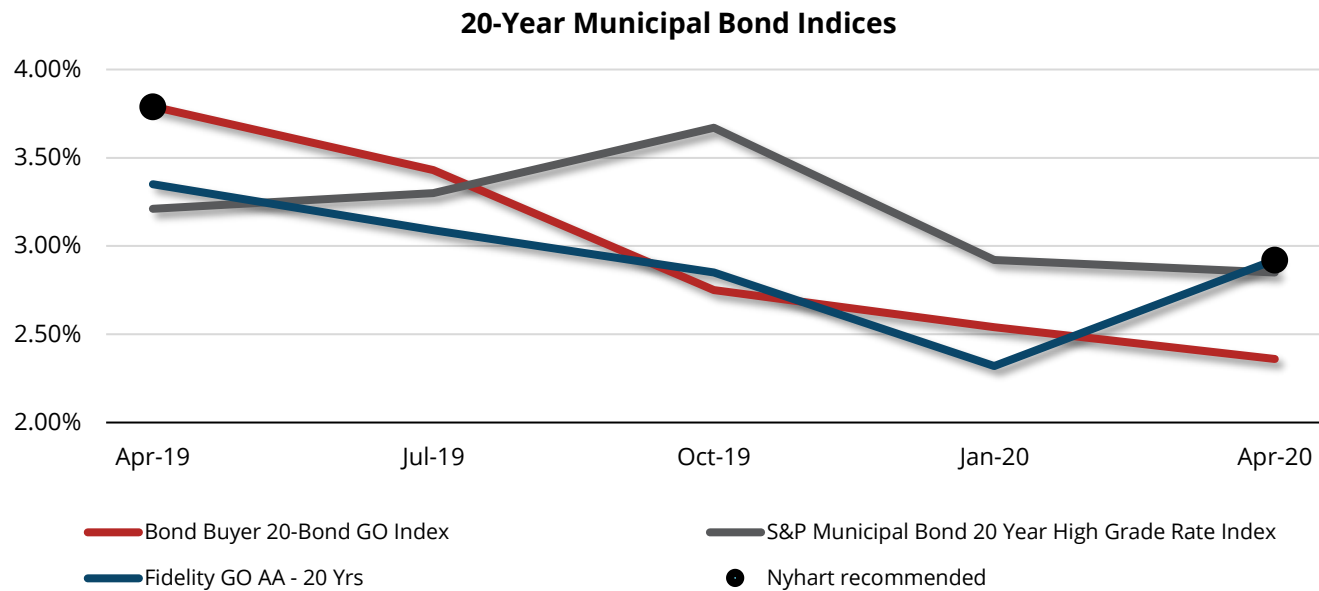
Discussion of Discount Rates

Champaign Park District Interim GASB 75 Valuation for Fiscal Year Ending April 30, 2020

Under GASB 75, the discount rate used in valuing OPEB liabilities for unfunded plans as of the Measurement Date must be based on a yield for 20-year tax-exempt general obligation municipal bonds with an average rating of AA/Aa or higher (or equivalent quality on another rating scale).

For the current valuation, the discount rate was selected from the range of indices as shown in the table below, where the range is given as the spread between the lowest and highest rate shown.

	Bond Buyer Go 20-Bond Municipal Bond Index	S&P Municipal Bond 20-Year High Grade Rate Index	Fidelity 20-Year Go Municipal Bond Index	Bond Index Range	Actual Discount Rate Used
Yield as of May 1, 2019	3.79%	3.21%	3.35%	3.21% - 3.79%	3.79%
Yield as of April 30, 2020	2.36%	2.85%	2.92%	2.36% - 2.92%	2.92%



Summary of Key Actuarial Assumptions

Champaign Park District Interim GASB 75 Valuation for Fiscal Year Ending April 30, 2020

For a complete summary of actuarial methods and assumptions, refer to the GASB 75 actuarial valuation report for the fiscal year ending April 30, 2019.

Measurement Date

For fiscal year ending April 30, 2020, an April 30, 2020 measurement date was used.

Actuarial Valuation Date

May 1, 2019 with results actuarially projected on a “no gain / no loss” basis to get to the April 30, 2020 measurement date. Liabilities as of May 1, 2019 are based on an actuarial valuation date of May 1, 2019 with no adjustments.

Discount Rate

3.79% as of May 1, 2019 and 2.92% as of April 30, 2020 for accounting disclosure purposes. Refer to the Discussion of Discount Rates section for more information on selection of the discount rate.

Payroll Growth

Payroll growth including general wage inflation of 3.25% (includes 2.50% price inflation and 0.75% productivity increases and other macroeconomic forces) plus merit/longevity increases as shown below, which are based on the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund (IMRF) actuarial valuation as of December 31, 2017. Sample merit/productivity increases are shown in the table below.

Regular			
< 5 Years of Service		5+ Years of Service	
YOS	Merit	Age	Merit
0	7.10%	25	2.50%
1	6.40%	30	2.02%
2	3.60%	35	1.34%
3	2.70%	40	0.98%
4	2.20%	45	0.72%
		50	0.48%
		55	0.28%
		60+	0.14%

Inflation Rate

2.50% per year

Summary of Key Actuarial Assumptions

Champaign Park District Interim GASB 75 Valuation for Fiscal Year Ending April 30, 2020

Cost Method

Allocation of Actuarial Present Value of Future Benefits for services prior and after the Measurement Date was determined using Entry Age Normal Level % of Salary method where:

- Service Cost for each individual participant, payable from date of employment to date of retirement, is sufficient to pay for the participant's benefit at retirement; and
- Annual Service Cost is a constant percentage of the participant's salary that is assumed to increase according to the Payroll Growth.

Health Care Trend Rates

FYE	Medical/Rx	FYE	Medical/Rx
2021	7.5%	2025	5.5%
2022	7.0%	2026	5.0%
2023	6.5%	2027+	4.5%
2024	6.0%		

Retiree Contributions

Retiree contributions are assumed to increase according to health care trend rates.

Actuary's Notes

Champaign Park District Interim GASB 75 Valuation for Fiscal Year Ending April 30, 2020

There have been no plan provision changes since the last full valuation, which was for the fiscal year ending April 30, 2019. For a complete summary of plan provisions, refer to the GASB 75 actuarial valuation report for the fiscal year ending April 30, 2019.

Interim year valuation results have been projected from the prior year's valuation, with adjustments for actual premium increases from FY 2019/20 to FY 2020/21. Since the increase in the premiums was lower than anticipated, the impact of this change was a decrease in liabilities.

Additionally, we have updated the discount rate assumption based on the yield for 20-year-tax-exempt general obligation municipal bonds as of April 30, 2020 (measurement date). The discount rate is 3.79% as of May 1, 2019 and 2.92% as of April 30, 2020. Refer to the Discussion of Discount Rates section for more information on selection of the discount rate. The impact of this change was an increase in liabilities.

Medical Benefits

Same benefit options are available to retirees as active employees. The Park District's health plan is fully-insured and experience-rated. The monthly premiums effective on March 1, 2019 and March 1, 2020 are as shown below.

	Eff. March 1, 2019		Eff. March 1, 2020	
	Retiree	Ret + Spouse	Retiree	Ret + Spouse
HMO	\$ 635.63	\$ 1,504.14	\$ 667.16	\$ 1,579.40

Retiree Cost Sharing

Retirees pay the full cost of coverage.



REPORT TO PARK BOARD

FROM: Joe DeLuce, Executive Director

DATE: August 12, 2020

SUBJECT: Trails at Abbey Fields Lot Sale

Introduction

The Park District had acquired three lots in the Trails at Abbey Fields as part of the sale of 6 acres at Dodds Park. The District received permission from a county judge to sell the three lots as the Park Board pleased. The lots were bid out twice and one lot was sold in 2019 for \$75,000. The District's attorney advised the Board that they could accept a reasonable offer for either of two remaining lots.

Background

Mike Conlin of Premier Homes recently reached out to staff that he had a client interested in purchasing lot 181 at 4814 Oakdale Drive in the Trails at Abbey Fields. Mr. Conlin made an offer of \$50,000 and closing costs and fees to purchase lot 181. The Park Board directed the Executive Director to make a counter offer of \$55,000 including all closing costs and HOA fees. Terry and Monica Bowe accepted the counter proposal to purchase lot 181.

Prior Board Action

Last year the Park District proposed the sale of three undeveloped lots in the Trails at Abbey Fields subdivision adjacent to Commissioners Park, but ultimately rejected all offers. For reference, last year's bid tab is shown here:

<i>Bidders, 2018</i>	<i>Lot 173</i>	<i>Lot 181</i>	<i>Lot 194</i>	<i>Total</i>
<i>Signature Construction, LLC</i>	<i>\$33,000</i>	<i>\$37,000</i>	<i>\$40,000</i>	<i>\$110,000</i>
<i>Domus Properties</i>	<i>\$80,000</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>0</i>	<i>\$80,000</i>

The Park District advertised the sale again on March 31, 2019. Proposals were opened at 2:00pm on April 29, 2019 with bid results shown below.

January 10, 2018 Regular Board Meeting—Board of Commissioners issued initial RFQ.

May 9, 2018 Regular Board Meeting—Board of Commissioners voted to reject all proposals.

RFP Results

Bidders, 2019	Lot 173	Lot 181	Lot 194	Total
Armstrong Builders	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$60,000
Domus Properties	\$75,000	NA	NA	\$75,000

The Park Board accepted the proposal from Domus Properties for Lot 173 and reject offers for Lots 181 and 194.

Budget Impact

The sale proceeds of \$55,000 will be transferred to the Capital Improvement Fund into the Acquisition Fund on or before April 30, 2021.

Recommendation

Staff recommends the Park Board accept the offer of \$55,000 plus closing fees and all additional fees associated with the sale of lot 181 at 4814 Oakdale Drive, Champaign, IL. to Terry and Monica Bowe.

Prepared by:

Joe DeLuce
Executive Director

Reviewed by:

Andrew Weiss
Director of Planning

Champaign Park District / Trails at Abbey Fields Lots

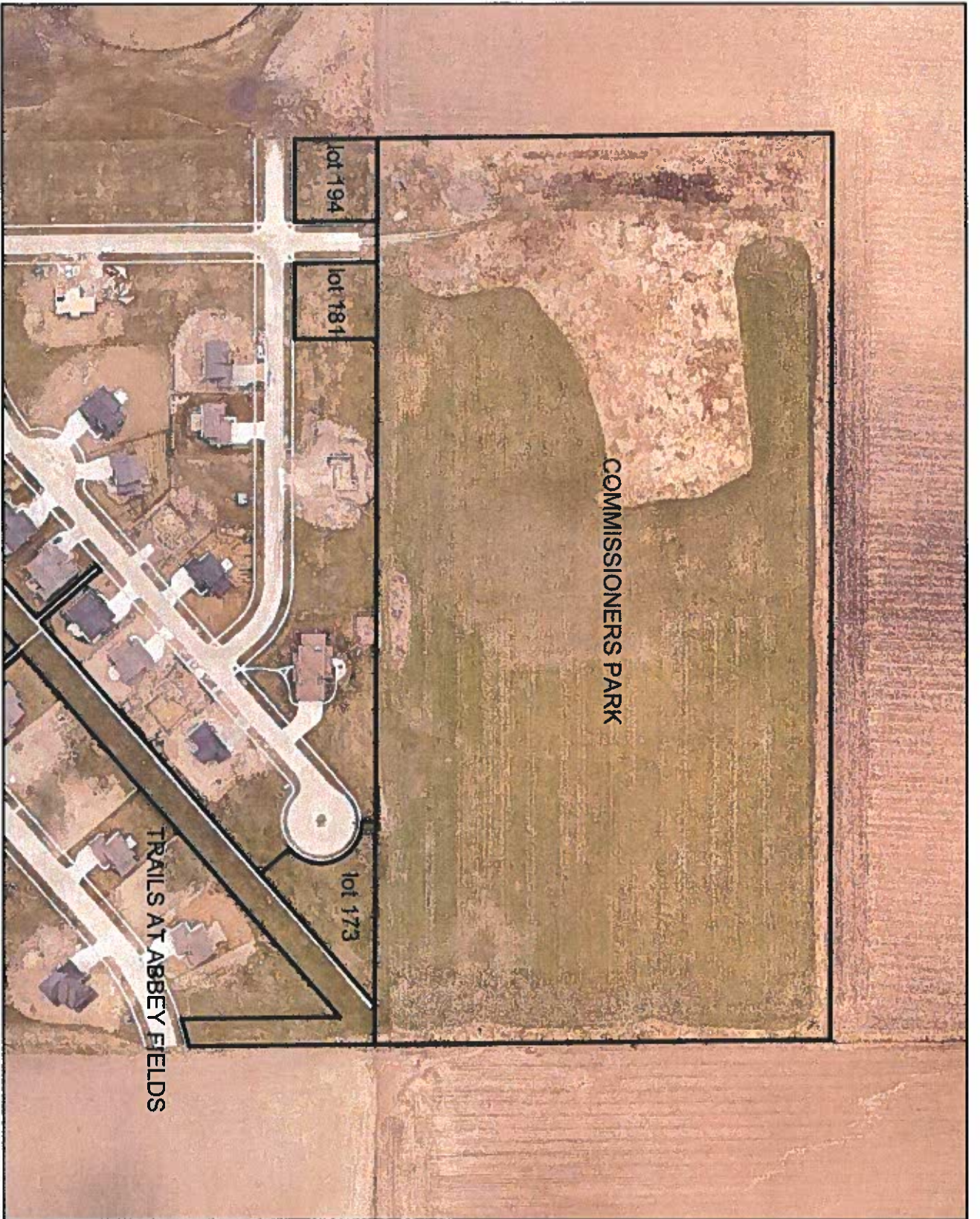
Lot 173 4701 Vahalla Drive .48 acres / 20908.8 sq.ft.

 Sold 7/17/19 \$75,000.00 \$3.59 sq.ft.

Lot 181 4814 Oakdale .31 acres / 13503.6 sq.ft.

Lot 194 4902 Oakdale .33 acres / 14374.8 sq.ft.

*In 2017, lots in Trails at Abbey Fields sold for the average price of 5.17 per sq.ft.



COMMISSIONERS PARK

TRAILS AT ABBEY FIELDS

lot 194

lot 181

lot 173



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Note: For informational purposes only. Not for construction.
Depicted boundaries and acreage approximate.

Sale & Listed Price Comparatives for Lots Near CPD Park Sites

Park District Owned Properties - For Size Comparison

Date of Sale	Acreage	Address	Sale Price
	0.31	4814 Oakdale	
	0.33	4902 Oakdale	

Champaign County GIS Consortium Data

Commissioners Park Neighborhood

Date of Sale	Acreage	Address	Sale Price
9/1/2015	0.24	4811 Oakdale	\$58,900
10/1/2013	0.24	4809 Oakdale	\$66,500
9/1/2014	0.22	4808 Oakdale	\$61,900
1/1/2017	0.25	4807 Oakdale	\$60,000
2/1/2016	0.28	4804 Valhalla	\$60,000
9/1/2014	0.25	4806 Valhalla	\$65,000
9/1/2014	0.25	4809 Valhalla	\$62,900
4/1/2016	0.33	4703 Valhalla	\$63,900
9/1/2014	0.25	1106 Glen Abbey	\$57,400
1/1/2017	0.25	1107 Glen Abbey	\$60,000
9/1/2014	0.37	1204 Glen Abbey	\$56,980
5/21/2020	0.28	1207 Glen Abbey	\$75,000
9/1/2014	0.29	1107 English Oak	\$68,500
2/1/2010	0.35	4707 English Oak Ct.	\$77,500
6/19/2019	0.41	1305 English Oak	\$85,000
6/1/2013	0.37	1217 English Oaks	\$76,100
10/1/2016	0.32	5003 Trey Blvd	\$64,300
3/1/2017	0.32	5022 Abbey Fields	\$64,300
6/1/2017	0.31	5009 Abbey Fields	\$64,300
Average			\$65,709

Champaign County GIS Consortium Data

Henry Michael Park Neighborhood

Date of Sale	Acreage	Address	Sale Price
3/1/2016	0.33	3902 Freedom	\$61,000
6/1/2015	0.29	3901 Patriot	\$63,500
3/1/2017	0.26	3812 Patriot	\$73,000
3/1/2016	0.4	3806 Patriot	\$70,000
Average			\$66,875

Zillow - Current Lots for Sale in Champaign, IL

Date of Sale	Acreage	Address	Listed Price
n/a	0.25	5015 Abbey Fields	\$64,800
n/a	0.3	4005 Freedom	\$58,000
n/a	0.25	1416 Jacobs Blvd	\$69,300
Average			\$64,033

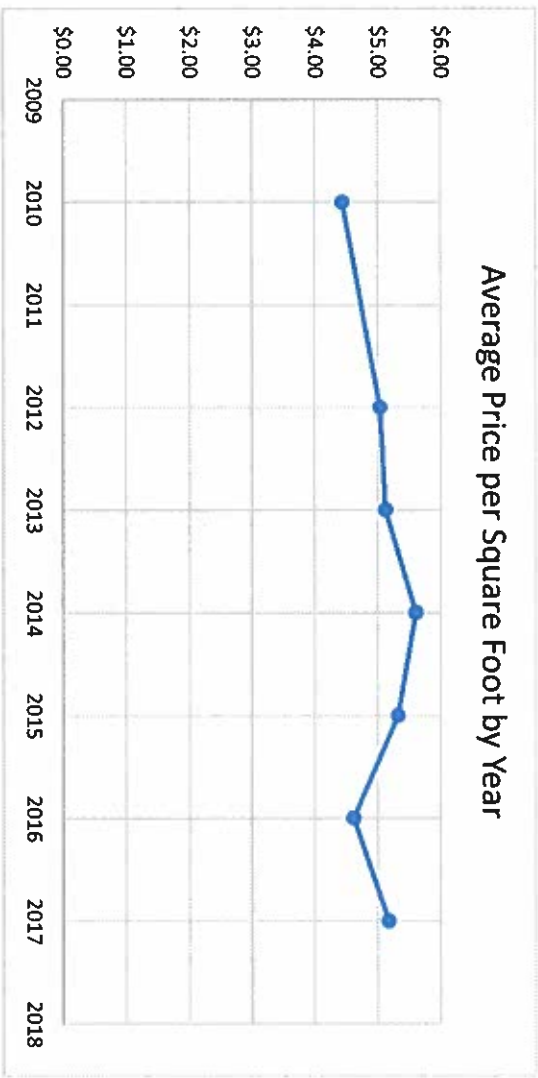
Trails at Abbey Fields Land Value Study Summary

Average \$/sf (of land value)
\$5.14

Average lot price
\$63,915.48

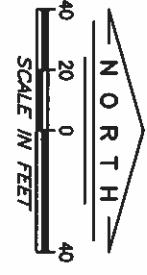
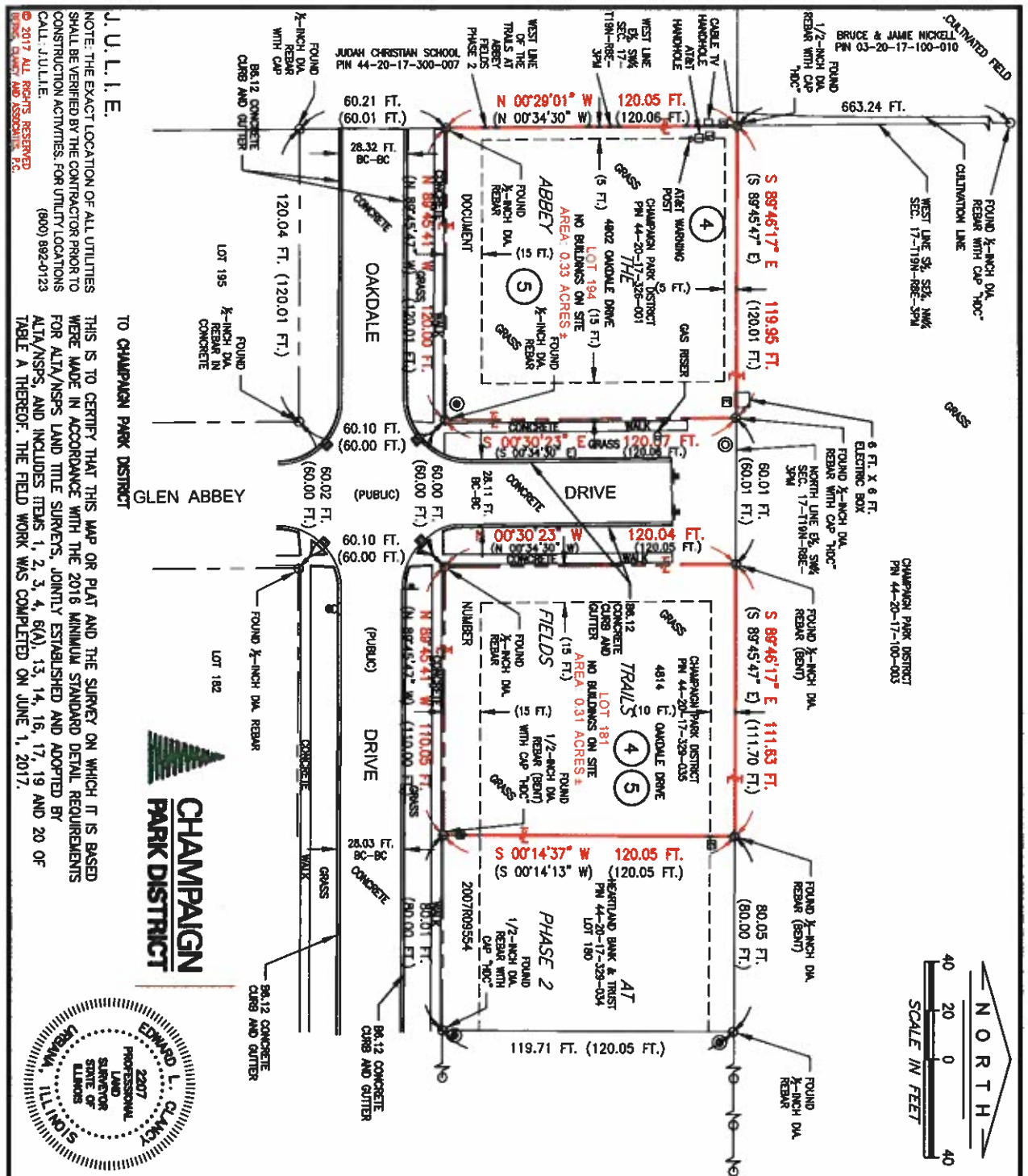
Median price of lot
\$62,900.00

Year Sold	Average Price per Square Foot by Year
2010	\$4.44
2012	\$5.03
2013	\$5.13
2014	\$5.61
2015	\$5.32
2016	\$4.61
2017	\$5.17



Notes:

1. Averages determined by the sales history of lots in the Abbey Fields subdivision as provided by the Champaign County Assessor's Office. Lots with no public sales information published were not included as part of this study.

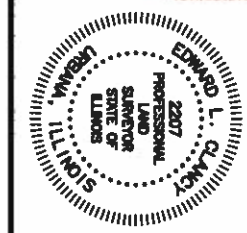


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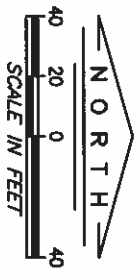
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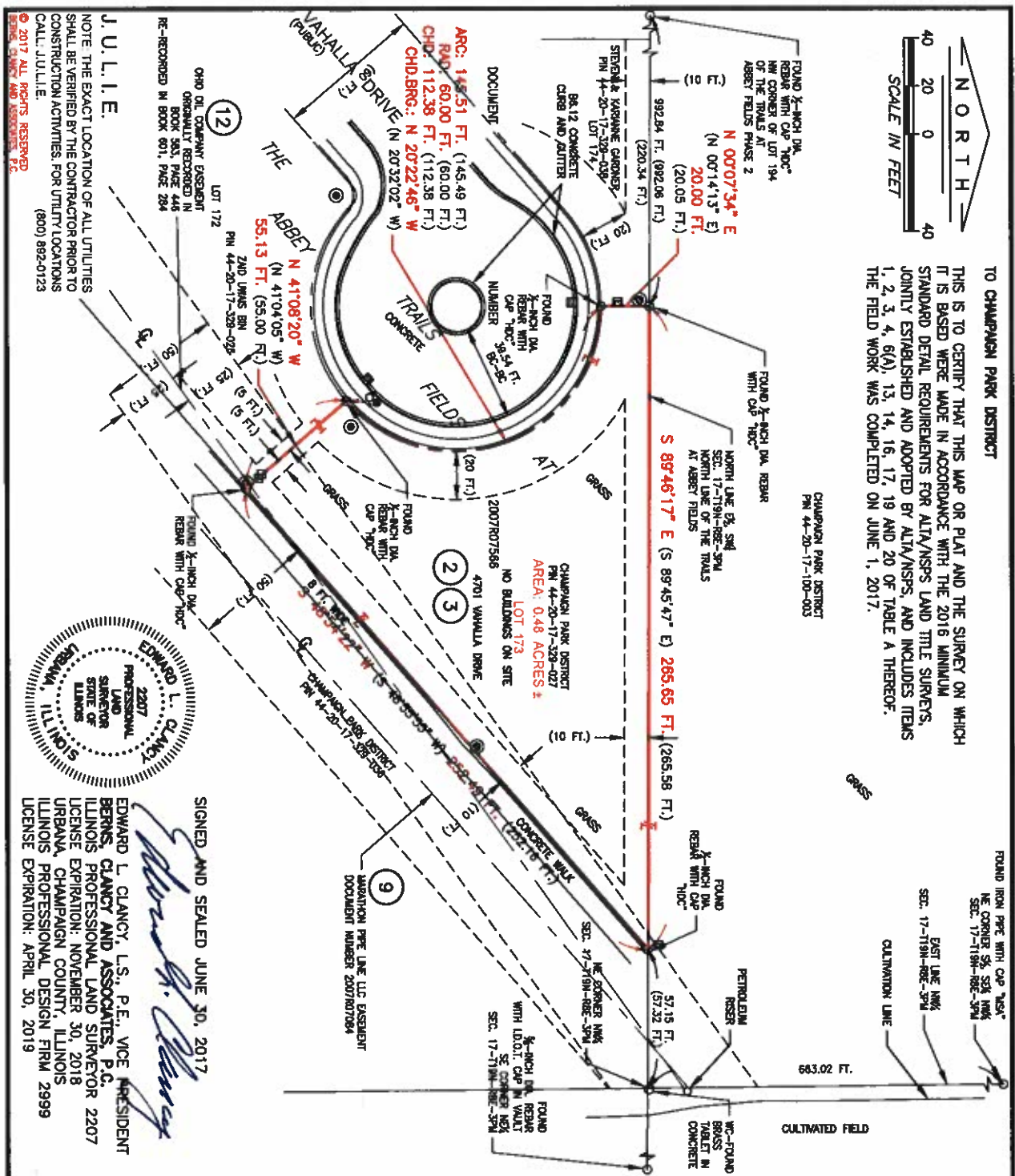
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LICENSE EXPIRATION: APRIL 30, 2019

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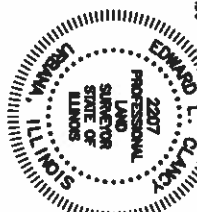
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 CHAMPAIGN PARK DISTRICT, ILLINOIS



SIGNED AND SEALED JUNE 30, 2017

Edward L. Clancy

EDWARD L. CLANCY, L.S., P.E., VICE PRESIDENT
 BERNIS CLANCY AND ASSOCIATES, P.C.
 ILLINOIS PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR 2207
 LICENSE EXPIRATION: NOVEMBER 30, 2018
 URBANA, CHAMPAIGN COUNTY, ILLINOIS
 ILLINOIS PROFESSIONAL DESIGN FIRM 2999
 LICENSE EXPIRATION: APRIL 30, 2019

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 - ⊙ EXISTING COMMUNICATIONS MANHOLE (HAND HOLE)
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 CITY OF CHAMPAIGN,
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**CHAMPAIGN
PARK DISTRICT**

RESOLUTION

**CHAMPAIGN PARK DISTRICT
BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS**

Committing Cash Proceeds Received in Land Sale to the Land Acquisition Fund

WHEREAS, the Champaign Park District annually considers and approves a capital budget for the fiscal year commencing May 1 and ending April 30 for specific projects; and

WHEREAS, the balance of unspent capital budgets historically have been added back to the excess fund balance unless specifically re-budgeted for the succeeding fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the intention of the Board of Commissioners is to accumulate funds for specific future large capital projects rather than increasing the District's debt limit to fund such projects; and

WHEREAS, the current priorities of the Board of Commissioners are future development of parks through potentially acquiring land throughout the Champaign Park District; and

WHEREAS, the cash proceeds of \$55,000.00 received from Terry and Monica Bowe for the sale of land located at 4814 Oakdale Dr. Champaign, IL, commonly referred to as Lot 181 of the Trails at Abbey Fields, will be deposited into the Capital Improvement Fund; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Champaign Park District does hereby determine and commit a total of \$55,000.00 for such specific priorities, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Champaign Park District does hereby authorize staff to transfer from the Capital Improvement Fund \$55,000.00 into the Land Acquisition Fund on or before April 30, 2021 for the future purchase of land within the Park District.

APPROVED by the President and Board of Commissioners of the Champaign Park District this 12th day of August, 2020.

APPROVED:

Craig W. Hays, President

ATTEST:

Guy C. Hall, Secretary



REPORT TO PARK BOARD

FROM: Joe DeLuce, Executive Director

DATE: August 7, 2020

SUBJECT: Rescind A&R Mechanical Zahnd Park Pathway Connection Bid Award

Background

As part of FYE 21 Capital Projects, a carryover of \$72,024 from the completed ADA General Projects—Zahnd Park Pathway project is to be used towards the path extension at Zahnd Park or the remodeling of the Bicentennial Center for CUSR future location. Bid was awarded to A&R Mechanical and \$49,074.93 contract was sent out, but they forfeited their 10% bid bond (attached) instead of executing the contract.

Prior Board Action

April 22, 2020 Special Board Meeting—Board approved FYE 21 Capital Budget.

July 8, 2020 Regular Board Meeting—Board awarded contract to A&R Mechanical.

Budget Impact

Carry over from Project Number 180002 (ADA General Projects - Zahnd Park Pathway) is \$72,024. If Board elects to collect A&R's bid bond, \$4,907.93 would be added to the project budget for a \$76,931.49 total.

Recommendation

Staff recommends rescinding A&R Mechanical bid award. If Board consensus is to collect on A&R's 10% bid bond, staff will reach out to Surety.

Prepared by:

Andrew Weiss
Director of Planning

Reviewed by:

Joe DeLuce
Executive Director

SECTION VI. ZAHND PARK PATHWAY CONNECTION BID SHEET

Bidder agrees to supply all materials, labor and equipment required to complete work pursuant to all instructions to bidders, terms and conditions and specifications outlined herein.

Scope	Unit	QTY	Total
Site Preparation, Grading	LS	1	\$4007.30
Concrete Work	SF	4900	\$39,901.63
Seeding	SF	1	\$5166.00
Other (if needed, description)			
Total Bid			\$49,074.93

Champaign Park District
Zahnd Park Pathway Connection

I hereby certify that I am duly authorized to sign as a representative for the bidder submitting the attached bid to the Champaign Park District, and that they have read, fully understand, and accept the item detailed in this bid.

Signed this 2nd day of July, 2020.

SUBMITTED BY:


A&R Mechanical Services, Inc.
Company

803 Kettering Park Drive, Urbana, IL 61801
Address

rjones@ar-mech.com/kwolken@ar-mech.com
Email

217-367-4227 Phone N/A Fax

Neal Asklund, Vice-President
Authorized Agent (print or type)


Signature of Authorized Agent FIN or SS# 37-1361135

 **AIA** Document A310™ – 2010

Bid Bond

CONTRACTOR:

(Name, legal status and address)
A & R Mechanical Services, Inc.
711 East Kettering Park Drive
Urbana, IL 61801

SURETY:

(Name, legal status and principal place of business)
Travelers Casualty & Surety Co. of America
One Tower Square
Hartford, CT 06183-6014

This document has important legal consequences. Consultation with an attorney is encouraged with respect to its completion or modification.
Any singular reference to Contractor, Surety, Owner or other party shall be considered plural where applicable.

OWNER:

(Name, legal status and address)
Champaign Park District
706 Kenwood Road
Champaign, IL 61821

BOND AMOUNT:

Ten Percent of Amount Bid (10% of AB)

PROJECT:

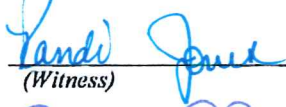

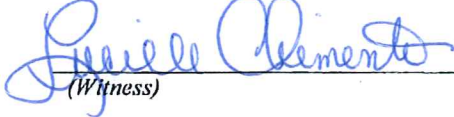

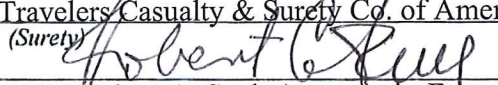
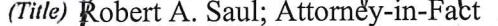
(Name, location or address, and Project number, if any)
Zahand Park Pathway Connection
2502 S. Staley Road
Champaign, IL 61822

The Contractor and Surety are bound to the Owner in the amount set forth above, for the payment of which the Contractor and Surety bind themselves, their heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, jointly and severally, as provided herein. The conditions of this Bond are such that if the Owner accepts the bid of the Contractor within the time specified in the bid documents, or within such time period as may be agreed to by the Owner and Contractor, and the Contractor either (1) enters into a contract with the Owner in accordance with the terms of such bid, and gives such bond or bonds as may be specified in the bidding or Contract Documents, with a surety admitted in the jurisdiction of the Project and otherwise acceptable to the Owner, for the faithful performance of such Contract and for the prompt payment of labor and material furnished in the prosecution thereof; or (2) pays to the Owner the difference, not to exceed the amount of this Bond, between the amount specified in said bid and such larger amount for which the Owner may in good faith contract with another party to perform the work covered by said bid, then this obligation shall be null and void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect. The Surety hereby waives any notice of an agreement between the Owner and Contractor to extend the time in which the Owner may accept the bid. Waiver of notice by the Surety shall not apply to any extension exceeding sixty (60) days in the aggregate beyond the time for acceptance of bids specified in the bid documents, and the Owner and Contractor shall obtain the Surety's consent for an extension beyond sixty (60) days.

If this Bond is issued in connection with a subcontractor's bid to a Contractor, the term Contractor in this Bond shall be deemed to be Subcontractor and the term Owner shall be deemed to be Contractor.

When this Bond has been furnished to comply with a statutory or other legal requirement in the location of the Project, any provision in this Bond conflicting with said statutory or legal requirement shall be deemed deleted herefrom and provisions conforming to such statutory or other legal requirement shall be deemed incorporated herein. When so furnished, the intent is that this Bond shall be construed as a statutory bond and not as a common law bond.

Signed and sealed this 2nd day of July, 2020

 _____ (Witness)	 _____ A & R Mechanical Services, Inc. (Principal) (Seal)
 _____ (Witness)	 _____ r. potfinney (Title)
	 _____ Travelers Casualty & Surety Co. of America (Surety) (Seal)
	 _____ (Title) Robert A. Saul; Attorney-in-Fact

CAUTION: You should sign an original AIA Contract Document, on which this text appears in RED. An original assures that changes will not be obscured.

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**Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America
Travelers Casualty and Surety Company
St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company**

POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company, and St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company are corporations duly organized under the laws of the State of Connecticut (herein collectively called the "Companies"), and that the Companies do hereby make, constitute and appoint **Robert A Saul** of **LEESBURG Virginia**, their true and lawful Attorney-in-Fact to sign, execute, seal and acknowledge any and all bonds, recognizances, conditional undertakings and other writings obligatory in the nature thereof on behalf of the Companies in their business of guaranteeing the fidelity of persons, guaranteeing the performance of contracts and executing or guaranteeing bonds and undertakings required or permitted in any actions or proceedings allowed by law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Companies have caused this instrument to be signed, and their corporate seals to be hereto affixed, this **3rd** day of **February**, 2017.



State of Connecticut

City of Hartford ss.

By: *Robert L. Raney*
Robert L. Raney, Senior Vice President

On this the **3rd** day of **February**, 2017, before me personally appeared **Robert L. Raney**, who acknowledged himself to be the Senior Vice President of Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company, and St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company, and that he, as such, being authorized so to do, executed the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contained by signing on behalf of the corporations by himself as a duly authorized officer.

In Witness Whereof, I hereunto set my hand and official seal.

My Commission expires the **30th** day of **June**, 2021



Marie C. Tetreault
Marie C. Tetreault, Notary Public

This Power of Attorney is granted under and by the authority of the following resolutions adopted by the Boards of Directors of Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company, and St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company, which resolutions are now in full force and effect, reading as follows:

RESOLVED, that the Chairman, the President, any Vice Chairman, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President, any Vice President, any Second Vice President, the Treasurer, any Assistant Treasurer, the Corporate Secretary or any Assistant Secretary may appoint Attorneys-in-Fact and Agents to act for and on behalf of the Company and may give such appointee such authority as his or her certificate of authority may prescribe to sign with the Company's name and seal with the Company's seal bonds, recognizances, contracts of indemnity, and other writings obligatory in the nature of a bond, recognizance, or conditional undertaking, and any of said officers or the Board of Directors at any time may remove any such appointee and revoke the power given him or her; and it is

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairman, the President, any Vice Chairman, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President or any Vice President may delegate all or any part of the foregoing authority to one or more officers or employees of this Company, provided that each such delegation is in writing and a copy thereof is filed in the office of the Secretary; and it is

FURTHER RESOLVED, that any bond, recognizance, contract of indemnity, or writing obligatory in the nature of a bond, recognizance, or conditional undertaking shall be valid and binding upon the Company when (a) signed by the President, any Vice Chairman, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President or any Vice President, any Second Vice President, the Treasurer, any Assistant Treasurer, the Corporate Secretary or any Assistant Secretary and duly attested and sealed with the Company's seal by a Secretary or Assistant Secretary; or (b) duly executed (under seal, if required) by one or more Attorneys-in-Fact and Agents pursuant to the power prescribed in his or her certificate or their certificates of authority or by one or more Company officers pursuant to a written delegation of authority; and it is

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the signature of each of the following officers: President, any Executive Vice President, any Senior Vice President, any Vice President, any Assistant Vice President, any Secretary, any Assistant Secretary, and the seal of the Company may be affixed by facsimile to any Power of Attorney or to any certificate relating thereto appointing Resident Vice Presidents, Resident Assistant Secretaries or Attorneys-in-Fact for purposes only of executing and attesting bonds and undertakings and other writings obligatory in the nature thereof, and any such Power of Attorney or certificate bearing such facsimile signature or facsimile seal shall be valid and binding upon the Company and any such power so executed and certified by such facsimile signature and facsimile seal shall be valid and binding on the Company in the future with respect to any bond or understanding to which it is attached.

I, **Kevin E. Hughes**, the undersigned, Assistant Secretary of Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America, Travelers Casualty and Surety Company, and St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Power of Attorney executed by said Companies, which remains in full force and effect.

Dated this 2nd day of July, 2017



Kevin E. Hughes
Kevin E. Hughes, Assistant Secretary

**To verify the authenticity of this Power of Attorney, please call us at 1-800-421-3880.
Please refer to the above-named Attorney-in-Fact and the details of the bond to which the power is attached.**

Andrew Weiss

From: Justin Weidner <jweidner@ar-mech.com>
Sent: Wednesday, July 22, 2020 16:29
To: Andrew Weiss
Subject: [External Email]-->Zahnd Park

Andrew,

We regret to inform you we will be forfeiting our bond for the Zahnd Park project. Please let me know the next steps. I apologize for the inconvenience.

A&R Justin Weidner
Civil Division Manager

A&R Services, Inc.
711 E. Kettering Park Dr., Urbana, IL 61801
O: 217-367-4227 | C: 217-202-0945
[Website](#) | [Facebook](#) | [LinkedIn](#) | [YouTube](#)

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REPORT TO PARK BOARD

FROM: Joe DeLuce, Executive Director

DATE: August 7, 2020

SUBJECT: Zahnd Park Pathway Connection Bid Award

Background

As part of FYE 21 Capital Projects, a carryover of \$72,024 from the completed ADA General Projects—Zahnd Park Pathway project is to be used towards the path extension at Zahnd Park or the remodeling of the Bicentennial Center for CUSR future location. Bid was awarded to A&R Mechanical, but they forfeited their 10% bid bond.

Prior Board Action

April 22, 2020 Special Board Meeting—Board approved FYE 21 Capital Budget.

July 8, 2020 Regular Board Meeting—Board awarded contract to A&R Mechanical.

August 12, 2020 Regular Board Meeting (Pending)— Board rescinds A&R Mechanical contract.

Bid Results

Sealed bids were opened 10:30am Thu 2 Jul 2020 with results as shown:

Bidding Contractor	Bid (\$)
A&R Mechanical Services	49,074.93
A and A Concrete	56,928.14
Mid Illinois Concrete and Excavating	65,065.00
Stark Excavating	79,900.00
Midwest Asphalt	81,850.00
Cross Construction	83,837.55
Petry Kuhne	84,150.00
Feutz Contractors	92,847.00

Budget Impact

Carry over from Project Number 180002 (ADA General Projects - Zahnd Park Pathway) is \$72,024.

Recommendation

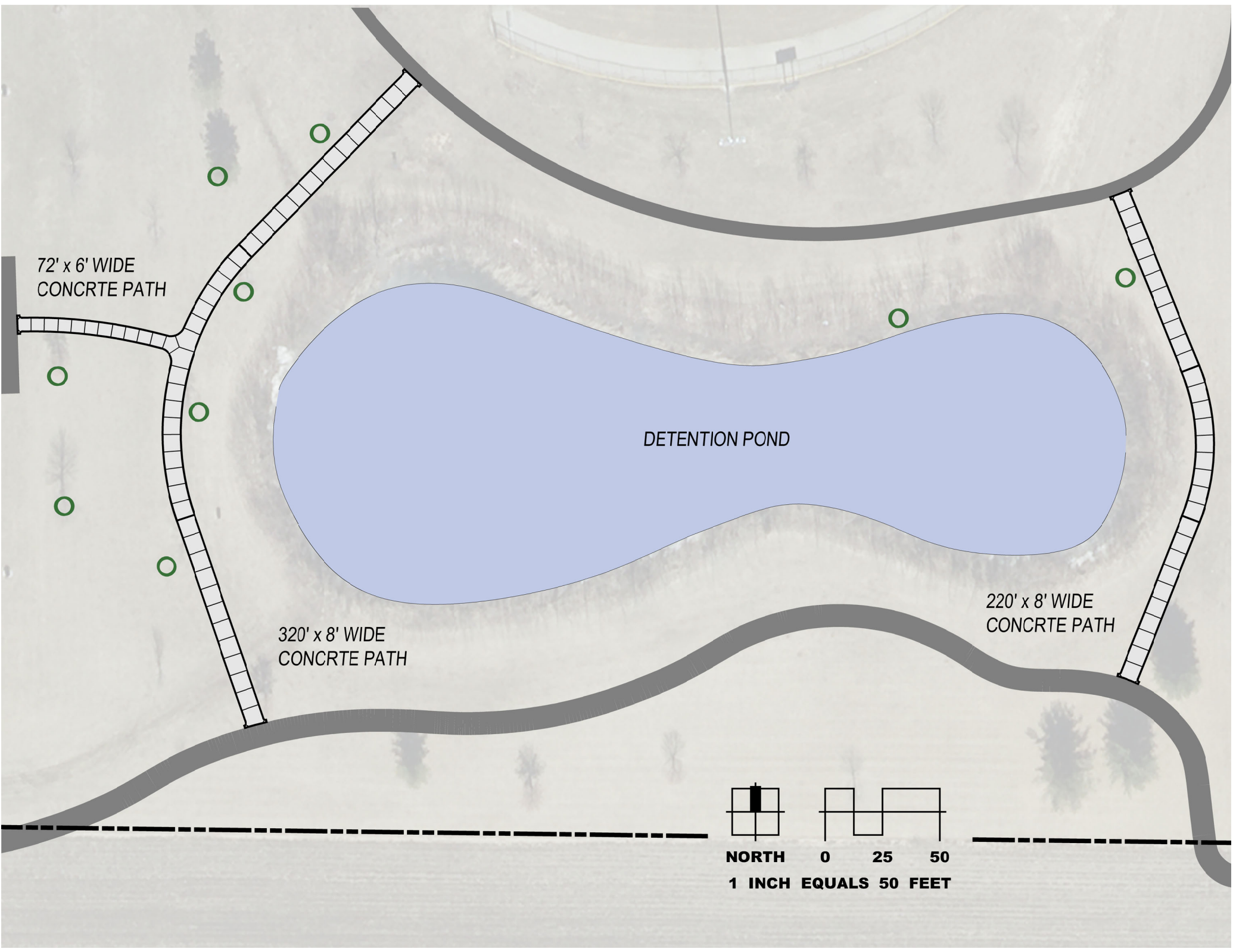
Staff recommends awarding the construction contract to the next lowest bidder, A and A Concrete, in the amount of \$56,928.14 and to authorize the Executive Director to enter into the contract. *Timeline*—start construction in August with project completion in September 2020.

Prepared by:

Andrew Weiss
Director of Planning

Reviewed by:

Joe DeLuce
Executive Director

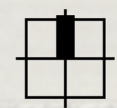


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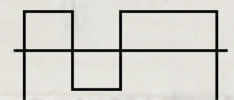
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CONCRTE PATH

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CONCRTE PATH



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REPORT TO PARK BOARD

FROM: Joe DeLuce, Executive Director

DATE: August 4, 2020 (Original June 10, 2020)

SUBJECT: Bicentennial CUSR Renovation

Introduction

The Bicentennial Center, built in 1976, has remained relatively unchanged through its forty-four year history. It was previously dedicated as the original Patricia Leonhard Recreation Center and for the last six years has been under lease by "The Cage", with the primary use of educating baseball and softball players of all ages. That lease ended at the close of April 2020.

Previously, the Spalding Recreation Center was the primary location for much of the Champaign Urbana Special Recreation (CUSR) programming. In 2018, that building was turned over to the Unit 4 school district and demolished for renovation of the Champaign Central Baseball field. Since that time, CUSR has made use of various locations for their programming.

Broeren Russo, Inc. was chosen to be the Construction Manager. This is the first time that CPD has used a construction manager on a project. Architectural Expressions LLP was chosen as the architect.

Examination of Bicentennial Center as space for CUSR began in late 2019. Engineers examined the building as well as soil around and under the building and it was found to be suitable as a new home for CUSR.

The renovations target asset protection, ADA, and projects providing access and comfortability to patrons. The main components of the bid include ADA remodel, HVAC replacement and addition, and roof work.

Prior Board Action

- April 2020 - The Board approved the project in the FY 2019 Capital budget.
- May 27, 2020 - Board approved resolution to commit local funds for the Rebuild Illinois Fast Track Public Infrastructure (FTPI) Grant and application.
- June 10 and 24 and July 8 and 22, 2020 – Board tabled awarding construction bids while awaiting DCEO Rebuild Illinois Fast Track Grant announcement.

Bid Results

A total of five bid packets were issued for the renovation. An invitation to bid was published in *The News-Gazette* and distributed directly to known contractors in the area. The bids were opened and read aloud on May 27, 2020. All low and responsible bidders were contacted to ensure that they knew the entire scope of the project and could complete the work as stated. The bid results for each bid packet are tabulated on attached pages.

Add Alternate Descriptions

Using a three-tiered system of Not Critical, Critical, and Very Critical based on Safety, ADA, Programming, and Aesthetics.

Interior General Trades

Alternate #1 - Furnish and install Action Synchro 4+2 Polyurethane Floor System or equal for Multipurpose room 103 including hallways 104, 107 and 110. Include demo of existing vinyl base, floor prep including existing floor sanding for adherence, game line striping and 4" rubber cove base. Floor color TBD.

Alternate #2 - Furnish and install Dex-O-Tex Gym Flor 5 without SC Membrane or equal for Multipurpose room 103. Cut 220 LF. of control joints and fill with Metzger – McGuire MM-80 joint fill. Include demo of existing vinyl base, floor prep including existing floor sanding for adherence, game line striping and base. Floor color TBD.

Choosing one of Alternate 1 or 2 would be Critical. Gym floor has hazard areas that need repaired and filled. Action Synchro was chosen as it has an underlayment that helps span cracks and gaps in concrete. Provides “softer” surface for falls. New flooring was ranked as the number one request from staff.

Alternate #3 (Not Critical) - Infill with metal stud wall, insulation, sheathing and siding above CMU ledge per key note 8 on sheet A101 and detail 10/A203.

The upper half of the gym walls are simple metal siding with some decommissioned venting systems integrated into them. These walls overlay those areas and will increase energy efficiency and make for better aesthetics.

Alternate #4 (Not Critical) - Prep, prime and paint all existing interior & exterior windows, window frames, door slabs and door frames per keynote 4 on A201, keynote 1 on A202 and general note A on A602.

Not critical at this point in time, but would need to be done within two years to protect metal infrastructure.

Alternate # 5 (Critical) - Prep and paint gypsum & CMU walls, gypsum ceilings in rooms 101, 102, 114, 115, 118 and 119. Review on site.

There are many holes in walls, scuffs, and marker lines that need to be addressed. It looks very poor in many of these rooms.

Alternate #6 (Critical) - Prep and paint CMU walls only in multipurpose room 103.

Lots of scuffs. If yes to alternate three, then there will be bare gypsum if we don't choose alternate 6. Large area that would take some time to do if we did it “in house”. Curtain and wall construction may leave unsightly areas.

Alternate #7 (Very Critical) - Furnish and install Armstrong Washable White 12" x 12" Ceiling Tile or equal. Install directly on top of existing gypsum ceiling using adhesive. Include edge trim piece. Total area ~1500sft, at walkway next to multipurpose room 103, review on site.

There are some portions falling and other portions damaged from regular use of the facility. There would be a safety issue of falling ceiling portions if this was not addressed.

Alternate #8 (Critical) - Furnish and install Porter #2080 series Belt Guided Center Roll Divider Curtain or equal in multipurpose room 103. Include Winch Control systems. Include any required electrical work. Including running power from source as required.

This gym divider increases the number of activities that can occur at the same time while providing a much-needed layer of safety to participants on the other courts.

HVAC

Alternate 1 (Not Critical) - Mechanical drawings specify Carrier RTU and Carrier Split Systems. Equivalent models of York/Trane/Lennox are allowed. Provide \$\$ deduct to go to different brands.

No one that chose this had a significant reduction in cost from the base bid system. No need to accept this alternate.

Lighting and Fire Alarm

Alternate 1 (Very Critical) - Furnish and install light fixtures and controls for rooms 101, 102, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 201, 202. Furnish and install all exterior lights and controls. Include all demo and recycle/haul away to dumpster on site.

Several lights, ballasts and the systems associated with them will need replacing anyway prior to opening. This gets LED's through a large portion of the building which will save operational costs over the long term. If completed in a timely manner there may be Ameren incentives still available.

Alternate #2 (Critical) - Provide deduct for using Non-Vandal Resistant version of F6 light fixture in rooms 105, 108 and 111. Refer sheet E103 and E601.

These are in the new restrooms with relatively low ceilings. I don't believe we need vandal proof lighting and this is a deduct we should accept.

Bid Extension Requests

Bids were good for 60 days, until Sun. July 26, 2020. We asked for thirty day bid extensions from all bidders prior to the 60-day deadline. **According to this extension, the new deadline will be Tuesday, August 25, 2020.** We received one notification of not willing to extend the bid from Reliable Plumbing for Bid Package 3 – Plumbing. We did not receive any information from D. Joseph Construction for Bid Package 2 – Interior General Trades, before the time lapsed. All other bidders extended their bids for 30 days.

Budget Impact

A total of \$806,000 was budgeted for construction from the Special Recreation Levy. We have verified that \$100,000 in discretionary funding has been allotted in the state budget by Senator Scott Bennett for this project. The District has applied for a DCEO Fast Track Grant for \$800,000. Award notification is forthcoming.

We estimate fees, testing, and contingencies for the project to be \$216,430 as shown below.

AE Fees (6% @ minimum \$800,000 budget per contract)	\$48,000
Permit Fee (0.5%)	\$ 3,696
General Conditions (5.3% @ min. \$800,000 budget)	\$42,400
CM Fee (4% @ min. \$800,000 budget)	\$32,000
MEP Contingency (10% of MEP bids)	\$26,650
Contingency (7.5%)	\$54,214
Asbestos Testing	\$ 470
TOTAL FEES	\$207,430

Recommended Action

Staff recommends the Board accept the following bid packages, and allowing the Executive Director to enter into construction agreements with each bidder.

Bid Package 1 – Exterior General Trades.

Accept English Brothers base bid of	\$121,049
and the voluntary alternate deduction of	<u>\$ - 3,900</u>
for a total contract price of	\$117,149

Bid Package 2 – Interior General Trades.

Accept Broeren Russo base bid of	\$187,460
and alternate 1 (Action synchro flooring gym and halls) for	\$ 69,000
and alternate 3 (Wall build and insulation gym) for	\$ 2,600
and alternate 4 (Paint existing interior windows, doors, frames) for	\$ 3,900
and alternate 5 (Paint in six rooms) for	\$ 7,700
and alternate 6 (Paint CMU walls in room 103)	\$ 7,400
and alternate 7 (Ceiling tile in walkway along room 103)	\$ 7,500
and alternate 8 (Gym divider curtain)	<u>\$ 19,740</u>
for a total contract price of	\$305,300

Bid Package 3 – Plumbing.

United Mechanical base bid of	\$ 62,850
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Bid Package 4 – HVAC and Temperature Controls.

Accept Davis Houk Mechanical Inc. base bid of	\$123,750
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Bid Package 5 – Electric and Fire Alarm.

Accept the Aladdin Electric base bid of	\$ 79,885
and alternate 1 (LED lights in 11 interior rooms and exterior) for	\$ 20,265
and alternate 2 (Deduct for non-vandal proof lights in three rooms) for	\$ -1,660
and 3 (Data work per drawings) for	<u>\$ 14,477</u>
for a total contract total of	\$112,967

Making a Total Bid Package Price of	\$722,016
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Prepared by:
Daniel Olson
Director of Operations

Reviewed by:
Joe Deluce
Executive Director

Bicentennial Center Bid Tab for Bid Package 1 – Exterior General Trades

Bidder	30 day ext.	Base Bid	Voluntary Alternate
Petry Kuhne Co.	Y	\$148,400	--
Felmley Dickerson	Y	\$210,000	--
English Brothers	Y	\$121,049	-\$3,900 Leave flashing
Commercial Builders	Y	\$166,215	\$3,000 New landscape wall
Broeren Russo	Y	\$134,260	-\$3,900 Leave flashing

Bicentennial Center Bid Tab for Bid Package 2 – Interior General Trades

Bidder	30 day Ext	Base Bid	Alt. 1 Action Synchro Floor	Alt. 2 Dex-O- Tex Floor	Alt. 3 Stud wall gym	Alt. 4 Paint existing windows doors, frames	Alt. 5 Paint six rooms	Alt. 6 Paint room 103	Alt. 7 Ceiling tile replace hall	Alt. 8 Gym curtain	Alt. 9 Deduct for no CMU repair in 2 rooms
D. Joseph Construction	N	\$274,000	\$79,000	—	\$11,000	\$24,000	\$13,000	\$24,500	\$19,000	\$16,000	\$0
Petry Kuhne Co.	Y	\$238,000	\$77,100	\$69,800	\$14,800	\$7,300	\$5,325	\$9,500	\$22,800	\$15,300	-\$1,200
English Brothers	Y	\$178,000	\$77,380	\$198,000	\$6,600	\$6,050	\$12,100	\$8,500	\$6,700	\$19,500	-\$340
Commercial Builders	Y	\$237,000	\$75,215	\$74,190	\$12,400	\$7,200	\$3,370	\$2,380	\$11,220	\$15,260	-\$1,259
Broeren Russo	Y	\$187,460	\$69,000	\$65,590	\$2,600	\$3,900	\$7,700	\$7,400	\$7,500	\$19,740	-\$1,180

Bicentennial Center Bid Tab for Bid Package 3 – Plumbing

Bidder	30 day ext.	Base Bid
A & R Mechanical	Y	\$68,227
Davis Houk	Y	\$66,000
United Mechanical	Y	\$62,850
Reliable Plumbing	N	\$39,880

Bicentennial Center Bid Tab for Bid Package 4 – HVAC and Temperature Controls

Bidder	30 day ext.	Base Bid	Alt. 1 Deduct for different RTU's (not Carrier)
A & R Mechanical	Y	\$197,730	-\$3,000
Davis Houk Mechanical	Y	\$123,750	\$0
United Mechanical	Y	\$179,560	-\$7,200
Reliable Plumbing	Y	\$234,280	--

Bicentennial Center Bid Tab for Bid Package 5 – Electric and Fire Alarm

Bidder	30 day ext	Base Bid	Alt 1 LED Lights throughout	Alt 2 Deduct for non- vandal proof lights in three rooms	Alt 3 Data conduit/lines as drawn	Deduct Alt 3 Running only data conduit
Aladdin Electric	Y	\$79,885	\$20,265	-\$1,660	\$14,477	-\$5,570
Remco Electric	Y	\$107,640	\$33,960	-\$1,680	\$24,820	-\$6,470
Davis Electric	Y	\$107,900	\$23,055	-\$1,660	\$25,205	-\$7,502



REPORT TO PARK BOARD

FROM: Joe DeLuce, Executive Director
DATE: August 12, 2020
SUBJECT: Trails at Abbey Fields Lot HOA Vote

Introduction

The Park District had acquired three lots in the Trails at Abbey Fields as part of the sale of 6 acres at Dodds Park. One lot was sold in 2019. Two lots remain in possession of the Park District with one lot's sale considered by the Board at this meeting.

Background

Lots 181 (Board considered its sale as prior action in this meeting) and 194 are part of the Trails at Abbey Fields Homeowner's Association. The HOA will be meeting on August 18th to vote on a special assessment to repair and stabilize the neighborhood's north pond shoreline. The HOA has received an estimate of \$81,500 for the work. To accomplish this requires a vote on a special assessment for each lot in the community. The project requires a special assessment of \$350 for each common lot, \$700 for each lake lot, and \$1050 for each Wyndemere Point lot. The goal is to allow for payment of the assessment in two installments, one upon scheduling the project and the second by the end of 2020.

Prior Board Action

None.

Discussion

Staff requests the Board's direction on how the staff proxy should vote in this matter.

Prepared by:

Reviewed by:

Jarrold Scheunemann
Assistant to the Executive Director

Joe DeLuce
Executive Director

July 9, 2020

Dear Trails at Abbey Fields Homeowner,

This is official notification that a special meeting of the Trails at Abbey Fields Homeowners Association is scheduled for Tuesday, August 18, 2020, at 7:00PM at the Commissioner's Park on the north side of Trails at Abbey Fields. The meeting will be held weather permitting.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the restoration project for the north pond. Our ponds serve as the storm water runoff reservoirs for the entire subdivision. In the twelve years since completion, the banks of the north pond have eroded.

If erosion progresses, the pond will require a considerable expense of dredging to maintain their aesthetic value to be appreciated by the homeowners for relaxation and fishing as well as to keep our property values. To prevent this from happening, the members of the board have unanimously recommended that we proceed with a restoration project of the north pond and that we proceed with the project this year.

The company that did the south pond project in 2018-2019 provided us with a bid at that time for the north pond. They have graciously agreed to honor that same bid of \$81,500. The board recommends the project be done this year to forestall an increase in the bid in the future.

To accomplish this requires a vote on a special assessment for each lot in the community. The project requires a special assessment of \$350 for each common lot, \$700 for each lake lot, and \$1050 for each Wyndemere Point lot. The goal is to allow for payment of the assessment in two installments, one upon scheduling the project and the second by the end of 2020.

Meetings require a minimum of 20 percent of homeowner attendance. Please make every effort to attend or complete the attached proxy selecting another member to vote in your place. You may also indicate your vote on the proxy. Please return completed proxies to one of the Board members or have them brought to the meeting by a neighbor/friend.

We ask that each lot send only one representative to the meeting to comply with current restrictions on gatherings of more than 50 people. Please wear a mask. If rain is imminent, the meeting will be rescheduled for the following evening, August 19, at 7:00 PM. If both are impossible, then we will meet on August 20 at 7:00PM.

We welcome your input either by your attendance or by proxy. Remember to bring a lawn chair!

The Board of Trails at Abbey Fields Homeowners Association

Jim McKechnie, Steve Myers, Ekta Garg, Lina Mongwa,

Randi Lundstedt, Teri Ellis, and Katie Ross

Trails at Abbey Fields Homeowners Association

General Proxy

I do hereby appoint Steve Myers or Ekta Garg of the Board of Directors of the Trails at Abbey Fields Homeowners Association or _____ to cast my vote at the special meeting of the Members to be held at 7:00PM on Tuesday, August 18, 2020 (or such other date to which the meeting may be adjourned due to weather) at Commissioner's Park, Champaign, Illinois, with full power of substitution, and at any adjournments thereof.

In the absence of any specific instruction, my proxy may vote according to his/her own best judgment. Business to come before the meeting includes:

- A. Discussion of the Special Assessment for 2020 to repair the north pond
- B. A vote to approve the Special Assessment
- C. Such other business as may come before the meeting

Alternatively, I elect to cast my vote concerning the special assessment with this proxy:

_____ I vote in favor of the special assessment for completion of the pond project in 2020.

_____ I vote against the special assessment.

This proxy revokes and replaces all other proxies.

Dated _____

Lot(s) _____

Signature(s) _____

Print Name(s) _____