

## REPORT OF THE FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

NOVEMBER 2, 2011

The Honorable,  
The Forest Preserve District  
Board of Commissioners of Cook County

### ATTENDANCE

Present: President Preckwinkle and Chairman Goslin, Commissioners Beavers, Collins, Daley, Fritchey, Gainer, Garcia, Gorman, Murphy, Reyes, Schneider, Silvestri, Sims, Suffredin and Tobolski(15)

Absent: Vice Chairman Steele and Commissioner Butler (2)

Ladies and Gentlemen:

### SECTION 1

Your Committee has considered the following disbursements submitted by the Administration of the Forest Preserve for payments.

Your Committee, therefore, recommends that the Forest Preserve District Comptroller and Forest Preserve District Treasurer be, and by the adoption of this report, authorized and directed to issue checks to said vendors in the amounts recommended.

11FINA0153 **URS CORPORATION**, Chicago, Illinois, submitting invoice totaling \$32,667.31 for Contract Number 05-02. Total Contract Awarded: \$444,000.00. Construction & Development & Grant Account Numbers: 588000-620040 & 108063-670058. Purchase Order Numbers: 037535 & 037536. Original Board Approval Date: June 4, 2008. Description: Phase I Engineering Services of the North Branch Bicycle Trail Extension. Districts: 9 & 12

11FINA0154 **CHICAGOLAND PAVING**, Lake Zurich, Illinois, submitting invoice totaling \$36,825.52 for Contract Number 10-80-79C. Total Contract Awarded: \$81,900.00. Construction & Development Account Number: 588000-670058. Purchase Order Number: 038528. Original Board Approval Date: May 4, 2011. Description: North Branch Bicycle Trail Re-Route Improvements. District: 13

11FINA0155 **GROUNDKEEPER LANDSCAPE**, Orland Park, Illinois, submitting invoice totaling \$138,684.00 for Contract Number 11-31-102 Re-Bid. Total Contract Awarded: \$138,684.00. Restoration Landscape Account Number: 578000-670055. Purchase Order Number: 038701. Original Board Approval Date: September 8, 2011. Description: Tree Removal Due to Emerald Ash Borer. Districts: 6 & 17

- 11FINA0156 **NATURE'S TREE INC.**, dba Autumn Tree Care, Northbrook, Illinois, submitting invoice totaling \$60,467.00 for Contract Number 11-31-100. Total Contract Awarded: \$65,467.00. Natural Disasters Account Number: 111000-650070. Purchase Order Number: 038483. Original Board Approval Date: May 4, 2011. Description: Tree Removal due to the Emerald Ash Borer. District: 6
- 11FINA0157 **WORLD FUEL SERVICE**, Riverside, Illinois, submitting invoice totaling \$71,341.21 for Contract Number 09-53-100. Total Contract Awarded: \$2,284,467.00. Corporate Account – Gasoline & Oil Number: 015100-640170. Purchase Order Number: 038652. Original Board Approval Date: July 1, 2009. Board Approval Date for Optional Renewals: June 2, 2011. Description: Motor Fuel for Vehicles and Trucks. District(s): Districtwide
- 11FINA0158 **R.N.O.W. Inc.**, West Allis, Wisconsin, submitting invoice totaling: \$212,260.00 for Contract Number 10-51-119. Total Contract Awarded: \$212,260.00. Vehicles & Trucks Account Number: 015100-640170. Purchase Order Number: 038227. Original Board Approval Date: December 15, 2010. Description: Two (2) 2012 Freightliner Recycling Trucks. District(s): Districtwide
- 11FINA0159 **SENTINEL TECHNOLOGIES, INC.**, Chicago, Illinois, submitting invoice totaling \$30,423.75 for Contract Number: 08-41-247. Contractual Services (IT) Account Number: 019900-620096. Purchase Order Number: 38313. Original Board Approval Date: March 2, 2011. Description: Computer Maintenance. District(s): Districtwide

**COMMISSIONER SILVESTRI, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MURPHY, MOVED APPROVAL OF THE DISBURSEMENTS. THE MOTION CARRIED.**

## SECTION 2

Your Committee has considered the following communications with reference to the proposed settlements.

Your Committee, concurring in the recommendations of the District Counsel, recommends that the Forest Preserve District Comptroller and Forest Preserve District Treasurer prepare checks in the amounts recommended by the District Counsel in order that the payments may be set in accordance with the request of the upon proper release from the District Counsel.

11FINA0160

Finance Subcommittee on Litigation of the  
Forest Preserve District.....October 13,  
2011

**Proposed Settlements Approved Fiscal Year 2011 To Present:** \$713,500.09  
**Proposed Settlements To Be Approved:** \$15,842.49  
**Legal Fees Approved Fiscal Year 2011 To Present:** \$1,384,643.69  
**Legal Fees for 10/13/11 To Be Approved:** \$83,310.00

**\*For details on payment approvals by the Litigation Subcommittee, refer to the Litigation Subcommittee Report for October 13, 2011.**

**COMMISSIONER SILVESTRI, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SCHNEIDER, MOVED APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSED SETTLEMENTS. THE MOTION CARRIED.**

**COMMISSIONERS MURPHY AND SIMS VOTED NO ON THE LITIGATION SUBCOMMITTEE REPORT OF OCTOBER 13, 2011.**

Finance Subcommittee on Workers' Compensation  
of the Forest Preserve District.....November 1, 2011

**Workers' Compensation Claims Approved Fiscal Year 2011 To Present:** \$217,023.76  
156,483.00

**Workers' Compensation Claims To Be Approved:** \$ \$2,500.00 ~~24,803.75~~

**\*For details on payment approvals by the Workers' Compensation Subcommittee, refer to the Workers' Compensation Subcommittee Report for November 1, 2011.**

**COMMISSIONER SCHNEIDER, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER TOBOLSKI, MOVED APPROVAL OF THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIMS AS AMENDED. THE MOTION CARRIED.**

### SECTION 3

Your Committee has considered the bids submitted on the items hereinafter described in accordance with the specifications on file in the Office of the Forest Preserve District Purchasing Agent. Communications from the Forest Preserve District Purchasing Agent submitting recommendations on the award of contracts for said item, be and by the adoption of this Report, awarded as follows. Any money if deposited will be returned to the unsuccessful bidders at once and to the successful bidder upon the signing of the contract.

11FINA0161

Transmitting a Communication dated October 24, 2011 from

ARNOLD L. RANDALL, General Superintendent

requesting authorization for the Purchasing Agent to reject all bids and advertise to re-bid Dan Ryan Woods Pavilion Renovation.

Contract 10-80-62C consists of renovating the interior and exterior of the existing limestone pavilion including all work necessary to complete this improvement according to Plans, Standard Specifications and Detail Specifications.

The Forest Preserve District Board of Cook County granted permission to advertise this project for bid on March 2, 2011.

Five (5) bids were received, opened and publicly read at the Bid Opening on September 28, 2011.

The past policy of the District was to require all bidders to comply with the active apprenticeship and training program provision of the Responsible Bidder Ordinance For Construction Contracts as defined in the Forest Preserve District Code of Cook County Section 1-8-2.F(3)(e), regardless of the type of work being performed by the bidder.

Construction managers and general contractors have argued that they are unable to comply with this section of the ordinance for project management activities because there are no United States Department of Labor (USDOL) apprenticeship and training programs for this type of work. District staff agrees that it would be unfair to require compliance to the Ordinance for non-recognized USDOL occupations and therefore recommends rejecting all bids and re-bid with clarification to all potential bidders that compliance is not required for project management activities at this time due to the lack of recognized training programs but it is still required for all trade work.

Districts: 3

**SUBSTITUTE FOR COMMUNICATION NO. 11FINA0161**

**PROPOSED REJECTION OF BIDS AND ADVERTISE FOR RE-BID  
FOR DAN RYAN WOODS PAVILION RENOVATION**

**ITEM #0161**

Transmitting a Communication dated October 31, 2011 from

ARNOLD L. RANDALL, General Superintendent

requesting authorization for the Purchasing Agent to reject all bids and advertise to re-bid Dan Ryan Woods Pavilion Renovation with revised specifications.

Contract 10-80-62C consists of renovating the interior and exterior of the existing limestone pavilion including all work necessary to complete this improvement according to Plans, Standard Specifications and Detail Specifications.

The Forest Preserve District Board of Cook County granted permission to advertise this project for bid on March 2, 2011. Sealed bids were received, opened and publicly read at the Bid Opening on September 28, 2011.

The bid results ranged from \$773,000 to \$1,152,786.

All bids significantly exceeded the District's Consultant's project estimate.

The District will revise the Standard Specifications in an attempt to reduce the overall project costs.

Districts: 3

**COMMISSIONER SCHNEIDER, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DALEY, MOVED TO ACCEPT THE SUBSTITUTE FOR COMMUNICATION NO. 11FINA0161. THE MOTION CARRIED.**

**COMMISSIONER SCHNEIDER, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DALEY, MOVED APPROVAL OF BID RECOMMENDATION (11FINA0160) AS AMENDED. THE MOTION CARRIED.**

11FINA0162

Transmitting a Communication dated October 24, 2011 from

ARNOLD L. RANDALL, General Superintendent

requesting authorization for the Purchasing Agent to reject all bids and advertise to re-bid Eggers Grove Comfort Station Renovation.

Contract 10-80-62A consists of renovating the interior and exterior of the existing comfort station and garage including all work necessary to complete this improvement according to Plans, Standard Specifications and Detail Specifications.

The Forest Preserve District Board of Cook County granted permission to advertise this project for bid on March 2, 2011.

Six (6) bids were received, opened and publicly read at the Bid Opening on October 19, 2011.

The past policy of the District was to require all bidders to comply with the active apprenticeship and training program provision of the Responsible Bidder Ordinance For Construction Contracts as defined in the Forest Preserve District Code of Cook County Section 1-8-2.F(3)(e), regardless of the type of work being performed by the bidder.

Construction managers and general contractors have argued that they are unable to comply with this section of the ordinance for project management activities because there are no United States Department of Labor (USDOL) apprenticeship and training programs for this type of work. The low bidder and second low bidder were unable to comply for this reason. District staff agrees that it would be unfair to require compliance to the Ordinance for non-recognized USDOL occupations and therefore recommends rejecting all bids and re-bid with clarification to all potential bidders that compliance is not required for project management activities at this time due to the lack of recognized training programs but it is still required for all trade work.

Districts: 4

**THE ABOVE ITEM WAS WITHDRAWN.**

11FINA0163

Transmitting a Communication dated November 2, 2011 from

ARNOLD RANDALL, General Superintendent

requesting authorization for the Purchasing Agent to enter into contract with Chicagoland Paving, Lake Zurich, Illinois, for **40 Acre Woods Multi-Use Trail Construction**. Flexible Pavement was the low bidder but requested to withdraw their bid due to an incomplete bid submittal and they were not able to comply with the Responsible Bidder Ordinance by not being involved in an active apprenticeship program. This contract consists of constructing approximately 1,334 feet of Aggregate Multi-Use trail in the 40 Acre Woods Forest Preserve. Improvements include aggregate base, grading, drainage, landscaping, and all other related work necessary to complete this improvement according to Plans, Standard Specifications and Detail Specifications. Chicagoland Paving was the second lowest of eight (8) bidders.

Proposed Contract Dates: November 2, 2011 through May 31, 2012. The Forest Preserve District Board of Cook County granted permission to advertise this project for bids on March 2, 2011.

Sealed bids were received, opened and publicly read at the Bid Opening on September 28, 2011. The bid results were as follows:

1. Flexible Pavement	\$152,417.10*
<b>2. Chicagoland Paving</b>	<b>\$189,900.00</b>
3. Pan-Oceanic Eng. Co. Inc.	\$196,622.00
4. J&R 1 <sup>st</sup> in Asphalt	\$217,930.00
5. Denler Inc.	\$233,143.60
6. Kovicic Construction Co., Inc.	\$233,584.00
7. V3 Construction Group, LTD	\$237,000.00
8. Construction by Camco	\$399,227.40

\* On September 28, 2011, when the bids were read out loud, Flexible Pavement had a bid of \$189,417.10. After further review by Forest Preserve staff it was determined that an incomplete bid was submitted and Flexible Pavement requested that their bid be withdrawn.

Chicagoland Paving is in good standing with the State of Illinois.

The Forest Preserve District's Chief Financial Officer has reviewed and approved the proposed expenditures.

Contract Number: 10-80-79E

Fiscal Impact: \$189,900.00

Funding Source: \$189,900.00 is available in the Capital Improvement Fund Account Number: 091000-670061.

It is the goal of the District to achieve 25% MBE and 5% WBE vendor participation in all contracts. However, the lowest responsive and responsible bidder has not indicated direct MBE/WBE participation in the Bid Proposal.

District: 17

**COMMISSIONER SCHNEIDER, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DALEY, MOVED APPROVAL OF BID RECOMMENDATION (11FINA0163). THE MOTION CARRIED.**

**COMMISSIONERS GAINER AND SCHNEIDER VOTED NO ON THE ABOVE ITEM.**

**SECTION 4**

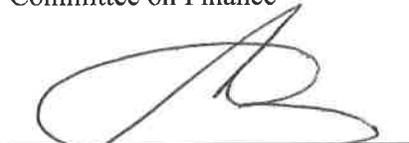
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Your Committee was presented with the Revenue Report for the period ended September 30, 2011 for the Corporate Fund, as presented by the Finance and Administration Department.

**COMMISSIONER TOBOLSKI, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER SILVESTRI, MOVED TO RECEIVE AND FILE THE REVENUE REPORT. THE MOTION CARRIED.**

**COMMISSIONER REYES, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DALEY, MOVED TO ADJOURN. THE MOTION CARRIED AND THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Forest Preserve District  
Committee on Finance



Gregg Goslin, Chairman

Attest:



Matthew B. DeLeon, Secretary