

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON REAL ESTATE OF THE FOREST PRESERVE
DISTRICT OF COOK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

July 24, 2012

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

ATTENDANCE

Present: Chairman Murphy, Vice Chairman Gorman, Commissioners Beavers, Butler, Daley, Gainer, Garcia, Goslin, Schneider, Silvestri, Sims, Steele, Suffredin, and Tobolski (14)

Absent: Commissioners Collins, Fritchey, and Reyes (3)

Also Present: Dennis White – Chief Attorney; Forest Preserve District of Cook County

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Your Committee on Real Estate of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board of Commissioners met pursuant to notice on Tuesday, July 24, 2012 at the hour of 9:30 A.M. in the Board Room, Room 569, County Building, 118 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois.

Your Committee has considered the following item and upon adoption of this report, the recommendations are as follows:

12REAL0002 ARNOLD L. RANDALL, General Superintendent, Requesting authorization for the District to grant a permanent easement to the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) for grading and access for mowing adjacent to proposed roadway improvements at the northwest corner of Barrington Road and Bode Road in Hoffman Estates. The improvements consist of the addition of a right turn lane, pedestrian crosswalks, and traffic signals including pedestrian signals with countdown timers. The roadway itself will remain within the IDOT right of way. No structures are proposed to be built on District land.

The area for the permanent easement is 0.14 acre. IDOT indicates that no trees are expected to be removed for this project.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: IDOT has agreed to pay fair market value of the easement.

District 15

***Referred to the Real Estate Committee on 07/11/12 (item #12)**

Commissioner Gainer, seconded by Commissioner Tobolski moved to Approve Communication No. 12REAL0002. The motion carried.

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12REAL0003 ARNOLD L. RANDALL, General Superintendent, Requesting authorization for the District to grant a license to the Village of River Forest to locate, operate and maintain an earthen berm on District land north of Lake Street and east of the Des Plaines River. The area for the license is 0.04 acre.

The project is an extension of an existing earthen berm constructed under License 1456 granted in 1988. The project proposes to reduce flooding from the Des Plaines River to approximately 40 homes in the Village.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: The Village of River Forest will pay a one-time upfront fee of \$6,900.00 for a continuous license.

District 9

***Referred to the Real Estate Committee on 07/11/12 (item #15)**

Commissioner Gainer, seconded by Commissioner Tobolski moved to Approve Communication No. 12REAL0003. The motion carried.

12REAL0004 ARNOLD L. RANDALL, General Superintendent, requesting authorization for the District to grant a license via an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Village of Westchester for the Village to build a memorial fountain and garden on District owned property located on the northwest corner of Cermak and Mannheim roads in Westchester, Illinois. The Village of Westchester will cover the cost of construction and maintenance of the memorial garden and fountain. In exchange for the license, the Village also has agreed to provide maintenance services for the entire parcel surrounding the designated license area.

The area for the license is 0.23 acres. The Village indicates that no trees are expected to be removed for this project.

Estimated Fiscal Impact: The Village has requested a waiver of applicable license and license application fees.

District: 16

***Referred to the Real Estate Committee on 07/11/12 (new item #1)**

Commissioner Gainer, seconded by Commissioner Tobolski moved to Approve Communication No. 12REAL0004. The motion carried.

