

# Chicago Park District



## Meeting Minutes - Final

Wednesday, October 12, 2022

11:30 AM

REGULAR MEETING  
FOSCO (PETER) PARK  
1312 S. Racine Avenue,  
Chicago, IL 60608

## Board of Commissioners

*Commissioner Donald Edwards*

*Commissioner Ashley Hemphill Netzky*

*Commissioner Jose M. Munoz*

*Commissioner Andrea Telli*

*Commissioner Sharif Walker*

*Vice President Modesto Valle*

*President Myetie H. Hamilton*

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

In accordance with the provisions of 5 ILCS 120/1.01 et seq., PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the REGULAR BOARD MEETING will be held on Wednesday, October 12, 2022, at 11:30 A.M. at Fosco (Peter) Park located at 1312 S. Racine Avenue, Chicago, IL 60608.

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

Roll Call  
General Business  
Approval of the Minutes  
Acknowledging Excellence  
Presentations and Reports  
People in the Parks  
Unfinished Business  
New Business  
Adjournment

**By order of President Myetie H. Hamilton**

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**Myetie H. Hamilton**  
**President**

**Sarah Gelder**  
**Secretary**

## Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

## Roll Call

A Roll Call was made and the following Commissioners were found to be in attendance:

**Present:** 6 - President Myetie Hamilton, Vice President Modesto Valle, Commissioner Donald Edwards, Commissioner Ashley Hemphill Netzky, Commissioner Jose M. Munoz and Commissioner Andrea Telli

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Sharif Walker

## 1. GENERAL BUSINESS:

The Secretary stated for the record that Commissioner Walker joined the meeting during the presentation of the Resolution.

**Present:** 7 - President Myetie Hamilton, Vice President Modesto Valle, Commissioner Donald Edwards, Commissioner Ashley Hemphill Netzky, Commissioner Jose M. Munoz, Commissioner Andrea Telli and Commissioner Sharif Walker

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### RESOLUTION HONORING COMMISSIONER M. LAIRD KOLDYKE FOR HIS YEARS OF SERVICE

**Sponsors:** Commissioners' Office

**Indexes:** Resolution-Honoring

The Secretary read the Resolution Honoring Commissioner M. Laird Koldyke into the record.

President Hamilton made remarks in recognition of Commissioner Koldyke for his years of service on the Chicago Park District Board of Commissioners, and yielded the floor to Commissioner Edwards to present the Resolution to Commissioner Koldyke. Commissioner Koldyke gave brief remarks on his tenure on the Chicago Park District Board of Commissioners.

A motion was made by Commissioner Edwards, seconded by Commissioner Hemphill Netzky, that the Resolution be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** 7 - Hamilton, Valle, Edwards, Hemphill Netzky, Munoz, Telli and Walker

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### CERTIFICATES OF FILINGS OF THE CHICAGO PARK DISTRICT 2022 SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE WITH THE CLERKS OF COOK AND DUPAGE COUNTIES

**Sponsors:** Office of the Secretary

**Indexes:** Certificate of Filing

These Certificates were marked as received and filed by the Secretary.

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**CERTIFICATE OF PUBLICATION OF THE CHICAGO PARK DISTRICT  
2022 SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE**

**Sponsors:** Office of the Secretary

**Indexes:** Certificate of Publication

This Certificate was marked as received and filed by the Secretary.

**2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:**

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**APPROVAL OF THE MEETING MINUTES FOR THE PUBLIC  
HEARING AND REGULAR MEETING HELD ON SEPTEMBER 14, 2022**

**Sponsors:** Office of the Secretary

**Indexes:** Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Commissioner Hemphill Netzky, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, that the Meeting Minutes be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** 7 - Hamilton, Valle, Edwards, Hemphill Netzky, Munoz, Telli and Walker

**3. ACKNOWLEDGE EXCELLENCE:**

[22-1101-101](#)

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**RECOGNITION OF THE PERFORMERS AT THE 2022 CHICAGO PARK  
DISTRICT TEENS IN THE PARKS (TIP) FESTIVAL**

**Sponsors:** Community Recreation

**Indexes:** Presentation

Maya Solis, South Region Director, gave a presentation on the Chicago Park District's Teens in the Park Festival (TIP) and introduced Sonica Ruiz, Program Specialist, who introduced the 2022 TIP Fest winners: 1st Place: Enama and 2nd Place: Sam the Sentient.

The TIP fest winners spoke on their experience participating in the Teens in the Park Fest.

**4. PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS:**

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**CHICAGO PARK DISTRICT DISPARITY STUDY**

**Sponsors:** Purchasing

**Indexes:** Report

Mark Reed, Director of Purchasing, addressed the Commissioners and introduced outside consultant, Colette Holt, from Colette Holt & Associates, who gave a presentation on the Chicago Park District Disparity Study. Following the presentation, Mark Reed addressed Chicago Park District's initiatives related to the study's findings and recommendations.

## 5. PEOPLE IN THE PARKS:

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### PUBLIC COMMENTS

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**Sponsors:** Office of the Secretary

**Indexes:** Public Comments

The following members of the public addressed the Commissioners:

1. Susan Mullen (Addressed the proposed chapter VII code amendments and the impacts of large festivals in Douglass Park)
2. Joseph Ruiz (Addressed safety hazards of a sidewalk on the lakefront at Calumet Park and requested repairs)
3. Louise McCurry (Addressed ongoing issues with the Jackson Park PAC and the impact on volunteerism)
4. May Toy (Presented an analysis and request for increased funding for community gardens in parks)

Written testimony was received from Rebecca Wolfram.

Marissa Barraza-Sandoval, Jackson Blue, Philip McGrath, and Ellen Isaacson registered to speak but were unavailable for comment.

## 6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

There was nothing to present.

## 7. NEW BUSINESS:

There was nothing to present.

## 8. ADJOURNED

A motion was made by Commissioner Telli, seconded by Commissioner Walker, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** 7 - Hamilton, Valle, Edwards, Hemphill Netzky, Munoz, Telli and Walker