PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTER II OF THE CODE OF THE CHICAGO PARK DISTRICT

ORDINANCE

- **WHEREAS,** the Chicago Park District (the "Park District") is a body politic and corporate, and unit of local government created pursuant to the Chicago Park District Act, 70 ILCS 1505/0.01 et seq., as amended (the "Act"); and
- **WHEREAS**, under the Act, the Park District may establish by ordinance all needful rules and regulations for the government and protection of parks; and
- **WHEREAS**, Chapter II of the Code of the Chicago Park District sets forth the policy for remote attendance to Board Meetings;
- **WHERAS,** Chapter II of the Code of the Chicago Park District also sets forth the Office of the Inspector General's reporting procedure for results of investigations or reviews;
- **WHEREAS**, the Park District desires to amend Chapter II of the Code of the Chicago Park District to include recent amendments to the Open Meetings Act regarding remote attendance;
- **WHEREAS**, the Park District desires to amend Chapter II of the Code of the Chicago Park District to clarify the redactions of personal identifying information in the investigation summary reports and to set a clear process for responses to any recommendation for discipline or other administrative action recommended by the Office of the Inspector General in an investigation summary report;
- **WHEREAS**, the amendments to Chapter II of the Code of the Chicago Park District were presented to the Board at the January 24, 2024 Board Meeting, after which the Secretary initiated a notice period of at least forty-five (45) days, commencing from the date the amendments were presented to the Board; and
- **WHEREAS**, the public could submit public comment through the Chicago Park District's website and by calling or writing to the Department of Legislative and Community Affairs; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Chicago Park District did not receive any public comments submitted in response to the proposed Amendments to Chapter II of the Code; and
- **WHEREAS**, the Chicago Park District now presents the final amendments to Chapter II to the Board for consideration.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE CHICAGO PARK DISTRICT:
 - **SECTION 1.** The above recitals are expressly incorporated in and made part of this

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ordinance as though fully set forth herein.

- **SECTION 2.** Chapter II of the Code of the Chicago Park District is hereby amended by making the changes identified in the enclosed **Exhibit A**.
- **SECTION 3.** To the extent that the Code of the Chicago Park District or any ordinance, resolution, rule, order or provision of the Park District, or part thereof, conflicts with the provisions of this ordinance, the provisions of this ordinance shall govern and control to the extent necessary to effectuate the purpose of this ordinance.
- **SECTION 4.** If any section, paragraph, clause, or provision of this ordinance shall be held invalid, the invalidity of such section, paragraph, clause or provision shall not affect any other provisions of this ordinance.
 - **SECTION 5.** This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage.