

Chicago Park District



Meeting Minutes - Final

Friday, January 17, 2025

7:30 AM

SPECIAL MEETING

Chicago Park District Administration Building (Park 596)

4830 S. Western Avenue,

Chicago, IL 60609

Board of Commissioners

Commissioner Coya Paz Brownrigg

Commissioner Robert Castaneda

Commissioner Sean Garrett

Commissioner Philip Jackson

Commissioner Sharon Bush

Vice President Modesto Valle

President Marlon Everett

NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

In accordance with the provisions of 5 ILCS 120/1 et seq., PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the SPECIAL BOARD MEETING will be held on Friday, January 17, 2025 at 7:30 A.M. at the Chicago Park District Administration Building (Park 596) located at 4830 South Western Avenue, Chicago, IL 60609.

For the January 17, 2025 Special Board Meeting, public comment will be limited to five (5) registered speakers. Advanced registration to speak will begin Tuesday, January 14, 2025 through Thursday, January 16, 2025 at 12:00 P.M. or until all slots are filled. Please find the public participation rules and registration instructions here:

<https://www.chicagoparkdistrict.com/public-participation-rules>

ORDER OF BUSINESS

- Roll Call
- Public Comments
- Closed Session
- Open Session
- Adjournment

By order of President Marlon Everett

In compliance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. Section 794) and the Americans with Disabilities Act (42 U.S.C. Section 12101 et seq.), the Chicago Park District does not discriminate on the basis of disability in employment or admission/access to programs and activities.

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Marlon Everett
President

Sarah Gelder
Secretary

Roll Call

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

Present: 6 - Vice President Modesto Valle, Commissioner Coya Paz Brownrigg, Commissioner Philip Jackson, Commissioner Robert Castaneda, Commissioner Sean Garrett and President Marlon Everett

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Sharon Bush

1. PUBLIC COMMENTS

The following members of the public addressed the Commissioners:

1. Philip McGrath (Addressed a Freedom of Information Act request for 2014 records and the financial standing of the District and the Pension Board)

2. CLOSED SESSION:

[25-1130-011](#)

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Sponsors: Law Department and Commissioners' Office

Attachments: [25.01.17 Executive Session Minutes](#)

President Everett stated that the Commissioners would enter Closed Session to consider matters appropriately discussed in Closed Session, pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120 Section 2, Subsections (c) (1) and (16).

A motion was made by Vice President Valle, seconded by Commissioner Garrett, that the meeting enter into Closed Session. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Valle, Paz Brownrigg, Jackson, Castaneda, Garrett and Everett

Absent: 1 - Bush

3. OPEN SESSION

A motion was made by Vice President Valle, seconded by Commissioner Castaneda, that the meeting return to Open Session. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Valle, Paz Brownrigg, Castaneda, Garrett and Everett

Absent: 2 - Jackson and Bush

The Secretary stated for the record that Commissioner Jackson left the meeting during Closed Session.

Present: 5 - Vice President Modesto Valle, Commissioner Coya Paz Brownrigg, Commissioner Robert Castaneda, Commissioner Sean Garrett and President Marlon Everett

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Philip Jackson and Commissioner Sharon Bush

4. ADJOURNED

A motion was made by Commissioner Castaneda, seconded by Commissioner Paz Brownrigg, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Valle, Paz Brownrigg, Castaneda, Garrett and Everett

Absent: 2 - Jackson and Bush