

# Chicago Park District



## Meeting Minutes - Final

Wednesday, November 16, 2022

11:30 AM

### REGULAR MEETING

Columbus (Christopher) Park Fieldhouse  
500 S. Central Avenue  
Chicago, IL 60644

### 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, November 16, 2022, at 11:30 A.M. or immediately following the Public Budget Hearing at Columbus Park Fieldhouse located at 500 S Central Ave, Chicago, IL 60644.

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

- Roll Call
- General Business
- Approval of the Minutes
- Acknowledging Excellence
- Code Amendments
- 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 during the Public Budget Hearing.

## 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 Andrea Telli and Commissioner Sharif Walker

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Jose M. Munoz

## 1. GENERAL BUSINESS:

[22-1104-111](#)

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### **CERTIFICATE OF PUBLICATION OF THE NOTICE OF THE CHICAGO PARK DISTRICT PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING BEING HELD ON NOVEMBER 16, 2022, AT 11:00 AM AND NOTICE OF THE RELEASE OF THE CHICAGO PARK DISTRICT 2023 PROPOSED OPERATING BUDGET REPORT AND THE 2023 TENTATIVE APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION**

**Sponsors:** Office of the Secretary

**Indexes:** Certificate of Publication

This Certificate was marked as received and filed by the Secretary

[22-1105-111](#)

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### **DESIGNATION OF INDIVIDUALS TO SERVE AS ILLINOIS ASSOCIATION OF PARK DISTRICTS (IAPD) DELEGATES**

**Sponsors:** Commissioners' Office

**Indexes:** Appointment

A Nomination was made by President Hamilton, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, for Timothy O'Connell and Daphne Johnson to serve as Illinois Association of Park District Delegates.

The Nomination carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** 6 - Hamilton, Valle, Edwards, Hemphill Netzky, Telli and Walker

**Absent:** 1 - Munoz

## 2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

[22-1102-111](#)

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### **APPROVAL OF THE MEETING MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR**

**MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 12, 2022 AND THE SPECIAL  
MEETING HELD ON NOVEMBER 7, 2022**

**Sponsors:** Office of the Secretary

**Indexes:** Meeting Minutes

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

**Aye:** 6 - Hamilton, Valle, Edwards, Hemphill Netzky, Telli and Walker

**Absent:** 1 - Munoz

**3. ACKNOWLEDGE EXCELLENCE:**

[22-1110-111](#)

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**RECOGNITION OF THE CHICAGO WHEELCHAIR SOFTBALL CLUB'S  
DIVISION II NATIONAL TITLE**

**Sponsors:** Disability Policy Office

**Indexes:** Presentation

**Larry Labiak, Disability Policy Officer, gave a presentation in recognition of the Chicago Wheelchair Division II National Title and introduced the players.**

**The following Coaches were recognized: Derek Daniels, Director of Shirley Ryan Ability Lab Health & Fitness Center, Dan Ferreira, Head Coach and Program & Event Facilitator, and Pierre Nealon, Assistant Coach and Adaptive Sports Coordinator and Shirley Ryan Ability Lab. The following players were recognized: Angelo Cruz, Ernest Currie, Seth Goldberg, Curtis Lease, Paul Moran, Peter Ruiz, and Deandre Sewood.**

**4. CODE AMENDMENTS:**

[22-1106-111](#)

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**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTER XI OF THE CODE OF THE CHICAGO PARK DISTRICT**

**Sponsors:** Commissioners' Office and Law Department

**Indexes:** Code Change

**Attachments:** [Exhibit A Proposed Amendments Chapter XI of CPD Code](#)

President Hamilton made remarks about the proposed amendments to Chapter XI of the Chicago Park District Code that will modernize purchasing and contract procedures and strengthen reporting requirements and transparency.

Interim General Counsel, Heather Keil, presented the proposed amendments to Chapter XI of the Chicago Park District Code and noted that this presentation will start a 45-day public comment period on the proposed amendments.

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**AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTER VII OF THE CODE OF THE CHICAGO PARK DISTRICT**

**Sponsors:** Commissioners' Office and Law Department

**Indexes:** Code Change

**Attachments:** [Ordinance Amendments To Chapter VII of the CPD Code](#)  
[Exhibit A Proposed Amendments to Chapter VII of the CPD Code](#)

President Hamilton made remarks about the proposed amendments to Chapter VII of the Code of the Chicago Park District and provided a summary of the public comments received during the 45-day public comment period.

Interim General Counsel, Heather Keil, presented proposed amendments to Chapter VII of the Chicago Park District Code to modify the permit process and require that large events over 10,000 attendees receive Board approval.

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

**Aye:** 6 - Hamilton, Valle, Edwards, Hemphill Netzky, Telli and Walker

**Absent:** 1 - Munoz

**5. PEOPLE IN THE PARKS:**

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**PUBLIC COMMENTS  
NOVEMBER 16, 2022**

**Sponsors:** Office of the Secretary

**Indexes:** Public Comments

The following members of the public addressed the Commissioners:

1. Delacy Peters (Addressed the need for dredging efforts at the Jackson Park outer harbor)
2. Cornelia Hailey-Gamble (Requested a fieldhouse at Kells Park )
3. Philip McGrath (Addressed the park annuity and pension fund)
4. Claudia Galeno-Sanchez (Expressed concerns about multi-day festivals in parks and safety)
5. Denise Ferguson (Requested park improvements in Douglass Park)
6. Susan Mullen (Expressed concerns over multi-day private festivals in Douglass Park)
7. Cecilia Butler (Expressed appreciation for a recent weekend community event and the MLK Center)
8. Michael Ulreich (Requested lower fees at the Gately Park Dr. Worrill Track and Field Center)
9. Karl Brinson (Requested moving oversight of the Columbus Park Refectory from Revenue to Community Recreation/Central Region)
10. Jane McClendon (Requested that Columbus Park Refectory be open to more community-led events)
11. Gina Jameson (Requested a framework plan at Garfield Park)

Tina Augustus, Jill Ramos, and George Blakemore were registered to speak but were unavailable for comment.

Written Testimony was received by Rebecca Wolfram.

**6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

There was noting to present.

**7. NEW BUSINESS:**

[22-1109-111](#)

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**AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH  
WOODHOUSE TINUCCI ARCHITECTS FOR DESIGN OF THE MORAN  
PARK FIELDHOUSE AND SPRAY FEATURE  
SPECIFICATION NO. P-16015-149**

**Sponsors:** Planning and Construction

**Indexes:** Contract Award-IFB, RFP, RFQ

**Attachments:** EDS - Woodhouse Tinucci Architects

[MWBE Schedules - Woodhouse Tinucci Architects](#)

Heather Gleason, Director of Planning and Construction, addressed the Commissioners. Deputy Director of Purchasing, Kareem Burgess, also addressed the Commissioners.

A motion was made by Vice President Valle, seconded by Commissioner Telli,

that the matter be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** 6 - Hamilton, Valle, Edwards, Hemphill Netzky, Telli and Walker

**Absent:** 1 - Munoz

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**AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH BOOTH  
HANSEN ARCHITECTS FOR DESIGN OF THE ROBINSON (JACKIE)  
PARK FIELDHOUSE  
SPECIFICATION NO. P-16015-146**

**Sponsors:** Planning and Construction

**Indexes:** Contract Award-IFB, RFP, RFQ

**Attachments:** EDS - Booth Hansen Architects

[MWBE Schedules - Booth Hansen Architects](#)

Heather Gleason, Director of Planning and Construction, addressed the Commissioners. Deputy Director of Purchasing, Kareem Burgess, also addressed the Commissioners.

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

**Aye:** 6 - Hamilton, Valle, Edwards, Hemphill Netzky, Telli and Walker

**Absent:** 1 - Munoz

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**AUTHORIZATION TO PARTICIPATE IN COOK COUNTY CONTRACT  
2112-06151 WITH CLARITY PARTNERS, LLC FOR WEBSITE  
HOSTING, MAINTENANCE, AND SUPPORT**

**Sponsors:** Information Technology

**Indexes:** Joint Purchasing Agreement

**Attachments:** EDS - Clarity Partners LLC

[MWBE Schedules - Clarity Partners LLC](#)

Alman Ruiz, Director of Information Technology, addressed the Commissioners. Deputy Director of Purchasing, Kareem Burgess, also addressed the Commissioners.

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

**Aye:** 6 - Hamilton, Valle, Edwards, Hemphill Netzky, Telli and Walker

**Absent:** 1 - Munoz

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**AUTHORITY TO EXTEND PREVIOUSLY GRANTED AUTHORITY  
ESTABLISHED UNDER SPECIFICATION NO. P-15000,  
SPECIFICATION NO. P-16015, AND SPECIFICATION NO. P-16008 TO  
ENTER INTO CONTRACTS WITH PRE-QUALIFIED VENDORS**

**Sponsors:** Purchasing

**Beth Tomlins, Deputy Chief Operating Officer, addressed the Commissioners.**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Edwards, seconded by Vice President Valle, that the matter be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 6 - Hamilton, Valle, Edwards, Hemphill Netzky, Telli and Walker

**Absent:** 1 - Munoz

**8. CLOSED SESSION:**

**General Superintendent and CEO, Rosa Escareno, addressed the Commissioners and introduced the new Director of the Office of Prevention and Accountability, Tamara Starks.**

Pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Telli, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, that the meeting enter into Closed Session. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 6 - Hamilton, Valle, Edwards, Hemphill Netzky, Telli and Walker

**Absent:** 1 - Munoz

**9. OPEN SESSION**

**The Secretary stated for the record that Commissioner Hemphill Netzky left the meeting during closed session.**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Telli, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, that the meeting return to Open Session. The motion carried by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 6 - Hamilton, Valle, Edwards, Hemphill Netzky, Telli and Walker

**Absent:** 1 - Munoz

**10. ADJOURNED**

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

**Aye:** 6 - Hamilton, Valle, Edwards, Hemphill Netzky, Telli and Walker

**Absent:** 1 - Munoz