

Chicago Park District



Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 11, 2017

3:30 PM

ADMINISTRATION BUILDING AT 541 NORTH FAIRBANKS COURT,
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60611
8TH FLOOR BOARD ROOM

Board of Commissioners

Commissioner M. Laird Koldyke

Commissioner Juan Salgado

Commissioner Erika Allen

Commissioner Donald Edwards

Commissioner Tim King

Vice President Avis LaVelle

President Jesse Ruiz

PUBLIC NOTICE

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter II, Section A (3) of the Code of the Chicago Park District PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the REGULAR BOARD MEETING will be held on Wednesday, January 11, 2017, at 3:30 P.M. in the 8th Floor Board Room of the Administration Building at 541 N. Fairbanks Court, Chicago, Illinois 60611.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Roll Call
Approval of the Minutes
Presentation from the Departments
People in the Parks
Communications and Reports
Unfinished Business
New Business
Adjournment

By order of President Jesse Ruiz

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Jesse Ruiz
President

Kantrice Ogletree
Secretary

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call

A roll call was taken and the following Commissioners were in attendance:

Commissioner M. Laird Koldyke

Commissioner Erika Allen

Commissioner Donald Edwards

Commissioner Tim King

President Jesse Ruiz

5 - Commissioner M. Laird Koldyke, Commissioner Erika Allen, Commissioner Donald Edwards, Commissioner Tim King and Commissioner Jesse Ruiz

2 - Commissioner Juan Salgado and Vice President Avis LaVelle

1. GENERAL BUSINESS

[17-2634-011](#) CERTIFICATE OF FILING OF EXECUTED BOND ORDER SERIES A-E

[1](#)

Indexes: Certificate of Filing

The certificate was received and filed.

[17-2635-011](#) CERTIFICATE OF PUBLICATION OF THE 2017 ANNUAL
[1](#) APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE

Indexes: Certificate of Publication

The certificate was received and filed.

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

[17-2640-011](#)

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APPROVAL OF THE MEETING MINUTES FROM THE PUBLIC
HEARING HELD ON DECEMBER 7, 2016 AND THE REGULAR
SCHEDULED MEETING HELD ON DECEMBER 14, 2016

Indexes: Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Commissioner Koldyke, seconded by Commissioner King, that the meeting minutes be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Koldyke, Allen, Edwards, King and Ruiz

Absent: 2 - Salgado and LaVelle

3. CLOSED SESSION

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

Aye: 5 - Koldyke, Allen, Edwards, King and Ruiz

Absent: 2 - Salgado and LaVelle

17-2637-011

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**ATTORNEY-CLIENT COMMUNICATION
PRIVILEGED AND CONFIDENTIAL**

RANDY SKWIERCZYNSKI V. CHICAGO PARK DISTRICT:

CASE NO.

14 WC 028522

Indexes: Workmans' Compensation

This item was discussion only. Commissioner Salgado joined the meeting during Closed Session.

4. OPEN SESSION

A motion was made by Commissioner King, seconded by Commissioner Koldyke that the meeting return to open session. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Koldyke, Salgado, Allen, Edwards, King and Ruiz

Absent: 1 - LaVelle

Report on Closed Session Discussion

President Ruiz reiterated that the Board of Commissioners went into Closed Session to consider matters appropriately discussed in Closed Session, pursuant to 5ILCS120 Section 2 Subsection (C).

A motion was made by Commissioner Koldyke, seconded by Commissioner Allen, that the settlement claim be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Koldyke, Salgado, Allen, Edwards, King and Ruiz

Absent: 1 - LaVelle

5. PEOPLE IN THE PARKS

The following members of the public addressed the Board of Commissioners:

Juanita Irizarry
Cecillia Butler
Brenda Nelms
Margaret Schmid
Shannon Christian
Naomi Davis
Elaine Sobel
Julia Packard
George Blakemore
Gary Ossewarde
Louise McCurry

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PUBLIC COMMENTS 01.11.17

6. PRESENTATION FROM THE DEPARTMENTS:

[16-2643-011](#)

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ANNUAL REPORT FROM THE PARKS FOUNDATION

Willa Lang, Executive Director of the Chicago Parks Foundation, presented an annual report.

[17-2642-011](#)

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UPDATE TO 2016 STRATEGIC PLAN

Brendan Daley, Director of Strategic Development, presented an update to the 2016 Strategic Plan.

A motion was made by Commissioner King, seconded by Commissioner Koldyke, that this item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Koldyke, Salgado, Allen, Edwards, King and Ruiz

Absent: 1 - LaVelle

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Under Unfinished Business, there is nothing to present.

8. NEW BUSINESS:

[17-2636-011](#)[1](#)

**AUTHORITY TO ENTER INTO INTERGOVERNMENTAL
AGREEMENTS
WITH THE CITY OF CHICAGO AND VARIOUS STATE AND LOCAL
GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES TO ACCEPT THE TRANSFER OF
VARIOUS
FUNDS AND SERVICES FOR PARK PROJECTS**

Indexes: Intergovernmental Agreements (IGA)

Dorothy Carroll, Counsel, addressed the Commissioners.

A motion was made by Koldyke, seconded by Edwards, that this Action Item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Koldyke, Salgado, Allen, Edwards, King and Ruiz

Absent: 1 - LaVelle

[17-2638-011](#)[1](#)

**AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT
WITH SMITHGROUP JJR, INC. FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR
SOUTH SHORE PARK AND JACKSON PARK RENOVATIONS
SPECIFICATION NO. P-11007-123**

Indexes: Contract Award-IFB, RFP, RFQ

Heather Gleason, Director of Planning and Construction, addressed the Commissioners.

A motion was made by Koldyke, seconded by Edwards, that this Action Item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Koldyke, Salgado, Allen, Edwards, King and Ruiz

Absent: 1 - LaVelle

[17-2639-011](#)[1](#)

**AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH
UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS CHICAGO FOR WATER SAMPLE
TESTING SERVICES FOR CHICAGO PARK DISTRICT BEACHES**

Indexes: Intergovernmental Agreements (IGA)

Cathy Breitenbach, Director of Cultural and Natural Resources, addressed the Commissioners.

A motion was made by Koldyke, seconded by Edwards, that this Action Item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Koldyke, Salgado, Allen, Edwards, King and Ruiz

Absent: 1 - LaVelle

9. ADJOURNED

A motion was made by Commissioner Edwards, seconded by Commissioner Allen, that this meeting be adjourned.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Koldyke, Salgado, Allen, Edwards, King and Ruiz

Absent: 1 - LaVelle