

# Chicago Park District



## Meeting Minutes - Final

Wednesday, April 14, 2021

11:30 AM

Virtual Regular Board Meeting

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### **Board of Commissioners**

*Commissioner M. Laird Koldyke*

*Commissioner Donald Edwards*

*Commissioner David A. Helfand*

*Commissioner Ashley Hemphill Netzky*

*Commissioner Jose M. Munoz*

*Vice President Tim King*

*President Avis LaVelle*

## PUBLIC NOTICE

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter II, Section A of the Code of the Chicago Park District and due to the COVID-19 health emergency and to protect our Board Members, Chicago Park District staff, and members of the public, NOTICE is hereby given that the Regular Board Meeting of the Commissioners of the Chicago Park District will be held remotely on April 14, 2021 at 11:30 AM.

To protect the public's health and in adherence with Senate Bill 2135, Article 15, Section 15-5 and the Amended Open Meetings Act 5ILCS 120 Section (7) Subsection (e), (4) and in continued adherence of the Governor's Order which includes social distancing guidelines, pursuant to Executive Order 2020-07 and Covid-19 Executive Order No. 76, the District will conduct its Board of Commissioners' Meeting virtually via an electronic platform.

Click on the link below or copy and paste it in your browser to join the virtual meeting  
[https://rebrand.ly/CPDLive\\_Board\\_Mtg\\_4-14-21](https://rebrand.ly/CPDLive_Board_Mtg_4-14-21)

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## ORDER OF BUSINESS

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

### By order of President Avis LaVelle

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.

Any person with a disability who desires special accommodations or the services of a sign language interpreter in order to attend a meeting of the Chicago Park District Board of Commissioners, should contact Disability Policy Officer, Larry Labiak, 504 Compliance Officer, 541 North Fairbanks Court, Chicago, Illinois 60611, at 312/742-5097 or telephone 312/747-2001 (TTY) at least 72 hours before the Board Meeting.

**Avis LaVelle**  
**President**

**Kantrice Ogletree**  
**Secretary**

## Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was taken.

## Roll Call

A roll call was taken and the following Commissioners was found to be in attendance:

**Present:** 7 - Commissioner Donald Edwards, Vice President Tim King, President Avis LaVelle, Commissioner David A. Helfand, Commissioner M. Laird Koldyke, Commissioner Ashely Hemphill Netzky and Commissioner Jose M. Munoz

## 1. GENERAL BUSINESS

[21-1282-041](#)

[4](#)

**CERTIFICATES OF RECEIPT BY COOK AND DUPAGE COUNTY CLERKS ACKNOWLEDGING RECEIPT OF CERTIFICATES OF ANNUAL ABATEMENT**

**Sponsors:** Treasurer

**Indexes:** Certificates

This was marked as received and filed by the Secretary.

## 2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

[21-1285-041](#)

[4](#)

**APPROVAL OF THE MEETING MINUTES FROM THE REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING HELD ON MARCH 10, 2021**

A motion was made by Vice President Tim King and Seconded by Commissioner Ashley Netzky that the minutes be adopted. The motion prevailed with the following vote:

**Aye:** 7 - Edwards, King, LaVelle, Helfand, Koldyke, Hemphill Netzky and Munoz

## 3. ACKNOWLEDGE EXCELLENCE

Nothing was presented for consideration.

## 4. PRESENTATION FROM THE DEPARTMENTS:

Nothing was presented for consideration.

## 5. COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS:

Nothing was presented for consideration.

**6. PEOPLE IN THE PARKS:**

The following members of the public addressed the Commissioners:

- 1. Michele Dreczynski
- 2. Louise McCurry
- 3. Bob Dolgan
- 4. N'Dana Carter
- 5. Michael Ulreich
- 6. May Toy
- 7. Jessica Leon

Written Testimony was received from:

Tara Shedor

**21-1286-041**

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Public Comment  
April 14, 2021

This Public Comments was heard

**7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Nothing was presented for consideration.

**8. NEW BUSINESS:**

[21-1281-041](#)

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**AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER IV OF  
THE CODE OF THE CHICAGO PARK DISTRICT**

**Indexes:** Code Change

Jessica Maxey-Faulkner, Chief Diversity Officer, addressed the Commissioners.

A motion was made by Vice President Tim King and Seconded by Commissioner Laird Koldyke that the minutes be adopted. The motion prevailed with the following vote:

**Aye:** 7 - Edwards, King, LaVelle, Helfand, Koldyke, Hemphill Netzky and Munoz

**9. CLOSED SESSION**

A motion by Vice President Tim King and seconded by Commissioner Laird Koldyke to enter into closed session pursuant to 5ILC 120 Section 2, Subsection (C), (1). The motion prevailed with a voice vote of 7-Ayes and 0-Nays.

[21-1283-041](#)

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**RESIGNATION OF KANTRICE OGLETREE AS SECRETARY OF THE  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE CHICAGO PARK DISTRICT**

**Sponsors:** Commissioners' Office

Discussion Only, No Action was Taken.

[21-1284-041](#)[4](#)**APPOINTMENT OF SECRETARY PRO TEMPORE OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE CHICAGO PARK DISTRICT****Sponsors:** Commissioners' Office**Indexes:** Appointment**Discussion Only, No Action was Taken.****10. OPEN SESSION**

A motion by Vice President and seconded by Commissioner Laird Koldyke to return to open session pursuant to 5ILC 120 Section 2. The motion prevailed with a voice vote of 7-Ayes and 0-Nays.

**Report on Closed Session Discussion**[21-1283-041](#)[4](#)**RESIGNATION OF KANTRICE OGLETREE AS SECRETARY OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE CHICAGO PARK DISTRICT****Sponsors:** Commissioners' Office

A motion was made by Vice President Tim King and seconded by Commissioner Laird Koldyke that the resignation be accepted. The motion prevailed with the following roll call vote:

**Aye:** 7 - Edwards, King, LaVelle, Helfand, Koldyke, Hemphill Netzky and Munoz

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A motion was made by Vice President Tim King and seconded by Commissioner Laird Koldyke that Sarah Gelder be appointed as Secretary Pro Tempore. The motion prevailed with the following roll call vote:

**Aye:** 7 - Edwards, King, LaVelle, Helfand, Koldyke, Hemphill Netzky and Munoz

**11. ADJOURNED**