

Chicago Park District



Meeting Minutes - Final

Wednesday, April 20, 2022

11:30 AM

FOSCO (PETER) PARK
1312 S. Racine Avenue,
Chicago, IL 60608

Board of Commissioners

Commissioner Donald Edwards

Commissioner Ashley Hemphill Netzky

Commissioner Jose M. Munoz

Commissioner Modesto Valle

Commissioner Andrea Telli

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, April 20, 2022, at 11:30 A.M. at Fosco (Peter) Park located at 1312 S. Racine Avenue, Chicago, IL 60608.

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 Myetie H. Hamilton

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Myetie H. Hamilton
President

Sarah Gelder
Secretary

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call

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

Present: 6 - Commissioner Jose M. Munoz, Commissioner Ashley Hemphill Netzky, Commissioner Donald Edwards, President Myetie Hamilton, Commissioner Modesto Valle and Commissioner Andrea Telli

1. GENERAL BUSINESS:

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CERTIFICATE OF PUBLICATION FOR THE CHANGE OF DATE AND CALENDAR OF THE CHICAGO PARK DISTRICT BOARD MEETING ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED FOR APRIL 13, 2022, CHANGED TO APRIL 20, 2022

Sponsors: Office of the Secretary

Indexes: Certificate of Publication

This Certificate was marked as received and filed by the Secretary.

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

[22-1039-042](#)

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APPROVAL OF THE MEETING MINUTES FROM FOR THE REGULAR MEETING HELD ON MARCH 9, 2022 AND THE CORRECTED MEETING MINUTES FOR THE PUBLIC HEARING HELD ON FEBRUARY 16, 2022

Sponsors: Office of the Secretary

Indexes: Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Commissioner Hemphill Netzky, seconded by Commissioner Valle, that the Meeting Minutes for the Regular Meeting held on March 9, 2022 and the corrected Meeting Minutes for the Public Hearing held on February 16, 2022 be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

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PUBLICATION OF A PORTION OF THE NOVEMBER 10, 2021 EXECUTIVE SESSION RECORDING

Sponsors: Commissioners' Office

Indexes: Executive Session Minute Reveiw

A motion was made by Commissioner Hemphill Netzkly, seconded by Commissioner Edwards, for the publication of the November 10, 2021 Executive Session Recording. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Munoz, Hemphill Netzkly, Edwards, Hamilton, Valle and Telli

3. ACKNOWLEDGE EXCELLENCE:

[22-1049-042](#)

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RECOGNITION OF THE CHICAGO PARK DISTRICT WATER POLO CLUB AND CLUB COACH, HERIBERTO GARCIA, FOR THE PROGRAM'S RECENT ACHIEVEMENT IN THE BRENDA VILLA MIDWEST ZONE AWARDS

Sponsors: Community Recreation

Indexes: Presentation

Daphne Johnson, Chief Programming Officer, and Andrew Walsh, Aquatics Manager, gave a presentation on the Chicago Park District's award-winning Water Polo Club and coach, Heriberto Garcia. Water Polo Club participants Omar Alex Mendez and Bella Morquecho along with coach Angelo Espinosa were also present and recognized.

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RECOGNITION OF MAYOR HAROLD WASHINGTON'S CENTENNIAL BIRTHDAY

Sponsors: Office of General Superintendent

Indexes: Presentation

In honor of late Mayor Harold Washington's Centennial Birthday, Interim General Superintendent, Rosa Escareno, gave a presentation in recognition of Mayor Washington's contributions to the City of Chicago and the Chicago Park District during his tenure. Celebratory events at Harold Washington Park and other parks districtwide were announced.

4. PRESENTATION FROM THE DEPARTMENTS:

There was nothing to present.

5. COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS:

There was nothing to present.

6. PEOPLE IN THE PARKS:

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PUBLIC COMMENTS APRIL 20, 2022

Sponsors: Office of the Secretary

Indexes: Public Comments

The following members of the public addressed the Commissioners:

1. Judy Johanson (CDOT's proposed Dicken's Greenway/bikepath by Oz Park)
2. Ed Fitzpatrick (CDOT's proposed Dicken's Greenway/bikepath by Oz Park)
3. Princess Shaw (Community engagement for festivals in Douglass Park)
4. Susan Mullen (For profit private music festivals in Douglass Park)
5. Xochitl Esparza (Summer Smash festival in Douglass Park)
6. Alberto Solorio (Summer Smash organizer on festival in Douglass Park)
7. Rachel Birkhahn-Rommelfanger (Introduction to the Board as Friends of the Park Policy and Advocacy Director and creation of the Office of Protection and Accountability)
8. Marc Lipinski (Selection of the eastern end of the Midway Plaisance as the replacement UPARR site)
9. Cecilia Butler (Washington Park tree health, upcoming visit from the National Organization of Olmstead Parks, curb issues, framework plan for Washington Park)
10. May Toy (new Skinner Park fieldhouse and green space deficit in neighborhood)
11. George Blakemore (Equity in park services and location of Chicago Park District headquarters)

These speakers were heard.

Nelson Borelli, Michele Dreczynski, and Sara Heymann submitted written testimony.

Jorge Angel, Ismael Enriquez, David Kostelansky, and Dona Vitale registered to speak but were unavailable for comment.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

There was nothing to present.

8. NEW BUSINESS:

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

Sponsors: Law Department

Indexes: Code Change

Attachments: [Ordinance - Proposed Chapter 4 Code Amendments](#)

[Exhibit A - Proposed Chapter 4 Code Amendments](#)

Existing Chapter 4 CPD Code

Interim General Superintendent, Rosa Escareno, presented proposed amendments to Chapter IV of the Chicago Park District Code to update the Human Rights Ordinance and to establish the Office of Prevention and Accountability.

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

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

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**AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH INTER-CITY
SUPPLY CO., INC. FOR THE SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF FLOOR
CREW FINISHING MATERIALS AND CONCENTRATED GREEN
CLEANING PRODUCTS
SPECIFICATION NO. P-21013**

Sponsors: Facility Management

Indexes: Contract Award-IFB, RFP, RFQ

Attachments: Inter-City Supply Co. - EDS

[Inter-City Supply Co. - MWBE Schedules](#)

Director of Facility Management, Bob Arlow, addressed the Commissioners.

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

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

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**AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH MUSE
COMMUNITY + DESIGN FOR DEVELOPMENT OF THE
WASHINGTON PARK FRAMEWORK PLAN
SPECIFICATION NO P-21016**

Sponsors: Planning and Construction

Indexes: Contract Award-IFB, RFP, RFQ

Attachments: MUSE - EDS

[MUSE - MWBE Schedules](#)

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

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

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

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**REQUEST TO OFFICIALLY NAME
KOLMAR PARK**

IN HONOR OF GERTRUD KOLMAR

Sponsors: Planning and Construction

Indexes: Park Renaming-Phase II, Park Naming

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

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

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

9. CLOSED SESSION:

Pursuant to 5ILCS 120 Section 2 Subsection C, (1), (11), & (12)

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

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

10. OPEN SESSION

Pursuant to 5ILCS 120 Section 2 Subsection C, (1) & (12)

Report on Closed Session Discussion

The Secretary stated for the record that Commissioner Munoz had left the meeting.

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

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

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**ATTORNEY-CLIENT COMMUNICATION
PRIVILEGED AND CONFIDENTIAL**

**SETTLEMENT OF THE CASE OF PAUL LINTA V. CHICAGO PARK
DISTRICT**

Sponsors: Law Department

Indexes: Settlement Agreement

A motion was made by Commissioner Telli, seconded by Commissioner Valle to approve the settlement. The motion carried with the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Hemphill Netzky, Edwards, Hamilton, Valle and Telli

Absent: 1 - Munoz

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**ATTORNEY-CLIENT COMMUNICATION
PRIVILEGED AND CONFIDENTIAL**

**SETTLEMENT OF THE CASE OF KATHLEEN J. CAHILL V. CHICAGO
PARK DISTRICT**

Sponsors: Law Department

Indexes: Settlement Agreement

A motion was made by Commissioner Hemphill Netzky, seconded by Commissioner Telli to approve the settlement. The motion carried with the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Hemphill Netzky, Edwards, Hamilton, Valle and Telli

Absent: 1 - Munoz

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**EXTENSION OF THE CONTRACT FOR THE INTERIM GENERAL
SUPERINTENDENT THROUGH MAY 31, 2022**

A motion was made by Commissioner Edwards, seconded by Commissioner Valle to extend the contract for the Interim General Superintendent through May 31, 2022. The motion carried with the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Hemphill Netzky, Edwards, Hamilton, Valle and Telli

Absent: 1 - Munoz

11. ADJOURNED

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

Aye: 5 - Hemphill Netzky, Edwards, Hamilton, Valle and Telli

Absent: 1 - Munoz