



# Chicago Park District

## Legislation Text

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### **AUTHORITY TO ACCEPT THE TRANSFER OF PROPERTY FROM THE CITY OF CHICAGO AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW PARKS**

To: The Honorable Board of Commissioners of the Chicago Park District

#### **I. Recommendation**

It is recommended that the Board of Commissioners of the Chicago Park District adopt an ordinance authorizing the transfer of various properties from the City of Chicago for the establishment of six new parks. It is further recommended that the Board authorize the General Superintendent, or his designee, to negotiate, enter into, and execute such agreements, amendments, indemnities, and instruments and perform any and all acts as shall be necessary or advisable in connection with the transaction(s) described herein.

#### **II. Agreement Information**

Grantor: City of Chicago  
121 N. LaSalle St.  
Chicago, IL 60602

Transfer Type: Intergovernmental Property Transfer in accordance with 50ILCS 605/2(a) of the Local Government Property Transfer Act.

Granting Instrument: Quit claim deed(s) from the City of Chicago transferring ownership to the Chicago Park District or lease from the City of Chicago and Intergovernmental Agreements.

Agreements: Intergovernmental agreements, amendments to intergovernmental agreements and, if applicable, temporary right of entry, easements, restrictive covenants, and any other agreements or instruments necessary to comply with any restrictions of record for a portion or the entirety of the Property and the transfer of funds for development.

Authorization: Authorize the General Superintendent to negotiate, enter into, and execute such intergovernmental agreements, amendments to intergovernmental agreements, indemnities, and instruments and perform any and all acts as shall be necessary or advisable in connection with the transactions described herein, including compliance with existing easements, if any, filing of street and alley vacation or dedication applications, plats of dedication, and other applicable requirements. Authorize the General Counsel to include other relevant terms and conditions in the written agreements, amendments and transfer instruments. Authorize the Secretary to attest as to the signing of the Agreements and transfer instruments and keep an original copy of the Agreement on file.

#### **III. Explanation**

The City of Chicago owns or is in the process of acquiring property located at 658 E. 95<sup>th</sup> Street, 6049 S. Whipple Street, 7206-08 S. Maplewood Avenue, 10108-10114 S. Exchange Avenue, 134-152 W. 119<sup>th</sup> Street, and 205-209 W. 110<sup>th</sup> Street. The City of Chicago intends to transfer these properties to the Park District for the development of six new parks.

These parks will contribute to one of the goals outlined in the Chicago Park District's 2016 Land Acquisition Plan. This goal is for

Chicago residents to be within a half mile or 10 minute walk to an open space. These parks will address this access need as well as the needs of the following Community Areas, Chicago Lawn, South Deering, Roseland and West Pullman and the following wards, the 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, and 34<sup>th</sup> wards.

#### **IV. General Conditions**

- 1) *Conflicts*: The Agreement shall not be legally binding on the Chicago Park District if entered into in violation of the provisions of 50 ILCS 105, the Public Officer Prohibited Activities Act.
- 2) *Ethics*: The Chicago Park District's Ethics Code, Chapter III of the Code of the Chicago Park District, shall be incorporated into and made part of the agreement.
- 3) *Contingent Liability*: Any agreement lawfully entered into for a period of more than one year shall be executory only for the amounts for which the Park District may become liable in succeeding fiscal years pursuant to 70 ILCS 17(i).