



Chicago Park District

Legislation Text

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AUTHORITY TO ENTER INTO AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL LEASE AGREEMENT AND ACCEPTANCE OF LAND FROM THE CITY OF CHICAGO FOR PETERSON PARK AND NORTH PARK VILLAGE NATURE CENTER PARK

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 lease and acceptance of land for Peterson Park (452) and North Park Village Nature Center Park (533) with the possible expansion of this site and a leasehold for the buildings associated with these parks from the City of Chicago. 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 described herein.

II. Agreement Information

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

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

Granting Instruments: Intergovernmental Agreement, Lease and/or Quit Claim Deed from the City of Chicago transferring leasehold and/or ownership of the land and leasehold rights to the buildings associated with the land to the Chicago Park District.

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 property commonly referred to as Peterson Park (452) and North Park Village Nature Center Park (533) located at 5801 N. Pulaski Road. The City intends to lease or transfer the land and to lease the buildings associated with these parks to the Park District. There is a conservation easement between the City of Chicago and Openlands associated with these properties. This conservation easement is in the process of being amended. When the amended easement is executed and recorded, the City and the Park District will complete the aforementioned transactions for Peterson Park (452) and North Park Village Nature Center Park (533).

Peterson Park is approximately 22.98 acres. North Park Village Nature Center Park is approximately 58.54 acres, with possibility of the land area being increased for this site. For many years Peterson Park and North Park Village Park have offered a variety of recreational opportunities, and have addressed the needs of the North Park Community Area and the 39th ward.

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).