

THE PRAIRIE PARK ADVISORY COUNCIL (PAC) Meeting  
 Kennedy Park Field House, 11320 S. Western Avenue, Chicago, IL 60643  
 Tuesday, December 10, 2024, 6:30-7:30 PM (IN PERSON ONLY)



## A G E N D A

I.	WELCOME: & CALL TO ORDER:	C. Williams	Call Meeting to Order. Please adhere to <u>Robert's Rules of Order</u> .
II.	NEW MEMBER(S)/GUEST(S):	I. Williams	Welcome New Members and/or Guests present. (Membership: 45)
III.	APPROVAL OF MINUTES:	C. Williams	PAC Mtg. Minutes from 11/12/24. Please review. <b>(ATTACHED)</b>
IV.	MOTION(S):	C. Williams	None at this time.
V.	TREASURER'S REPORT:	D. Niersbach	Treas. Report & Bank Statement (November 1-30, 2024). <b>(ATTACHED)</b>
VI.	PARK SUPERVISOR:	R. Medrano	(1) <u>GRANT RELATED</u> : Park improvement project UPDATES (ongoing). (2) <u>REQUESTS</u> : IN PROCESS and/or APPROVED requests for park use. (3) <u>CALENDAR</u> : SCHEDULE of park events. (4) <u>OTHER</u> . Contact [REDACTED]@chicagoparkdistrict.com
VII.	COMMITTEE REPORT(S):	(Approx. 3 min. each)	<b><i>Written reports are circulated by email to PAC in advance of PAC Meeting. Please provide a verbal summary only in person of highlights. Thanks!</i></b>
		L. Linnerud	Park Investment Committee: Committee report. <b>(ATTACHED)</b> Contact: [REDACTED]@gmail.com
		J. Altenbach	Park Events Planning Committee: Committee report. <b>(ATTACHED)</b> Contacts: [REDACTED]@gmail.com; [REDACTED]@icloud.com
		D. Jones	Garden Committee: Committee report. <b>(ATTACHED)</b> Contacts: [REDACTED]@gmail.com; [REDACTED]@gmail.com
VIII.	NEW BUSINESS:		Thanks to our business sponsor, COUNTY FAIR, we will have a free drawing for a County Fair gift card. Winner needs to be present.
IX.	ADDITIONAL BUSINESS:		Giving Tuesday - End-of-Year Tax Deductible Donations Appeal. Please consider donating in any of 3 ways: (1) CASH donations at our PAC meetings; (2) CHECK made payable to " <u>THE PRAIRIE PARK ADVISORY COUNCIL</u> "; or 3) ONLINE donations on SwipeSimple (there are no processing fees) at <a href="https://swipesimple.com/links/lnk_7ebae5d3">https://swipesimple.com/links/lnk_7ebae5d3</a> . Thank you for your support!
			<u>Board Member Donations</u> : FYI - When we opened PAC account in early 2022, the Board Members each donated \$25 for an opening balance of \$100 at year end in 2021. Since then, we have continued the tradition after the PAC Board elections in Sept. every year (2022, 2023 & 2024). It is not mandatory, but we hope this tradition continues every year.
X.	UPCOMING EVENT(S):	FYI	<u>12/12/24</u> , Thurs. (1 pm): Chicago Parks Foundation – 8 <sup>th</sup> ZOOM PAC Roundtable on "Revisiting the PAC Resource Guide". RSVP: <a href="https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe2nVA00Acf5ybJFp4p_dgAH_Qp1AOmAfUePrXAHz-LskG4DA/viewform">https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe2nVA00Acf5ybJFp4p_dgAH_Qp1AOmAfUePrXAHz-LskG4DA/viewform</a> Contact: Emily Beach at <a href="mailto:ebeach@chicagoparksfoundation.org">ebeach@chicagoparksfoundation.org</a>
X.	PAST EVENT(S):	FYI	<u>11/20/24</u> , Wed. (9:30 am): Chicago Park District Public Budget Hearing: The General Superintendent & CEO presents the 2025 budget to the Board of Commissioners @ Chicago Park District Headquarters. Board President, Charles Williams, attended, but did not sign up to speak.
			<u>12/6/24</u> , Fri. (11:30 am-1 pm): PAC Lunch Hour with Maria Stone on ZOOM. This is a wonderful opportunity to catch up, ask questions, or make connections. This is a drop-in session and last one for 2024.
XI.	NEXT PAC MEETING:	C. Williams	<u>1/14/25</u> , Tues, (6:30-7:30 pm): Next PAC Meeting will be held on ZOOM only (virtual meeting).
XII.	ADJOURN:	C. Williams	Thank you for attending PAC Meeting. Happy Holidays!
	PAC Meetings for first quarter of 2025:	FYI	Tues., 6:30-7:30 pm: <u>1/14/25</u> & <u>2/11/25</u> via ZOOM only (virtual meetings). <u>3/11/25</u> back to IN PERSON meeting at Kennedy Park Fieldhouse (no ZOOM).
<b>HAPPY NEW YEAR !</b>		<u>2025</u>	Safe travels. Best wishes.

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2024-2025 THE PRAIRIE PAC BOARD:	Charles L. Williams, President Ivette D. Williams, Secretary	Lorraine K. Linnerud, Vice President Daniel Niersbach, Treasurer
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III.	APPROVAL OF MINUTES:	C. Williams	PAC Mtg. Minutes from 10/8/24. Please review in advance of PAC meeting.
			<b>(ATTACHED)</b>
IV.	SPECIAL ELECTION:	C. Williams	PAC Board Position of Treasurer for one year 2024-2025.
V.	MOTION(S):	C. Williams	<u>MOTION 1</u> : Enter motion to hold virtual meetings on ZOOM in 2025 for the following two months: January (1/14) & February (2/11), and resume in-person meeting in March (3/11).
			<u>MOTION 2</u> : Enter motion for The Prairie PAC to make a 2024 end-of-year gift of \$150 to our mother park, Kennedy Park, c/o park supervisor, Rebecca Medrano, to use at her discretion to support children's park programming (for example: the purchase of a Christmas tree, holiday décor, bookshelf for little free indoor library for children, etc.).
VI.	TREASURER'S REPORT:	C. Williams	Treas. Report & Bank Statement (October 1-31, 2024). <b>(ATTACHED)</b>
VII.	PARK SUPERVISOR:	R. Medrano	(1) <u>GRANT RELATED</u> : Park improvement project UPDATES (ongoing). (2) <u>REQUESTS</u> : Any requests IN PROCESS or APPROVED for park use? (3) <u>CALENDAR</u> : Is there a SCHEDULE of park events? Contact: [REDACTED] @chicagoparkdistrict.com
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X.	ADDITIONAL BUSINESS:		Giving Tuesday & End-of-Year Tax Deductible Donations Appeal. Please consider donating in any of 3 ways: (1) CASH donations at our PAC meetings; (2) CHECK made payable to "THE PRAIRIE PARK ADVISORY COUNCIL"; or (3) ONLINE donations on SwipeSimple (there are no processing fees & no credit card info. is stored) at <a href="https://swipesimple.com/links/lnk_7ebae5d3">https://swipesimple.com/links/lnk_7ebae5d3</a> . Thank you for your support!
XI.	PAST EVENTS:	FYI	10/15/24, Tues. (5-8 pm): The PRAIRIE PAC "Fall Social", hosted by Park Events Planning Committee; 2 door prizes; first business sponsor. 10/24/24, Thurs. (1-2 pm): CPF ZOOM ROUNDTABLE "Fiscal Partnership", Notes from Emily Beach attached in email.
XII.	NEXT PAC MEETING:	C. Williams	12/10/24, Tues, (6:30-7:30 pm): Next PAC Meeting will be held in person at Kennedy Park. This will be the last meeting for 2024.
XIII.	ADJOURN:	C. Williams	Thank you for attending PAC Meeting.

PAC Meetings for Remainder of 2024: FYI ➤ Tues., 6:30-7:30 pm, DEC. 10, 2024 – Kennedy Park Fieldhouse

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III.	APPROVAL OF MINUTES:	C. Williams	PAC Mtg. Minutes from 9/10/24. Please review in advance of PAC meeting.  <b>(ATTACHED)</b>
IV.	UNFINISHED BUSINESS:	C. Williams	Brief comments.
V.	MOTION(S):	C. Williams	None currently.
VI.	TREASURER'S REPORT:	C. Williams	Treas. Report & Bank Statement (September 1-30, 2024). <b>(ATTACHED)</b>
VII.	PARK SUPERVISOR:	R. Medrano	(1) <u>GRANT RELATED</u> : Park improvement project UPDATES (ongoing). (2) <u>REQUESTS</u> : Any requests IN PROCESS or APPROVED for park use? (3) <u>CALENDAR</u> : Is there a SCHEDULE of park events? Contact: [REDACTED]@chicagoparkdistrict.com
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	L. Linnerud	Park Investment Committee: Committee report. Contacts: [REDACTED]@gmail.com; [REDACTED]@outlook.com	<b>(ATTACHED)</b>
	C. Williams	Public Safety Committee (CAPS): No Committee report in advance. Interim Contact [REDACTED]@aol.com.	
	D. Jones	Community Garden Committee: No Committee report this month. Contacts: [REDACTED]@gmail.com; [REDACTED]@gmail.com.	
IX.	SPECIAL ELECTION NOTICE:	C. Williams	A "Special Election" for Treasurer will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 12 <sup>th</sup> , to fill the vacancy for the Board Officer position of Treasurer for a one-year term (2024-2025). All PAC members are eligible to run for this position if you live in Chicago and have attended at least two PAC meetings from September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2024. As Treasurer, you will have to be fingerprinted by the Chicago Park District (free of charge). Please notify our park supervisor, Rebecca Medrano. no later than Nov. 1st if you are interested.
X.	NEW BUSINESS:	Budget Hearing	<u>11/13/24</u> , Wed. (11 am): Chicago Park District Public Budget Hearing: The General Superintendent & CEO presents the 2025 budget to the Board of Commissioners @ Chicago Park District Administration Building, 4830 S. Western Ave. The public is invited. The Board will attend; Board President is registered to speak. Please let our park supervisor, Rebecca Medrano, know if you plan to attend. <a href="https://www.chicagoparkdistrict.com/annual-budget-process">https://www.chicagoparkdistrict.com/annual-budget-process</a>
XI.	ADDITIONAL BUSINESS:		Park-Related
XII.	UPCOMING EVENT(S):	PAC	<u>10/15/24</u> , Tues. (5-8 pm): The PRAIRIE PAC "Fall Social", Large Meeting Room @ Kennedy Park; pizza, refreshments & more hosted by the Park Events Planning Committee (adults only; room cap. 30-35 people). Register online; \$7 donation. Pizza; refreshments; cookies; 50/50 raffle.
XIII.	PAST EVENTS:	FYI	<u>9/28/24</u> : MPA Run – CANCELED; <u>9/29/24</u> : Chicago Park Dt. Volunteer Appreciation Day @ South Shore Cultural Center.
XIV.	NEXT PAC MEETING:	C. Williams	<u>11/12/24</u> : Next PAC Meeting will be a <u>Special Election</u> for Treasurer officer position (in person voting only) on Tuesday at 6:30 pm.
XV.	ADJOURN:	C. Williams	Thank you for attending PAC Meeting.

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II.	NEW MEMBERS/GUESTS:	Welcome New Members and/or Guests present.	I. Williams
III.	APPROVAL OF MINUTES:	PAC Meeting Minutes from 8/13/24. Please review before PAC Meeting. <b>(ATTACHED)</b>	C. Williams
IV.	BOARD ELECTIONS:	Elections for 2024-2025 for PAC Board Officers: President, Vice President & Secretary. Voting in person only by PAC Members; no voting by proxy, write-ins or absentee ballot is allowed). Eligibility requirements are that a candidate must be a PAC member, have attended at least two PAC meetings during 12 consecutive months before the election is held, be a resident of Chicago, and not be a Chicago Park District employee. Board members are each required to fill out a Volunteer Application Form with the Chicago Park District and be fingerprinted (free of charge). Please see bottom of Agenda for details.	 R. Medrano
V.	MOTION(S):	<b>MOTION #1:</b> Motion to allow the President to temporarily execute the functions of the vacant Treasurer position, until a new Treasurer Officer is elected (election to be held at the 11/1/24 PAC Meeting in person). <b>MOTION #2:</b> Motion to increase preliminary budget approved last month from \$250 to \$350 for The Prairie PAC "Fall Social" on Tues., 10/15/24 (from 5-8 pm) hosted by the Park Events Planning Committee (Mary Dunneback & JoAnn Altenbach).	L. Linnerud
VI.	TREASURER'S REPORT:	Report & Bank Statement (August 1-31, 2024)	M. Chandler
VII.	COMMITTEE REPORTS:	<i>Written reports are circulated by email to PAC in advance of PAC Meeting. Please provide a verbal brief summary only in person of highlights. This helps to keep meeting to an hour. (Approx. 3 min. ea.) Thanks!</i> <b>Garden Committee:</b> Committee report. <b>(ATTACHED)</b> Contact: [REDACTED]@gmail.com; [REDACTED]@gmail.com. <b>Park Events Planning Committee:</b> Committee report. <b>(ATTACHED)</b> Contact: [REDACTED]@yahoo.com; [REDACTED]@gmail.com. <b>Park Investment Committee:</b> Committee report. <b>(ATTACHED)</b> Contact: LorraineLinnerud@gmail.com; kbergeron@outlook.com <b>Public Safety Committee (CAPS):</b> Committee report. Contact: [REDACTED]@gmail.com; [REDACTED]@gmail.com.	C. Williams D. Jones M. Dunneback L. Linnerud M. Chandler
VIII.	OLD BUSINESS:	<b>IRS PAC Name Change:</b> Sent letter on 6/12/24 to IRS requesting name change of PAC non-profit with existing EIN from PARK 581 PAC to "The Prairie Park Advisory Council". <b>8/22/24, Thurs. (1 pm): Chicago Parks Foundation Summer Roundtable Zoom Call "PAC Summer Challenges" MINUTES.</b> <b>(ATTACHED)</b>	AWAITING REPLY E. Beach (FYI)
IX.	NEW BUSINESS:	<b>11/13/24, Wed. (11 am): Chicago Park District Public Budget Hearing:</b> The General Superintendent & CEO presents the 2025 budget to the Board of Commissioners and the public is invited to speak at Chicago Park District Administration Building (Park 596) 4830 S. Western Ave., Chicago.	(FYI)
X.	UPCOMING EVENT(S): (PAC, Chicago Park District, Chicago Parks Foundation & Community Engagement)	<b>9/28/24, Sat. (9-11 am): Morgan Park Academy 5K Warrior Race.</b> Volunteers needed for water station table for approx. 250 runners at 116th Pl./Bell. Please contact Lorraine Linnerud directly at [REDACTED]. Lorraine made a personal donation in name of our PAC for the benefit of the Wounded Warriors Veterans. Our PAC logo will be printed on the back of the t-shirts to show both community support and marketing for The Prairie Park and PAC. <b>9/29/24, Sun. (12-3 pm): Chicago Park District Volunteer Appreciation Day @ South Shore Cultural Center, 7059 S. South Shore Drive.</b> Family, fun & entertainment. Register: <a href="https://www.chicagoparkdistrict.com/volunteer-appreciation-day-event">https://www.chicagoparkdistrict.com/volunteer-appreciation-day-event</a> <b>10/15/24, Tues. (5-8 pm): The PRAIRIE PAC "Fall Social", Large Meeting Room at Kennedy Park;</b> pizza, refreshments & more hosted by the Park Events Planning Committee (adults only; room cap. 30-35 people). Register online; \$7 donation.	L. Linnerud CPkDt M. Dunneback
XI.	PARK SUPERVISOR:	<b>(1) GRANT RELATED:</b> Is there a park PROJECT UPDATE this month? <b>(2) THE PRAIRIE PARK:</b> Any there any REQUESTS IN PROCESS for park use? <b>(3) THE PRAIRIE PARK:</b> Is there a calendar SCHEDULE of PARK EVENTS from Sept.-Dec.?	R. Medrano
XII.	OUTGOING BOARD MEMBER:	Closing reflections for 2024 from outgoing Board Treasurer, Milton Chandler.	M. Chandler
XIII.	ADDITIONAL BUSINESS:	Other Park Concerns? Questions?	Open Floor
XIV.	NEXT PAC MEETING:	Next PAC Meeting will be Tues, <b>10/8/24</b> @ 6:30 PM in person.	(FYI)
XV.	ADJOURN:	Thank you for attending PAC Meeting & celebrating 3 <sup>rd</sup> PAC anniversary with us.	C. Williams

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III.	APPROVAL OF MINUTES:	PAC Meeting Minutes from 7/9/24. Please review before PAC Meeting.	C. Williams
IV.	MOTION(S):	Budget Approval for Prairie Park Social Event on 10/15/24 @ Kennedy Park.	C. Williams
V.	TREASURER'S REPORT:	Report & Bank Statement (ATTACHED). (July 1-31, 2024); CPF Bi-Annual Report completed.	M. Chandler
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		Marketing & Fundraising Committee: Committee report ATTACHED. Contact: [REDACTED] @aol.com; [REDACTED] o@yahoo.com.	I. Williams
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VIII.	NEW BUSINESS:	9/10/24: "BOARD ELECTIONS" will be held IN PERSON only (no voting by proxy or absentee ballot is allowed) at September's PAC meeting at Kennedy Park on 9/10. If you are interested in running for a Board officer position, please let our Park Supervisor, Rebecca Medrano [REDACTED]@chicagoparkdistrict.com), know by 8/30/24. Eligibility requirements are that a candidate must be a PAC member, have attended at least two PAC meetings during the calendar year before the election is held, be a resident of Chicago, and not be a Chicago Park District employee. Board members are all required to fill out a Volunteer Application Form with the Chicago Park District and be fingerprinted (free of charge). Please see bottom of Agenda for details.	I. Williams
IX.	PAST EVENTS:	8/10/24 "Prairie Park Purge"; 7/20/24 "Dance & Music Festival"; 7/18/24 "Jazz in the Park"; 7/5/24 "Post-Holiday Park Clean-up".	FYI
X.	UPCOMING EVENT(S):	8/22/24, Thurs., 1-2 PM – Chicago Parks Foundation "Summer Roundtable" on Zoom. Register: <a href="https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdmn_3xs-dKogmJQ9gy7AqS4-MhQ7-tjOeokDyVAWP3t1Agtw/viewform">https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdmn_3xs-dKogmJQ9gy7AqS4-MhQ7-tjOeokDyVAWP3t1Agtw/viewform</a>  10/15/24, Tues., 5-8 pm, Large Meeting Room at Kennedy Park - Prairie Park Social: Pizza, Pop & Split the Pot hosted by the Park Events Planning Committee.	FYI M. Dunneback
XI.	PARK SUPERVISOR:	1-Grant related: are there any park project updates this month? (ONGOING) 2-Any requests in process for use of The Prairie Park and schedule of all events at park (PAC-related, sports teams, alderman-sponsored and other events scheduled by community organizations/individuals, etc.)? (SEPT.-DEC.) 3-Status of bicycle rack installation at 118 <sup>th</sup> /Oakley. (PENDING UNTIL AFTER CONSTRUCTION IS COMPLETED).	R. Medrano
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THE PRAIRIE PARK ADVISORY COUNCIL (PAC) Meeting  
Kennedy Park Field House, 11320 S. Western Avenue, Chicago, IL 60643  
Tuesday, June 11, 2024, 6:30 PM (IN PERSON ONLY)



## AGENDA

I.	WELCOME:	Call Meeting to Order. Robert's Rules of Order.	C. Williams
II.	NEW MEMBERS/GUESTS:	Welcome New Members and/or Guests present.	I. Williams
III.	APPROVAL OF MINUTES:	PAC Meeting Minutes from 5/14/24	C. Williams
IV.	TREASURER'S REPORT:	Report & Bank Statement (ATTACHED). (May 1-31)	M. Chandler
V.	COMMITTEE REPORTS: (Approx. 5-7 min. ea. please)	<i>Written reports are circulated by email to PAC membership in advance of PAC Meeting. Please provide a verbal brief summary only in person. This helps to keep meeting to an hour. Thank you.</i>	C. Williams
		<u>Garden Committee</u> : Committee report. Contact: [REDACTED] @gmail.com; [REDACTED] @gmail.com.	D. Chandler
		<u>Marketing &amp; Fundraising Committee</u> : Committee report. Contact: [REDACTED] @aol.com; [REDACTED] @yahoo.com.	I. Williams
		<u>Park Events Planning Committee</u> : Committee report. Contact: [REDACTED] @yahoo.com; [REDACTED] @gmail.com.	M. Dunneback
		<u>Park Investment Committee</u> : Committee report. Contact: [REDACTED] @gmail.com; [REDACTED] @outlook.com	L. Linnerud
		<u>Public Safety Committee (CAPS)</u> : Committee report. Contact: [REDACTED] @gmail.com; [REDACTED] @aol.com.	M. Chandler
VII.	OLD BUSINESS:	<u>IRS PAC Name Change</u> : Request name change of PAC non-profit at IRS with existing EIN from PARK 581 Park Advisory Council to "The Prairie Park Advisory Council".	C. Williams <b>PENDING</b>
VIII.	NEW BUSINESS:	<u>Chicago Outdoor Fitness and Dance Festival</u> : Sponsored by DCASE on <u>7/20/24</u> (8 am-7:30 pm) for Next Level Dance Foundation. Community outreach was not done. Talked to Alderman's office & 22 <sup>nd</sup> District Commander; making further inquiries to get more info.	C. Williams
VIII.	UPCOMING EVENTS:	<u>7/05/24</u> : (8-10 AM) Post Holiday Park Clean-Up @ The Prairie, 116 <sup>th</sup> Pl./Oakley. <u>7/18/24</u> : (7-9 PM) "Jazz in the Park" sponsored by Ald. O'Shea. (Setup @ 6; end @ 10)	M. Dunneback
IX.	PARK SUPERVISOR:	1. Water fountain at Ridge—did you get more information from park supervisor? 2. Status of bicycle rack installation at 118 <sup>th</sup> /Oakley. ( <b>PENDING</b> ) 3. Schedule of events at park (PAC-related, sports teams, alderman-sponsored and other events scheduled by community organizations/individuals, etc.)? 4. Are there any park project updates? ( <b>ONGOING</b> )	R. Medrano
X.	ADDITIONAL BUSINESS:	Other Park Concerns? Questions?	Open Floor
XI.	NEXT PAC MEETING:	Next PAC Meeting will be in person at Kennedy Park fieldhouse: <u>7/9/24</u> , 6:30 PM.	FYI
XII.	ADJOURN:	Thank you for attending this PAC Meeting.	C. Williams

Attachments: (2)  
Notes with attachment from Emily Beach: Chicago Parks Foundation Zoom Roundtable held on May 30, 2024 regarding fundraising ideas and creation of a digital PAC Resource Guide (pending) for all PACs to use.

PAC Meetings for Remainder of 2024:  
Tues., 6:30-7:30 pm, AUG. 13, 2024 – Kennedy Park Fieldhouse  
Tues., 6:30-7:30 pm, SEPT. 10, 2024 – Kennedy Park Fieldhouse  
Tues., 6:30-7:30 pm, OCT. 8, 2024 – Kennedy Park Fieldhouse  
Tues., 6:30-7:30 pm, NOV. 12, 2024 – Kennedy Park Fieldhouse  
Tues., 6:30-7:30 pm, DEC. 10, 2024 – Kennedy Park Fieldhouse

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- TBD (April/May): Once Chicago Park District signs for our park are made and installed, Maria Stone will let us know when we can schedule a ribbon cutting ceremony so entire community is invited.

## **XI. PARK SUPERVISOR**

- Park Signage: Rebecca confirmed that the 4 park signs that were installed are permanent per her boss.
- Bicycle Rack: No word yet on installation of bicycle rack at 118<sup>th</sup>/Oakley across from school parking lot.
- Other Updates. Received email update from project manager, Kay Katsma: project planning is underway, and documents are moving along. Rebecca will update us as she receives more information.

## **XII. ADDITIONAL BUSINESS**

Lorraine Linnerud mentioned that new laminated parking signs are needed to be posted at the pet waste stations again; the rain ruined previous ones.

## **XIII. NEXT PAC MEETING**

The next monthly PAC Meeting is on Tuesday, June 11, 2024, at 6:30 PM in person at the Kennedy Park Fieldhouse. The PAC Board meets each month two Saturdays before the monthly meeting to set the Agenda for the upcoming meeting. If you would like to add an item to the Agenda, please contact one of the PAC Board Officers below:

President	Charles Williams	Sgt808@aol.com
Vice-President	Lorraine Linnerud	lorrainelinnerud@gmail.com
Secretary	Ivette Williams	idw87@aol.com
Treasurer	Milton Chandler	mchandler5219@gmail.com

## **XIV. ADJOURN**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:24 PM. Motion to adjourn was entered by Charles Williams, accepted by Charmaine Sevier; seconded by Lorraine Linnerud.

Respectfully submitted: Ivette Williams, The Prairie PAC Board Secretary

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Please visit the following pages:

➤ <b>THE PRAIRIE PARK WEBSITE:</b> <a href="http://ThePrairiePark.org">http://ThePrairiePark.org</a>	<b>FACEBOOK PAGE</b> <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/1071695500392984">https://www.facebook.com/groups/1071695500392984</a>
➤ <b>SWIPE SIMPLE ONLINE DONATION</b> <a href="https://swipesimple.com/links/lnk_7ebae5d3">https://swipesimple.com/links/lnk_7ebae5d3</a>	<b>INATURALIST (COMMUNITY GARDEN)</b> <a href="https://www.inaturalist.org/projects/the-prairie-Previously-park-581">https://www.inaturalist.org/projects/the-prairie-Previously-park-581</a>
➤ <b>PAC MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION</b> <a href="https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdTDUkAOCbB2HzVphMBTuSWsYeSrq-PO8JhUegNywBUyCv4Eg/viewform?usp=pp_url">https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdTDUkAOCbB2HzVphMBTuSWsYeSrq-PO8JhUegNywBUyCv4Eg/viewform?usp=pp_url</a>	

THE PRAIRIE PARK ADVISORY COUNCIL (PAC) Meeting  
 Kennedy Park Field House, 11320 S. Western Avenue, Chicago, IL 60643  
 Tuesday, May 14, 2024, 6:30 PM (IN PERSON ONLY)



## AGENDA

I.	WELCOME:	Call Meeting to Order. Robert's Rules of Order.	C. Williams
II.	APPROVAL OF MINUTES:	PAC Meeting Minutes from 4/9/24	C. Williams
III.	NEW MEMBERS/GUESTS:	Welcome new member Renee Murphy. Are any guests present?	I. Williams
IV.	TREASURER'S REPORT:	Report & Bank Statement (ATTACHED). (April 1-30)	M. Chandler
V.	MOTION:	<i>As a PAC formality, we are rescinding last month's Motion to revise By-Laws to include the "3-day advance posting of Agenda &amp; Minutes prior to all PAC meetings" (it had been previously done on January 10, 2023).</i>	L. Linnerud
VI.	COMMITTEE REPORTS: (Approx. 5-7 min. ea. please)	<i>Written reports are circulated by email to PAC membership in advance of PAC Meeting. Please provide a verbal brief summary only in person. This helps to keep meeting to an hour. Thank you.</i>  Garden Committee: Committee report (ATTACHED). Contact: [REDACTED]@gmail.com; [REDACTED]@gmail.com. Grant Writing Committee: Committee report (ATTACHED). Contact: [REDACTED]@gmail.com; [REDACTED]@aol.com. Marketing & Fundraising Committee: Committee report (ATTACHED). Contact: [REDACTED]@aol.com; [REDACTED]@yahoo.com. Park Events Planning Committee: Committee report (ATTACHED). Contact: [REDACTED]@yahoo.com; [REDACTED]@gmail.com. Park Investment Committee: Committee report (PENDING). Contact: [REDACTED]@gmail.com; [REDACTED]@outlook.com Public Safety Committee (CAPS): Committee report (ATTACHED). Contact: [REDACTED]@gmail.com; [REDACTED]@aol.com.	C. Williams  D. Chandler  I. Williams  I. Williams  M. Dunneback  L. Linnerud  M. Chandler
VII.	OLD BUSINESS:	<u>IRS PAC Name Change:</u> Request name change of PAC non-profit at IRS with existing EIN from PARK 581 Park Advisory Council to "The Prairie Park Advisory Council".	C. Williams  PENDING
VIII.	NEW BUSINESS:	<u>CPF Fundraiser:</u> To schedule call with Willa Lang regarding water fountain. (PENDING)	I. Williams
IX.	STATUS OF GRANT(S): (FYI)	<u>CPF GRANT (\$1,000):</u> Chicago Parks Foundation "2024 Connecting Communities" grant application was submitted in Feb. Winner was announced on 4/17/24.  The Prairie Park did not receive this award. (NOT SELECTED)	FYI
	(FYI)	<u>AARP FLAGSHIP GRANT (Average Grant Amount \$10,000); AARP MIGROGRANT (\$2,500):</u> 2024 AARP "Community Challenge" grant applications submitted in Feb. Winners were announced in 5/10/24. (NOT SELECTED)	FYI
	(FYI)	<u>BUILD ILLINOIS FUND (\$500,000):</u> BUILD IL FUND (10/2022-) – Rep. Slaughter/Chicago Park District. Approved 1/2024. Landscape designer took measurements of park on 4/10/24. Zoom call on 4/17/24.	PROCESS STARTED
X.	UPCOMING EVENTS:	<u>6/1/24:</u> (8-10 AM) It's Your Day Park Clean-Up @ The Prairie. Meet @ 116 <sup>th</sup> Pl./Oakley. <u>6/1/24:</u> (12-2 PM) Meet & Greet Event @ The Prairie. Meet @ 116 <sup>th</sup> Pl./Oakley. <a href="https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeZ73SwKHlm7TSCJC92z2v6C0KrZSX8sqHFLSSglH4dumsrrw/viewform?usp=pp_url">https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeZ73SwKHlm7TSCJC92z2v6C0KrZSX8sqHFLSSglH4dumsrrw/viewform?usp=pp_url</a> <u>TBD:</u> Once the Chicago Park District permanent park signs are installed, Maria Stone will let us know when we can schedule a ribbon cutting ceremony. We will invite entire community. It may coincide with completion of park improvements.	M. Dunneback;  J. Altenbach  M. Drake; I. Williams
XI.	PARK SUPERVISOR:	Four (temporary?) park signs have been installed at The Prairie Park in preparation for park improvement grant project.  Status of bicycle rack installation at 118 <sup>th</sup> /Oakley across from school parking lot?  Any other updates?	R. Medrano
XII.	ADDITIONAL BUSINESS:	Park Concerns? Questions?	Open Floor
XIII.	NEXT PAC MEETING:	Next PAC Meeting will be in person at Kennedy Park fieldhouse: <u>6/11/24</u> , 6:30 PM.	FYI
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# THE PRAIRIE PARK ADVISORY COUNCIL (PAC) Meeting

Kennedy Park Field House, 11320 S. Western Avenue, Chicago, IL 60643

Tuesday, April 9, 2024, 6:30 PM (IN PERSON ONLY)



## AGENDA

I.	WELCOME:	Call Meeting to Order. Robert's Rules of Order.	C. Williams
II.	APPROVAL OF MINUTES:	PAC Meeting Minutes from 3/12/24	C. Williams
III.	NEW MEMBERS/GUESTS:	Welcome new member Gregory Pitts. Are any guests present?	C. Williams
IV.	MOTION(S)	Amendments to By-Laws: (1) Advisory Council Name and park references throughout; (2) posting of Agenda & Minutes within 3 business days prior to all PAC meetings (virtual & in-person).	L. Linnerud
V.	TREASURER'S REPORT:	Report with Bank Statement attached (March 1-31)	M. Chandler
VI.	COMMITTEE REPORTS:	Garden Committee: Zoom meeting 4/2/24; report attached. Contact: [REDACTED]@gmail.com; [REDACTED]@gmail.com  Park Events Planning Committee: Joint Zoom meeting on 3/26/24 with Garden Committee. Verbal report. Contact: [REDACTED]@yahoo.com; [REDACTED]@gmail.com  Park Investment Committee: Committee Report attached. Contact: [REDACTED]@gmail.com; [REDACTED]@outlook.com	D. Chandler  M. Dunneback  L. Linnerud
VII.	PAC BUSINESS:	<u>FIFTH THIRD BANK</u> Account Name Change: Milton Chandler & Charles Williams went to bank to get name changed on PAC account from PARK 581 Park Advisory Council to "The Prairie Park Advisory Council" per Chicago Park District Hearing on 2/14/24.	C. Williams  DONE
		<u>IRS PAC Name Change</u> : To request name change of PAC non-profit at IRS with existing EIN from PARK 581 Park Advisory Council to "The Prairie Park Advisory Council".	C. Williams  PENDING
VIII.	NEW BUSINESS:	<u>MARKETING</u> : Committee to order t-shirts with park name from Marathon Sportswear in B.I.; comm. decided on blue color to have for ribbon cutting ceremony to look uniform for photos as our first PAC t-shirt. We will create other designs in different colors later. T-shirt price \$20 ea. Turn around time is 10 days.	PAC VOTE I. Williams  ORDER?
IX.	STATUS OF GRANT(S):	<u>CPF GRANT (\$1,000)</u> : Chicago Parks Foundation "2024 Connecting Communities" grant application was submitted online in Feb.. Received prior approvals from PS & Ald.; (deadline: 3/31/24). Winner to be announced on 4/17/24.	I. Williams  IN PROCESS
		<u>AARP FLAGSHIP GRANT (Average Grant Amount \$11,900)</u> ; AARP MIGROGRANT (\$2,500): 2024 AARP "Community Challenge" grant applications were submitted in Feb. Received prior approvals from PS & Ald.; (deadline: 3/6/24). Winner to be announced in mid-May.	I. Williams  IN PROCESS
		<u>BUILD ILLINOIS FUND (\$500,000)</u> : BUILD IL FUND (10/2022-) – Rep. Slaughter/Chicago Park District. Approved 1/2024. Waiting on next steps to get Project Manager assigned to start work.	L. Linnerud  APPROVED! PENDING START
X.	UPCOMING EVENTS:	<u>4/20/24</u> : (9-12) Earth Day/Arbor Day Event by the Garden and Park Event Planning Committees. Openlands Treekeepers will be trimming trees along Oakley (and if needed around park). We need more volunteers to assist hauling branches, park clean-up. Please RSVP at: <a href="https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdS68_Ula6ZTDjuoEa11-bCh6yOfS95IxmyVRXw_-Cn2eSyA/viewform?usp=pp_url">https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdS68_Ula6ZTDjuoEa11-bCh6yOfS95IxmyVRXw_-Cn2eSyA/viewform?usp=pp_url</a> <u>TBD (APRIL/MAY?)</u> : Once Chicago Park District park signs are made and installed, Maria Stone will let us know when we can schedule a ribbon cutting ceremony. We will invite entire community.	M. Dunneback; D. Chandler  M. Drake; I. Williams
XI.	PARK SUPERVISOR:	Status of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• residential zone 170 parking?</li><li>• sports schedule for spring sports/activities at park?</li><li>• park name signs?</li><li>• bicycle rack installation at 118<sup>th</sup>/Oakley across from school parking lot? Rebecca inquired about work order.</li></ul> Any other updates?	R. Medrano

XII.	ADDITIONAL BUSINESS:	Park Concerns? Questions?	Open Floor
XIII.	PAC MEMBER INFO:	(1) Volunteer Application Form, (2) Fingerprinting, (3) Send one page receipt to PAC Secretary at <a href="mailto:ThePrairiePark@gmail.com">ThePrairiePark@gmail.com</a> .	FYI.
XIV.	NEXT PAC MEETING:	Next PAC Meeting will be in person at Kennedy Park fieldhouse on <u>5/14/24</u> @ 6:30 PM.	
XV.	ADJOURN:		C. Williams

T-Shirt Sign-Up Form:	(LINK COMING SOON)
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# THE PRAIRIE PARK ADVISORY COUNCIL (PAC) Meeting

Kennedy Park Field House, 11320 S. Western Avenue, Chicago, IL 60643  
Tuesday, March 12, 2024, 6:30 PM (IN PERSON ONLY)

## A G E N D A

I.	WELCOME:	Call Meeting to Order.	C. Williams
II.	APPROVAL OF MINUTES:	PAC Meeting Minutes from 2/13/24	C. Williams
III.	TREASURER'S REPORT:	Report with Bank Statement attached (February 1-29)	M. Chandler
IV.	MOTION:	<u>PAC BY-LAWS</u> : Amend By-Laws to include fingerprinting that is required of all Board members and PAC members working with youth and handling finances. Committeees are all encouraged to get fingerprinted, especially active volunteers in the park during events.	C. Williams
V.	COMMITTEE REPORTS:	<u>Garden Committee</u> : Committee Report from Zoom meeting on 3/5/24. D. Chandler Contact: [REDACTED]@gmail.com; [REDACTED]@gmail.com <u>Park Events Planning Committee</u> : Committee Report attached. Contact: [REDACTED]@yahoo.com; [REDACTED]@gmail.com <u>Park Investment Committee</u> : Committee Report attached. Contact: [REDACTED]@gmail.com; [REDACTED]@outlook.com <u>Park Naming Committee</u> : Park signs with new park name "THE PRAIRIE PARK" are in process; Chicago Park District will let us know when ready so we can schedule ribbon cutting ceremony. Contact: [REDACTED]@gmail.com; [REDACTED]@gmail.com <u>CAPS Meeting</u> : Safety Committee Report attached. Contact: [REDACTED]@comcast.net; [REDACTED]@aol.com	M. Dunneback L. Linnerud M. Drake M. Chandler
VI.	PAC BUSINESS:	<u>IRS PAC Name Change</u> : Request name change of park advisory council non-profit at IRS with existing EIN to change from Park 581 Park Advisory Council to "The Prairie Park Advisory Council". <u>FIFTH THIRD BANK Account Name Change</u> : Provide IRS letter, affirmation letter from Chicago Park District & By-Laws to change name on PAC account from Park 581 Park Advisory Council to "The Prairie Park Advisory Council".	C. Williams
VII.	NEW BUSINESS:	<u>MARKETING</u> : T-shirts with park name from Marathon Sports in Blue Island; 1 <sup>st</sup> choice is blue to have for ribbon cutting ceremony; other choices for ordering later. Pens with new park name, info., logo to give to local businesses with letter when seeking sponsorship.	PAC VOTE I. Williams
VIII.	GRANT(S):	<u>BUILD ILLINOIS FUND (\$500,000)</u> : BUILD IL FUND (10/2022-) – Rep. Slaughter/Chicago Park District. Approved 1/2024. Waiting on next steps to get Project Manager assigned to start work. <u>Project scope</u> : top 3 priority park improvements: walking path, lighting & a water source. <u>CPF GRANT (\$1,000)</u> : Chicago Parks Foundation "2024 Connecting Communities" grant application was submitted online in February. Received prior approvals from park supervisor and Ald. O'Shea as required. Deadline is: 3/31/24; winner will be announced on 4/17/24. <u>Project scope</u> : Creation of a Prairie-like Native & Pollinator Community Garden and Monarch Waystation at The Prairie Park in an underutilized site that would not interfere with sports or other activities across from existing community garden at SE triangle.	APPROVED! (L. Linnerud)
		<u>AARP FLAGSHIP GRANT (Average Grant Amount \$11,900)</u> ; AARP MIGROGRANT (\$2,500): 2024 AARP Community Challenge" grant applications were submitted online in February. Received prior approvals from park supervisor and Ald. O'Shea as required. Deadline is: 3/6/24; winner will be announced in mid-May. The <u>AARP Community Challenge</u> provides small grants to fund quick-action projects that can help communities become more livable for people of all ages (Grant range is \$500-\$50,000).	IN PROCESS (I. Williams)

IX.	UPCOMING EVENTS:	<u>TBD (MARCH/APRIL?)</u> : Once Chicago Park District park signs are made and installed, Maria Stone will let us know when we can schedule a ribbon cutting ceremony. We will invite entire community	Weekend event
		<u>MARCH</u> : Chicago Park District's Strategic Plan Townhall Meetings: 3/18 (6-8 PM) @ John G. Shedd Park; 3/20 (5-7 PM) @ Marquette Park; and 3/21 (6-8 PM) @ Hamilton Park. <a href="http://ChicagoParkDistrict.com/Strategic-Plan">ChicagoParkDistrict.com/Strategic-Plan</a>	3/18; 3/20; 3/21
X.	PARK SUPERVISOR:	Status of bicycle rack installation at 118 <sup>th</sup> & Oakley across from St. Walter parking lot. Was work order submitted? Spring sports schedule of games/activities at park. Invite coaches to PAC Meeting or meet before season starts. Any other updates?	R. Medrano
XI.	ADDITIONAL BUSINESS:	PAC CONFERENCE (3/9/24): We had great PAC representation (10 members participated). Excellent program; sessions were very informative; great networking opportunities. Park Concerns & Questions?	Open Floor
XII.	NEXT PAC MEETING:	Next PAC Meeting will be in person at Kennedy Park fieldhouse on <u>4/9/23</u> @ 6:30 PM.	
XIII.	ADJOURN:		C. Williams

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SwipeSimple Donation	Online Donation Link for PAC 581: <a href="https://swipesimple.com/links/lnk_7ebae5d3">https://swipesimple.com/links/lnk_7ebae5d3</a>
Facebook Page	<a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/1071695500392984/?ref=share_group_link">https://www.facebook.com/groups/1071695500392984/?ref=share_group_link</a>





# PARK 581 Park Advisory Council (PAC) Meeting

Kennedy Park Field House, 11320 S. Western Avenue, Chicago, IL 60643  
Tuesday, February 13, 2024, 6:30 PM (ON ZOOM ONLY)



## A G E N D A

I.	WELCOME:	Call Meeting to Order.	C. Williams
II.	APPROVAL OF MINUTES:	PAC Meeting Minutes from 1/9/24	C. Williams
III.	TREASURER'S REPORT:	Report with Bank Statement attached (January 1-31)	M. Chandler
IV.	COMMITTEE REPORTS:	<u>Garden Committee</u> : Committee Report attached. Contact: [REDACTED]@gmail.com; [REDACTED]@gmail.com <u>Park Event Planning Committee</u> : Committee Report attached. Contact: [REDACTED]@yahoo.com; [REDACTED]@gmail.com <u>Park Investment Committee</u> : Committee Report attached. BUILD IL FUND (10/2022) – Rep. Slaughter/CPk District. Contact: [REDACTED]@gmail.com; [REDACTED]@outlook.com <u>Park Naming Committee</u> : Next Chicago Park District Board Hearing is on 2/14/23 at 11:30 am for approval of park name. Contact: [REDACTED]746@gmail.com; [REDACTED]@gmail.com	D. Chandler M. Dunneback L. Linnerud M. Drake
V.	NEW BUSINESS:	Chicago Park District PAC Annual Report due 2/22/24. Sent to Maria Stone by email, cc Board, on 1/30/24.	C. Williams
VI.	UPCOMING EVENTS:	<u>2/22/24</u> : CPF PAC Roundtable "PAC Highs & Lows". Link to RSVP: <a href="https://chicagoparksfoundation.us17.list-manage.com/track/click?u=dd762e40d4851f457c61541fc&amp;id=5fd2e5d7c5&amp;e=4cfb76e8e8">https://chicagoparksfoundation.us17.list-manage.com/track/click?u=dd762e40d4851f457c61541fc&amp;id=5fd2e5d7c5&amp;e=4cfb76e8e8</a> <u>3/9/24</u> : Chicago Park District's PAC Conference at Malcolm X College. 9 am-2:30 pm Registration: <a href="https://www.chicagoparkdistrict.com/2024-PAC-Conference-Registration">https://www.chicagoparkdistrict.com/2024-PAC-Conference-Registration</a> Fingerprinting by Accurate Biometrics (free of charge): 8:00 am-Noon PAC officers and any PAC member who works with youth or handles finances is required to be fingerprinted! Accurate Biometrics will be on site to conduct fingerprinting at this year's conference.	1:00 pm on Zoom Lunch will be provided
VII.	PARK SUPERVISOR:	Bicycle rack status? Other updates?	R. Medrano
VIII.	ADDITIONAL BUSINESS:	Park Concerns & Questions?	Open Floor
IX.	NEXT PAC MEETING:	Next PAC Meeting will be in person at Kennedy Park fieldhouse on <u>3/12/23</u> @ 6:30 PM.	
X.	ADJOURN:		C. Williams
	Membership Application	<a href="https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdTDUkAOCbB2HzVphMBTuSWsYeSrq-PO8JhUegNywBUyCv4Eg/viewform?usp=pp_url">https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdTDUkAOCbB2HzVphMBTuSWsYeSrq-PO8JhUegNywBUyCv4Eg/viewform?usp=pp_url</a>	
	SwipeSimple Donation	Virtual Fundraising Platform for PAC 581: <a href="https://swipesimple.com/links/lnk_7ebae5d3">https://swipesimple.com/links/lnk_7ebae5d3</a>	
	Facebook Page	<a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/1071695500392984/?ref=share_group_link">https://www.facebook.com/groups/1071695500392984/?ref=share_group_link</a>	

# PARK 581 Park Advisory Council (PAC) Meeting

Kennedy Park Field House, 11320 S. Western Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60643 Tuesday, January 9, 2024, 6:30 PM (ON ZOOM ONLY)



## AGENDA

I.	WELCOME:	Call Meeting to Order. (Welcome any new members.)	C. Williams
II.	APPROVAL OF MINUTES:	PAC Meeting Minutes from 12/12/23. (Thanks Lorraine)	C. Williams
III.	TREASURER'S REPORT:	Report with Bank Statement attached (December 1-31). Note: PAC card was not canceled in Dec.; requested new card 1/2024.	M. Chandler
IV.	MOTION:	Amend By-Laws per Chicago Park District Guidelines effective as of 12/1/23 regarding PAC Governance Committee.	C. Williams
V.	COMMITTEE REPORTS:	<p><u>Garden Committee:</u> Next meeting is scheduled for 2/6 @ 6:30 PM. Contact: [REDACTED]@gmail.com; [REDACTED]@gmail.com</p> <p><u>Park Investment Committee:</u> Committee Report attached. Contact: [REDACTED]@gmail.com; [REDACTED]@outlook.com</p> <p><u>Park Naming Committee:</u> Next Chicago Park District Board Hearing is on 2/14/23 at 11:30 am for approval of park name. Contact: [REDACTED]@gmail.com; [REDACTED]@gmail.com</p>	D. Chandler L. Linnerud M. Drake
	COMMITTEE GOALS:	Committee Chairs, please meet with members/volunteers to think of a few PAC goals you would like to include in the CPF Annual Report we have to submit end of February. Email: Park581.Oakley@gmail.com	I. Williams
VI.	NEW BUSINESS:	Chicago Parks Foundation 2024 requirements by 1/31/24: (1) Fiscal Partnership Agreement submitted online 2/5/24. (2) \$75 Fiscal Partnership Fee paid by check 12/2023. (3) Financial Annual Report submitted 1/8/24	C. Williams M. Chandler M. Chandler
VII.	STATUS OF GRANTS:	BUILD IL FUND (10/2022) – Rep. Slaughter/CPk District. Lead Contact: L. Linnerud, Park Investment Committee	IN PROCESS
VIII.	UPCOMING EVENTS:	Chicago Park District: CPF's Third PAC Roundtable – January 18th at 1 PM on ZOOM on Fundraising. <a href="https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfkAc6J9YH6qFoCeokK5CjvWXCUPF4eQl9iGwBjZ8U4FsemPA/viewform">https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfkAc6J9YH6qFoCeokK5CjvWXCUPF4eQl9iGwBjZ8U4FsemPA/viewform</a>	ZOOM
IX.	PARK SUPERVISOR:	<u>Pet Waste Station:</u> The 4 <sup>th</sup> pet waste station was installed at The Prairie (116 <sup>th</sup> Pl. & Oakley) behind the little free library. <u>Dead Tree:</u> Rebecca, thank you for being so diligent in helping to facilitate the removal of the dead tree that fell at 116 <sup>th</sup> Pl./Bell in the NE triangle. It's greatly appreciated!	R. Regalado Medrano
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