



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

THE PRAIRIE PARK



AGENDA

I.	WELCOME:	Call Meeting to Order. Please adhere to 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 8/13/24. Please review before PAC Meeting. (ATTACHED)	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):	MOTION #1: 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). MOTION #2: 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 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> Garden Committee: Committee report. (ATTACHED) Contact: [REDACTED]@gmail.com; [REDACTED]@gmail.com. Park Events Planning Committee: Committee report. (ATTACHED) Contact: [REDACTED]@yahoo.com; [REDACTED]@gmail.com. Park Investment Committee: Committee report. (ATTACHED) Contact: LorraineLinnerud@gmail.com; kbergeron@outlook.com Public Safety Committee (CAPS): Committee report. Contact: [REDACTED]@gmail.com; [REDACTED]@gmail.com.	C. Williams D. Jones M. Dunneback L. Linnerud M. Chandler
VIII.	OLD BUSINESS:	IRS PAC Name Change: 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". 8/22/24, Thurs. (1 pm): Chicago Parks Foundation Summer Roundtable Zoom Call "PAC Summer Challenges" MINUTES. (ATTACHED)	AWAITING REPLY E. Beach (FYI)
IX.	NEW BUSINESS:	11/13/24, Wed. (11 am): Chicago Park District Public Budget Hearing: 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)	9/28/24, Sat. (9-11 am): Morgan Park Academy 5K Warrior Race. Volunteers needed for water station table for approx. 250 runners at 116 th Pl./Bell. Please contact Lorraine Linnerud directly at [REDACTED].com. 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. 9/29/24, Sun. (12-3 pm): Chicago Park District Volunteer Appreciation Day @ South Shore Cultural Center, 7059 S. South Shore Drive. Family, fun & entertainment. Register: https://www.chicagoparkdistrict.com/volunteer-appreciation-day-event 10/15/24, Tues. (5-8 pm): The PRAIRIE PAC "Fall Social", Large Meeting Room at Kennedy Park; 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:	(1) GRANT RELATED: Is there a park PROJECT UPDATE this month? (2) THE PRAIRIE PARK: Any there any REQUESTS IN PROCESS for park use? (3) THE PRAIRIE PARK: 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, 10/8/24 @ 6:30 PM in person.	(FYI)
XV.	ADJOURN:	Thank you for attending PAC Meeting & celebrating 3 rd PAC anniversary with us.	C. Williams
PAC Meetings for Remainder of 2024:		➤ 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	
The Prairie Park Website:		https://theprairiepark.org	
SwipeSimple Online (No Fees):		The Prairie PAC Online Donation: https://swipesimple.com/links/lnk_7ebae5d3	

Steps for Fingerprinting Process: 1) Volunteer Application Form, (2) Fingerprinting, (3) Please send one page receipt to PAC Secretary at ThePrairiePark@gmail.com. Go to: chicagoparkdistrict.com/get-involved/volunteer. Scroll down to "Long-Term Volunteer Application". Follow "Steps to become a long-term volunteer." Email completed application to Maria Stone: volunteers@chicagoparkdistrict.com.
Once processed, you will receive an email with instructions & locations for fingerprinting.