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# AGENDA REGULAR BOARD MEETING NO. 1070 TUESDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2021 7:00 p.m.

- 1. ROLL CALL
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
- 4. RECOGNITION
  - A. Best of Hoffman
    - Dr. Thomas Hoover
  - B. Employees of 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter:
    - PT: Jenny Jones
    - FT: Michael Ahrens
- 5. RECESS FOR A&F COMMITTEE MEETING
- 6. RECONVENE FOLLOWING A&F COMMITTEE MEETING
- 7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (attached)
  - A. Regular Board Meeting Minutes 09/28/2021
- 8. COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE
- 9. CONSENT AGENDA (Click here to access all Board & Committee Packets)
  - A. Early Order Chemical and Fertilizer Purchase / M21-094 (see B&G October packet)
  - B. Updated Mandatory Vaccination Policy / M21-096 (see A&F October packet)
  - C. Open and Paid Invoice Register: \$774,913.18 (see A&F October packet)
  - D. Revenue and Expenditure Report, Financial Analysis, and District Wide Operations Statement (see A&F October packet)
  - E. Acceptance of B&G Minutes 09/14/2021 (see B&G October packet)
  - F. Acceptance of Rec Minutes 09/14/2021 (see Rec October packet)
  - G. Acceptance of A&F Minutes 09/28/2021 (see A&F October packet)
- 10. PRESIDENT'S REPORT
- 11. ADOPTION OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT





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- 12. OLD BUSINESS
- 13. NEW BUSINESS
  - A. Limited Bond Issue Ordinance O21-004 / M21-097
- 14. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS
- 15. EXECUTIVE SESSION
  - A. Minutes, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 Section 2(c)(1) of the Open Meetings Act.
    - September 14, 2021
  - B. Pending or probable litigation, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 Sec. 2(c)(11) of the Open Meetings Act.
- 16. Potential discussion and possible vote on matter regarding the proposed Sears EDA Settlement Agreement.
- 17. ADJOURNMENT





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# MINUTES REGULAR BOARD MEETING NO. 1069 September 28, 2021

#### 1. Roll Call:

A regular meeting of the Hoffman Estates Park District Board of Commissioners was held on September 28, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. at the Triphahn Center in Hoffman Estates, IL.

Present: President Kinnane, Commissioners Chhatwani, Dressler, K. Evans,

Friedman, Kaplan, and McGinn

Absent:

Also Present: Executive Director Talsma, Director of Finance Hopkins, Director of

Parks, Planning and Maintenance Hugen, Director of Recreation Kapusinski, Director of Golf and Facilities Bechtold, Director of

Administrative Services Cahill, Executive Assistant Flynn

Audience: Comm Reps Evans and Wilson; Carpenters Union Local 58

Representatives Matt Oclon and Craig Czajka

#### 2. Pledge of Allegiance:

Everyone present stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### 3. Approval of Agenda:

President Kinnane stated that Item B. on the Consent Agenda, Vogelei House Enhancement M21-086, was moved to New Business. Commissioner Chhatwani made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McGinn to approve the agenda as amended. The motion carried by voice vote.

#### 4. Recognition

Bob Bell was recognized for his service and dedication to the District upon his retirement.

#### 5. Recess for A&F Committee Meeting:

Commissioner Evans made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Chhatwani to recess the Board Meeting at 7:03 p.m. for the purpose of convening the A&F Committee meeting. The motion carried by voice vote.

#### 6. Reconvene Following A&F Committee Meeting:

Commissioner McGinn made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Chhatwani to reconvene to the Regular Board Meeting at 7:58 p.m. The motion carried by voice vote.

#### 7. **Approval of the Minutes:**

Commissioner Evans made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Chhatwani to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held August 24, 2021 as presented. The motion carried by voice vote.

#### 8. Comments from the Audience:

Matt Oclon of the Carpenters Union Local 58 asked the Board to consider whether or not the payroll submitted for the Bridges TopTracer project by Integrity Builders was an error.

#### 9. Consent Agenda:

Commissioner McGinn made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Evans to approve the consent agenda items A and items C through I.

On a Roll Call: Carried 7-0

Ayes: 7 Chhatwani, Dressler, Evans, Friedman, Kaplan, McGinn, Kinnane

Nays: 0 Absent: 0

- A. Triphahn Center Hot Water Boiler Bid / M21-083 (see B&G September packet)
- B. (moved to New Business)
- C. Natural Gas Contract / M21-087 (see A&F September packet)
- D. Bar & Grill Service Manager FT Position / M21-088 (see A&G September packet)
- E. Open and Paid Invoice Register: \$803,732.69 (see A&F September packet)
- F. Revenue and Expenditure Report and District Wide Operations Statement (see A&F September packet)
- G. Acceptance of B&G Minutes 08/17/2021 (see B&G September packet)
- H. Acceptance of Rec Minutes 08/17/2021 (see Rec September packet)
- I. Acceptance of A&F Minutes 08/24/2021 (see A&F September packet)

#### 10. President's Report:

President Kinnane reported that he attended the Ribbon Cutting ceremony at the E-Sports Zone and enjoyed seeing the collegiate competition. He stated that the facility acquired new memberships that day, and that it was nice to see Linda Dressler and Keith Evans in attendance as well. President Kinnane also attended the HE Chamber's virtual Legislative Luncheon, where he heard updates on all state issues. He also attended one of Commissioner Friedman's baseball games. President Kinnane noted that a soccer coach had been dismissed for inappropriateness at a soccer game.

#### 11. Adoption of Executive Director's Report:

Commissioner Evans made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Kaplan to adopt the Executive Director's Report as presented. The motion carried by voice vote.

#### 12. Old Business:

None

#### 13. New Business:

#### A. NWSRA 2022 Annual Assessment R21-003

Commissioner Evans made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Chhatwani to approve Resolution R21-003 as presented, approving the 2022 NWSRA Annual Assessment of \$311,404.66.

On a Roll Call: Carried 7-0

Ayes: 6 Chhatwani, Dressler, Evans, Friedman, Kaplan, McGinn, Kinnane

Nays: 0 Absent: 0

#### B. Vogelei House Enhancement / M21-086

Commissioner Evans stated that he pulled this item from the consent agenda in case we needed further discussion, but barring any evidence of wrongdoing from the state, we cannot say that Integrity Builders is not a qualified bidder.

Commissioner McGinn said he concurs with Commissioner Evans' statement.

Commissioner Chhatwani said she is in agreement.

Commissioner Friedman said he didn't see anything in the letter from the attorney that indicates otherwise.

Commissioner Dressler added she feels an honest mistake was made on the part of the contractor.

Commissioner Kaplan appreciated the fact that the lawyer said we can go ahead with this selection.

Matt Oclon stated that it wasn't possible to meet the attorney's criteria to prove anything was done wrong. He does feel that the builder will receive a violation by the Illinois Department of Labor.

Commissioner Evans made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McGinn to approve Integrity Builders to complete the Vogelei House project for a total of \$700,822.35 with a 5% contingency of \$35,000 for a total of \$735,822.35.

On a Roll Call: Carried 7-0-0

Ayes: 6 Chhatwani, Dressler, Evans, Friedman, Kaplan, McGinn, Kinnane

Nays: 0 Absent: 0

#### 14. <u>Commissioner Comments:</u>

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Commissioner Dressler said that she enjoyed her first NRPA conference, although the hybrid model was interesting. She also thanked Director Kapusinski and her staff for helping with the Platzkonzert.

Commissioner McGinn said the financials looks great; nicely done to the staff.

Commissioner Evans stated that he has some takeaways from the NRPA conference to share, including some equity issues that he learned about.

Commissioner Friedman said great work on the numbers. He also attended the NRPA conference, but virtually and found it fascinating. He learned a lot about what the staff must be doing.

Commissioner Chhatwani thanked Executive Director Talsma and the staff for all of their hard work. She attended the virtual NRPA conference as well, and will go back to attend more sessions on demand.

President Kinnane noted that the IAPD Legal Symposium is coming up on November 4 from 8:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., with both in-person and virtual options.

#### 15. Adjournment:

Commissioner Evans made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Chhatwani to adjourn the meeting at 8:09 p.m. The motion carried by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Craig Talsma Secretary

Cindy Flynn Executive Assistant

#### HOFFMAN ESTATES PARK DISTRICT REGULAR BOARD MEETING NO. 1070

#### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

October 2021

#### **ADMINISTRATION**

With the retirement of Bob Bell (district mechanic) on September 30, 2021, the district has been in search for a new mechanic. I would like to congratulate Mahyar Kahili as the district's new Mechanic II. Mahyar has been with the district this entire year as a seasonal employee and we are excited to have him on board full time.

In the mechanic industry, it's known culture that you provide your own tools to complete your work functions. Recently laws have changed stating that employers are to provide necessary tools to complete task while at work, but in the mechanics field, it is still a grey area. The district has made the decision to start purchasing the tools from our mechanics so that in the future all tools are owned by the district just as they are for the buildings, construction and parks teams. Any new incoming mechanics will not have to bring their own tools.

#### **BIRCH PARK**

Birch Park is currently in grow-in stage of the project as all seed is planted. Once there is adequate turf and coverage, the inspections by the Village and MWRD will take place. Following approval of those inspections, the remaining silt fence can be removed from the site. We are still waiting on some features to arrive, as lead times are much longer than anticipated.





You can follow this project on a weekly basis at the following link via our weekly drone footage. https://www.heparks.org/birch-park-oslad-project-renovation/

#### **BRIDGES DRIVING RANGE ENHANCEMENT**

The top tracer range building is beginning to take shape. September was a busy month for both the contractor and HEPD crews. In-house crews completed more earthwork for the electrical and

gas lines, shaping of the landscape berm to separate the beer garden from the first tee and all necessary draiange around the building. HEPD crews also completed the install of the roof by installing the drip edging, ice and water shield, roof vents and shingles. On the interior, HEPD crews were able to get the unfinished ceiling primed and ready for paint. As the photos below show, you can see that Integrity Builders has been busy getting the building up, carpentry work completed, interior electrical and exterior plumbing for gas lines installed.









#### **PARKS DEPARTMENT**

Seascape was pruned, grasses thinned, bushes removed, roses removed and transplanted, all trees were pruned and all bare soils were hydro mulched for winter. The remainder of landscaping will take place in early spring prior to opening. Materials removed from Seascape were transplanted to the berm at Bridges by the first tee. Bo's Run had landscaping work completed with weeds removed, trees pruned, and new mulch added to the large dog side.

The construction team was able to replace the flooring in room 102 at TC with new vinyl flooring. We are currently waiting on the cabinets to arrive to complete room 102. The remainder of the rooms will be completed over the winter months.

The following is a brief list of other items completed by staff during September.

- Installed drainage at Birch Park.
- Driveway seal on path to playground at Birch Park.
- Install Birch port-a-let structure.
- Install basketball net and backboard at Birch.
- Playground checks.
- Playground weed and groom.
- Install horseshoe pit post at Tropicana Park.
- Remove graffiti at Fairview.
- Setting up and begin painting for Halloween signs.
- Soccer, football and baseball field preps and setup.
- Drain Seascape pool.
- Drain filters at Seascape.
- Power wash pool at Seascape.
- Raise floor drains in TC Room 102 for new flooring.
- Install new heat exchanger on Wolves' RTU #9.
- Replace broken dome light sockets in activity pool at The Club.
- VFD fuse replacement on lap pool filter motor.
- Installation of blower motor and bearings on Willow's gym air handler.
- Replace Vogelei RTU1 for downstairs E-sports center.
- Replace timer for power washer control at BPC.
- Installed new high limit aquastat on TC's whirl pool.
- Replaced all pump and filter gauges at the pools at The Club.
- Replace bearing housing on TC hydronic boiler pump.
- ISP Slides came to make repair to leaking water slide inlet at Seascape.
- Replaced entire light fixtures in women's room at BPC.
- Troubleshoot and repair event lighting at BPC.
- Parks garbage.
- Custodial maintenance at all facilities.
- Playground checks.
- Vehicle safety and emission test completed.
- Vehicle checks and repairs.



HEParks partnered with the Village of HE to lead the children's activities at Platzkonzert the weekend of September 11-12.

Kimberly Barton will be joining our team on Monday, November 1 as the new School Age Program Manager. Kimberly comes to us with a great deal of experience from the Wilmette Park District. Kimberly also lives in the Hoffman community near Fabbrini Park. Jodi Schultz will be transitioning to her new role as the TC Facility Manger and she will oversee TC Fitness, Seniors and Special Events.

NEW! Programs for All. This spring the board approved the Programs for All initiative to offer free programs for approved families if there were vacant spots in district-run (non-contractual) programs. This fall SD54 and D15 submitted applications for nineteen children. Nine children were placed in free programs this fall, which included figure skating lessons, fall soccer and an E-Sports membership. Staff will work with the children who were not placed in fall programs to place them in winter programs once it is closer to the winter program start dates.





#### **Triphahn Center Fitness**

Membership 09/30/2020 01/01/2021 09/30/2021 2021 YTD Var. +/ **Total** 595 509 522 +13

Pass	% Visited in August	% Visited in September
TCIA Fitness Adult	48%	53%
TCIA Fitness Junior/Student	51%	46%
TCIA Fitness Senior	55%	51%
TCIA Gym Pass	50%	75%
TCIA Silver Sneakers	15%	14%
TCIA Tivity Prime	12%	9%
TCIA Renew Active	7%	16%
Total	38%	39%

## Willow Rec Center Fitness & Racquetball

<u>Membership</u>	09/30/2020	01/01/2021	09/30/2021	2021 YTD Var. +/
Fitness	107	93	92	-1
Racquetball	57	52	28	-24
Total	164	145	120	-25

Pass	% Visited in August	% Visited in September
WRC Fitness Adult	39%	37%
WRC Fitness Junior/Student	86%	43%
WRC Fitness Senior	35%	37%
WRC Gym Pass	0%	0%
WRC Silver Sneakers	18%	27%
WRC Tivity Prime	6%	6%
WRC Renew Active	14%	13%
Total	36%	31%

**Fall Group Fitness enrollment:** 

Class	September
50+ Gentle Yoga	0
50+ Forever Strong	22
50+ Basic Exercise	18
Fitness Boot Camp	11
Women of Steel	12



Membership	09/30/2020	01/01/2021	09/30/2021	2021 YTD Var. +/
Total	608	586	718	+132



#### **General Programs:**

Program	Fall 2021	Fall 2020
Baton & Poms	43	27
A&A Music (piano & guitar)	6	2
Choir & Theater programs	9	6
Horsemanship	2	n/a
Shotokan Karate	98	61
Tae Kwon Do	47	31
Gymnastics	222 (to date)	80
Racquetball lessons	6	6
Racquetball leagues	27	n/a

#### Dance:

There are 154 dancers enrolled in 22 classes this fall. This is compared to 83 dancers in 15 classes last fall. With the retirement of Ms. Judy at Willow, a new instructor was hired at Willow. The Willow dance program is running strong with the new instructor.

#### **Special Events:**

Staff is preparing for a busy October Halloween season.

- Pumpkin Swim at The Club was October 9. The event had 47 participants.
- Preschool Halloween Bash is October 16. The program is sold out with 200 participants. Children will trick or treat around TC, play games, and decorate pumpkins.
- NEW! Haunted Hoffman Family Fest is October 23 at Fabbrini Park from 10am-3pm. This new event will replace Party in the Park and Pumpkin Fest from previous years. Activities at the event include: Pumpkin Carving Contest, Costume Contest, Doggie Costume Contest, Pumpkin (basketball) free throw contest, Hayride, Halloween Movie, 9-hole mini golf course, fishing, crafts and games. There are also 49 families enrolled to date in the Pumpkin Carving Contest. The costume contest is sold out with 45 participants. This event will surely be the new hit for fall!
- NEW! Trick or Treat Path. Within the Haunted Hoffman Family Fest is a paid event for children to trick or treat around Fabbrini Park path. Volunteers will line the path in costumes and distribute candy. To date we are sold out with 600 children enrolled in the event. Staff will be working to accommodate more children.



- Senior Bingo Night on September 13 had 18 participants.
- Trivia Nights were held on September 2 with 39 participants and September 23 with 17 enrolled.
- Senior Dinner Seminar with a panel on Senior Living specialists had eight participants.
- Lunch with the Historian on September 29 had 14 participants.
- Senior Trip to Kinky Boots ran with 18 participants.
- Upcoming senior events:
  - o Anderson Japanese Tour on October 6.
  - o Halloween Luncheon on October 13.
  - o Lunch & Learn Real Estate on October 20
  - o Lunch & Learn Medicare on October 27.
  - o Morke's Chocolate Tour on November 9.



Little Stars Child Care has 38 children enrolled; last September there were 16 children.

#### Part-Day Preschool 21/22

20-21 TC		21-22 TC		+/-	20-21 WR	C	21-22 WRC		+/-
Threeschool	0	Threeschool	12	+12	Threeschool	0	Threeschool	6	+6
2's Playschool	6	2's Playschool	24	+18	2's Playschool	0	2's Playschool	10	+10
3's & 4's	47	3's & 4's	86	+39	3's & 4's	29	3's & 4's	30	+1
Total	53	Total	122	+69	Total	29	Total	46	+17

Early Childhood enrichment classes began this month. There are two fall sessions. To date, there are 82 participants.

NEW! Storytime at the Park with Schaumburg Library started this month. Every Wednesday morning, the library leads a storytime at Cottonwood Park.



### **STAR August Enrollment**

	3 days	3 days	5 days	5 days	Total
	before	after	before	after	enrolled
Armstrong	4	11	18	17	50
Fairview	1	13	15	32	61
Lakeview	1	2	13	34	50
Lincoln Prairie	3	5	17	16	41
MacArthur	2	7	24	24	57
Muir	4	3	10	20	37
Total for D54	15	41	97	143	296
Whiteley	4	14	33	43	94
Thomas Jefferson	1	13	4	37	55
Total for D15	5	27	37	80	149

### **KinderSTAR enrollment:**

NEW! Morning KinderSTAR (in afternoon Kindergarten at school)

	3 days	5 days
Whiteley	1	2
Thomas Jefferson	3	4

Afternoon KinderSTAR (in morning Kindergarten at school)

	3 days	5 days
Whiteley	6	8
Thomas Jefferson	3	7

#### **No School Days**

A Half Day off program for district 54 was held on September 17 with 39 kids. Half of the group went to Willow Recreation Center to participate in a martial arts activity put on by one of our contracted instructors, Jason Fymire, while the other went to play at the beautiful new South Ridge Park and then the groups switched. The group then headed back to the Triphahn Center for gym games and crafts.



#### **Athletics**

#### **Hoffman Basketball Academy**

- We place a heavier focus on 1v1 and group trainings to get players ready for their upcoming school and feeder tryouts.
  - We had our best month since the academy opened with 33 training sessions!
- Point guard camp ran on Tuesdays from 6 to 7pm.
  - o 6 players signed up for this camp.
- Fundamental camps are back.
  - o Both our K-2 and 3-8 grade camp filled up.
- Registrations for 3v3 and winter in-house league will continue throughout the month.
  - o For 3v3 basketball league we will be running at the 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> grade level with 21 players.
  - o The winter in-house league, which starts in December, already has a total of 111 players signed up, the league typically takes in about 230.
- Feeder drop-in clinics continued throughout the month.
- Our AAU team competed in two tournaments during the month on September 13 and 27.
  - o We added training sessions for the team with Coach Adrian on Wednesdays.

#### Baseball / Softball

- Fall league games will be taking place.
  - o Pinto and mustang teams played their first game on September 11.
- Our colt team played a game at Boomers Stadium on September 18.

#### **Adult Sports**

• Our seven-team adult softball fall league wrapped up on September 20.

#### Soccer

- There are 214 players in the fall season of outdoor soccer. This is compared to 114 in 2020 and 219 in 2019.
- Fall HUSC soccer clinics have 35 participants.

**Fishing:** Fall Fishing Derby was held October 2 with 72 participants.

#### **E-Sports**

- E-sports Zone has 17 members.
- Staff is working this month to design new events, tournaments and opportunities to continue to grow E-Sports.
- Six birthday parties are planned for the upcoming four weeks. Birthday parties are proving to be a very successful program for the E-Sports Zone.



#### **Hockey:**

• Hockey Lessons began this month. A new tot class is offered this season.

	2021	2020
Tot Level	19	n/a
Hockey Level 1	31	12
Hockey Level 2	23	23
TOTAL – session 1	73	35

- Fall Hockey League kicked off mid-September. New this season has an all-girls Wolverines team playing in the U10 Squirt level.
- There are no comparisons from last fall as COVID restricted league play last fall.

Level	Enrollment
New! NWHL Mites	20
CUHL Travel Mites	16
NWHL Squirts	35
NWHL PeeWees	23
NWHL Bantams	31
NWHL Midgets	30
NWHL Girls U10	13
NIHL Girls U14	16
TOTAL	184

\*\* NWHL is Northwest Hockey League. CUHL is Chicago United Hockey League which is a travel league. NIHL is Northern IL Hockey League which is a travel league.

Our travel partner, Hoffman Timberwolves play in the NIHL but do not provide a team in the Mites level or Girls-only level which is why HEParks provide these two travel teams.

• Adult Hockey League began this month with five teams. The teams play on Tuesday and Wednesday nights. Adult drop-in hockey is offered on Sunday and Thursday nights.

#### **Figure Skating:**

- A new format for Freestyle launched for September. Skaters will pay a monthly flat rate and get unlimited access to all freestyle timeslots. There are 26 skaters who have the monthly Freestyle membership.
- Fall figure skating lessons began this month. There are 275 skaters enrolled in lessons compared to 207 last fall.

#### **Public Skate:**

• Public Skate was offered on September 12 and 26. There were 13 pre-registered and 15 walk-ins on September 12. Public skate on September 26 had 22 pre-registered and 50 walk-ins.



Seascape closed for the season on Monday, September 6. We had a total of 1,642 memberships for the year. Here is a summary of season-end financials:

	2021 Budget	YTD
Seascape Pass Sales REV	\$72,000	\$97,040
Seascape Daily Admission REV	\$135,000	\$160,501
Seascape Swim Lessons REV	\$21,500	\$18,698
Seascape PT manager wages	\$30,820	\$20,771
Seascape Cashier wages	\$9000	\$9,938
Seascape Guard Wages	\$189,908	\$178,635

Fall swim lessons at The Club began this month. There are two sessions offered in fall. To date, there are 207 enrolled in indoor swim lessons. All session one classes are full, many with a waitlist. Swim lessons are proving to be quite popular!



Results from the Summer Reading Program partnership with Palatine Library: Out of 5,000 buy-one-get-one-free Seascape passes distributed, 275 were redeemed during the summer. The printing cost total was \$73.50

In September, HEParks partnered with Palatine Library System for the "Show your card promotion". During September, library patrons could show their card at the Triphahn Center on

public skate days for a free skate rental. The district was highlighted in the printed library guide, social media support and emails sent to library patrons.

Web traffic to HEParks.org in September was the highest recorded September since the district began tracking visitors in 2015.

Customer satisfaction with the Online Program Guide has been high. Customer service staff have also commented how it makes their jobs easier.

#### **Special Projects:**

- Digital program guide in September
  - Continued to update program guide process
  - o Made adjustments to the custom module used to pull programs
- Headshots of all full-time staff
- Community Involvement/Engagement
  - HEParks sponsorship of Chamber of Commerce Golf Outing
- Trick or Treat backdrop designs

#### **Design Work:**

- Halloween Events
  - Haunted Hoffman Family Fest
  - Trick or Treat Path
- Top Tracer Facility Promo
- Park Signage

#### **Promotions:**

- Halloween events: Haunted Hoffman Family Fest, Trick or Treat Path, Pumpkin Swim, Trick or Treat Climb, Preschool Halloween, Pumpkin Skate
- Fall Fishing Derby
- Senior September & October events
- Now Hiring
- Community Fitness Day
- Youth Basketball League
- Club monthly promo

**Email campaigns:** Five e-blasts were sent out this month. Group specific emails included: Senior September newsletter and Community Fitness Day to cancelled fitness members.

#### **Social Media:**

- 80 posts in September
- Top interactive posts:

- Haunted Hoffman Family Fest Announcement 4,000 reached
- Thank you to Bass Fishing Tournament 3,400 reached
- Interactive Park map awareness 3,100 reached
- Location-based, targeted social media ads for Seascape ended in the second week of September
- HEParks Business location ads began after Seascape local ads ended.
- Customer interaction with HEParks social posts increased by 7% in September over August.
- Increased posting frequency to the Club and Bridges Twitter feeds

#### # of Followers:

			Follower Count of HEParks Managed Social Media Accounts by Month				
			Monthly Follower Count				
Account	Social Media Platform	September 2021	August 2021	Jul7 2021	June 2021	May 2021	April 2021
Bridges of Poplar Creek	Facebook	1,098	1,094	1,096	1,091	1,083	1,081
	Instagram	139	132	130	129	129	128
	Twitter	161	161	160	161	161	163
The Club	Facebook	1,656	1,650	1,646	1,647	1,642	1,644
	Instagram	352	349	350	346	344	333
	Twitter	40	40	40	40	39	39
HEParks	Facebook	5,590	5,533	5,489	5,369	5,293	5,213
	Instagram	973	966	954	912	888	866
	Twitter	1,081	1,081	1,076	1,073	1,073	1,072
Ice Academy	Facebook	108	108	101	100	100	98
Wolf Pack	Facebook	381	370	366	358	356	349
	Instagram	373	375	369	366	362	354
Senior Center	Facebook	123	123	123	122	121	120

#### Website:

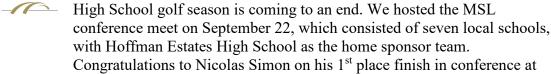
Highest visited pages

- Highest visited pages in September 2021: Program Guide, Haunted Hoffman Family Fest (event page), Hockey, and Youth Sports (Compared to September 2020: Program Guide, Dog Park, Drive Boo, Triphahn Center).
- Traffic to HEParks.org spikes every Thursday, coinciding with the all-district email delivery.
- Overall, web traffic to HEParks.org was lower in September then in the previous months. This is due to two reasons. First, this was a non-registration push month, and secondly, summer events and the pool were not as active.
- Traditionally September is a lower web-traffic month. Even though the traffic was lower than in previous months, it was still significantly higher than prior years.
- 61.72% of all HEParks Web traffic was by patrons between 18 and 44 years old. 21% of all traffic to the site was made by patrons 55 and over.

#### **Press Releases:**

- Community Fitness Day
- Submitted small written articles about events leading to an increase in small community printed blurbs. These smaller informal articles are being printed more often than larger formal articles.

#### **Bridges General Programs**



Bridges and then his 5<sup>th</sup> Place finish in State!

We are also fortunate to be the host for the Girls High School Golf Sectionals on October 4<sup>th</sup> with Conant High School as the home sponsor team.

Marketing materials are up for the Turkey Shoot on November 6th. The event has returned back to its normal 11:00 a.m. shotgun event. The event is sold out already with 128 players.

Marketing has also begun working on the return of the 5K. This event will be held on the same day as the Turkey Shoot to capitalize on the morning of the course being closed. This event was last held in 2018, as 2019 was

cancelled due to snow and 2020 due to COVID. We look to jump start this event back up, pushing it to all the members at the Club.

#### **Golf Rounds**

MONTHLY ROUND TOTALS							
2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	5 Year Average		
4,752	3,554	3,616	4,830	4,435	4,237		
YTD ROUND TOTALS							
2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	5 Year Average		
27,487	24,117	22,167	21,570	26,614	24,391		

#### **Range Information**

	MONTHLY RA	NGE BASKET	Γ SALES TOT	TALS				
2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	5 Year Average			
2,431	2,344	2,653	3,346	2,685	2,692			
	YTD RANGE BASKET SALES TOTALS							
2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	5 Year Average			
18,057	16,316	18,755	14,942	18,553	17,325			

#### **Food & Beverage**

#### September Events Recap

- 1 shower servicing 30 guests
- 1 memorial servicing 25 guests
- 1 breakfast meeting servicing 25 guests
- 5 golf outings with food servicing 546 guests
- 4 ceremony/receptions servicing 493 guests

#### October Events

- 1 anniversary party servicing 65 guests
- 2 showers servicing 52 guests
- 1 golf outing with food servicing 50 guests
- 1 ceremony/reception servicing 150 guests
- 1 memorial luncheon servicing 28 guests
- 2 dinners servicing 300 guests

#### Wedding Count Update:

#### 2022 = 10 Ceremony and Receptions, 1 reception only have been contracted.

- 2021 = 12 ceremony and reception, 4 reception only
- 2020 = All weddings were cancelled or rescheduled to 2021.
- 2019 = 16 ceremony and reception, 3 reception only, 1 ceremony only
- 2018 = 16 ceremony and reception and 3 reception only, 2 ceremony only
- 2017 = 14 ceremony and reception, 5 reception only, 5 ceremony only
- 2016 = 21 ceremony and reception, 4 reception only, 1 ceremony only.
- 2015 = 18 ceremony and reception, 5 reception only, 4 ceremony only

#### **Golf Maintenance Summary**

The golf course maintenance team has been in full swing as the weather continues to provide great golfing weather. The team has done a great job preparing for some fall highlight events with High School Golf Meets and our Annual Fall Pro Am.

PJ Bugay has brought a great amount of energy and life back in to the maintenance team, as he has taken on more responsibilities with the departure of Bill Meyer. He is showing great leadership and willing to take on more duties. His dedication to the facility and hard work is showing with great course conditions and customer comments over the last couple of weeks.

Some of the daily tasks the team has performed:

- Continuous daily mowing and maintenance in preparation for High School events and Pro-Am.
- Cleaned up course from storms moving though.
- Fertilized Par 3 tees to encourage growth for better recovery.
- Applied last fungicide and fertilizer applications on greens, tees and fairways.
- Re-edged all bunkers and fly-mowed banks.
- Cleared out over grown and dead shrubs in event area to make way for new foliage.
- Transplanted tall grasses from overgrown front island to mulch beds in need of variety.
- Continuous daily mowing and maintenance in preparation for High School events and Pro-Am.
- Hand-watered areas as needed.
- Continuous detail work on course.
- Trimming sprinkler heads/yardage plates.
- Trimming curbs, walls and tree bases.
- Raised up low hanging branches over cart paths.
- Filled divots on fairways and tees.



#### September 2021

Membership Totals	<u>9/30/2020</u>	<u>1/01/2021</u>	<u>9/30/2021</u>	<u>Var. +/-</u>
Totals	2381	1992	2088	<b>+96</b>

#### **Member Services/Sales**

- We enrolled 86 new members in September. Despite this being a very slow month of new enrollments (September is typically very slow), we are still net positive overall for enrollments in 2021. The mask mandate is still a challenge, but past members are slowly realizing it most likely isn't going away any time soon and are coming back.
- September is typically a transitional month, and especially this year with people adjusting to new schedules, getting kids back in school and all that comes with this.
- We had 1,383 unique visits in September. 66% of members are visiting/using the facility at least once a month. This lower number supports the thought that student members have returned to school and many people are adjusting to new schedules and visiting less frequently during this time.
- The Club Fitness Department has been working with the C&M department this month to create social media content for future organized posts.
- 2 promotional emails were sent out in September. One to previous members with a zero enrollment fee offer toward the end of the month which brought in 20 new members. Another was sent to current members at the very end of September with an announcement about the Open House Event on Oct. 2 and the special referral reward of a free month of dues to the member who referred someone who joined. We have had 15 member referrals so far in October. This referral special will run through October 31.
- The postcard mailers were sent at the end of September announcing the Oct. 2 Open House Event and also the Top Tracer Facility at Bridges.
- Although this is officially October Board Report details, it is too exciting not to share that the October 2 Open House Event brought in **51 new members** in just that one day alone! We will provide more details on the event in the October Board Report, but this event gave a great boost to the enrollment numbers in October.

#### **Operations and Fitness Departments:**

• We ran a fun, interactive month-long event in September we called "Club-a-Palooza" where we had themed group fitness classes throughout the month of September (i.e. twins day, sunglasses day, crazy hair day, crazy socks day, etc.).





- We have added a weekend Zumba class (Saturday) and a Monday night aqua class on to the group fitness schedule. Attendance has been good with both of these new classes. We are looking at adding one more weekday (Tuesday) Zumba which will give us a total of three Zumba classes on schedule, which is what we had prior to shut down.
- The Windy City Bulls have had an installer drill the holes for the anchoring of the portable baskets. These installers also gave us a tutorial on how to move the baskets into place and anchor them.
- Meet the most recent Club Members of the Quarter:

# Olga Hayhurst

I started at The Club at Prairie Stone in 2004 when we moved to the Streamwood area. I decided to join The Club over other fitness centers because of its location and I was also impressed with it when I visited to check it out.

Currently I take HIIT classes twice a week, plus Pilates, Forever Fit and Yoga.

The new functional fitness (HIIT) space is very comfortable and has lots of room to maintain distances. It has all the equipment we need for the different workout activities we do.

My favorite part about being a member of The Club is just the whole team at Prairie Stone are very friendly and make

"The new functional fitness (HIIT) space is very comfortable and has lots of room to maintain distances. It has all the equipment we need..." it pleasant. I enjoy being there. I feel like I can ask for help and the team is willing to give it. I have been there so long because I feel comfortable.

It's practically a new facility

with the new improvements. The additional equipment and space have really been a plus. The schedule of classes has made it convenient for everybody.

I am very grateful that during the beginning of the Covid pandemic they were able to give us programs over the internet with virtual classes to keep us going with a variety of different activities. The way things have been run since then have been safe and comfortable to use.



# Dave Pierce

I joined way back in 2006 when I first moved into the area. I remember taking a tour and being impressed with Prairie Stone's modern and ample amenities. I used the track, some light weights, and "stair climber" machines.

Jump to March of 2020, I was here on the last day before Prairie Stone had to shut down due to the Covid virus! So, like many others, I worked from home. My office was 10 ft from the fridge. So I put on a "Covid 20" to my already chubby frame, and I felt very lethargic and low energy. One day an ad popped up on my laptop, saying it had a great way to lose weight and get in shape. It consisted of a traditional low calorie diet with lots of vegetables and stuff like that.

" I was totally gassed after that first class! ... I average about 3 classes per week... I haven't been in this kind of shape since my late twenties."



So, I established the diet and lost most of my Covid 20! But the other part of the program was "HIIT Training" I would have to do by myself.

Once The Club reopened, I was back and walking down the hallway when I noticed the HIIT training classes posted on the bulletin board. So I decided to try a class, I was totally

gassed after that first class! The classes got easier as time went on, and I totally enjoy them now. I average about 3 classes per week, and the weight loss has been great, 30 additional pounds of weight loss. I haven't been in this kind of shape since my late twenties.

The HIIT facilities are incredible, and the equipment is top notch.

The people I work out with are fun to be around, and the instructors excellent as well. I look forward to my workouts.



#### A. Finance/Administration

- Processed applicable monthly returns as required.
- Processed Club/TC/WRC cancellations, including attaching documentation to RecTrac household member and member holds prior to October billing.
- Completed BSA software updates.
- RecTrac Enhancements/Processes
  - O As part of the District goal of going paperless, a Topaz signature capture device was purchased for testing. These are the same devices used by most medical offices to capture patient signatures on documents digitally. A test waiver was created, the device was setup, and successfully tested with RecTrac. There a few remaining work flow issues that need to be resolved before deployment in 2022.
- Created a digital version of the Independent Contractor Agreement in the new document management software. The document contains automatic routing and will capture a binding digital signature.
- Payroll Cycle Processing

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#### B. Administrative Registration/EFT Billing

- EFT Billings for:
  - a. Sponsorship/Marquee
  - b. ELC (weekly)
  - c. Club/TC/WRC Fitness
  - d. STAR
  - e. Pre School
  - f. Hockey
- Administrative
  - a. Program Cancellations/Refunds
  - b. Program Fee/Rule Adjustments
  - c. TC Desk Coverage
  - d. Fall Soccer Fees Updated
  - Administrative Registration for:
    - a. Scholarship Applications
    - b. Park Permits
    - c. Pre School refunds due to COVID
    - d. Hockey Team Transfers
    - e. Lifeguard Employee Refunds

#### C. Technology

- Security Cameras
  - a. Parks maintenance is running the cabling for The Club, IT is configuring the five (5) new cameras.
  - b. Two (2) cameras have been purchased and configured for the interior of the Toptracer building at BPC. Parks maintenance will run the cabling.

- The migration to the Mitel phone system was successfully completed on September 22. All users received the new Mitel client and no significant issues were encountered.
- Comcast completed the installation of the new fiber connection for The Club on September 15. Network speeds are running much faster with the new fiber line. All HEParks facilities are now on Comcast fiber.
- The configuration and deployment of all new mobile devices to Parks maintenance has been completed.

#### A. Administrative Services

- Director of Administrative Services Peter Cahill was officially processed as the Authorized Agent with IMRF.
- Collaborated with C&M to take head shots of all full-time employees. These headshots will be used in new hire materials and other marketing pieces.
- Worked with PDRMA to get the 2022 Health Insurance premiums for the budget.
- Met with PandaDoc to begin implementation of paperless document management including new hire paperwork. PandaDoc recently added several new features which led to some early hiccups in the process.
- Reviewed five-year loss history in preparation for the Risk Management Review.
- Met with PDRMA team to kick-off the 2021 Risk Management review. The new process is more focused on loss experience and an interactive back and forth with PDRMA rather than the policy and practice review of previous accreditation processes.

#### **B.** Human Resources

- Processed 8 PT new hires
- Completed 2021 2nd Quarter BEN 118R
- Human Resources posted the BPCCC Bar and Grill Manager on our website, as well as, Indeed and Culinaryagents.com.
- Attended a hospitality job fair put on by the Village of Hoffman Estates. It was moderately attended, but did find a few promising leads on employees.
- Human Resources processed the retirement paperwork for one employee.
- HR staff assisted in a confidential personnel matter.
- Worked on compliance with District 54's After School Care Vaccination Guidance, which requires a weekly negative test or full vaccination for all STAR employees. As of this time, our policy and procedure is to require vaccination for all classroom orientated childcare employees.



September 23, 2021

Craig Talsma Hoffman Estates Park District 1685 West Higgins Road Hoffman Estates, IL 60169

Dear Craig:

Please find enclosed letters that were sent to Representative Fred Crespo and Senator Cristina Castro. We wanted them to know about the outstanding work the Hoffman Estates Park District is doing and the recognition it will be receiving at the *Best of the Best Awards Gala* on October 15<sup>th</sup>.

I encourage you to invite your legislators to the *Best of the Best Awards Gala* and make them a part of your reservation, so that they can join in the celebration and learn more about your agency's award-winning projects.

Congratulations on the award, Craig. Keep up the great work!

My best personal regards,

Peter M. Murphy

President/CEO

**Enclosures** 





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The Honorable Fred Crespo Illinois House of Representatives 1014 E. Schaumburg Rd. Streamwood, IL 60107

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Thank you for your support of the Hoffman Estates Park District and for all you do to help the Illinois Association of Park Districts advance parks, recreation and conservation. Together, we are helping to make Illinois a better place to live, work and play.

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# Make it a **safe Halloween**

It's that time of year again! We all enjoy the costume making, candy eating and the occasional jump-scare that Halloween brings. Below are some tips for trick-or-treaters and parents or guardians, to help make it a safe and fun holiday for all:



- Stay well-lit: Plan costumes that are reflective or add reflective tape to costumes. This will ensure drivers on the road can see you.
- Keep costumes short: Make sure costumes don't drag on the ground, as this can lead to dangerous trips and falls, especially in the dark.



- Sort through your child's candy: When the trick-or-treating is finished for the night, check your child's bag and sort through all candy. Throw away any pieces that are open or not in the original wrapper.
- Plan a route nearby: Police and community leaders recommend parents plan a route in advance close to home, or in an area familiar to parents and children. Stick to the route to avoid children getting lost, and keep them within eyesight the whole night.
- Look for outdoor lights: Homes that are
  welcoming trick-or-treaters should turn on their
  outdoor lights. Not all families may feel comfortable with trick-or-treating this year due to the
  pandemic; teach children not to ring the doorbell
  if a light is not on.

# Fire Department promotions



Six members of the Fire Department were recently promoted. These promotions include Captain David Ganziano to the rank of Deputy Chief of Administration, Captain Patrick Clarke to the rank of Deputy Chief of Operations, and Lieutenant Daniel Pearson to the rank of Fire Captain. Additionally, Lieutenant Alan O'Brien was promoted to the rank of Fire Captain, Firefighter Jason

Loeb to the rank of Fire Lieutenant, and Firefighter Thomas Zito to the rank of Fire Lieutenant. Mayor McLeod officially swore these members in at the August 30 special Village Board meeting as friends and family looked on. Thank you and congratulations to all of these individuals for their hard work and dedication to the Village and the Fire Department!

### Park District

### **Halloween events**

The Park District's Haunted Hoffman Family Fest will take place on October 23 from 10 a.m. -3 p.m. This free, community event will include activities such as a doggie costume contest, children's costume contest, carved pumpkin contest, meet and greet with the Fire and Police departments, Zombie Zumba, fishing, free throw contest, a hayride and so much more! The Hoffman Estates branch of the Schaumburg Public Library and Health and Human Services will be on-site guiding many of the Halloween activities.

More information is available at <a href="https://www.heparks.org/event/haunted-hoffman-family-fest">https://www.heparks.org/event/haunted-hoffman-family-fest</a>. Reservations for a Trick or Treat Path featuring photo ops with kids' favorite characters are also available (for a nominal fee) on the Park District's website.



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Cantigny Fall Festival: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 9, in the Parade Field at Cantigny Park, 1S151 Winfield Road, Wheaton. Crafters, pumpkin sales, book fair, live music and fall treats. Free admission with \$5 parking. cantigny.org/event/fall-festival.

Kingswood Church HarvestFest: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 9, at Kingswood United Methodist Church, 401 W. Dundee Road, Buffalo Grove. Petting zoo, children's games and prizes, pumpkin decorating, bake sale, food and a free lunch for each child. Free admission. kingswoodumc.com/harvest-fest.

Blackberry Farm Pumpkin Weekends: 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays in October, and on Columbus Day, Monday, Oct. 11, at Blackberry Farm, 100 S. Barnes Road, Aurora. Family-friendly, pumpkin-themed festivities. Admission is \$8, \$7 for ages 65 and older. blackberryfarm.info/special-events/.

Brothers' Field Fall Fest: 11 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 9, at Brothers' Field, 344 Old McHenry Road, Long Grove. Historic Downtown Long Grove hosts the "Do It Yourself Scarecrow Day," plus there's live music, pumpkin painting, tractor rides, face/arm painting and seasonal drinks at the Tiki Bar. Live music starts at 5 p.m. brothersfieldlonggrove.com.

Fun on the Farm Fundraiser: 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 9, at Dream Riders, 4701 N. Oak St., Crystal Lake. Activities, games, prizes, food and more for the whole family. \$8-\$10; free for kids 3 and younger and adults 18 and older. Register at dreamriderstic.com.

Pumpkin Swim: 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 9, in the activity pool at The Club at Prairie Stone, 5050 Sedge Blvd., Hoffman Estates. Kids 2-13 can swim in the pumpkin patch to snag a pumpkin to decorate and take home. Kids must be accompanied by an adult.

The Glass Pumpkin Patch returns to the Mor Lisle Oct. 13-17.

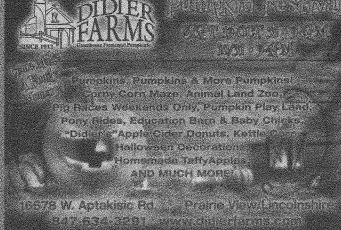
\$10-\$12. heparks.org/event/pumpkinswim.

Brew at the Bridge: Noon to 8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 9, at Hudson Crossing Park, 65 N. Harrison St., Oswego. Sample local craft i music by the F p.m. brewatth Barrington Fa Saturday, Oct.

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Autumn On The Fox Art and Craft Show: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Oct. 8-9, and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 10, at Pottawatomie Park, 8 North Ave., St. Charles. Part of St. Charles Scarecrow Fest, the show features more than 100 crafters of handmade items. Variety of jewelry, metal art, stained glass, photography, wood, folk art, food and bath products and more. artoftheheartland.com/autumnonthefox.html

# Saturday 9

'Paint the Town Barrington' reception: 6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 9, Barrington's White House, 145 W. Main St., Barrington. Just as the artists of Paris have done for hundreds of years, local artists will paint "plein air" (outdoors in the open air) in Barrington now through Oct. 9. Come to watch more than 15 artists from throughout the Chicago area as they paint local landmarks around town during the week. Then, meet the artists in person as they showcase and sell their newly created pieces during the reception Saturday evening. Sponsored by the Barrington Cultural Commission. www. barringtonswhitehouse.com.

Arlington Heights Farmers
Market: 8 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Saturdays, through Oct. 16,
at the corner of Vail Avenue
and Fremont Street, Arlington
Heights. Proceeds benefit the
Arlington Heights Historical
Society. (847) 255-1225 or
www.ahfarmersmarket.org

Elk Grove Farmers Market: 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturdays, through mid October, at the Clock Tower on the Municipal Grounds, 901 Wellington Ave., Elk Grove Village. www. facebook.com/elkgrovefarmersmarket.

Palatine Farmers Market: 7 a.m.-1 p.m.-Saturdays through October in the Palatine commuter station parking lot, Smith and Wood streets. NeoTeca, 130 S. Hough St., Barrington. Enjoy fine wines from local suppliers while shopping. Watch local artists paint in the streets as part of the Plein Air Art Festival. Check in at NeoTeca, 130 S. Hough St. Must be 21 or over to attend. \$25. Buy tickets at barringtonchamber.com.

Kingswood Church HarvestFest: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 9, Kingswood United Methodist Church, 401 W. Dundee Road, Buffalo Grove. Expect a petting zoo, children's games and prizes, pumpkin decorating, bake sale, great food, and a free lunch for each child. Free. www.kingswoodumc.com/harvest-fest.

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Schweikher House Tour: 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 9; 11 a.m. Friday, Oct. 15; 1 p.m. Friday, Oct. 22; 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. Friday, Oct. 29, The Schweikher House, 645 S. Meacham Road, Schaumburg. Expert docents lead visitors through the House & Studio. Learn about the history of the property, the Modernist architect who designed, lived/ worked in it - Paul Schweikher - and the second owner/residents, the Langsdorf family. Wear a mask and remove shoes or wear shoe coverings (provided on-site). \$20. www.schweikherhouse. org/visit.

# Sunday 10

Barrington Area CROP Hunger Walk: 12:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 10, Salem United Methodist Church, 115 W. Lincoln Ave., Barrington. 7 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 10, First Presbyterian Church of Arlington Heights, 302 N. Dunton, Arlington Heights. Join for a conversation with Yale law professor Stephen B. Bright about defendants he has represented, how many have gone on to become productive members of society and how race and poverty play an important role in how capital punishment cases are investigated and prosecuted. Free, firstpresah.org.

Buffalo Grove Farmers
Market: 8 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Sundays through Oct. 10,
Mike Rylko Community Park,
in front of Spray 'n Play, 951
McHenry Road, Buffalo Grove.
www.facebook.com/BuffaloGroveFarmersMarket.

Blessing of the Animals: 2-3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 10, Trinity Lutheran Church, 675 E. Algonquin Road, Des Plaines. Bring your pets. Meet on the lawn in front of the sanctuary. In the case of inclement weather, event will move inside. Free. www. trinitydesplaines.org.

Public Skate: 1:30-3:30 p.m. Sundays, Oct. 10 and 24, Triphahn Center, 1685 W. Higgins Road, Hoffman Estates. Enjoy up to 2 hours on the ice. \$3/skater and \$3 skate rental. www.heparks. org.

Jazz Concert — Let's Face the Music and Dance!: Virtually available Sundays, Oct. 10, 17, 24, and 31, Prospect Heights Public Library. The dynamic duo of jazz vocalist Petra van Nuis and guitarist Andy Brown entertain with dance themed tunes from the Great American Songbook. This concert was recorded and will be viewed on YouTube. Free. www.phpl.info

Bridal Expo Chicago: 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 10, Hyatt Regency Schaumburg, Chicago, 1800 E. Golf Road, Schaumburg. Attend the show and experience everything new and trending in weddings. Shop in style, find discounts/deals from participating wedding profes-

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Halloween Spooktacular: 6-7 p.m. or 7:30-8:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 15, Community Recreation Center, 505 N. Springinsguth Road, Schaumburg. Come in costume to the not-too-spooky Halloween Spooktacular, Family-friendly Halloween party with a musical show. Everyone will receive 3D glasses, one pumpkin per group with decorating supplies, goody bags for the kids and photo opportunities with some favorite characters. Guests wearing costumes may enter

# Saturday 16

Preschool Halloween
Bash: 9:30 a.m.to noon
Saturday, Oct. 16, Triphahn
Center, 1685 W Higgins Road,
Hoffman Estates. Children 7
and younger, come dressed
in your Halloween costume
for a morning of fun. Pumpkin
decorating, Halloween games,
crafts and snacks. All children
attending must preregister
by Oct. 15. No registration
taken at the door. \$6-\$7.
www.heparks.org/event/
preschool-halloween-bash/.

by Northwestern Medicine. Money raised will fund the Lung Association's mission to save lives by improving lung health and preventing lung disease. Registration is open for individuals, families, groups of friends and corporate teams to stroll, saunter. or power-walk through Cantigny Park for three miles. Registration for walk is free; participants are encouraged to fundraise a minimum of \$100 to earn an event T-shirt. For information, and to register, visit LUNGFORCEWalk.org/ Chicagoland.



# What's your normal these days?



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#### RECAP OF WEEKLY UPDATES TO THE BOARD

# **Updates 10.1.2021**

Dear Commissioners:

# **Upcoming Events**

- Oct 2 Community Fitness Day Triphahn & Willow Fitness Centers
- Oct 2 Fall Fishing Derby
- Oct 2 Community Fitness Open House The Club
- Oct 6 Storytime in the Park
- Oct 9 Pumpkin Swim
- Oct 10 Pro-Am Scramble Golf Event
- Oct 13 Storytime in the Park
- Oct 16 Preschool Halloween Bash
- Oct 20 Storytime in the Park
- Oct 23 Haunted Hoffman Family Fest
- Oct 23 Trick or Treat Path
- Oct 27 Storytime at the Park

# <u>Carpenters Union and Integrity Builders (Bridges of Poplar creek Top Tracer Project and Vogelei Project)</u>

After the Board approved the Vogelei House Enhancement Project to be awarded to Integrity Builders, the Carpenters Union established a strike protest line on Wednesday at the entrance to Bridges. As of Friday they have appeared to have left Bridges and a couple union members are protesting at the corner of Golf & Higgins (see attached photo). Please forward all questions regarding this situation to Craig.

#### IAPD Legal Symposium – Thursday, November 4, Hyatt Lodge, Oak Brook, 8:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

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# Community Fitness Open House at The Club – Saturday, October 2

All three of our fitness centers are open to the public for free tomorrow, October 2, with a special Open House event taking place at The Club from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. We will offer free Boxing Circuit,

Gentle Yoga, and Zumba classes, with the Climbing Wall and Activity Pool open as well. We will be offering enrollment specials at all three fitness centers, using the Open House as a push for fall enrollments. Details are available on the HE Parks website, and attached is a short announcement from the Daily Herald regarding the Triphahn Center event. We also hope you received the mailer that went out for The Club and Top Tracer at Bridges.

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<sup>\*</sup>The following items were attached to this email: Community Fitness Day at TC; Union at Vogelei photo.

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Day **Fitness** Community Triphahn Center: 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 2, Triphahn Center, 1685 W. Higgins Road or Willow Recreation Center, 3600 Lexington Drive, Hoffman Estates. Workout for free at Hoffman Estates Park District fitness centers. Community members who enroll Oct. 2 will receive free initiation fee. For information, www.heparks. org/event/community-fitness-day.

Blood Drive: 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 5, North Suburban YMCA, 2705 Techny Road, Northbrook. The Red Cross will host a blood drive to address the critical blood shortage. Register online at www.redcrossblood.org.

Medicare Review Session: 10 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 5, North Suburban ÝMCA, 2705 Techny Road, Northbrook. Le Anh Blanchard from BNB Financial Services, LLC will Medicare coverdiscuss age options including Part A, B, and Medicare Advantage-Part C. For information, www.nsymca.org.

Vaccination Clinic: 4-7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 5, North North-Methodist United Church, 797 Sanders Road, Northbrook. North Northfield UMC will host a vaccination clinic open to the public. For http://northinformation, northfield.x10.mx/Vaccination-clinic.html.

> To contact the Daily Herald, please call (847) 427-4300.

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For more information about cancer screening at NCH please visit www.nch.org/conditions/workplace-wellness/ cancer-screening-services. To schedule a mammogram,

# Walk: Stroll, saunter or p to help lung association

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from our wide range of education and training resources.

 Asthma Basics is a free, one-hour, interactive online learning module ideal for individuals with asthma, parents of children with asthma, co-workers, friends and family who want to learn more about asthma.

 Better Breathers Clubs are in-person support groups led by volunteers all across the country. They offer the opportunity to learn ways to better cope with lung disease while getting the support of others in similar situations.

 Freedom From Smoking is a program for adults who are ready to quit smoking. Because most people know that smoking is dangerous to their health, the program focuses almost exclusively on how to quit, not why to quit.

 LUÑG FORCE Expos are a great opportunity to learn more about the latest trends, resources and research surrounding lung cancer, COPD, asthma and other lung diseases. The one-day event features experts from a variety of lung health-related fields presenting on current research and hot topics, an exhibitor showcase and a chance for patients, caregivers and the local medical community to connect.

 Breathe Well, Live Well: The Guide to Managing Asthma at Home and Work is an empowering learning experience that shows you how to develop asthma self-management skills and build support teams at home and at work.

 Radon Basics is a free, onehour online learning program



Walkers at the 2017 LUNG FOR Lung Association show off the lung disease. This year's ever

designed to help homeowr ers, housing professionals an health care providers unde stand more about radon, cancer-causir radioactive, gas commonly found indoo at dangerous levels.

 $m{0}_{m{c}}$  Tell us about the LUN FORCE Walk.

A: The American Lung Ass ciation in Greater Chicag LUNG FORCE Walk, p sented by Northwestern Mi icine, will take place at a.m. Oct. 17 at Cantigny Pa 1S151 Winfield Road, Wh ton. Registration is free.

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A: Registration is now o for the event, which in individuals, families, group friends, and corporate te to stroll, saunter, or po walk through beautiful C gny Park.

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## **Updates 10.8.2021**

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### **GovLove Podcast Highlighting HEParks Mandatory Vaccination Policy**

On Wednesday of last week, Craig was interviewed as part of the ELGL (Engaging Local Government Leaders) "GovLove" podcast, regarding our implementation of the Mandatory COVID-19 Vaccination Policy. Click here to see the web posting and listen to the entire conversation (to listen, click on the "play" button near the bottom of the page).

#### Keith Evans' Takeaways from the NRPA Conference

Please take a few moments to read Keith's notes from the sessions he attended at NRPA. His document is attached.

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- Chit N' Chat Lunchtime Networking at Panera, 100 W. Higgins Rd., Thursday, October 14, 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. No registration required.
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# 9/21

# 9 AM General Session

Sec of Interior Deb Haaland & Jad Abumrad Radiolab - Haaland is first native American Cabinet Secretary, bringing emphasis to protecting public lands. Not much content from her, just noting there are a few important programs started, or revitalized, under the Biden admin. Nice to hear she recently added a large tract of NM land (as opposed to leasing out formerly protected lands as had been happening recently). Abumrad is an expert in presenting complex issues (especially science-related) to his radio/podcast listeners (of which I have been one for almost 20 years). He talked about bridging the communication gap in our professional lives when talking to colleagues vs. when we talk to others outside our area of expertise. Take away, we need to be aware that what we learn, say, at this conference, may not immediately translate well when discussing the same ideas to our residents or even other staff/commissioners who did not attend. It's not that they cannot understand, it is that we need to know how to convert our special knowledge into a form that can be understood by others. It is not just avoiding jargon, but it may need to be wrapped around a story. If we want to talk about a program change for equity, starting with a story about a child/senior who is missing out, and making the story about finding a solution, rather than announcing the solution without the audience understanding the problem, can be effective. A fun side note was the audio editing discovery of a clip that repeated the phrase "Sometimes behaves so strangely" so often it became musical rather than just words (perception changes, words become music, same words, but we soon hear it as only music).

## Exhibit Hall - Vendors of interest -

<u>9Square in the Air</u> - an easy to set up, indoor/outdoor portable nine square game (pass a ball, volleyball-style over a grid), adjustable for height of players. Would be good for supervised events like party in the park or village concerts, or indoor court use.

Most Dependable Fountains - had a very cool, fixed bike repair station that can be combined with a water fountain or not. Has a rack to hold the bike up, complete tool set (on theft proof cables) and an air compressor. An amenity that would be good for a high bike traffic park.

Blick Art - Would be interested in partnering with HEParks on art projects/classes, all ages - contact Schaumburg store.

1:30 PM 116 Equity Programming for the Future: Connecting the Dots Between Equity, Program Planning and Priority-Based Budgeting - Chris Bass – AD Douglasville GA P&R - Many communities are cutting back or consolidating facilities which often take important access to rec facilities from areas of the community that can least afford to find alternatives. Fortunately, not an issue for HEParks from a facilities standpoint, including parks, but from a program standpoint, we can review if we are supporting areas of our communities that may have not been addressed in the past. Are we offering programs of interest to our Hispanic and Asian residents? From past sessions I attended on this topic, it may take a few years of low participation before we can build a robust program for these community segments. We can't have a one and done mentality if we don't score bigger participation numbers (Urbana Park Dist had a great program to build minority participation, see my prior years' notes)

4:30 PM 132 Bringing Anti Racist Caucusing Practices to Your Agency - Brian Judd and Shanyanika McElroy – Both Seattle P&R - Essentially a train the trainer for agencies looking to address racial issues in their community or within the staff. Includes all the tools for facilitating sessions. Item of interest was the acknowledgement to hold Anti Racist caucus for white identified staff - sounds counter-intuitive, but helps white staff recognize and hold on to their discomfort with their privilege.

# 5:15 PM 1002 Finding Purpose through Fox Valley Special Recreation

Ignacio Gallegos, Leitia DeLa Fuente - Ignacio was born blind and got involved with parks to be active, Letitia is his Grandmother. Nice point of view discussion with a young adult who uses special rec services.

#### 9/22

<u>9 AM General Session</u> - Mitchell Silver - Former head of NYC Parks - Importance of equity, inventory of NYC parks showed 200+ parks with no infrastructure work for dozens of years. Have addressed 60 parks so far, bringing equity to the spending on their parks. Also, spoke about trying to get to 85% of NYC residents to have a park within walking distance. He did not define walking distance, 1/2 mile, 1 mile, 2 miles? As this applies to HE Parks - our capital plan does address both avoiding neglect and walking distance, however, we can take a critical eye to make sure we have equity spending for greenspace/parks for lower income, higher population density (apartments/condos/townhomes near TC).

Dr. Anya Elizabeth Johnson - Marine Biologist - Understanding that messages on climate change are dire, but we all need to understand local issues, which we may directly help, and promoting bigger issue awareness to corporations and politicians. While we will never see our reusable grocery bags save the planet by themselves, these small actions are needed to keep us aware of the bigger picture. HEParks take-aways: our greenspace helps all residents understand the importance of preserving our environment, our agency spending should be green whenever possible and recognize as the climate changes, we may have to redefine invasive species as the correct species given the changes and let go of some species no longer suited to our hotter climate.

1:30 PM Inclusion Matters: Creating Conditions of Possibility in Outdoor Play Environments (Session 214) Jennie Sumrell - PlayCore & Keith Christensen - Utah State Landscape Arch & Environmental Planning. Long description of "disability" which is very broad including the usual mental and physical limitations, but also aging or language (for non-native speakers). Accessible is the minimum - it is required. Look for universal design which includes accessible and goes beyond. Example - do our benches allow room for a wheelchair to position next to (or in front of) the bench? Often inclusive playground pieces are used more often by children of all abilities (than non-inclusive), also brings children of all abilities together.

3:30 PM Next Practices for the Post-Pandemic 2020s (Session 240) - Neelay Bhatt & Leon Younger, both of Pros Consulting - Get ready for continuous change, started with pandemic, may not settle down anytime soon - example - esports moved from "why do it?" to "how do we do it?" Studies have shown esports kids are active, so don't think esports OR physical activity, but rather, e-sports AND physical activity. What programs can we do remotely that would work better and be more convenient for residents, post-Covid? HEParks opportunity - Could we open

yoga classes remotely to The Club members? Does Foundation accept crypto-currency (tax advantages for donator since crypto is considered property)? Best take away - every program, every project, we should ask ourselves "WHY?" A swim program could save a life by giving a child the skill to swim. A senior program isn't about pickleball, it's about friendship and dignity.

#### <u>9/23</u>

<u>9 AM General Session</u> - Poem by Kwame Alexander, Comments by Kim Turner (Fair Play for Girls) & Panel Discussion with Rachel Banner (NRPA Moderator)/Jose Corona/Diahann Billings-Burford/Chris Mosier - all 3 are activists) - Turner talked about sports in her life and the progressive improvements for girls in sports. The panel had strong messaging on how kids who feel "other" due to language, color, country of origin, gender (both sis & non-sis) can find acceptance through sports. Mosier, an Olympian, made a point of helping trans kids, and noted FL & TN for enacting particularly awful anti-trans in sports laws. Legislators act as if trans children are "monsters." Imagine how hard it is for those children.

Noon - Working Toward Racial Equity (Session 321) - Arnold Randall - Cook County Forest Preserve District- nice overview of the very impressive CC FPD. 11% of Cook County is CC FPD - I met Randall at the ribbon cutting at the Shoe Factory Road bike trail spur. He discussed the agency's comprehensive reaction to the Caldwell Woods Incident (drunk white guy verbally accosted a mother at her daughter's birthday party). Her offense (to the man later convicted for a hate crime) was wearing a Puerto Rican flag shirt. The CCFPD's failing was having a white cop, in uniform and on duty, doing absolutely nothing. It was caught on video and went viral. Randall started several initiatives with his employees, with the City of Chicago (they have similar initiatives), most importantly, with residents. Randall realized while many staff were on board with anti-racist ideals, not everyone was, those who do not, must "pretend" (bad choice of a word) while in CCFPD employ. Take Away - If your agency has a critical incident, own it. Make sure everyone knows how the agency is addressing the issue.

2 PM The Secret Language of Seniors: Marketing to the 55+ Population (Session 341) Cosmo Wollan - Synergy Cubed - Better to engage seniors into lifestyle programs like the fitness center, that will keep them coming back better than specific activity programming, but you can still program specific activities 55+ stuff like pickleball. HEParks seems to be doing the opposite, marketing The Club to a younger membership (nothing wrong with that but ALSO attract seniors. Include seniors in ads with pictures when marketing to seniors. Email is the best, most used media by senior membership. Some use FB, but email is twice as popular. Seniors don't like discounts, so avoid selling on price (you can still provide discounts, just don't market them). If you have age-based discounts, make sure they are automatically applied as existing members age into the discount. Does desk staff greet 55+ guests with their honorific (mr, ma'am, mrs, miss)? Take aways - Highly recommend that management/staff of The Club watch this session.

Also, Do we have any 55+ trainers with geriatric certification? Consider small group specialty training (like anti hypertension) possibly in cooperation with Amita (they would design program – but we may be in competition with their programs). Don't think nursing home chair aerobics - we are looking for the 55-ish crowd who are looking to maintain their fitness & keep them for the next 30 years.

4 PM How to be Heard (Without Screaming!) (Session 355) - Brenda Viola ME Seminar- worst session. Nothing new. Presenter's communication skills were technically correct (she practiced what she preached) but overall, she came off like a second-grade teacher. Best take away was people who are angry at a public meeting are probably poorly informed. Leading off with an overview of whatever the issue is, how it arose, and what we are doing about it BEFORE taking public comments. Later she contradicts this by saying be the last to speak (also, unintentionally nodding in agreement while playing a clip of a guy explaining that you should not nod in agreement. She should watch her own session).

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The Carpenters Union continued to protest our selection of Integrity Builders this week in front of Triphahn Center, with only two or three union members and a large sign, which did not result in much disruption. Just as a heads up, we fully expect them to show up at the Vogelei property as soon as construction begins for the NWSRA project, possibly next week. During the last few days while protesting at Bridges, the union was very unfair and inconsiderate during the girls' high school sectional. There were controversies between the participants and the coaches and parents with disruptive union members. It was very unfortunate. There have been no additional issues since.

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#### **PDRMA Online Training: Sexual Harassment**

All Park District Commissioners are required to complete the annual Sexual Harassment online training. Please be on the lookout for an email with a link to the training.

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# 2021 Golf Outing

The Hoffman Estates Chamber of Commerce & Industry would like to thank you for sponsoring our 2021 Golf Outing. Without your sponsorship and support, our Golf Outing would not be the successful event that it has been over the past 31 years. We sold out on golfers and sponsors this year! Thank you again for generosity. We hope you will join us again at next year's Golf Outing on September 29, 2022!

2021 Golf Outing Committee

# HOFFMAN ESTATES PARK DISTRICT

# **MEMORANDUM #20-097**

To: A&F Committee

From: Craig Talsma, Executive Director

Nicole Hopkins, Director of Finance & Administration

Date: October 26, 2020

Re: 2021 Limited Bond Issue/Ordinance

# **Background**

Each year the District issues a bond to fund the payment of certain portions of the district's outstanding bond interest and principal payments and to supply the funds for our following year's capital projects (our rollover bond), which will be issued as Limited Bonds on December 1, 2021.

The District has already held a duly advertised Bond Issue Notification Act (BINA) public meeting authorizing the intent to issue these bonds.

# **Implications**

The ordinance provides for the general parameters of the bond issue including interest rate and final bond size that will be finalized upon sale of the bond. The bond is expected to close on December 1, 2021.

# ORDINANCE 21-004

This is the official document providing for the issuance and sale of general obligation limited tax park bonds in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$3,000,000 for the purposes (a) paying debt service on the District's outstanding debt, (b) paying for capital projects in the District, and (c) paying costs of issuances and incidental expenses.

## Recommendation

Staff recommends that the A&F Committee recommend to the full board approval of ordinance 20-004 for the issuance of \$3,000,000 of Limited Bonds.

#### ORDINANCE NO. 21-004

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION LIMITED TAX PARK BONDS, SERIES 2021, OF THE HOFFMAN ESTATES PARK DISTRICT, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, IN ONE OR MORE SERIES IN AN AGGREGATE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$3,000,000 AND FOR THE LEVY OF A DIRECT TAX SUFFICIENT TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST ON SAID BONDS.

WHEREAS, the Hoffman Estates Park District, Cook County, Illinois (the "District"), is a duly organized and existing municipality operating under the provisions of the Park District Code, as amended, and under the laws of the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, the District has previously issued its (i) Taxable General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2010B, (ii) General Obligation Park Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2013A, (iii) General Obligation Park Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2014A, (iv) General Obligation Park Refunding Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2019B, and (v) General Obligation Park Refunding Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2021A (collectively, the "Refunded Bonds"); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Park Commissioners of the District (the "Board") has determined that it is necessary and in the best interests of the residents of the District to issue general obligation limited tax bonds of the District in one or more series and in the aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$3,000,000 known as its "General Obligation Limited Tax Park Bonds, Series 2021" (the "Bonds") (with such additional series designations as set forth in the Bond Order (hereinafter defined)) to: (i) refund all or a portion of the Refunded Bonds (the "Refunding"), (ii) pay for capital projects in the District (the "Projects"), and (iii) pay for the costs of issuance of and incidental expenses incurred in connection with the issuance of the Bonds, all for the benefit of the inhabitants of the District; and

WHEREAS, on August 27, 2019, the Board held a public hearing pursuant to the Bond Issuance Notification Act following notice published in the Daily Herald, a newspaper of general circulation in the District, on August 19, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Board determines that it is necessary that the District borrow an aggregate amount not to exceed \$3,000,000 and issue the Bonds pursuant to 70 ILCS 1205/6-2; and

WHEREAS, the amount of outstanding non-referendum general obligation bonds of the District, including the proposed Bonds, will not exceed 0.575% of the aggregate assessed valuation of all taxable property within the District; and

WHEREAS, the District is authorized to issue limited bonds payable from the debt service extension base, as defined in the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law, and the Bonds are being issued as limited bonds as provided in 30 ILCS 350/15.01; and

WHEREAS, the Board now finds that it is necessary and advisable to proceed forthwith to provide for the issuance of the Bonds;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS OF THE HOFFMAN ESTATES PARK DISTRICT, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. <u>Incorporation of Preamble.</u> The Board hereby finds that all of the recitals contained in the preambles to this ordinance are full, true and correct and does hereby incorporate such recitals into this ordinance by this reference.

Section 2. <u>Findings; Issuance of Bonds.</u> The Board hereby finds and determines that it is necessary and in the best interest of the District that the Bonds be issued to fund the Refunding, to fund the Projects, and to pay the costs of the District in connection with the issuance of the Bonds.

There shall be borrowed on the credit of and for and on behalf of the District, the aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$3,000,000 and that the District shall issue in the name of the District the Bonds pursuant to the Park Code for the purpose of funding the Refunding, the Projects, and the costs of issuance of the Bonds.

The Bonds shall be issued in the denomination of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) or integral multiples thereof, or such other denomination upon the guidance of the District's municipal advisor, numbered consecutively from 1 upward and dated the date of delivery; and interest on the Bonds shall be payable on June 1, 2022, and semiannually thereafter. The Bonds shall be payable in lawful money of the United States of America, at the principal office of the Registrar and Paying Agent (as defined in Section 3 of this ordinance). The Bonds shall mature no later than on December 1, 2025, in the principal amount not to exceed \$3,000,000 and shall bear interest at a rate not to exceed 4.00% per annum (computed on a basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months).

Interest on the Bonds shall be payable from the interest payment date to which interest has been paid next preceding the authentication date of the Bonds, unless the Bonds are authenticated after the fifteenth day of the month preceding an interest payment date and on or before such interest payment date, in which case they shall bear interest from such interest payment date, or unless the Bonds are authenticated on or before May 15, 2022, in which case they shall bear interest from the original date until the principal shall be fully paid. All payments of interest on the Bonds shall be paid by check, mailed one business day prior to the interest payment date to the registered owners thereof as the names appear as of the fifteenth day of the month preceding the interest payment date and at the addresses as they appear on the registration books kept by the Registrar and Paying Agent

or at such other address as is provided to the Registrar and Paying Agent in writing by such registered owner.

The exact interest rates shall be set forth in a bond order executed by the Board President following the sale of the Bonds (the "Bond Order").

Section 3. <u>Registrar and Paying Agent.</u> In the Bond Order, the President of the Board shall name either the treasurer of the District or a bank with an office in Illinois to serve as Registrar and Paying Agent for the Bonds (the "Registrar and Paying Agent"). The Registrar and Paying Agent is hereby charged with the responsibility of authenticating the Bonds.

Each Bond shall be transferable or exchangeable only upon the books of the District kept for that purpose at the designated corporate trust office of the Registrar and Paying Agent by the registered owner in person, or by its attorney duly authorized in writing, upon surrender of such Bond together with a written instrument of transfer or exchange satisfactory to the Registrar and Paying Agent duly executed by the registered owner, or its attorney duly authorized in writing, and thereupon a new fully registered bond or bonds in an authorized aggregate principal amount and of the same maturity, shall be executed and delivered in the name of the transferee or transferees or the registered owner, as the case may be, in exchange therefor. The costs of such transfer or exchange shall be borne by the District except for any tax or governmental charge required to be paid with respect to the transfer or exchange, which taxes or governmental charges are payable by the person requesting such transfer or exchange. The District and the Registrar and Paying Agent for the Bonds may treat and consider the person in whose name such Bonds are registered as the absolute owner thereof for all purposes, including for the purpose of receiving payment of, or on account of, the principal thereof and interest due thereon.

The Registrar and Paying Agent may at any time resign as registrar and paying agent upon giving 30 days' notice in writing to the District and by first class mail to each registered owner of the Bonds then outstanding, and such resignation will take effect at the end of such 30-day period or upon the earlier appointment of a successor registrar and paying agent by the District. Any such notice to the District may be served personally or sent by registered mail. The Registrar and Paying Agent may be removed at any time as registrar and paying agent by the District, in which event the District may appoint a successor registrar and paying agent. The District shall notify each registered owner of the Bonds then outstanding by first class mail of the removal of the Registrar and Paying Agent. Notices to the registered owners of the Bonds shall be deemed to be given when mailed by first class mail to the addresses of such registered owners as they appear on the registration books kept by the Registrar and Paying Agent.

Upon the appointment of any successor registrar and paying agent by the District, the President, the Treasurer or the Secretary are authorized and directed to enter into such agreements and understandings with such successor registrar and paying agent as will enable the institution to perform the services required of a registrar and paying agent for the Bonds. The President and Secretary are further authorized to pay such fees as the successor registrar and paying agent may charge for the services it provides as registrar and paying agent and such fees may be paid from the fund established to pay the principal and interest on the Bonds as fiscal agency charges.

Any predecessor registrar and paying agent shall deliver all of the Bonds and any cash or investments in its possession with respect thereto, together with the registration books, to the successor registrar and paying agent.

The District may determine that it is beneficial to the District to have the Bonds held by a central depository system pursuant to an agreement between the District and The Depository Trust

Company, New York, New York (the "Depository Trust Company") and have transfers of the Bonds effected by book-entry on the books of the central depository system ("Book Entry System"). The Bonds shall be initially issued in the form of a separate single authenticated fully registered Bond for the aggregate principal amount of each separate maturity of the Bonds. Upon initial issuance, the ownership of such Bonds shall be registered in the register kept by the Registrar and Paying Agent in the name of CEDE & CO., as nominee of the Depository Trust Company.

With respect to the Bonds registered in the register kept by the Registrar and Paying Agent in the name of CEDE & CO., as nominee of the Depository Trust Company, the District and the Registrar and Paying Agent shall have no responsibility or obligation to any other holders or owners (including any beneficial owner (the "Beneficial Owner")) of the Bonds with respect to (i) the accuracy of the records of the Depository Trust Company, CEDE & CO., or any Beneficial Owner with respect to ownership questions, (ii) the delivery to any bondholder (including any Beneficial Owner) or any other person, other than the Depository Trust Company, of any notice with respect to the Bonds including any notice of redemption, or (iii) the payment to any bondholder (including any Beneficial Owner) or any other person, other than the Depository Trust Company, of any amount with respect to the principal of, or premium, if any, or interest on the Bonds except as otherwise provided herein.

So long as the Bonds are registered in the name of CEDE & CO., as nominee of the Depository Trust Company, no person other than the Depository Trust Company shall receive an authenticated Bond evidencing an obligation of the District to make payments of the principal of and premium, if any, and interest on the Bonds pursuant to this ordinance. The District and the Registrar and Paying Agent may treat as and deem the Depository Trust Company or CEDE & CO, to be the absolute bondholder of each of the Bonds for the purpose of (i) payment of the principal

of and premium, if any, and interest on such Bonds; (ii) giving notices of redemption and other notices permitted to be given to bondholders with respect to such Bonds; (iii) registering transfers with respect to such Bonds; (iv) obtaining any consent or other action required or permitted to be taken of or by bondholders; (v) voting; and (vi) for all other purposes whatsoever. The Registrar and Paying Agent shall pay all principal of and premium, if any, and interest on the Bonds only to or upon the order of the Depository Trust Company, and all such payments shall be valid and effective fully to satisfy and discharge the District's and the Paying Agent's obligations with respect to principal of and premium, if any, and interest on the Bonds to the extent of the sum or sums so paid. Upon delivery by the Depository Trust Company to the District of written notice to the effect that the Depository Trust Company has determined to substitute a new nominee in place of CEDE & CO., and subject to the provisions herein with respect to consents, the words "CEDE & CO." in this ordinance shall refer to such new nominee of the Depository Trust Company. Notwithstanding any other provision hereof to the contrary, so long as any Bond is registered in the name of CEDE & CO., as nominee of the Depository Trust Company, all payments with respect to the principal of and premium, if any, and interest on such Bonds and all notices with respect to such Bonds shall be made and given, respectively, to the Depository Trust Company as provided in a representation letter from the District to the Depository Trust Company (the "Blanket Issuer Letter of Representations").

Upon receipt by the District of written notice from the Depository Trust Company to the effect that the Depository Trust Company is unable or unwilling to discharge its responsibilities and no substitute depository willing to undertake the functions of the Depository Trust Company hereunder can be found which is willing and able to undertake such functions upon reasonable and customary terms, then the Bonds shall no longer be restricted to being registered in the register of

the District kept by the Registrar and Paying Agent in the name of CEDE & CO., as nominee of the Depository Trust Company, but may be registered in whatever name or names the bondholders transferring or exchanging the Bonds shall designate, in accordance with the provisions of this ordinance.

If the District determines that it is in the best interest of the bondholders that they be able to obtain certificates for the fully registered Bonds, the District may notify the Depository Trust Company and the Registrar, whereupon the Depository Trust Company will notify the Beneficial Owners of the availability through the Depository Trust Company of certificates for the Bonds. In such event, the Registrar shall prepare, authenticate, transfer and exchange certificates for the Bonds as requested by the Depository Trust Company and any Beneficial Owners in appropriate amounts, and whenever the Depository Trust Company requests the District and the Registrar and Paying Agent to do so, the Registrar and Paying Agent and the District will cooperate with the Depository Trust Company by taking appropriate action after reasonable notice to (i) make available one or more separate certificates evidencing the fully registered Bonds of any Beneficial Owner's Depository Trust Company account, or (ii) arrange for another securities depository to maintain custody of certificates for and evidencing the Bonds.

If the Bonds shall no longer be restricted to being registered in the name of the Depository Trust Company, the Registrar and Paying Agent shall cause said Bonds to be printed in blank in such number as the Registrar and Paying Agent shall determine to be necessary or customary; provided, however, that the Registrar and Paying Agent shall not be required to have such Bonds printed until it shall have received from the District indemnification for all costs and expenses associated with such printing.

Section 4. Redemption. The Bonds shall be subject to redemption as set forth in the

Bond Order.

Section 5. Execution and Negotiability. Each of the Bonds shall be executed in the

name of the District by the manual or facsimile signature of the President, and the seal of the District

shall be affixed, imprinted, engraved or otherwise reproduced thereon and attested by the manual

or facsimile signature of the Secretary; and these officials, by the execution of a General Certificate,

shall adopt as and for their own proper signatures the facsimile signatures appearing on the Bonds.

In case any officer whose signature or facsimile signature appears on the Bonds shall cease to be

such officer before the delivery of the Bonds, the signature of such officer shall nevertheless be

valid and sufficient for all purposes the same as if such officer had remained in office until such

delivery.

The Bonds shall have all of the qualities and incidents of negotiable instruments under the

laws of the State of Illinois, subject to the provisions for registration herein. The Bonds shall also

be authenticated by the manual signature of the Registrar and Paying Agent and no Bond shall be

valid or become obligatory for any purpose until the certificate of authentication thereon has been

so executed.

Section 6. Form of Bonds. The form and tenor of the Bonds shall be substantially as

follows, all blanks to be filled in properly prior to delivery:

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA STATE OF ILLINOIS COUNTY OF COOK HOFFMAN ESTATES PARK DISTRICT

GENERAL OBLIGATION LIMITED TAX PARK BOND, SERIES 2021A

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<u>Interest Rate</u> <u>Maturity Date</u> <u>Original Date</u> <u>Authentication</u> <u>Date</u> [CUSIP]

**REGISTERED OWNER:** 

PRINCIPAL SUM:

The Hoffman Estates Park District, Cook County, Illinois (the "District"), for value received, hereby promises to pay to the Registered Owner named above or registered assigns, the Principal Sum set forth above on the Maturity Date set forth above (unless this bond be subject to and be called for redemption prior to maturity as hereinafter provided), and to pay interest hereon (computed on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months) at the Interest Rate per annum stated above from the interest payment date to which interest has been paid next preceding the Authentication Date of this bond unless this bond is authenticated after the fifteenth day of the month preceding an interest payment date and on or before such interest payment date in which case it shall bear interest from such interest payment date or unless this bond is authenticated on or before May 15, 2022, in which case it shall bear interest from the Original Date, until the principal is paid, which interest is payable on June 1, 2022, and semiannual thereafter.

This bond is transferable or exchangeable only upon the books of the District kept for that purpose at the designated corporate trust office of the Registrar and Paying Agent (as defined in the Ordinance) by the registered owner hereof in person, or by its attorney duly authorized in writing, upon surrender of this bond together with a written instrument of transfer or exchange satisfactory to the Registrar and Paying Agent duly executed by the registered owner, or its attorney duly authorized in writing, and thereupon a new fully registered bond or bonds in an authorized aggregate principal amount and of the same maturity, shall be executed and delivered in the name of the transferee or transferees or to the registered owner, as the case may be, in exchange therefor. The District, the Registrar and Paying Agent, and any other registrar or paying agent for this bond may treat and consider the person in whose name this bond is registered as the absolute owner hereof for all purposes, including for the purpose of receiving payment of, or on account of, the principal hereof and interest due hereon.

This bond is subject to defeasance prior to payment as provided in the Ordinance referred to herein. THE OWNER OF THIS BOND, BY THE ACCEPTANCE HEREOF, HEREBY AGREES TO ALL THE TERMS AND PROVISIONS CONTAINED IN THE ORDINANCE.

The bonds maturing in any one year are issuable only in fully registered form in the denomination of \$5,000 and increments thereof.

The principal of this bond is payable at the designated corporate trust office of the Registrar and Paying Agent. All payments of interest on this bond shall be paid by check, mailed one (1) business day prior to the interest payment date to the registered owner hereof as of the fifteenth day of the month preceding the interest payment date at the address as it appears on the registration books kept by the Registrar and Paying Agent or at such other address as is provided to the Registrar and Paying Agent in writing by the registered owner. If payment of principal or interest is made to a depository, payment shall be made by wire transfer on the payment date in same-day funds. If the payment date occurs on a date when financial institutions are not open for business, the wire transfer shall be made on the next succeeding business day. The Registrar and Paying Agent shall wire transfer payments so such payments are received at the depository by 2:30 p.m. (New York City time). All payments on the bond shall be made in any coin or currency of the United States of America, which on the dates of such payment, shall be legal tender for the payment of public and private debts.

This bond is a general obligation of the District payable from ad valorem taxes to be levied on all taxable property within the District without limitation as to rate. The amount of said taxes that may be extended to pay this bond is, however, limited as provided by law to the debt service extension base (as defined in the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law of the State of Illinois, as amended) (the "Base"). The District is authorized to issue from time to time additional limited bonds payable from the Base and additional non-referendum bonds payable from property taxes unlimited as to rate or amount, as permitted by law, and to determine the lien priority of payments to be made from the Base to pay the District's limited bonds. This bond is negotiable, subject to registration provisions, pursuant to the laws of the State of Illinois.

It is hereby certified and recited that all acts, conditions and things required to be done precedent to and in the execution, issuance and delivery of this bond have been done and performed in regular and due form as provided by law; that the indebtedness of the District, including the issue of the Bond of which this is one, does not exceed any limitation imposed by law; and that provision has been made for the collection of a direct annual tax sufficient to pay the interest hereon as it falls due and also to pay and discharge the principal hereof at maturity.

This bond shall not be valid or become obligatory for any purpose until the certificate of authentication hereon shall have been executed by an authorized representative of the Registrar.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Hoffman Estates Park District, Cook County, Illinois, has caused this bond to be executed by the manual or facsimile signature of the President of the District, the seal of said District (or a facsimile thereof) to be affixed, imprinted, engraved or otherwise reproduced hereon and attested by the duly authorized manual or facsimile signature of the Secretary, all as of the Original Date identified above.

	COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
	By:
	By:Secretary, Board of Park Commissioners
(SEAL)	
Countersigned	
By: Treasurer, Board of Park Commissione	 rs

## REGISTRAR'S CERTIFICATION OF AUTHENTICATION

This bond is one of the Bonds described in the within-mentioned Ordinance.

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By:		
_	Authorized Representative	

HOFFMAN ESTATES PARK DISTRICT

[End Form of Bond]

Section 7. <u>Authorization for Preparation and Sale of the Bonds; Purchase Contract.</u> The Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to have the Bonds prepared, and the President and the Secretary are hereby authorized and directed to execute and attest the Bonds in the form and manner provided herein. The Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to deliver the Bonds to the purchaser thereof (the "Purchaser"), upon completion of negotiation of the terms of the sale and receipt of the purchase price therefor in the amount of not less than 97% of the par amount of the Bonds or greater than 102% of the par amount of the Bonds. The President and Secretary are hereby authorized to execute a contract for the sale of the Bonds containing terms not inconsistent with the terms of this Ordinance (the "Purchase Contract"), provided that (i) the President finds and

determines that the Bonds will be sold at such price and bear interest at such rates that neither the true interest cost (yield) nor the net interest rate received upon such sale exceed the maximum rate otherwise authorized by Illinois law, (ii) the Purchase Contract is in the best interests of the District, and (iii) no person holding any office of the District, either by election or appointment, is in any manner financially interested directly, in his or her own name, or indirectly, in the name of any other person, association, trust or corporation, in the Purchase Contract. Before being issued, the Bonds shall be registered and numbered, such registration being made in a book provided for that purpose, in which shall be entered a description of the Bonds issued, including the number, date, to whom issued, amount, rate of interest and when due. The Bonds shall be executed as in this ordinance provided as soon after the execution of the Purchase Contract as may be done, and thereupon the Bonds shall be deposited with the Treasurer who receives the taxes of the District, and be by said Treasurer delivered to the Purchaser upon receipt of the purchase price therefor.

The Bonds when fully paid for and delivered to the Purchaser, shall be the binding general obligations of the District. The proper officers of the District are hereby directed to sell the Bonds to the Purchaser and to do whatever acts and things which may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this ordinance.

Section 8. <u>Official Statement.</u> The President is authorized to approve a form of Preliminary Official Statement for the Bonds, or such other offering material relating to the issuance and sale of the Bonds upon the guidance of the District's municipal advisor, and to deem it nearly final, and the President is hereby authorized and directed to execute the final Official Statement or other offering material after the sale of the Bonds to the Purchaser.

Section 9. <u>Tax Levy.</u> In order to provide for the collection of a direct annual tax sufficient to pay the interest on the Bonds as it falls due and also pay and discharge the principal

thereof at maturity, there shall be levied upon all the taxable property within the District a direct annual tax (the "Pledged Taxes") for each of the years in which the Bonds are outstanding, in amounts sufficient for those purposes, and that there be and there is hereby levied upon all of the taxable property in the District, in addition to all other taxes, a direct annual tax in the years and amounts as set forth in the Bond Order.

Principal or interest coming due at any time when there are not sufficient funds on hand from the foregoing tax levy to pay the same shall be paid from current funds on hand of the District, and the fund from which such payment was made shall be reimbursed out of the taxes hereby levied when the same shall be collected.

The District covenants and agrees with the Purchaser and the holders of the Bonds that so long as the Bonds remain outstanding, the District will take no action or fail to take any action which in any way would adversely affect the ability of the District to levy and collect the foregoing tax levy, unless the abatement of any particular tax levy amount has been provided for through the deposit of moneys in a segregated account, and the District and its officers will comply with all present and future applicable laws in order to assure that the foregoing taxes will be levied, extended and collected as provided herein and deposited in the Bond Fund (as defined in Section 12 of this ordinance) established to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds.

The funds derived from the tax levy be and the same are hereby appropriated and set aside for the sole and only purpose of paying principal and interest on the Bonds when and as the same become due. The funds from the sale of the Bonds be and they are hereby appropriated and set aside for the purposes hereinbefore set out.

If the District deposits funds from any lawful source into the Bond Fund, the Secretary shall file written direction with the County Clerk to abate the taxes by the amount so deposited, and such

deposits shall be made prior to any such abatement being filed with the County Clerk. No Pledged Taxes may be abated unless and until the proper amount of such abatement has been deposited irrevocably into the Bond Fund and dedicated to the payment of the Bonds.

Section 10. Filing of Ordinance. Forthwith upon this ordinance becoming effective, the Secretary is hereby directed to file a certified copy of this ordinance, which certificate shall recite that this ordinance has been passed by the Board and published, with the County Clerk of Cook County (the "County Clerk"), and it shall be the duty of said County Clerk to ascertain in each tax year that the Bonds are outstanding the rate necessary to produce the tax herein and therein levied, and extend the same for collection on the tax books against all of the taxable property within the District in connection with other taxes levied in said years, in order to raise the amount aforesaid and in said years such annual tax shall be computed, extended and collected in the same manner as now or hereafter provided by law for the computation, extension and collection of taxes for general corporate purposes of the District, and when collected, the taxes hereby levied shall be used only for the purpose of paying the principal of and interest on the Bonds.

Section 11. <u>Bond Proceeds.</u> A portion of the proceeds of the Bonds shall be used for the Refunding of the Refunded Bonds and shall be used solely for the Refunding. Any proceeds of the Bonds remaining upon completion of the Refunding shall be deposited in the Capital Project Fund (as defined in Section 13 of this ordinance) and used to fund the Projects and to pay costs of issuance.

Section 12. <u>Bond Fund.</u> There is hereby created and established a special fund of the District known as the "2021 Bond Fund" (the "Bond Fund") to be held by the Treasurer, which is a trust fund established for the purpose of carrying out the covenants, terms and conditions imposed upon the District by this ordinance. The Bond Fund shall be the fund for the payment of the

principal of and interest on the Bonds at maturity or on interest payment dates or redemption. Any capitalized or accrued interest included in the proceeds of the sale of the Bonds shall be deposited in the Bond Fund for the payment of interest on the Bonds, and Pledged Taxes shall be deposited into the Bond Fund, as received, and shall be used solely and only for the payment of principal and interest on the Bonds when due (including any redemption). The Bonds are secured by a pledge of all moneys on deposit in the Bond Fund, and such pledge is irrevocable until the Bonds have been paid in full or until the obligations of the District are discharged under this ordinance.

Section 13. <u>Capital Project Fund.</u> There is hereby created and established a special fund of the District known as the "2021 Capital Project Fund" (the "Capital Project Fund") to be held by the Treasurer of the District. Said fund is to be used for the financing of the Projects. In the event that any moneys remain in the Capital Project Fund upon completion of the Projects, the District shall use such money for additional capital improvements within the District or deposit the remaining moneys in the Bond Fund in which case such moneys shall be used to pay the principal of and interest on the Bonds on the earliest possible date.

Section 14. <u>Escrow Account.</u> If applicable, the Treasurer is hereby authorized to establish a special fund known as the "2021 Escrow Account" (the "Escrow Account") for the Refunded Bonds if required to defease such bonds. The President and Secretary are authorized to execute an escrow and defeasance agreement, and to approve and execute any certificates and documents on behalf of the District in connection with the refunding of the Refunded Bonds. The District is authorized to appoint a financial institution to serve as escrow agent for the Refunded Bonds. There shall be deposited in the Escrow Account the proceeds of the Bonds in an amount sufficient to effect the Refunding as needed. Any moneys in the Escrow Account shall be used to complete the Refunding.

Section 15. <u>Additional Funds and Accounts.</u> In addition to the funds established hereunder, the President is hereby authorized and directed to establish, and the Treasurer is further authorized to hold, any and all funds and/or accounts they deem necessary or convenient to the accomplishment of the purposes set forth in this ordinance.

Section 16. Defeasance of the Bonds. If, when the Bonds or a portion thereof shall have become due and payable in accordance with their terms or shall have been duly called for redemption or irrevocable instructions to call the Bonds or a portion thereof for redemption shall have been given, and the whole amount of the principal and the interest and the premium, if any, so due and payable upon all of the Bonds or a portion thereof then outstanding shall be paid; or (i) sufficient moneys or (ii) direct obligations of the United States of America (including obligations issued or held in book entry form on the books of the Department of the Treasury), the principal of and the interest on which when due will provide sufficient moneys for such purpose, shall be held in trust for such purpose, and provision shall also be made for paying all fees and expenses for the redemption, then and in that case the Bonds or any designated portion thereof issued hereunder shall no longer be deemed outstanding or entitled to any pledge of the Pledged Taxes made herein.

Section 17. <u>Amendments with Consent of Bondholders.</u> Subject to the terms and provisions contained in this section, and not otherwise, the owners of not less than sixty-six and two-thirds percent (66 <sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub>%) in aggregate principal amount of the Bonds issued pursuant to this ordinance and then outstanding shall have the right from time to time, anything contained in this ordinance to the contrary notwithstanding, to consent to and approve the adoption by the District of such ordinance or ordinances supplemental hereto or amendatory hereof, as shall be deemed necessary or desirable by the District for the purpose of modifying, altering, amending, adding to or rescinding in any particular manner any of the terms or provisions contained in this ordinance,

or in any supplemental ordinance; provided, however, that nothing herein contained shall permit or be construed as permitting:

- (a) An extension of the maturity of the principal of or interest on any Bond issued pursuant to this ordinance; or
  - (b) A reduction in the principal amount of any Bond or the rate of interest thereon; or
- (c) A preference or priority of any Bond or Bonds issued pursuant to this ordinance over any other Bond or Bonds issued pursuant to the provisions of this ordinance; or
- (d) A reduction in the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds required for consent to such supplemental ordinance.

If the owners of not less than sixty-six and two-thirds percent (66 <sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub>%) in aggregate principal amount of the Bonds outstanding at the time of adoption of such supplemental ordinance shall have consented to and approved the adoption thereof by written instrument to be maintained on file in the office of the Secretary, no owner of any Bond issued pursuant to this ordinance shall have any right to object to the adoption of such supplemental ordinance or to object to any of the terms and provisions contained therein or the operation thereof, or in any manner to question the propriety of the adoption thereof, or to enjoin or restrain the District from adopting the same, or from taking any action pursuant to the provisions thereof. Upon the adoption of any supplemental ordinance pursuant to the provisions of this section, this ordinance shall be, and shall be deemed, modified and amended in accordance therewith, and the respective rights, duties and obligations under this ordinance of the District and all owners of Bonds then outstanding, shall thereafter be determined, exercised and enforced in accordance with this ordinance, subject in all respects to such modifications and amendments. Notwithstanding anything contained in the foregoing provisions of this ordinance, the rights and obligations of the District and of the owners of the

Bonds authorized by this ordinance, and the terms and provisions of the Bonds and this ordinance, or any supplemental or amendatory ordinance, may be modified or altered in any respect with the consent of the District and the consent of the owners of all the Bonds then outstanding:

Section 18. <u>Tax Covenants.</u> In order to preserve the exclusion of interest on the Bonds from gross income for federal tax purposes under Section 103 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 as existing on the date of issuance of the Bonds (the "Code") and as an inducement to purchasers of the Bonds, the District represents, covenants and agrees that:

(a) The projects financed with the proceeds of the Bonds will be available for use by members of the general public. Use by a member of the general public means use by natural persons not engaged in a trade or business. No person or entity, other than the District or another state or local governmental unit, will use more than ten percent (10%) of the proceeds of the Bonds or property financed by the Bond proceeds other than as a member of the general public. No person or entity other than the District or another state or local governmental unit will own property financed by Bond proceeds or will have actual or beneficial use of such property pursuant to a lease, a management or incentive payment contract, an arrangement such as a take-or-pay or output contract or any other type of arrangement that conveys other special legal entitlements and differentiates that person's or entity's use of such property from the use by the general public, unless such uses in the aggregate relate to no more than ten percent (10%) of the proceeds of the Bonds. If the District enters into a management contract for the Projects, the terms of the contract will comply with IRS Revenue Procedure 2014-67, as it may be amended, supplemented or superseded from time to time, so that the contract will not give rise to private business use under the Code and the Regulations, unless such use in aggregate relates to no more than ten percent (10%) of the proceeds of the Bonds.

- (b) No more than ten percent (10%) of the payment of the principal of or interest on the Bonds will be (under the terms of the Bonds, this ordinance or any underlying arrangement), directly or indirectly, (i) secured by any interest in property used or to be used for a private business use or payments in respect of such property or (ii) derived from payments (whether or not to the District) in respect of such property or borrowed money used or to be used for a private business use.
- (c) No more than five percent (5%) of the Bond proceeds will be loaned to any entity or person other than a state or local governmental unit. No more than five percent (5%) of the Bond proceeds will be transferred, directly or indirectly, or deemed transferred to a nongovernmental person in any manner that would in substance constitute a loan of the Bond proceeds.
- (d) The District reasonably expects, as of the date hereof, that the Bonds will not meet either the private business use test described in paragraphs (a) and (b) above or the private loan test described in paragraph (c) above during the entire term of the Bonds.
- (e) No more than five percent (5%) of the proceeds of the Bonds will be attributable to private business use as described in (a) and private security or payments described in (b) attributable to unrelated or disproportionate private business use. For this purpose, the private business use test is applied by taking into account only use that is not related to any government use of proceeds of the issue (Unrelated Use) and use that is related but disproportionate to any governmental use of those proceeds (Disproportionate Use).
- (f) Neither the District nor the Board will take any action or fail to take any action with respect to the Bonds that would result in the loss of the exclusion from gross income for federal

tax purposes on the Bonds pursuant to Section 103 of the Code, nor will the District or the Board act in any other manner which would adversely affect such exclusion.

- (g) It shall not be an event of default under this ordinance if the interest on any Bond is not excludable from gross income for federal tax purposes or otherwise pursuant to any provision of the Code which is not currently in effect and in existence on the date of issuance of the Bonds.
- (h) The District certifies that to the extent necessary to preserve the exclusion from gross income of interest on the Bonds for federal tax purposes, it will rebate any arbitrage profits to the United States of America in accordance with Section 148(f) of the Code and the Regulations promulgated thereunder.
- (i) These covenants are based solely on current law in effect and in existence on the date of delivery of such Bonds. The District hereby authorizes the officials of the District responsible for issuing the Bonds, the same being the President and the Secretary, to make such further covenants and certifications as may be necessary to assure that the 'use thereof will not cause the Bonds to be arbitrage bonds and to assure that the interest on the Bonds will be excludable from gross income for federal income tax purposes. In connection therewith, the District further agrees: (a) through its officers, to make such further specific covenants, representations as shall be truthful, and assurances as may be necessary or advisable; (b) to consult with counsel approving the Bonds; (c) to pay to the United States, as necessary, such sums of money representing required rebates of excess arbitrage profits relating to the Bonds as required pursuant to Section 148 of the Code and the regulations promulgated thereunder; (d) to file such forms, statements, and supporting documents as may be required and in a timely manner; and (e) if deemed necessary or advisable by their officers, to employ and pay fiscal agents, municipal advisors, attorneys, and other persons to assist the District in such compliance.

Section 19. <u>Noncompliance with Tax Covenants.</u> Notwithstanding any other provisions of this ordinance, the covenants and authorizations contained in this ordinance (the "Tax Sections") which are designed to preserve the exclusion of interest on the Bonds from gross income under federal law (the "Tax Exemption") need not be complied with if the District receives an opinion of nationally recognized bond counsel that any Tax Section is unnecessary to preserve the Tax Exemption.

Section 20. <u>Registered Form.</u> The Bonds shall be issued and remain in fully registered form. The District agrees that it will not take any action to permit the Bonds to be issued in, or converted into, bearer or coupon form.

Section 21. <u>Professional Services.</u> The District shall retain Austin Meade Financial Ltd. to serve as municipal advisor and Taft Stettinius & Hollister LLP to serve as bond counsel in connection with the issuance of the Bonds.

Section 22. <u>Severability.</u> If any section, paragraph or provision of this ordinance shall be held to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, the invalidity or unenforceability of such section, paragraph or provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this ordinance.

Section 23. <u>Publication.</u> The Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to publish this ordinance in pamphlet form and to file copies thereof for public inspection in his/her office.

Section 24. <u>Conflicting Ordinances</u>. All ordinances, resolutions and parts of ordinances and resolutions, in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 25. <u>Headings</u>. The headings or titles of the several sections shall be solely for convenience of reference and shall not affect the meaning, construction or effect of this ordinance.

Section 26. <u>Effective Date.</u> This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption and publication.

ADOPTED this 26th day of October,	2021, by a roll call vote as follows:
AYES:	
NAYS:	
ABSENT:	
APPROVED this 26th day of Octobe	er, 2021.
	President, Board of Park Commissioners Hoffman Estates Park District
ATTEST:	
Secretary, Board of Commissioners Hoffman Estates Park District	