

TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR BOARD MEETING OF JANUARY 21, 2016

COMMITTEE ON REAL ESTATE

Mr. David St. Pierre, Executive Director

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Adopt Ordinance No. R16-001 Establishing the Right-of-Way for the construction, operation and maintenance of the Lyons Levee Flood Control Project in the Village of Forest View (Contract 13-199-5F) in parts of Sections 1 & 12, Township 38 North, Range 12, East of the Third Principal Meridian in Cook County, Illinois

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Dear Sir:

The District proposes to undertake flood control improvements on the Lyons Levee Flood Control Project in Forest View, Illinois. The proposed undertaking will help reduce flooding from the Des Plaines River in the Village of Forest View by restoring an existing levee and raising the levee crest to enhance stability and seepage control, among other improvements.

The project locations will require temporary and permanent easements or fee simple title for levee improvements within the Village of Forest View. The total length of the levee is approximately 4,350 ft. Of that length, approximately 4,000 ft. is on Forest Preserve District of Cook County property. The remaining parcels are owned by ComEd, BNSF Railway, and CN Railway, including a portion on District property. The acquisition of this right-of-way requires the adoption of an ordinance authorizing the immediate acquisition of land, which is legally described in the attached documents.

It is requested that the Executive Director recommend to the Board of Commissioners that it adopt Ordinance R16-001 establishing and authorizing the acquisition of the right-of-way for the construction, operation and maintenance of the Lyons Levee Flood Control Project in the Village of Forest View (Contract 13-199-5F) in parts of Sections 1 & 12, Township 38 North, Range 12, East of the Third Principal Meridian in Cook County, Illinois.

It is further requested that the Executive Director recommend to the Board of Commissioners that the President be authorized and directed to execute said Ordinance after same is approved by the General Counsel as to form and legality.

Requested, Ronald M. Hill, General Counsel, Catherine A. O'Connor, Director of Engineering,
RMH:CAO:STM:BJD:vp

Recommended, David St. Pierre, Executive Director

Respectfully Submitted, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Chairman on Real Estate Development

Disposition of this agenda item will be documented in the official Regular Board Meeting Minutes of the Board of Commissioners for January 21, 2016

Attachment