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Preservation, Restoration, Education and Recreation

DATE: August 29, 2016

MEMO TO: Bonnie Thomson Carter, Chair
Planning and Restoration Committee

S. Michael Rummel, Chair
Finance and Administrative Committee

FROM: James L. Anderson
Director of Natural Resources

RECOMMENDATION: Recommend approval of an Ordinance amending (i) the FY 2017 budget, to increase expenditures in FY 2017 by \$212,000.00 to allow for the implementation of woodland habitat restoration work at Grainger Woods Conservation Area and Captain Daniel Wright Woods Forest Preserve, originally scheduled for FY 2018 and (ii) the Ten-Year Capital Improvement Plan, to reflect such funding changes.

STRATEGIC DIRECTION SUPPORTED: Conservation

FINANCIAL DATA: Expenditures of development bond funds in FY 2017 will be increased by \$212,000 and expenditures of development bond funds in FY 2018 will be decreased by \$212,000 from the Southern Des Plaines River Habitat Restoration Account 35304100-803200-65004. The total amount spent on this project will not exceed the sum of \$3,000,000.00, which was approved as part of the Ten-Year Capital Improvement Plan (CIP).

BACKGROUND: In March of 2016, the District approved its ten-year capital improvement plan ("CIP"). The CIP includes the Southern Des Plaines River Woodland Habitat Restoration Project, which includes the continued clearing of woody invasive trees and shrubs in high priority areas to help restore woodland and wetland habitat for rare plants and wildlife at Grainger Woods Conservation Area, Captain Daniel Wright Woods, and other forest preserves. The CIP anticipates a total expenditure on the Project of \$3,000,000. In May of 2016, the District approved its budget for fiscal year 2017, which allocates \$280,000 for the Project in the Land Development Bond Fund. In order to align the budgeted funds with anticipated contractual work on the project in this fiscal year and next fiscal year, District staff recommends increasing the FY 2017 budget for the Project by a total of \$212,000.

REVIEW BY OTHERS: Executive Director, Chief Operations Officer, Director of Finance, Corporate Counsel

PRESENTER: James L. Anderson

**LAKE COUNTY FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT
LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING
THE FISCAL YEAR 2016/17 BUDGET AND TEN-YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN
TO INCREASE CURRENT FUNDING FOR THE
SOUTHERN DES PLAINES RIVER WOODLAND HABITAT RESTORATION PROJECT**

WHEREAS, on March 8, 2016, the Lake County Forest Preserve District (“District”) Board of Commissioners approved the District’s Ten-Year Capital Improvement Plan (“CIP”), which includes funding of the Southern Des Plaines River Preserve Woodland Habitat Restoration Project (the “Project”) in the amount of \$3,000,000.00; and

WHEREAS, on May 10, 2016 the District Board of Commissioners approved the fiscal year 2016/2017 Budget (the “Budget”), which includes expenditures of \$280,000.00 for the Project; and

WHEREAS, to align budgeted funds with planned restoration activities at Captain Daniel Wright Woods and at Grainger Woods Forest Preserve, it is in the best interests of the District to (i) amend the Budget to increase expenditures for the Project in fiscal year 2016/2017 by \$212,000, for purposes of furthering the Project at such preserves and (ii) amend the CIP to reflect such increase and to decrease expenditures for the Project in fiscal year 2017/2018 by \$212,000; and

WHEREAS, the District has already appropriated funds for fiscal year 2016/2017, to allow the additional expenditure of \$212,000 in the current fiscal year for the Project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of the Lake County Forest Preserve District, Lake County, Illinois THAT:

Section 1. Recitals. The recitals set forth above are incorporated as a part of this Ordinance by this reference.

Section 2. Amendment of Budget. The Land Development Bond Fund section of the Budget (at page 151 of the Budget) is hereby amended by changing the line items titled “Southern DPR Habitat Restoration,” “Total Expenditures,” “Revenue Excess (Deficit) over Expenditures,” and “Ending Fund Balance” so that they read as follows:

	<u>2013/14</u> <u>Actual</u>	<u>2014/15</u> <u>Actual</u>	<u>2015/16</u> <u>Actual</u>	<u>2015/16</u> <u>Estimate</u>	<u>2016/17</u> <u>Request</u>
Southern DPR Habitat Restoration	220,272	66,024	57,979	57,980	492,000
Total Expenditures	1,589,674	3,552,674	13,089,463	12,716,190	5,921,090
Revenue Excess (Deficit) over Expenditures	(1,627,300)	(3,522,829)	(4,335,537)	(4,958,730)	(5,866,090)
Ending Fund Balance	\$11,391,541	\$7,868,712	\$11,429,481	\$12,827,442	\$6,961,352

Section 3: Amendment of CIP. The Executive Director is hereby authorized and directed to amend the CIP by reducing the anticipated expenditures for the Project in fiscal year 2017/2018 by \$212,000 and by making any other amendments that are necessary or appropriate to reflect the amendment in Section 2 of this Ordinance.

Section 4: Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval in the manner provided by law.

PASSED this _____ day of _____, 2016

AYES:

NAYS:

APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 2016

ATTEST

Ann B. Maine, President
Lake County Forest Preserve District

Julie A. Gragnani, Secretary
Lake County Forest Preserve District

Exhibit No. _____