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Preservation, Restoration, Education and Recreation

DATE: October 1, 2018

MEMO TO: Carol Calabresa, Chair

Planning Committee

FROM: Randall L. Seebach

Director of Planning and Land Preservation

REQUEST: Provide policy direction regarding authority to have an appraisal prepared for the permanent and temporary easements IDOT requires for the proposed improvements to IL Route 132, west of Munn Road, at Duck Farm Forest Preserve.

STRATEGIC DIRECTIONS SUPPORTED: Public Access and Connections, Leadership, Organizational Sustainability

FINANCIAL DATA: Staff estimates approximately \$3,000.00 for the appraisal for the below easement parcels that will be charged to Land Acquisition Fund account 31314100-802000.

BACKGROUND: On February 29, 216, the Land Preservation and Acquisition Committee provided policy direction regarding a request from Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) for the granting of permanent and temporary easements along IL Route 132 (Grand Avenue) west of Munn Road, at Duck Farm Forest Preserve and authorized staff to send a non-binding letter of intent and negotiate an intergovernmental agreement (IGA).

IDOT had been in regular contact with the District regarding the proposed improvements, including the roadway widening and resurfacing to provide a median to separate the opposing travel lanes, a shared use path, a sidewalk and potential easements that will be needed to complete the improvements.

As part of the planned improvements, IDOT is requesting:

- 0.59 acres of permanent easement for storm drainage improvements and a proposed sidewalk.
- 0.26 acres of temporary easement for grading to meet existing ground elevations.

As part of the IGA negotiations, staff is requesting authority to have an appraisal prepared for the requested permanent and temporary easements on District property.

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