

# LAKE COUNTY FOREST PRESERVES www.LCFPD.org

Preservation, Restoration, Education and Recreation

DATE:	June 24, 2019
MEMO TO:	John Wasik, Chair Planning Committee

FROM:Randall L. SeebachDirector of Planning and Land Preservation

**<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>**: Recommend approval of an Ordinance Vacating portions of Elizabeth Drive and Morton Drive within Duck Farm Forest Preserve.

#### **STRATEGIC DIRECTION SUPPORTED:** Conservation

**<u>FINANCIAL DATA</u>**: There is no financial impact at this time.

**BACKGROUND:** The District owns portions of two platted but unbuilt roads named Elizabeth Drive and Morton Drive at Duck Farm Forest Preserve. The section of unbuilt road named Elizabeth Drive is approximately 246 feet in length and 0.34 acres in area. The section of unbuilt road named Morton Drive is approximately 321 feet in length and 0.25 acres in area. Neither right-of-way is required for the public's use and enjoyment of District property or for ingress and egress to any other property. Vacating these portions of the roads will enhance the public's ability to enjoy District property by protecting the natural resource values. It will also relieve the public from the potential burden and responsibility for the roads.

State Statute allows the District to vacate a road within a forest preserve that is not part of a State or County highway. This process has been followed previously at Cahokia Flatwoods, Greenbelt, Singing Hills, Spring Bluff, Tanager Karnes, and Waukegan Savanna Forest Preserves.

**<u>REVIEW BY OTHERS</u>**: Executive Director; Chief Operations Officer; Director of Finance; Corporate Counsel.

### **ROAD VACATION** *Lake County*

THIS DOCUMENT PREPARED BY AND AFTER RECORDING MAIL TO:

Ken Jones Lake County Forest Preserve District 1899 W Winchester Rd Libertyville, IL 60048

STATE OF ILLINOIS ) ) SS COUNTY OF LAKE )

#### BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS LAKE COUNTY FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT REGULAR JULY MEETING JULY 10, 2019

# MISTER PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

Your **PLANNING COMMITTEE** presents herewith "An Ordinance Vacating portions of Elizabeth Drive and Morton Drive within Duck Farm Forest Preserve," and requests its approval.

# PLANNING COMMITTEE:

Date:\_\_\_\_\_ Roll Call Vote: Ayes:\_\_\_\_ Nays:\_\_\_\_

Voice Vote Majority Ayes; Nays:\_\_\_\_\_

## LAKE COUNTY FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

# AN ORDINANCE VACATING PORTIONS OF ELIZABETH DRIVE AND MORTON DRIVE WITHIN DUCK FARM FOREST PRESERVE

**WHEREAS**, the Lake County Forest Preserve District (the "District") owns the fee simple interest underlying certain roadways within the forest preserve commonly known as Duck Farm Forest Preserve, which roadways are legally described on Exhibit A and generally depicted on Exhibit B attached hereto and made part hereof (the "Roads"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Roads are located entirely within the limits of the District and Duck Farm Forest Preserve, are subject to the jurisdiction of the District, and are not part of any State or County Highway; and

WHEREAS, the District desires to vacate the Roads; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 6 of the Downstate Forest Preserve District Act, 70 ILCS 805/6, the District is authorized to vacate the Roads by ordinance where such vacation will serve the public interest; and

**WHEREAS**, the vacation of the Roads will serve the public interest because vacation will relieve the public from the burden and responsibility for the Roads, because the Roads are not required for the public's use and enjoyment of District property, and because the vacation will enhance the public's ability to enjoy District property by protecting natural resource values; and

WHEREAS, the nature and extent of such public interests warrant the vacation of the Roads;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** 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: Vacation of Roads. The Roads are hereby vacated.

<u>Section 3:</u> <u>Vacation Documents.</u> The District's Executive Director shall cause to be prepared any documents necessary or desirable for the vacation of the Roads.

<u>Section 4:</u> <u>Execution and Performance of Other Acts.</u> The District President, or the President's designee or designees, are hereby authorized to execute any documents and take any other action necessary or desirable to vacate the Roads.

**Section 5. Ownership.** Upon vacation of the Roads, title to the land within the Roads shall remain vested in, or vest in, the District, to the fullest extent permitted by law.

<u>Section 6:</u> <u>Reservation of Rights.</u> All property, rights of way and easements for the use, maintenance, renewal, construction and reconstruction of any public utilities over, across, through and under the Road are hereby reserved to the District or to any public utilities or entities, as the case may be, which owns such utilities.

**Section 7: 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	 , 2019

AYES:

NAYS:

APPROVED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2019

Angelo D. Kyle, President Lake County Forest Preserve District

ATTEST:

Julie Gragnani, Secretary Lake County Forest Preserve District

Exhibit No.

#### Exhibit A

Vacation of a portion of Morton Drive and Elizabeth Drive in that part of the North Half of the Northwest Quarter of Section 10, Township 45 North, Range 10, East of the Third Principal Meridian, in Lake County, Illinois, described as follows:

#### Parcel One:

All that part of Morton Drive lying North of and adjacent to the North line of Lot "E" in Venetian Village Unit No 5, being a subdivision in the North Quarter of Section 10, Township 45 North, Range 10, East of the Third Principal Meridian, according to the plat thereof, recorded August 19, 1946, as Document 597874, in Book 30 of Plats, pages 76 and 77, in Lake County, Illinois, and also that part of Morton Drive lying Northwesterly of the Southeasterly curved lot line of said Lot "E", said curved line having a radius of 556.44 feet and being concave Southeasterly, extended Northeasterly to its intersection with the North line of Morton Drive.

#### Parcel Two:

All that part of Elizabeth Drive lying East of and adjacent to the East lines of Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4 in Block 77 in Venetian Village, Unit No. 6, being a subdivision of part of the Northwest Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 10 and of the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 9, Township 45 North, Range 10 East of the Third Principal Meridian, according to the plat thereof, recorded September 17, 1946, as Document 600526, in Book 30 of Plats on pages 82 and 83, in Lake County, Illinois.

Containing 25,151 square feet, more or less.

Dated: 6/01/2019

By: dimin

Edward Peklay Illinois Professional Land Survey No. 2549 My license expires 11/30/2020



Peklay Surveying Co., Ltd. Professional Design Firm No. 2981 163 N. Greenleaf St. Suite 1 Gurnee, II. 60031 (847) 336-0059

#### Exhibit B

