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Preservation, Restoration, Education and Recreation

DATE:

March 2, 2015

MEMO TO: Bonnie Thomson Carter, Chair

Planning and Restoration Committee

S. Michael Rummel, Chair

Finance and Administrative Committee

FROM:

James L. Anderson, Director

Natural Resources Department

SUBJECT:

Intergovernmental Agreements for Fort Sheridan Restoration Grant Funding

RECOMMENDATION: Recommend approval of a Resolution approving intergovernmental agreements with the City of Lake Forest and Openlands for Fort Sheridan restoration grant funding.

BACKGROUND: In 2014, the District applied for and was awarded grant monies from the U.S. Forest Service's State and Private Forestry Program for the purpose of performing landscape scale restoration work at the Fort Sheridan Forest Preserve. The District will take on the lead role in administering the grant and is partnering with the City of Lake Forest and Openlands to expand the scope of restoration efforts to properties owned by the City of Lake Forest and Openlands that are located adjacent to the Fort Sheridan Forest Preserve. The focus of the grant will be native tree and shrub planting. Intergovernmental agreements with the City of Lake Forest and with Openlands are necessary to use the grant funds to reimburse the City of Lake Forest and Openlands for restoration work completed on their properties.

REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION: Committee recommendation and Board approval are required in accordance with District policy.

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

FINANCIAL DATA: The State and Private Forestry program grant awarded to the District will provide the District and partners with 46% of total project costs, which are estimated at \$276,280.00. Both City of Lake Forest and Openlands will be reimbursed \$6,000.00 each in grant funding through the District for completing their portion of grant activities. Actual costs will be charged to the Preserve Tree Planting Fund (29614100-803200-60010).

PRESENTER: James L. Anderson

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BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS LAKE COUNTY FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT REGULAR MARCH MEETING MARCH 10, 2015

MADAM PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

Your PLANNING AND RESTORATION COMMITTEE and FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE present herewith "A Resolution Approving Intergovernmental Agreements with the City of Lake Forest and Openlands for Fort Sheridan Restoration Grant Funding," and request its adoption.

PLANNING AND RESTORATION COMMITTEE:	YEA	NAY	FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE:	YEA	NAY
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LAKE COUNTY FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

A RESOLUTION APPROVING INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENTS WITH THE CITY OF LAKE FOREST AND OPENLANDS FOR FORT SHERIDAN RESTORATION GRANT FUNDING

WHEREAS, the Lake County Forest Preserve District (the "District") owns property known as Fort Sheridan Forest Preserve; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lake Forest and Openlands (the "Partners") own property adjacent to the Fort Sheridan Forest Preserve; and

WHEREAS, the District and the Partners desire to perform landscape scale restoration work (the "Work"), with a focus on native tree and shrub planting, on their respective properties; and

WHEREAS, in 2014 the U.S. Forest Service State and Private Forestry Program awarded grant funds (the "Grant") to the District for the performance of the Work; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 10 of Article VII of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, units of local government, such as the District and the Partners, may contract or otherwise associate among themselves in any manner not prohibited by law or ordinance; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Intergovernmental Cooperation Act, 5 ILCS 220/1 et seq., any power, privilege, function, or authority exercised by a public agency, including the District and the Partners, may be exercised, combined, transferred, and enjoyed jointly with any other public agency to the extent not prohibited by law; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the District to enter into intergovernmental agreements (the "Agreements") with the Partners for the use of Grant funds to reimburse the Partners for portions of the Work;

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 Resolution by this reference.

Section 2. Approval of the Agreements. The Agreements, in substantially the form attached hereto, are hereby approved. The Executive Director and Secretary of the District are hereby authorized to execute and attest to, respectively, the Agreements, in substantially the form attached hereto, on behalf of the District.

<u>Section 3</u>. <u>Effective Date</u>. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval in the manner provided by law.

PASSED this day of AYES:	, 2015	
NAYS:		
APPROVED this day of	, 2015	
ATTEST:		Ann B. Maine, President
		Lake County Forest Preserve District
Julie A. Gragnani, Secretary	18	
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Exhibit		