



GLENVIEW PARK DISTRICT

Public Hearing

2010 OSLAD Grant Application – The Grove Redfield Estate

@ Park Center, 7:00 p.m.

2400 Chestnut Avenue

Glenview, IL 60025

Meeting Minutes

May 28, 2009

1. Roll Call

President Coulson called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. and the roll was called.

Commissioners present: Judy Beck, William M. Casey, Angie Katsamakidis, Bob Patton, Ted Przybylo, Michael P. Scholl and Mary Jean Coulson.

Official Staff present: Attorney Samuel W. Witwer, Jr., Treasurer William D. Moore, Executive Director/Secretary Charles Balling, Superintendent of Administrative Operations Barbara Cremin, Superintendent of Special Facilities Cheryl Deom, Superintendent of Park Services Fred Gullen, Superintendent of Leisure Services Robert Quill, and Recording Secretary Joanne Capaccio.

Public present: Tom Robb, Carol DiLorenzo, Cheri McNish, and Holden Vick signed the sign-in sheet.

2. Public Comment

President Coulson commented that the purpose of tonight's public hearing is to review the specific components of the proposed application for funds from the State of Illinois' 2010 OSLAD grant program. Notice of the public hearing was published in the May 21st edition of the Glenview Announcements.

She noted The Park District is proposing that improvements be undertaken at The Grove that would include removal of the dilapidated garage adjacent to the Redfield Estate. This structure would be replaced with a Carriage House (in the style of the 1930's Redfield structure) that would serve a number of purposes. The interior spaces would support the rental and program uses of Redfield. Exterior improvements would include ADA accessible bathrooms designed for general public use with outside access, interpretive garden areas, a wetland overlook and fire pit area to support programs and special events and an outdoor pavilion area connected to the carriage house to support program, special event and general public uses. Reforestation of upland areas of The Grove is also included in the proposal.

President Coulson then opened the meeting up for public comments. Steve Swanson, Director of The Grove, noted that all proposed projects for this grant have been listed in The Grove's Program and Management Policy which had been formally approved by the Park Board. He explained that it has been a long-standing goal to get

acceptable ADA (Americans with Disability Act) bathrooms installed and remove the 1950's style garage from the historic Redfield setting. He also explained that the reforestation proposed is to combat the likely destruction of trees due to the Emerald Ash Borer and replace them with 1,750 trees which would equate to approximately 25 trees per acre. Steve also noted that letters were received from The Grove Heritage Association, Inc. and The Grove Historic Buildings and Grounds Commission in support of the above mentioned improvements to the Redfield Estate and reforestation at the Grove. (Letters filed herewith). Cheri McNish, President of The Grove Heritage Association, was present and reaffirmed the Associations' support of the grant application and was looking forward to working with Steve Swanson and the Board on these projects.

3. **Adjourn**

With there being no further comments, President Coulson asked for a motion to adjourn the Public Hearing.

Commissioner Beck moved to adjourn the Public Hearing at 7:15 p.m. A Voice Vote was taken: Ayes: Beck, Casey, Katsamakias, Patton, Przybylo, Scholl, Coulson. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The following action on the proposed OSLAD Grant funding was taken during the May 28, 2009 Glenview Park District Regular Board meeting which immediately followed this public hearing in room 101 at Park Center, 2400 Chestnut Avenue, Glenview, IL:

Commissioner Casey moved seconded by Commissioner Katsamakias to approve submitting The Grove for the 2010 State of Illinois Open Space Land Acquisition Development Grant Application for the Glenview Park District. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Przybylo, Scholl, Beck, Casey, Katsamakias, Patton, and Coulson Nays: None. Motion Carried.

ATTEST:

Charles T. Balling, Secretary

Judy Beck, President

Approved this 25th day of June 2009

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