PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

ADMINISTRATIVE

Amending the Forest Preserve District of Cook County (the “Preserves”) code of ordinances to clarify the required participants for apprenticeship programs in order to be deemed a responsible bidder.

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Forest Preserve District of Cook County Board of Commissioners that Title 1 – Administration, Chapter 8 – District Finances, Section 2 – Contracts and Purchases, Subsection S-5 of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County Code is hereby amended as Follows:

Chapter 8 – District Finances
1-8-1: Receipts of Money
1-8-2: Contracts and Purchases
1-8-3: Wage Rates for Public Works Employee.
1-8-4: Property Tax Relief
1-8-5: Minority and Women-Owned Business Enterprises

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S. Responsible bidder for bids for construction, maintenance, and repair of public works shall mean a bidder who meets all of the job specifications, the following applicable criteria, and submits evidence of such compliance:

1. All applicable laws prerequisite to doing business in the State of Illinois.

2. Evidence of compliance with:

   a. Federal Employer Tax Identification Number or Social Security Number (for individuals);

3. Certificates of insurance indicating the following coverage; general liability, workers compensation, completed operation, automobile, hazardous occupation, product liability and professional liability insurance.


5. Active apprenticeship and training programs approved and registered with the United States Department of Labor Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training for each of the trades of work contemplated under the awarded contract for all bidders, General Contractors, and/or subcontractors.
6. Certified payrolls as specified in 820 ILCS 130/5 for all contractors and subcontractors.

For purposes of this Section 1-8-2(S), the terms "public works" and "construction" shall have the meanings set forth in the Illinois Prevailing Wage Act, 820 ILCS 130/2. Moreover, it is expressly understood that the term "public works" shall not include snow removal, landscaping, tree trimming, and tree removal unless such activities are done in conjunction with, or in preparation for, new construction or the repair, maintenance, assembly or disassembly of equipment owned or leased by the District.

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Effective date: This ordinance shall be in effect immediately upon adoption.

Approved: September 9, 2014