



Lake County Illinois

Legislation Text

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Resolution approving the conveyance of property at the northwest corner of Illinois Route 131 and 14th Street/Pulaski Drive, directly adjacent to the Greenbelt Forest Preserve from Lake County to the Lake County Forest Preserve District.

- The County requires right-of-way, permanent easements, and temporary easements from the District for several improvements.
- The improvements are located at: Wadsworth Road at Kilbourne Road (Wadsworth Savanna Forest Preserve); Fairfield Road at Monaville Road (Grant Woods Forest Preserve); 14th Street from Illinois Route 131 to Sheridan Road (Greenbelt Forest Preserve); St. Marys Road and Everett Road 3R resurfacing (Grainger Woods Forest Preserve and Daniel Wright Woods Forest Preserve); Fort Hill Trail (within Ray Lake Forest Preserve along Fremont Center Road).
- These improvements are included in the highway improvement program, with the exception of the Fort Hill Trail extension which is included in the County's 2040 Non-Motorized Plan.
- The County will convey a portion of property at the northwest corner of Illinois Route 131 and 14th Street/Pulaski Drive, directly adjacent to the Greenbelt Forest Preserve, to the Lake County Forest Preserve District.

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CONVEYANCE OF PROPERTY AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF ILLINOIS ROUTE 131 AND 14TH STREET/PULASKI DRIVE, DIRECTLY ADJACENT TO THE GREENBELT FOREST PRESERVE FROM LAKE COUNTY TO THE LAKE COUNTY FOREST PRESERVE DISTRICT

WHEREAS, the Lake County Forest Preserve District (the District) and Lake County believe it would be beneficial for the safety and welfare of the motoring public if improvements could be made along various highways in Lake County; and

WHEREAS, these improvements require rights-of-way, permanent and temporary easements, and temporary licenses from the District (the District Properties) for the roadway improvements, including the construction of multi-use paths and drainage improvements; and

WHEREAS, the improvements are located at Wadsworth Road at Kilbourne Road (Wadsworth Savanna Forest Preserve); Fairfield Road at Monaville Road (Grant Woods Forest Preserve); 14th Street from Illinois Route 131 to Sheridan Road (Greenbelt Forest Preserve); St. Marys Road and Everett Road 3R resurfacing (Grainger Woods Forest Preserve and Daniel Wright Woods Forest Preserve); Fort Hill Trail (within Ray Lake Forest Preserve along Fremont Center Road); and

WHEREAS, the County will convey to the District a portion of excess property at the northwest corner of Illinois Route 131 and 14th Street/Pulaski Drive, directly adjacent to the Greenbelt Forest Preserve (the County Property); and

WHEREAS, the County Property, containing a total of 0.215 acres, zoned municipal, was deeded to

the County in 1976 as part of adjacent 14th Street/Pulaski Drive roadway improvements being done at the time; and

WHEREAS, the County Engineer has determined that the County Property is not needed for current or future transportation improvements by the Lake County Division of Transportation, and will be more appropriately utilized for the public under the stewardship of the District; and

WHEREAS, Lake County and the District are desirous of entering into an agreement stating the terms and conditions for conveyance of the County Property and the District Properties and for the design and construction of certain public improvements, substantially in the form of the draft agreement attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 10 of Article 7 of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, units of local government, such as the District and the County, may contract or otherwise associate among themselves in any manner not prohibited by law or ordinance; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Local Government Property Transfer Act, 50 ILCS 605/0.01, et seq., it is necessary or convenient for the District to use, occupy, or improve the County Property in the making of a public improvement or for a public purpose; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Local Government Property Transfer Act, 50 ILCS 605/0.01, et seq., the County may transfer the County Property to the District upon such terms as may be agreed upon by the corporate authorities of the County, and the District and subject to the provisions of such Act; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Lake County Division of Transportation Excess Property Disposal Policy, the County Engineer recommends the transfer of the County Property to the District and has presented to the County Board's Public Works and Transportation Committee this recommendation, along with information as to the size, location, zoning, year acquired, the identity of the transferee agency, and a statement that the County Property is no longer needed to achieve the goals/plans of the Division of Transportation or for any other County purpose; and

WHEREAS, per the said Local Government Property Transfer Act, this resolution must be approved by a two-thirds vote of the membership of this Board for it to be effective; and

WHEREAS, the District has adopted or intends to adopt a resolution approving the conveyance of the District Properties to the County and an ordinance approving the agreement and declaring that it is necessary or convenient for it to use, occupy or improve the County Property.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by this Lake County Board, that:

Section 1. The foregoing recitals are hereby incorporated by reference herein as findings of the County Board.

Section 2. The transfer of the County Property to the District is approved, and the County Board Chair, the County Clerk, and the County Engineer of Lake County, Illinois, are hereby authorized to execute, attest to and record, or cause to be executed, attested to and recorded, all documents necessary for Lake County to convey the County Property to the District, and to take any and all other actions necessary to complete such conveyance.

DATED at Waukegan, Illinois, on May 8, 2018.