



**PARK DISTRICT**  
of OAK PARK

**Park District of Oak Park  
Local Government Efficiency Task Force Meeting  
Hedges Administrative Center  
218 Madison Street, Oak Park, Illinois 60302  
Thursday May 2, 2024, 7:30pm**

**AGENDA**

- I. Roll Call**
- II. Approval of the April 4, 2024 Minutes\***
- III. Approval of Dissolution of the Committee**
- IV. Adjournment**

\* Indicates information attached.

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## **April 4, 2024 Minutes**

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## **Minutes**

The meeting was called to order at 7:37pm.

### **I. Roll Call**

**Present:** Commissioners Wick, Wollmuth, Worley-Hood, President Porreca, Executive Director Jan Arnold, Jake Vest, and Mike Baiardo.

**Absent:** Commissioner Lentz

**Park District Staff Present:** Mitch Bowlin, Director of Finance; Chris Lindgren, Superintendent of Parks & Planning; Maureen McCarthy, Superintendent of Recreation; and Edith Wood, Executive Assistant

### **II. Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made by Commissioner Wick and seconded by Commissioner Wollmuth to approve the minutes from the February 1, 2024, Local Government Efficiency Task Force Meeting. **The motion passed by a roll call vote of 7:0.**

### **III. Review of Funding and Best Practices**

Members of the committee reviewed the Park District of Oak Park's 2024 Budget and the 2024-2028 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). A 5-year CIP is created every year to discuss projects that need to be moved during draft review. The budget is also reviewed every year by the Park District staff and board in which department managers present budget goals to the board on two separate board meetings, followed by a tax levy hearing, as well as budget and appropriation hearings. In addition, the Board has continuous discussions on budget items early and often throughout the year to avoid any major changes. The members of the committee had a discussion on what practices other agencies make for budget discussions and found that the Park District's practices to be great.

Executive Director Arnold also gave an overview of the Park District's awards and accreditations. The committee had a discussion on whether there were any other awards or accreditations that the Park District can seek to obtain to help the agency improve efficiency.

The Park District Board was happy to hear the suggestions made by Mike and Jake.

Next meeting will be on May 2, 2024, for the dissolution of the committee.

**III. Adjournment**

At 8:25pm, a motion was made by Commissioner Wick and Seconded by Commissioner Wollmuth to adjourn the Efficiency Task Force Meeting. **The motion was passed by a voice vote of 7:0.**

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**Secretary**  
**Board of Park Commissioners**

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**President**  
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