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PARK EMPLOYEES' AND RETIREMENT BOARD EMPLOYEES'
ANNUITY AND BENEFIT FUND**

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NOTICE OF ELECTION

TO BE HELD ON JUNE 22, 2018

**FOR A TRUSTEE OF THE PARK EMPLOYEES' AND RETIREMENT BOARD
EMPLOYEES' ANNUITY AND BENEFIT FUND**

TO ALL CONCERNED:

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held on the **22nd day of June 2018**, for the purpose of electing a member of the Retirement Board to serve for the regular term of four years, effective July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2022.

The Retirement Board has engaged an Election Monitor, the independent accounting firm of Bansley and Kiener, L.L.P., Certified Public Accountants, to exercise complete control over the printing, mailing and tabulation of all ballots and to ensure the security and integrity of the voting process, in accordance with the Election Policy. The Fund's Executive Director has appointed an Election Coordinator, Lucy Lopez, to coordinate the election in conjunction with the Election Monitor and in accordance with the Election Policy.

All employees of the Chicago Park District and the Fund who are not excluded from coverage under Article 12 of the Illinois Pension Code are eligible to be candidates for election and to vote ("Eligible Voters"). The list of Eligible Voters shall be those eligible employees who, as of May 1, 2018, are on the Chicago Park District's payroll, on the Fund's payroll, or receiving disability benefits from the Fund.

Candidate nomination packets may be obtained from the Election Coordinator at the Retirement Board Office, at the address located above. Candidate nomination packets contain a copy of this Notice of Election, a pre-printed candidate petition form, and a copy of the Election Policy. Candidate petitions must be signed by at least 50 Eligible Voters and must be received by the Election Coordinator at the Retirement Board Office on or before the last Tuesday of May (May 29, 2018). Along with the completed petition, candidates may also submit to the Election Coordinator the following limited information: name (as it should appear on the ballot), current employment position, and length of service.

The Election Monitor, with the assistance of the Election Coordinator, shall verify the identity and eligibility of individuals who signed a candidate's nomination petition, and shall certify qualified candidates for the election. The Election Monitor shall determine by lot the position of candidate names on the ballot. The Election Coordinator shall notify qualified candidates of their certification and the position of their names on the ballot and shall post candidate names, and other limited information submitted, on the Fund's website in the order candidate names are to appear on the ballot.

No candidate for trustee shall be permitted to engage the services of Fund vendors or service providers for the purpose of printing, distributing or mailing campaign materials, or to secure monetary assistance for the candidate's campaign. Upon request, the Fund shall provide certified candidates with a list of Fund vendors and service providers.

At the request of a candidate, the Election Monitor shall provide labels with Eligible Voters' names and addresses for the sole purpose of sending out candidate campaign materials. Campaign materials may be mailed on or before June 13, 2018. **All campaign materials shall contain the following disclaimer: "The Park Employees' and Retirement Board Employees' Annuity and Benefit Fund of Chicago is not responsible for, and has not verified, the content of this campaign material."** The labels shall not leave the office of the Election Monitor. Candidates are responsible for affixing the labels to the campaign materials while in the office of the Election Monitor, during the hours of 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. Candidates shall ensure that all campaign materials contain proper postage prior to arriving at the office of the Election Monitor. The candidate requesting such information, and any individuals assisting with affixing the labels to the campaign materials, shall sign an Agreement of Confidentiality agreeing to: keep the labels in the office of the Election Monitor; refrain from copying any of the Eligible Voters' names and addresses; and use the Eligible Voters' names and addresses for the sole purpose of sending campaign materials.

Voting will be done by secret ballot by MAIL in order that all Eligible Voters may have an equal opportunity to vote in the election.

The Election Monitor, with the assistance of the Election Coordinator, shall ensure that every Eligible Voter receives a ballot and voting instructions. Blank ballots and voting instructions will be mailed no later than 12:30 P.M. on the Wednesday of the week immediately preceding the week in which the Election Date occurs (June 13, 2018). Eligible Voters shall indicate their choice of a candidate by inserting a mark (e.g., an "x", "+" or "✓") in the printed square in front of the name of the candidate of their choice. The mark must be within or must intersect the square. Eligible Voters may vote for a person whose name does not appear on the ballot by writing the name in, with a pen or pencil, below the names of the other candidates and putting a square before it if one is not provided, and inserting a mark (e.g., an "x", "+" or "✓") in the square. Any questions regarding an Eligible Voter's intent to elect shall be determined by the Election Monitor.

Any Eligible Voter who does not receive a ballot from the Election Monitor may obtain a replacement ballot from the Election Monitor at the office of the Retirement Board during the hours of 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. on the Monday and Tuesday preceding the Election Date (June 18 and 19, 2018), provided that such Eligible Voter completes an affidavit stating that he/she never received the original ballot.

All ballots, including replacement ballots, must be received by the designated postal service by 10:00 A.M. on June 22, 2018. Only those ballots received by the Election Monitor in the manner provided in the Election Policy shall be considered in the counting of the votes cast. The following rules are prescribed for the counting of ballots:

- A. Only one ballot per Eligible Voter shall be permitted.
- B. Ballots received by a person who is not an Eligible Voter shall not be valid.
- C. Ballots with votes cast in excess of the number allowed shall not be valid.
- D. Ballots cast for persons who are not eligible to be elected shall not be valid.
- E. Ballots not received by 10:00 A.M. on June 22, 2018 shall not be valid.
- F. Ballots not received in accordance with the voting instructions shall not be valid.

The winning candidate shall be the candidate who receives the highest number of votes. In case of a tie, the winning lot shall be drawn by the Election Monitor. A candidate may request a recount or protest the election in accordance with the Election Policy. In the case of a conflict between this Notice of Election and the Election Policy, the Election Policy shall control.

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