

MINUTES

**SPECIAL PARK DISTRICT BOARD MEETING
COMMUNITY PARK DISTRICT of La GRANGE PARK
1501 BARNSDALE ROAD, La GRANGE PARK, ILLINOIS
June 4, 2025 - 7:00 PM**

1. Call to Order & Roll Call

President Corte called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Additionally present were Commissioners Sauer, Ogden, and Marusic. Staff present included Executive Director Cannaday, Superintendent of Recreation Montes, and Marketing and Events Manager Zander.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Commissioner Zuck entered the meeting at 7:02pm.

3. Park District Mission: The Community Park District of La Grange Park supports a healthy and inclusive community by positively impacting physical, social, emotional, and environmental well-being.

4. Open Forum

There are 48 people with written record of being in attendance. 45 indicated written support for the acquisition and preservation of the fitness facility on 31st Street. 3 provided written indication they did not support the acquisition of the facility on 31st.

Barbara Simmins, Martha Banny, Jason Homedew, Ed Dylong, Geof Brown, Kim Jones, Brian Anderson, Laura LaRocco, and Cathy Alarcon all addressed the board supporting the endeavor citing the need for access to fitness opportunities in the community. William Lampert and Cheryl Peterson addressed the board in opposition, stating that the use of the facility as a fitness center has created a nuisance for the neighbors and drives traffic and parking down residential streets to the detriment of residents.

5. Approval of the June 4, 2025 Agenda

Commissioner Ogden made a motion to approve the June 4 Special Meeting Agenda, seconded by Commissioner Sauer. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

6. Unfinished Business

7. New Business

8. Executive Session

At 7:37pm, Commissioner Sauer made a motion to adjourn to Executive Session in accordance with the Open Meetings Act under Section 2(c)(5) to discuss the purchase or

lease of real property for the use of the public body. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Marusic and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

President Corte reconvened the Open Meeting at 8:38pm. Additionally present were Commissioners Sauer, Zuck, Ogden, and Marusic. Staff present included Executive Director Cannaday, Superintendent Montes, and Marketing and Events Manager Zander.

9. Next Regular Meeting: Monday, June 9, 2025, 6:30pm

10. Adjournment

At 8:40pm, Commissioner Ogden made a motion to adjourn the Special Meeting, seconded by Commissioner Zuck. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Approved June 9, 2025