



General, Recreation
and Special Fund
Operating Budget
Fiscal Year
2011/2012



March 14, 2011

Board of Park Commissioners
Park District of La Grange
536 East Avenue
La Grange, Illinois 60525

Dear Commissioners:

I am presenting to you the Annual Operating Budget for the Park District of La Grange fiscal year 2011/2012. This budget document reflects the District's comprehensive financial plan to provide quality recreational programs, facilities, parks and overall services to the residents of La Grange. It is a working document subject to deliberation and modification prior to final adoption in the coming months.

This budget is intended to disperse the optimum portion of resources to serve resident needs through sound and prudent fiscal management, while meeting the limitations of a tax cap increase for the 2010 levy of 2.7 % over the 2009 extended levy.

As presented, this budget reflects the Park District of La Grange's Mission, Agency Goals and staff projected initiatives. It also reflects the perceived needs of the community for their Park District to provide a full portfolio of programs, facilities and events.

The budget consists of several different funds, each playing a vital role in the provision of services to the residents. The total proposed Annual Operating Budget for fiscal year 2011/2012 is \$3,950,007 which includes our debt service. This reflects an overall increase in the operational budget by \$107,745. Approximately half of this increase is for an adjustment to staff salaries and wages which have been frozen for the last two years and the addition of a part time recreation supervisor. A large portion of this increase is also due to the rising cost of insurance for both liability and employee health benefits. Other line items with increases are SEASPAR membership and IMRF contributions.

A breakdown of the budgeted expenditures for each fund is reflected below.

General Corporate Fund	\$751,979
Recreation Fund	\$1,533,529
IMRF Fund	\$91,894
Paving & Lighting Fund	\$25,000
Liability Insurance Fund	\$94,232
Audit Fund	\$11,500
Special Recreation for the Handicapped	\$308,172
Social Security & Medicare Fund	\$81,310
Debt Service	\$1,052,392

Our projected revenue has increased from last year's budget figure of \$4,021,291 to this year's revenue of \$4,070,842. The increase of \$49,551 is primarily due to additional Recreation Center rentals. Other revenue sources were adjusted up or down based on current experience or changes in economy for a net decrease from other sources.

As stewards of the District, the Board of Commissioners has provided the vision, guidance, and support for the 2011/2012 operating budget development by providing sound policies, good planning and fiscal management. It is the staff's responsibility to operate within these guidelines. However, it is the staff's goal to meet or exceed Commissioner and taxpayer expectations.

Sincerely,



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Executive Director

