More Information on Project Implementation & the 22nd Ward Participatory Budgeting Process

Alderman Muñoz will submit the projects that win the most votes, up to $1 million, to the City of Chicago and its sister agencies for implementation. All the projects listed on the ballot are feasible to the best of our knowledge, yet most require final approval from the City of Chicago or its sister agencies. Thus, while Alderman Muñoz pledges to request funding and advocate for the winning projects, he cannot guarantee that the government agencies will grant final approval to each and every project request.

Reasons that projects may not be approved include: interference with previously planned projects, legal restrictions, and policy decisions of the governmental entities. If a winning project cannot be implemented for any reason, Alderman Muñoz will use the allocated money to fund the next runner-up project that falls within the budget.

Not all of the funded projects will be completed in the 2014 construction season. Required project approval procedures or construction work by utilities or other agencies may prevent some projects from being completed this year. Funds for projects not completed this year will be held in reserve and used to complete the projects in the following year(s).

For up-to-date information on the status of the various projects, contact the 22nd Ward Office at 773-762-1771 or Enlace Chicago at 773-823-1062 or email pb@enlacechicago.org.

All projects on the ballot were suggested and vetted by 22nd Ward residents. Initial suggestions for projects came out of brainstorming sessions at a series of neighborhood assemblies held throughout the Ward in November and December 2013. The suggestions were then deliberated and researched by over 50 neighborhood residents who volunteered at the neighborhood assemblies to serve as “community representatives.”

From December 2013 through April 2014, the community representatives met regularly in 6 committees (Parks & Gardens, Public & Community Art, Public Health & Safety, Schools & Libraries, Streets & Alleys, and Transit) to decide which project proposals to place on this year’s ballot. The proposals were submitted to 22nd Ward residents for final input and review at a project expo in April 2014.

Participation in the 22nd Ward participatory budgeting process as a community representative and/or as an attendee at a neighborhood assembly was entirely voluntary and open to all 22nd Ward residents age 14 and over, regardless of citizenship or voter registration status.

The PB Chicago City-Wide Steering Committee developed the rules and procedures for this process. For a list of all members of the committee, visit www.pbchicago.com.

Many thanks to the community representatives and the 22nd Ward PB leaders and volunteers for their dedication and service to this bold experiment in direct democracy. Also thanks to the many dedicated employees at the City of Chicago, the Chicago Park District, the Chicago Transit Authority, the Chicago Public Schools, and the Chicago Department of Transportation for their expertise; and to the PB Chicago City-Wide Steering Committee for their expertise and guidance of the process.

VOTING ASSEMBLIES
Thursday, May 1, 12:30p.m. - 7:30p.m., Storefront, 4339 W. Cermak
Friday, May 2, 9a.m. - 5p.m., Ald. Muñoz Ward Office, 2500 S. St. Louis
Saturday, May 3, 10a.m. - 5p.m., Hearst Elementary, 4640 S. Lamon
Monday, May 5, 12:30p.m. - 7:30p.m., Tomans Library, 2708 S. Pulaski
Tuesday, May 6, 12:30p.m. - 7:30p.m., Ald. Muñoz Ward Office, 2500 S. St. Louis

VOTING INSTRUCTIONS:
Please note, you will be asked to vote on two separate ballot questions.

First, you will be asked to cast one (1) vote on the percentage of the 2014 22nd Ward aldermanic menu budget that you believe should be devoted exclusively to street resurfacing. The average of all the votes cast on this question will determine the percentage of the menu budget that will be allocated to street resurfacing.

Second, you will be asked to vote on how the remainder of the 2014 22nd Ward menu money should be allocated. You may vote for up to six (6) projects. Only one vote may be cast for each project – no weighted voting. Ballots marked with more than 6 votes are invalid and will be voided. All 22nd Ward residents, age 14 and over are eligible to vote.

HOW TO CAST YOUR VOTES:
Mark boxes clearly with an “X” or check mark, or fully shade them in, with black or blue ink. No ballots marked in pencil will be accepted.

The projects that win the most votes, up to $1 million, will be submitted to the City of Chicago and its sister agencies for implementation. See the back of the ballot for more details.

Alderman Ricardo Muñoz, Enlace Chicago, PB Chicago, and 22nd Ward PB Leaders and Volunteers
2014 PARTICIPATORY BUDGETING PROJECTS

What percentage of the total budget should go toward street resurfacing?

Resurfacing is necessary to address streets that have deteriorated, are safety hazards and are generally in poor condition. Residents, businesses and visitors to the 22nd Ward will benefit from improved safety when driving, biking and walking. The average cost for the first five blocks of resurfaced streets is $38,000 per block. Due to federal requirements for handicapped ramps, the average cost for any street resurfaced after the first five blocks is $66,500 per block.

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Note: The 22 Ward Streets and Alleys Committee identified the streets most in need of resurfacing. Please see our project poster for the list of streets in need of resurfacing.

How should the remaining portion of the 22nd Ward menu money be spent?

You may vote for up to six (6) projects from the projects below and to the right. (Select no more than six.)

PARKS & GARDENS

1. Lawndale Triangle Gardening Pocket Park: Ogden and Kildaire
   The Lawndale Triangle Garden is a neighborhood space where flowers, vegetables and social gathering will bring the community together. It will be the new greenspace in the northwest corner of the ward. $135,000

2. Children’s Summer Water Safety - Play Sprinkler Installation: Ledaire/Heard Park
   For over 30 years, children have opened fire hydrants during summer months in order to keep cool because there are no swimming or spray pools in this part of the ward. We would like to insure that our children can have a safe, fun and cool summer. $200,000

3. Children’s Summer Water Safety - Play Sprinkler Upgrade: Vittum Park
   Vittum Park playground and spray features are in much need of an upgrade and is currently inaccessible to many children with disabilities who are in the most need of safe, clean outdoor play space. $125,000

4. Children’s Summer Water Safety - Play Sprinkler Upgrade: Sheed Park
   This park is very old and has not been fixed, so a lot of kids have gotten hurt on the old equipment. In the summer, a large number of families use the park. An upgrade is for the safety of our community. $125,000

5. Children’s Summer Water Safety - Play Sprinkler Upgrade: Linskas Playground Park
   This park is very old and has not been fixed, so a lot of kids have gotten hurt on the old equipment. In the summer, a large number of families use the park. An upgrade is for the safety of our community. $125,000

6. Sports Field Lightings: Piotrowski Park
   To ensure the safety of families and patrons; appropriate lighting is a necessity. Darkness encourages illegal and unsafe activities in the park, so additional lighting will increase usability and safety. $250,000

PUBLIC & COMMUNITY ART

7. 22nd Ward in Sepia: Central Park Ave. Viaduct between Cermak & 23rd St. and Cermak Rd. & Trumbull Ave. Intersection Viaduct
   This project is an opportunity for residents to see severely unattractive undersides in their neighborhood transformed into affirmations of strength and unity. Portraits of current and former community members will be painted in beautiful shades of brown and black by artist teams. $60,700

8. Lawndale Triangle Neighborhood Identifiers: Six City Street Poles around the Lawndale Triangle
   Permanent artistic street identifiers (markers) will be placed on six city street poles around the Lawndale Triangle to help identify the neighborhood and create a sense of pride. The project involves an art design created by Bernard Williams, and CDOT approval for engineering, designs and designated mounting system. $36,000

PUBLIC HEALTH & SAFETY

9. Increased Wattage for Existing Street Light Poles: 22nd & Keeler; 22nd & Kolin; 20th & Kilbourn
   Increased wattage for existing street light poles on 3 blocks (5 poles per block.) (Upgrade from 150 watts to 250 watts.) $6,000

10. New Street and Walkway Lights: 27th & Ridgeway
    New street and walkway light systems and removal of old systems for 2 blocks located at 27th & 28th S. Ridgeway. (Minimum engineering requirement is 2 block pairs.) $11,000

    New street and walkway light systems and removal of old systems for 2 blocks located at 2700-2800 S. Ridgeway. $124,000

SCHOOLS & LIBRARIES

12. Healthy Fun - Renewing Play Spaces for 22nd Ward Schools: Gary Elementary School
    Replace existing playground in order to create an updated, safer space for children and families to gather and play. $350,000

13. Healthy Fun - Renewing Play Spaces for 22nd Ward Schools: McCormick Elementary School
    Install a new play area that includes artificial turf on the south side of the school. This will create an updated, safer space for children and families to gather and play. $500,000

14. Safer Fun - Installing Lights at the Basketball Courts: Gary Elementary School
    Install lighting to extend safe playing hours for basketball courts. Increases safety for community members while expanding healthy alternatives for youth and access to public space. $250,000

STREETS & ALLEYS

15. Residential and School Zone Speed Bump Installation: Multiple Locations
    Speed humps near schools will create a safer environment by helping slow traffic on streets that students and families cross to access school grounds. Speed humps on residential streets will slow traffic that travels at excessive rates of speed near homes. $33,500

16. Neighborhood Greenways: 28th from Keeler to Kedzie, 30th from Keeler to Spaulding
    Greenways beautify and make communities safer. Traffic calming measures, such as traffic circles and bumpouts, benefit all road users and can be used for landscaping and community gardens. $150,000

17. Urgent Sidewalk Repairs: Multiple Locations
    Replace sidewalks in locations in the most critical need of repair, where missing sections of pavement or large cracks create risks to pedestrians. $240,000