

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 expos 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.

Participatory Budgeting in the 22nd Ward

SAMPLE

BALLOT

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., Toman 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

BALLOT QUESTION NUMBER 1

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.

(Please select only one.)

PERCENTAGE of Budget that Should Be Spent on Street Resurfacing	COST	Estimated # of Blocks to be Resurfaced
<input type="checkbox"/> 100%	\$ 1,000,000	16
<input type="checkbox"/> 90%	\$ 900,000	15
<input type="checkbox"/> 80%	\$ 800,000	14
<input type="checkbox"/> 70%	\$ 700,000	13
<input type="checkbox"/> 60%	\$ 600,000	12
<input type="checkbox"/> 50%	\$ 500,000	11
<input type="checkbox"/> 40%	\$ 400,000	10

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

	COST
<input type="checkbox"/> 1. Lawndale Triangle Gardening Pocket Park: Ogden and Kildare The Lawndale Triangle Garden is a neighborhood space where flowers, vegetables and social gathering will bring the community together. It will be the only greenspace in the northwest corner of the ward.	\$135,000
<input type="checkbox"/> 2. Children's Summer Water Safety - Play Sprinkler Installation: Ledaire/Hearst 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
<input type="checkbox"/> 3. Children's Summer Water Safety - Play Sprinkler Upgrade: Vittum Park Vittum Park playground and spray pool area is in much need of an upgrade and is currently inaccessible to many children with disabilities who are in the most need of a safe, clean outdoor play space.	\$125,000
<input type="checkbox"/> 4. Children's Summer Water Safety - Play Sprinkler Upgrade: Shedd 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
<input type="checkbox"/> 5. Children's Summer Water Safety - Play Sprinkler Upgrade: Limas 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
<input type="checkbox"/> 6. Sports Field Lighting: 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

	COST
<input type="checkbox"/> 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 underpasses in their neighborhood transformed into affirmations of strength and unity. Portraits of previous and current community members will be painted in beautiful shades of brown and black by artist teams.	\$60,700
<input type="checkbox"/> 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

<input type="checkbox"/> 9. Increased Wattage for Existing Street Light Poles: 22nd & Keeler; 22nd & Kolin; 28th & Kilbourn Increased wattage for existing street light poles on 3 blocks (5 poles per block). (Upgrade from 150 watts to 250 watts.)	\$6,000
<input type="checkbox"/> 10. New Floodlights/Walkway Lights to Existing Street Light Poles: 27th & Ridgeway 28th & Ridgeway 28th & Karlov 28th & Lawndale 28th & Ridgeway 28th & Avers 28th & Spaulding 22nd & Kenneth 23rd & Kenneth 25th & Harding 27th & Drake 28th & Drake 30th & Drake 4400 S. Lawler 23, 24, 25, 27, 28, 30 Hamlin 23rd & St. Louis 30th & Spaulding 33rd & Keeler 33rd & Kedvale 33rd & Karlov 25th & Kildare 25th & Keeler 25th & Kedvale 25th & Karlov 25th & Homan 32nd & Karlov	\$16,000
<input type="checkbox"/> 11. New Residential Street and Walkway Lights: 2700-2800 S. Ridgeway New street and walkway light systems and removal of old systems for 2 blocks located at 2700-2800 S. Ridgeway. (Minimum engineering requirement is 2 block pairs.)	\$124,000

SCHOOLS & LIBRARIES

<input type="checkbox"/> 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
<input type="checkbox"/> 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
<input type="checkbox"/> 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

<input type="checkbox"/> 15. Residential and School Zone Speed Hump 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.	\$37,000
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TRANSIT

<input type="checkbox"/> 16. Neighborhood Greenways: 28th from Keeler to Kedzie, 30th from Keeler to Spaulding Greenways beautify & 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
<input type="checkbox"/> 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