Participatory Budgeting in the 49th Ward

Alderman Joe Moore 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 Moore 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 governmental entities. If a winning project cannot be implemented for any reason, the allocated money may be used to fund the next runner-up project that falls within the budget.

Not all of the funded projects will be completed in the 2015 construction season. Required project approval procedures or construction work by utilities or other agencies may delay project completion. For up-to-date information on the status of the various projects, visit www.ward49.com/participatorybudgeting, call (773) 338-5796, or email ward49@cityofchicago.org.

All projects on the ballot were suggested and vetted by 49th Ward residents. Initial suggestions for projects came out of brainstorming sessions at a series of seven neighborhood and two high school youth assemblies held throughout the Ward in October and November 2014. The suggestions were then debated and researched by over 50 neighborhood residents who volunteered at the neighborhood assemblies to serve as “Community Representatives.”

From December 2014 through April 2015, the Community Representatives met regularly in one of four committees (Arts & Parks, Basic Infrastructure, Spanish Language, and Youth) to decide which project proposals to place on this year’s ballot. The proposals were submitted to 49th Ward residents for final input and review at three PB project expos in March 2015.

Participation in the 49th Ward PB process as a Community Representative and/or as an attendee at a neighborhood assembly is entirely voluntary and open to anyone who lives, works, or goes to school in the 49th Ward. Voting is open to all 49th Ward residents age 16 and over, regardless of citizenship or voter registration status.

The 49th Ward Participatory Budgeting Leadership Committee developed the rules and procedures for this process. Membership in the Leadership Committee is open to any Community Representative volunteer who has participated in PB49 for at least one voting cycle.

Many thanks to the Community Representatives and Participatory Budgeting Leadership Committee members 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, PB Chicago, and Stanford University for their expertise.

Vote on Election Day
Saturday, April 25, 2015
9:00 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.
Chicago Math and Science Academy
7212 N. Clark St.

Vote Early
Saturday, April 18, 9:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.
Monday, April 20 - Friday April 24, 9:00 A.M. - 7:00 P.M.
49th Ward Service Office, 7356 N. Greenview

ADDITIONAL EARLY VOTING TIMES & LOCATIONS

Sunday, April 19, 8:30 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.
St. Jerome’s Church
Lunt & Paulina

Tuesday, April 21, 3:30 P.M. - 6:30 P.M.
Morse “L” Station
Morse and Lunt entrances

Wednesday, April 22, 3:30 P.M. - 6:30 P.M.
Jarvis “L” Station

Thursday, April 23, 3:30 P.M. - 6:30 P.M.
Loyola “L” Station
Sheridan Entrance

For more information call 773-338-5796 or visit www.ward49.com

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 Joe Moore and the 49th Ward Participatory Budgeting Leadership Committee
VOTING INSTRUCTIONS:

Vote on two separate ballot questions:

First, vote on the percentage of the 2015 49th Ward aldermanic menu budget that you believe should be devoted exclusively to street and alley resurfacing and sidewalk repairs. The average of all the votes cast on this question will determine the percentage of the menu budget that will be allocated.

Second, vote on how the remainder of the 49th Ward’s menu money should be allocated. You may vote for up to four (4) projects – no weighted voting. Ballots marked with more than four (4) votes are invalid and will be voided. All 49th Ward residents, age 16 and over, are eligible to vote regardless of citizenship status.

Mark boxes clearly with an “X” or check mark, or fully shade them in, with black or blue ink. Ballots marked in pencil will NOT be accepted.

STREET/ALLEY RESURFACING, & SIDEWALK REPAIRS

BALLOT QUESTION NUMBER 1

What percentage of the total budget should go toward street/alley resurfacing and sidewalk repairs? (Select One Box)

- The average cost for the first five blocks of resurfaced streets is $38,000 per block. Due to federal requirements for accessibility ramps, the average cost for any street resurfaced after the first five blocks is $66,500 per block. The average estimated cost for the first alley resurfaced is $29,500. The estimated cost for subsequent alleys is $47,500. The estimated cost for a new alley apron (the area located at the mouth of the alley, between the sidewalk and the street) is estimated at $10,000. The average cost to replace a block of sidewalks is $75,000. (Note: The costs given are at 2014 rates - rates for 2015 are not yet available.)

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Note: The following streets/alleys will be resurfaced and sidewalks repaired in priority order depending on the percentage of the year’s blocks of resurfaced streets (streets needing resurfacing, but not appearing on this list may already be slated to be resurfaced):

- 3400-4700 N. Ravenswood - Albion to Pratt
- 7430-7450 N. Damen - Fargo to Birchwood
- 7400-7410 N. Hoyne - Jarvis to Fargo
- 1900-1910 W. Fargo - Wolcott to Winchester
- 7000-7030 N. Glenwood (Southbound)
- 6750-6760 N. Ridgeland (ALLEY) - Enter Grenview
- 7350-7360 N. Sheridan (ALLEY) - Enter Jungle Terrace
- 7600 Block N. Bosworth (ALLEY) - Howard to Joliet Terrace
- 6814 N. Ravenswood (Alley Apron only)
- 7400-7500 Block N. Damen (ALLEY) - Jarvis to Birchwood
- 1700 Block W. Wallen (ALLEY) - Clark to Ravenswood
- 2110 N. Fargo - (Alley Apron only)

Sidewalk Repair Priorities:

1. 7423 N. Ridge / @ 4720 W. Fargo
2. 7441 N. Ridge
3. 7381 - 7331 N. Ridge
4. 7061 - 7069 N. Ridge
5. 7001 - 7027 N. Ridge
6. 2025 - 2041 W. Jarvis

BALLOT QUESTION NUMBER 2

How should the remaining portion of the 49th Ward menu money be allocated? You may vote for up to FOUR (4) projects from the nine (9) projects below (select no more than four).

PROJECTS

1. Mini Astro turf Soccer Field at Mary Margaret Langdon Park
   - Replace an old, unused basketball court with a space for kids to practice soccer.
   - $100,000

2. Rogers Park Mosaic on Two Exterior Walls of New Field Elementary School
   - Create a bricolage mural (a fusion of mosaic, sculpture, painting, and photo transfer) on two walls at New Field Elementary School. Mosaic will be created by youth and community members of the 49th Ward.
   - $47,000

3. Kayak Storage Facility at Leone Beach Park
   - Install a free-standing storage structure for 50-80 kayaks at Leone Beach Park.
   - $150,000

4. Improve Pedestrian Crossing at Clark and Chase
   - Install curb cuts, accessible ramps, a crosswalk and signage at the north side of Chase crossing Clark making travel between the Chicago Math and Science Academy and Touhy Park safer for pedestrians.
   - $20,000

5. Keep Our Kids Safe and Healthy - Improvements to Three Parks
   - Install a new drinking fountain in the hallway of the Pottawattomie Park Fieldhouse, as the only “public” drinking fountain is in the men’s washroom. Also, install gates at Goldberg and Washington playlots, to keep kids safely in the play area, and add an outdoor drinking fountain to Goldberg Playlot.
   - $140,000

6. More Trees for Rogers Park
   - Plant one hundred new trees across the Ward to replace lost trees and increase the green canopy.
   - $68,000

7. #Take a Seat - New Bus Benches
   - Install 6 new bus stop benches at Clark & Rogers (both sides), Clark & Birchwood, Howard & Sheridan, Rogers & Greenview, and Ashland & Morse.
   - $14,700

8. Add 17 Artistic Street Signs Along Clark Street
   - Install 17 total artistic street signs on Clark Street from Howard to Albion, one on every other block. These signs will beautify Clark Street, spur economic development, and celebrate ethnic diversity.
   - $102,000

9. Art= Rogers Park - New Artistic Underpass Murals
   - Install 5 new unpainted underpasses remain in Rogers Park. This project would paint five murals on the following viaducts: Metra viaduct at Lunt (north and south walls); CTA viaduct at Albion (north and south walls); and the CTA viaduct at North Shore (south wall only).
   - $30,000