

CARLOS  ROSA Participatory Budgeting
35TH WARD ALDERMAN **in the 35th Ward**

BALLOT

ALL DAY VOTING

May 2nd - May 6th

35th Ward Office, 2708 N. Sawyer Ave

Monday, May 2: 9am-7pm

Tuesday, May 3 - Friday, May 6: 9am-5pm

Thursday, May 5 4- 8pm

Avondale Park, 3516 W. School St

Friday, May 6 9am-5pm

Nixon Elementary (basement), 4150 W. Dickens Ave

VOTING ASSEMBLIES

Tuesday, May 3rd 9am-7pm

Athletic Park Field House, 3546 W. Addison St

Saturday, May 7th noon-4pm

The Levee Bar, 4035 W. Fullerton Ave

Wednesday, May 4th 9am-5pm

Aspire Haugen/ Jensen Park, 3729 W. Leland Ave

Saturday, May 7th 10am-2pm

Paseo Boricua, Kedzie Ave and Logan Ave

VOTING INSTRUCTIONS:

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

You will be asked to vote on how the 2016 35th Ward menu money should be allocated. You may vote for up to three (3) projects. Only one vote may be cast for each project – no weighted voting. Ballots marked with more than 3 votes are invalid and will be voided. All 35th 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 Carlos Ramirez-Rosa

More Information on Project Implementation & the 35th Ward Participatory Budgeting Process

Alderman Carlos Ramirez-Rosa 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 Carlos Ramirez-Rosa 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 Carlos Ramirez-Rosa 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 2016 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 35th Ward Office at 773.887.3772 or email pb@aldermancarlosrosa.org.

All projects on the ballot were suggested and vetted by 35th Ward residents. Initial suggestions for projects came out of brainstorming sessions at a series of neighborhood assemblies held

throughout the Ward in the fall and winter.. The suggestions were then deliberated and researched by neighborhood residents who volunteered at the neighborhood assemblies to serve as “community representatives.”

From December 2015 through April 2016, the community representatives met regularly in committees to decide which project proposals to place on this year’s ballot. The proposals were submitted to 35th Ward staff for final input and review.

Participation in the 35th Ward participatory budgeting process as a community representative and/or as an attendee at a neighborhood assembly was entirely voluntary and open to all 35th Ward residents 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 35th 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.

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BALLOT PROJECTS

How should the 35th Ward menu money be spent?

You may vote for up to three (3) projects from the projects below.

(Select no more than three.)

LIGHTING

Improve Lighting Around the Ward for Increased Safety and Security for Our Neighbors

Vote for a brighter ward!! These four projects will brighten anyone's day and night by improving lighting throughout the ward starting this year with these four areas. This will enhance everyone's wellbeing and feeling of safety as we walk and play in our ward.

- 1. New Street Lighting to Replace Existing Lighting** **\$117,000**
This project will replace four (4) poles on each block 2 city blocks along the 2900 block of N. Woodard.

- 2. New lights and Repainted Poles Along a Very Busy Area Where the Community Has Places to Shop, Eat and Play** **\$11,200**
This project is to upgrade (16) individual street lights and re-painting of each street light to provide better lighting for drivers and pedestrians and enhance the safety and beautification along Lawrence Ave.

- 3. Replace Existing Light Poles** **\$161,000**
This project will replace four (4) poles on each block 2 city blocks on the 2200 and 2300 blocks of N. Karlov.

- 4. Replace Old Street Lights with Street Lights That Have Piggybacks** **\$454,000**
Voting for this project would improve the lighting along 3 city blocks and would benefit all the children and families who attend the two local elementary schools and play at the local park. Currently the lighting in this area is poor. Some lighting is missing. There have been multiple crime problems in this area.

RESURFACING

5. Street and Alley 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 35th Ward will benefit from improved safety when driving. Alleys and alley apron: 2200 block N. Lowell and 2200

- Alley Aprons and Resurfacing - Between 2200 N Lowell and 2200 N Kedvale** **\$140,000**
Kedvale; street: 4700 block N. Harding.

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This alley holds a substantial amount of water, which creates a health risk in the summer and a safety risk in the winter.

Cave in of Street Fix Structure and Repave - 4700 N Harding

The 4700 N Harding block is in very poor condition, Several capital improvements and water main improvements have been made in this neighborhood but this block has been overlooked. The condition is quickly deteriorating due to quick fix patching and increasingly buckling pavement. This project has been identified by the Ward as a "good project to fund."

PARKS & OUTDOOR

6. Projects for a Healthier and Greener Ward **\$265,011**

Vote for a greener and healthier Ward! These projects promote healthy living for local youth through increased sports opportunities, promote healthy eating through community gardens, and improve our parks and gardens, making our Ward a more beautiful place to live.

Rehab Ballfields & Install Camera- Athletic Field Park

Install fencing around 3 ballfields and rehab baseball backstops, dugouts and benches The high definition camera for will increase safety in the area.

Equipment Updates for Gymnastic Center - Avondale Park

Update vault and exercise floor in gymnastic center and update windows, doors, and security camera, and boiler regulator.

Outdoor Repairs - Unity Park

Repair broken borders of four raised flower beds, install electricity for gazebo, install light in NE corner of park.

Paseo Prairie Garden Water Access

Water access for community garden at Milwaukee & Wrightwood in front of Logan Square Blue Line El stop working through Neighborspace.

SCHOOLS

7. Projects for healthy and safe recreation at our children's schools **\$122,100**

Vote to give local students healthy options for recreation at their schools. Help local children stay fit and active by providing them with a safe place to play. Studies show that when students have a chance to play, they perform better in school too.

Site Preparation for New Playground - Nixon School

Demolition, grading, drainage and removal of old playground to prepare for new one. Increase the wattage (brightness) of existing lights from 250 to 400 Watts.

Soccer Turf and Goal Posts - Murphy School

Field construction, synthetic turf, goal posts & installation for 25'x70' soccer field on east side of school.

TRANSPORTATION

8. Projects for for safer transportation and healthy recreation in our ward **\$68,500**

Vote for more and better public transportation options in our Ward! These projects will increase public transportation options, provide community members with healthy recreation opportunities and beautify the daily commute for many residents.

Healy Metra Station Divvy Bike Station & Beautification

Installation of a mural, tuckpointing, new lighting, and the first Divvy Station in Hermosa. Will be a 15 dock station with 10 bikes.

PEDESTRIAN SAFETY

9. Pedestrian Safety Improvements **\$126,500**

Vote to improve pedestrian safety at multiple points in the ward with the installation of a refuge island, shared bike lanes, and residential street bump outs at multiple locations in the ward.

Traffic Safety Improvements - N Elston, N Christiana & N Waveland

Installation of a pedestrian refuge island and shared bike lanes at this dangerous intersection to calm traffic for pedestrians, particularly children traveling to Murphy School.

Pedestrian Safety Improvements - Nixon School

Installation of residential street bump outs on North Keeler avenue to slow traffic approaching Nixon School.

Wheelchair Ramp - Logan Square Blue Line Station

There is no ramp for wheelchairs to access the sidewalk in front of the Logan Square Blue Line entrance Vote to add a wheelchair ramp where there is handicapped parking but no ramp.