# 49th WARD PARTICIPATORY BUDGETING INITIATIVE APRIL 10, 2010 ELECTION RESULTS

### THE PROCESS

In an innovative experiment in direct democracy and government transparency, 49<sup>th</sup> Ward Alderman Joe Moore asked the residents of the 49th Ward to decide directly how to spend his \$1.3 million capital budget for 2010. Over the past six months, 49<sup>th</sup> Ward residents identified needs, researched projects, and prepared full spending proposals.

Beginning April 5, 2010, with early voting, and culminating in an election held on April 10th, 2010, all 49th Ward residents age 16 and over, regardless of citizenship or voter registration status, were invited to vote for their favorite ward improvement projects. Each voter was entitled to vote for up to eight (8) projects. Ballots were cast by 1,652 ward residents.

Alderman Moore pledges to submit the projects that won the most votes, up to his \$1.3 million capital budget allocation, to the City of Chicago and its sister agencies for implementation. All the projects listed on the ballot are feasible, but most require final approval from the City of Chicago or its sister agencies. Though 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 the governmental entities. If one or more of the winning projects cannot be implemented for any reason, Alderman Moore will use their allocated money to recommend funding the next runner-up projects that fall within his 2010 capital budget allocation.

Most, but not all, of the funded projects will be completed in the 2010 construction season. Required project approval procedures 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, visit www.ward49.com, call 773-338-5796, or email ward49@cityofchicago.org.

The 49th Ward is the first political jurisdiction in the nation to implement a participatory budgeting process, and if it works Alderman Moore will make it a permanent fixture in the Ward.

# THE RESULTS

# **Winning Projects**

Below are the proposed projects that received a sufficient number of votes to obtain funding from Alderman Moore's 2010 capital budget:

| Proposed Project   | <b>Estimated Cost</b> | <b>Votes Cast</b> |
|--|-----------------------|-------------------|
| Sidewalk Repairs Repair of dilapidated sidewalks at 27 locations in the 49th Ward  | \$188,292             | 910               |
| Bike Lanes Implementation of phase 1 of a Rogers Park bike network, providing east-west and north-south bike lanes across the ward on Touhy Rogers and Ashland   | \$100,000             | 837               |
| Dog Friendly Area at Pottawattomie Park (7340 N. Rogers Construction of an enclosed dog park on the vacant northeast corner of the park  | \$110,000             | 762               |
| Community Gardens in Dubkin Park (7442 N. Ashland) are and Pottawattomie Park (7340 N. Rogers)  A portion of each park will be dedicated to a community garden where youth and familican produce food, learn about ecology and develop social ties through gardening | \$ 33,000             | 741               |
| Underpass Murals Twelve (12) murals created by Chicago artists on CTA and Metra underpasses  | \$ 84,000             | 740               |
| Traffic/Pedestrian Signal on Clark at Chase Installation of traffic control signal near the Chicago Math and Science Academy using pedestrian/vehicle activated signal   | \$230,000             | 494               |
| Artistic Multifunctional Bike Racks Fifteen (15) multipurpose bike racks placed throughout the 49 <sup>th</sup> Ward to serve education artistic, and functional purposes  | \$105,000             | 489               |
| Additional Benches and Shelters on CTA "El" Platforms Placement of one additional bench and one additional heated shelter on each platform at the Jarvis, Morse and Loyola Red Line stops  | \$ 84,000             | 487               |
| Street Resurfacing: 1600-1750 and 1900-2100 W. Lunt Resurfacing of Lunt from Ashland to Clark and from Wolcott to Ridge  | \$102,000             | 480               |
| Solar-Powered Garbage Containers on Sheridan Ten solar-powered garbage compacting "Big Belly" containers to be placed on high traf- corners on Sheridan.   | \$ 41,000             | 468               |
| Convenience showers at Loyola Park Beach A freestanding shower and foot shower unit, with a concrete surround and drain to allow beach goers to wash sand and dirt away  | \$ 50,000             | 457               |
| Completion of Path in Touhy Park (7348 N. Paulina) Completion of the paved pedestrian path circling the interior of the park   | \$ 25,000             | 428               |

### Winning projects (cont.)

| Proposed Project  | <b>Estimated Cost</b> | <b>Votes Cast</b> |
|---|-----------------------|-------------------|
| Rogers Park Historical Signs Six signs at points throughout the neighborhood telling the stories of Rogers Park hous businesses and streets over the past 200 years | \$ 42,000<br>es,      | 391               |
| Residential Street Lighting: 1200-1350 W. Morse<br>New residential street lights on Morse from Sheridan to Wayne  | \$130,000             | 371               |
| Total   | \$1,324,292           |                   |

## **Runner-up Projects**

The following projects failed to receive a sufficient number of votes to obtain funding from Alderman Moore's 2010 capital budget. However, if one or more of the winning projects cannot be implemented for any reason, Alderman Moore will use their allocated money to recommend funding the next runner-up projects that fall within his 2010 capital budget allocation.

| Proposed Project   | <b>Estimated Cost</b> | <b>Votes Cast</b> |
|--|-----------------------|-------------------|
| Intersection safety improvements at Clark and Farwell Enhancement of crosswalk markings and crosswalk signage; installation of striped center median on Clark at Farwell   | \$ 2,600              | 334               |
| Free Internet Access via Wi-Fi on 1600-1700 W. Howard A one-block test site for free Internet access (via Wi-Fi) on Howard from Ashland to Paulina   | \$ 24,600             | 334               |
| Residential Street Lighting: 1500 to 1600 W. Greenleaf New residential street lights on Greenleaf from Greenview to Ashland  | \$ 65,000             | 277               |
| Construction of Garden Shed and Renovation of Cultural Center at Berger Park (6205 N. Sheridan)  Construction of a new garden shed and capital repairs to the cultural center, including renovating floors and fixing roof leaks | \$ 25,000             | 269               |
| Police Camera at Sheridan and Greenleaf (near Loyola Pari<br>Fieldhouse)<br>Wireless Police Observation Device (POD) camera equipped with a single blue strobe   | k<br>\$ 13,000        | 246               |
| Police Camera at Damen and Rogers Wireless Police Observation Device (POD) camera equipped with a single blue strobe   | \$ 13,000             | 235               |
| Street Resurfacing: 1200-1500 W. Lunt Resurfacing of Lunt from Sheridan to Greenview   | \$ 93,500             | 210               |

# **Runner-up projects (cont.)**

| Proposed Project  | <b>Estimated Cost</b> | <u>Votes Cast</u> |
|---|-----------------------|-------------------|
| Street Resurfacing: 1200-1400 W. Columbia, 1600-1700 W. North Shore, and 1400-1500 W. Greenleaf Resurfacing Columbia from Sheridan to Glenwood, North Shore from Ashland to Clark, and Greenleaf from Glenwood to Greenview   | \$136,000             | 202               |
| Street Resurfacing: 1400-1550 W. Jonquil and 1900-2100 W. Morse Resurfacing of Jonquil from Sheridan to Bosworth and Morse from Wolcott to Ridge  | \$ 93,500             | 188               |
| Speed Humps on 1100-1200 W. Greenleaf Installation of speed humps to slow traffic in front of Loyola Park Fieldhouse  | \$ 3,500              | 181               |
| Street Resurfacing: 1750-1900 W. Morse and 1200-1300 W. North Shore Resurfacing of Morse from Clark to Wolcott and North Shore from Ashland to Clark  | \$ 93,500             | 176               |
| Street Resurfacing: 1200-1500 W. Howard and 1200-1300 W. Albion; Catwalk on 1400 Block of Greenlea Resurfacing of Howard from the lake to Greenview and Albion from Sheridan to Lakewo adding a catwalk (a small sidewalk adjacent to the curb) on the 1400 block of Greenleaf) | ood;                  | 176               |
| Street Resurfacing: 1000-1350 W. Morse and 7500-7600 N. Claremont Resurfacing of Morse from the lake to Wayne and Claremont from Birchwood to Howard  | \$119,000             | 173               |
| Street Resurfacing: 1300-1500 W. Jarvis and 7000-7100 N. Paulina Resurfacing of Jarvis from Sheridan to Greenview and Paulina from Lunt to Estes  | \$ 85,000             | 171               |
| Police Camera at Estes and Glenwood Wireless Police Observation Device (POD) camera equipped with a single blue strobe lig  | \$ 13,000             | 167               |
| Residential Street Lighting: 1400-1600 W. Juneway New residential street lights on Juneway from Sheridan to Ashland   | \$130,000             | 161               |
| Police Camera at Lunt and Paulina Wireless Police Observation Device (POD) camera equipped with a single blue strobe lig  | \$ 13,000             | 155               |
| Residential Street Lighting: 1700-1750 W. Lunt<br>New residential street lights on Lunt from Paulina to Clark   | \$ 55,000             | 139               |
| Residential Street Lighting: 1750-1800 W. Morse<br>New residential street lights on Morse from Clark to Ravenswood  | \$ 55,000             | 127               |
| Residential Street Lighting: 1500-1600 W. Estes<br>New residential street lights on Estes from Greenview to Ashland   | \$ 65,000             | 120               |

# Runner-up projects (cont.)

| Proposed Project   | <b>Estimated Cost</b> | <b>Votes Cast</b> |
|--|-----------------------|-------------------|
| Street Resurfacing: 1550-1750 W. Jonquil and 7020-7150 N. Glenwood (east side) Resurfacing of Jonquil from Bosworth to Paulina and Glenwood (east side) from the allebetween Lunt and Greenleaf to Touhy | \$110,500             | 94                |
| Street Resurfacing: 6800-6950 N. Wolcott and 1600-1750 W. Juneway Resurfacing of Wolcott from Pratt to Morse and Juneway from Ashland to Hermitage   | \$102,000             | 94                |