

**AGENDA ITEM EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**Agenda Item number: **IA**

Title:

Presentation of a Recommendation by Mayor Rogina to Appoint Mr. Peter Vargulich to the Plan Commission.

Presenter:

Mayor Rogina

Meeting: City Council

Date: March 20, 2017

Proposed Cost: \$

Budgeted Amount: \$

Not Budgeted: **Executive Summary** (*if not budgeted please explain*):

By virtue of this memorandum I request your favorable consideration to appoint the following recommendation to the St. Charles Plan Commission:

Mr. Peter Vargulich, 503 S. 16<sup>th</sup> Street, St. Charles. Mr. Vargulich has been a St. Charles resident for over 23 years. With over 30 years of experience, Mr. Vargulich has an extensive background in the design and management of planning, landscape architecture, and multi-discipline projects. Mr. Vargulich's diversified experience includes site development of individual office buildings, corporate campuses, business and industrial parks, high speed arterial expressways, urban renewal and brownfield projects, regional shopping centers, Midwest resorts, extended care facilities, single family and multi-family for sale housing developments, solid waste facilities, mixed-use projects, luxury apartments, open space and recreational facilities, streetscape design, new town centers and expert witness testimony.

Mr. Vargulich will fill the vacancy on the Plan Commission with a term expiration of April 30, 2017.

**Attachments** (*please list*):

Bio/Resume

**Recommendation/Suggested Action** (*briefly explain*):

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# Peter Vargulich

## Community Involvement:

Having lived in St Charles for more than 23 years, it has been exciting to see our community grow to over 30,000 residents. My children have received wonderful educations from District 303 and we have used a variety of the recreational opportunities from the Park District and Forest Preserve. Supporting the leadership provided by others was done via financial donation for the Reflections sculpture honoring Max and Doris Hunt.

Being an active member of Baker Memorial United Methodist Church has allowed me to give back to St Charles and the surrounding community in variety of ways. There are various ministries that support our members and the local community. Preparing meals for Hesus House and Lazarus House. Being a member of the Board of Trustees and special sub-committees. Providing mentorship for the confirmation participants. Supporting college students with letters, cards and small gift boxes on a monthly basis. Delivering meals through the Salvation Army Golden Diners program and ringing bells during the holiday season. Preparing an Adirondack chair for the "Chair-ity" event sponsored by the Downtown St Charles Partnership.

## Professional Experience:

With over 30 years of experience, my extensive background in the design and management of planning, landscape architecture and multi-discipline projects has encompassed a wide variety of project types. This diversified experience includes site development of individual office buildings, corporate campuses, business and industrial parks, high speed arterial expressways, urban renewal and brownfield projects, regional shopping centers, Midwest resorts, extended care facilities, single family and multi-family for sale housing developments, solid waste facilities, mixed-use projects, luxury apartments, open space and recreational facilities, streetscape design, new town centers and expert witness testimony.

Since the mid 1980's, preserving key natural features and creating community connections have been incorporated into many of my projects. Today it's labeled as sustainable or conservation design, smart growth or LEED-ND planning and it's exciting to see these approaches have wide spread interest and support. Through experience as a planner and designer, I understand how to go from the "big picture" to the "close up" and how decisions during the big picture phase affect the close up. This is essential for successful projects.

As a manager, my work efforts have been efficiency focused, required cost and schedule control, has included management and mentoring of diverse professionals, and extensive public presentations to elicit input and build consensus or support. The interactions and responsibilities related to mentoring of staff and building teams has always been enjoyable. Part of my overall success depends on the persons working with me being able to grow and having a positive outlook toward their individual careers.

## Awards:

Illinois Chapter American Society of Landscape Architects, *Merit Award, New Lenox Commons*

Illinois Landscape Contractors Association, *Merit Award, The Blaney Residence*

Northern Illinois Chapter of Construction Specifications Institute, *Chapter President's Award*

Home Builders Association of Greater Chicago, *Gold Key Award for Best Multifamily Land Planning, AMLI at St. Charles*

Home Builders Association of Greater Chicago, *Gold Key Award for Best Multifamily Landscape Architecture, AMLI at St. Charles*

City of St. Charles, Illinois - *West Gateway Beautification Award for AMLI at St. Charles*

City of St. Charles, Illinois - *West Gateway Beautification Award for Pheasant Run Resort*

## Registrations:

Illinois Landscape Architect/157-000663

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## **Presentations:**

The Ohio State University, *Construction Drawing Process*

DuPage Community College, *Landscape Design Program Guest Lecturer*

The Latin School of Chicago – Live & Learn Program, *Urban Treasures: City Gardens*

## **Publications:**

ASLA – Illinois Chapter, *Appropriate Construction Detailing*

## **Expert Witness Testimony**

BFI Landfill Expansion – Madison, WI

BFI Landfill Expansion – Zion, IL

## **Project Experience Summary**

### **Business Park - Planning and Landscape Architecture**

1. Amhurst Lakes Business Park - Waukegan
2. Windham Lakes Business Park - Romeoville
3. Parkside at Hamilton Lakes - Itasca
4. Turnberry Lakes International Business Center – Roselle and Hanover Park
5. Westings Corporate Community – Naperville
6. Will County Government Campus – Joliet
7. Fountain Square Commerce Center - Bolingbrook

### **Mixed Use - Planning and Landscape Architecture**

1. Fountain Square Lombard - Lombard
2. Fountain Square Waukegan - Waukegan
3. New Lenox Town Center – New Lenox
4. Southfield Lakes - Oswego
5. 75<sup>th</sup> Street Commons – Aurora
6. Mundelein Town Center – Mundelein
7. 340 River Street – Lemont

### **Resort and Hospitality - Planning and Landscape Architecture**

1. Pheasant Run Resort – St. Charles
2. Hilton Garden Inn – St. Charles
3. Ameri Suites - Lombard
4. Embassy Suites - Lombard
5. Allerton Hotel - Chicago

### **Residential - Planning and Landscape Architecture**

1. Gregg's Landing – Vernon Hills
2. AMLI at St. Charles – St. Charles
3. AMLI at Seven Bridges - Woodridge
4. AMLI at 900 S. Clark – Chicago (LEED)
5. AMLI at River North – Chicago (LEED)
6. AMLI Lofts – Chicago (LEED)
7. Orchard Estates – North Aurora
8. Majestic Oaks – St. Charles
9. Georgetown Square – Vernon Hills
10. Reflections – Aurora
11. Brookmere – Matteson
12. Canterfield – West Dundee
13. Optima Center II – Chicago (LEED)

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## **Retail Centers and Facilities - Planning and Landscape Architecture**

1. Crown Point Center – Parker, CO
2. Speedway Super Center – Speedway, IN
3. Plainfield Commons – Plainfield
4. Dick's Sports & Jared Jewelers – Lombard
5. PF Chang's, Weber Grille & Chammp's Sports Bar – Lombard
6. ALDI Foods & Lube Center – Plainfield
7. BP Retail Centers – Chicago Metro Area
8. Jewel Express – Chicago Metro Area
9. Mixed Retail – Plainfield
10. IKEA - Schaumburg

## **Office Buildings - Landscape Architecture**

1. Gateway Office Center – Rosemont
2. DuPage Medical Center – Lombard
3. Chicago Automobile Trade Association – Oakbrook Terrace
4. DSC Logistics – Des Plaines
5. Leo Burnett, 35 W. Wacker Drive – Chicago
6. Lakeside – Waukegan
7. Motorola Training Facility – Schaumburg
8. Parkside Office Center – Itasca
9. Schaumburg Municipal Center - Schaumburg

## **Parks and Open Space - Planning and Landscape Architecture**

1. Mannheim Park – Franklin Park
2. Latoria Park – Franklin Park
3. Splash Playground Addition & Playground Redevelopment – Oakbrook Terrace
4. Land Acquisition Strategy – Oakbrook Terrace
5. Southfield Lakes Open Space - Oswego
6. Dieke Park Master Plan – Huntley
7. Sportsman Country Club Master Plan - Northbrook
8. Messenger Marsh – Homer Glen
9. Four Rivers Environmental Center - Joliet
10. Central Park – Elmwood Park
11. Mallard Lake – Bloomingdale
12. Louis Reservoir – Addison
13. Q Center, Land Evaluation and Disposition – St. Charles
14. Northbank Riverfront Master Plan – Jacksonville, FL
15. Twiggs Park Master Plan – Evanston
16. Fox River Pedestrian Bridge Enhancement Study – St Charles River Corridor Foundation

## **Manufacturing and Distribution - Planning and Landscape Architecture**

1. DSC Logistics - Elwood
2. Laminart - Schaumburg
3. Powervar - Waukegan
4. Harlem Furniture – Woodridge
5. DSC Logistics – Munster, IN
6. Firestone - Woodridge
7. Baxter Healthcare – Waukegan
8. Golden State Foods – McCook (LEED)

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## **Streetscape and Roadway - Planning and Landscape Architecture**

1. I-355, First Phase – DuPage County
2. Lake County DOT Landscape Standards – Lake County
3. Stearns Road Corridor Design Guidelines – Kane County
4. W. Peterson Avenue Medians - Chicago
5. N. Broadway Streetscape – Chicago
6. Congress Parkway Streetscape – Chicago
7. River & Front Streets Streetscape - Lemont

## **Expert Testimony - Landscape Architecture**

1. BFI Landfill – Zion
2. BFI Landfill – Madison, WI

## **Religious and Educational - Planning and Landscape Architecture**

1. Baker Memorial United Methodist Church – St. Charles
2. Our Lady of Hope Church – Rosemont
3. St. Viator High School – Arlington Heights
4. DeVry Campus – Chicago
5. The Progressive Way Church of God in Christ - Chicago
6. Shedd Aquarium Oceanarium – Chicago
7. DePaul University - Chicago