

**MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT**  
**BETWEEN**  
**THE FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION AND**  
**THE ILLINOIS STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER**  
**REGARDING THE**  
**METRA VAN BUREN STREET STATION, PLATFORMS, AND ACCESS TUNNEL REHABILITATION**  
**COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS**  
**(SHPO LOG #009120221)**

**WHEREAS**, the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) may provide funding to Metra for the Van Buren Street Station, Platforms, and Access Tunnel Rehabilitation in Chicago, Illinois (Project), and FTA has determined that the Project is an undertaking subject to review under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (54 United States Code [U.S.C.] § 306108) (NHPA), as amended, and its implementing regulations at 36 Code of Federal Regulations [C.F.R.] Part 800 (hereinafter collectively referred to as Section 106); and

**WHEREAS**, the Project consists of construction of new passenger loading platforms; modification of existing stairs to an existing pedestrian bridge and the addition of an Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessible ramp; installation of additional elevators to the platforms and platform shelters; rehabilitation of existing pedestrian entrances on Michigan Avenue; construction of a new, ADA-accessible pop-up entry on the east side of Michigan Avenue; waterproofing the station's roof; and rehabilitation of the station's interior that includes the lobby and waiting area; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to 36 C.F.R. § 800.3(c)(3), FTA initiated consultation with the Illinois State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) in the Historic Preservation Division of the Illinois Department of Natural Resources; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to 36 C.F.R. § 800.2(c), FTA has consulted with the consulting parties listed in Attachment B (Consulting Parties), and FTA has invited these Consulting Parties to sign this Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) as a Concurring Party or an Invited Signatory, as such terms are defined in 36 C.F.R. § 800.6(c); and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to 36 C.F.R. § 800.2(c)(2)(ii), upon initiation of the Section 106 consultation for the Project, on December 2, 2021, FTA notified the following Tribes and invited their participation in consultation for the Project: Ho Chunk Nation; Miami Tribe of Oklahoma; Potawatomi – Forest County; Potawatomi – Prairie Band; Potawatomi – Citizen National; Potawatomi – Hannahville Indian Community; Potawatomi – Pokagon Band of Potawatomi; Sac and Fox Nation of Missouri; Sac and Fox Nation of Oklahoma; Sac and Fox Tribe of the Mississippi Iowa; and

**WHEREAS**, the Ho Chunk Nation and the Miami Tribe of Oklahoma accepted the invitation to participate as Consulting Parties; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to 36 C.F.R. § 800.4(a)(1), FTA, in consultation with the SHPO and other Consulting Parties, has defined the Area of Potential Effects (APE) for the Project as documented in Attachment A to this MOA and SHPO concurred with the APE in a letter dated February 24, 2022; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to 36 C.F.R. § 800.4(c), FTA, through file searches, cultural resources surveys, and consultation with the SHPO and other Consulting Parties, identified twenty (20) historic

properties, which are properties eligible for or listed in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP), and are indicated in Attachment A; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to 36 C.F.R. § 800.5 and in consultation with SHPO and other Consulting Parties, FTA has determined that the Project will have an adverse effect on one (1) historic property: NRHP-listed Grant Park and that the Project would have no effect or no adverse effect on the other historic properties in the APE. SHPO concurred with this determination in letters dated September 1, 2022, and May 15, 2023. In its May 15, 2023, letter, SHPO declined to comment on the no adverse effect finding for the Van Buren Street Station and indicated additional consultation would be required; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to 36 C.F.R. § 800.6(a) and in consultation with SHPO and other Consulting Parties, FTA has considered ways to avoid, minimize and/or mitigate adverse effects; and agreed upon measures for mitigating the identified adverse effects on the NRHP-listed Grant Park, as outlined in this MOA; and

**WHEREAS**, following a Consulting Parties meeting on August 22, 2022, FTA and Metra revised the dimensions of the Metra identifier signs and clarified the extent of work intended for the following four elements of the project: 1) the Van Buren Street Pedestrian Bridge; 2) the surrounding walls, balustrades and stair enclosures; 3) the lamp posts at the Michigan Avenue Pop-up; and 4) the screen wall for HVAC equipment over the Van Buren Street Station in response to comments received from Consulting Parties as part of the Section 106 process. A modified Metra identifier sign design along with clarifications regarding the four elements of the Project were provided to Consulting Parties for review and comment and presented during a second Consulting Parties meeting on April 27, 2023; and

**WHEREAS**, in accordance with 36 C.F.R. § 800.6(a)(1), FTA notified the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP) of its adverse effect determination and intention to enter into a MOA on July 17, 2023, and the ACHP, in a letter dated January 12, 2024, declined to participate in the consultation pursuant to 36 C.F.R. § 800.6(a)(1)(iii); and

**WHEREAS**, the SHPO is a Signatory to this MOA because the Project will have adverse effects to historic properties; and

**WHEREAS**, Metra, as the Project sponsor, will have roles and responsibilities in the implementation of this MOA, has participated in consultation, and has been invited by FTA to sign this MOA as an Invited Signatory; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chicago Park District manages the park within which the Project occurs, and because the Chicago Park District has responsibilities stipulated in this MOA, FTA has invited the Chicago Park District to sign this MOA as an Invited Signatory (the Invited Signatories together with FTA and SHPO shall each be referred to herein as a Signatory and collectively as the Signatories); and

**WHEREAS**, Consulting Parties are invited to sign this MOA as Concurring Parties, and these Consulting Parties may accept the invitation to become a Concurring Party by signing this MOA; and

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the FTA and SHPO agree that the Project will be implemented in accordance with the following stipulations in order to take into account the effect of the undertaking on historic properties.

### **Stipulations**

FTA, in coordination with Metra, will ensure the following measures are carried out:

#### **I. APPLICABILITY**

- A. If Metra applies for additional federal funding or approvals for the Project from a federal agency that is not party to this MOA, the agency may remain individually responsible for their undertaking under 36 C.F.R. Part 800. Alternatively, if the undertaking as described herein remains unchanged, such funding or approving agency may request in writing to FTA and SHPO of their desire to designate FTA as lead federal agency for the undertaking pursuant to 36 C.F.R. § 800.2(a)(2) and to become a Consulting Party and Invited Signatory to this MOA pursuant to Paragraph B of this Stipulation.
- B. If during the implementation of this MOA, FTA identifies other agencies, tribes, individuals, and organizations with a demonstrated interest in the undertaking due to the nature of their legal or economic relation to the Project or affected properties, or due to their concern with the Project's effects on historic properties, FTA may offer such entities Consulting Party status pursuant to 36 C.F.R. § 800.2(c) and/or invite them to become an Invited Signatory or Concurring Party to this MOA, with notification to the other Signatory(ies) and Consulting Parties.
  1. If FTA invites an entity to become an Invited Signatory, the party may accept this status by agreeing in writing to the terms of this MOA and so notifying FTA. If the entity agrees to become an Invited Signatory, and the Required Signatories (FTA and SHPO) have no objections, FTA will follow Stipulation IX to amend this MOA.
  2. If FTA invites an entity to become a Concurring Party, the entity may accept this status by agreeing in writing to the terms of this MOA and so notifying FTA. Because Concurring Parties have no responsibility for implementation of this MOA, FTA may add such parties to the consultation process without formal amendment of this MOA. FTA will notify the Signatory(ies) and Consulting Parties of any entities who agree to become a Concurring Party.

#### **II. HIRING STANDARDS**

- A. FTA will ensure all activities carried out pursuant to this MOA are performed by or under the direct supervision of historic preservation professional(s) who meet the Secretary of the Interior's (SOI) Professional Qualification Standards (48 FR §§ 44738-44739) in the appropriate field(s) for the activity regarding SOI-Qualified Professionals.
  1. Metra will employ or contract with SOI-Qualified Professional(s) (hereafter, referred to as the "Preservation Lead") to advise Metra in implementing this MOA and to assist FTA as required.
- B. FTA and Metra will ensure that in the instance of other allied professions not covered by the SOI Professional Qualification Standards, they will meet other nationally recognized standards or licensure/certification requirements for the profession, as applicable. Whenever possible, individuals in allied professions should have a minimum of five (5) years of experience working with historic properties.

### **III. TREATMENT MEASURES TO AVOID, MINIMIZE, AND RESOLVE ADVERSE EFFECTS**

#### **A. Update to the NRHP Registration Form for Grant Park**

Metra, with the assistance of their Preservation Lead, and in coordination with FTA and the Chicago Park District, will update and amend the NRHP registration form for Grant Park, which was completed in 1992, to document changes to the park that have occurred since that time. Metra, with the assistance of their Preservation Lead, shall ensure SOI-Qualified Professional(s) prepare the NRHP registration form updates following the amending guidelines set forth in the National Park Service bulletin *How to Complete the National Register Registration Form* and additional guidelines provided by the SHPO National Register Program. The Chicago Park District will provide archival information necessary for the preparation of the updated form to Metra and their Preservation Lead. Metra and their Preservation Lead are responsible for addressing Signatory and Consulting Party comments on the updated NRHP registration form, if feasible.

1. Prior to commencing work, Metra will contact the SHPO National Register Program to discuss the NRHP registration form update and obtain the most recent SHPO NRHP guidelines.
2. Metra will provide a draft updated NRHP registration form to the SHPO National Register Program, Chicago Park District, and FTA for their review and comment. The SHPO National Register Program, Chicago Park District, and FTA shall review concurrently and will have thirty (30) calendar days to review and comment on the draft.
3. Metra and their Preservation Lead will address the SHPO National Register Program, Chicago Park District, and FTA comments on the draft, and then Metra will provide the draft to Signatories and Consulting Parties for a concurrent thirty (30) calendar day review and comment period.
4. Metra and their Preservation Lead, in coordination with the SHPO National Register Program, Chicago Park District and FTA, will incorporate comments received on the draft amended NRHP registration form, if feasible, and provide the final amended NRHP registration form to Signatories and Consulting Parties for concurrent review. Consulting Parties will have thirty (30) calendar days to provide comments on the final amended NRHP registration form. Signatories will have thirty (30) calendar days to review and provide concurrence on the final amended NRHP registration form. Disagreements regarding the amended NRHP registration form will be resolved in accordance with Stipulation VIII of this MOA.
5. Metra and their Preservation Lead will complete the final amendment to the Grant Park NRHP registration form, and Metra will submit the form to the SHPO within 5 years of execution of this MOA. SHPO is responsible for presenting the amended nomination to the Illinois Historic Sites Council and for forwarding the final amendment to the Keeper of the National Register at the National Park Service.

#### **B. Interpretive Plan**

Metra and FTA, in coordination with the Chicago Park District, will develop an interpretive plan for the Project in conformance with the *Standards and Practices for Interpretive Planning* from the National Association for Interpretation (NAI). The plan will include interpretive elements within a geographic area that encompasses the station depot or the tunnel leading to the Van Buren Street Station depot. The plan's interpretive elements may include static information and images and/or

web-based information and images accessed by QR code. Metra, with the assistance of their Preservation Lead, shall ensure NAI- and SOI-Qualified Professional(s) prepare the interpretive plan.

1. The interpretive plan will include proposed themes and locations, schematic plans, text, and graphics. If web-based elements are included, the plan will include information on website hosting. Metra and its Preservation Lead, in coordination with FTA and the Chicago Park District, will review the draft interpretive plan and submit the draft to Signatories and Consulting Parties for concurrent review and comment. Signatories and Consulting Parties will have thirty (30) calendar days to provide comments on the draft interpretive plan. Metra and its Preservation Lead will revise the draft interpretive plan and submit a final interpretive plan to Signatories and Consulting Parties for concurrent review. Consulting Parties will have thirty (30) calendar days to provide comments on the final interpretive plan. Signatories will have thirty (30) calendar days to review and provide concurrence on the final interpretive plan. Disagreements regarding the interpretive plan will be resolved in accordance with Stipulation VIII of this MOA.
2. Metra will incorporate the interpretive plan into the Project's 100% design plans.
3. Metra will install the interpretive elements within one (1) year of project completion.

#### C. Design Reviews of Van Buren Street Station

Metra will design and implement the Project to ensure consistency with the SOI *Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties*, particularly the *Standards for Rehabilitation*, to preserve character-defining features of the historic property. Metra will seek to avoid damaging or destroying materials, features, or finishes that contribute to its significance or undertake actions that diminish the historic integrity of the station while also considering station accessibility and economic and technical feasibility. Metra's Preservation Lead will provide input and review of design documents.

1. Metra, in coordination with FTA, will submit proposed station plans to Signatories and Consulting Parties for concurrent review and comment at 60% design. Signatories and Consulting Parties will have thirty (30) calendar days to provide written comments to Metra. To the extent feasible, Metra will incorporate comments into the 90% design plans. Metra will submit the 90% design plans to Signatories and Consulting Parties for concurrent review. Consulting Parties will have thirty (30) calendar days to provide written comments to Metra. Signatories will have thirty (30) calendar days to provide written comments and/or concurrence on the 90% design plans. Should there be design changes between 90% and 100% design, Signatories will have thirty (30) calendar days to concurrently review changes and provide concurrence on the 100% design plans. Disagreements regarding the station design plans will be resolved in accordance with Stipulation VIII of this MOA.
2. The final, 100% design plans will be distributed to Signatories and Consulting Parties.

#### IV. DURATION

- A. This MOA will expire in ten (10) years from the date of its execution. Prior to expiration, FTA may consult with other Signatories to reconsider the terms of the MOA and amend it in accordance with Stipulation IX.

**V. MONITORING AND REPORTING**

- A. Each year following the date of the execution of this MOA until it expires or is terminated, Metra will provide FTA, Signatories, and Consulting Parties with a summary report detailing the work undertaken throughout the previous year pursuant to the stipulations of this MOA. The last report will be submitted within three (3) months of completion of construction of the Project or at completion of this MOA's terms, if later.
- B. Each summary report will include an itemized listing of all measures required to implement the terms of this MOA. For each action, the report will identify what steps Metra has taken during the reporting period to implement those actions and identify any problems or unexpected issues encountered, any scheduling changes proposed, any disputes and objections submitted or resolved, and any changes recommended in implementation of this MOA. Each summary report will also include a timetable of activities proposed for implementation within the following reporting period.

**VI. POST-REVIEW DISCOVERIES**

- A. If, after construction has commenced, FTA and Metra determine that the Project activities will affect a previously unidentified archaeological and/or architectural resource that may be eligible for the NRHP, or affect a known historic property in an unanticipated manner, FTA will address the discovery or unanticipated effect in accordance with 36 C.F.R. § 800.13, as outlined in the process below. FTA, at its discretion, may assume any unanticipated discovered property to be eligible for inclusion in the NRHP, pursuant to 36 C.F.R. § 800.13(c). If human remains or archaeological sites are inadvertently discovered, or unanticipated effects on historic properties are found, then Metra will implement the following procedures:
- B. Regarding the unanticipated discovery of human remains or burials during demolition or construction activities, Metra will follow the process outlined below and comply with the Illinois Human Remains Protection Act (20 ILCS 3440), as necessary and appropriate.
  - 1. Upon encountering possible human remains or an unmarked human burial during ground disturbing construction activities, Metra will ensure that the construction contractor immediately stops work within a 150-foot radius from the point of discovery. Metra will ensure that the construction contractor implements interim measures to protect the discovery from vandalism and looting but the construction contractor must not remove or otherwise disturb any human remains or other items in the immediate vicinity of the discovery.
  - 2. Metra will notify the County Coroner, FTA, SHPO, the Tribes, and other interested parties not already participating as a Consulting Party within 48 hours of the discovery. Metra or FTA will contact, by phone, and inform the point of contact for each interested Tribe of the discovery. Metra and the Tribes may each identify other interested parties for FTA and SHPO approval.
  - 3. The County Coroner will determine jurisdiction. If the remains are less than 100 years old, no further action is required pursuant to this MOA or under the Illinois Human Remains Protection Act. If the remains are older than 100 years, the County Coroner will transfer jurisdiction to SHPO.
  - 4. If jurisdiction is transferred to the SHPO, Metra and their Preservation Lead will determine if the remains are human, the degree to which they were disturbed, and if possible, assess their potential age and cultural affiliation without any further disturbance. Metra will present these findings to FTA and SHPO.

5. FTA is responsible for notifying the Tribes within one business day of SHPO's agreement with Metra's findings.
  6. If it is determined by SHPO that intact or fragmented human remains are present and that they are likely Native American, Metra will consult with SHPO, FTA, the Tribes, and other interested parties regarding measures to avoid or determine a treatment plan for the human remains and burial site. The treatment plan may include:
    - a. Formal archaeological evaluation of the site;
    - b. Visits to the site by the SHPO, the Tribes, and other interested parties; exploration of potential alternatives to avoid the human remains or burial; and
    - c. Procedures for disinterment and re-interment.
  7. SHPO and FTA will issue approval to resume construction following completion of the fieldwork component of the treatment plan.
- C. Regarding the unanticipated discovery of archaeological resources that do not include human remains, Metra will comply with the following procedures:
- a. Metra will immediately cease all ground-disturbing activities within 150 feet of the discovery.
  - b. Metra will notify FTA, SHPO, and the Tribes within two (2) business days from the time of the discovery.
  - c. Metra, in consultation with FTA and SHPO, will conduct an on-site evaluation of the discovery. An SOI-Qualified archaeologist from Metra's Preservation Lead will investigate the discovery and make recommendations to FTA regarding eligibility, effects, and a course of action to protect the site, as necessary.
  - d. FTA will provide a determination of eligibility and effects on the site to Signatories and Consulting Parties with an interest in the potential archaeological resources associated with the discovery, as determined by FTA. FTA will also provide recommended measures to avoid or reduce harm, as necessary.
  - e. Signatories and Consulting Parties with an interest in the potential archaeological resources associated with the discovery will concurrently review and provide comments on FTA's determination of eligibility, effects, and measures to avoid or reduce harm within fifteen (15) calendar days. FTA will make a final determination of eligibility and effects and measures to reduce harm based on the comments received. Metra will then implement these measures accordingly and resume work. Any necessary archaeological investigations will be conducted in accordance with appropriate federal and state guidelines, statutes, rules, and regulations.
  - f. If requested by FTA or SHPO, Metra's Preservation Lead will develop a work plan for the treatment of the discovery and to resolve adverse effects to historic properties.
  - g. FTA, in consultation with SHPO, may authorize the continuation of ground-disturbing activities, with or without conditions; or, within fifteen (15) calendar days from the date that FTA and SHPO receive notice of the discovery, FTA, in consultation with SHPO, may

require that continued ground disturbance activities be conducted only in accordance with an approved work plan.

- D. If during construction a previously identified historic property is affected in an unanticipated manner (i.e., when a new effect occurs or when the effect is different from FTA's determination of effect), Metra will immediately cease construction activities affecting the historic property. Metra will notify FTA and SHPO within two (2) business days of the time of the discovery. Metra's Preservation Lead will assess the extent of the effect and propose measures to avoid, reduce, or mitigate adverse effects, if applicable, in a brief report to FTA. If any repairs to historic properties are necessary, they will be consistent with the SOI's Standards for Rehabilitation (36 C.F.R. § 67.7). FTA will review the report within fifteen (15) calendar days and provide the report to SHPO, who will have fifteen (15) calendar days to review the report and concur with the proposed measures. If no response is received from SHPO within fifteen (15) calendar days after submission of report, FTA may authorize Metra to proceed with construction. Metra will implement these measures prior to resuming construction activities in the location of the historic property.
- E. If during construction Metra encounters an above-ground resource that could reasonably be a historic property, Metra will immediately cease construction activities at the encountered resource. Metra will notify FTA and SHPO within two (2) business days. Metra's Preservation Lead will provide a recommendation to FTA for the eligibility of the resource, along with measures to avoid, reduce, or mitigate adverse effects, if the resource is recommended eligible for NRHP listing. FTA will review the report within fifteen (15) calendar days and provide the report to SHPO, who will have fifteen (15) calendar days to review the report and concur with FTA's eligibility and effects findings and with the proposed measures, as applicable. If no response is received from SHPO within fifteen (15) calendar days after submission of report, FTA may authorize Metra to proceed with construction. Metra will implement these measures prior to resuming construction activities in the location of the historic property.

## **VII. EMERGENCY SITUATIONS**

- A. Should an emergency occur during construction of the Project that represents an imminent threat to public health or safety or creates a hazardous condition and in either case has the potential to affect historic properties, Metra will contact the appropriate emergency response agency with jurisdiction as soon as possible. Metra will notify the Signatories and other Consulting Parties within twenty-four (24) hours of the condition which created the emergency, the immediate action taken in response to the emergency, the effects of the response to historic properties, and, where appropriate, further plans to address the emergency. This will include any further proposals to avoid, minimize, or mitigate potential adverse effects to historic properties.
- B. The Signatories and other Consulting Parties will each have seven (7) calendar days to concurrently review and comment on the plan(s) for further action. If FTA, the SHPO, and other Consulting Parties, as appropriate, do not object to the plan within the review period, then Metra will implement the proposed plan(s).
- C. Where possible, Metra will ensure that emergency responses allow for future preservation or restoration of historic properties and take into account the SOI Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties and include on-site monitoring by the appropriate qualified professional as contained in Stipulation II.
- D. Immediate rescue and salvage operations conducted to preserve life, property, and/or public health are exempt from these and all other provisions of this MOA.



## **VIII. DISPUTE RESOLUTION**

- A. Should any Signatory to this MOA objects in writing at any time to any actions proposed or the manner in which the terms of this MOA are implemented, FTA will consult with the disputing Signatory to resolve the objection. If FTA determines that such objection cannot be resolved, FTA will:
1. Forward all documentation relevant to the dispute, including FTA's proposed resolution, to the ACHP. ACHP will provide FTA with its advice on the resolution of the objection within thirty (30) calendar days of receiving adequate documentation. Prior to reaching a final decision on the dispute, FTA will prepare a written response that takes into account any timely advice or comments regarding the dispute from the ACHP and provide it to the Signatories and Consulting Parties. FTA will then proceed according to its final decision.
  2. If the ACHP does not provide its advice regarding the dispute within the thirty (30) calendar day period of receiving documentation, FTA may make a final decision on the dispute and proceed accordingly. Prior to reaching such a final decision, FTA will prepare a written response that takes into account any timely comments regarding the dispute from the Signatories and Consulting Parties to the MOA and provide them and the ACHP with a copy of such written response.
  3. FTA and Metra's responsibility to carry out all other actions under the terms of this MOA that are not the subject of the dispute will remain unchanged.

## **IX. AMENDMENT**

- A. This MOA may be amended when such amendment is agreed to, in writing, by all Signatories. The amendment will be effective on the date that a copy signed by all Signatories is filed with the ACHP. 36 C.F.R. § 800.6(c)(7) will govern the execution of any such amendment.

## **X. TERMINATION**

- A. This MOA will expire in ten (10) years. If any Signatory to this MOA determines that the terms of this MOA cannot be carried out, that party will immediately consult with the other Signatories to attempt or develop an amendment per Stipulation IX. If within thirty (30) calendar days (or another time period agreed to by all Signatories in writing), an amendment cannot be reached, any Signatory may terminate the MOA upon written notification to the other Signatories.
- B. Once the MOA is terminated, and prior to work continuing on the undertaking, FTA must either: (a) execute a new MOA with the Signatories pursuant to 36 C.F.R. § 800.6(c)(1) or (b) request, take into account, and respond to ACHP comments provided under 36 C.F.R. § 800.7(a). FTA will notify the Signatories of the course of action it will pursue.

## **XI. EXECUTION**

- A. This MOA may be executed in counterparts, and delivered by facsimile or PDF format, and in any such circumstances, shall be considered one document and an original for all purposes. This MOA will become effective on the date of the final signature by the Signatories and Invited Signatories (Execution Date). FTA will ensure each Signatory is provided with a complete copy of the MOA, and that the final MOA, any updates to attachments, and any amendments are filed with the ACHP.
- B. Execution of this MOA by FTA and SHPO and implementation of its terms is evidence that FTA has taken into account the effects of this undertaking on historic properties and has afforded the SHPO and ACHP opportunity to comment pursuant to Section 106 of the NHPA.

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**SIGNED BY:**   
Kelley Brookins, Regional Administrator  
US DOT – FTA Region 5

**Date:** May, 1, 2024

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**ILLINOIS DEPUTY STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER (SHPO)**

**SIGNED BY:** Carey L. Mayer **Date:** 4/19/2024  
**Carey Mayer**  
**Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer**

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**METRA**

**SIGNED BY:**



**Jim Derwinski  
Executive Director and CEO**

**Date:**

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**CHICAGO PARK DISTRICT**

**SIGNED BY:**   
\_\_\_\_\_  
Rosa Escareño, Superintendent

**Date:** 04/30/24

**Attest:**  
  
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**By: Sarah Gelder, Secretary**

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**CONCURRING PARTY**

**NATIONAL PARK SERVICE**

**SIGNED BY:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**CITY OF CHICAGO MAYOR'S OFFICE**

**SIGNED BY:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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**CONCURRING PARTY**

**42ND WARD ALDERMAN**

**SIGNED BY:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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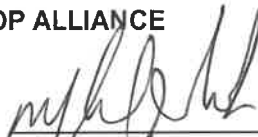


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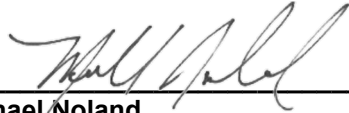
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**NORTHERN INDIANA COMMUTER TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT**

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**President**

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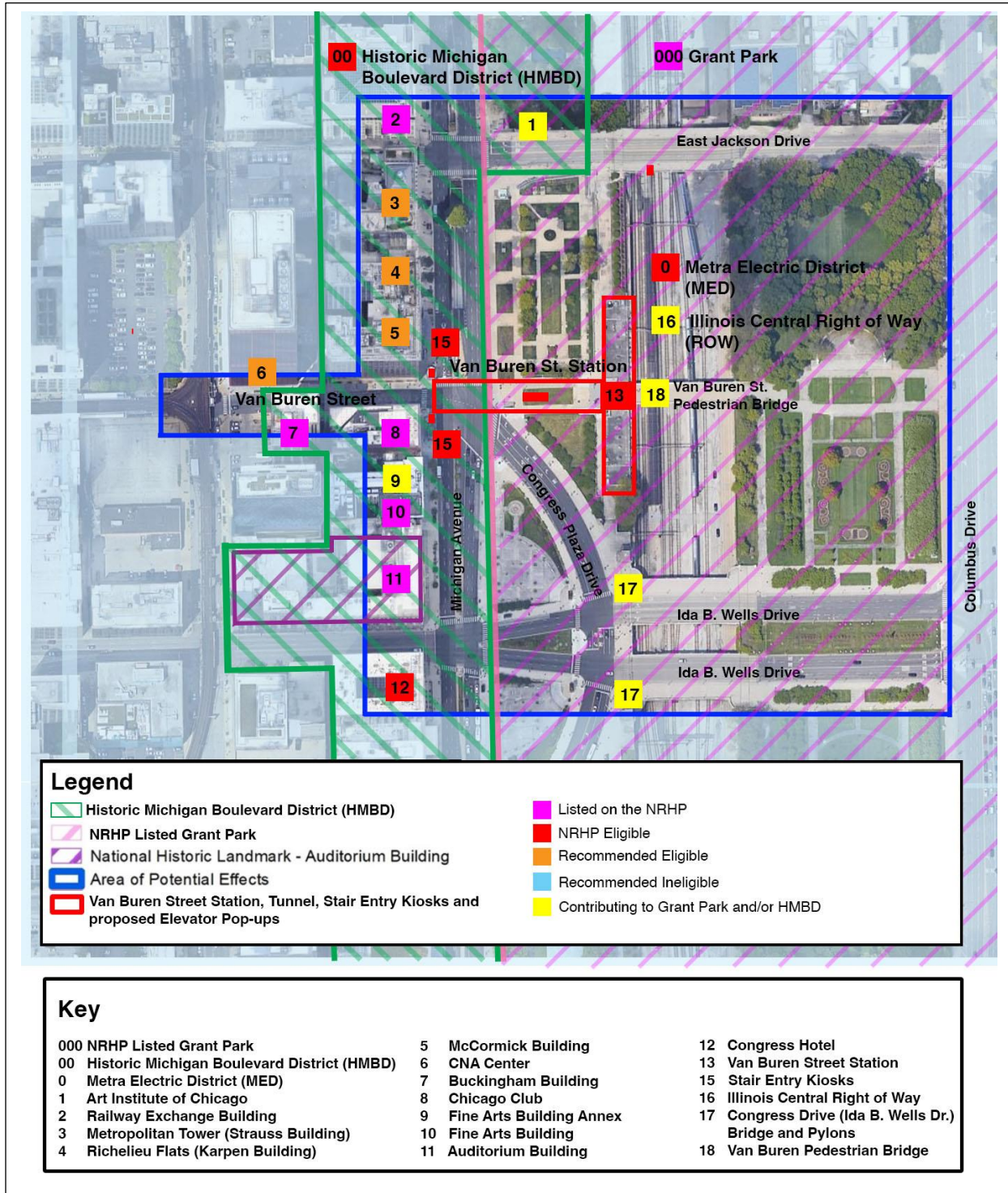
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**Attachment A:  
Project APE and  
Individually Eligible or Listed Historic Properties and Historic Districts in the APE**

**Project APE Map:**



**Eligible or Listed Historic Properties in the APE:**

ID #	Resource Name/Address	Year Built	NRHP Status
000	Grant Park	1892-1942 Pd. Of Signif.	Listed
00	Historic Michigan Boulevard District (HMBD) West side of Michigan Avenue from Randolph Street to 11 <sup>th</sup> Street	1882-1930 Pd. Of Signif.	Eligible
0	Metra Electric District (MED)	1895-1930 Pd. of Sign.	Eligible
1	Art Institute of Chicago 111 S. Michigan Avenue	1893	Contributing to Grant Park
2	Railway Exchange Building 224 S. Michigan Avenue	1903-94	Listed
3	Metropolitan Tower (Strauss Building) 310 S. Michigan Avenue	1923-24	Eligible
4	Richelieu Flats (Karpen Building) 318 S. Michigan Avenue	1884; remod. 1899, 1982, 2012	Eligible
5	McCormick Building 332 S. Michigan Avenue	1909-12	Eligible
6	CNA Center 60 E. Van Buren Street	1970-73	Eligible
7	Buckingham Building 59 E. Van Buren Street	1930	Listed
8	Chicago Club 81 E. Van Buren Street	1929-30	Listed
9	Fine Arts Building Annex 408 S. Michigan Avenue	1889, 1909	Contributing to HMBD
10	Fine Arts Building (Studebaker Building) 410-418 S. Michigan Avenue	1885; addit. 1898	Listed
11	Auditorium Building 430 S. Michigan Avenue	1886-90	Listed, NHL
12	Congress Hotel 520 S. Michigan Avenue	1893; addit. 1902, 1907	Eligible
13	Van Buren Street Station	1896	Eligible
15	Stair Entry Kiosks West side of Michigan Avenue at Van Buren Street	1925-1930; Rehab. 1989	Contributing to HMBD and to Van Buren Street Station
16	Illinois Central Right of Way (ROW)	1892-1942 Pd. of Sign.	Contributing to Grant Park
17	Congress Drive (now Ida B. Wells Drive) Bridge / Pylons	1892-1942 Pd. of Sign.	Contributing to Grant Park
18	Van Buren Pedestrian Bridge	1892-1942 Pd. Of Sign.; reconstructed 2012	Contributing to Grant Park



**Attachment B:  
List of Consulting Parties**

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- State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO)
- National Park Service (NPS)

**City and CPD**

- City of Chicago Mayor's Office
- 42nd Ward Alderman
- City of Chicago, Department of Planning and Development (DPD) – Historic Preservation
- City of Chicago, DPD – Planning and Design
- City of Chicago, Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events (DCASE)
- City of Chicago, Department of Transportation
- Chicago Park District

**Preservation Advocacy Groups**

- Landmarks Illinois
- Preservation Chicago

**Parks Advocacy Groups**

- Grant Park Advisory Council (GPAC)
- Friends of the Parks

**City Central Groups**

- Chicago Loop Alliance
- Building Owners and Managers Association of Chicago (BOMA)
- Northern Indiana Commuter Transportation District (NICTD)

**Regional Native American Tribes**

- Ho Chunk Nation
- Miami Tribe of Oklahoma