



## **April 4, 2023 Consolidated Election - Candidate Information for Park Board Commissioner**

Two seats on the five-member Skokie Park District Board of Commissioners will be filled at the April 4, 2023, consolidated election. Park Commissioners serve a term of six (6) years without compensation. The Board of Commissioners meets on the third Tuesday of each month at the Weber Leisure Center at 7:00 p.m., and as needed for special meetings, committee meetings and public hearings.

Filing for candidacy requires collecting not less than 106 signatures of registered and qualified voters of the Skokie Park District on the petitions for nomination, filing a statement of candidacy, and completing and filing a statement of economic interest with the Cook County Clerk (the receipt for the statement of economic interest must be filed with the Skokie Park District by the Monday, December 19, 2022, at 5:00 p.m. deadline). Candidates may also file an optional loyalty oath.

Candidates must be residents of the Skokie Park District for a minimum of one year prior to the election. Per Park District Code 2-11 “a person is not eligible to serve as park commissioner if that person is in arrears in the payment of a tax or other indebtedness due to the park district or has been convicted in any court located in the United States of any infamous crime, bribery, perjury or felony.”

### **Important Dates**

- Tuesday, September 20, 2022 - The first day to circulate nomination papers for the April 4, 2023, Consolidated Election.
- December 12 - 19, 2022 (Monday – Friday only, 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.) - The dates to file statement of candidacy, nomination petitions, and receipt for the statement of economic interest. The Loyalty Oath is optional.
- Tuesday, December 27, 2022 8:30 a.m. - Lottery (if needed) for simultaneous filing of candidate petitions.
- Tuesday, December 27, 2022, 5:00 p.m. – Last day to file objections to nomination papers. Objections will not be received on December 24, 25, and 26.

All election materials including nomination petitions and related forms will be received at the Skokie Park District in care of Ann Perez, Weber Leisure Center Administrative Office, 9300 Weber Park Place, Skokie, IL. 60077, Monday – Friday between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Candidate packets can be picked up beginning Tuesday, September 20, 2022, at the Weber Leisure Center Administration Office, 9300 Weber Park Place, Skokie, IL 60077 between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Please note: The Skokie Park District assembles and provides election materials for potential candidates for the office of Park Commissioner only as a convenience and public service. All efforts are made to ensure that information is accurate and current. However, potential candidates should not consider this information as an official or authoritative source, and candidates are themselves primarily responsible for compliance with the Illinois Elections Code and requirements of the State and County Boards of Election. All are advised to independently verify information received, which should in no way be construed as legal advice. Users should contact an attorney or election officials with the State or County if they require legal assistance or advice.

Information regarding the Skokie Park District is available on the Park District website: [www.skokieparks.org](http://www.skokieparks.org).

All candidates should refer to the 2023 Candidate's Guide published by the Illinois State Board of Elections, which is included in the candidate package and can be found at the following link:

<https://www.elections.il.gov/Main/Publications.aspx?TR=L0NBikIIZQQ%3d>

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michelle Tuft". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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Michelle J. Tuft, Executive Director/Secretary