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>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: IT IS 6:32 PM AND I WOULD LIKE TO CALL THIS MEETING OF THE VILLAGE BOARD ORDER.
CLERK WATERS, PLEASE TAKE THE ROLL.

>> TRUSTEE BUCHANAN.

>> HERE.

>> TRUSTEE ENYIA.

TRUSTEE PARAKKAT.

>> HERE.

>> TRUSTEE ROBINSON.

>> HERE.

>> TRUSTEE STRAW.

>> HERE.

>> TRUSTEE WESLEY.

>> HERE.

>> PRESIDENT SCAMAN.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: HERE.

ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED THIS EVENING.

>> SO MOVED.

>> SECOND.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: ALL IN FAVOR?

>> AYE.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: HEARING NO NAY'S, THE AGENDA IS APPROVED.

ENTERTAIN THEM MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES FROM GENERALLY 23RD, 2024
REGULAR MEETING OF THE VILLAGE BOARD.

MOTION, PLEASE.

>> SO MOVED.

>> SECOND.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU.

ALL IN FAVOR?

>> AYE.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: NO NAY, THE MEETING MINUTES FROM JANUARY 23
OF BEEN APPROVED.

CLERK WATERS, ANY NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT THIS EVENING?

>>CLERK: NO.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: WE ARE GOING TO START OFF OUR MEETING THIS
EVENING WITH A PROCLAMATION.

ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO APPROVE A PROCLAMATION PROCLAIMING FEBRUARY 2024
AS BLACK HISTORY MONTH.

MOTION, PLEASE?

>> SO MOVED.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: MOTIONED BY TRUSTEE WESLEY AND SECONDED BY
TRUSTEE BUCHANAN.

THANK YOU.

I HAVE ASKED TRUSTEE WESLEY IF HE WOULD PLEASE READ THE PROCLAMATION
ALLOUD.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: WHEREAS, THE STORY OF BLACK HISTORY MONTH BEGAN
IN 1915, HALF A CENTURY AFTER THE THIRTEENTH AMENDMENT ABOLISHED
CHATTEL SLAVERY IN THE UNITED STATES, WHEN HARVARD-HISTORIAN DOCTOR
CARTER G. WOODSON, KNOWN AS THE "FATHER OF BLACK HISTORY," AND THE
PROMINENT MINISTER JESSE E. MOORLAND FOUNDED THE ASSOCIATION FOR THE
STUDY OF AFRICAN AMERICAN LIFE AND HISTORY (ASALH) AS AN ORGANIZATION
DEDICATED TO RESEARCHING AND PROMOTING ACHIEVEMENTS OF BLACK
AMERICANS; AND

WHEREAS, BLACK HISTORY IS REVERED AS U.S. HISTORY, AND ESSENTIAL TO
UNDERSTANDING THE STORY OF OUR COUNTRY AND THE GLOBAL IMPACT ON THE
BLACK DIASPORA. MAY WE ALL EMBRACE THE COMPLEXITIES, CHALLENGES, AND
MORE IMPORTANTLY THE CRUCIAL LESSONS OF PERSEVERANCE THAT IS WOVEN
WITHIN BLACK HISTORY. WHICH CONTINUE TO INSPIRE ALL MARGINALIZED
COMMUNITIES IN THEIR FIGHT FOR LIBERATION.

WHEREAS, THE ASALH CONTINUES TO ORGANIZE WITH THE MISSION TO PROMOTE,
RESEARCH, PRESERVE, INTERPRET AND DISSEMINATE INFORMATION ABOUT BLACK
LIFE, HISTORY AND CULTURE TO THE GLOBAL COMMUNITY. THE THEME FOR 2024
IS AFRICAN AMERICAN AND THE ARTS. THE BLACK EXPRESSION THROUGH THE
VARIOUS MEDIUMS OF ART DEMONSTRATES A VIVID CREATIVE FREEDOM THAT WILL
NEVER BE STOPPED, NO MATTER THE CONDITION OF THE BLACK COMMUNITY.

FURTHERMORE, AS STATED BY THE ASALH, AFRICAN AMERICAN ART IS INFUSED WITH AFRICAN, CARIBBEAN, AND THE BLACK AMERICAN LIVED EXPERIENCES. IN THE FIELDS OF VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS, LITERATURE, FASHION, FOLKLORE, LANGUAGE, FILM, MUSIC, ARCHITECTURE, CULINARY AND OTHER FORMS OF CULTURAL EXPRESSION, THE AFRICAN AMERICAN INFLUENCE HAS BEEN PARAMOUNT. AFRICAN AMERICAN ARTISTS HAVE USED ART TO PRESERVE HISTORY AND COMMUNITY MEMORY AS WELL AS FOR EMPOWERMENT. ARTISTIC AND CULTURAL MOVEMENTS SUCH AS THE NEW NEGRO, BLACK ARTS, BLACK RENAISSANCE, HIP-HOP, AND AFROFUTURISM, HAVE BEEN LED BY PEOPLE OF AFRICAN DESCENT AND SET THE STANDARD FOR POPULAR TRENDS AROUND THE WORLD.

WHEREAS, OAK PARK IS HONORED BY THE VARIOUS BLACK ARTISTS THAT EXIST AND HAVE EXISTED THROUGHOUT OUR COMMUNITY. MAY WE ALL LEARN THE NAMES AND HOW THEIR WORK HAS ENRICHED OUR COMMUNITY. THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK WILL CELEBRATE BLACK HISTORY MONTH ON FEBRUARY 17 TH AT THE NINETEENTH CENTURY CHARITABLE ASSOCIATION STARTING AT 11:00 A.M. THIS FAMILY-FRIENDLY EVENT WILL HIGHLIGHT A VARIETY OF LOCAL BLACK ARTISTS AND A MAIN PERFORMANCE BY AN ALL-BLACK BAND.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CORY WESLEY, ON BEHALF OF OF VICKI SCAMAN, PRESIDENT OF THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2024 TO BE BLACK HISTORY MONTH IN THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK, AND URGE ALL COMMUNITY MEMBERS TO BE COGNIZANT OF AND PARTICIPATE IN EVENTS ARRANGED FOR THIS TIME, AND WORK FEARLESSLY FOR OUR VILLAGE TO EMBODY ANTI-RACIST SYSTEMS AND PRINCIPLES, THROUGHOUT THE YEAR AND YEARS TO COME. DATED THIS SIXTH DAY OF FEBRUARY 2024.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU.

BEFORE WE TAKE THE VOTE ON THIS WE HAVE A PERFORMANCE FROM HARAMBE, IN OUR COMMUNITY FOR THE LAST 13 YEARS, IS THAT RIGHT, MELANIE?
18 YEARS?
YES.

>> (SPEAKER AWAY FROM MIC).

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: DO YOU WANT TO COME TO THE MICROPHONE AND INTRODUCE?

MELANIE McQUEEN AND DONNA CALENDAR LEAD CUMBA KIDS, HARAMBE.

>>SPEAKER: GOOD EVENING TO OUR VILLAGE BOARD, THANK YOU FOR HAVING US ONCE AGAIN, I BELIEVE THIS IS OUR EIGHTH YEAR PROBABLY BEING PART OF THE OPENING OF BLACK HISTORY MONTH.
THANK YOU TO THE VILLAGE FOR COMING OUT AND SUPPORTING.
WE WANT TO THANK YOU FOR RECOGNIZING HARAMBE WITH THIS BLACK HISTORY MONTH, 2024 PROCLAMATION.
IT IS A GREAT HONOR TO BE RECOGNIZED BY THIS VILLAGE AND OUR COMMUNITY.
THIS IS OUR HOME.

IT HAS BEEN MY HOME FOR OVER 20 YEARS AND IT HAS ALSO BEEN DONNA'S HOME FOR OVER 20 YEARS AND OUR CHILDREN'S HOME SINCE THEY HAVE BEEN HERE.

HARAMBE IS A SWAHILI FOR " LET'S ALL PULL TOGETHER".

WE ARE CELEBRATING OUR 18TH YEAR OF EXISTENCE, SPEARHEADED BY DONNA CALENDAR, AND ME, MELODY McQUEEN.

THIS IS TO CELEBRATE BLACK EXCELLENCE ACROSS THE DIASPORA.

THIS YEAR DONNA AND I ARE EXCITED TO ANNOUNCE TWO BLACK HISTORY EXPLOSIONS.

ONE IS NOW HELD AT LINCOLN AT 1111 S. GROVE ON THE SATURDAY, FEBRUARY - - THE FIRE IS GOING AROUND AND ALSO OUR HOMESCHOOL, LONGFELLOW, AT 715 S. HIGHLAND AVENUE, THE FIRE IS GOING AROUND.

BOTH EVENTS WILL SHOWCASE OUR CHILDREN.

OUR CHILDREN IN THIS COMMUNITY THAT HAVE WORKED REALLY HARD FOR THE PAST FOUR MONTHS WITH DONNA.

THEY WILL BE SHARING THEIR TALENT HERE TONIGHT IN DANCE ON THOSE TWO SATURDAYS, THE 17TH AND THE 24TH.

WE WILL HAVE DANCE, MUSIC, SONG, POETRY, AND AN AFRICAN MARKET.

WE WANT TO ENSURE THAT WE ARE PROVIDING THIS TYPE OF PROGRAMMING THAT YOU ARE ABLE TO GET THINGS THAT ARE NOT NORMALLY OFFERED IN OUR COMMUNITY.

SO WE DO ASK THAT WHEN THE VENDOR MARKET IS OPEN FROM 1:00 P.M. TO 2:00 P.M., THE COMMUNITY IS ABLE TO COME IN TO BOTH OCCASIONS AND PURCHASE - - AND PERFORMANCES FROM 3:00 P.M. TO 4:00 P.M.. YOU CAN PATRONIZE THE VENDORS AS WELL.

DUE TO A GRANT FROM THE OAK PARK/RIVER FOREST FOUNDATION WE ARE ALSO ABLE TO HAVE A FREE FOOD COMPONENT AND WE ARE LOOKING AT VEGAN SOUL FOOD THIS YEAR.

EACH EVENT WILL HAVE ITS OWN UNIQUE LINEUP SO WE ENCOURAGE EVERYONE TO ATTEND BOTH.

KUMBA KIDS HAS KIDS FROM LINCOLN, LONGFELLOW, JULIAN, HATCH, HOLMES, OPRF, AND HOMESCHOOL STUDENTS WILL BE PREMIERING FIVE NEW DANCE PIECES.

TONIGHT, A FEW OF THE STUDENTS WILL PRESENT A SNIPPET OF THEIR AFRICAN DANCE FOR YOUR ENJOYMENT.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING EVERYONE, OR BETTER YET, NOT JUST AT ONE OF THE EVENTS, BUT BOTH.

THANK YOU, AGAIN, SO MUCH AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU.

[TRADITIONAL AFRICAN MUSIC]

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU, I HOPE YOU LEFT A FEW MORE FLYERS UP THERE FOR US.

HAVE A GOOD EVENING.

CLERK WATERS, PLEASE TAKE THE ROLL.

>> TRUSTEE WESLEY.

>> YES.

>> TRUSTEE BUCHANAN.

>> YES.

>> TRUSTEE PARAKKAT.

>> YES.

>> TRUSTEE ROBINSON.

>> YES.

>> TRUSTEE STRAW.

>> YES.

>> PRESIDENT SCAMAN.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: YES.

BEAUTIFUL.

THAT EVENT IS STANDING ROOM ONLY, ALWAYS.

SO GET THERE EARLY.

VILLAGE MANAGER'S REPORT.

VILLAGE MANAGER JACKSON?

>>VILLAGE MANAGER: YES, PRESIDENT SCAMAN AND TRUSTEE MEMBERS, I DO HAVE A FEW ITEMS TO REPORT OUT TONIGHT.

STARTING WITH AN UPDATE ON THE ASYLUM-SEEKERS TRANSITION PROCESS.

SO WE HAVE ASSISTANT VILLAGE MANAGER, HR DIRECTOR KEIRA CHANG WILL PROVIDE THE UPDATE.

>>SPEAKER: HELLO, GOOD EVENING.

IT IS HARD TO FOLLOW THAT ACT FOR SURE.

SO TODAY I HAVE AN UPDATE REGARDING THE VILLAGES ONGOING OPERATIONS RELATED TO THE ASYLUM SEEKING MIGRANTS IN THE COMMUNITY.

FIRST AND FOREMOST AS I THINK MOST FOLKS WILL BE AWARE, THE VILLAGE WAS NOTIFIED LAST FRIDAY THAT WE WERE RECIPIENTS OF \$1.944 MILLION IN GRANT FUNDING FROM THE METROPOLITAN MAYORS CAUCUS, AND AS YOU MAY RECALL FROM OUR CONVERSATION, I BELIEVE JANUARY 23, THE PURPOSE OF THAT FUNDING WAS TO SERVE AS AN OFFRAMP FROM THE VILLAGES CURRENT TEMPORARY SHELTER PROGRAM WITH \$1.24 MILLION ALLOCATED FOR TEMPORARY SHELTER.

A NEW TEMPORARY SHELTER TO BE LOCATED, NOT IN OUR EXISTING YMCA OR CARLTON OPERATION.

FOR LEGAL SERVICES, FOR ASYLUM-SEEKERS IN THE COMMUNITY TO ENSURE THAT THEY ARE ABLE TO APPLY FOR ASYLUM AND FOR TPS IF ELIGIBLE, EMPLOYMENT AUTHORIZATION DOCUMENT, AND ALSO FOR CHANGE OF VENUE FOR FOLKS WHO ARE NO LONGER LOCATED SORT OF WHERE THEIR CASE ORIGINALLY ORIGINATED.

ANOTHER \$100,000 FOR SHORT-TERM RENTAL ASSISTANCE MEANT TO PROVIDE AN APARTMENT OR SHORT-TERM LEASE SUPPORT FOR HOUSING PRIOR TO JUNE 30 AND A SMALL PORTION, \$40,000 RELATED TO ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES AND SUPPORT.

SO THE GOOD NEWS IS THAT WE HAVE BEEN GRANTED THE FUNDS.

THE NEXT STEPS IN TERMS OF BRINGING A TEMPORARY SHELTER ONLINE, WORKING WITH OUR PARTNERS TO FINALIZE AGREEMENTS AND IDENTIFY AND SET ALL OF THE TERMS RELATED TO THOSE AGREEMENTS, THAT IS STILL ONGOING WORK AND THERE IS STILL A GREAT AMOUNT OF WORK RELATED TO BRINGING ALL OF THIS ON BOARD.

SO JUST WANTED TO PROVIDE AN UPDATE ON THAT.

JUST A LITTLE BIT MORE INFORMATION ABOUT WHERE THE CURRENT PROGRAM IS IN TERMS OF THE NUMBER OF FOLKS THAT THE VILLAGE IS SERVING.

SO AS OF YESTERDAY, THE TOTAL NUMBER OF ASYLUM-SEEKERS IN THE VILLAGE PROGRAM INCLUDES 142 INDIVIDUALS.

THAT'S A NUMBER THAT IS LESS THAN WHAT WE SPOKE ABOUT A COUPLE OF WEEKS AGO.

WE CONTINUE TO SEE FOLKS MOVING INTO OTHER LOCATIONS AND OTHER SITUATIONS.

EXCUSE ME, HOUSING, APARTMENTS, PARTNERSHIPS WITH CHURCHES AND SO IT HAS BEEN REALLY POSITIVE TO SEE THAT WORK HAPPENING.

WE ALSO ANTICIPATE THAT THERE'S A NUMBER OF FOLKS YET TO BE RESETTLED IN THE NEXT COUPLE OF WEEKS SO WE ARE HOPEFUL THAT THOSE COMMUNITY EFFORTS WILL CONTINUE AND WE ANTICIPATE F SORT OF WHAT WE ARE AWARE OF DOES COME TO FULL FRUITION THAT BY FEBRUARY 29 THERE WILL BE APPROXIMATELY 128 INDIVIDUALS IN THE PROGRAM, WITH MORE STILL WORKING THROUGH THE RESETTLEMENT PROCESS.

AGAIN, WE DO CONTINUE TO SEE FOLKS MOVING OUT, IDENTIFYING ALTERNATE PATHWAYS WITH THE SUPPORT OF MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY.

I ALSO WANTED TO PROVIDE AN UPDATE OF THE CURRENT FINANCIALS.

I KNOW THERE HAS BEEN A LOT OF INTEREST RELATED TO HOW THE FUNDING HAS BEEN WORKING, HOW SOME OF OUR GRANTS HAVE BEEN APPLIED I WILL ALSO SHARE THAT THERE WAS AN INFORMATION ONLY MEMO THAT WAS ISSUED TO THE BOARD JUST THIS EVENING IN ADVANCE OF THIS MEETING AND IT WILL BE PUBLICLY POSTED AS WELL WHERE PEOPLE CAN SEE MORE SPECIFICS AROUND THESE NUMBERS, HOWEVER, IN TOTAL THE VILLAGE RECEIVED \$400,000 IN ROUND ONE GRANT FUNDING AND THE \$350,000 IN COOK COUNTY DISASTER RELIEF FUNDING, IN ADDITION TO THE \$1.944 MILLION THAT HAS BEEN GRANTED THROUGH SMASS, THERE IS ALSO \$150,000 THAT THE BOARD HAS ALLOCATED TO THE EMERGENCY RESPONSE AND THOSE FUNDS WERE ORIGINALLY ARPA DOLLARS THAT WERE TAKEN AS LOST REVENUE INTO THE VILLAGE'S GENERAL FUND.

FOR THE MONTHS OF NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER THE VILLAGE IS PROJECTING COSTS OF ROUGHLY \$423,000 AND WE HAVE ALSO ALREADY SUBMITTED AND RECEIVED REIMBURSEMENT FOR \$340,000 OF THOSE DOLLARS.

LAST TIME WE SPOKE WE TALKED ABOUT \$388 IN EXPENSES BEING SUBMITTED TO THE GRANTORS.

THEY REVIEWED THOSE EXPENSES AND THEY HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT SOME OF THEM.

WE CERTAINLY HAVE OTHER EXPENSES THAT CAN BE SUBMITTED TO THEM AS WELL.

WE BELIEVE THE SMASS ROUND ONE GRANT, THE \$400,000 HAS BEEN EXHAUSTED THROUGH THE MONTHS OF NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER.

WE ARE ALSO BEGINNING TO SEE EXPENSES FOR THE MONTHS OF JANUARY AND FEBRUARY.

SO WHERE WE DO SEE INCREASES TO OUR EXPENSES ARE GOING TO BE RELATED TO LEGAL SERVICES, WHICH AS YOU ARE AWARE THE VILLAGE HAS ENHANCED THE SERVICE THAT IS BEING PROVIDED TO ASYLUM-SEEKERS THROUGH INDIVIDUAL DOCUMENT REVIEW WITH ATTORNEYS BEYOND SORT OF A LEGAL CLINIC SETTING. SO WE WILL BEGIN SEEING THOSE EXPENSES COME IN AND WE HAVE ALSO ENHANCED OUR FOOD PROGRAM FOR OUR ASYLUM-SEEKERS.

WHEREAS IN NOVEMBER AND THE MAJORITY OF DECEMBER THE VILLAGE WAS PROVIDING DINNER AND COMMUNITY EFFORTS WERE PROVIDING LUNCH AND BREAKFAST, IN LATE DECEMBER THE VILLAGE TOOK OVER ALL FOOD SERVICES MY BREAKFAST, LUNCH, AND DINNER IN ADDITION TO GROCERY SERVICE THROUGH BEYOND HUNGER AND SO WE DO ANTICIPATE THOSE EXPENSES WILL BE HIGHER THROUGH THE MONTHS OF JANUARY AND BE WARY.

AS OF SORT OF WHERE WE ARE TO DATE, AND WE DO CONTINUE TO RECEIVE INVOICES AROUND OUR EXPENSES.

THE VILLAGE HAS BEEN INVOICED FOR ABOUT \$607,000 THROUGH THE MONTHS OF NOVEMBER, DECEMBER, JANUARY, AND EVEN SOME INVOICES FROM FEBRUARY AND SO THERE ARE STILL SOME OUTSTANDING INVOICES THAT WE ANTICIPATE AND WE WOULD ESTIMATE THAT THE FIRST THREE MONTHS OF THE PROGRAM ARE GOING TO RUN AT ABOUT \$770,000 TO OPERATE.

SO WHEN YOU THINK OF THAT GRANT FUNDING THAT WE RECEIVED, ROUND ONE SMASS ENDING FOR THE \$400,000 AND YOU THINK ABOUT THE COOK COUNTY FUNDING THAT WE RECEIVED, THE ADDITIONAL \$350,000, THAT COVERS THE MAJORITY OF EXPENSES ACROSS THE MONTHS OF NOVEMBER, DECEMBER, AND JANUARY WITH FEBRUARY STILL IN OPERATION WE HAVE SPOKEN WITH COOK COUNTY ABOUT POTENTIAL REIMBURSEMENT FOR EXPENSES IN FEBRUARY, BUT WE NEED TO WORK THROUGH OUR FULL COMMITMENT OF THE \$350,000 THAT THEY HAVE ALREADY GRANTED US.

JUST CHANGING GEARS A LITTLE BIT TO SOME MORE DETAIL AROUND THAT SMASS ROUND TWO GRANT FUNDING.

SO THE VILLAGE DID RECEIVE, LIKE I MENTIONED THE AWARD NOTIFICATION ON FRIDAY.

WE ARE STILL WORKING THROUGH THE DETAILS WITH THE STATE.

AS PART OF THAT GRANT PROCESS THE VILLAGE HAD TO IDENTIFY PARTNERS FOR THOSE EFFORTS RELATED TO THE SERVICES THAT WERE BEING PROVIDED AND SO IN TERMS OF THE SHELTER, THE TEMPORARY SHELTER, THAT IS BEING OPERATED BY THE WESTSIDE SERVICE CONNECTOR, DOING BUSINESS AS THE OAK PARK FAMILY TRANSITION SHELTER.

SO THAT IS THE UNNAMED NONPROFIT THAT WILL BE OPERATING THAT SHELTER SPACE AND, YOU KNOW, AS I MENTIONED THERE IS STILL A LOT OF WORK

INVOLVED IN GETTING OPERATIONAL AND GETTING UP AND RUNNING AND SO IT IS NOT YET FINALIZED, BUT THE INTENT WOULD BE TO MOVE THROUGH THE PROCESS, IDEALLY BE ABLE TO BEGIN MOVING FOLKS IN PRIOR TO MARCH 1. THE \$360,000 FOR LEGAL SERVICES, SUPPORTING THE APPLICATION PROCESS IS BEING PROVIDED OR OUR GRANT PARTNER FOR THAT WAS LISTED AS HE WAS SO COOL AND I BELIEVE ROZ NICK IS THE OTHER LAW FIRM TITLE. THEY WERE SUBMITTED AS OUR PARTNER FOR THOSE PURPOSES AND THEN THE COMMUNITY OF CONGREGATIONS ACTING AS THE FISCAL AGENT FOR THE RESETTLEMENT TASK FORCE WAS SUBMITTED AS OUR PARTNER FOR THE RESETTLEMENT FUNDS, THE \$300,000.

JUST TO BE CLEAR THAT THAT IS WHAT WENT TO THE STATE - THE METROPOLITAN MAYORS CAUCUS IN OUR APPLICATION.

WE CERTAINLY CAN WORK WITH THE METROPOLITAN MAYORS CAUCUS AND THE GRANT ADMINISTRATOR AROUND PROGRAMMING AND AROUND PROVIDERS WHO WE ARE USING, HOWEVER BECAUSE THIS IS PART OF OUR EMERGENCY RESPONSE THERE WERE SOME OF THE TRADITIONAL RFPS AND DIFFERENT THINGS DID NOT TAKE PLACE RELATED TO THE URGENT NATURE OF THIS SPECIFIC GRANT REQUEST. JUST IN TERMS OF NEXT STEPS, WE ARE, LIKE I MENTIONED, WORKING WITH ALL THE SUBGRANTEES TO FINALIZE AGREEMENTS AND TO SET THE TERMS OF THOSE RELATIONSHIPS.

WE ARE CONTINUING TO SUPPORT THE OAK PARK FAMILY TRANSITION SHELTER TO BECOME OPERATIONAL, TO SERVE AS THAT TRANSITION OPTION FOR OUR ASYLUM SEEKING COMMUNITY, AND, YOU KNOW, WE ARE CONTINUING TO GET TOWARDS FEBRUARY 29 AS HE AND THE DATE OF THE VILLAGE'S EXISTING SHELTER PROGRAM THAT WE ARE OPERATING AT THE CARLTON AND THE YMCA.

SO BY FEBRUARY 29 WE WOULD ANTICIPATE THAT FOLKS WOULD BE RELOCATED OUT OF THE CARLTON AND YMCA SPACES TO WHATEVER SHELTER IS AVAILABLE TO THEM.

OBVIOUSLY WITH THE PREFERENCE OF THE OAK PARK FAMILY TRANSITION SHELTER.

I BELIEVE JACK CROW, WHO IS A MEMBER OF THE OAK PARK FAMILY TRANSITION SHELTER BOARD IS AVAILABLE ON ZOOM AND OTHER STAFF MEMBERS WHO ARE PART OF THE RESPONSE OF HER ARE HERE AS WELL IF THERE'S ANY QUESTIONS I'M HAPPY TO TAKE ANY QUESTIONS AS WELL.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU.

TRUSTEE ROBINSON?

>>TRUSTEE ROBINSON: I GOT YOUR MEMO RIGHT BEFORE AS I WAS IN ROUTE TO THE MEETING SO I HAVE NOT HAD A CHANCE TO FULLY DIVE INTO IT, BUT THE LITTLE BIT THAT I DID READ, PLUS YOUR UPDATE HAS AT LEAST PROMPTED TWO QUESTIONS AND I WILL GIVE IT A FULL READ AND COME BACK LATER WITH ANY OTHER QUESTIONS.

YOU MENTIONED THE REIMBURSEMENT.

I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE I UNDERSTAND.

OF \$502,000 THAT WE SUBMITTED WE GOT APPROVAL TO GET REIMBURSED FOR \$340,000.

CORRECT?

>>KIRA CHANG: WE CEMENTED ABOUT \$388,000 IN EXPENSES TO THE GRANT ADMINISTRATOR AND WE WERE APPROVED FOR \$340,000 OF THOSE.

>>TRUSTEE ROBINSON: I'M SORRY, THE REIMBURSEMENT FROM THE COUNTY.

>>KIRA CHANG: WE HAVE NOT SPECIFICALLY SUBMITTED ANY INVOICES TO THE COUNTY.

WE HAVE SUBMITTED OUR APPLICATION, THEY RECEIVED AND WE ARE FINALIZING WHAT COMPONENTS OF THE PROGRAM THAT THEY WILL SURELY COVER, BUT NOTHING HAS BEEN OFFICIALLY SUBMITTED IN TERMS OF INVOICING TO THE COUNTY.

>>TRUSTEE ROBINSON: MY IMPRESSION IS THAT WE HAD PREAPPROVAL FOR SOME REIMBURSEMENT.

IS THAT UNTRUE?

>>KIRA CHANG: WE HAD PREAPPROVAL.

COOK COUNTY HAS TOLD US THAT THEY WILL AWARD US \$350,000 BECAUSE THIS IS A NEW PROGRAM FOR THAT.

THEY ARE DEVELOPING RULES AND PROCEDURES FOR THE AS THE PROGRAM IS GETTING UP AND RUNNING AND WE ARE REALLY THEIR FIRST TEST CASE WITH THAT GRANT SO IT HAS TAKEN SOME TIME ADMINISTRATIVELY FOR THEM TO ESTABLISH THEIR PARAMETERS AND FOR US TO BE ABLE TO PROVIDE WHAT IT IS THAT THEY ARE LOOKING FOR.

YES, WE WILL RECEIVE THE \$350,000, BUT WE NEED TO SUBMIT DOCUMENTATION AND HAVE CONVERSATIONS WITH THEM FINALIZING.

>>TRUSTEE ROBINSON: WHAT IS THE PLAN OF THE USE OF THAT \$350,000 ONCE THAT AMOUNT OR WHATEVER AMOUNT THE COUNTY FINAL DETERMINATION IS GETS REIMBURSED?

>>KIRA CHANG: THE INTENT WITH THE \$350,000 IS TO REIMBURSE THE VILLAGE FOR JANUARY THROUGH FEBRUARY EMERGENCY OPERATIONS. THAT IS THE EXTENT OF THE USAGE.

>>TRUSTEE ROBINSON: OKAY.

DOES IT ESSENTIALLY GO BACK INTO THE GENERAL FUND?

THE ARPA MONEY HAD BEEN CONVERTED SO IS SAID IT WAS SPENT FROM THE GENERAL FUND, BUT WE WERE KIND OF CAREFUL ABOUT EARMARKING THAT AND I DON'T WANT TO LOSE THAT EARMARK.

SO I'M JUST CURIOUS AND I WANT TO MAKE SURE AS WE GET THESE UPDATES WE ARE CONTINUALLY CONFIRMING - I DON'T WANT THAT MONEY TO GET LOST. WHERE THAT MONEY IS GOING TO GO AND WHETHER OR NOT THERE ARE STAFF PLANS TO SPEND IT.

>>VILLAGE MANAGER: NO STAFF PLANS TO SPEND IT.

IT IS EARMARKED SO IT WILL GO BACK INTO THE GENERAL FUND AS ARPA LOST REVENUE.

IT COULD BE CONVERTED BACK TO DIRECT ARPA WHERE IT STARTED, TOO. SO YES, WE HAVE NOT MADE ANY FUTURE COMMITMENTS WITH THE AT ALL.

>>TRUSTEE ROBINSON: SO IT CAN GO BACK INTO AN ARPA POOL RESUMING THE SAME CRITERIA FOR SPENDING THAT THE OTHER ARPA MONEY HAS?

>>VILLAGE MANAGER: YES.

>>TRUSTEE ROBINSON: AGAIN, RIGHT BEFORE THIS MEETING I HAD EMAILED A MOTION, MANAGER JACKSON I WANT TO MAKE SURE YOU SAW THAT THERE IS A MOTION ON THE TABLE TO BRING BACK FOR DISCUSSION, RIGHT? I SEE THAT IT HAD BEEN SECONDED. ANYWAY, I WANT TO CONFIRM THAT YOU SAW THAT, TO BRING BACK FOR DISCUSSION, THE SUBGRANTEE CONTRACTS AND ALLOCATIONS BECAUSE WE VERY SPECIFICALLY TALKED ABOUT THE \$1.2 MILLION AND IN THE STAFF RIGHT UP THAT WAS VERY DETAILED AND THAT WAS A VERY DETAILED WRITEUP IN TERMS OF THE DIFFERENT PIECES OF THAT \$1.2 MILLION AND HOW THOSE WOULD SPECIFICALLY BE ALLOCATED, BUT THERE WAS NO INFORMATION GIVEN AND THAT STAFF WRITEUP ABOUT THE LEGAL SERVICES OR ABOUT THE SHORT TERM RENTAL ASSISTANCE AND THAT NOTHING SENT TO THE BOARD PRIOR TO THAT MEETING TWO WEEKS AGO AND SO I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE HAVING A VERY FULL CONVERSATION AND A FULL UNDERSTANDING, SIMILAR TO THE \$1.2 MILLION, EVEN THOUGH THOSE ARE SMALLER DOLLAR AMOUNT, STILL JUST AS IMPORTANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE VETTING DOES APPROPRIATELY, JUST THE SAME WAY WE DID THE \$1.2 MILLION. I WANT TO CONFIRM THAT YOU SAW THAT MOTION AND THE SECOND AND BROUGHT THAT BACK.

>>VILLAGE MANAGER: I SAW THE MOTION RIGHT BEFORE THE MEETING.

>>TRUSTEE ROBINSON: LASTLY, KEIRA, YOU MENTIONED - WERE USING THE SUBGRANTEE MOTIONS WERE GRANTED UNDER THE LAST EXTENSION?

>>KIRA CHANG: SUBGRANTEE AGREEMENTS ARE APPROVED FOR SMASS ROUND ONE, MHM, ROUND TWO, PER THE BOARD'S APPROVAL WE CEMENTED THE APPLICATION TO THE METROPOLITAN MAYORS CAUCUS WITH THE \$1.944 MILLION AND WE NEED TO IDENTIFY PARTNERS THAT WE WOULD BE WORKING WITH DOING THE WORK FOR THE SERVICES THAT WE ARE REQUESTING FUNDING FOR. IF THE AGREEMENTS HAVE NOT YET BEEN EXECUTED, THEY WILL BE EXECUTED UNDER THE MANAGER'S AUTHORITY OF THE EMERGENCY AND MUST WE RECEIVE OTHER DIRECTION FROM THE BOARD.

>>TRUSTEE ROBINSON: THAT DOES NOT AT ALL TO ME SEEM TO FALL UNDER THE EXTENT OF THE EMERGENCY ORDER. AT THE EXTENSION OF THE EMERGENCY ORDER EXPIRES ON FEBRUARY 29. THESE ARE PARTNERSHIPS FOR SERVICES AFTER THAT DATE AND SO THE SUBGRANTEE AGREEMENTS.

>>VILLAGE ATTORNEY: AT FEBRUARY 29, YES. WE HAVE NOTHING IN PLACE BEYOND FAVORITE 29TH.

>>TRUSTEE ROBINSON: THE SUBGRANTEE AGREEMENTS FOR THE SMASS, THE SMASS IS GOING TO BE POST FEBRUARY 29?

>>VILLAGE ATTORNEY: WE HAVE NOTHING IN PLACE POST FEBRUARY 29.

>>TRUSTEE ROBINSON: I KNOW, BUT WHAT I'M UNDERSTANDING, DIRECTOR CHANG, THE POSITION TO ME IS EXECUTING THOSE AGREEMENTS CAN TAKE PLACE OUTSIDE OF A BOARD MEETING WITHOUT BOARD DISCUSSION UNDER THE EMERGENCY ORDER.

THAT IS NOT TRUE.

THE EMERGENCY ORDER EXTENDS ONLY THROUGH FEBRUARY 29.

SO THE PROCUREMENT SERVICES BEYOND THAT REQUIRE - AND THEY REALLY SHOULD HAVE BOARD VETTING, BOARD DISCUSSION PRAYED WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO TALK ABOUT THOSE.

>>VILLAGE ATTORNEY: THAT IS EXACTLY WHAT WE ARE DOING.

>>TRUSTEE ROBINSON: PERFECT.

THAT IS IT FOR ME.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: ANY OTHER QUESTIONS?

TRUSTEE PARAKKAT?

>>TRUSTEE PARAKKAT: MY QUESTION IS TO THE NONPROFIT THAT IS RECEIVING OR EXPECTED TO RECEIVE FUNDS.

SO THE \$1.2 MILLION, - SOME OF IT WILL BE INFRASTRUCTURE TO SUPPORT TEMPORARY SHELTER, RIGHT?

SO WHAT HAPPENS POST JUNE?

WHAT IS THE INTENDED USE BEYOND THE JUNE TIMEFRAME BECAUSE WE ARE SUPPORTING THIS GRANT UNTIL THAT TIMEFRAME.

SO WHAT IS THAT?

>>KIRA CHANG: I BELIEVE THAT JACK IS ON ZOOM.

I DON'T KNOW HOW TO PULL HIM UP.

>>JACK CROWE: I AM, CAN YOU HEAR ME?

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: HELLO, JACK.

WELCOME.

>>TRUSTEE PARAKKAT: WHO IS THIS?

>>JACK CROWE: MY NAME IS JACK CROWE.

I AM A 35 YEAR RESIDENT OF OAK PARK.

FOUNDER OF JUST WHAT IS COOL ON THE WEST SIDE, PARISHIONER AT SAINT GILES, LONGTIME PERSON INVOLVED IN A LOT OF THINGS IN OAK PARK - - I'M HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS THAT YOU HAVE ABOUT THE PROPOSAL.

>>TRUSTEE PARAKKAT: MY QUESTION WAS, BEYOND THE PROPOSAL, SO THE PROPOSAL ON THE TABLE INCLUDES INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENTS IN FACILITIES THAT YOU ARE CREATING FOR TEMPORARY SHELTER.

MY QUESTION IS BEYOND THE TIMEFRAME OF THIS SUPPORT, WHAT IS THE INTENDED USE OF THAT SHELTER BEYOND THE JUNE TIMEFRAME?

>>JACK CROWE: RIGHT.

WE DO NOT HAVE ONE.

THE IMPROVEMENTS ARE MINIMAL.

THEY ARE ONLY THINGS THAT ARE NEEDED TO MAKE THE BUILDING HABITABLE.

SO IT WOULD INCLUDE THINGS LIKE FIXING RADIATORS OR, YOU KNOW, MAYBE UPGRADING SOME FIRE SAFETY SIGNAGE OR THINGS OF THAT NATURE.

IT IS VERY MINIMAL WORK.

THERE IS NO ROOFS OR WINDOWS OR ANYTHING LIKE THAT.

THIS IS ALL DIRECTED TOWARDS, YOU KNOW, JUST GETTING THE SAFE HOUSING SITE PREPARED.

>>TRUSTEE PARAKKAT: SO THE \$1.2 MILLION IS ALL GOING TOWARDS MINOR MODIFICATIONS TO MAKE IT LIVABLE FOR THE FOUR MONTH PERIOD?

>>JACK CROWE: THE NUMBER IS DRAMATICALLY LESS THAN \$1.2 MILLION. KEIRA COULD TELL ME THE NUMBER, BUT I THINK IT'S IN THE ORDER OF TENS OF THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS.

IT IS JUST NEEDED SPECIFICALLY.

I WILL GIVE YOU AN EXAMPLE.

WE WANT TO PUT IN A WASHER AND DRIER OR TWO SO PEOPLE - SO THE GUESTS CAN WASH THEIR CLOTHES INSTEAD OF HAVING TO GO TO A LAUNDROMAT.

VERY MODEST STUFF.

NO LONG-TERM CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS WHATSOEVER.

>>KIRA CHANG: OF THE \$1.2 MILLION THAT IS REQUESTED FOR THE GRANT, \$50,000 HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED AS UPGRADES TO THE SPACE RELATED TO THOSE OF MODEST REHAB IN TERMS OF RADIATORS, PLUMBING, LIFE SAFETY, FIRE ADAPTATIONS, THAT TYPE OF WORK.

SO IT IS 4% OF THE TOTAL GRANT REQUEST IS TIED TO THAT TYPE OF ENHANCEMENT OR IMPROVEMENT OF THE PHYSICAL BUILDING.

>>TRUSTEE PARAKKAT: OKAY, AND THEN THE REST IS?

>>VILLAGE MANAGER: I THINK IT WOULD BE A GOOD IDEA FOR JACK TO TALK ABOUT SOME OF THE OPERATIONS THAT THEY ARE PLANNING IN TERMS OF THE PROGRAMMATIC THINGS.

JACK, CAN YOU SPEAK TO SOME OF THE THINGS THAT YOU GUYS ARE PLANNING?

>>JACK CROWE: YEAH, WE ARE INTENTIONALLY CALLING THIS A FAMILY TRANSITION SHELTER.

IT WILL LOOK AND FEEL A LITTLE DIFFERENT THAN WHAT HAS BEEN HAPPENING AT THE CARLTON AND THE YMCA.

WE HAVE SURVEYED THE MIGRANTS AND WE KNOW WHAT THEIR TOP THREE PARTIES ARE.

THEIR TOP THREE PRIORITIES ARE JOBS, HOUSING, NEXT STEP HOUSING, AND LEGAL SERVICES.

KUDOS TO THE VILLAGE FOR GETTING FUNDING FOR NEXT STEP TRANSITIONAL HOUSING, \$300,000.

LEGAL SERVICES, \$350,000.

SO I WOULD SEE THIS IS LIKE A SHELTER FROM 6:00 P.M. TO 9:00 A.M. IN THE MORNING, BUT DURING THE WORKDAY I SEE THIS AS A PLACE WHERE OUR GUESTS CAN WORK TOWARDS WHAT THEY WANT TO ACHIEVE.

THINGS LIKE ESL, THINGS LIKE WORKFORCE DEVELOP.

MY BACKGROUND IS I WAS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF (WORD?) CHICAGO AND HELPED FIND (WORD?) AND CHRIST OUR KING.

THE IDEA IS THAT OUR GUESTS COULD USE SOME HELP GETTING TRAINING IN SOME SKILLS.

I CAN TELL YOU FOR EXAMPLE WE HAVE BEEN TALKING TO KIRA, THE PREMIER ENTRY-LEVEL WORKFORCE TRAINING ENTITY IN CHICAGO ABOUT PERHAPS PROVIDING SOME TRAINING.

WE WANT PEOPLE TO BE WORKING THERE HOUSING TRANSITION.

WE WANT PEOPLE TO BE WORKING LEGAL STUFF.
IF IT IS ASYLUM.

GETTING THOSE PAPERS ON FILE.

THERE IS AN EIGHT MONTH WAIT BEFORE THEY CAN APPLY FOR A WORK PERMIT
AND WHEN YOU FILE AN ASYLUM APPLICATION.

SO IN A REALLY POSITIVE SENSE WE SEE THIS AS A PLACE TO WORK YOUR
TRANSITION.

TO NOT JUST BE A PASSIVE RECIPIENT OF THIS WONDERFUL AID AND SHELTER
THAT THE VILLAGE HAS BEEN PROVIDED, BUT TAKE IT TO THE NEXT STEP AND I
AM CONFIDENT THAT THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE BY THE END OF JUNE WILL BE
DRAMATICALLY DOWN FROM THE NUMBERS WE ARE SEEING NOW.

>>TRUSTEE PARAKKAT: ONE FINAL QUESTION.

YOU SAID LEGAL SERVICES.

SO YOU'RE SAYING THE 1.2 ALSO INCLUDES SOME LEVEL OF LEGAL SERVICES.

>>JACK CROWE: KIRA CAN ADDRESS IT.

I BELIEVE THERE IS 315,000 TO PAY LAWYERS TO REPRESENT AND HELP THOSE
GUESTS WHO CHOOSE TO FILE FOR POLITICAL ASYLUM TO GET THEIR PAPERS ON
FILE AND THERE'S QUITE A BIT OF PAPERWORK THAT HAS TO GO INTO THAT.

>>KIRA CHANG: IT IS \$360,000 THAT IS NOT SPECIFICALLY TIED TO THE
1.2 THAT IS THE FAMILY TRANSITION CENTER IS REQUESTING.

IT IS THE SEPARATE FUNDING, HE IS JUST SAYING THAT WOULD BE ADDRESSED
THROUGH THE LEGAL FUNDING THAT IS AVAILABLE IN DOCTOR WALKER IS HERE
AS WELL AND SHE'S MORE INVOLVED ON THE LEGAL SIDE OF THINGS IF YOU
HAVE MORE QUESTIONS.

>>TRUSTEE PARAKKAT: THAT WAS IT, JUST TRYING TO CLARIFY THAT.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: ANY OTHER QUESTIONS?

TRUSTY STRAW?

>>TRUSTEE STRAW: ON THE GRANT FUNDS, ARE THE GRANTS GOING TO BE
SOLELY DISPERSED ON A REIMBURSEMENT BASIS OR ARE WE WORKING WITH THE
STATE, WITH THE MAYOR'S CAUCUS TO GET THOSE FUNDS ADVANCED SO THEY CAN
BE APPLIED MORE QUICKLY?

I KNOW FOR INSTANCE WHEN WE ARE LOOKING AT SHORT-TERM RENTAL, GETTING
PEOPLE INTO APARTMENTS FASTER, IT IS BETTER, ESPECIALLY BECAUSE I
BELIEVE THE OAK PARK FAMILY TRANSITION SHELTER CAN ONLY HOLD ABOUT 100
PEOPLE?

>>KIRA CHANG: THE SHELTER CAN HOLD UP TO 120, SO THAT IS GOOD
NEWS.

JUST IN TERMS OF - I THINK WHAT YOU ARE REFERRING TO IS STARTUP
FUNDING.

THAT IS SOMETHING THAT WE HAVE ADDRESSED THROUGH THOSE SUBGRANTEE
AGREEMENTS, WHETHER THAT IS THE STATE CHOOSING TO ADDRESS STARTUP FROM
THEIR FUNDS OR WHETHER IT IS THE VILLAGE ELECTING TO INCLUDE STARTUP
AS PART OF THAT AGREEMENT.

THAT IS SOMETHING THAT IS CONSIDERED IN TERMS OF DRAFTING THOSE
AGREEMENTS AND THE NEEDS OF THE OPERATION, THE NEEDS OF THE - - THE

CONFIDENCE IN THE FUNDS BEING USED APPROPRIATELY SO THEY ULTIMATELY CAN BE REIMBURSED.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: TRUSTY WESLEY?

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: THANK YOU.

MY QUESTIONS PROBABLY WILL NOT BE AS EASY.

SO THE RESETTLEMENT TASK FORCE, NO WE ARE GOING TO TALK ABOUT THIS AGAIN IN A MEETING AT A FUTURE DATE.

I DO FEEL A LITTLE BLINDSIDED BY THIS ONE THOUGH.

WE GOT SENSE OF INFORMATION, TRUSTEE ROBINSON MENTIONED, EXTENSIVE INFORMATION ABOUT THE \$1.2 MILLION IN THE ORGANIZATION IT WAS GOING TO AND HOW IT WOULD BE USED IN THE APPROXIMATE NUMBER OF PEOPLE THAT THE SHELTER WOULD HOLD AND SO ON AND SO FORTH.

I HAVE NEVER HEARD OF US PARTNERING WITH THE RESETTLEMENT TASK FORCE UNTIL I GOT THIS INTERNAL MEMO APPROXIMATELY AN HOUR BEFORE THIS BOARD MEETING.

SO MY CONCERNS HERE - GUESS WHAT I WOULD ASK IS WHY DID WE CHOOSE THEM AS A PARTNER?

>>KIRA CHANG: I DO WANT TO SAY THAT I KNOW THAT IT WAS VERBALLY SHARED WITH THE BOARD, THE PARTNER IN TERMS OF THOSE RESETTLEMENT DOLLARS, BUT I DID RELOOK AT ALL THE PAPERWORK AND THERE WAS NOBODY NAMED, NONE OF THE PARTNERS WERE NAMED, INCLUDING THE OAK PARK FAMILY TRANSITION CENTER.

JUST IN TERMS OF FOLKS WHO WERE ACTIVELY ENGAGED IN THIS SPACE AND WOULD BE ABLE TO IMMEDIATELY BEGIN TO PERFORM THE WORK.

WE HAD SUBMITTED OUR PROPOSAL FOR THE \$1.244 MILLION TO THE STATE DIRECTLY AS WE HAD BEEN PREVIOUSLY WORKING WITH THEM AND KIND OF ON A DIME THEY NOTIFIED US THAT THE WAY TO ACCESS THOSE FUNDS WOULD BE TO APPLY FOR THE SMASS GRANT AND WE HAD ARTY BEEN WORKING WITH THE STATE FOR OVER A MONTH AT THAT POINT TRYING TO ESTABLISH THE FUNDING FOR THAT TEMPORARY SHELTER.

WHEN THE SMASS GRANT, WHEN THE RFI OPEN AND WE BECAME AWARE OF WHAT SUB ADDITIONAL CATEGORIES COULD BE FUNDED TO THIS GRANT WE QUICKLY PUT TOGETHER A PLAN TO IDENTIFY WHERE FUNDING COULD BE POTENTIALLY USED IN THINKING ABOUT THE GREATEST NEEDS OF THE ASYLUM-SEEKERS, AND THINKING ABOUT THE FEEDBACK FROM THE BOARD OF WHAT FOLKS ARE LOOKING FOR IN TERMS OF THAT SERVICE AND THE BEST WAY TO REALLY LAUNCH PEOPLE INTO INDEPENDENCE AND SO WE HAD TO MAKE QUICK DECISIONS IN ORDER TO PUT A GRANT TOGETHER TO BRING TO THE BOARD.

THE RESETTLEMENT TASK FORCE WAS ACTIVELY DOING THE WORK AND THEY HAD RESETTLED SEVERAL FOLKS AT THAT POINT.

THEY HAD A PHYSICAL STEWARD WHO WAS A 5013C WHO WOULD ACT AS THE FIDUCIARY FOR THOSE FUNDS AND SO THEY WERE THE BIGGEST AND MOST ORGANIZED EFFORT WITHIN THE COMMUNITY AT THE TIME WHEN THOSE - WHEN THAT RESETTLEMENT FUNDING WAS CONTEMPLATED.

YOU KNOW, LONG-TERM HOUSING HAS NEVER - WE HAVE CONTINUALLY TALKED TO ALL OF OUR GRANTORS ABOUT LONG-TERM HOUSING AND WHERE THAT FITS IN THE PROCESS AND WE HAVE REPEATEDLY BEEN TOLD THAT THAT IS NOT SOMETHING THAT WOULD BE COVERED UNDER GRANT FUNDING EITHER THROUGH THE COUNTY OR THE STATE.

SO WHEN THIS OPPORTUNITY PRESENTED ITSELF WE WANTED TO PUT AN EFFORT FORWARD AND WE HAD MINIMAL TIME TO MAKE DECISIONS AND THESE WERE KNOWN PARTNERS TO US OF PEOPLE ACTIVELY ENGAGING IN THE WORK AND THE SPACE.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: OKAY.

WHEN WAS THIS - YOU MENTIONED THIS WAS VERBALLY SHARED WITH THE BOARD. WHEN WAS IT VERBALLY SHARED?

>>KIRA CHANG: JANUARY 23 I BELIEVE AT THE BOARD MEETING WHEN WE REQUESTED APPROVAL FOR THE \$1.94 MILLION GRANT.

>> YOU MEAN THE IMPROMPTU PRESENTATION WHEN FOLKS WERE CALLED DOWN FROM THE STANDS.

IS THAT WHAT WE ARE GOING WITH?

>>KIRA CHANG: I SHARED THAT.

>>VILLAGE MANAGER: WE SHARED IT DURING THE ITEM.

>>KIRA CHANG: WHEN I WAS PROVIDING AN UPDATE AND ADDRESSING THE ITEM.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: SORRY, I WILL HAVE TO REWATCH THAT BECAUSE I DO NOT RECALL THAT PRETTY YOU SAID THEY WERE ACTIVE IN THE SPACE. DID WE CONSIDER ANYBODY ELSE OTHER THAN THIS GROUP?

>>KIRA CHANG: LIKE I SAID WE WERE MOVING QUICKLY TO IDENTIFY A PARTNER AND TO BE ABLE TO PUT FORWARD A MEANINGFUL PROPOSAL TO THE STATE IN A VERY SHORT TURNAROUND.

WE LOOKED AT WHO FOLKS WORKING IN THAT SPACE WERE.

WE HAD PREVIOUSLY HAD CONVERSATIONS WITH CATHOLIC CHARITIES AND THEY SAID THEY WERE NO LONGER DOING THAT WORK AND SO WE VIEWED THE TASK FORCE TO BE SORT OF THE ONLY OPTION AT THE TIME.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: OKAY, SO THEY WERE THE ONLY PEOPLE WE CONSIDERED.

THIS ORGANIZATION IS ONLY ABOUT THREE WEEKS OLD, CORRECT? FOUR WEEKS, THREE WEEKS, SOMEWHERE AROUND THERE? NOT VERY OLD?

>>KIRA CHANG: I DON'T KNOW EXACTLY.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: THEIR FACEBOOK PAGES ONLY ABOUT THREE WEEKS OLD.

>>KIRA CHANG: YEAH, I'VE DON'T KNOW EXACTLY.

>>VILLAGE MANAGER: DO YOU HAVE SOME INFORMATION TO SHARE, DOCTOR WALKER?

THANKS.

>>DR. WALKER: GOOD EVENING MY NAME IS DOCTOR DANIELLE WALKER, CHIEF DIVERSITY, EQUITY, INCLUSION OFFICER.

JUST TO PROVIDE MORE CLARITY TO THE RESETTLEMENT TASK FORCE, THERE ARE ALSO INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE CONSISTENTLY BEEN ENGAGING WITH OUR MIGRANT COMMUNITY SO BEING ABLE TO HAVE ESTABLISHED RELATIONSHIP IS A FACTOR IN THAT.

OF BEING ABLE TO PARTNER WITH THEM VERY QUICKLY AND AROUND THEM ORGANIZING VERY QUICKLY ON THEIR OWN AND TRYING TO PROVIDE A COMMUNITY RESPONSE AND SUPPORT GIVING THE TIMELINE THAT THE VILLAGE WAS OPERATING UNDERNEATH.

SO IT HAS BEEN ABOUT A MONTH THAT THEY HAVE BEEN OPERATING, AGAIN, HE RESETTLEMENT TASK FORCE COMING TOGETHER AS A COMMUNITY ENTITY TO PROVIDE A MORE FORMALIZED SUPPORT TO ENGAGE IN THE TRANSITION OF OUR MIGRANT RESIDENTS FROM THE VILLAGE AS A SHELTER PROGRAM.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: SO THEY HAVE BEEN DOING THIS FOR ABOUT A MONTH WHEN WE SUBMITTED THE GRANT APPLICATION IT WAS ABOUT TWO WEEKS AGO SO THEY HAD BEEN IN EXISTENCE FOR ABOUT TWO WEEKS WHEN WE CHOSE THEM AS A PARTNER.

AND WE DID NOT LOOK AT ANYBODY ELSE.

SO, YOU KNOW, WHEN I WENT TO GO LOOK AT THEIR WEBSITE THERE WERE A FEW THINGS ON HERE THAT WAS ALSO A BIG CONCERN.

THERE IS - IN THEIR FAQ, IT SAYS "WHAT IS BEING DONE WITH THE FUNDS"? ONE SECTION HERE SAYS WE ARE WORKING ON A SYSTEM OF TRACKING AND TRANSPARENCY AND WE WILL SHARE MORE DETAILS ON THAT AS SOON THEY ARE WORKED THROUGH.

I FIND IT TROUBLING THAT WHICH IS A PARTNER THAT DOES NOT HAVE A SYSTEM OF TRACKING AND TRANSPARENCY ALREADY IN PRACTICE AND BEING COMMUNICATED ON THEIR WEBSITE.

YEAH, I FIND THIS ONE REALLY, REALLY, REALLY TROUBLING.

>>KIRA CHANG: I DEFINITELY - CERTAINLY WE WANT TO WORK WITH PARTNERS WHO ARE TRANSPARENT.

THE TERMS OF OUR AGREEMENT WITH ANY OF OUR SUBGRANTEES WILL INCLUDE THE PROCESS BY WHICH THEY ARE REQUIRED TO REPORT ON THEIR EXPENSES FOR THE PURPOSE OF REIMBURSEMENT.

THE STATE HAS VERY STRICT PARAMETERS AND ANY PARTNER WHO WORKS WITH US AND RECEIVES FUNDING THROUGH THAT IS REQUIRED TO CONFORM TO THOSE STANDARDS AND SO THAT IS SOMETHING THAT, YOU KNOW, REGARDLESS OF WHAT IS MAY BE WRITTEN ON THE WEBSITE, THE VILLAGE WOULD REQUIRE THAT OF THE PARTNERS.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: THANK YOU.

THAT IS ALL I HAVE FOR NOW.

I WILL SAY THOUGH THAT I AM VERY TROUBLED BY THIS PARTICULAR PARTNERSHIP AND THE PROCESS IN WHICH IT WAS COMMUNICATED TO THIS BOARD.

I DO NOT FEEL LIKE WE WERE GIVEN A SUFFICIENT HEAD'S UP ON IT AND I DON'T FEEL LIKE THIS IS A - THERE ARE PROBABLY ORGANIZATIONS THAT HAVE

BEEN DOING OR ARE DOING THIS WORK ALREADY IN EXISTENCE HAD WE CAST OUR NET WIDER, MAYBE WE WOULD HAVE FOUND SOME OF THEM.

IT IS TROUBLING THAT WE ONLY SETTLED ON ONE ORGANIZATION THAT HAS ONLY BEEN IN EXISTENCE FOR A MONTH AND AT MACRO LEVEL, WHEN THESE SORTS OF PROGRAMS AND THESE SORTS OF THINGS HAPPEN, ESPECIALLY IN CHICAGO, ESPECIALLY IN ILLINOIS, WHERE ALL THIS MONEY STARTS SLOSHING AROUND AND FLASHING AROUND AND THEN WE START GIVING MONEY TO FOLKS WHO HAVE BEEN IN EXISTENCE FOR A MONTH, IT FEELS UNCOMFORTABLE TO ME. ESPECIALLY WHEN A LOT OF THESE FOLKS ARE KNOWN TO A LOT OF US FOLKS. THAT ALL OF THIS TOGETHER MAKES ME EXTREMELY UNCOMFORTABLE AND THERE IS NO WAY I WILL VOTE FOR THIS.

>>KIRA CHANG: I WOULD JUST SAY THAT THE COMMUNITY OF CONGREGATIONS WHO IS A LONG-STANDING GROUP WITHIN THIS COMMUNITY, WHO HAS BEEN PROVIDING SERVICES AND HAS BEEN SUPPORTING OUR PAD SHELTERS AND OUR UNHOUSED POPULATION ARE SERVING AS THE FISCAL AGENT FOR THE GROUP.

WE DO HAVE CONFIDENCE AND A TRACK RECORD OF WORKING WITH THE COMMUNITY OF CONGREGATIONS, WHO IS ALSO A MEMBER OF THE TASK FORCE. SO YOU KNOW, OBVIOUSLY YOU ARE ENTITLED TO YOUR PERSPECTIVE, BUT WE ARE CONSIDERING THE COMMUNITY OF CONGREGATIONS AS A KEY PART OF THAT PARTNERSHIP AS WELL.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: SO THEY ARE THE ONE PART OF THIS PARTNERSHIP THAT I DON'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH.

I KNOW THEY HAVE AN ESTABLISHED TRACK RECORD AND I AM CONFIDENT IN THEM, BUT I ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT THEY ARE SERVING ONLY AS A PASS-THROUGH.

SO MY CONFIDENCE IS LIMITED IN THAT THEY WILL NOT ACTUALLY BE OPERATING THE PROGRAM AND THEY WILL NOT BE ACTUALLY - THEY WILL NOT BE OPERATING THE DAY TODAY AS MY UNDERSTANDING.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: I'M NOT SO SURE IF THAT IS TRUE.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: THAT IS WHAT WAS COMMUNICATED.

>>VILLAGE MANAGER: STAFF CAN PROVIDE SOME SPECIFIC RESPONSES, BUT JUST LISTENING, THIS IS FUNDAMENTAL TO AN EMERGENCY.

NOBODY HAS EVER DONE THIS BEFORE AND HOUSING IS ESSENTIAL COMPONENT OF THIS AND WITHOUT IT PEOPLE ARE ON THE STREETS.

AND SO WE ARE MOVING REALLY, REALLY FAST IN DIFFERENT DIRECTIONS AND WE TRY TO, LIKE THE COMMUNITY OF CONGREGATIONS HAS BEEN OPERATING HERE FOR A VERY LONG TIME.

WE HAVE ACTUALLY BEEN WORKING WITH - NOT NECESSARILY WORKING WITH THEM, BUT COMMUNICATING WITH THEM BECAUSE WE TRIED TO KEEP ALL LANES OPEN IN ORDER TO MATCH THE EMERGENCY.

AT ONE POINT THEY WERE SPEAKING TO US ABOUT ENGAGE IN - - THEIR PARISHIONER WAS GOING TO SUPPORT FAMILIES AND BRING THEM TO THEIR INDIVIDUAL HOMES.

OF COURSE, LIKE WHAT IS THAT?

CAN YOU REALLY DO THAT?
THE FEASIBILITY OF THAT.

SO WE HAVE BEEN LOOKING AT LISTENING TO THE COMMUNITY AND WHAT THEY
HAVE BEEN WANTING TO DO VIA THE COMMUNITY OF CONGREGATIONS FOR A
WHILE.

THEY ARE A TRUSTED SORT OF INSTITUTION, VOLUNTEER CHURCHES HERE IN THE
COMMUNITY AND SO WE HAVE TAKEN THAT SERIOUSLY, BUT WE HAVE ALSO TAKEN
OUR JOB SERIOUSLY IN TERMS OF LOOKING AT WHAT IS FEASIBLE AND WHAT IS
NOT FEASIBLE AND THEN TRYING TO REALLY IDENTIFY ALTERNATIVE SOLUTIONS,
TRY TO FIND THESE PEOPLE HOUSING.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: AND I AGREE WITH YOU, I THINK HOUSING IS
INCREDIBLY IMPORTANT, I JUST DISAGREE WITH THIS DECISION.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: GO AHEAD, TRUSTEE BUCHANAN?

>>TRUSTEE BUCHANAN: THANKS, PRESIDENT SCAMAN.

I WANT TO OPINE THAT THIS IS EXACTLY WHAT I WANTED TO SEE HAPPEN WITH
THIS MONEY SO I'M STRONGLY SUPPORTIVE OF THIS.

FIRST OF ALL, IT IS AN EXTREMELY UNUSUAL SITUATION AS MANAGER JACKSON
SAID, WE HAVE NEVER DONE THIS BEFORE.

I THINK MAJORITY OF THE BOARD HAS GIVEN DIRECTION TO THE VILLAGE TO
OFFRAMP AT THE VILLAGE FROM FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE MIGRANTS AND
THAT IS EXACTLY WHAT THIS MONEY DOES.

THERE HAVE BEEN PARTNERS THAT HAVE BEEN WORKING WITH THESE FOLKS SINCE
THE DAY THEY ARRIVED IN CHICAGO.

I HAVE BEEN CALLING FOR A TASK FORCE, I DON'T KNOW IF IT WAS MAJORITY
OF THE BOARD FOR A NONGOVERNMENTAL TASK FORCE TO TAKE OVER THE CARE OF
THE MIGRANTS AND THAT IS EXACTLY WHAT THIS MONEY DOES.

I ALSO HAVE SEEN HOW THE VILLAGE HAS MANAGED THE MONEY, TRACKED THE
MONEY, THE TRANSPARENCY OF THE MONEY.

I AM EXTREMELY SATISFIED WITH AND I HAVE FULL TRUST THAT THE VILLAGE
STAFF IS GOING TO MONITOR THE USE OF THIS MONEY.

SO I DO NOT FEEL THAT WE ARE IN AS MUCH - AT AS MUCH RISK AS I MIGHT
FEEL IN OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES.

I JUST THINK THAT THESE ARE SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES AND I AM VERY
SUPPORTIVE OF THE PLAN.

THANKS.

IT.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: I JUST WANT TO CALL OUT SOME OF THE PARTNERS
THAT ARE WITH COMMUNITY OF CONGREGATIONS AS COMMUNITY OF CONGREGATIONS
HAS BEEN AROUND FOR A LONG TIME AND THEY HAVE CHAMPIONED A LOT OF
TOPICS AND THEY MEET REGULARLY.

START OF JUSTICE, GREEN INITIATIVES, TACKLED A GREAT DEAL, BUT THEY
ALSO HAVE PARTNERS WITH PHIL GIMENEZ FROM THE YMCA, LINDA SCHULLER WHO
IS ASSISTING WITH HOUSING FORWARD.

PARTNERS WHO ARE VERY IMPORTANT TO THE VILLAGE AND WE HAVE BEEN ABLE -
COMMUNITY OF CONGREGATIONS THAT WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO LEAN ON AND WE
WANT TO MAINTAIN THOSE GOOD RELATIONSHIPS.

I THINK WE CAN EXPRESS OUR CONCERNS WITHOUT DISPARAGING SOME OF THOSE
RELATIONSHIPS, AND THEY HAVE ALREADY BEEN ABLE TO ACCOMPLISH, AS YOU
POINTED OUT, KIRA, SOME HOUSING EFFORTS.

I THINK CHALLENGES WITH HAVING ENOUGH TIME TO DIGEST ALL THE
INFORMATION, THOSE ARE ONES THAT WE DEFINITELY WANT TO PAY ATTENTION
TO AND ALWAYS DO WITH OUR COLLEAGUES, AND TRUSTEES, AND THE BOARD.
NINE VERY SUPPORTIVE OF THIS TASK FORCE AND GRATEFUL FOR THEM IN THEIR
EFFORTS, AND THE MANY, MANY VOLUNTEERS IN OUR COMMUNITY, AND CHURCHES
WHO HAVE STEPPED UP.

>>TRUSTEE STRAW: I WANT TO SPEAK TO COMMUNITY OF CONGREGATIONS
LONG TRACK RECORD OF STANDING UP NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS IN TIMES OF
NEED IN OUR COMMUNITY.
COMMUNITY OF CONGREGATIONS IS WHERE HOUSING FORWARD CAME FROM.
HOUSING FORWARD WAS BORN OUT OF PREVAIL AND THE PADS PROGRAM AND GREW
OUT OF -

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: ACTUALLY, THERE WAS ONE WOMAN, LINDA, MAYBE
YOU CAN SHARE THIS LATER.
IT IS A WONDERFUL, WONDERFUL STORY, (NAME?), WHO IS THE FOUNDER OF THE
HOUSING FORWARD IN PARTICULAR.

>>TRUSTEE STRAW: AND I AM READING FROM THEIR WEBSITE.
I DO NOT KNOW THE FULL STORY AND I WOULD LOVE TO HEAR IT BEYOND
HUNGER, PREVIOUSLY KNOWN AS THE OAK PARK/RIVER FOREST FOOD PANTRY WAS
BORN OUT OF COMMUNITY OF CONGREGATIONS.
THEY HAVE A LONG TRACK RECORD OF RESPONDING TO NEEDS AND CRISES IN OUR
COMMUNITY, BRINGING TOGETHER PEOPLE WHO ARE ACTIVE AND ENGAGED AROUND
THAT TOPIC AND CREATING THESE TYPES OF COLLABORATIVE EFFORTS.
I AM ENTHUSIASTICALLY SUPPORTIVE OF THE WORK OF THE TASK FORCE AND IT
IS SOMETHING THAT, YOU KNOW, FOLKS ON THE BOARD HAVE BEEN CALLING FOR
SINCE BACK IN OCTOBER, THE TASK FORCE, THE RESETTLEMENT TASK FORCE WAS
PULLED TOGETHER IN DECEMBER.
IT IS NOT IN AND OF ITSELF A NONPROFIT, INSTEAD IT IS A COLLABORATION
BETWEEN MULTIPLE NONPROFITS AND COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS.
SO I BELIEVE THAT ANY AGREEMENT WOULD BE WITH COMMUNITY OF
CONGREGATIONS.
NOT WITH THE RESETTLEMENT TASK FORCE SO THE DOLLARS WILL BE GOING TO
COMMUNITY OF CONGREGATIONS AND COMMUNITY OF CONGREGATIONS WILL BE
WRITING WHATEVER CHECKS NEED TO BE WRITTEN FOR THAT WORK.
SO IT IS GOING THROUGH A LONG TIME, TRUSTED PARTNER OF THE VILLAGE WHO
IS KNOWN TO BE A GOOD PHYSICAL STEWARD AND THESE THINGS AND SO I'M
QUITE CONFIDENT WITH THE PROGRAM.
I WILL SAY, OF THE PROGRAMS THAT WERE PRESENTED AT TWO WEEKS AGO, IT
IS THE ONE THAT WE ACTUALLY HAD THE MOST TRANSPARENCY ABOUT.

THAT'S THE ONE ORGANIZATION, IT IS THE ONLY ONE WHERE WE HAD THE NAME OF WHO WOULD BE OUR PARTNER AND THEY CAME UP AND I ASKED A GREAT NUMBER OF QUESTIONS OF THEM BECAUSE THEY WERE THE ONE PARTNER FOR THAT GRANT THAT WE HAD HERE TO BE ABLE TO ASK QUESTIONS OF. OF THE PARTS OF THE GRANT, IT IS THE ONE THAT WE HAD THE MOST TRANSPARENCY INTO.

I FIND IT SORT OF SURPRISING - I SENT AROUND THE TIMESTAMPS EARLIER TODAY.

IT WAS ON THE VIDEO.

STAFF TOLD US WHO THE PARTNERS WERE.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: WE WANT TO RESPECT THE CONCERNS OF OUR COLLEAGUES.

I APPRECIATE THAT.

ABSOLUTELY, ABSOLUTELY.

IF WE COULD JUST DO ONE LAST ROUND SO WE CAN THEN MOVE ON WITH OUR AGENDA AND I ALSO WANT TO SAY THAT THE PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT OF THE COMMUNITY OF CONGREGATIONS HAVE BEEN VERY ACTIVE ON THE TASK FORCE AS WELL.

SO THAT FISCAL AGENT IS A ACTIVE PARTICIPANT.

WHO WANTS TO GO FIRST?

IF YOU HAD ANYTHING ELSE?

THANKS.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: SO I DO WANT TO SAY THAT I AM NOT DISPARAGING ANYONE IN THE SITUATION.

I AM MERELY CALLING OUT WHAT I SEE ARE INHERENT DEFICIENCIES.

I KNOW THAT TRUSTEE BUCHANAN, YOU AND TRUSTEES STRAW REFERENCED A (WORD?), BUT I DON'T REMEMBER ANY BOARD CONSENSUS ROUND STARTING A TASK FORCE.

DO YOU RECALL ANY THING, KEVIN?

SO WE ARE STARTING THE TASK FORCE NOW, THAT DOES NOT ACTUALLY REFLECT BOARD DIRECTION.

IT DOESN'T MATTER, WE DID NOT ASK FOR IT.

YOU GUYS ASK FOR IT, BUT THE BOARD DIDN'T.

THERE'S A DIFFERENCE.

IN TERMS OF THE NAME OF THE ORGANIZATION, THERE'S A DIFFERENCE BETWEEN TRANSPARENCY TO THE PUBLIC AND TRANSPARENCY TO THE BOARD.

WE'VE ALL HAD CONVERSATIONS WITH THE MANAGER ABOUT THE PARTICULAR SET UP OF THE CHURCH AND THAT CHARITY AND HOW THEY WERE GOING TO RUN THINGS.

WE KNEW PARTICULARS.

WE HAD DETAILS.

I DON'T RECALL IF WE HAD THE NAME OR NOT.

I HONESTLY DO NOT REMEMBER I DID NOT THINK IT WAS IMPORTANT AT THE TIME, BUT I REMEMBER HAVING DETAILS ABOUT THAT ASPECT OF THE GRANT APPLICATION.

SO WHILE THE PUBLIC DID NOT HAVE THAT NAME, THE BOARD HAD DETAILS. SO I DID FEEL THAT THAT WAS A TRANSPARENT SITUATION AND ONE WHERE WE WERE PROPERLY ENGAGED.

IN THIS SITUATION - WE DID NOT HAVE THAT SITUATION.

WE DID NOT HAVE ANY OF THOSE CONVERSATIONS.

LIKE I SAID, THE FIRST TIME I UNDERSTOOD THAT THE RESETTLEMENT TASK FORCE WAS EVEN INCLUDED IN THE GRANT WAS AN HOUR BEFORE THIS MEETING. YOU KNOW, AND AGAIN, I THINK WE ARE TALKING ABOUT THIS AS IF THESE FOLKS ARE THE ONLY FOLKS WHO CAN ACTUALLY DO THIS JOB.

I GET THAT WE HAVE TO MOVE WITH SPEED, BUT THIS IS AN ORGANIZATION THAT HAS ONLY BEEN IN EXISTENCE FOR TWO WEEKS WE INCLUDED THEM ON THE GRANT APPLICATION.

THERE HAS TO BE A BALANCE, I THINK, BETWEEN SPEED AND A LITTLE BIT MORE CONSIDERATION.

I JUST FIND THIS ONE - I FIND THIS ONE HARD TO GET PAST.

I WILL LET YOU GO.

I AM JUST REPEATING MYSELF.

>>TRUSTEE ROBINSON: WHO FROM THE COMMUNITY OF CONGREGATIONS WAS HERE AT THAT MEETING?

>>KIRA CHANG: I DON'T BELIEVE ANYONE - REVEREND (NAME?) WAS NOT HERE AT THE MEETING AS THE PRESIDENT OF COMMUNITY OF CONGREGATIONS.

>>TRUSTEE ROBINSON: THE ORGANIZATION WE WOULD ACTUALLY BE CONTRACTING WITH WAS IN FACT NOT HERE?
IS THAT RIGHT?

>>KIRA CHANG: MEMBERS OF THE RESETTLEMENT TASK FORCE WERE NOT - -

>>TRUSTEE ROBINSON: THERE'S A LOT OF TALK ABOUT THE RELATIONSHIP BEING WITH THE COMMUNITY OF CONGREGATIONS AND THERE BEING A PRESENCE HERE OF THAT PARTNERSHIP AND I DID NOT REALIZE THAT WE TALK TO ANYBODY OF THE COMMUNITY OF CONGREGATIONS AT THAT MEETING.
THAT IS NOT TRUE.

I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE NOT REWRITING WHAT HAPPENED AT THAT MEETING TO CREATE A NARRATIVE THAT SUPPORTED A SUBGRANTEE OR AT LEAST THE POTENTIAL OF A SUBGRANTEE RELATIONSHIP BECAUSE AS I UNDERSTAND, THOUGH SUBGRANTEE CONTRACTS HAVE NOT YET BEEN SIGNED.

I WANT TO BE REALLY CLEAR THAT THE ONE ORGANIZATION THAT IS BEING UPHELD WASN'T ACTUALLY HERE, AND THAT IS NOT TO DISPARAGE THEM, THIS IS ACTUALLY NOT ABOUT THE COMMUNITY OF CONGREGATIONS, BUT IF THAT IS WHO WE ARE PARTNERING WITH AND IF THE CLAIM IS THAT THOSE PARTNERS WERE HERE AT THAT MEETING AND THEY WERE NOT HERE, THEN THAT CLAIM IS 100% FALSE.

I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE STICKING WITH THE FACTS AND WHAT ACTUALLY HAPPENED IN THAT MEETING BECAUSE TO COREY'S POINT, I ALSO FELT QUITE BLINDSIDED FOR THEM TO BE CALLED DOWN BY TRUSTEES STRAW IN THE MIDDLE OF THE MEETING AND - AS THEY ARE TALKING GIVING THEIR

PRESENTATION, FOR THE BOARD TO RECEIVE SOME SORT OF HANDOUT, THAT IS NOT THE PROPER WAY TO HAVE A GROUP PRESENT TO THE BOARD.

ARE WE EXPECTED IT TO WHILE READING THE HANDOUT AND LISTENING TO WHAT THEY ARE SAYING COME UP WITH QUESTIONS TO VET THEM?

THAT IS COMPLETELY UNREASONABLE AND THAT PRACTICE IS UNACCEPTABLE AND I DON'T WANT THAT TO BECOME A STANDARD PRACTICE OF HOW PARTNER AGENCIES ARE VETTED WITH THIS BOARD.

I JUST WANT TO BE REALLY CLEAR ABOUT THE FACTS AND WHAT ACTUALLY HAPPENED DURING THAT MEETING BECAUSE SOME OF THAT IS BEING MISCONSTRUED EVEN IN THIS MEETING.

I THINK THE OTHER ISSUE IS, YOU KNOW, KIRA, YOU MENTIONED THAT THEY WERE THE ONLY ORGANIZATION IN THE COMMUNITY.

THERE'S A WHOLE BIG WORLD OUTSIDE OF OAK PARK.

WE HAVE TO LEARN TO THINK BEYOND OUR BORDERS.

ESPECIALLY WHEN WE ARE TRYING TO RESETTLE INDIVIDUALS OUTSIDE OF OAK PARK.

THERE ARE ESTABLISHED ORGANIZATIONS THAT EXIST IN CHICAGO, IN THE GREATER WESTERN SUBURB COMMUNITY THAT HAVE NOT JUST ACTUAL NONPROFIT STATUS, BUT THEY HAVE ESTABLISHED RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE GREATER CHICAGO FOOD DEPOSITORY, WITH THE CHICAGO FURNITURE BANK, OTHER ANCILLARIES THAT ARE REQUIRED FOR RESETTLEMENT EFFORTS.

IT IS VERY CONCERNING THAT THAT WAS THE THRESHOLD AND THAT WAS THE CRITERIA USED TO SELECT THIS PARTNER.

THAT SEEMS TO ME QUITE A LOW THRESHOLD.

WE DID NOT KNOW OF ANY OTHER ORGANIZATIONS AND WE ONLY EXAMINE THEM WITHIN OUR 4 1/2 BY 5 MI.².

I THINK THE LAST THING IS THIS WAS PART OF MY CONCERN WITH THE GRANT APPLICATION.

AS THINGS EVOLVE AND MOVE QUICKLY, I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT DECISIONS ARE NOT MADE THAT ARE NOT BEING PROPERLY VETTED BY THE BOARD.

THAT REALLY FOR ME IS THE SECOND THING THAT THIS COMES DOWN TO.

THE BOARD HAS TO HAVE A FULL CONVERSATION, LIKE WE DO ANY OTHER MAJOR AGENDA ITEM AND FINANCIAL FUNDING.

WE HAVE TO BE ABLE TO VET CHOICES AND OPTIONS AND HAVE A CONVERSATION, AND SHARE OUR CONCERNS WHAT HAPPENED AT THAT MEETING TWO WEEKS AGO IS NOT THE PROCESS BY WHICH TO DO THAT.

SO AS I MENTIONED WE HAVE A MOTION ON THE TABLE AND I WOULD LIKE FOR YOU TO JUST MOVE ON THAT WHEN YOU CAN SCHEDULE IT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

>>VILLAGE MANAGER: ABSOLUTELY, AND IF THE BOARD WOULD LIKE TO MAKE ANOTHER DECISION ON THE EMERGENCY DECLARATION, WE CAN SCHEDULE EVERY MEETING ON EVERY DECISION AS IT RELATES TO MANAGING THE EMERGENCY.

THE EMERGENCY DECLARATION IS SUPPOSED TO ENABLE THE MANAGER TO MAKE DECISIONS IN EXUBERANT CIRCUMSTANCES AND THEY DO OCCUR AND THEY HAVE OCCURRED AND THEY ARE OCCURRING STILL NOW IN THIS EMERGENCY.

SO I JUST PUT THAT OUT THERE AS PART OF THIS CONVERSATION TONIGHT THAT THERE ARE STILL 'S AGENT CIRCUMSTANCES IN THE SITUATION WHERE, I GUESS IF WE WANT TO - WE COULD SCHEDULE A MEETING EVERY NIGHT MAYBE, BUT - RIGHT?

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: I THINK YOU VERY MUCH, VILLAGE MANAGER JACKSON.

>>VILLAGE MANAGER: WITH ALL FAIRNESS THOUGH, I THINK IT IS IMPORTANT TO GIVE STAFF THE OPPORTUNITY TO TALK ABOUT WHAT CHOICES, WHAT OPTIONS WE HAVE THAT CREATE THE CHOICES WE MAKE. BECAUSE I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT IT IS CLEAR, LIKE IT IS NOT JUST OH, WE WANT TO WORK WITH THIS GROUP, THAT GROUP OR THAT GROUP. IT IS REALLY REVOLVING AROUND - EVERY DECISION IS REVOLVING AROUND WHAT IS AVAILABLE FOR US TO ACTUALLY ADDRESS THE NEEDS?

>>KIRA CHANG: I WILL JUST SAY, IF STAFF DID NOT COMMUNICATE CLEARLY THROUGH THIS PROCESS AND IF TRUSTEES ARE FEELING BLINDSIDED, THEN THAT IS A FAILURE OF STAFF TO EFFECTIVELY COMMUNICATE. I DO BELIEVE THAT WE SHARE PARTNER INFORMATION IN THAT CONVERSATION, BUT IF THAT WAS NOT CLEAR, THEN THAT'S A FAILURE OF STAFF. STAFF ARE WORKING VERY HARD TO RESPOND TO AN EMERGENCY SITUATION WITH A NUMBER OF VARIABLES AND WITH VERY SHORT DEADLINES AND SO WE ARE TRYING TO TAKE IN ALL THE FEEDBACK OF THE BOARD INTO CONSIDERATION AND SO THE \$1.944 MILLION GRANT CAME TOGETHER VERY QUICKLY, SHORT AMOUNT OF TIME AND IF WE FAIL TO COMMUNICATE IT ADEQUATELY TO THE LEVEL THAT YOU WANTED TO, THEN THAT IS A FAILURE OF STAFF AND NOT OF THE PARTNERS WHO WE ARE WORKING WITH.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THAT AND VILLAGE MANAGER JACKSON, I REALLY WANT TO RESPECT WHEN ANYONE WALKS AWAY FEELING AS THOUGH SOMETHING WASN'T CLEAR, BUT I DID HEAR - I DID NOT GET A CHANCE TO RELISTEN TO THE BOARD MEETING, BUT I DID REMEMBER THAT YOU MENTIONED THE TASK FORCE, BUT THIS FEELS LIKE SOME OF THIS CONVERSATION IS A LITTLE MISPLACED THIS EVENING IN ALL DUE RESPECT AND THERE ARE PEOPLE ON THE TASK FORCE TO JUST CLOSE THAT HAVE THE EXPERIENCE THAT YOU ARE REQUESTING.

THEY REALLY DO.

TONY MARTIN IS WITH THE OAK PARK/RIVER FIRST COMMUNITY FOUNDATION IS SOMEBODY WITH A VAST ORGANIZING AND MIGRANT EXPERIENCE IN THE CITY OF CHICAGO AND HE IS ALSO HELPING ADVISED THAT COMMISSION AND IT'S A RELATIONSHIP THAT IS A VERY - ONE THAT I HAVE BEEN ACTIVE WITH SINCE AT LEAST 2015.

THIS ISN'T NECESSARILY THE DIALOGUE THAT I WOULD HAVE HOPED THAT WE WOULD HAVE HAD IN RESPONSE TO ANY CONCERNS THAT EXIST.

AND THAT THAT DIALOGUE COULD HAVE ALSO BEEN HAD WITH - RESPECTFULLY WITH THE VILLAGE MANAGER AND OUR STAFF HAVE BEEN RESPONDING VERY, VERY QUICKLY AND I KNOW EVERYONE HERE HAS ACKNOWLEDGED OUR GRATITUDE FOR

HOW QUICKLY THEY HAVE HAD TO RESPOND AND THAT WE DO TRUST OUR STAFF WITH THE EMERGENCY ORDER.

THAT THIS ISSUE OF THE MIGRANT RESPONSE HAS PUT STRAIN ON ALL.

THANK YOU, COLIN, FOR JOINING US TODAY.

IMMUNITY OF CONGREGATIONS PRESIDENT, COLIN.

AND JUST LASTLY, VILLAGE MANAGER JACKSON, THE MEMBERS OF THE TASK FORCE, WHERE THEY INVITED TO THE MEETING?

>>VILLAGE MANAGER: YES.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: OKAY.

THEY WERE INVITED BY YOU OR BY STAFF?

>>VILLAGE MANAGER: STAFF, YES.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THE DAY OF THE MEETING?

>>VILLAGE MANAGER: I DON'T KNOW IF IT WAS EXACTLY THE DAY OF THE MEETING.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: I JUST WANT TO POINT OUT THAT NOT EVERY SINGLE PERSON IS GOING TO BE AVAILABLE TO JOIN US AT A BOARD MEETING AND THAT IS ALL OF IT.

>>VILLAGE MANAGER: I HOPE WE CAN PUT IT INTO CONTEXT, YOU GUYS LIKE TO TALK ABOUT OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH THE TASK FORCE IN THE COMMUNITY OF CONGREGATIONS AND HOW IT EVOLVED.

OUR CONNECTION TO THEM AS IT RELATES TO THE MEETING WOULD BE HELPFUL.

>>KIRA CHANG: WE MEET ON A WEEKLY BASIS WITH THE TASK FORCE THAT PREDATED THE INTRODUCTION OR THE INVOLVEMENT OF THE TASK FORCE AND THE GRANT FUNDING.

WE CERTAINLY ARE ALL WORKING WITH THE INTEREST OF ASYLUM-SEEKERS TO BECOME INDEPENDENT, TO FIND THEIR NEXT PATH AND SO WE MEET WITH A NUMBER OF COMMUNITY PARTNERS AROUND THE ISSUE.

THE TASK FORCE, I BELIEVE WE BEGAN MEETING IN EARLY JANUARY, WE MUCH WHEN THEY WERE STOOD UP AND BEGAN HAVING CONVERSATIONS ABOUT THE ROLE THAT THE TASK FORCE HAD, WHAT SOME OF THEIR GOALS WERE, PLACES WHERE THE TASK FORCE'S GOALS ALIGNED WITH THE VILLAGES GOALS AND SO THEY WERE INVITED TO THE MEETING, I BELIEVE IT MAY HAVE BEEN THE WEEK BEFORE THE DISCUSSION ABOUT THE GRANT - AT THAT TIME WE DID NOT ANTICIPATE THE GRANT BEING ON THE AGENDA BECAUSE THAT MOVED VERY QUICKLY, THE FRIDAY BEFORE THAT MEETING.

THEY WERE INVITED TO THE MEETING TO TALK ABOUT THE WORK THAT THEY ARE DOING RELATED TO THE ASYLUM-SEEKERS IN THE COMMUNITY.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: RIGHT, RIGHT.

I DO REMEMBER IT WAS A LATE ADDITION TO THE AGENDA BECAUSE WE LEARNED THAT THE DUE DATE WAS VERY TIGHT AND WE WOULD NEED TO REALLY KNOW THAT NIGHT.

THAT ACTUALLY IS REALLY GOOD CONTEXT AND I'M GLAD THAT YOU SHARED THAT BECAUSE THE ONGOING CONVERSATIONS THAT YOU ARE HAVING ALSO SPEAKS TO THAT WE ABSOLUTELY DO TRUST, I DO TRUST THAT THE FOLLOW-UP, THE

ACCOUNTABILITY THAT YOU ALWAYS SEEK IN A RELATIONSHIP NEVER MONEY IS INVOLVED AS A GOVERNMENT IS ALWAYS, YOU KNOW, YOUR GOAL. THIS IS AWKWARD, I WILL ADMIT AND I'M TRYING TO OPERATE WITH A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF GRACE, RATHER THAN MAY BE - AS EXAMPLES I'VE HAD IN THE PAST OF STOPPING SOMEBODY, BUT IT IS BECAUSE I JUST - THIS IS A TOPIC THAT WE ALL DESERVE A LITTLE BIT OF GRACE. I'M AWARE THAT IT HAS HAD - IT IS RESPONDING TO AN EMERGENCY. AND MAYBE JUST TO REFLECT FOR A MOMENT THAT I CANNOT EVEN IMAGINE HOW EXHAUSTED ALL THE VOLUNTEERS MUST BE AND THE CITY OF CHICAGO AND PEOPLE WHO ARE STILL GOING OUT TO POLICE STATIONS TO PROVIDE, HOPEFULLY THEY ARE NOT APTLY STATIONS ANYMORE, YES, THANK YOU. WORKING TO TRY TO HELP PEOPLE FIND A PERMANENT PLACE TO LIVE. WE'VE TALKED A LITTLE BIT ABOUT - NOT ENOUGH, NOT ENOUGH ABOUT - AND I'M NOT THE RIGHT PERSON TO EVEN APPROACH THIS THAT WE HAVE NOT HISTORICALLY AS A SOCIETY DONE THIS FOR ALL PEOPLE. I DEFINITELY TAKE THAT TO HEART, TOO. AT RISK OF DRAWING THIS MEETING ANY LONGER, DOES ANYBODY HAVE?

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: A COUPLE THINGS.

I WANT TO SAY I'M NOT ACCUSING ANYONE OF ANYTHING, BUT I'M AN ELECTED OFFICIAL IN PRESUMPTION IS REALITY AND SO WHEN WE ARE DEALING WITH LARGE SUMS OF MONEY AND OF FUNDS THAT GET TRANSFERRED TO PEOPLE THAT WE ALL KNOW THAT A LOT OF US HAVE REALLY CLOSE CONNECTIONS WITH, AND WHEN THOSE THINGS HAPPEN, SPUR OF THE MOMENT, THERE'S A CERTAIN LEVEL OF ACCOUNTABILITY THAT I FEEL TO THE PUBLIC THAT I FEEL LIKE I HAVE TO ANSWER TO AND I FEEL LIKE I HAVE TO ASK QUESTIONS ABOUT AND THEN THE FACT THAT THIS ORGANIZATION IS ONLY SEVERAL WEEKS OLD, A COUPLE WEEKS OLD ADDS TO THAT RECEPTION FOR ME AND TO THAT SENSE OF ADDITIONAL ACCOUNTABILITY.

I DO TAKE THIS JOB VERY SERIOUSLY BECAUSE IT KEEPS ME AWAY FROM MY FAMILY AND SO IF I'M GOING TO DO IT I FEEL LIKE I HAVE TO DO IT WITH EVERYTHING I HAVE AND I HAVE TO ENSURE THAT MY MORALITY COMES THROUGH TO THE WORDS I SAY HERE AND THE FOLKS THAT I MAKE AND FOR ME THE CONTEXT OF CHICAGO POLITICS, THE CONTEXT OF ILLINOIS, THE CONTEXT OF UNDERSTANDING AND NOT JUST - BRINGING THIS OUT OF THE AIR, THERE ARE PEOPLE WHO ARE SAYING TO US ON SOCIAL MEDIA, LIKE I CANNOT WAIT TO SEE WHO IS GOING TO GO TO JAIL WITH ALL THIS MONEY BEING SPENT AROUND, RIGHT?

THIS IS ALREADY A THING.

AND SO - IT DID NOT COME OUT OF THIN AIR.

THIS IS SOMETHING THAT WEIGHS ON ME AND - I KNOW, THE REST OF THIS WILL BE IN A LETTER TO KEVIN.

I WILL SEND IT TO YOU.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU FOR JOINING US AND THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE AND THANK YOU FOR THE WORK, AND I THINK THE LEVEL OF ACCOUNTABILITY THAT WE SEEK MAKES US BETTER.

AND IF THERE IS ANYONE WISHING TO REACH OUT TO ME THOUGH, THEN PLEASE DO BECAUSE I JUST WANT THE FOLKS THAT - MAYBE OUR CONVERSATION IS LOST ON BECAUSE THERE'S CONTEXT THAT IS NOT - THAT EVERYONE WATCHING THIS MIGHT NOT UNDERSTAND, OUR APPRECIATION IS GENUINE TO THE VOLUNTEERS IN OUR COMMUNITY AND THE CHURCHES.
OKAY.

DID YOU HAVE ANYTHING FURTHER?

>>VILLAGE MANAGER: YES.

>>VILLAGE MANAGER: TWO ADDITIONAL UPDATES.

WE HAD THE QUARTERLY FIELD STOP UPDATE, AND SHE JOHNSON WILL DELIVER THAT AND THEN WE WILL CLOSE OUT, JUST WANT TO INTRODUCE NEW STAFF MEMBERS OF THE VILLAGE.

KEY STAFF MEMBERS THAT YOU WILL SEE QUITE A BIT IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

>>SPEAKER: THANK YOU, MANAGER JACKSON, SHATONYA JOHNSON, CHIEF OF POLICE.

I WANT TO SHARE WITH YOU ALL THE PEDESTRIAN SUBS FOR THE SECOND HALF OF THE YEAR.

THE GOAL WAS TO PRESENT THIS QUARTERLY, HOWEVER, WITH THE EMERGENCY DECLARATION IT WAS DELAYED.

SO TONIGHT I WILL SHARE WITH YOU THAT FOR THE YEAR WE HAD 78 TOTAL PEDESTRIAN STOPS.

PREVIOUSLY I REPORTED ON THE STOPS FROM JANUARY - THROUGH JUNE TONIGHT I WILL BE REPORTING OUT ON THE PEDESTRIAN STOPS FROM JULY THROUGH DECEMBER.

WE HAD A TOTAL OF 42 PEDESTRIAN STOPS DURING THAT PERIOD.

23 WERE MALE BLACK, NINE FEMALE BLACK, SEVEN FEMALE WHITE, MALE WHITE, TWO FEMALE WHITE, ONE HISPANIC MALE.

WE HAD 16 - WE HAD 16 TRESPASS WARNINGS RELATED TO RETAIL THEFTS.

WE HAD 16 SUSPICIOUS PERSONS RANGING FROM CRIMINAL DAMAGE TO PROPERTY THROUGH SUBJECTS PEEKING THROUGH HOUSE WINDOWS, INCLUDING SOME MATCHING THE DESCRIPTION OF OFFENDERS, CALLS FOR SERVICE.

WE HAD SIX SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITIES.

FOUR CLASSIFIED AS "OTHER", WHICH INCLUDED TWO RETAIL THEFTS, ONE SUBJECT SITTING IN THE LIBRARY AFTER HOURS AT ABOUT 130 IN THE MORNING AND AGAIN, THE SUBJECT THAT WAS PEEKING THROUGH THE WINDOWS - I WILL GO AHEAD AND GO THROUGH IT MONTH BY MONTH WITH DETAILS.

NO, I'M GOING TO VINCENNES.

I WAS GIVING YOU A QUICK OVERVIEW BEFORE I WENT MONTH BY MONTH.

FOR THE MONTH OF JULY WE HAD THREE MALE BLACK STOPS, ONE FEMALE BLACK, ONE JUVENILE.

FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST WE HAD TWO MALE BLACK STOPS, ONE MALE WHITE, TWO FEMALE BLACK, TWO FEMALE WHITE.

ONE SUSPICIOUS PERSON, ONE SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY, TWO OTHERS, WHICH RESULTED IN ARRESTS AND THREE - AND THREE TRESPASS WARNINGS.

FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER, WHICH WAS THE HIGHEST MONTH OF ACTIVITY WE HAD FIVE - I'M SORRY, SEVEN MALE BLACK STOPS, THREE MALE WHITE STOPS AND ONE FEMALE BLACK, TWO JUVENILES, CODED IN THE STOPS, FIVE WERE FOR SUSPICIOUS PERSON, 24 SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITIES, TWO OTHERS AND THEN TWO TRESPASS WARNINGS.

FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER WE HAD FIVE MALE BLACK STOPS, ONE HISPANIC MALE STOP, TWO FEMALE BLACK STOPS, THREE JUVENILES, FIVE SUSPICIOUS PERSONS AND THREE TRESPASS WARNING.

FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER THERE WERE FIVE MALE BLACK STOPS, FIVE FEMALE BLACK STOPS, FIVE TRESPASS WARNINGS, THREE SUSPICIOUS PERSONS AND LASTLY FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER WE HAVE FOUR STOPS AND TWO WERE FOR SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITIES.

ONE SUSPICIOUS PERSON AND ONE TRESPASS WARNING.

TWO MALE BLACKS, TWO MALE WHITES.

HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING ANY OF THESE STOPS.

AND THAT THIS IS A GRAPH FOR THE ENTIRE YEAR WITH THE STATISTICS.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: TRUSTEE BUCHANAN?

>>TRUSTEE BUCHANAN: THANK YOU VERY MUCH CHIEF JOHNSON.

ONE OF THE MAIN REASONS I THINK WE STARTED THESE IS BECAUSE WE WANT TO TRACK FOR RACE AND EQUITY REASONS.

THE OUTCOMES OR THE STOPS, BUT AM INTERESTED IN THE OUTCOMES, ESPECIALLY THE SUSPICIOUS PERSONS AND THE SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY BECAUSE THAT IS WHAT CONCERNS US A LOT ABOUT SYSTEMIC RACISM AND PATTERNS OF BEHAVIOR THAT POLICE MAY BE USED TO FOLLOWING WERE CONSIDERING PEOPLE OF COLOR TO BE MORE SUSPICIOUS JUST CONDUCTING REGULAR ACTIVITIES. WE HAVE SEEN THAT OCCUR WHEN NEIGHBORS HAVE CALLED THE POLICE AND I KNOW YOU'RE OBLIGATED TO RESPOND.

SO DO WE HAVE INFORMATION ABOUT THE OUTCOMES WHEN YOU HAVE STOPPED SUSPICIOUS PERSONS AND SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITIES, WHETHER IT REALLY DID QUALIFY AS SUSPICIOUS?

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THEY ALL DID AND I CAN GO THROUGH ALL OF THEM IF YOU WOULD LIKE, BUT THEY ALL DID.

WE ONLY HAD TWO SELF INITIATED ACTIVITIES IN THOSE TWO SELF INITIATED ACTIVITIES, ONE WAS IN SEPTEMBER.

>>TRUSTEE BUCHANAN: SORRY, WHAT IS SELF INITIATED?

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: WHERE.

>> WHERE THE OFFICER INITIATED THE STOP.

THE OTHER 40 STOPS WERE ALL CALLS FOR SERVICE AND ONE WAY OR ANOTHER AND AGAIN, THE SUSPICIOUS PERSONS RANGE FROM INDIVIDUALS IN THE ALLEY TAMPERING WITH CARS, A SUBJECT AT A RESIDENT, ON A RING VIDEO CHECKING DOOR HANDLES.

WE HAD CONTRACTORS, CARS THAT WERE RUMMAGED THROUGH.

WE HAD SOME THAT WERE IN THE ALLEY GOING THROUGH GARBAGE PRETTY MUCH SCRAPPING AND WE HAD A COUPLE THAT INVOLVED A VERBAL ALTERCATION WHERE OFFICERS MADE THE STOP.

WE HAD AT LEAST ONE THAT WAS RELATED TO A ROBBERY SUB SPECT IN FOREST PARK, BUT WENT INTO OUR WENDY'S AND TRIED TO STALL THEM THERE WHERE OFFICERS ASSISTED FOREST PARK AND A HOST OF OTHER THINGS, BUT IF YOU WOULD LIKE I CAN GO THROUGH ALL 16 OF THEM.

>>TRUSTEE BUCHANAN: THAT IS GREAT.

THANK YOU.

>> NO PROBLEM AT ALL.

YES, MA'AM?

>>TRUSTEE ROBINSON: CHIEF JOHNSON, I WANT TO IDENTIFY THE CRITERIA FOR IDENTIFYING GRID OF THE EIGHT CRITERIA FOR IDENTIFYING RACE AND ETHNICITY IS THE OFFICER OBSERVATION?

LOOKS LIKE WE MOVED PAST THE ISSUE OF NOT BEING ABLE TO IDENTIFY HISPANIC OR LATINO INDIVIDUALS.

THOSE ARE NOT BEING TRACKED ON A REGULAR BASIS AND LOOKS LIKE. IS THAT CORRECT?

>>SPEAKER: YES, MA'AM.

>>TRUSTEE ROBINSON: HOW DO YOU IDENTIFY AGE?
ARE YOU ASKING?

THIS IS ON SLIDE NUMBER EIGHT.

>> I CAN GO BACK.

>>TRUSTEE ROBINSON: IF YOU ANSWERED THIS, I'M SORRY.

>> WE USUALLY ENGAGE IN CONVERSATION WITH THEM AND THEY PROVIDE THEIR DATE OF BIRTH OR AN ID SO WE CAN DETERMINE THE AGE FROM THAT PERSPECTIVE.

>>TRUSTEE ROBINSON: PERFECT.

I JUST WANTED TO REESTABLISH THE BASIS FOR THE REPORTING AND HOW WERE OFFICERS ARE GETTING THIS INFORMATION TO REPORT BACK TO US AND MAINTAIN YOUR OWN STATISTICS.

THANK YOU.

>>SPEAKER: YOU ARE WELCOME.

>>TRUSTEE PARAKKAT: THANK YOU, CHIEF JOHNSON.
QUESTION ABOUT COMPARISONS - THIS IS LAST YEAR, HOW DOES IT COMPARE WITH THE PREVIOUS YEAR?

>>SPEAKER: WE BEGAN IN DECEMBER 2022.

>>TRUSTEE PARAKKAT: SO YOU DON'T HAVE - MAC.

>> NOT AT THIS TIME, BUT WE WILL HAVE ONE MOVING FORWARD.

>>TRUSTEE PARAKKAT: THAT IS ALL HE HAD.

APPRECIATE ALL THE WORK.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: THANK YOU CHIEF JOHNSON AND I APPRECIATE THIS. A COUPLE THINGS.

WILL WE BE GETTING A COPY OF THIS POWERPOINT?

I DID NOT SEE IT IN THE AGENDA MATERIALS.

THE OTHER QUESTION I HAD WAS, WHAT PERCENTAGE OF THE JUVENILES - THE RACIAL BREAKDOWN FOR THEM?

>> WE HAD FIVE - FOUR MALE BLACK JUVENILES AND ONE FEMALE BLACK JUVENILE.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: THAT IS FOR THE YEAR?
THEY WERE ALL BLACK.

OKAY.

WERE ANY OF THOSE SELF INITIATED OR ALL CALLS FOR SERVICE?

>> CALLS FOR SERVICE.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: THAT IS ALL I HAVE GOT.
THANK YOU.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU SO MUCH.

>> HAVE A GOOD NIGHT.

>>VILLAGE MANAGER: QUICKLY BEFORE WE GET INTO THE AGENDA I WANT TO TAKE OPPORTUNITY TO INTRODUCE THEM TO KEY STAFF MEMBERS. LEADERS OF THE NEW DEVELOPING SERVICES DEPARTMENT, EMILY EGAN IS OUR NEW DIRECTOR AND BRANDON CRAWFORD, DEPUTY DIRECTOR, JUST WANT THEM TO TAKE ONE MINUTE TO JUST KIND OF SHARE WHATEVER THEY WANT TO SHARE.

>> THANK YOU SO MUCH, GOOD EVENING, MY NAME IS EMILY EGAN, THE NEW DEVELOP AND SERVICES DIRECTOR. BRIEFLY, FROM MICHIGAN, WENT TO GRAND VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY AND EARNED MY MASTERS AT UIC IN CHICAGO WITH A MASTERS IN URBAN PLANNING IN POLICY WITH A CONCENTRATION IN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. REALLY PASSIONATE ABOUT THOSE TOPICS AND I'M EXCITED ABOUT IT AND ULTIMATELY I'M JUST VERY THANKFUL AND EXCITED TO SERVE THIS COMMUNITY. THANK YOU.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: WELCOME.

>> GOOD EVENING I AM BRANDON CRAWFORD, WHO UP IN SKOKIE, GOT MY UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS IN URBAN AND REGIONAL PLANNING AND GOT A MASTERS DEGREE AT DEPAUL IN REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT AND FINANCE. WORK FOR A FEW DEVELOP MURDERS ALSO WORKED FOR THE VILLAGE OF GLENVIEW. LOOKING FORWARD TO MY TIME HERE AND WORKING WITH ALL OF YOU MORE CLOSELY.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: WELCOME.

>> WE HAVE VILLAGE BOARD COMMITTEES.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: ANY UPDATES THIS EVENING?
TRUSTEE ROBINSON?

>>TRUSTEE ROBINSON: ON THE LIAISON TO THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION AND THE COMMISSION IS HOSTING A SPEAKER SERIES THAT THEY HAVE GOT THE NEXT TWO INSTALLMENTS OF IT, THE NEXT ONE TO BEGIN THIS THURSDAY AT 6:40 P.M., FEBRUARY 8 CHAMBERS. THE SPEAKER FOR THAT SERIES WILL BE FRANK LEBEAU, WHO IS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF OAK PARK AND RIVER FOREST AND HIS PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION WILL BE CENTERED ON THE HISTORY OF THE BLACK COMMUNITY IN OAK PARK FROM THE 1880S UNTIL TODAY, FOCUSING ON

THE SOCIAL HISTORY, DISCRIMINATION AND HOUSING IN THE ONGOING STRUGGLE TO BUILD AND SUPPORT A MORE DIVERSE COMMUNITY SINCE 1968.

SO THE COMMISSION WANTED ME TO EXTEND A PERSONAL INVITATION TO THE BOARD TO JOIN THEM THIS THURSDAY AT 6:40 P.M.. THE NEXT SPEAKER, WHICH WILL BE NEXT MONTH HAS ALSO BEEN IDENTIFIED AND THAT IS A BONNIE McDONALD AND SHE IS THE PRESIDENT AND CEO OF LANDMARK ILLINOIS, AND ILLINOIS NONPROFIT FOCUSED ON HISTORIC PRESERVATION EDUCATION AND EFFORTS ACROSS THE STATE AND SO I UNDERSTAND SHE IS QUITE A DYNAMIC SPEAKER.

I WILL DO A REMINDER FOR THAT ONE AT ANOTHER COMMISSION VACANCY AND COMMISSION DASHBOARD COMMISSION UPDATE.

I WANTED TO INVITE YOU ALL TO COME HERE THIS THURSDAY IN VILLAGE HALL, COUNCIL CHAMBERS AND THAT TALK IS SET TO GO FOR ABOUT AN HOUR.

WILL IT BE RECORDED, MANAGER JACKSON?

>>VILLAGE MANAGER: YES.

>>TRUSTEE ROBINSON: THAT WILL BE RECORDED IN CASE ANYBODY CANNOT MAKE IT AND THEY ARE INTERESTED IN HEARING IT.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: APPRECIATE THAT.

THANK YOU FOR THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION AND THE STAFF, AND THANK YOU FOR REPORTING THAT OUT AND REMINDING US TO PUT THAT ON OUR CALENDARS.

ANY OTHER REPORTS?

OKAY.

VERY GOOD.

THE VILLAGE CLERK HAS ADDED TO THE AGENDA, SHE USUALLY DOES, OR VACANCY REPORT, ANYBODY INTERESTED IN SERVING ON THE COMMISSION CAN PLEASE EMAIL THE CLERK AT CLERK@OAK-PARK.US.

AND I WOULD ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS IT IS PRESENTED.

>> SO MOVED.

>> SECOND.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: ALL IN FAVOR?

>> AYE.

>>VILLAGE ATTORNEY: HAVE TO DO A ROLL CALL.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU.

CLERK ORDERS, PLEASE TAKE THE ROLL.

>> TRUSTEE WESLEY.

>> YES.

>> TRUSTEE STRAW.

>> IS.

>> TRUSTEE BUCHANAN.

>> YES.

>> TRUSTEE WESLEY.

>> YES.

>> TRUSTEE PARAKKAT.

>> AS.

>> PRESIDENT SCAMAN.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: YES.

REGULAR ORDINANCE GRANTING EXTENSION OF TIME TO COMPLETE CONSTRUCTION OF THE PLAN DEVELOPMENT AT 261 WASHINGTON BLVD.

TO AUGUST 1, 2024.

MOTION, PLEASE.

>> SO MOVED.

>> SECOND.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: VILLAGE MANAGER JACKSON?

>>VILLAGE MANAGER: YES, HAPPY TO INTRODUCE, CRAIG FALOR, VILLAGE PLANNER.

>> THANK YOU MANAGER JACKSON, GOOD EVENING, CRAIG FALOR, VILLAGE PLANNER.

YOU HAVE BEFORE YOU TONIGHT A REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF A PLANNED AVAILMENT AT 261 WASHINGTON BLVD.

, WHICH IS A 24 UNIT DEVELOPMENT APARTMENT AVAILMENT THAT IS UNDER CONSTRUCTION CURRENTLY.

THIS DEPONENT WAS APPROVED IN FEBRUARY 2021 BY THE VILLAGE BOARD AND THEY RECEIVED THEIR BUILDING PERMITS ON TIME.

OF YOU HAVE HEARD IN PREVIOUS REQUESTS FOR EXTENSIONS, THE REASON WHY EXTENSIONS ARE COMING BEFORE YOU IS THERE SEEMS TO BE A PATTERN AND I MEAN THAT IN A POSITIVE WAY, NOT IN A NEGATIVE WAY BECAUSE OF WHAT HAS OCCURRED THROUGH THE PANDEMIC AND THE RESOURCES THAT WERE UNAVAILABLE AT THE TIME.

AS PUT A LOT OF DELAYS ON SOME DEVELOPERS, ESPECIALLY THE SMALL DEVELOPERS.

WHERE THEY DON'T HAVE THE RESOURCES LIKE THE LARGER DEVELOPERS DO.

WE HAVE THE DEVELOPER HERE WITH AMBROSIA HOMES TO GIVE YOU AN UPDATE AS TO WHY HE IS REQUESTING THE EXTENSION, BUT IT IS FOR SIX MONTHS UNTIL AUGUST ONE OF 2024.

I WILL HAVE TIM DO AN OVERVIEW OF WHY HE IS SEEKING THE REQUEST.

>>SPEAKER: HI, EVERYONE.

MY NAME IS TIM AND MIKE AND I OWN A COMPANY CALLED AMBROSIA HOMES AND WE ARE A DEVELOPER HERE IN OAK PARK.

I'M SURE YOU HAVE HEARD OF US, BUT WE HAVE BUILT AT LEAST 10 SINGLE FAMILIES HERE, BUT RECENTLY COMPLETED A 23 UNIT APARTMENT BUILDING JUST A COUPLE BLOCKS FROM HERE AND WE ARE TRYING TO FINISH 261 WASHINGTON.

IF YOU GO TO THE SITE RIGHT NOW YOU WOULD SEE THAT THE BUILDING IS UP, IT IS FIVE STORIES TALL, THE SIDING, THE BRICK WORK IS ALL DONE.

WE ARE DOING TILE WORK.

WE ARE BASICALLY TRYING TO FINISH IT.

THE PROJECT WAS DELAYED WHEN WE STARTED IT.

THIS WAS SUMMER OF 2002, SUMMER OF 2022.

WE WERE HAVING PROBLEMS GETTING CONCRETE.
SO CONCRETE AND STEEL AND EVEN ONCE WE GOT CONCRETE AND STEEL TO DO
THE FOUNDATION WORK AND TO GET THE FIRST FLOOR UP, WE HAVE PRECAST
CONCRETE IN THIS BUILDING AND YOU HAVE TO PUT CONCRETE ON TOP OF THE
PRECAST CONCRETE AND WE COULD NOT GET IT.
EVEN AFTER PUTTING THE PRECAST CONCRETE ON OUR FIRST FLOOR WE LOST
ABOUT TWO MONTHS WAITING FOR ABOUT A 3 INCH POUR OF CONCRETE THAT WE
COULD NOT GET.
SO WE HAVE LOST AT LEAST SIX MONTHS AND OUR PROJECT FOR THIS AND THAT
IS WHY WE ARE ASKING FOR SIX MONTHS MORE JUST TO FINISH THIS.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: QUESTIONS?

NO?

APPRECIATE YOU BEING HERE.

>> THANK YOU.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THEN I WOULD ASK CLERK ORDERS TO PLEASE TAKE
THE ROLL.

>> TRUSTEE STRAW.

>> YES.

>> TRUSTEE ROBINSON.

>> YES.

>> TRUSTEE BUCHANAN.

>> YES.

>> TRUSTEE PARAKKAT.

>> YES.

>> TRUSTEE WESLEY.

>> YES.

>> PRESIDENT SCAMAN.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: YES.

THANK YOU SO MUCH, LOOKING FORWARD TO THAT INVESTMENT IN OUR
COMMUNITY.

OKAY, A MOTION TO APPROVE THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDING TO BE
PROVIDED TO HOUSING FORWARD IN THE AMOUNT OF \$500,000 FOR RENOVATIONS
AT THE WRITE INN LOCATED AT 211 NORTH OAK PARK AVENUE AND DIRECTING
STAFF TO PREPARE THE NECESSARY AGREEMENT FOR VILLAGE BOARD APPROVAL.
MOTION, PLEASE.

>> SO MOVED.

>> SECOND.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: OKAY.

THANK YOU.

>> GOOD EVENING VANESSA MATHENY, - -

>>VILLAGE MANAGER: HOLD ON ONE SECOND, VANESSA.

IT IS OKAY.

WANT TO INTRODUCE VANESSA MATHENY, GRANT MANAGER, NEIGHBORHOOD
SERVICES AND SHE IS JOINED BY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF HOUSING FORWARD,
LINDA SCHULLER WILL ALSO PROVIDE INFORMATION ON THE STATUS OF THE ARPA

FUND, OUR FINANCE PERMIT, ARLENE PEDRAZA AND DONNA GADON BACKING UP TO ANSWER QUESTIONS WHEREVER NECESSARY.

I WILL TURN IT BACK OVER TO YOU VANESSA TO GET GUS OFF.

>>SPEAKER: THANK YOU VILLAGE MANAGER JACKSON.

VANESSA MATHENY, GRANTS MANAGER, NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES.

AS MENTIONED WE ARE REQUESTING 500,000 IN AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT TO USE IT FOR RENOVATION WITH THE WRITE INN.

I WILL TALK ABOUT ONE ITEM, BUT THERE IS ACTUALLY TWO ITEMS ON THE BOARD AGENDA, 100,000 FOR ARPA, 500,000 FOR CDBG, SAME TOPIC, DIFFERENT BASKETS OF MONEY.

JUST SO WE'RE ALL ON THE SAME PAGE.

SO THIS REQUEST IS FOR \$500,000, PREVIOUSLY THE HOUSING FORWARD HAD SUBMITTED THIS ARPA REQUEST BACK IN 2022.

HOWEVER, WE DECIDED TO PAUSE ON PRESENTING IT TO THE VILLAGE BOARD UNTIL HOUSING FORWARD HAD FINALIZED THE PURCHASE OF THE WRITE INN THAT HAD JUST HAPPENED IN DECEMBER 2023.

THEY ARE NOW OWNERS AS THEY RECEIVED \$6.5 MILLION FROM COOK COUNTY ARPA FUNDS TO PURCHASE THAT FUNDING.

SO THE FUNDS THAT ARE BEING REQUESTED HERE, THE APPLICATION WAS ORIGINALLY FOR \$1 MILLION AND WE ARE ASKING TO DIVIDE THAT \$500,000 FOR CDBG TO HELP US WITH OUR UNITS AND TURN DOWN OUR EXPENSES THERE AND \$500,000 TO BE USED WITH ARPA TO HELP SUPPORT THE FULL REQUEST OF \$1 MILLION.

SINCE 2020, HOUSING FORWARD HAS BEEN UTILIZING THAT SPACE AT THE WRITE INN AS ONSET OF COVID AND SHELTER IN PLACE WENT INTO EFFECT.

THEY QUICKLY TRANSITIONED FROM HAVING THE SHELTER PADS OPTION AT THE SEVEN DIFFERENT CHURCHES THROUGHOUT THE OAK PARK COMMUNITY TO LOCATING ALL OF THE INDIVIDUALS AT THE WRITE INN, WHICH IS ABOUT 55 OR SO INDIVIDUALS THERE.

SORRY, 55 INDIVIDUALS THERE AT ONE TIME.

SO WITH THIS REQUEST, JUST A LITTLE BACKGROUND INFORMATION, \$6.5 MILLION WAS FOR COOK COUNTY TO PURCHASE THE BUILDING.

THE FULL RENOVATION COST FOR HOUSING FORWARD WOULD BE \$7.7 MILLION.

RECENTLY HOUSING FORWARD RECEIVED \$3 MILLION FROM SENATOR HARDEMAN AND REPRESENTATIVE WELCH'S OFFICE TO HELP WITH THAT RENOVATION COST.

1 1/2 MILLION DOLLARS WAS EARMARKED BY COOK COUNTY, ECONOMIC DEVELOP AND TO HELP WITH THE SUPPORT.

SO THIS \$1 MILLION REQUEST FOR THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK WOULD HELP MEET THE GAP IN FUNDING TO SUPPORT THE RENOVATION IN TOTAL.

I DO HAVE LINDA SCHULLER HERE TO TALK ABOUT THE RENOVATION PLAN, THE TIMELINE, THE PROJECT, WHAT THE SERVICES WOULD BE PROVIDED AT THAT LOCATION AND TO SPEAK A LITTLE BIT MORE ABOUT THAT PROCESS AND ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS.

ADDITIONALLY THIS WOULD HELP BRING THE BUILDING UP TO CODE, WHICH IS REQUIRED BY THE VILLAGE BOARD, OR AS REQUIRED BY THE VILLAGE IN GENERAL.

HOUSING FORWARD HAS ALREADY COMPLETED SOME ASSESSMENTS, WHICH WOULD BE IN LINE WITH FEDERAL FUNDING, WITH CDBG.

IT HAS NOT BEEN COMPLETED, BUT THEY HAVE BEGUN THE PROCESS SO THEY CAN UTILIZE THESE FUNDS IN 2024 AND BEGIN AT THE RENOVATION WOULD YOU LIKE ME TO TURN OVER TO LINDA?

YOU HAVE QUESTIONS FOR ME SPECIFICALLY?

EVAN?

VILLAGE MANAGER JACKSON?

>> GOOD EVENING.

THANK YOU FOR CONSIDERING THIS REQUEST OF THE \$500,000 IN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS AND A \$500,000 IN ARPA FUNDS.

WE DID PURCHASE THE WRITE INN ON NOVEMBER 30 WITH \$6.5 MILLION IN ARPA FUNDING FROM COOK COUNTY.

PRIOR TO THAT WE WERE ALREADY WORKING ON OUR TIMELINE FOR THE RENOVATIONS.

SO WE HAVE ENGAGED COOK COUNTY HAS ENGAGED IFF, THE ILLINOIS FACILITIES FUND, IF YOU'RE NOT FAMILIAR WITH THEM, THEY ARE A CHICAGO-BASED ORGANIZATION THAT WORKS WITH NONPROFITS ON FEASIBILITY SPACE PLANNING AND THEY DO BRIDGE LOANS, WHAT HAVE YOU.

THEY ARE THE GO TWO FOR THE AREA.

COOK COUNTY IS SUPPORTING AS THEY ARE SUPPORTING HOUSING FORWARD AS OUR PARTNER ORGANIZATION, CONNECTIONS FOR THE HOMELESS, WHO AT THE SAME TIME WAS PURCHASING THE MARGARITA IN.

WE HAVE ENGAGED IFF SINCE APRIL AND WE HAVE SELECTED OUR ARCHITECTS. THEY ARE BEING FUNDED WITH COOK COUNTY DOLLARS THROUGH PHASE 1. PHASE 1 IS THE SCHEMATIC.

THEY ARE NEARLY FINISHED FOR THAT AND THEY WILL BE DONE HERE IN FEBRUARY.

ONCE THAT FUNDING ENDS AND THE ENGAGEMENT WITH DOES THE FUNDING FROM COOK COUNTY ENDS, WE WILL THEN ENGAGE IFF TO WORK ON PHASE 2, WHICH IS GOING OUT FOR BID AND SECURING AGC AND WHAT HAVE YOU.

THERE WAS A TIMELINE THAT WAS OMITTED PART OF OUR APPLICATION GRID WE FEEL LIKE WE ARE IN A GOOD POSITION TO SPEND THE FUNDING.

IF WE ARE AWARDED THIS FUNDING TO SPEND THAT WITHIN A YEAR.

THERE ARE SOME PRELIMINARY ITEMS REALLY RELATED TO THE ENVELOPE OF THE BUILDING.

THERE IS SOME POINTING THAT NEEDS TO BE DONE, SOME DELAYED MAINTENANCE, BUILDING NEEDS AND A ROOF.

WE NEED TO PUT STORM WINDOWS ON THE FRONT SIDE OF THE BUILDING BECAUSE WE RECEIVED AN OPINION - - CHANGE THE WINDOWS.

SO WE HAVE TO HAVE A MORE EXPENSIVE APPROACH TO DO STORM WINDOWS.

WE ARE WORKING ON A BID FOR THAT AND THE ELEVATOR IS IN PRETTY POOR SHAPE SO THERE ARE A SERIES OF A ONE TIME ITEM THAT WE CAN USE IT FOR THIS FUNDING THAT DOES NOT IMPACT THE INTERIOR RENOVATION BECAUSE THAT IS GOING TO BE MUCH LARGER EXPENSE AND WE ARE LOOKING TO USE THE FUNDING FROM SPEAKER WELCH AND SENATOR HARMON THEN WE ARE GOING TO BE DOING SOME PRIVATE FUNDRAISING AS WELL TO ASSIST WITH THE FALL CAPITAL STACK.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: A THANK YOU.

>> WE ALSO HAVE FINANCIER TO ANSWER QUESTIONS.

>> GOOD EVENING PRESIDENT SCAMAN - ARLENE PER DRAWS A FINANCE ANALYST.

TO DATE THE ARPA AMOUNT ALLOTTED TO OAK PARK TOTALING ALMOST \$39 MILLION, APPROXIMATELY - - HAS BEEN CAPTURED AS LOST REVENUE FOR THE YEARS 2020 THROUGH 2022 AND ANOTHER \$60,584,000 HAS BEEN OBLIGATED OR EXPENDED BOARD APPROVAL.

WE ARE ESTIMATING A TOTAL OF 4,600,000 FOR 2023 LOST REVENUE, IF OUR PROJECTIONS HOLD TRUE FOR THE LOST REVENUE THIS RESULTS IN A PROJECTED UNOBLIGATED REMAINING BALANCE OF \$684,257.

THIS REMAINING BALANCE IS MADE UP OF THE FOLLOWING RETURNED OR UNUSED FUNDS.

\$40,000 422 IN RETURN FUNDS FROM UNITY TEMPLE FOUNDATION.

THE UNITY TEMPLE FOUNDATION - - AND A LUMP SUM DISTRIBUTION AS PART OF THE OAK PARK TOURISM RECOVERY INITIATIVE.

THEY WERE UNABLE TO EXPEND ALL OF THEIR REMAINING GRANT FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF 40,004 22 DUE TO SOME RESTRUCTURING OF THE ORGANIZATIONS INVOLVED IN UNITY TEMPLE.

ANOTHER \$135,835 WENT UNUSED AND THAT IS WHAT WE DESIGNATED FOR PUBLIC HEALTH COVID-19 CONTINGENCY FUND.

FINALLY THE \$500,000 OF THE REMAINING FUNDS APPROVED FOR THE PARK DISTRICT.

THAT TOTALS TWO - - OF THE REMAINING ARPA BOUNDS.

THERE MIGHT BE PREVIOUSLY OTHER GATED FUNDING TO THIRD PARTIES, WHICH WE - WHICH WILL NOT BE EXPENDED AND RETURNED TO THE VILLAGE AS REQUIRED UNDER THE CONTRACTS.

WE WILL BE FOLLOWING UP WITH THE AGENCIES REGARDING ANY UN-EXPENSE OR DRAWN DOWN FUNDS AFTER THE ANNUAL AUDIT IS COMPLETED.

AT THIS TIME WE CAN ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: ONE QUICK QUESTION AND WE WILL GO STRUT - STRAIGHT TO TRUSTEE PARAKKAT.

I THOUGHT I SAW (NAME?) IN THE UNION ALLOCATIONS.

>> THEY HAVE NOT BEEN IN THE ALLOCATIONS.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: MAYBE IT WAS A GRANT.

IT CDBG?

>> THEY RECEIVE CDBG FOR PUBLIC SERVICE.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: OKAY, THANK YOU.

TRUSTEE PARAKKAT.

>>TRUSTEE PARAKKAT: QUICK QUESTION FOR ARLENE.
SO THE ARPA FUNDING THAT WAS ALLOCATED FOR MIGRANT CARE, SO THERE
SHOULD BE SOMETHING COMING BACK FROM THAT AS WELL, RIGHT?
DID YOU TALK ABOUT THAT?
I MISSED THAT.

>> THE ARPA FUNDING FOR THE MIGRANT CARE, WE INITIALLY MATCHED
\$150,000 FOR THE INITIAL SMASS GRANT AND THEN WE ALLOCATED ANOTHER
\$500,000 FOR THE CRISIS RESPONSE.
THIS WAS ALL DESIGNATED OUT OF LOST REVENUE FUNDS.
WE WILL TRACK THOSE AS LOST REVENUE FUNDS, WHETHER WE EXPENDED THEM OR
IF THEY ARE REIMBURSED.

>>TRUSTEE PARAKKAT: SO IT IS BROUGHT INTO A GENERAL FUND AND IT
WILL GO BACK IN THE GENERAL FUND DEPENDING ON WHAT IS HAPPENING?
AND IT WILL BE ACCOUNTED AS SUCH SO IT IS THEN AVAILABLE FOR USE?
IT WILL BE ACCOUNTED AS ARPA LOST REVENUE FUNDS?
SO MATTER WHERE IT'S COMING FROM AND HOW IT'S BEING EXPENDED?

>> CORRECT.
WE ARE TRACKING THE DRAWDOWN ON THE LOST REVENUE.

>>TRUSTEE PARAKKAT: THANKS.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: ANY OTHER QUESTIONS?

>>TRUSTEE ROBINSON: I HAVE A COUPLE OF DIFFERENT TOPICS, BUT
ARLENE, SINCE YOU ARE UP HERE ALREADY.
YOU MENTIONED THAT THERE WILL BE AN AUDIT TO DETERMINE WHEN OR WHETHER
WE HAVE ADDITIONAL ARPA MONEY COMING BACK.
WHEN WILL THAT TAKE PLACE?

>>SPEAKER: THE AUDIT I REFERRED TO WAS OUR ANNUAL AUDIT IS WHEN
WE WILL GET OUR CONNECTIONS ON IS FOR 2023 AND THAT WILL DETERMINE THE
NUMBER FOUR FINAL LOST REVENUE AND WE WILL ALSO GO ALONG AND FOLLOW UP
WITH THE AGENCIES AND ANY INTERNAL DEPARTMENT REGARDING ANY UN-
EXPENSED FUNDS.
THE AUDIT TAKES PLACE IN MAY, IT ENDS IN MAY.

>>TRUSTEE ROBINSON: OF THIS YEAR?
BECAUSE WE NEED TO ALLOCATE, FINALIZE ALL THE ARPA ALLOCATIONS BY THE
END OF THIS YEAR.

SO IF WE GET THAT NUMBER BACK THE END OF MAY WE WILL REALLY ONLY HAVE
JUNE AND JULY TO MAKE THOSE DECISIONS AND THEN WE ARE ALREADY IN THE
BUDGET SEASON.

I'M JUST CURIOUS AND I WANT TO GET CONFIRMATION FROM STAFF THAT YOU
FEEL LIKE THAT IS SUFFICIENT AMOUNT OF TIME TO COME BACK TO THE BOARD
WITH ANY PRESENTATION OR OPTIONS ABOUT HOW TO SPEND ANY ADDITIONAL
RETURNED MONIES?

>> STAFF WILL BE WORKING ON HOW TO APPROACH THE BOARD.

>> DONNA GADON, INTERIM CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER, WE HAVE ALREADY
STARTED.

WE STARTED BY ASKING EVERYONE THAT WE HAVE GIVEN MONEY 2 TO LET US KNOW WHAT THEY ARE GOING TO SPEND, IF THEY ARE NOT GOING TO SPEND IT SO WE CAN START REALLOCATING.

SO WHEN WE GET TO THE BUDGET SEASON WE SHOULD KNOW VERY GOOD STRONG NUMBERS OR YOU SHOULD KNOW A VERY GOOD STRONG NUMBER OF WHERE YOU ARE WITH THE DOLLARS AND THAT WE ARE EVEN CONTACTING PEOPLE THAT HAVE LONG-TERM CONTRACTS BECAUSE AS LONG AS THE MONEY IS OBLIGATED WE ARE OKAY AND WE ARE LOOKING AT IF IT IS NOT OBLIGATED WHAT WE CAN DO, BUT IF IT IS OBLIGATED AND THEY DO NOT MEET THE OBLIGATION CAN WE PULL THE MONEY BACK AND STILL USE THE MONEY AND OBLIGATE IT FOR SOMEWHERE ELSE?

>>TRUSTEE ROBINSON: YOU MEAN CAN WE PULL THE MONEY BACK AFTER 2024?

>> ONCE IT'S IN THE CONTRACT BECAUSE IT'S OVER A LONG PERIOD OF TIME, BUT IF IT GOES PAST WHEN WE ARE SUPPOSED TO LET THEM KNOW, WE NEED TO FIND OUT WHERE WE ARE GOING TO FIND OUT WHAT WE CAN DO WITH THE MONEY, CAN WE STILL USE IT?

SO WE ARE WORKING ON EVERY MONTH TO SEE WHAT MONEY CAN GO BACK IN SO THAT WE CAN COME BACK TO THE BOARD OR COME BACK TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE AND SAY THIS IS WHAT IS AVAILABLE, HOW CAN WE SPEND THIS MONEY TO MAKE SURE WE DO NOT SEND ANY MONEY BACK.

>>TRUSTEE ROBINSON: THAT QUESTION IS OUT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY TO GET AN ANSWER AS TO WHETHER OR NOT WE CAN DO ANOTHER - TO A REALLOCATION AFTER 2024 FOUR MONIES THAT MIGHT BE RETURNED?

>> IT WILL BE OUT.

>>TRUSTEE ROBINSON: OKAY.

MANAGER JACKSON, IF WE COULD AT LEAST GET THAT PIECE OF INFORMATION BECAUSE I DON'T WANT TO RUN OUT OF TIME AND THEN WE ARE LEAVING MONEY ON THE TABLE BECAUSE I DID NOT THINK ABOUT MONEY THAT WAS RETURNED AFTER 2024.

I THINK THAT IS A SEPARATE QUESTION.

SO I'M GLAD TO HEAR THAT THAT YOU ARE ALREADY THINKING ALONG THOSE LINES, DONNA.

THE 684, DOES NOT TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THIS ARPA REQUEST?

IS IT 684 EVEN AFTER - SHOULD WE VOTE TO ALLOCATE THE \$500,000?

SO IF WE ALLOCATE THE \$500,000, WE HAVE THAT MINUS THE 684 LEFT TO SPEND AS FAR AS WE KNOW AT THIS POINT?

>> CORRECT.

>>TRUSTEE ROBINSON: I DO HAVE - THE CDBG FUNDS.

ARE YOU OKAY IF WE ASK ABOUT THIS?

SO THE CDBG FUNDS, THE AGENDA ITEM NOTES SAID THOSE WERE RETURNED FUNDS.

>> UNALLOCATED RETURN FUNDS.

IN PRIOR YEARS - WE HAVE TECHNICALLY SEVEN YEARS TO SPEND IT CDBG FUNDS FROM WHEN THERE ALLOCATED TO WHEN THEY ARE RETURNED BACK TO HUD,

SO FROM 2018 THROUGH 2022 WE DID NOT SPEND X AMOUNT OF MONEY AND AT THIS MOMENT IN TIME WE HAVE APPROXIMATELY 684,000 SIMILAR TO THIS. 685 THAT IS REMAINING THAT IS UNALLOCATED AT THIS MOMENT THAT WE DO NEED TO SPEND.

>> OR WE CAPPED AT THE NUMBER OF DOLLARS WE CAN USE FROM THE CDBG.

>> THERE'S ONLY A CAP FOR ADMINISTRATION FUNDS THAT CAN BE SPENT FOR CDBG, BUT FOR FACILITY IMPROVEMENT THAT THIS FALLS INTO DOES NOT HAVE A CAP.

>>TRUSTEE ROBINSON: WE COULD CONCEIVABLY OFFER THE REMAINING 600 AND WHATEVER THOUSAND TWO HOUSING FORWARD?

CORRECT?

I HAVE SOME CONCERNS ABOUT THE ARPA REQUEST AT THIS TIME AND SO I DID NOT KNOW IF IT WAS POSSIBLE TO GIVE A BUMP UP IN CDBG FUNDS TO OFFSET ANY ARPA DECISION BY THE BOARD.

OKAY, I ACTUALLY DO HAVE - THE LAST QUESTION I HAVE THAT YOU CAN PROBABLY ANSWER, VANESSA, WHEN THIS APPLICATION IS UNDATED AND I THOUGHT WE AT LEAST HAD SOME SORT OF DATE.

YEAH, WHEN DID WE RECEIVE THIS?

AND IS IT POSSIBLE TO GET THESE THINGS DATED?

I WOULD BE HOPEFUL TO GET CONTACT.

>> WE RECEIVED AN ORIGINAL APPLICATION IN DECEMBER 2022 AND WE THEN ASKED HOUSING FORWARD TO REVISE THE APPLICATION WITH THE UPDATED TIMELINE AND - - WITH IFF AND THE NEW EXPENDITURES THAT WAS RECEIVED JUST A FEW WEEKS AGO.

IN PREPARATION FOR THIS AGENDA ITEM.

>>TRUSTEE ROBINSON: STAFF ASKED FOR THE REVISION AND DOLLAR AMOUNT?

>> HOW MUCH THEY SPEND, HOW MUCH THEY HAD RECEIVED FROM OTHER FUNDERS AND THEIR UPDATED TIMELINE BECAUSE WHEN THEY SUBMITTED IT A YEAR AGO, THOSE ITEMS WERE NOT IDENTIFIED IN THAT ORIGINAL APPLICATION.

>>TRUSTEE ROBINSON: I SEE, WE GIVE THEM \$400,000 OF ARPA FUNDING OUTSIDE OF THIS APPLICATION?

>> \$500,000 FOR WRAPAROUND SERVICES AND EMERGENCY SHELTER FOR SERVICE.

NOT FOR FACILITY.

>>TRUSTEE ROBINSON: THAT PART WAS CONFUSING TO ME BECAUSE THE ONLY REASON WE HAVE THIS ARPA MONEY IS BECAUSE THE ARRANGEMENT WITH THE PARK DISTRICT DID NOT WORK.

HAD THAT WORKED OUT, WE WOULD HAVE REALLY JUST SPENT THE END OF THE ARPA MONEY AND I DID NOT REALIZE THAT THERE WAS POTENTIALLY ARPA DOLLARS EARMARKED FOR HOUSING FORWARD BECAUSE I HAD NOT COME BEFORE THE BOARD.

WHAT WOULD HAVE HAPPENED IS THEY WOULDN'T HAVE HAD ARPA MONEY TO APPLY FOR?

ESSENTIALLY?

>> CORRECT.

>>VILLAGE MANAGER: CONCEIVABLY.

I GUESS THEY COULD HAVE MADE A REQUEST AND WE COULD HAVE CONSIDERED OTHER FUNDING OPTIONS.

RIGHT?

HOUSING TRUST FUND AND OTHERWISE.

>>TRUSTEE ROBINSON: IF WE ARE GOING TO EXCEPT ARPA APPLICATIONS, PUT OUT A REQUEST FOR THOSE APPLICATIONS SINCE THIS IS OUR FINAL BIT OF ARPA MONEY AND I WANT TO BE CLEAR THAT THIS IS MORE OF A PROCESS ISSUE.

NOT AT ALL AN ISSUE ABOUT SUPPORT FOR HOUSING FORWARD THAT IS WHY I ASKED, COULD WE POSSIBLY GIVE THEM SOME ADDITIONAL CDBG FUNDS FOR THIS PURPOSE AND SORT OF PAUSE THIS APPLICATION, HAVE STAFF COME BACK WITH A ARRAY OF OPTIONS.

I HAVE ASKED BEFORE, AND I THINK OTHER MEMBERS HAVE BEFORE, PARTICULARLY FOR OUR FIXED COST, I.E., THE OAK PARK AVENUE STREETScape.

SOMETHING TO OFFSET OUR BUDGET GIVEN THAT WE HAVE PASSED SUCH A TIGHT BUDGET FOR 2024.

I FULLY SUPPORT HOUSING FORWARD.

I THINK THE RIGHT IN EFFORT IS A PHENOMENAL EFFORT, BUT THIS IS MORE BEING ABLE TO HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO FULLY EXPLORE THE OPTIONS WITH THIS - WITH THESE FINAL ARPA DOLLARS IN A WAY THAT YOU CAN LATER DOWN THE ROAD NOT - SAVE YOURSELVES ANOTHER DRAWDOWN FROM OUR RESERVES OR THE LAST THING I WOULD WANT TO DO IS TALK ABOUT RAISING THE LEVY WHEN WE PASSED UP THE OPPORTUNITY TO APPLY AVAILABLE FUNDS TO OFFSET THAT. I'M INTERESTED IN WHAT EVERYBODY AT THE BOARD TABLE THINGS AND THOSE ARE MY THOUGHTS INITIALLY AT THIS POINT.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: WHAT I NEED TO KNOW FROM EVERYBODY AS YOU TAKE YOUR TURN IS IF YOU'RE INTERESTED IN VOTING ON ITEMS AS THEY ARE PRESENTED BEFORE US BECAUSE WE ARE DOWN ONE TRUSTEE THIS EVENING OR IF THERE IS AN INTEREST AT THE TABLE OR THE ARPA AND JUST VOTE ON THE CDBG OR CONSIDER INCREASING THE AMOUNT, BUT IF YOU'RE FINE WITH THE WAY IT IS ON THE AGENDA, PLEASE LET ME KNOW SO WE CAN PROCEED.

>>TRUSTEE PARAKKAT: QUESTION FOR LINDA ON THE NEED ITSELF. SO AS LUCIA IS SUGGESTING, IF LET'S SAY ONE PORTION OF THIS GOES THROUGH THE CDBG PORTION GOES THROUGH NOW, AND THE OTHER PIECE DOES NOT, DOES THAT IMPACT YOU IN TERMS OF BEING ABLE TO PROGRESS OR OTHER APPLICATIONS YOU MIGHT HAVE.

ARE THERE ANY INDICATIONS IF THAT HAPPENS?

>> THERE ARE.

WE FULLY EXPECT THAT idha, WHO IS THE ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AUTHORITY - - IF THEY ARE GOING TO BE RELEASING THE RFP IN THE SUMMER. WE DO NOT HAVE A DATE OR ANYTHING LIKE THAT. WE ARE TRYING TO LINE EVERYTHING UP OVER THE COURSE OF THIS YEAR AND TO GET STARTED ON SOME OF THESE ENVELOPE ISSUES THAT NEED TO BE ADDRESSED.

THAT WOULD GO ABOVE THE \$500,000 OF JUST THE CDBG FUNDING.

>>TRUSTEE PARAKKAT: SO YOU NEED BOTH TO PUT YOURSELF IN A BETTER POSITION?

>> TO BE ABLE TO LEVERAGE AND SAY, HEY, LISTEN, WE GOT FUNDING FROM THE VILLAGE AND WE ALREADY RECEIVED FUNDING FROM THE COUNTY AND WE RECEIVED CAPITAL BILL FROM SENATOR HARMON AND SPEAKER WELCH.

>>TRUSTEE PARAKKAT: UNDERSTOOD.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: ARE YOU SUPPORTIVE OF BOTH ITEMS?

>> I THINK THE TWO FACTORS IN SEEING THE FACILITY I UNDERSTAND FROM RELEVANCE AND UTILITY PERSPECTIVE IT CAN SERVE THE COMMUNITY WELL.

SO I'M SUPPORTIVE OF THAT AND I THINK I AM ALSO A PROPONENT OF TRYING TO GET OUR BUTTS SPENT AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE ON LEGITIMATE NEEDS, BUT I THINK WHAT LUCIA SAID IS A POINT IN TERMS OF THE FAIRNESS AND THE PROCESS ASPECT OF IT, BUT IN THIS INSTANCE I AM ACTUALLY LEANING TOWARDS LETTING BOTH OF THESE EXPENDITURES GO THROUGH AS STATED IN THE AGENDA.

>> THANK YOU FOR THE CLARITY.
TRUSTEE STRAW?

>>TRUSTEE STRAW: FROM A STAFF PERSPECTIVE, IS THERE A PREFERENCE FOR DOING IT SORT OF THE WAY IT IS ON THE AGENDA VERSUS ALL THE FUNDING COMING FROM CDBG AND IF SO, WHY?

I MUST CONFESS THAT I AM NOT AS WELL VERSED IN WHAT THE ALLOWABLE EXPENSE IS UNDER BOTH PROGRAMS AND WHY THEY ARE - WHY THERE MIGHT BE ONE PREFERENCE ONE WAY OR THE OTHER.

>> THANK YOU FOR THE QUESTION.

THE RECOMMENDATION FOR THE 500,000 WITH CDBG IS TWOFOLD.

ONE, MEETING TIMELINESS, THE HUD REQUIRES THAT WE SPEND DOWN 1.5 OF OUR ALLOCATION ON AUGUST 2 OF EVERY CIVIL YEAR.

SO WE GET MORE OF THE ALLOCATION WE GET PENALIZED IN A LACK OF A BETTER WORD FOR HAVING AN OVERAGE.

WE HAVE DONE THAT FOR THE LAST TWO YEARS.

PART OF THAT IS DUE TO DELAYS IN EXPENDITURES WITH COVID OR INFRASTRUCTURE, SO WE HAVE BEEN CAMPING UP TRYING TO SPEND THOSE DOLLARS TO ENSURE THAT WE ARE IN COMPLIANCE WITH HUD.

THE \$500,000 WOULD HELP US MEET THAT IN ADDITION TO OUR CURRENT OUTLINED EXPENDITURES ARE FOR THE PROGRAM YEAR.

IN ADDITION TO THAT, FOR OUR NEXT PROGRAM YEAR THAT STARTS ON THURSDAY, TECHNICALLY OCTOBER 1, THE OTHER REMAINING BALANCE,

APPROXIMATELY 185 IF WE ARE AWARDED THIS \$500,000 WOULD GO TOWARDS THE NEXT GRAND CYCLE.

SO OUR GOAL IS TO ADD THE ADDITIONAL 185 TO THE FUTURE GRANT CYCLE THAT WOULD START OCTOBER 1 AND TO ALLOCATE IT TOWARDS THE OTHER PUBLIC FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE OTHER ORGANIZATIONS THAT WILL LIKELY APPLY.

>>TRUSTEE STRAW: I WANT THE TOTAL FUNDING TO GO TOWARDS HOUSING FORWARD.

I THINK THIS IS A VALUABLE PROJECT.

I DO NOT HAVE A STRONG PREFERENCE FOR HOW THAT FUNDING IS DELIVERED. SO I'M HAPPY TO BE A VOTE YES ON THE CURRENT PROPOSAL AS IT IS ON THE AGENDA.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU.
TRUSTEE BUCHANAN?

>>TRUSTEE BUCHANAN: I'M IN SUPPORT OF BOTH THE MOTION AND THE RESOLUTION.

I THINK ONE IS A MOTION AND ONE IS A RESOLUTION.

I THINK IT IS REMARKABLE THAT ONE OF THE LONG-TERM OUTCOMES OF THE PANDEMIC, MAYBE THAT HOTEL ROOMS GO TOWARDS TRANSITIONAL HOUSING IS JUST SPECTACULAR.

I AM IN SUPPORT.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: TRUSTEE WESLEY.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: I GUESS THIS IS MY NIGHT.

FIRST I WANT TO SAY THAT I'M EXTREMELY SUPPORTIVE OF HOUSING FORWARD. I THINK THEY DO AMAZING WORK AND I REALLY APPRECIATE THE PARTNERSHIP THROUGHOUT THE EXISTING MIGRANT CRISIS.

I THINK MY ISSUE HERE - SO I WILL CUT TO THE CHASE, I'M SUPPORTIVE OF THE CDBG FUNDING, I'M NOT SUPPORTIVE OF THE ARPA FUNDING.

WE HAVE GIVEN HOUSING FORWARD A LOT OF MONEY AND IT IS NOT JUST HOUSING FORWARD.

I'M NOT PICKING ON HOUSING FORWARD.

WHEN I LOOK AT THIS LIST OF ARPA FUNDING I SEE ALL THE USUAL SUSPECTS.

I DON'T KNOW THAT THERE IS ANY PARTICULAR ORGANIZATION ON HERE THAT WE HAVE NOT FUNDED BEFORE AND IN A VILLAGE WE OFTEN JOKE HAS MORE NONPROFITS PER CAPITA THAN ANY OTHER PLACE IN THE WORLD.

IT IS AMAZING THAT WE ONLY END UP FUNDING THE SAME PEOPLE OVER AND OVER AGAIN.

I ALSO WOULD LIKE TO SEE A DEI ASSESSMENT ON THE SO I KNOW WHO IS BEING FUNDED AND WHO ISN'T.

YOU KNOW, I DID THINK AT ONE POINT THAT YIMBA WAS ON THIS LIST.

OR THE YEAR BEFORE.

THEY ARE NOT.

AND EVEN THEN, THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN THE ONLY ORGANIZATION THAT I NECESSARILY CALL OUT AS SPECIFICALLY GOING TO A BLACK OR MINORITY CAUSE.

I THINK WE ARE IN A SITUATION WHERE WE ARE DOING A COMMUNITY OR RACIAL EQUITY ASSESSMENT WHERE WE HAVE A CHIEF DEI OFFICER AND I THINK WE COULD BE MORE AGGRESSIVE IN FIGURING OUT WHO WE CAN FUND AND BEING A LITTLE MORE DIVERSE IN WHO WE FUND.

I DO NOT THINK GIVING ANOTHER MILLION DOLLARS TO HOUSING FORWARD ON TOP OF WHAT LOOKS LIKE \$1 MILLION OR SOMETHING CLOSE THAT WE HAVE ALREADY GIVEN MEETS THE QUALIFICATION OF DIVERSITY THAT THIS BOARD STRIVES FOR.

I AM EXTREMELY SUPPORTIVE OF THE MISSION, WHICH IS WHY I WOULD LIKE TO GIVE THE CDBG FUNDS.

I WOULD BE SUPPORTIVE OF GIVING EVERY LAST DOLLAR OF CDBG FUNDING WE HAVE FOR THIS MISSION, BUT I DO THINK I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE \$500,000 IN ARPA MONEY RUN THROUGH SOME KIND OF PROCESS THAT INCLUDES A DEI ASSESSMENT ON THE MONEY WE HAVE ALREADY GIVEN OUT AND AN AGGRESSIVE PROCESS ON REACHING OUT TO ADDITIONAL NONPROFITS IN OUR COMMUNITY WITH A PRIORITY ON BLACK AND OTHER MINORITY LED ORGANIZATIONS OR ORGANIZATIONS THAT FOCUS ON BLACK OR OTHER MINORITY CAUSES.

SO YES, THAT IS WHERE I AM.

>> REALLY QUICKLY, SINCE I HAVE BEEN HERE FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS WE HAVE BROUGHT IN NEW NONPROFITS WITH CDBG, BUT ALSO THE \$1 MILLION THAT WE HAVE GIVEN TO HOUSING FOR PREVIOUSLY WAS FOR SERVICES TO MEET THE BOARD'S GOALS.

MAIN, CURRENT BOARD GOALS, BUT IT GOES NONETHELESS AROUND EMERGENCY SHELTER AND WRAPAROUND SERVICES.

SO WE ARE TRYING TO ADDRESS THAT THROUGH THIS WITH TRANSITIONAL HOUSING, NEEDING 55+, LIKELY MINORITY PUBLISHING FOR HOMELESS SERVICES, BUT LINDA CAN PROBABLY ADD TO THAT AS WELL.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: I DEFINITELY APPRECIATE THAT AND I'M SUPPORTIVE OF THE CAUSE, BUT I'M SUPPORTIVE OF OTHER CAUSES AND WE HAVE FINITE RESOURCES AND THIS IS A - MORE OF A KIND OF GLOBAL ISSUE WITH ME RIGHT NOW IN THAT WE ARE VERY - WE ARE EXPENDING ENORMOUS AMOUNTS OF RESOURCES ON VERY FEW ORGANIZATIONS AND VERY FEW PEOPLE AND SO THAT DIVERSITY THAT I THOUGHT THIS BOARD STOOD FOR IS FOR ME, MISSING IN A WAY THAT WE SPEND OUR MONEY.

SO I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THAT CHANGE.

THAT IS WHERE I AM.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU, SO I'M HAPPY TO VOTE YES ON BOTH OF THESE ITEMS TONIGHT.

IT DOES APPEAR AS IF WE HAVE OUR FOUR VOTES, BUT ON BOTH ITEMS.

ALTHOUGH, I DO JUST WANT TO - IN THINKING ABOUT EVERYTHING THAT I HEARD FROM TRUSTEE WESLEY, VANESSA, I THINK SOME OF THE NEW GRANTEEES THAT WE HAVE HAD IN THE LAST YEAR OR TWO BECAUSE OF THE RELATIONSHIPS YOU HAD WITH THE COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH BOARD, WHEN YOU CAME ON BOARD TO THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK, AND THE COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH BOARD AS

WELL AS THE TOWNSHIP GIVE OUT A NUMBER OF GRANTS THAT MAY BE JUST WOULD BE EDUCATIONAL FOR US AS A VILLAGE, AS A COMMUNITY TO UNDERSTAND ALL THAT IS OUT THERE BECAUSE I STILL, EVEN THOUGH I KNOW THOSE EXIST, IT IS NOT ON EVERYBODY'S RADAR AND IT IS NOT ON EVERY NONPROFIT AND GROUP IN OUR COMMUNITY THAT THESE GRANTS EXIST EITHER.

YOU REACHED OUT TO THOSE BECAUSE YOU KNEW THEY EXISTED AND HE SAID, HEY, DID YOU KNOW THE VILLAGE HAS THIS?

SO THERE IS VALUE IN INVESTIGATING THE NONPROFITS THAT ARE NOT CURRENTLY BEING SUPPORTED AS WELL AS BLACK ORGANIZATIONS, KUMBA KIDS, TWO MOMS THAT HAVE BEEN VOLUNTEERING FOR YEARS AT NO PAY TO BRING OUR PERFORMANCE PRIOR TO HIRING OUR DEI OFFICER HERE IN THE VILLAGE THAT WE ARE VERY INVESTED IN.

SO HAVING THE COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMISSION GIVING OUT SMALL GRANTS TO SPECIFIC DIVERSE ORGANIZATIONS REGARDING EDUCATION IN OUR COMMUNITY.

I THINK WE CAN CONTINUE TO RISE TO THE OCCASION AS TRUSTEE WESLEY IS POINTING OUT.

AS SOON AS I'M DONE.

YEAH, -

>> I WOULD ADD THAT WE HAVE A WORKSHOP ON THURSDAY FOR THE NEXT ROUND OF CDBG AND WE ARE ANTICIPATING 10 NEW NONPROFITS THAT ARE NOT CURRENTLY FUNDED TO BE IN ATTENDANCE AT THAT WORKSHOP TO HEAR ABOUT THE OPPORTUNITY FOR THE UPCOMING CDBG, INCLUDING STYLES FOR KIDS, WHICH IS A NEW NON-FOR PROFIT TO ME THAT I LEARNED THROUGH (WORD?). TO ADD TO YOUR POINT, WE HAVE 10 NEW ONES THAT WILL LEARN ABOUT US AND WE WILL SEE WHAT HAPPENS, BUT WE TRY TO INFORM THE COMMUNITY ABOUT THE RESOURCES THAT ARE AVAILABLE AS BEST AS POSSIBLE.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: ONE THING THAT IS A BARRIER FOR KUMBA KIDS, SINCE I AM INTIMATELY FAMILIAR, IS HOW TO BECOME A NONPROFIT SO THAT YOU ARE ELIGIBLE FOR GRANTS AND THAT TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE FOR ORGANIZATIONS THAT MIGHT NOT OTHERWISE HAVE THE CAPACITY TO PURSUE. I DON'T KNOW IF THAT IS, BUT IT IS A THOUGHT THAT I WOULD SUPPORT. TRUSTEE PARAKKAT AND THEN TRUSTEE WESLEY.

>>TRUSTEE PARAKKAT: I JUST WANTED TO MAKE ONE POINT ABOUT - THIS IS MORE FOR THE STAFF, RIGHT?

ESPECIALLY I THINK AT THE BOARD TABLE WHAT I'M HEARING IS THAT WE UNDERSTAND THE RELEVANCE OF HOUSING FORWARD AND THE MISSION AND WE CARE ABOUT THE MISSION, BUT ESPECIALLY WHEN WE ARE USING FUNDS LIKE ARPA FUNDS, FEDERAL DOLLARS COMING INTO THIS COMMUNITY, THE LEVEL OF TRANSPARENCY AND FAIRNESS OF ITS ALLOCATION HAS TO BE A PRIORITY, RIGHT?

EVEN IF WE UNDERSTAND THAT IT IS A VALID USE AND IT'S A GREAT USE FOR THAT FUND, IT IS IMPORTANT TO HAVE A PROCESS BEHIND IT.

THAT PROCESS DETERMINES THE ALLOCATION OF THOSE FUNDS.

I THINK THAT IS AN IMPORTANT POINT AND IN THIS INSTANCE BECAUSE OF OUR UNDERSTANDING OF THE MISSION AND WHAT IT SATISFIES I'M OKAY TO GO IN THIS DIRECTION, BUT AS FEEDBACK IT WOULD BE GOOD TO HAVE A TRANSPARENT PROCESS ALWAYS THAT DETERMINES THE OUTCOME, OTHERWISE IT BECOMES - THE FOLKS WHO HAVE ACCESS OR THE ABILITY TO MAKE A REQUEST GETS IT AND OTHERS GET PUSHED OUT.

LET'S HAVE THAT PROCESS IN PLACE.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: I APPRECIATE IT.

I THINK THE PROCESS IS VERY TRANSPARENT.

I'M JUST STATING THAT I'M SUPPORTIVE OF - AND ACTUALLY I THINK THAT WE ARE JUST VERY ACTIVE PARTICIPANTS IN OUR GOVERNMENT AND THAT THE WORK THAT STAFF IS DOING IS GOING TO GET US THERE.

IT IS GOING TO GET US TO WHERE WE - OUR SITES, ARTICLES, WHERE WE ARE AIMING TO ACHIEVE.

VILLAGE MANAGER JACKSON?

>>VILLAGE MANAGER: WANT TO ADD TO THE CONTEXT A LITTLE BIT.

I APPRECIATE ALL THE COMMENTS OF THE BOARD, BUT I WANT TO BE DOES THE STUFFER MAKING THE RECOMMENDATION AND ADDING TO THE CONTEXT, THIS IS ALIGNED WITH THE BOARD'S GOALS RECENTLY SET HISTORICALLY AS IT RELATES TO TRYING TO BE A LITTLE MORE ASSERTIVE IN HOW WE ADDRESS HOMELESSNESS IN THE COMMUNITY.

SO THIS IS GOING TO CREATE A SITUATION WHERE WE HAVE PERMANENT INTERIM HOUSING - TRANSITIONAL HOUSING, NO LONGER TEMPORARY, PERMANENT INTERIM HOUSING AND RESPITE MEDICAL SERVICES PERMANENTLY INTO OUR CONTINUING OF HOMELESSNESS SERVICES, BUT THE CONNECTIVITY IS IMPORTANT BECAUSE WE WILL PROBABLY SEE MORE OF THAT WE COME FORWARD WITH A RECOMMENDATION WE WILL BE SPEAKING TO HOW IT ALIGNS WITH YOUR GOALS AND I THINK THAT CONSIDERATION HAS BEEN MADE HERE AND ACKNOWLEDGED THROUGH VANESSA AND HER PRESENTATION.

I WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK TO THAT BECAUSE I THINK WE SHOULD LOOK THAT UP AS PART OF IT.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU.

A TRUSTEE WESLEY?

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: I APPRECIATE THE ADDITIONAL CONTEXT THAT YOU ADDED AROUND THE CDBG FUNDING AND AN ADDITIONAL NEW NONPROFIT THAT WE BROUGHT IN AND I APPRECIATE THAT AND I THINK THAT IS GREAT.

I WONDER IF THERE'S A MATERIAL DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE \$700,000 AND THE \$1 MILLION IN TERMS OF THE ABILITY TO HELP HOUSING FORWARD BECAUSE WHAT WE'RE LOOKING AT IS THE CDBG FUNDS IS A PROXIMALLY \$700,000 WHAT WE ARE VOTING HERE IS APPROXIMATELY \$1 MILLION.

EXACTLY \$1 MILLION.

SO THERE'S A \$300,000 GAP.

IS THERE A SUPER MATERIAL DIFFERENCE IF WE JUST GAVE ALL THE CDBG FUNDS AND RAN AND ARPA FUNDS THROUGH THE PROCESS AND THE SUM OF - - CDBG FUNDING INTO THAT ARPA PROCESS AND MAYBE INCLUDE SOMETHING LIKE

THE CONGREGATION OF CHURCHES, WHICH WE MENTIONED EARLIER WHO CAN ACTUALLY SERVE AS A FISCAL AGENT FOR SOME OF THESE PLACES LIKE KUMBA KIDS WHO DON'T HAVE A NONPROFIT CERTIFICATION?

>> AS I MENTIONED PREVIOUSLY THE REASON FOR THE RECOGNITION OR THE \$500,000 IS THAT WAY WE CAN USE THE BALANCE OF THE UPCOMING PROGRAM YEAR, THERE IS A CAP ON THE SERVICE AND IN MINISTRATION. MAJORITY OF THE NONPROFITS THAT DO APPLY FOR CDBG FUNDS ARE APPLYING FOR PUBLIC SERVICE.

WHEN YOU SEE THAT LIST IN THE ACTION PLAN IN JUNE, YOU WILL SEE APPROXIMATELY 20 OR SO ORGANIZATIONS THAT THE CDCAC OR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT - - COMMISSION DILIGENTLY WORKS TO DECIDE, HOW DO WE MAKE THESE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FUNDING OR THEY ARE TORN BETWEEN WE GIVE THEM \$500,000 AND GIVE EVERYONE A FUNDING OR DO WE GIVE - SOME BOARDS MENTION \$20,000 AND REDUCE THE AMOUNT OF ORGANIZATIONS THAT WE ARE RECOMMENDING FUNDING FOR.

IT LIKELY THE NEW ORGANIZATIONS - UNLESS THEY ARE PROVIDING SERVICES IN THE COMMUNITY AND OWN THEIR PROPERTY IN THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK, THEY WOULD NOT QUALIFY FOR PUBLIC FACILITY IMPROVEMENT GRANT, WHICH IS LIKE THE MAIN REASON THAT YOU CAN GET THOSE FUNDS.

DOES NOT HAVE A CAP ON IT, WHEREAS PUBLIC SERVICE DOES.

THAT IS WHY THERE IS CHALLENGES THAT ALIGN WITH THIS AS WELL BECAUSE WE HAVE TO MEET OUR TIME LIMITS, WE HAVE TO SPEND MONEY AND WE ARE GOING TO GET ANOTHER \$1.5 MILLION.

WE ARE GOING TO GET MORE NONPROFITS THAT WILL BE REQUESTING MONEY. WE HAVE TO ALIGN WITH OUR GOALS.

SO THERE ARE ALL THOSE DIFFERENT FACTORS I INTO PLAY VERSUS JUST GIVE MONEY HERE.

SO THOSE ARE ALL THINGS WE HAVE TO THINK ABOUT WHEN WE ARE MAKING THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS AND THAT I PUT INTO CONSIDERATION FOR THIS FRAGMENTATION HERE.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: APPRECIATE THAT.

I GUESS MY QUESTION THEN WOULD BE THAT WE COULD ALWAYS CONVERT ARPA MONEY TO LOST REVENUE AND WE WOULD LOSE ALL THE RESTRICTIONS ON HOW WE SPEND IT, CORRECT?

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: I WAS THINKING ABOUT THAT EARLIER WHEN WE THOUGHT ABOUT MAYBE LOSING SOME, BUT GO AHEAD.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: SO I FEEL LIKE WE HAVE DIFFERENT AVENUES OF MAKING THIS WORK IN A WAY THAT WE CAN INCREASE THE DIVERSITY OF THE FOLKS THAT ARE RECEIVING THESE FUNDS AND ALSO HELP HOUSING FORWARD AT THE SAME TIME.

SO I WOULD LIKE TO SEE SOME ALTERNATIVES THAT KIND OF BEAT THAT. OKAY, SO MY COMMENTS - YES, PLEASE.

>>TRUSTEE ROBINSON: QUICKLY SINCE IT LOOKS LIKE THERE'S ENOUGH SUPPORT FOR BOTH ITEMS, YOU WILL TAKE THE VOTE SEPARATELY SO WE CAN VOTE FOR EITHER ONE?

THEN MANAGER JACKSON, IT WILL BE EVEN MORE IMPORTANT TO ME THAT ONCE - ONCE THEY SPENT ARPA DOLLARS COME BACK IN THE SUMMER AND STUFF COMES BACK WITH THE INFORMATION, COULD WE ALSO GET IN CONJUNCTION WITH THAT, SORT OF A MENU OF OPTIONS FROM STAFF AS TO WAYS TO SPEND THE MONEY?

>>VILLAGE MANAGER: YES, ABSOLUTELY AND WE CAN SPEAK TO THE INTEREST IN ANOTHER PROCESS IF THAT IS DESIRABLE AS WELL. BACK IN THE WINTER OF 2022 WE SAID IT WOULD BE THE LAST PROCESS AND SO, YOU KNOW, WE FACILITATED THOSE APPLICATIONS THROUGH THE PROCESS AND THOUGHT WE WOULD BE WINDING DOWN, BUT FULLY KNOWING THAT IN THE FUTURE THERE COULD BE SOME FUNDING THAT COULD COME BACK THAT WAS NOT SPEND THAT WE MIGHT HAVE TO REPRIORITIZE AND SO ALONG WITH COMING BACK WITH THE FUND BALANCE IN MAY, CERTAINLY WE CAN SPEAK TO ANY OPTIONS FOR ALLOCATING THE FUNDS, BUT ALSO A PROCESS AS WELL. YES.

>> EXCUSE ME, I JUST WANT TO ADDRESS TRUSTEE WESLEY. THE BIGGEST THING ABOUT - I HEAR WHAT YOU ARE SAYING, BUT IT IS THE TIMING. BECAUSE NOW WE ARE SHORT ON TIME. IF WE WAIT UNTIL MAY, REMEMBER, WE SAID WE HAVE TO KNOW WHAT WE ARE DOING IN MAY SO THAT WE CAN BUDGET ACCORDINGLY AND SO BY WAITING FOR THE ARPA DOLLARS WE ARE HITTING THE CLOCK. AND WE DO NOT WANT TO SEND ANY MONEY BACK.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: IN OTHER WORDS WE KNOW 100% THAT HOUSING FORWARD IS GOING TO BE ABLE TO SPEND THAT FULL \$500,000 BEFORE THE DEADLINE, NO HESITATION.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: I APPRECIATE THAT AND OBVIOUSLY WE ARE HERE NOW SO THERE'S NOTHING WE CAN DO ABOUT IT AND I WOULD SAY WE SHOULD HAVE DONE A BETTER JOB OF ENSURING THAT THIS - THAT OUR FUNDING DISBURSEMENTS WERE MORE DIVERSE BEFORE WE GOT TO THIS POINT.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: ACTUALLY, I WAS A BIG ADVOCATE AND I HAVE RECEIVED SOME SIGNIFICANT CHALLENGE OR PUSHBACK ON ABSORBING AS MUCH OF THE ARPA DOLLARS INTO OUR GENERAL FUND AS POSSIBLE, AS MUCH AS THE TREASURY WOULD PERMIT SO WE WOULDN'T HAVE EXACTLY THIS PROBLEM. IT WAS NOT QUITE UNDERSTOOD IN THAT MOMENT AND TIME, BUT NOW WE DO GET IT, I THINK. SO THANK YOU.

MY COMMENTS BEFORE WERE REALLY ABOUT JUST TAKING ADVANTAGE OF THE OPPORTUNITY OF WHAT TRUSTEE WESLEY HAS OUTLINED FOR US, IF WE ARE GOING TO SEE OURSELVES DIVERSIFY OUR SUPPORT WE HAVE TO CHANGE HOW WE DO THINGS, WHICH I KNOW IS ALREADY IN THE WORKS, BUT STILL APPRECIATE THE OPPORTUNITY TO LIFT THAT UP AND SUPPORT IT.

I DO WANT TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO JUST CLEARLY STATE HOW ABSOLUTELY WONDERFUL AND PROUD I AM THAT WE HAVE THE WRITE INN IN OAK PARK AND THAT WE RESPONDED THAT HOUSING FORWARD RESPONDED TO COVID IN

THE WAY THAT THEY DID AND PIVOTED, I HAVE SAID IT BEFORE, ON A DIME TO TURN THE WRITE INN INTO A SHELTER.

I WAS AT A SHELTER IN MAY 15 OF 2020, DAY BEFORE YOU SHUT IT DOWN AND THE IDEA OF CONGREGATE HOUSING FOR OUR HOMELESS WAS NOT - WAS NO LONGER A POSSIBILITY IN THE PANDEMIC AND THIS WAS TRULY THINKING ON OUR FEET AND FOR OUR COMMUNITY TO SHOW AND DEMONSTRATE THE SUPPORT FOR THE WRITE INN AND WITH A STRONG ADVOCACY, THAT HOUSING FORWARD IS DOING TO DIVERSIFY THIS PROJECT WITH OUR STATE AND FEDERAL ELECTED OFFICIALS SUPPORT, I AM PROUD TO VOTE YES ON BOTH ITEMS AND SO CLERK WATERS -

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: CAN WE DO SOMETHING ABOUT THE EXPENSE OF WINDOWS SERIOUSLY, - WE ARE TRYING TO SHELTER THE HOMELESS AND WE ARE GOING TO BUY HISTORIC WINDOWS.

CAN WE GET A WAIVER?

HOW DO WE GET THAT BACK TO THE BOARD?

I REALLY DON'T WANT TO HAVE THE WRITE INN HAVE TO HAVE WINDOWS THAT ADHERE TO GUIDELINES THAT WE CREATE THAT CAUSED THE MORE MONEY THAT THEY COULD BE USING TO DO THE MISSION.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: WOULD IT BE OKAY TRUSTEE WESLEY - - I TRY TO MAKE SPACE FOR EVERYBODY'S OPINIONS HERE.

IF WE HAVE THAT CONVERSATION ANOTHER NIGHT.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: THAT IS FINE, BUT I THINK IT NEEDS TO BE SAID BEFORE WE START SPENDING THE MONEY.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: HOW ABOUT AFTER WE GO TO ALL THE FORMS THAT THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION IS GOING TO HOST.

RIGHT HERE, RIGHT HERE?

(NAME?) IS GOING TO THE LIBRARY FOR THESE FORMS SO WE ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT THERE IS A TRUE VALUE TO THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK FOR A HISTORIC BUILDING LIKE THE WRITE INN TO MAINTAIN THE CHARACTER, EVEN THOUGH IT IS A FEW EXTRA DOLLARS.

SORRY.

SORRY THAT I TOUCHED YOUR SHOULDER THERE.

CLERK WATERS, PLEASE TAKE THE ROLL.

>> TRUSTEE ROBINSON.

>> THIS IS SOLELY ON ITEM J, CORRECT?

NO.

>> TRUSTEE STRAW.

>> YES.

>> TRUSTEE BUCHANAN.

>> YES.

>> TRUSTEE PARAKKAT.

>> YES.

>> TRUSTEE WESLEY.

>> NO.

>> PRESIDENT SCAMAN.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: YES.
WITH FOUR VOTES THAT MOTION PASSES.
THANK YOU.
WE HAVE A RESOLUTION APPROVING A PROGRAM YEAR 2023 SUBSTANTIAL
AMENDMENT FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT RETURNED THE FUNDS TO
BE PROVIDED TO HOUSING FORWARD.
DID I SAY ALL THAT CORRECTLY?
MOTION, PLEASE.

>> SO MOVED.

>> SECOND.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: VILLAGE MANAGER JACKSON?
ANYTHING FURTHER ON THIS ITEM?

>>VILLAGE MANAGER: NOTHING FURTHER, PRESIDENT SCAMAN.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU.

CLERK WATERS PLEASE TAKE THE ROLL.

>> TRUSTEE STRAW.

>> YES.

>> TRUSTEE ROBINSON.

>> YES.

>> TRUSTEE BUCHANAN.

>> YES.

>> TRUSTEE PARAKKAT.

>> YES.

>> PRESIDENT SCAMAN.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: YES.

CONGRATULATIONS, THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU DO.

I WOULD ENTERTAIN A RESOLUTION ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE
2023-2025 VILLAGE BOARD PROTOCOLS AS DISCUSSED AT THE SEPTEMBER 14,
2023 REGULAR MEETING.

MOTION, PLEASE.

>> SO MOVED.

>> SECOND.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: OKAY.

MOTION BY TRUSTEE ROBINSON AND SECONDED BY TRUSTEE WESLEY.
VILLAGE MANAGER JACKSON?

>>VILLAGE MANAGER: YES.

THIS IS THE - THESE ARE THE PROPOSED PROTOCOLS BASED UPON THE BOARD
GOAL SETTING RETREAT THIS SUMMER FEEDBACK AND GENERAL CONSENSUS AROUND
THE PROPOSED PROTOCOLS, DEPUTY VILLAGE MANAGER LISA SHELLEY IS HERE TO
ANSWER QUESTIONS, AS WELL AS MYSELF AND PAUL.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: WHO WOULD LIKE TO START OFF THE DISCUSSION IF
THERE ARE SUGGESTED AMENDMENTS OR IF WE ARE READY TO APPROVE AS
PRESENTED?

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: GO AHEAD A.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: I'M DOING A LOT OF TALKING TONIGHT.

PROTOCOLS, WE OBVIOUSLY HAVE TALKED ABOUT THIS A LOT.
I SUMMER, THERE IS ONE THING IN HERE SPECIFICALLY THAT I WANTED TO
CALL ATTENTION TO OR AT LEAST TO AMEND IS THAT CURRENTLY IN OUR
PROTOCOLS WE HAVE EMAIL COMMENTS AND THOSE COMMENTS ARE READ BY THE
CLERK.

THERE'S A COUPLE ISSUES I HAVE WITH THAT.

ONE IS THAT THE ANONYMITY OF THE COMMENT ALLOWS PEOPLE TO SAY SOME
THINGS THAT THEY PROBABLY WOULD NOT SAY IN PERSON AND I AM QUITE FINE
WITH FOLKS SHOWING UP AND SAYING WHAT THEY WANT, FIRST AMENDMENT, ALL
THAT JAZZ.

I DON'T THINK WE SHOULD HAVE TO READ THAT.

WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO DO IS STRIKE EMAIL COMMENTS ALTOGETHER FROM BEING
READ AT THE BOARD AND AT THE COMMONS TO THE MINUTES, THE EMAIL
COMMENTS TO THE MINUTES WHEN THEY ARE PUBLISHED.

>>VILLAGE ATTORNEY: IF I CAN RESPOND?

I BELIEVE THE ONLY EMAIL TO COMMENTS THAT HAVE TO BE READ PER THE
DRAFTED PROTOCOLS BEFORE YOU ARE ON PAGE 5, SECTION E1.

ONLY IF THE MEETING IS BY REMOTE PARTICIPATION AND I THINK WHAT
HAPPENED WITH THE BOARD IS THAT TRADITION CONTINUED AFTER COVID ENDED
AND REMOTE PARTICIPATION ENDED, BUT TECHNICALLY UNDER WHAT IS DRAFTED,
WHAT YOU CURRENTLY HAVE IN PLACE, THE CLERK DOES NOT HAVE TO READ
EMAIL COMMENTS.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: IT SO WE WOULD NOT NEED TO MAKE ANY CHANGE
ANYTHING?

>>VILLAGE ATTORNEY: NO.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: WE NEED TO CHANGE THE PRACTICE.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO JUST
SAY, I AM TOTALLY FINE WITH THAT, BUT I WANT EVERYBODY TO REALIZE WE
NEED TO BE CONSISTENT IN THAT.

SO IF THERE IS AN ITEM FORWARD IN MOST OF THE PUBLIC COMMENT IN PERSON
WAS AGREEING WITH THE MOTION AND MOST OF THE EMAIL MIGHT BE IN
OPPOSITION FOR EXAMPLE AND WHATEVER SIDE OF THAT YOU ARE ON, YOU HAVE
TO BE OKAY WITH NOT ALL OF IT IS GOING TO BE READ.

I JUST WANTED TO BE SOMETHING THAT EVERYBODY IS OKAY WITH BECAUSE
CONSISTENCY WILL MATTER.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: PERFECTLY FINE WITH NO EMAIL COMMENTS AT ALL
BEING READ AT BOARD MEETINGS AND JUST BEING ADDED TO THE RECORD.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THE ONE TIME I MIGHT CHOOSE AN EXCEPTION IS
IF IT IS A SPECIAL GUEST.

I SAY IF FAITH JULIAN HAD WRITTEN IN AFTER HER DAD'S PROCLAMATION, I
WOULD READ THAT ALOUD, BUT I DO ALSO APPRECIATE, SO THE VILLAGE
PRESIDENT DOES RETAIN THAT RIGHT, I'M JUST SHARING WITH YOU AS MY
COLLEAGUES A RESPECT THAT THAT WOULD NOT BE FOR POLITICAL REASONS,
THAT WOULD BE FOR MORE HISTORICAL CONTEXT.

OKAY?

AND THEN SO WE ARE ALSO SUGGESTING, PAUL AND VILLAGE MANAGER JACKSON, I'M HEARING TRUSTEE WESLEY AFFIRM THAT WE NEED THOSE UNREAD EMAIL COMMENTS TO BE PART OF THE PERMANENT RECORD AND ATTACHED TO THEM MINUTES.

>>VILLAGE ATTORNEY: MINUTES CAN GET PRETTY LENGTHY.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: IS IT ALL RIGHT?

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: IF WE DECIDE TO STORE IT IN A DIFFERENT WAY, AS LONG AS IT'S ACCESSIBLE.

>>VILLAGE ATTORNEY: ACCESSIBLE, YOU CAN MAKE THEM PART OF THE RECORD.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: AS LONG AS IT'S PART OF THE PERMANENT RECORD FOR RESEARCH PURPOSES.

>>VILLAGE ATTORNEY: THE VILLAGE CLERK WOULD KEEP, YOU WOULD MAKE A NOTATION.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: I WOULD LIKE IT TO STILL BE ONLINE. COULD WE WORK WITH grancicus AND SEE IF THERE IS A WAY TO DO THAT?

>>VILLAGE MANAGER: ,YES WE CAN WORK ON THAT.

YOU CAN STILL EMAIL COMMENT IN AND I TRUST THAT THIS BOARD WILL READ ALL THE EMAIL COMMENT THAT THEY RECEIVE, BUT WE ARE NOT GOING TO READ IT OUT LOUD AT THE BOARD MEETING AND WE DO WANT IT TO BE ACCESSIBLE ONLINE AS PART OF THE PERMANENT RECORD, BUT ALSO SO THAT RESIDENTS OF OUR VILLAGE CAN READ THEM AS WELL.

I KNOW TRUSTEE WESLEY AND I SPOKE ABOUT THIS BEFORE AND LIKE WHEN WE THINK BACK TO PASSING OF THE 1968 FAIR HOUSING ORDINANCE, THE PUBLIC COMMENT AS PART OF OUR HISTORY AND PROVIDES A LOT OF CONTEXT AND INFORMATION ABOUT OUR COMMUNITY AND SO THAT IS AN EXAMPLE OF WHY IT'S IMPORTANT FOR ME TO HAVE IT ONLINE AND BE PART OF PERMANENT RECORD.

>> I WANT TO CLARIFY THAT CURRENTLY THE GRANICUS SYSTEM WE HAVE IN PLACE, THAT IS NOT AVAILABLE RIGHT NOW, BUT AS HE SAID WE WILL LOOK INTO IT BECAUSE WE KNOW IT IS AN OPTION POTENTIALLY.

I WANT TO MAKE SURE IT IS CLEAR FOR THE NEXT MEETING YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO POST ALL THESE COMMENTS ONLINE IN THE GRANICUS SYSTEM BECAUSE WE DO NOT DO THAT CURRENTLY, BUT LIKE YOU SAID WE WILL LOOK INTO THE OPTION.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: ACTUALLY - THE INTRODUCTORY PARAGRAPH ON HERE, LIKE ON OUR AGENDA, THE INSTRUCTIONS FOR NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT AND PUBLIC COMMENT, CAN WE JUST MAYBE TAKE A GLANCE AT THAT AT SOME POINT AND MAKE SURE IT DOES NOT NEED TO BE UPDATED?

>>VILLAGE ATTORNEY: YES.

WE WILL UPDATE IT AFTER YOU ADOPT.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: OKAY.

MHM.

>>TRUSTEE PARAKKAT: I WANT TO CLARIFY THAT NOTHING IN THESE PROTOCOLS LIMITS AN INDIVIDUAL TRUSTEES ABILITY TO MAKE A STATEMENT ON THEIR OWN BEHALF.

>>VILLAGE ATTORNEY: NO.
NOTHING LIMITS.

>>TRUSTEE PARAKKAT: OR THE NEED OTHER THAN ENCOURAGEMENT, THE
NEED TO SEGMENT IT TO ANYBODY ELSE?

>>VILLAGE ATTORNEY: RIGHT.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THAT IS, FOR CLARITY, HOW I UNDERSTAND THE
DOCUMENT TO BE AS WELL.
APPRECIATE THE BREVITY IN THOSE QUESTIONS.
TRUSTEE WESLEY?

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: STILL HAVE A COUPLE OF THINGS.
SECTION H2, IT IS ABOUT THE EMOTION OR THE ITEM FROM A TRUSTEE TO
STAFF IN TERMS OF DOING WORK THAT EXCEEDS TWO HOURS.
AND SO THE PROCESS I THINK WAS INCLUDED IN THE PROTOCOLS IS THAT THE
MANAGER WOULD BRING THE ITEM TO THE BOARD AND WE WOULD DISCUSS WHETHER
OR NOT IT IS WORTH STAFF SPENDING THE TIME ON IT.
TO ME THAT FEELS LIKE A RUNAROUND TO OUR MOTION AND A SECOND PROCESS,
BECAUSE IF IT COMES TO A BOARD WE WILL END UP DISCUSSING AND SO
SOMEONE COULD MAKE A MOTION THAT TAKES MORE THAN TWO HOURS, YOU BRING
IT HERE AND WE ALL TALK ABOUT IT, IN WHICH CASE WE JUST TALKED ABOUT
IT.

AND WE TALKED ABOUT IT WITHOUT THEM GETTING THAT SECOND.
SO WHAT I WANT IS IF SOMEONE SENDS AN ITEM TO STAFF IS GOING TO TAKE
IN EXCESS OF TWO HOURS THAT YOU THEN ASK FOR A SECOND FROM ANOTHER
TRUSTEE AND THAT SECOND DOES NOT COME THEN THE WORK DOES NOT HAPPEN.

>>VILLAGE MANAGER: THAT IS INTERESTING.
HOW DOES IT READ?

THAT IS FUNCTIONALLY HOW IT WORKS.
IN ESSENCE IF YOU HAVE A MOTION AND A SECOND THEN IT GETS ON THE
AGENDA AND THE BOARD CAN GIVE ME IN THE STOP DIRECTION TO WORK ON IT
SO THAT IS THE IDEA OF HOW IT WOULD WORK.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: IF I ASK YOU SPECIFICALLY, KEVIN, CAN WE GET A
REPORT ON BLAH BLAH AND YOU THINK IT'S GOING TO TAKE SEVEN OR 10 HOURS
OF WORK YOU WOULD BRING THAT TO THE BOARD WITHOUT A SECOND TO ASK
WHETHER OR NOT WE SHOULD WORK ON IT OR WOULD YOU ASK FOR A SECOND
BEFORE YOU BRING IT TO THE BOARD?

>>VILLAGE MANAGER: I WOULD TALK TO YOU - IN PRACTICE AND SAY,
HEY, TRUSTEE WESLEY, RESPECTFULLY THIS REQUEST I THINK I UNDERSTAND
IT, MAKE SURE WE UNDERSTAND IT AND SAY, HEY, I THINK THIS REQUEST IS
GOING TO TAKE MORE THAN TWO HOURS AND IT WOULD BE HELPFUL FOR YOU TO
MAKE A MOTION TO SEEK A SECOND SO THAT WE CAN PUT IT ON THE AGENDA AND
THE BOARD CAN DIRECT STAFF TO WORK ON IT AND CREATE THE WORK PRODUCT.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: PERFECT.
IF THERE IS A PROCESS I'M GOOD WITH THAT.

I WOULD NOT WANT ME TO SEND YOU SOMETHING THAT TAKES 15 HOURS WORTH OF WORK AND YOU BRING IT TO THE BOARD TO TALK ABOUT THE THING THAT - NOW WE ARE HAVING A DISCUSSION AND I GET INTO THE SYSTEM WITHOUT A SECOND. MAYBE NOBODY ELSE SUPPORTED THAT.

>>VILLAGE MANAGER: I THINK WE SHOULD HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO TALK ABOUT IT AND WALK THROUGH IT.

I WOULD WANT TO EXPAND IT TO YOU AND SAY, HEY, I THINK I UNDERSTAND THE QUESTION NOTE SAY, HEY, LOOK, I THINK THIS WILL TAKE A LITTLE BIT MORE, CAN YOU - SO I NEED MORE DIRECTION ON THIS SO CAN YOU MAKE A MOTION?

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: THAT IS ALL I HAVE.
WAIT, WAIT, WAIT.

EXECUTIVE SESSION GRID WE ALWAYS SCHEDULE IT FOR AN HOUR.
IT ALWAYS GOES LONGER THAN AN HOUR.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: WE CAN WORK ON THAT.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: THE PROBLEM IS THAT THE STUFF WE DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION IS OFTEN VERY WEIGHTY MATERIAL AND SO IF WE REDUCE THE AMOUNT OF TIME OR WE TRY TO CRAM MORE DISCUSSION AND HIT THAT HOUR, I FEEL LIKE WE LEAVE DISCUSSION ON THE TABLE AND SOMETIMES MAYBE WE COULD HAVE MADE BETTER DECISIONS IF WE HAD TAKEN MORE TIME. SO I WONDER IF WE NEED TO EXTEND THAT AN HOUR PROBABLY IS NOT ENOUGH SINCE IT HARDLY EVER TAKES AN HOUR.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THEORETICALLY IT IS THE VILLAGE MANAGER WHO WOULD BE DETERMINING THAT AMOUNT OF TIME BASED ON HOW MANY AGENDA ITEMS, HOW MUCH THEY BELIEVE, RIGHT VILLAGE MANAGER JACKSON. EXECUTIVE SESSION MIGHT ONLY BE SCHEDULED FOR 30 MINUTES, BUT WHAT YOU ARE DOING IF YOU'RE SAYING, HEY, I THINK WE SHOULD TALK, I THINK WE GOT THAT MESSAGE CLEAR TONIGHT.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: DO LIKE TO TALK TO.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: ALSO IN THE PROTOCOLS AND I DO NOT MEAN THIS - I MEAN THIS TO BE A LITTLE TONGUE-IN-CHEEK OF A FIVE MINUTES EACH, FOLKS?

FIVE MINUTES EACH.

PERFECT TIMING.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: THAT WILL END UP WITH MORE LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

>>VILLAGE MANAGER: I WILL SAY THAT WE WILL TRY TO PAY CLOSER ATTENTION TO SOME VERY UNIQUE - THERE ARE SOME VERY UNIQUE ISSUES THAT WE HAD TO DEAL WITH THAT WE MAY NOT DEAL WITH FOR THE NEXT 15 OR 20 YEARS.

THEY GET SO INVOLVED, SO I THINK WE CAN WORK ON THAT AND THEN THE OTHER THING - I THINK SOME OF OUR OTHER LIMITATION IS TRYING TO START AT SIX, BECAUSE I THINK THAT IS THE EARLIEST PEOPLE CAN GET HERE.

OF COURSE IF WE COULD GO EARLIER THAT IS GREAT, BUT I THINK 6:00 O'CLOCK IS KIND OF WARPED AND I THINK WE COULD HAVE SOME FLEX ABILITY

AND MAYBE MOVE THE START OF THE REGULAR MEETING WHEN WE HAVE THOSE ITEMS THAT COULD GO LONGER.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: A THANK YOU.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: THAT IS ACTUALLY ALL I HAVE.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: OKAY, TRUSTEE BUCHANAN AND THEN TRUSTEE STRAW.

>>TRUSTEE BUCHANAN: SINCE YOU MENTIONED THE FIVE MINUTES, LIMIT YOUR QUESTIONS TO NO MORE THAN FIVE MINUTES EACH. SO ALL OF YOUR QUESTIONS AND THEIR ANSWERS TO LAST FIVE MINUTES? IF I AM REMEMBERING THIS IDEA IT IS LIKE ONE ROUND AND A REBUTTAL BASICALLY.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN:

>>TRUSTEE BUCHANAN: FOLLOWING QUESTIONS YOU GET THREE MINUTES.

>>TRUSTEE BUCHANAN: WHATEVER.

NOT GOING TO SPEND A LOT OF TIME ON THAT.

TOP OF PAGE 7 AT ONE POINT F .5, I WANTED CLARIFICATION ABOUT THE WORD "AFFIRMATIVE" ON PAGE 5. I'M NOT SURE WHAT THAT WORD MEANS BECAUSE ONE OR MORE BOARD MEMBERS IS ABSENT AND THERE ARE LESS THAN FOUR AFFIRMATIVE POLL VOTES, WHY WOULDN'T - DON'T YOU MEAN IF THERE'S NOT A MAJORITY ON ANY POLL?

PAGE 7, NUMBER FIVE.

SO IT IS SAYING THAT THERE NEEDS TO BE - IF THERE ARE NOT FOUR AFFIRMATIVE POLL VOTES OF FOUR NUMBERS ON ANY POLL PROPOSED ON THE STUDY SESSION MATTER THAN IT HAS TO BE POSTPONED UNTIL THE NEXT MEETING.

SO ASSUME THAT MEANS IF THERE ISN'T A MAJORITY FOR SOME MOVEMENT ON THE ITEM?

SO THEY COULD BE ALL NEGATIVE, WHICH WOULD INDICATE SOME TYPE OF MOVEMENT ON THE ITEM.

SO IT IS A MAJORITY.

IF THERE IS NOT A MAJORITY.

JUST TO BE PICKY.

TOP OF PAGE 7, - -

>>VILLAGE ATTORNEY: CHANGE THAT TO MAJORITY?

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: AFFIRMATIVE POLL VOTES.

SO DIRECTION, YOU ARE LOOKING FOR IF THERE IS CLEAR DIRECTION ON AT LEAST FOUR VOTES?

>>VILLAGE MANAGER: AND THAT THERE IS A POLL AT EACH STUDY SESSION THAT DIRECTION IS GIVEN WITH AT LEAST MAJORITY OF FOUR VOTES REQUIRED. I GET IT.

>>TRUSTEE STRAW: IT IS JUST RAKING THE WORD AFFIRMATIVE.

>>TRUSTEE ROBINSON: YOU COULD HAVE A MAJORITY OF NO VOTES.

>>TRUSTEE STRAW: IF YOU HAD MAJORITY NO VOTES IT IS STILL MAJORITY.

HIS FOUR POLL VOTES IN EITHER DIRECTION, MAJORITY OF THE BOARD VOTING ONE DIRECTION.

>>TRUSTEE ROBINSON: I SEE.
LEAVING AS FOUR POLL VOTES ONLY REMOVING?
I'M NOT SURE IF I UNDERSTAND.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: WE ARE TAKING THE WORD "AFFIRMATIVE" VERY LITERALLY, PAUL.

>>TRUSTEE BUCHANAN: THAT IS HOW MY BRAIN WORKS.
THAT IS ALL I HAVE.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: IT COULD BE THAT FOUR PEOPLE ARE SAYING, NO, WE DO NOT WISH TO PROCEED WITH THIS STUDY SESSION TOPIC BEYOND TONIGHT AND IT IS NOT LITERALLY AFFIRMATIVE, IT IS DIRECTION.

>>VILLAGE ATTORNEY: WE CAN TAKE THAT OUT.

>>TRUSTEE STRAW: I HAD ONE QUESTION GOING BACK TO THE PUBLIC COMMENT PIECE I GUESS THIS IS MORE OF A - WHAT ARE OUR CAPABILITIES AROUND REMOTE PUBLIC COMMENT?
THE ONE THING THAT EMAIL PUBLIC COMMENT HAS BEEN VERY IMPORTANT FOR IS ACCESS FOR PEOPLE WHO MIGHT NOT OTHERWISE HAVE ACCESS TO THE PROCESS, WHETHER BECAUSE THEY CANNOT PHYSICALLY ENTER THE SPACE OR FOR WHATEVER REASON.

SO DO WE HAVE THE CAPABILITY?

I THINK PRESIDENT SCAMAN WAS REFERENCING THE INSTRUCTIONS FOR PUBLIC COMES THAT ARE ON THE AGENDA.

IT SPEAKS TO COMMENTING - CONTACTING THE VILLAGE CLERK'S OFFICE TO GET INSTRUCTIONS ON HOW TO PARTICIPATE IN THE MEETING.

WILL WE RETAIN A REMOTE AVENUE FOR FOLKS TO PROVIDE PUBLIC COMMENT, THAT IS THAT LIVE PUBLIC COMMENT THAT WE ARE SEEKING TO PROMOTE?

>>VILLAGE ATTORNEY: RIGHT NOW IT IS WRITTEN TO REQUIRE LIVE PUBLIC COMMENT, IF YOU WANT TO MAKE AN ACCOMMODATION FOR REMOTE BY ZOOM YOU WOULD NEED TO BE IN ALIGNMENT CONSENSUS WITH AN AMENDMENT TO THE DOCUMENT TO ADD TO THAT.

>>TRUSTEE STRAW: I THINK IF WE ARE IN SUPPORT OF NOT HAVING EMAIL PUBLIC COMMENT READ INTO THE RECORD, AND I THINK THAT MAKES A GREAT DEAL OF SENSE, ESPECIALLY WHEN SOMETIMES THAT EMAIL PUBLIC COMMENT IS FALLING INTO SOME OF THE REPETITIVE CATEGORIES THAT WE SEE, OTHERWISE IN THE PROTOCOLS, I THINK IT WOULD BE IMPORTANT, ESPECIALLY GIVEN OUR BOARD'S GOALS AROUND EQUITY AND ACCESS AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT TO PROVIDE SOME REMOTE AVENUES.

SO I WOULD ASK MY COLLEAGUES TO SEE WHETHER WE HAVE CONSENSUS AROUND INCORPORATING SOME REMOTE PROCESS FOR PEOPLE TO BE ABLE TO GIVE LIVE BY ZOOM OR TELEPHONE PUBLIC COMMENT.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: I WOULD BE IN FAVOR OF ANY REMOTE COMMENT THAT IS NOT ANONYMOUS AND DOES NOT REQUIRE US TO READ AT.

SO SOMEBODY WANTS TO DO A ZOOM COMMENT ON CAMERA.

IT HAS TO BE ON CAMERA, RIGHT?

THEY SHOULD APPEAR THEY WOULD BE ON CAMERA.
SO I WOULD BE IN FAVOR OF THAT BEING REMOTE.
I WOULD LOVE THAT.

IT WOULD MITIGATE, LIKE YOU SAID, THE CONCERN OF EMAIL COMMENTS GOING AWAY AND BEING READ INTO THE RECORD.

FOR ME IT IS ALL ABOUT, IF YOU SHOW UP TO THIS BODY AND GIVE A PUBLIC COMMENT YOU WILL STAND AT THAT AND BE IN, AND WHATEVER YOU ARE GOING TO SAY AND OFTEN WE HEAR SOME STUFF THAT SOME PEOPLE - I FEEL WOULD NOT SAY IN OTHER PLACES, RIGHT?

BUT THEY WILL SAY HERE AND THEY HAVE TO BE ON CAMERA AND THEY HAVE TO SAY TO THEIR NEIGHBORS AND THEIR COMMUNITY AND WE SHOULD NOT HAVE TO SAY THAT ON THEIR BEHALF.

AND I AM PERFECTLY HAPPY WITH ENSURING THAT THEY STILL HAVE THE ABILITY TO DO THAT, TO SAY THOSE THINGS AND OWN THOSE COMMENTS REMOTELY.

>>TRUSTEE STRAW: ABSOLUTELY.

I'M IN FULL AGREEMENT ON THE MANY GOOD REASONS NOT TO HAVE EMAIL READ INTO THE RECORD AND I THINK THAT REQUIRING - I HAVE SOME TECHNOLOGY ACCESS CONCERNS AROUND REQUIRING IT TO BE ZOOM, BUT I DO HEAR THE REASONS BEHIND THAT THEY THINK THEY MAKE SENSE.

I THINK THAT I WOULD BE FINE WITH IT BEING TELEPHONE AS LONG AS THE PERSON IS ALIVE AND IDENTIFYING THEMSELVES, BUT I AM FINE EITHER WAY. I THINK WE SHOULD HAVE SOME REMOTE POSSIBILITY FOR FOLKS THAT CANNOT ACCESS THE SPACE.

>>TRUSTEE ROBINSON: PAUL, ARE WE ABLE TO DO THE CAMERA REQUIREMENT?

IS THAT POSSIBLE?

>>VILLAGE ATTORNEY: YOU HAVE DONE IN THE PAST.
THEY CAN BE TECHNICAL PROBLEMS OR OTHER PROBLEMS AND WE WILL HAVE TO PROVIDE EQUALLY OF COURSE.

>>TRUSTEE ROBINSON: RIGHT.

I'M HEARING AGREEMENT WITH BOTH TRUSTEES.

THE NEED TO HAVE IT BE AS IMPERSONAL AS POSSIBLE, BUT ALSO UNDERSTANDING ACCESS CONSIDERATIONS AND THEY CERTAINLY WOULD NOT WANT ACCESSIBILITY TO BE A BARRIER TO SOMEBODY BEING ABLE TO ADDRESS THE BOARD, AT THE SAME TIME I THINK IT HAS GOT TO BE - IT HAS GOT TO BE - WAS THAT MEAN?

THERE HAS TO BE SOME THRESHOLD LIMITS, WHICH I THINK ARE APPROPRIATE FOR PUBLIC COMMENT.

YOU ARE SAYING IT IS POSSIBLE TO SAY REMOTE VIA ZOOM AND ON CAMERA? THAT IS PERMISSIBLE?

>>VILLAGE ATTORNEY: YES.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: I HAVE CONCERNS WITH THIS THAT WE HAVE INCORPORATED A EQUITY LENS INTO ALL OF OUR AGENDA ITEMS AND NOW WE ARE

MAKING THIS DECISION ABOUT HOW PEOPLE ACCESS THEIR GOVERNMENT AND SHOW UP WITHOUT NECESSARILY HAVING THAT DEI ASSESSMENT.

IT DEFINITELY DO NOT WANT TO TABLE THIS ITEM OR ANYTHING, BUT THERE ARE SINGLE MOMS.

THERE IS REASONS AND I DO NOT WANT TO TRY TO MAKE THEM UP OUT OF THIN AIR THAT PEOPLE MIGHT BE LESS LIKELY TO ENGAGE THEIR GOVERNMENT AND I DO NOT WANT TO DO ANYTHING THAT MAKES PEOPLE NOT FEEL COMFORTABLE ENGAGING THEIR GOVERNMENT BY FORCING TO BE ON CAMERA.

>>TRUSTEE ROBINSON: YEAH, I HEAR THAT.

I THINK MY PERSPECTIVE IS THIS IS REALLY JUST ONE TYPE OF ENGAGEMENT AND EMAILING THE BOARD, CALLING US, WHICH RESIDENTS DO IS STILL AVAILABLE.

INTERESTINGLY, THE PUBLIC COMMENT SECTION OF OMA IS A FAIRLY NEW, THE ACT ITSELF IS 80 YEARS OLD OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT.

YEAH, THE PUBLIC COMMENT SECTION OF IT THAT GUARANTEES THE PUBLIC'S RIGHT TO ADDRESS THE BOARD IS ONLY ABOUT 10 OR 11 YEARS OLD.

SO IT IS A VERY NEW PIECE OF OMA OVERALL AND I THINK IT IS APPROPRIATE FOR US TO HAVE SOME PARAMETERS AROUND IT THAT EVOLVE AND SO THAT IS ACTUALLY WHAT I WANTED TO ASK AND SEE IF WE CAN GET CONSENSUS AROUND THAT IS PAUL'S MEMO IN RESPONSE TO MY QUESTION ABOUT HAVING SOME SORT OF PARAMETERS AROUND PUBLIC COMMENT ITSELF.

I NOTICED THAT WE DON'T HAVE ANY AT ALL.

DON'T HAVE ANY SORT OF STANDARDS, REQUIREMENTS, GUIDELINES AROUND WHAT PEOPLE CAN COME AND SAY AND WE HAVE HAD, YOU KNOW, SOME EMAILS THAT HAVE BEEN ADJUSTED INCREDIBLY OFFENSIVE.

WE HAVE HAD OUTBURSTS HERE IN CHAMBERS MULTIPLE TIMES, IRONICALLY FROM PEOPLE AFTER THEY GAVE PUBLIC COMMENT SO THERE WAS ABSOLUTELY NO ACCESSIBILITY ISSUE IN THOSE INSTANCES AND I THINK WE HAVE A LEGITIMATE INTEREST IN MAKING SURE THAT THESE MEETINGS OPERATE IN A ORDERLY FASHION AND WE DON'T HAVE PEOPLE YELLING OUT AND TALKING OVER THE VILLAGE MANAGER WHEN HE IS TRYING TO ANSWER A QUESTION AND WE HAVE PUBLIC COMMENT THAT HAS SOME GUIDELINES AND PARAMETERS TO IT.

SO I WOULD LIKE TO SEE US HAVE STAFF COME BACK AND DEVELOP SOME PROTOCOL PROVISIONS, REALLY IN LINE WITH PAUL'S MEMO AND THAT WOULD BE HIS RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE CONCLUSION SECTION ON PAGE 6 WHERE THE GUIDELINES ARE SPECIFICALLY RELATED AND LIMITED.

I AM NOT TRYING TO MINIMIZE ANYBODY'S RIGHT TO EXPRESS THEIR VIEWPOINT, BUT REALLY LIMITED TO, YOU KNOW, OUR ABILITY TO PRESERVE A REASONABLE, AS HE WRITES IN HERE, PREVENT DISRUPTION, PRESERVE REASONABLE DECORUM AND TO FACILITATE AN ORDERLY MEETING AND I THINK WE HAVE A LEGITIMATE INTEREST IN THAT I THINK HAVING EXPERIENCED MEETINGS WHERE THE PARTICIPATION IS NOT FAT, AND HOW DETRIMENTAL THAT IS TO PRODUCTIVE MEETINGS.

I WOULD LIKE TO HEAR THOUGHTS ON PAUL'S MEMO AND GET STUFF TO DO THAT.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: PAUL, WERE YOU GOING TO ADD SOMETHING?

>>VILLAGE ATTORNEY: I DID ADD SOMETHING TO THE PARTICLES.
TWO PROVISIONS ACTUALLY.
PAGE 6, NUMBER SEVEN AND EIGHT, THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT MAY LIMIT
REDUNDANT OR REPETITIVE PUBLIC COMMENT.
WHEN YOU HAD THE EMAILS READY, THERE WAS THAT CONCERN.
AT THE END OF NUMBER EIGHT, INDIVIDUALS WHOSE BEHAVIOR DISTURBS THE
CONDUCT OF A MEETING OR REPEATS THE CONDUCT OF A MEETING, THERE'S A
REGULATION NOW ON THAT.
IT IS ABOUT TREADING ON THE FIRST AMENDMENT THAT GETS TO WHAT YOU ARE
LOOKING FOR.

>>TRUSTEE ROBINSON: I THOUGHT THE SECTIONS WERE THERE BEFORE,
RIGHT?

>>VILLAGE ATTORNEY: NO.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: PAGE 6.

>>TRUSTEE ROBINSON: I'M SORRY, PAGE 6, ITEMS FIVE AND SIX.
ITEM 7 AND EIGHT.
THANK YOU.

YES, I SEE IT IN THE CHANGES AS AN ADDITION.
I'M JUST CURIOUS WHETHER OTHERS ARE SUPPORTIVE OF THAT AND WHAT
EVERYBODY ELSE THINKS ABOUT IT.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: I THINK THERE IS SOME IRONY TONIGHT.
I TEND TO DO A GOOD JOB SHUTTING DOWN REPETITIVE OR DISRUPTIVE COMMENT
FROM THE AUDIENCE, MORE SO THAN THE BOARD TABLE TONIGHT.
I'M FINE WITH IT AS IS.

>>TRUSTEE ROBINSON: I WAS JUST ASKING IF YOU MET WITH THE
ADDITION -

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: WITH SEVEN OR EIGHT?
ABSOLUTELY.
THAT IS ALREADY MY RIGHT, BUT I'M HAPPY TO HAVE IT IN WRITING.
OKAY.

>>TRUSTEE BUCHANAN: WE HAD NOT REALLY CONCLUDED THE DISCUSSION ON
WHETHER OR NOT TO REQUIRE PEOPLE TO BE ON CAMERA.

>>TRUSTEE BUCHANAN: I THINK IT'S AN INTERESTING QUESTION.
I UNDERSTAND YOUR REASONING, CORY.
YES, OH MY GOD.

I DON'T KNOW WHAT I THINK ABOUT IT.
SORRY, I'VE LOST MY TRAIN OF THOUGHT AND I THINK I'M IN FAVOR OF
REQUIRING THE CAMERA.
ANDALUCIA, YOU SAID YOU ARE IN FAVOR OF USING THE CAMERA, REQUIRING
THE CAMERA?

>>TRUSTEE ROBINSON: I WAS ASKING PAUL IF WE COULD AND IF THAT'S
ADMISSIBLE AND IT SEEMS LIKE IT IS., TO ADJUST ACCESSIBILITY ISSUE,
THAT CAN BE WAIVED, CORRECT?
WE CAN HAVE AN EXCEPTION MADE BY THE CLERK WHO IS RECEIVING A REQUEST
FOR PUBLIC COMMENT BY THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT.

>>VILLAGE ATTORNEY: YOU WANT TO APPLY IT EQUALLY ACROSS THE BOARD.

>>TRUSTEE BUCHANAN: I LIKE THE FACT THAT THERE ARE OTHER AVENUES.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: I WOULD LIKE TO ASK THE CLERK.

THE CLERK GOES TO - IS REQUIRED TO TAKE OMA TRAINING, AND THE CLERK IS A REPRESENTATIVE OF OUR COMMUNITY AND ACCESS TO OUR GOVERNMENT THROUGH PUBLIC, IS LARGELY THROUGH THE CLERK.

CLERK WATERS?

>>CLERK: NOT IN FAVOR OF REQUIRING SOMEONE TO BE ON CAMERA BECAUSE THEY SIMPLY THINK ABOUT THE STUDENTS WHO ARE REQUIRED TO BE ON CAMERA DURING COVID WHO WERE NOT COMFORTABLE DOING SO MIGHT BE IN THEIR BEDROOM OR THEIR HOMES AND WHAT THE BACKGROUND WOULD LOOK LIKE. I DON'T THINK THAT SHOULD BE A REQUIREMENT. I DO THINK PEOPLE SHOULD HAVE THE CHOICE TO CALL IN OR SEND AN EMAIL, BUT I THINK READING SHOULD STOP.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: YOU SUPPORT NOT HAVING TO READ 45 MINUTES WORTH OF COMMENT?

>>CLERK: THAT IS CORRECT.

>>TRUSTEE BUCHANAN: I WANT TO ADD TO, THE WORD "PUBLIC" IS IN THIS.

SO IT IS PUBLIC COMMENT.

IT IS NOT ANONYMOUS ATTACKS ON THE GOVERNMENT.

AND NOT BEING ON CAMERA TO ME AFFORDS SOME ANONYMITY THAT PEOPLE DO NOT HAVE A RIGHT TO.

REMEMBER THE PUBLIC TO SHOW UP IN PUBLIC.

WE ALL SEE EACH OTHER.

IF YOU WANT TO COME AND TALK TO US IN PERSON OR WANT TO TALK TO US ON CAMERA, BE A MEMBER - A VISIBLE MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC.

>>TRUSTEE STRAW: I WOULD BE IN FAVOR OF SOMETHING THAT RESIDENTS CAME IN, YOU SAID, POTENTIALLY TABLING THIS FOR THIS ISSUE AND ASKING DOCTOR WALKER TO COME BACK TO US WITH A DEI ASSESSMENT BECAUSE I KNOW OF SENIORS IN MY FAMILY WHO MIGHT WANT TO PARTICIPATE IN PUBLIC COMMENT, BUT WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO GET THEMSELVES HERE AND WOULD NOT HAVE THE TECHNOLOGICAL ACCESS EITHER REALLY TO SEND AN EMAIL OR APPEAR ON CAMERA.

THEY HAVE A TELEPHONE AND THEY COULD CALL IN AND SO IF WE ARE TRYING TO BOTH MAKE OUR GOVERNMENT ACCESSIBLE IN A TRULY EQUITABLE WAY AND WE ARE THINKING ABOUT EVERYONE WHO THAT MIGHT AFFECT, WHETHER THAT IS SOMEONE WHO BECAUSE OF THEIR HOME SITUATION IS NOT COMFORTABLE HAVING THAT BACKGROUND ON SCREEN OR THEY SIMPLY DO NOT HAVE THE TECHNOLOGY BECAUSE THEIR PHONE JUST IS NOT UP TO RUNNING ZOOM, OR THEY ARE OLD ENOUGH THAT THEY STRUGGLE WITH, HOW DO I GET THIS CONFOUNDED CONTRAPTION WORK, I THINK THAT IT IS IMPORTANT THAT WE CONSIDER ALL OF THESE EQUITY ISSUES AND I AM NOT SMART ENOUGH TO DO IT ON MY OWN.

I WOULD SUGGEST THAT WE REFER TO THIS TO THE EXPERTS THAT WE HAVE ON STAFF TO HELP US WITH MAKING INFORMED DECISIONS IN THIS AREA.

>>CLERK: IF I MAY, PRESIDENT SCAMAN?

I WILL JUST SAY PROCESS WISE IN TERMS OF GETTING MIGHT BE AT THE LINK OR THE PHONE NUMBER, IT MAY JUST MAKE SENSE FOR US TO WORK TOGETHER TO ENSURE THAT THERE ISN'T ANONYMITY AND WHEN PROVIDING THE PHONE NUMBER OR THE LINK SO THEY CAN JOIN AND PROVIDE PUBLIC COMMENT THEY ARE PROVIDING INFORMATION.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: WE CANNOT ASK FOR ADDRESSES.

>>VILLAGE ATTORNEY: PROVIDING THE INFORMATION BASICALLY, ATTORNEY GENERAL RULE THAT YOU CANNOT DO THAT.

YOU CANNOT REQUIRE PEOPLE TO PROVIDE THEIR NAMES OR ADDRESSES.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: IT IS INTERESTING BECAUSE DURING COVID, WHEN WE WERE CONDUCTING OUR MEETINGS VIA ZOOM, DID NOT ALLOW FOR PUBLIC COMMENT TO BE ON CAMERA, PARTLY BECAUSE THERE WAS A CONCERN THAT SOMEBODY COULD SHOW UP NAKED.

A LITTLE HARDER TO GET PAST SECURITY AND STAND UP HERE, RIGHT?

I HAD A HISTORICAL MOMENT WHERE I ASKED SOMEONE TO PLEASE LIFT THE CAMERA FROM THEIR CROTCH.

YES, PAUL IS LAUGHING.

HE IS REMEMBERING.

SO IF WE ARE TRYING TO CREATE PROTOCOLS SO WE ARE NEVER YELLED AT, WE ARE IN THE WRONG LINE OF WORK, FOLKS.

WE ARE IN THE WRONG LINE OF WORK.

THERE IS SOMETHING CALLED A MUTE BUTTON, TOO.

SOMEBODY SHOWS UP AND THEY ARE REALLY USING PROFANITY, WE CAN MUTE THEM IF THEY ARE COMING IN.

AND WE HAVE JUST BAITED PUBLIC CAMERA ON OR OFF CAMERA FOR 20 MINUTES. PLEASE.

>>TRUSTEE PARAKKAT: THE TERM "PUBLIC COMMENT", DOES "PUBLIC" REGARD TO JUST RESIDENTS OF OAK PARK OR BROADER?

>>VILLAGE ATTORNEY: BROADER.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THAT IS CORRECT, YES.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: I WANT TO CLARIFY, I'M NOT TRYING TO ABRIDGE ANYBODY'S ABILITY TO SPEAK FREELY OR CRITICIZE US.

ON SOCIAL MEDIA 24 HOURS A DAY I CAN PROBABLY GET MORE CRITICISM FOR OUR DECISIONS THAN ANYBODY ELSE IN HERE.

SO IT IS NEVER ABOUT ALLOWING OR TRYING TO RESTRICT ANYBODY'S ABILITY TO SPEAK FREELY, RIGHT?

I DO THINK THERE HAS BEEN A DISTURBING (WORD?) TO SOME OF THE COMMENTS WE HAVE BEEN RECEIVING RECENTLY AND THOSE HAVE MOSTLY BEEN ANONYMOUS COMMENTS.

LIKE THE FOLKS WHO COME AND SHOW UP IN LIKE WE HAVE HAD A COUPLE OF FOLKS, I'M MOVING OUT OF TOWN AND YOU FOCUS TOO MUCH ON DEI AS HE LOOKS AT TWO BLACK GUYS APPEAR.

THE MOST DIVERSE BOARD THAT WE HAVE PROBABLY EVER HAD IT'S LIKE, OKAY, I WILL LOOK BACK AT YOU AND THINK YOU ARE NUTS, BUT THAT DOES NOT BOTHER ME.

THAT DOES NOT BOTHER ANYONE HERE.

I THINK IT IS THE ANONYMITY - THERE'S A REASON NOBODY GOES TO THE COMMENTS ON A NEWSPAPER SITE, RIGHT?

DOES ANYONE LOOK AT THE COMMENTS ON THE TIMES MAGAZINE?

THE ANONYMITY ALLOWS PEOPLE TO BE EMBOLDENED TO WRITE THE MOST EGREGIOUS STUFF, RIGHT?

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: ARE WE THAT FUNNED THAT PEOPLE WANT TO STOCK OUR BOARD MEETINGS AND DO THAT, I DON'T KNOW THAT WE ARE THAT ENTERTAINING.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: ULTIMATELY IF IT WILL MOVE THE DISCUSSION, I'M PERFECTLY FINE SETTLING FOR NOT READING THE EMAILS AND NOT PUTTING THEM INTO THE PROTOCOLS, BUT I ULTIMATELY DO THINK THAT ANONYMOUS PUBLIC, IS A BAD THING AND THAT WE SHOULD PROBABLY DO SOMETHING TO CORRECT THAT, TOO.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: ULTIMATELY I DON'T THINK THAT WE LEGALLY CAN, RIGHT?

>>TRUSTEE BUCHANAN: HE JUST TOLD US THE LAW THAT IT CAN BE ANONYMOUS.

>>VILLAGE ATTORNEY: YOU CAN REQUIRE SOME TO BE ON CAMERA OR LIVE.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: THAT IS WHAT I MEAN.

>>VILLAGE ATTORNEY: YOU DON'T HAVE TO ALLOW ON CAMERA EITHER. SO WHATEVER YOU DECIDE.

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>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THE NAME OF THE GAME IS FOUR VOTES. HOW MANY PEOPLE WANT TO ON CAMERA? SERIOUSLY?

THAT IS TWO.

THREE?

>>TRUSTEE BUCHANAN: IS A TRUSTEE WHO HAS LITERALLY BEEN SUBJECT TO HER SHARE OF HATE, I WOULD LIKE TO REQUIRE ON CAMERA.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: IT SINCE 2016 THEY HAVE LITERALLY WRITTEN BOOKS ON THIS.

>>TRUSTEE STRAW: I WILL SAY IF IT IS - IF IT IS THE ONLY WAY TO GET REMOTE PUBLIC COMMENT ALLOWED, THEN I WILL - I WILL VOTE IN FAVOR OF REQUIRING IT TO BE ON CAMERA IN ORDER TO HAVE REMOTE PUBLIC COMMENT ALLOWED FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE ACCESSIBILITY QUESTION.

HOWEVER, I STILL WOULD SUGGEST THAT IT WOULD BE BETTER TO TABLE AND AND OUR CHIEF DEI OFFICER COME BACK TO US WITH MORE THOUGHTS ON THE EQUITY CONSIDERATIONS THAT WE MIGHT NOT BE SEEING ON THE FLY HERE THE BOARD TABLE.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: I WAS FOR THAT, TOO.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: WE WOULD BE KEEPING THE PUBLIC, AS IS AND PRESENTING AN AMENDMENT?
IS THAT WHAT I'M HEARING?
WE ARE NOT LEAVING EMAILS, BUT WE ARE NOT ADDRESSING ON CAMERA OR OFF CAMERA.
WE ARE ALLOWING AT THIS TIME AND WE WOULD SEEK CLARIFICATION FOLLOWING A DEI ASSESSMENT?
NO WHAT, VILLAGE MANAGER JACKSON, AS THE VILLAGE MANAGER, WOULD YOU CONSIDER A DEI ASSESSMENT ON THIS DISCUSSION VALUABLE TO OUR DECISION?

>>VILLAGE MANAGER: SURE.
YEAH.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: OKAY.
THEN WHO ELSE HAS COMMENTS ON THE PROTOCOLS?
NEVERMIND.

>>TRUSTEE STRAW: JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE I UNDERSTAND WHAT THE MOTION ON THE TABLE IS BEFORE WE VOTE.

>>TRUSTEE ROBINSON: I'M WILLING TO AMEND IT.
I MADE THE MOTION.
I'M WILLING TO AMEND IT, BUT I WILL MAKE SURE, ARE WE ACCEPTING ALL THE OTHER CHANGES?

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: YOUR MOTION LITERALLY WILL BE, DO YOU HAVE A LIST OF OUR AMENDMENTS BY ANY CHANCE?

>>VILLAGE ATTORNEY: THIS IS THE ONLY ONE OTHER THAN TAKING THE WORD "AFFIRMATIVE" OUT.
GOT THAT ONE.

QUESTION FOR THE BOARD, IS THIS A FRIENDLY MOMENT.
JESSE ROBINSON YOU MADE THE INITIAL MOTION AND TRUSTEE ROBINSON YOU SECONDED?
SO THIS IS ADDING REMOTE PUBLIC COMMENT BEING ON CAMERA AND I WILL FASHION THE LANGUAGE BASED UPON THAT.

>>TRUSTEE ROBINSON: SO MOVED.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: I SECOND.

>>VILLAGE ATTORNEY: YOU HAVE THAT AMENDMENT ON THE FLOOR SO IT IS AS AMENDED.
THAT IS WHAT YOU WOULD BE VOTING ON.

>>TRUSTEE STRAW: THAT'S WITH THE SUBSEQUENT DEI EVALUATION WITH A POTENTIAL FURTHER AMENDMENT?

>>VILLAGE MANAGER: YES.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: CLERK WATERS PLEASE TAKE THE ROLL.

>> TRUSTEE ROBINSON.

>> YES.

>> TRUSTEE WESLEY.

>> YES.

>> TRUSTEE BUCHANAN.

>> YES.

>> TRUSTEE PARAKKAT.

>> YES.

>> TRUSTEE STRAW.

>> YES.

>> PRESIDENT SCAMAN.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: YES.

ENTERTAINING MOTION TO DIRECT BUILD STAFF TO DRAFT A POLICY FOR VILLAGE BOARD CONSIDERATION GUARDING HONORARY DESIGNATION OF VILLAGE STREETS, FACILITIES, AND BUSINESS DISTRICTS IN RECOGNITION OF INDIVIDUALS INCLUDING DOCTOR PERCY JULIAN AND PROGRAMS PURCHASES AND INITIATIVES IN RECOGNITION OF INDIVIDUALS.

MOTION, PLEASE.

>> SO MOVED.

>> SECOND.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: VILLAGE MANAGER JACKSON.

>>VILLAGE MANAGER: PRESIDENTS, AND TRUSTEE MEMBERS, THIS WAS MADE BY TRUSTEE ROBINSON AND WESLEY, SECONDED BY TRUSTEE WESLEY. AT THIS POINT WHAT WE ARE DOING IS JUST SEEKING CLARITY ON THE MOTION ITSELF AND BOARD DIRECTION FOR FOLLOW-UP.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU.

SO THEN I CAN TURN IT OVER TO TRUSTEE ROBINSON AND WESLEY AND PARAKKAT TO SHARE THEIR INTENTIONS WITH THIS MOTION?

>>TRUSTEE ROBINSON: SURE.

THIS CAME OUT OF INTEREST THAT I HAD IN THINGS THAT THE BOARD CAN DO TO DEVELOP SOME PATHWAYS TO HONOR DOCTOR JULIAN.

IT OCCURRED TO ME AFTER DOING SOME RESEARCH AND READING THAT THIS NAMING DESIGNATION WAS PROBABLY SOMETHING THAT IS NOT CONSIDERED AND AFTER OUR CONVERSATION WITH VILLAGE MANAGER AND DISCUSSING THAT WE DON'T HAVE A VILLAGE WIDE POLICY FOR IT, THE MOTION CAME ABOUT TO HAVE STAFF ADDRESS - DEVELOP A POLICY TO ADDRESS THIS AND GET SOME FORMAL GUIDELINES ON THIS PROCESS.

THAT IS HOW WE GOT TO THIS POINT AND WHAT MOTIVATED THE MOTION THAT I PUT FORWARD.

I'M SORRY, DO YOU WANT TO?

OF THE - MANAGER JACKSON AND STAFF HAD PROVIDED TWO HONORARY POLICIES FROM, ONE FROM CHAMPAIGN AND ONE FROM THE CITY OF WHEATON, THERE WAS REALLY JUST THREE THINGS THAT I PULLED FROM THE COMBINATION OF THE TWO THAT I THINK WOULD BE GOOD AS PART OF OURS.

I WOULD LIKE TO GET EVERYBODY'S THOUGHTS ON THEM.

ONE IS THE POSTHUMOUS HONORING OF RESIDENT OF OAK PARK WHO HAS MADE SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTIONS.

I THINK HAVING THOSE AS PART OF THE GUIDELINES AND CRITERIA WERE REALLY IMPORTANT FOR THE CITY AND THAT IS WHAT I PULLED FROM BOTH THAT I WOULD LIKE TO SEE AS PART OF OURS.

I LIKE THE IDEA THAT THAT NAMING WOULD BE FOCUSED ON AN AREA OF THE VILLAGE THAT A GEOGRAPHICAL RELATIONSHIP TO THE HONOREE.

THAT MADE A LOT OF SENSE TO ME AND REQUIREMENT THAT IT BE APPROVED BY A SUPER MAJORITY OF THE BOARD.

I THINK IF WE ARE GOING TO DO SOMETHING AS IMPACTFUL AS IT CHANGED ONE OF THE NAMES OF OUR STREETS IN AN HONORARY WAY, I THINK SUPER MAJORITY OF THE BOARD WAS APPROPRIATE AND I SAW THAT IN ONE OF THOSE CITIES POLICIES.

I DID LIKE THE APPLICATION FEE TO COVER THE COST.

SO THE APPLICATION FEE WAS IF THERE WERE A GROUP OF RESIDENTS THAT WANTED TO BRING FORWARD THIS IDEA THEY WERE TO COMPLETE AN APPLICATION THAT WOULD BE ACCOMPANIED BY A FEE AND THEN COVER THE ACTUAL SIGNAGE COSTS, WHICH I THOUGHT MADE A LOT OF SENSE AS WELL.

ONE THING THAT I ALSO DEFINITELY WANT TO GET EVERYBODY ELSE'S INPUT ON IS THE TIME LIMIT FOR A STREET DESIGNATION AND I DON'T KNOW IF YOU HAVE ANY OTHER THOUGHTS ABOUT THAT.

I WAS VERY INTRIGUED BY THAT IDEA THAT THE - ANY SORT OF HONORARY DESIGNATION HAVE A TIME LIMIT AND THEN IT EXPIRE I WAS NOT QUITE SURE, WHAT WOULD BE THE PROCESS AFTER THAT, IF THERE WOULD BE A NEED FOR A REAPPLICATION.

THAT IS JUST ONE AREA THAT I WOULD LIKE TO UNDERSTAND WHERE MAYBE WE CAN HAVE SOME DISCUSSION AROUND THAT AND THE OTHER REQUIREMENTS.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: I MIGHT SUGGEST THAT THERE ARE THREE OF YOU BRINGING THIS MOTION FORWARD.
PLEASE.

>>TRUSTEE PARAKKAT: WHEN I SECONDED THE MOTION, THE STATEMENT OF THE MOTION WAS TO FOCUS AROUND PERCY JULIAN AND CELEBRATING HIS LEGACY BY DOING SOMETHING TANGIBLE WITH HIS PROPERTY AND WHAT WAS THE FOCUS OF THAT MOTION, RIGHT?

NOW I DON'T NECESSARILY HAVE AN ISSUE WITH EXTENDING THE FOCUS TO A BROADER FRAME LIKE WE'RE DOING HERE AND FIGURING OUT WHAT THE DO'S AND DON'TS ARE.

BUT THAT WAS NOT THE ORIGINAL MOTION.

SO I NEED TO DIG IN A LITTLE BIT MORE, BUT I LIKE WHAT YOU'RE SUGGESTING AND ALL THE OTHER ITEMS YOU MENTIONED.

THE ONLY THING I WOULD ADD TO WHAT YOU SAID IS MAYBE INVOLVING A SPECIFIC COMMISSION TO EVALUATE IT BEFORE COMING TO THE BOARD TABLE BECAUSE THE FLURRY OF APPLICATIONS, THE VOLUME OF IT MAY ACTUALLY OVERWHELM INITIALLY AT LEAST FROM A BOARD PERSPECTIVE, BUT I REALLY HAVE NOT THOUGHT THROUGH ALL THE RAMIFICATIONS OF THAT YET SO I'M NOT IN A POSITION TO SAY YES OR NO, BUT THE ORIGINAL MOTION WAS FOR PERCY JULIAN BECAUSE OF HIS CONTRIBUTIONS TO SOCIETY AT LARGE, GIVING HIM THAT SPACE AND OAK PARK'S HISTORY IN A TANGIBLE FASHION.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: WHAT I WAS GOING TO TRY TO DO IS PROVIDE DIRECTION TO KEEP THIS CONVERSATION TIGHT BECAUSE WERE NOT ACTUALLY

VOTING ON IT TONIGHT, WHAT YOU ARE DOING IS GETTING ENOUGH SUPPORT TO DIRECT THE VILLAGE MANAGER TO SPEND THE TIME AND TO RESEARCH OPTIONS THAT YOU MIGHT OUTLINE AND IF THERE ARE FOUR PEOPLE WILLING TO IS ACTUALLY PART OF OUR PROTOCOLS, RIGHT?

SAY, YES, WE WOULD LIKE THIS TO COME BACK TO THE BOARD AND BE A MORE ROBUST DISCUSSION.

I DON'T WANT TO TRY TO HAVE THE ROBUST DISCUSSION TONIGHT FULLY. I AS LONG AS - YOU NEED JUST ONE MORE ON THIS SITE OVER HERE TO SAY YES, WE ARE ON BOARD WITH BRINGING THIS BACK FLESHED OUT AND MAKING SURE THAT VILLAGE MANAGER JACKSON HAS SOME CLARITY AS TO WHAT HE IS BRINGING, POTENTIALLY BRING BACK FOR DISCUSSION.

OKAY?

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: I WILL CLARIFY THAT FROM MY PERSPECTIVE. FOR ME THIS IS TWO DIFFERENT ISSUES. ONE TO TRUSTEE PARAKKAT! IS TO ME PERCY JULIAN AND THE OTHER ONE IS ABOUT THIS PROCESS AS A WHOLE.

I DON'T WANT THIS PROCESS TO HOLD UP THE HONORING OF PERCY JULIAN. FROM MY PERSPECTIVE IS MORE THAN A STREET. MY SUGGESTION, MY INITIAL SUGGESTION WAS A HISTORIC DISTRICT IN HIS HONOR AND I WOULD LIKE TO SEE PERCY JULIAN ELEVATED TO THE SAME LEVEL OF FRANK LLOYD WRIGHT AND ERNEST HEMINGWAY IN OAK PARK BECAUSE WE HAVE ONE GUY WHO SAVED A BUNCH OF LIVES AND CHANGED THE ENTIRE FUTURE OF WOMEN'S REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS AND WE HAVE A GUY WHO BUILT SOME BUILDINGS.

THE BUILDINGS ARE PRETTY, RIGHT?

MY POINT HERE IS THAT WE HAVE NOT ELEVATED A GUY WHO SAVED THE LIVES TO THAT SAME STATURE, RIGHT?

THERE'S A NUMBER OF REASONS FOR THAT.

LIKELY THE FACT THAT HIS HOUSE WAS BOMBED TWICE.

YOU KNOW?

AND SO I WILL LEAVE IT THERE, BUT MY POINT IS THAT I WOULD LIKE TO SEE HIM ELEVATED TO THAT SAME LEVEL IN OAK PARK AND I THINK THE BEST WAY TO DO THAT WOULD BE A HISTORIC DISTRICT NAMED IN HIS HONOR AND I THINK IF WE WANT TO PUT A STREET IN THERE, TOO, I'M COOL WITH IT, BUT I WANT GRAND AND NOT BASIC.

>>TRUSTEE STRAW: I THINK THERE ARE CERTAINLY FOUR TRUSTEES THAT ARE INTERESTED IN HAVING THIS - HAVING VILLAGE STAFF STUDY THIS AND COME BACK WITH PROPOSALS.

I THINK WE ARE DEFINITELY TO THE FOR MARK.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: RIGHT.

SO TO TRUSTEE PARAKKAT!, THERE HAVE BEEN LONG DISCUSSIONS ABOUT - THE REASON I HESITATE IS BECAUSE THE PERSON IS NOT HERE IS A MEMBER OF THE FAMILY.

TO SHARE WHAT THEIR WISHES WOULD BE FOR PERCY JULIAN.

THERE HAVE BEEN TRUSTEES BEFORE US AND I GIVE CREDIT WHERE CREDIT IS DUE, THAT HAVE BEEN WORKING ON HONORING PERCY JULIAN FOR A LONG TIME WITH THE FAMILY.

TRUSTEE TAGLIA AND TRUSTEE ENYIA STILL ENGAGING THE FAMILY TODAY AND THAT STILL, - A LITTLE OFF TOPIC, UNNECESSARILY PERCY JULIAN, BUT THE IDEA OF MEMORIALIZING.

THERE HAVE BEEN LONG DISCUSSIONS ABOUT IDEAS ON MEMORIALIZING THE PERCY JULIAN HOME AND WORKING WITH FAITH JULIAN TO CARRY OUT HER WISHES AND THE MINUTE THAT WE START NAMING STREETS AS ONE OF THE OPTIONS YOU LIST OFF - WE HAVE FRANK HEMINGWAY, TWO WHITE MEN AND PERCY JULIAN DOES NOT HAVE THAT.

I'M SORRY, - MISOGYNIST WHITE MEN, YES.

- THE MINUTE WE START NAMING STREETS WE ARE GOING TO HAVE PEOPLE FROM ALL OVER THE NATION EMAILING THAT THEY HAD A RELATIVE THAT LIVED HERE AND SO I DO WANT IT TO BE HEARD THAT FAITH JULIAN IS THE FOCUS HERE OF THIS.

NOT JUST HAVING A POLICY TO START NAMING THINGS IN OUR COMMUNITY AFTER ANYONE WHO DECIDES THAT THEY MIGHT WANT TO.

MIGHT WANT TO NAME SOMETHING AFTER A STREET OR IN OUR COMMUNITY.

DO I HEAR A DIFFERENCE AMONG THE FOUR VOTES?

>>TRUSTEE PARAKKAT: THE FOCUS IS PERCY JULIAN FOR ME.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: ONE VOTE THAT IS PERCY JULIAN.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: FOR ME IT IS PERCY JULIAN AND THE PROCESS CAN, WHILE AFTER THAT AND I DON'T WANT TO USE THE PROCESS OR ANYTHING ELSE IS A DELAY ON THIS.

I DON'T EVEN WANT TO USE A COLLABORATION WITH FAITH AS A DELAY ON THIS.

WE CAN NAME A HISTORIC DISTRICT AFTER PERCY JULIAN WITHOUT FATES INPUT IF SHE DOES NOT FEEL LIKE GIVING IT, RIGHT?

NO I WOULD LIKE HER TO.

I WOULD LIKE THIS TO MOVE FORWARD AND I WOULD NOT LIKE TO LEAVE THE BOARD AND THINK, THIS IS ANOTHER BOARD THAT HAD ANOTHER LONG LIST OF THOUGHTS ABOUT HONORING PERCY JULIAN THAT DID NOT HAPPEN BECAUSE WE WERE WAITING ON THINGS.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: FAIR.

>>TRUSTEE STRAW: BOTH AND.

I THINK GOING TO COREY'S POINT, I DO NOT WANT TO UNNECESSARILY DELAY HONORING PERCY JULIAN AND I THINK THERE IS MERIT TO THE IDEA OF CREATING A PROCESS FOR HONORING INDIVIDUALS AND I THINK - I DON'T KNOW IF IT WAS IN THE LEGISLATION TEXT OR YOU MENTIONED LIMITING TO HONORING FOUR PEOPLE A YEAR OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT.

I THINK RAVI HAS A POINT TO REFRAIN THAT DECISION-MAKING PROCESS.

>>TRUSTEE PARAKKAT: RECOMMENDATIONS - CREATING A PROCESS THAT IS NOT OVERWHELMING THE BOARD PER SE.

>>TRUSTEE STRAW: SO WE COMMISSION WOULD TAKE THE FIRST CUT AT MAKING RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE BOARD OF LIKE THE MAXIMUM IS FOUR AND A YEAR AND SO HERE ARE THE FOUR THAT WE ARE RECOMMENDING HERE ARE ALL THE OTHER APPLICANTS AND WE CAN SPEND MULTIPLE HOURS DISCUSSING IT IF WE WANT OR WE CAN ACCEPT THE RECOMMENDATIONS. THAT IS TO SAY BOTH AND.

I THINK THERE IS MERIT AT LOOKING AT A PROCESS FOR HONORARY DESIGNATIONS AND I THINK IT IS IMPORTANT TO UNDERSTAND THAT SORT OF THIS MOTION ENCAPSULATES TWO SEPARATE IDEAS AND WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE MOVING FORWARD WITH DUE HASTE AND HONORING DOCTOR PERCY JULIAN, WHO ABSOLUTELY DESERVES THAT HONORING.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: I HAVE AN IDEA, TRUST ROBINSON, DO YOU WANT TO THROW YOUR THOUGHTS IN THERE?

WHAT I WOULD SAY IS HOPEFUL.

I KNOW THIS IS YOUR MOTION.

I WOULD BE OPPOSED TO STARTING TO NAME STREETS AFTER PEOPLE, OUTSIDE OF PERCY JULIAN.

I THINK WE SHOULD HAVE MORE ROBUST CONVERSATION, BUT CURRENTLY WE HAVE THE OAK PARK AREA ARTS COUNCIL THAT DOES THE WALL ARE ALONG THE MURALS, THE MANY MURALS AND THEY DO SEVERAL A YEAR.

SO WE COULD CREATE A PROGRAM OF SORTS WITH THE OAK PARK AREA ARTS COUNCIL THAT WOULD SATISFY THE COMMISSION PIECE TO SOME EXTENT AND MAYBE EACH YEAR PUT INTO A BUDGET, FOR AT LEAST ONE OF THE MURALS WE WOULD LIKE TO SEE IT BE SOMEBODY.

THAT COULD BE A WAY TO STAY AWAY FROM THIS IDEA OF STARTING TO NAME STREETS ALL OVER OAK PARK AFTER SOMEBODY, BUT STILL HIGHLIGHT THE SUCCESSES OF OUR RESIDENTS OVER TIME, BUT IS ALREADY KIND OF IN PLACE AND MAYBE IT IS JUST PART OF, YOU KNOW, OUR CONTRACT THAN WITH THE OAK PARK AREA ARTS COUNCIL FOR THE FUTURE.

SO TO GIVE ANOTHER TRUSTEE THE PAST CREDIT WHERE CREDIT IS DUE, TRUSTEE MARONEY ALWAYS WANTED TO SEE BRONZE SCULPTURES IN OUR COMMUNITY OF FAMOUS PEOPLE WHO ONCE LIVED HERE.

HONESTLY, I THINK IT IS A TOURISM WIN.

I THINK IT IS A DIFFERENT CONVERSATION THAN WHAT WE ARE TALKING ABOUT IN ELEVATING PERCY JULIAN AND SO IF IT WOULD BE - FOR THOSE THAT ARE INTERESTED IN MAYBE ENTERTAINING THAT, THE IDEA OF OPENING IT UP, COULD WE SEPARATE THE CONVERSATIONS HAVE ONE BE - WOULD YOU BE INTERESTED IN THAT AT ALL?

ONE BE WITH THE OAK PARK AREA ARTS COUNCIL AT A FUTURE DATE AND ONE BE ABOUT PERCY JULIAN IN THE NEAR FUTURE?

>>TRUSTEE STRAW: ARE YOU INTERESTED IN NAMING STREETS?

>>TRUSTEE STRAW: THE MOTION TO DIRECT STAFF TO BRING SOMETHING BACK TO US AND I WOULD BE FINE WITH IT BEING WE MOVE FORWARD WITH THE PERCY JULIAN RECOMMENDATION AND STAFF COMES BACK TO US WITH OPTIONS AROUND OTHER WAYS OF HONORING HISTORICALLY SIGNIFICANT OR OTHERWISE

SIGNIFICANT INDIVIDUALS IN OR FROM OUR COMMUNITY, WHETHER IT IS NAMING BLOCKS OF STREETS.

NOT LIKE WE ARE GOING TO REPLACE MARION WITH SOMETHING ELSE ALL THE WAY NORTH TO SOUTH.

OR BRONZE SCULPTURES OR MURALS.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: SO ALL THE ABOVE.

>>TRUSTEE STRAW: A MENU OF OPTIONS AND WE CAN HAVE A FREE RANGING DISCUSSION, RATHER THAN - -

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: I APPRECIATE THAT.

THANK YOU.

IT'S WRAP IT UP.

SO IF TWO THAT SAID PERCY JULIAN WAS THERE FOCUS, ONE THAT IS STILL.

>>TRUSTEE PARAKKAT: YES, PERCY JULIAN.

I AM BORDERLINE WITH WHERE BRIAN LANDED, PERCY JULIAN IS DEFINITELY THE FOCUS, AND AN OPEN CONVERSATION ABOUT ALL THE OPTIONS FOR HONORING PEOPLE WOULD BE WHERE I WOULD LAND AND, AGAIN, IT DOES NOT HAVE TO BE JUST STREETS OR BRONZE STATUES.

IT COULD BE CONFERENCE ROOMS AT VILLAGE HALL, WHATEVER IT HAPPENS TO BE SO THAT WE CAN OPEN UP THE OPTION AND HAVE THE DISCUSSION.

>>TRUSTEE ROBINSON: THE MOTION IS NOT JUST FOR STREETS.

THIS DESIGNATION OF A VILLAGE STREETS, FACILITIES, AND BUSINESS DISTRICTS TO YOUR POINT, CORY, ABOUT THE HISTORIC DISTRICT.

THE MOTION IS BROADER THAN JUST STREETS.

YOU KNOW, THE IMPETUS WAS A WAY TO HONOR DOCTOR JULIAN AND YOU ARE RIGHT, PRESIDENT SCAMAN, WE'VE HAD A LOT OF CONVERSATIONS ABOUT IT, BUT WE WERE NOT DOING ANYTHING ABOUT IT.

SO I PUT THE MOTION FORWARD SO WE COULD FINALLY DO SOMETHING.

MAYBE WHEN IT COMES BACK, MANAGER JACKSON, WHO COULD INCLUDE AND WHAT STAFF COMES BACK WITH, THE MERITS OF JUST DOING IT FOR DOCTOR JULIAN IS A ONE TIME THING VERSUS - WE HAD A CONVERSATION ABOUT ESTABLISHING AN ACTUAL POLICY, MAY BE IN THE WHAT YOU BRING BACK YOU CAN TALK ABOUT THE MERITS OF HAVING AN ESTABLISHED POLICY AND WE CAN HAVE A FULLER CONVERSATION AROUND THAT?

>>VILLAGE MANAGER: WHAT I'M HEARING IS THAT - WE DO HAVE A INTEREST IN PRIORITIZING SOMETHING SPECIFICALLY FOR DOCTOR JULIAN, WE ALSO HAVE A INTEREST IN DEVELOPING A POLICY TO LOOK AT THE ISSUE MORE BROADLY MAY BE INVOLVING A COMMISSION AS PART OF THAT PROCESS AND CERTAINLY - SO I WOULD SEQUENCE THIS BY, YOU KNOW, IF THERE IS AN INTEREST IN MOVING FAST ON THE PERCY L JULIAN ISSUE WE COULD BRING BACK TWO STEPS OR A HYBRID WHERE IT IS A FOCUS ON PERCY L JULIAN, DOCTOR JULIAN AND A FRAMEWORK OF POTENTIAL POLICY THAT WE COULD HAVE A CONVERSATION ABOUT AT THE SAME TIME OR WE COULD STAGE THOSE CONVERSATIONS IN A 1-2 SEQUENCE.

DOES THAT WORK?

>>TRUSTEE ROBINSON: AGREED.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: MY VOTE WOULD BE THE ONE-TWO SEQUENCE.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THAT WAS MY POINT, TOO.

I APPRECIATE IT VERY MUCH BECAUSE IF WE ARE TASKING EVERYTHING WITH ALL THAT WE WANT TO ACCOMPLISH WE ARE GOING TO KEEP PEOPLE BUSY AND TAKE THEM AWAY FROM SOME OF OUR BROADER BOARD GOALS. YOU HAVE GOT ALL THE INFORMATION YOU NEED?

>>VILLAGE ATTORNEY: YOU NEED TO TAKE A VOTE, I'M SORRY. THERE IS A MOTION.

THE WAY THE MOTION IS WRITTEN DOES COMPORT WITH DIRECTION.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: CLARK ORDERS PLEASE TAKE THE ROLL.

>>VILLAGE MANAGER: YES I DO.

>> TRUSTEE WESLEY.

>> YES.

>> TRUSTEE ROBINSON.

>> YES.

>> TRUSTEE BUCHANAN.

>> YES.

>> TRUSTEE PARAKKAT.

>> YES.

>> TRUSTEE STRAW.

>> YES.

>> PRESIDENT SCAMAN.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: YES. YOU KNOW, I TOTALLY AGREE WITH EVERYTHING THAT HAS BEEN SAID, IT HAS BEEN TALKED ABOUT AND TALKED ABOUT AND NO ACTION.

WE HAVE WORK TO DO.

MOTION TO DIRECT VILLAGE STAFF TO DRAFT FOR VILLAGE BOARD CONSIDERATION AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE OAK PARK VILLAGE CODE TO ADOPT A TRANSIENT OCCUPANCY RENTAL UNIT SURCHARGE TAX IN THE AMOUNT OF 3.5% TO BE ALLOCATED TO THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING FUND.

MOTION, PLEASE.

>>TRUSTEE ROBINSON: SO MOVED.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: SECOND.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: VERY GOOD.

VILLAGE MANAGER JACKSON?

>>VILLAGE MANAGER: PRESIDENT SCAMAN AND TRUSTEE MEMBERS, THIS MOTION WAS CREATED BY PRESIDENT SCAMAN AND SUPPORTED BY TRUSTEE ROBINSON AND SO WHAT WE'RE LOOKING FOR HERE AGAIN IS DIRECTION TO BRING BACK A WORK PRODUCT REFLECTIVE OF THIS MOTION. AT THIS TIME ALL WE ARE LOOKING FOR IS THE BOARD TO TAKE A VOTE AND PROVIDE DIRECTION TO STAFF TO WORK ON THIS ITEM. BRING IT BACK FOR CONSIDERATION.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: OKAY.

>>TRUSTEE PARAKKAT: I AM NOT SUPPORTIVE OF THIS OPTION FOR TWO REASONS.

I WOULD ACTUALLY PREFER - THE REASON I MENTIONED, THE LAST TIME WE HAD THE ORDINANCE ABOUT STAGING OR STEPPING IT UP FROM 4% TO 5-6 AND 6-7 AND GETTING THAT ON AN ANNUAL BASIS AND LEARNING FROM WHAT THE STEP UPS WOULD LOOK LIKE.

MOVING IN THAT DIRECTION.

I WOULD LIKE IT IF WE ARE APPLYING SOMETHING LIKE THIS BE APPLICABLE TO ALL ENTITIES THAT ARE UNDER THIS TAX UMBRELLA AND THE REASON FOR THAT IS I THINK ONE OF THE SHORT TERM RENTAL FOLKS MENTIONED DO NOT KILL THE GOLDEN GOOSE.

SO THE COMPARABLES THAT WE HAD THE PREVIOUS STUDY SESSION WAS FROM MY PERSPECTIVE INCLUSIVE IN TERMS OF THE IMPACT, A STEP UP FROM 7.5 WOULD HAVE.

FOR ALL OF THOSE REASONS AND FOR FAIRNESS IN GENERAL I WOULD LIKE TO STEP IT UP IN SMALL INCREMENTS AND THEN MOVE FORWARD FROM THERE.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: VILLAGE MANAGER JACKSON I DO THINK ON THAT TOPIC THE OTHER VOTE STILL STANDS UNLESS OTHER PEOPLE AT THE BOARD TABLE ARE WILLING TO CHANGE - LET ME CLARIFY.

>>TRUSTEE BUCHANAN: I NEED CLARIFICATION ON THIS BECAUSE HOW IS THIS DIFFERENT THAN THE MOTEL?

>>VILLAGE MANAGER: HOW THIS IS DIFFERENT, THIS TAX, IT IS THE SAME RATE, 3.5% WOULD BE APPLIED ONLY TO SHORT-TERM RENTALS. WHICH IS AIR BNB OR VRBO.

INSTEAD OF APPLYING IT TO HOTELS AND THE SHORT-TERM RENTALS.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: MHM.

THE REASON I BROUGHT THIS FORWARD IS BECAUSE THIS IS A PASS-THROUGH. SO THE STRANGLING OF THE GOLDEN GOOSE IS INACCURATE.

THE AIRBNB OWNER WILL NOT EVEN KNOW THIS TAX GOES UP.

IT PASSES THROUGH FROM - MAY BE VILLAGE MANAGER JACKSON CAN EXPLAIN WHAT THE PROCESS LOOKS LIKE BETTER THAN ME.

AIRBNB PAYS THE TAX AND THEN THE AIRBNB PAYS US.

SO IT DOES NOT AFFECT THE AIRBNB'S PROFITS THE WAY THE PUBLIC COMMENTS ARE OUTLINED IN THAT LAST AGENDA ITEM AND FORTUNATELY THE AIRBNB OWNER DOES NOT UNDERSTAND HOW IT WORKS, BUT THE REASON THAT I AM SUGGESTING THAT WE CONSIDER, WE ARE NOT VOTING ON IT TONIGHT, JUST LIKE THE LAST ITEM, WE ARE REALLY JUST VOTING ON DIRECTING VILLAGE MANAGER JACKSON TO BRING FORWARD TO US MORE INFORMATION ON THIS OPTION.

AND HELPING US SEE - PROVIDE MAY BE A LITTLE DATA ON WHAT WE GET FROM AIRBNB THE VERSUS HOTELS ON THE HOTEL/MOTEL TAX TO HELP GUIDE.

SO IT IS 10:00 P.M.. WE HAVE A MOTION TO STAY BEYOND 10:00 O'CLOCK?

>> SO MOVED.

>> SECOND.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: ALL IN FAVOR?

>> AYE.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU.

UPON THINKING ABOUT IT A LITTLE LONGER, THE AIRBNB'S MORE DIRECTLY AFFECT THE AVAILABILITY OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN OUR COMMUNITY. THE HOTELS IN THE TRADITIONAL MANNER DO NOT.

I AM NOT NECESSARILY SPARING THE HOTELS THE FUTURE OF THE IDEA OF A INCREASED TAX, BUT I DO WANT TO - I DO NOT THINK THE DOLLAR AMOUNT IS GOING TO BE SIGNIFICANT FOR THIS YEAR IF POTENTIALLY AT ALL BECAUSE AS LONG AS WE CAN STICK TO OUR ORIGINAL START DATE OF THE ORDINANCE CHANGE VERSUS POTENTIALLY GIVING A MOTEL A LITTLE MORE TIME, IT SHOULD NOT CHANGE - AT LEAST THAT IS WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO UNDERSTAND, TOO, IN BRINGING THE AGENDA BACK WITH MORE INFORMATION IS WHAT DOLLAR AMOUNT ARE WE TALKING ABOUT?

I DO NOT WANT TO RISK THE HOUSING FUND NOT GETTING THE AMOUNT OF MONEY, AS MUCH MONEY AS WE CAN CONTRIBUTE TO IT, BUT WE ARE ALSO WORKING ON AN ECONOMIC VITALITY PLAN, THE VILLAGE MANAGER IS AND I DO NOT NECESSARILY - IF WE ARE GOING TO FIND OURSELVES IN THE FUTURE POTENTIALLY LOOKING FOR REVENUE SOURCES FOR THE ECONOMIC VITALITY PLAN, A HOTEL/MOTEL TAX IS A TRADITIONAL PLACE WHERE YOU WOULD GET IT. IT WOULD BE FAR MORE DIFFICULT TO UNWIND THAT IF WE WERE DECIDING TO SUPPORT THAT INITIATIVE VERSUS JUST LETTING IT PAUSE FOR A SECOND WHILE WE FINISH THIS STUDY AND IF WE DECIDE THAT WHAT WE STILL WANT IS TO ADD THAT HOTEL/MOTEL TAX TO THE HOUSING TRUST FUND WE CAN STILL DO THAT, BUT UNWINDING THAT IF WE WERE TO SPLIT THAT WOULD BE CHALLENGING, PLUS WE HAVE IN OUR BOARD GOALS AS YOU ARE LOOKING AT OTHER REVENUE SOURCES.

OTHER REVENUE SOURCES THAT MIGHT BE FOR ADDING TO THE HOUSING TRUST FUND BECAUSE WE ALL STILL SHARE THE GOAL OF FINDING MORE SUSTAINABLE SOURCES THAT CONTRIBUTE TO THAT HOUSING TRUST FUND.

THAT IS THE REASON I PUT THAT FORWARD.

YES?

>>TRUSTEE PARAKKAT: THE POINT OF IT BEING PASTOR, IT STILL HAS A IMPACT ON THE END CUSTOMER.

MY WORRY HERE IS THAT HYPOTHETICALLY FOR ILLUSTRATION LET'S SAY WE GET OUR TOTAL REVENUE FROM SHORT-TERM RENTAL TAXES THAT WE CURRENTLY COLLECT.

\$250,000.

AS WE STEP IT UP FROM FOUR, FIVE, SIX, SEVEN.

THERE COULD BE A POINT WHERE THE OVERALL AMOUNT, MAY BE THE 250, BUT BECAUSE OF LOWER USAGE THE TAX COLLECTED COULD BE 240, RIGHT?

THE NEXT YEAR.

ON THE 240 SOME PERCENTAGE MIGHT GO TO THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING FUND, BUT THE OVERALL COLLECTION FOR THE VILLAGE HAS GONE DOWN.

THAT MIGHT BE THE OUTCOME IF WE STEP IT UP TO HIGH ONE FELL SWOOP IN OCCUPANCY DIMINISHES AS A DIRECT RESULT OF THAT, THE NET REVENUE FOR THE VILLAGE AND HENCE THE CONTRIBUTION TO WHICHEVER FUND WE PUT INTO IS GOING TO BE MINIMIZED.

SO THAT IS THE REASON I AM SAYING TO COVER THAT RISK.
CAN WE STEP IT UP IN SMALLER INCREMENTS AND TO LEARN FROM IT AND GO
FROM THERE BECAUSE THE FACT THAT THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST FUND
MEETS REVENUE SOURCES IS ESTABLISHED, THAT IS SOMETHING THAT WE HAVE
BEEN CONSIDERING.

HOW MUCH IS NEEDED FOR WHAT PURPOSE AND IN WHAT TIMEFRAME IS NOT
ESTABLISHED.

WE MAY HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO NOT TAKE THE RISK AROUND STEPPING
SOMETHING AROUND US UP BY SUCH A LARGE INCREMENT AND TAKE ON THAT
RISK.

WHY TAKE THE RISK IF WE DO NOT HAVE TO DO THAT IS MY QUESTION.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: OKAY, WE CAN DEBATE THAT ONCE THE ITEM COMES
BACK AGAIN.

SO MAYBE IF WHAT YOU'RE ASKING IS DUE VILLAGE MANAGER JACKSON, WHEN
YOU BRING BACK TO US SOME INFORMATION TO HELP US VOTE ON THIS COULD
YOU POTENTIALLY BRING BACK THOSE SAME INCREMENTAL STEPS AGAIN, BUT IF
THE SAME VOTES ON THE ORIGINAL ORDINANCE REMAIN BECAUSE WE HAVE
ALREADY BASICALLY TALKED ABOUT THAT IN THEORY, THEN SO BE IT.

>>TRUSTEE PARAKKAT: IN THEORY, BUT I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE DATA
AND MY VOTE MAY CHANGE.

I HAVE THE OPTION, BUT I NEED THAT INFORMATION TO MAKE THAT
DETERMINATION.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: ABSOLUTELY.
NOT ARGUING THAT ALL.

>>VILLAGE MANAGER: PRESIDENT SCAMAN IF YOU DON'T MIND, THE DATA
YOU ARE REFERRING TO, ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT THE REVENUE ESTIMATES THAT
WE TALKED ABOUT WITH THE ITEM, THE INITIAL ITEM?

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THE SAME DATA, YES.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: WE WOULD BRING THAT BACK AND WE WOULD BRING -
REVENUE ESTIMATES WOULD BE ESTIMATE FOR THIS ITEM BECAUSE IT WOULD BE
EXCLUSIVELY TIED TO - -

>>TRUSTEE PARAKKAT: I WOULD LIKE IT DECOUPLED SO THE OPTIONS THAT
ARE UNDER CONSIDERATION I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE DATA BROKEN DOWN AND
THE LAST TIME YOU HAD SOME DATA ABOUT COMPARABLE COMMUNITIES IN THE
TAXES THERE, BUT I WAS NOT CONVINCED BY THOSE COMPARABLES.
I MAY STILL CHOOSE WHAT I SEE AT THE END OF IT, THAT ANALYSIS DOES NOT
SIT WELL WITH ME AND I MAY VOTE NO AND THE REST OF THE BOARD MIGHT
CARRY THE VOTE.

THAT'S OKAY, BUT I WANT THE INFORMATION TO BE ABLE TO MAKE AN INFORMED
CHOICE OR AT LEAST MAKE MY VOTE.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: WHAT I AM HEARING IS THE SAME DATA, BUT NOW
JUST AIRBNB'S ONLY?
THE SAME KIND OF CHART?
DOES THAT MAKE SENSE?

>>VILLAGE MANAGER: YET, AND YOU ARE TALKING ABOUT AN INCREMENTAL RATE.

SO THE MOST RECENT DIRECTION WE GOT WAS THE 3.5% ACROSS THE BOARD HOTEL/MOTEL AND AIRBNB'S.

THAT'S THE DIRECTION WE WERE RESPONDING TO AND NOW THE MOTION IS ASKING US TO LOOK AT THAT SAME RATE FOR SHORT-TERM RENTALS, WHAT YOU HAVE NOT GOTTEN SO FAR IS THE REVENUE ESTIMATES FOR THAT OPTION. SO WE WOULD BE BRINGING THAT BACK THINKING THAT WE HAVE ALREADY PROVIDED THE REVENUE ESTIMATES RELATED TO THE PRIOR DIRECTION, BUT IF YOU'RE ASKING US TO BRING THAT BACK, TOO, WE COULD BRING IT BACK AGAIN.

>>TRUSTEE PARAKKAT: I'M THINKING ALL OF IT BECAUSE I'M ALSO NOT CONVINCED DOING ONE VERSUS THE OTHER, FROM MY PERSPECTIVE IS NOT - I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THAT AS WELL.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: OKAY.
YES, PLEASE.

>>TRUSTEE STRAW: ONE THING I'M STRUGGLING WITH A LITTLE BIT IS BECAUSE WE HAD THE PRIOR BOARD DIRECTION AND THIS IS MOVING US IN A DIFFERENT DIRECTION, IT DOES SEEM LIKE SORT OF HAVING A MENU OF OPTIONS, RATHER THAN HERE IS THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE. SO SORT OF A STUDY SESSION WOULD BE POTENTIALLY HELPFUL APPROACH OF WHERE SORT OF REOPENING THIS.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: I WANT TO KEEP IT ON THE TIMELINE.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN:

>>TRUSTEE STRAW: MY CONCERN IS ONE OF THE THINGS WE HAVE NOT TALKED ABOUT AND I DO AGREE WITH THE ISSUE THAT AIR B&BS HAVE AN EFFECT OF MOVING AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND REMOVING HOUSING SUPPLY, WHICH JUST THROUGH A SUPPLY AND DEMAND AFFECT HELPS TO KEEP LONG-TERM HOUSING COSTS DOWN.

I FULLY APPRECIATE THAT POINT.

I ALSO THINK THAT I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE EVALUATING HOW INCREASING TAXES ON GENERALLY SPEAKING, INDIVIDUALS IN OUR COMMUNITY WHO ARE BUYING SECOND PROPERTIES IN OUR COMMUNITY FOR THE PURPOSE OF RENTING THEM OUT, HOW INCREASING A TAX ON THEM WITHOUT INCREASING IT ON THEIR DIRECT COMPETITORS, WHICH ARE OFTEN TIMES HOTELS, THE OTHER SORT OF SHORT-TERM RENTAL OPPORTUNITY IN THE COMMUNITY, HOW ARE WE DISADVANTAGING SORT OF INDIVIDUALS IN OUR COMMUNITY VERSUS BUSINESSES? AND PARTICULARLY WHEN, YOU KNOW, THERE ARE PROPOSALS FOR - IS THE HOTEL STILL BEING BUILT ON LAKE STREET?
IS ANYTHING HAPPENING WITH THAT?

>>VILLAGE MANAGER: IT IS MOVING FORWARD.

>>TRUSTEE STRAW: ESPECIALLY WE'RE NOT JUST TALKING ABOUT LOCAL HOTELS, BUT EVEN BIGGER CHAINS OF HOTELS IN TOWN. WE ARE STARTING TO WAY TOWARDS ADVANTAGING LARGER BUSINESSES OVER INDIVIDUALS.

THESE ARE ALL THINGS THAT I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE CONSIDERING WHEN WE HAVE THIS CONVERSATION AND CERTAINLY WE CAN HAVE THAT CONVERSATION, EVEN IF WE ARE JUST HAVING A PARTICULAR MOTION PUT IN FRONT OF US, BUT I GUESS IF I WERE TO VOTE YES ON THIS, I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT THE PRESENTATION THAT STAFF BRINGS WITH IT IS ROBUST AND PRESENTS A NUMBER OF OPTIONS, SUCH THAT WE COULD SAY, ACTUALLY, WE WOULD PREFER OPTION C, CAN WE MAKE THE TWEAK TO DO THAT BECAUSE I DO NOT WANT TO BE IN A POSITION WHERE WE DO NOT HAVE SUFFICIENT DATA TO UNDERSTAND ALL OF THE, AGAIN, EQUITABLE IMPACTS THAT SUCH A PROPOSAL MIGHT HAVE ADVANTAGING CERTAIN BUSINESSES.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: I THINK THE DATA WILL BE PRETTY CLEAR THAT THE AMOUNT WE ARE TALKING ABOUT FROM THE HOTEL IS RATHER SMALL AND THAT DOES KIND OF GIVE YOU INSIGHT INTO THE INFORMATION THAT YOU ARE LOOKING FOR, BUT VILLAGE MANAGER JACKSON, IF YOU CAN BRING AS MUCH DATA AS WE CAN BRING TO HELP US MAKE A RESPONSIBLE DECISION HERE?

>>VILLAGE MANAGER: WE WILL DEFINITELY COMMIT TO DOING THAT. I JUST WANT TO STATE THOUGH IN REACTION TO THE COMMENTARY ON THIS THAT, YOU KNOW, WE HAVE HAD I THINK TWO OR THREE STUDY SESSIONS AND THEN WE GOT FINAL BOARD DIRECTION. WE LOOKED AT ALL THE DIFFERENT REVENUE OPTIONS AND WE PRODUCED A CHART THAT SHOWS HOW YOU COULD SCALE IT. WE LANDED ON THE 3.5%.

SO NOW WHAT WE ARE TALKING ABOUT IS MAYBE TAKING THE HOTELS OUT, LOOKING AT THAT, LOOKING AT THE REVENUE ESTIMATES AND LOOKING AT IT IN THE SAME WAY IN PRODUCING THE INFORMATION FOR YOU, BUT WHAT I'M HEARING IS THAT EVEN YOU MIGHT WANT MORE INFORMATION THEN WE PROVIDED IN THE LAST THREE.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THAT PART SHOULD GIVE US SOME OF WHAT BRIAN IS ASKING FOR BECAUSE WHEN WE SEE THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN WHAT THE HOTEL BRINGS IN AND WHAT THE AIR B&B BRINGS IN, IT WILL GIVE US A LITTLE BIT OF WHAT BRIAN IS LOOKING FOR.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THE PIECE THAT I AM FOCUSED ON AND I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE INCORPORATING INTO THE CONVERSATION, ESPECIALLY SINCE IN THIS AGENDA SUMMARY WE HAVE DEI IMPACT N/A, I WANT TO MAKE SURE WE ARE GENERATING AN ASSESSMENT OF HOW THIS IS - OF THE EQUITABLE CONSIDERATIONS WHEN WE ARE TALKING ABOUT LARGER BUSINESSES VERSUS INDIVIDUAL SMALL BUSINESSES, WOMEN AND MINORITY OWNED BUSINESSES IN OUR COMMUNITY.

I THINK THAT IS AN IMPORTANT PART OF THE CONVERSATION BECAUSE WE WERE NOT TALKING ABOUT BIFURCATING BETWEEN SHORT-TERM RENTAL AND HOTEL/MOTEL TAX.

PREVIOUSLY WE WERE NOT ENGAGING IN THAT ANALYSIS.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: I WANT TO ADD A LITTLE CONTEXT HERE THAT I THINK IS HELPFUL.

THIS IS AN ARTICLE IN 2021 FROM THE WEDNESDAY JOURNAL.
IN OAK PARK, THE PAST FIVE YEARS, 2016-2021 HAVE SEEN THE ADDITION OF
FOUR HIGH-RISES, I'LL BE ADVANTAGE AND 1133.
OF THE ALMOST 11,400 UNITS WERE ADDED IN ILLINOIS, 1068 OF THOSE WERE
IN OAK PARK IN THOSE BUILDINGS.
THE ADDED APPROXIMATELY 1100 UNITS.
WE ALL KNOW THAT THE BEST WAY TO GET AFFORDABLE HOUSING AT SCALE IS TO
ADD MORE UNITS TO YOUR COMMUNITY, RIGHT?
THE GOAL OF THIS IS TO FUND AFFORDABLE HOUSING TRUST FUND SO THAT WE
CAN GET MORE AFFORDABLE HOUSING, RIGHT?
SO WE ARE ALL ALIGNED THERE.
THERE ARE 115 AIR B&B LICENSES IN OAK PARK.
THAT WIPED OUT 10% OF THOSE UNITS, RIGHT?
WHEN WERE TALKING ABOUT SCALE, 10% OF UNITS THAT WE ARE BUILDING TO
ADD AFFORDABLE HOUSING INTO OUR COMMUNITY IS HUGE.
SO THAT MATERIALLY IMPACTED THE AVERAGE RENTAL PRICE IN OUR COMMUNITY.
SO THE REASON I SUPPORT THIS AND I DO NOT NEED ANY MORE DATA, BUT THE
REASON I SUPPORT THIS IS BECAUSE WHAT WE ARE ACTUALLY TRYING TO DO IS
ALIGN - TRY TO ALIGN OUR POLICY WITH OUR POLICY BECAUSE RIGHT NOW WE
ARE WORKING ACROSS PURPOSES TO OURSELVES.
BY - I'M NOT GOING TO SAY THAT WE SHOULD NOT ALLOW AIRB&B'S, BUT BY
HAVING SO MANY, AS WE CONTINUE TO BUILD MORE UNITS AND SOME OF THOSE
UNITS GET TAKEN OUT OF COMMISSION TO GO TO AIRB&B'S, WE LOSE SOME OF
THOSE BENEFITS.
AS WE SAID, WE HAVE BUILT BY FAR IN THAT FIVE-YEAR PERIOD, THE MOST
UNITS THAN ANY COMMUNITY IN ILLINOIS THAN WE WIPED OUT 10% OF THEM.
>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: IT IS FAIR TO HAVE ALL THE DATA.
SO THAT IS FINE.
>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: ABSOLUTELY, AND I DO NOT NEED IT.
>>TRUSTEE STRAW: THE ONLY THING I WOULD WANT TO ADD IS AS I SAID
PREVIOUSLY, I AGREE THAT THERE IS PART OF THAT THAT MAKES SENSE AND IT
IS IMPORTANT TO HIGHLIGHT THE WOMEN AND MINORITY OWNED BUSINESSES
ASPECT AS WELL BECAUSE THIS IS A PLACE WHERE WE HAVE COMPETING VALUES
AND WE HAVE COMPETING BOARD GOALS AND THAT IS WHERE IT IS PARTICULARLY
IMPORTANT TO TAKE OUR TIME AND DO THAT ANALYSIS, AND THAT IS THE ONLY
PIECE THAT I AM HIGHLIGHTING.
I MAY WELCOME DOWN ON, YES, ABSOLUTELY WE SHOULD DO THIS.
I'M JUST SAYING, LET'S PAUSE A BEAT MAKE SURE WE HAVE EVERYTHING.
>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: ABSOLUTELY.
I WAS NOT DISAGREEING WITH YOU.
I WAS ADDING ON.
>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: HOWEVER, THE DATA IS NOT GOING TO SHOW US
THAT.
GO AHEAD IT'S B6 I WANTED TO COUNTER TRUSTEE WESLEY'S ARGUMENTS A
LITTLE BIT WITH WE DID NOT JUST WIPE OUT 10% OF UNITS BECAUSE WE ALSO

HAVE THE GOAL OF PROMOTING TOURISM AND WE HAVE THE TAXES FROM THE AIRB&B'S AND IF YOU SEE THE INCOME IT IS SIGNIFICANT, THESE TAXES FROM THE AIRB&B'S.

IF PEOPLE ARE STAYING, THEY ARE SHOPPING DOWNTOWN AND EATING DOWNTOWN. THERE IS A BENEFIT TO HAVING THE AIRB&B'S AND LIKE I SAID WE DO NOT WANT TO GET RID OF THEM.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THEY ARE DOING WELL.

>>TRUSTEE BUCHANAN: WE HAVE COMPETING VALUES THAT WE ARE TRYING TO FIGURE OUT HERE.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: I AGREE WITH THAT TRUSTEE BUCHANAN. WHAT I'M SAYING IS WE SHOULD BUILD WAY MORE UNITS. IF WE BUILD MORE UNITS THEN THIS IS NOT A PROBLEM. MORE UNITS, MORE UNITS, MORE UNITS.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: YOU ARE THE ONE THAT HE NEED TO START WHIPPING OUT CLERK WHAT IS PLEASE TAKE THE ROLL. CLERK WATERS, PLEASE TAKE THE ROLL.

>> TRUSTEE ROBINSON.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THAT IS ALL YOU ARE DOING. YES.

>> YES.

>> TRUSTEE WESLEY.

>> YES.

>> TRUSTEE BUCHANAN.

>> YES.

>> TRUSTEE PARAKKAT.

>> YES.

>> TRUSTEE STRAW.

>> YES.

>> PRESIDENT SCAMAN.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: YES.

CALL TO CLERK AND BOARD.

CLERK WATERS, ANYTHING?

OH, WE HAVE TO ADJOURN INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION.

CAN WE DO OUR CALL TO BOARD NOW?

YES, CLERK WATERS, WOULD YOU LIKE TO ADD ANYTHING FOR CALL THE BOARD?

>>CLERK: PASS.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN:

>>TRUSTEE BUCHANAN: HAPPY BLACK HISTORY MONTH.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU.

HAPPY BLACK HISTORY MONTH.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: I HAVE TALKED ENOUGH.

I WILL PASS.

>>TRUSTEE ROBINSON: NOTHING FROM ME.

>>TRUSTEE PARAKKAT: I HAVE ONE THING.

LATER THIS MONTH, FEBRUARY 22 TO MARCH 1 WE HAVE OUR FIRST BY THE BURBS, THERE'S A LOT OF QUESTIONS THAT SIGNED UP. THIS IS THE FIRST ONE ORGANIZED IN THIS AREA SO I WANT TO CALL THAT OUT AS SOMETHING THAT IS HAPPENING IN OUR COMMUNITY THAT IS HAPPENING THIS MONTH.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: OKAY.

I HAD A WONDERFUL VISIT LAST WEEK TO THE WHITE HOUSE. I GOT TO TALK TO - GOT TO TALK ABOUT MANY DIFFERENT TOPICS AND LOOK FORWARD TO, YOU KNOW, ENHANCING THOSE RELATIONSHIPS TO SUPPORT OUR MANY BOARD GOALS AND WORK IN PARTNERSHIP WITH SOME OF THE AGENCIES THAT I MET AND OTHER COMMUNITIES.

I AM A LITTLE DISTRAUGHT AT THE CONVERSATION THAT HAPPENED EARLIER TONIGHT.

I WORK REALLY HARD TO MAKE SPACE FOR EVERYBODY'S OPINIONS AND THAT ENTIRE DISCUSSION WAS BASICALLY ABOUT WHETHER OR NOT THERE WAS - IT WAS CLEAR IN OUR AGENDA ITEM WHAT WE WERE VOTING ON.

UNFORTUNATELY I CANNOT DEBATE THAT HERE RIGHT NOW UNTIL EVERYBODY GETS A CHANCE TO GO HOME AND WATCH THE VIDEO.

I JUST WANT TO SAY, I AM QUITE CONFIDENT THAT OUR STAFF DID NAME THE TASK FORCE IN THE AGENDA ITEM THEY THINK THEY DESERVE FOR ME TO SAY THAT CLEARLY OUT LOUD AND FOR, YOU KNOW, THE ENCOURAGEMENT OF ANYONE ELSE IN THE COMMUNITY TO REWATCH THAT AGENDA ITEM ALSO BEFORE JUDGMENT.

I DO CARE VERY MUCH THAT ALL MEMBERS OF THE BOARD FEEL AS IF THEY ARE GETTING ALL THE INFORMATION AND SO I WILL CONTINUE TO SUPPORT EVERYONE EQUALLY.

THANK YOU.

ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO ADJOURN - SORRY THAT I LET THE CONVERSATION GO ON AS LONG AS I DID AS WELL.

I WOULD ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO MOVE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION, PAUL TO DO WHAT?

>>VILLAGE ATTORNEY: THE LEASE OF PROPERTY FOR USE BY THE VILLAGE UNDER FIVE IL 3CS\TWO C5.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: MOTION PLEASE,

>> SO MOVED.

>> SECOND.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: CLERK WATERS PLEASE TAKE THE ROLL.

>> TRUSTEE ROBINSON.

>> YES.

>> TRUSTEE STRAW.

>> YES.

>> TRUSTEE BUCHANAN.

>> YES.

>> TRUSTEE PARAKKAT.

>> YES.

>> TRUSTEE WESLEY.

>> SURE.

>> PRESIDENT SCAMAN.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: YES.

>>VILLAGE ATTORNEY: YOU DO NEED TO COME BACK TO ADJOURN.