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>> HELLO.

IT'S 7:04 PM, I WOULD LIKE TO CALL THIS MEETING OF THE VILLAGE BOARD ORDER. CLERK WATERS COULD YOU PLEASE TAKE THE ROLL.

>> (ROLL CALL)

>> WE DO HAVE A QUORUM.

I'D LIKE TO ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS IT'S BEEN PRESENTED I BELIEVE WE ARE MOVING ONE ITEM FROM CONSENT TO REGULAR. THAT WOULD BE ITEM M, FROM CONSENT TO THE REGULAR AGENDA. MOTION PLEASE.

>> SO MOVED.

>> THANK YOU.

>> SECOND.

>> MOTION BY TRUSTEE.

>> (ROLL CALL).

>> MINUTES.

I ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES FROM JULY 22ND, JULY 29, AND AUGUST 5. ALL IN FAVOR?

>> AYE.

>> DO WE HAVE ANY NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT THIS EVENING.

>> YES WE DO.

(NAME?)

>> DO WE HAVE ANYTHING NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT?

>> NICK.

>> GOOD EVENING.

MY NAME IS NICK MENOTTI, OAK PARK RESIDENT.

I ASSUME THE TRUSTEES REVIEWED MY EMAILS FROM LAST WEEK DETAILING THE SERIOUS ETHICS BREACH THAT OCCURRED AT THE 200 MY MOTIVATIONS AT THE VILLAGE ARE TWOFOLD.

TO ENSURE THERE'S A GROSS VIOLATION OF OUR DEMOCRATIC VALUES IS NOT AFFECTED OTHER AREAS OF OUR GOVERNMENT.

AND I RECENTLY DISCOVERED THAT THE INDIVIDUAL EPICENTER OF THIS INCIDENT, AFTER ALL THAT TRANSPIRED, HAD THE AUDACITY TO FILE AN UNFAIR LABOR PRACTICE AGREEMENT AGAINST THE SCHOOL DISTRICT.

I FIGURED, ONE AUDACIOUS MOVE DESERVES ANOTHER.

A NUMBER OF THINGS I WANT TO COVER REGARDING THIS MATTER, AWARENESS, OAK PARK TRUSTEES AWARE OF THIS INCIDENT?

I PRESENTED MY INITIAL FINES TO D 200 LAST OCTOBER.

I ALSO PRESENTED MY FINDINGS TO D 97 AT A SCHOOL BOARD MEETING IN MAY. CONSIDER THE SERIOUSNESS OF THIS MATTER, I WOULD'VE HOPED THIS TOPIC WOULD'VE BEEN COME UP IN SOME SORT OF GOVERNMENTAL MEETING.

WHEN SOMETHING IS HAPPENING IN A TAXING BODY, IT LEADS ME TO BELIEVE THIS HAPPENING ELSEWHERE.

I ASKED THE TRUSTEES REVIEWED THEIR ETHICS POLICY CURRENTLY IN PLACE OF THE VILLAGE LEVEL AND SEE IF THERE'S ANY SIMILAR GAPS TO WHAT TRANSPIRED AT D 200 AND FILL THE GAPS.

DISCLOSURE, IF ANY CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS HAVE ANY BUSINESS RELATIONSHIPS THAT MAY CONFLICT WITH THEIR DUTIES, SIMPLY DISCLOSE THEM. DISCUSSED THEIR RELEVANCE.

IF THERE IS A CONFLICT, ABSTAIN FROM VOTING OR STEP DOWN FROM ELECTED OFFICE.

THE VILLAGE SHOULD NOT BE ENGAGING WITH ORGANIZATIONS THAT DO NOT SHARE OUR COMMUNITY'S VALUES OF INTEGRITY, TRANSPARENCY, TRUST, AND FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY.

THERE ARE TWO PARTIES IN THIS MATTER, THE RECIPIENTS OF THIS SUM OF MONEY, AND ASSOCIATED PREDATORS THAT HAVE COME UP AS VENDORS AND TAXING BODIES AGGRESSIVELY TO.

I ASKED THE VILLAGE REVIEW THEIR FINANCIAL SYSTEMS AND FLAGGED THEIR NAMES AND ASSOCIATED ORGANIZATIONS, WE SHOULDN'T BE DOING BUSINESS WITH THEM.

AS FOR THE DONOR FOUNDATIONS IN QUESTION, THAT'S A BIT TRICKIER, THEY DO A LOT OF GOOD IN THIS COMMUNITY.

SINCE THEY ARE A PRIVATE ORGANIZATION I DON'T HAVE ACCESS TO THE GRANT APPLICATION SO I CANNOT PROVE A NEW OF THE D 200 SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS INVOLVEMENT.

FOR ALL I KNOW, THEY WERE VICTIMS OF FRAUD.

WHAT IS CLEAR IS THESE FOUNDATIONS AT A MINIMUM LACKED THE PROPER CONTROLS TO PROTECT THE CIVIL RIGHTS OF OUR LOCAL CITIZENS.

CIVIL RIGHTS, BECAUSE WHAT WAS AT STAKE WAS IN A LARGE INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT AT THE HIGH SCHOOL, IT WAS OUR RIGHT TO VOTE.

WHETHER INTENDED OR NOT, THE END RESULT WAS VOTER SUPPRESSION. ANY ACTIONS THAT CONTRIBUTE TO THE DIMINISHMENT OF MY RIGHT TO VOTE, DIMINISHED MY CIVIL RIGHTS.

I CAN'T HAVE THAT.

CAN'T HAVE THAT.

I ASKED THAT THE VILLAGE PUT ANY BUSINESS DEALINGS WITH THESE FOUNDATIONS ON HOLD UNTIL THIS MATTER CAN BE FULLY VETTED WITH PROOF THE PROPER CONTROLS HAVE BEEN PUT IN PLACE.

I COULD SHARE MY RESEARCH ANYTIME IF YOU NEED.

I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO HEARING THE NEXT STEPS, THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU.

>> LAST TUESDAY I NERVOUSLY SPOKE FOR THE FIRST TIME IN FRONT OF THE VILLAGE BOARD UP HERE.

THANK YOU TO THOSE OF YOU WHO LISTEN TO ME RESPECTFULLY INSTEAD OF SCROLLING ON YOUR PHONE, LIKE TRUSTEE CORY WESLEY.

I FELT COMPELLED TO HOLD CORY ACCOUNTABLE FOR FOSTERING DIVISIVENESS. ACCORDING TO THE AGENDA, THIS TIME IS QUOTE SET ASIDE AT THE BEGINNING OF MEETING FOR INDIVIDUALS TO SPEAK ABOUT AN ISSUE OR CONCERN THAT IS NOT ON THAT MEETING'S AGENDA.

IT IS NOT INTENDED FOR A DIALOGUE WITH THE BOARD.

CLERK WATERS HAD TOLD ME THAT AFTER I SPOKE, ANY MEMBERS WHO SIGNED UP WOULD ALSO SPEAK WITHOUT INTERACTION OR INTERRUPTION FROM THE BOARD. AND THIS IS HOW IT SHOULD HAVE GONE BUT CORY IGNORED THE BOARD'S OWN PROTOCOLS RECENTLY ADOPTED EVERY JUNE 20, 2024.

SECTION D NUMBER 3 OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES PROTOCOL STATES "THE VILLAGE BOARD WILL NOT RESPOND TO PUBLIC COMMENTS AS A PART OF THE MEETING OR ENTER INTO DISCUSSION WITH THE COMMENTER HAS A PART OF THE MEETING.

THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT WILL RESPOND AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC COMMENT BY NOTING THAT STAFF WILL FOLLOW UP ON THE MATTER.

DESPITE THIS PROTOCOL, CORY DIRECTLY ACCUSED ME SAYING BACK IN FEBRUARY YOU LEFT ME SOMEWHERE ABOUT 12 MESSAGES ON MY UNOFFICIAL PUBLIC FACEBOOK PAGE WITHIN THE MATTER OF ABOUT TWO HOURS ASKING ME TO UNBLOCK YOU ON MY PERSONAL PAGE.

PERHAPS THAT'S WHY HE WAS ON HIS PHONE BUT HE SHOULD HAVE LOOKED CLOSER BECAUSE I DID NOT ASK TO BE UNBLOCKED AND I HAVE NO INTEREST IN HIS PRIVATE BUSINESS.

CORY NEEDS TO PAY ATTENTION TO HIS COMMUNITY MEMBERS.

PROOF.

BECAUSE I WAS ACTUALLY ASKING HIM, DO YOU FIND IT ACCEPTABLE FOR VILLAGE TRUSTEES TO MAKE PUBLIC POLITICAL POSTS ABOUT THEIR FRIENDS AND THEN PROCEEDED TO BLOCK CONSTITUENTS WHO CRITICIZE THEM?

SHOULD ELECTED OFFICIALS USE THEIR PERSONAL ACCOUNTS FOR SUCH POLITICKING AND THEN JUSTIFY IT BY CLAIMING IT'S THEIR PERSONAL ACCOUNT? DO YOU FIND THIS TO BE ETHICAL BEHAVIOR, AND ELECTED OFFICIAL?

A LOCAL ELECTED OFFICIAL.

INSTEAD OF ANSWERING CORY SCREENSHOT IT AND SHAMED ME.

ON HIS TRUSTY ACCOUNT.

AMONGST HIS FOLLOWERS.

NOT A GOOD LOOK FOR SOMEONE WHO BRAGS ABOUT BEING THE MOST PROLIFIC SOCIAL MEDIA USER OF ALL OAK PARK ELECTED OFFICIALS.

REITERATED LAST WEEK THAT HE STANDS BEHIND 100% OF EVERYTHING HE'S POSTED.

WHAT CORY IS SAYING OR DOING IS NOT INSIGNIFICANT OR ISOLATED.

RIGHT NOW WE NEED SOLIDARITY AND STEWARDSHIP, NOT VILLAGE TRUSTEES CALLING THEIR OWN CONSTITUENTS COLONIZERS.

ESPECIALLY WHEN LATER TONIGHT THERE WILL BE A MOTION AS NATIONAL NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH.

EVERY OTHER TRUSTEES POST LAST WEEK ABOUT BEARING WITNESS HELPING NEIGHBORS SUPPORTING TRUSTEE STRAW, CORY INSTEAD TWICE DEFENDED HIS SOCIAL MEDIA USAGE AND DIRECTLY ATTACKED ME.

THESE VIEWS CORY STANDS BEHIND 100% ALSO GO DIRECTLY AGAINST LAST WEEK WHEN TRUSTEE LEVING-JACOBSEN LETTER CHARGE AMENDING THE OAK PARK VILLAGE CODE REGARDING THE USE OF VILLAGE PROPERTY FOR CIVIL IMMIGRATION AND ENFORCEMENT PURPOSES.

NOW I ASK YOU ALL, HOW WILL THE VILLAGE BOARD AND VILLAGE STAFF BE HANDLING THIS MATTER AND OTHER EGREGIOUS BEHAVIOR FROM TRUSTEE WESLEY WHO COULDN'T BE BOTHERED TO STAND HERE.

>> ANY OTHER NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT?

>> NO.

>> WE DO HAVE TWO PROCLAMATIONS THIS EVENING, WHICH IS MY HONOR TO PRESENT THE FIRST ONE I WOULD ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO APPROVE A PROCLAMATION DECLARING THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER AS NATIONAL NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH 2025, MOTION PLEASE.

>> SO MOVED.

I'VE INVITED KELLY KEYSER SHE COULD PLEASE READ THE PROCLAMATION ALLOWED FOR US.

I WOULD LIKE TO FIRST ACKNOWLEDGE THAT OAK PARK RESIDES ON THE ANCESTRAL LANDS, I APOLOGIZE MY PRONUNCIATION IS NOT GREAT, BARBOT, OTTAWA AND OJIBWAY CHOCOLATE PEOPLES.

WE HONOR THEM AND EXPRESS GRATITUDE FOR THE STEWARDSHIP OF THIS LAND. WHEREAS THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK AND RECOGNIZES THE INDIGENOUS PEOPLE OF LANDS WHICH WOULD LATER BECOME KNOWN AS THE AMERICAS OF OCCUPIED THESE LANDS SINCE ANCIENT TIMES.

WHEREAS THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK IN ALIGNMENT WITH ITS DIVERSITY EQUITY AND INCLUSION STATEMENT REVERENTLY RECOGNIZED THE LAND THAT WE LIVE,

LEARN, PLAY, AND WORK, WAS FIRST THE ORIGINAL HOMELAND OF NUMEROUS NATIVE NATIONS.

THESE SOVEREIGN INDIGENOUS TRIBES WERE UNJUSTLY DISPLACED FROM THEIR ANCESTRAL LANDS THROUGH COLONIAL FORCE AND SYSTEMIC REMOVAL.

WE ACKNOWLEDGE THIS PAINFUL HISTORY AS NECESSARY AS A NECESSARY FOUNDATION FOR OUR ONGOING WORK TO BUILD A MORE DIVERSE EQUITABLE AND ACCOUNTABLE INCLUSIVE COMMUNITY.

ONE THAT BEGINS WITH TRUTH, RECOGNITION ACCOUNTABILITY HARDSHIPS AND INJUSTICES EXPERIENCED BY THE INDIGENOUS PEOPLE.

NEVERTHELESS, NATIVE COMMUNITIES REMAIN RESILIENT, STEADFAST AND DEEPLY ROOTED IN CULTURAL TRADITIONS, RICH HISTORIES AND UNWAVERINGLY TO PROTECT AND PRESERVE THEIR SACRED LANDS.

WE HONOR THIS LEGACY BY STRENGTHENING OUR COMMITMENT TO SUSTAINABILITY, ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP, AND PROTECTION OF THIS BIO DIVERSE LAND FOR THE CURRENT AND FUTURE GENERATIONS.

WHEREAS THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK RECOGNIZES THE VALUE OF MANY CONTRIBUTIONS MADE TO OUR COMMUNITY AND THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA THROUGH INDIGENOUS PEOPLES KNOWLEDGE, LABOR, SPIRITUALITY TECHNOLOGY SCIENCE PHILOSOPHY ARTS AND THE DEEP CULTURAL CONTRIBUTION SUBSTANTIALLY SHAPE THE CHARACTER OF OUR COUNTRY.

WHEREAS THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK HAS A RESPONSIBILITY TO PROMOTE AND HONOR OUR NATIONS INDIGENOUS HISTORY AND CONTRIBUTIONS OF THE INDIGENOUS PEOPLE TO OUR VILLAGE, STATE AND COUNTRY.

WHEREAS INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY WAS FIRST PROPOSED IN 1977 BY A DELEGATION OF NATIVE NATIONS TO THE UNITED NATIONS SPONSORED, INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON DISCRIMINATION AGAINST INDIGENOUS POPULATIONS IN THE AMERICAS.

WHEREAS THE UNITED STATES ENDORSED THE UNITED NATIONS DECLARATION OF THE RIGHTS OF THE INDIGENOUS PEOPLE, CALLED THE DECLARATION, ON DECEMBER 10 16TH 2010 AND THE DECLARATION RECOGNIZES INDIGENOUS PEOPLES HAVE SUFFERED FROM HISTORIC INJUSTICES AS A RESULT OF INTERIORLY THEIR COLONIZATION AND -- WHEREAS ARTICLE 15 OF THE DECLARATION RECOGNIZES THE RIGHT OF INDIGENOUS PEOPLES TO DIGNITY AND DIVERSITY OF THEIR CULTURE AND TRADITIONS HISTORIES AND ASPIRATIONS.

WHICH SHALL APPROPRIATELY BE REFLECTED IN EDUCATION AND PUBLIC INFORMATION.

AND PLACES AN OBLIGATION ON STATES TO TAKE EFFECTIVE MEASURES IN CONSULTATION AND COOPERATION WITH THE INDIGENOUS PEOPLES CONCERNED. TO COMBAT PREJUDICE AND ELIMINATE DISCRIMINATION AND PROMOTE TOLERANCE UNDERSTANDING AND GOOD RELATIONS AMONG INDIGENOUS PEOPLES AND ALL OTHER SEGMENTS OF SOCIETY.

WHEREAS THE STATE OF ILLINOIS HAS TAKEN MEASURES TO PROTECT THE RIGHTS AND HERITAGE OF NATIVE AND INDIGENOUS PEOPLES INCLUDING THE ENACTMENT OF THE HUMAN REMAINS PROTECTION ACT HOUSE BILL 3413 WHICH ESTABLISHES

PROCEDURES FOR DISCOVERING AND RETURNING HUMAN REMAINS TO NATIVE NATIONS AND SENATE BILL 1446 WHICH PROHIBIT SCHOOLS FROM BANNING STUDENTS FROM WEARING CULTURAL OR NATIVE REGALIA AT GRADUATION. AND HOUSE BILL 1633 WHICH REQUIRES ILLINOIS PUBLIC SCHOOLS TO INCLUDE NATIVE AMERICAN HISTORY COVERING SOVEREIGNTY, FORCED RELOCATION, CULTURAL CONTRIBUTIONS, AND THE IMPACT OF THE WIDESPREAD DISCRIMINATION IN THEIR CURRICULUM BEGINNING WITH THE 2024/25 SCHOOL YEAR.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, I PRESIDENT SCAMAN PRESIDENT OF THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK AND THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES HEREBY PROCLAIM THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK SHALL RECOGNIZE INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2025, EACH YEAR THEREAFTER ON THE SECOND MONDAY IN OCTOBER.

ENCOURAGE THE COMMUNITY TO REFLECT ON THE ONGOING STRUGGLES OF THE INDIGENOUS PEOPLES ON THIS LAND AND CELEBRATE THEIR THRIVING CULTURE AND THE VALUE OF THE INDIGENOUS PEOPLES.

DATED THIS 14TH DAY OF OCTOBER 2025.

>> THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR PRESENTING THAT FOR US.

ALL IN FAVOR?

>> AYE.

>> THE OTHER PROCLAMATION WE HAD, ALSO TO THINK THE DIRECTOR HAD TO OFTEN WORK ON THESE PROCLAMATIONS, KELLY CUES, THE WORK OF THE CLERK'S OFFICE FOR PRESENTING THEM FOR US.

THANK YOU.

I ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO APPROVE PROCLAMATION DECLARING NOVEMBER 17 THROUGH THE 21ST OF 2025 AS INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION WEEK.

MOTION PLEASE.

>> SO MOVED.

>> SECOND.

>> THANK YOU.

WHEREAS THE AMERICAN FIELD SERVICE WAS FORMED IN 1914 IN FRANCE WITH THE MISSION OF SUPPORTING INJURED SOLDIERS DURING WORLD WAR I. BY OPERATING A CIVILIAN AMBULANCE CORPSE AND THIS MISSION CONTINUED IN 1941 TO 1945 SUPPORTING INJURED SOLDIERS DURING WORLD WAR II.

WHEREAS IN 1947 THE AMERICAN FIELD SERVICE NOW AFS USA TRANSFORMED ITS MISSION FROM WARTIME CAPITAL AIDED TO INTERCULTURAL EXCHANGE PROMOTING PEACE AND UNDERSTANDING ACROSS NATIONS.

WHEREAS INTERCULTURAL EXCHANGE HOSTING OF INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS HAVE BECOME THE CENTRAL MEANS OF ADVANCING THIS MISSION.

WHEREAS AFS USA PLACES STUDENTS ANNUALLY WITH HOST FAMILIES IN OAK PARK AND RIVER FOREST AS PART OF A GLOBAL NETWORK THAT WELCOMES THOUSANDS OF STUDENTS WORLDWIDE.

WHEREAS THIS WEEK ONCE KNOWN AS INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION WEEK, HAS BEEN REDESIGNATED AS AFS BY AFS AS A GLOBAL LEARNING WEEK.

CONTINUING THE CELEBRATION OF INTERCULTURAL LEARNING EXCHANGE AND WILL BE OBSERVED FROM NOVEMBER 17 21ST OF 2025.

WHEREAS INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION EXCHANGE STRENGTHEN DEMOCRACY BY FOSTERING MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING AND GLOBAL CONNECTIONS THAT ENRICH OUR SCHOOLS AND COMMUNITIES.

WHEREAS AFS HAS PLACED JUST UNDER 1000 STUDENTS ACROSS THE UNITED STATES IN ACADEMIC YEAR WITH THE GREATER CHICAGO AREA TEAM PLACING 47 STUDENTS AN INCREASE OF NEARLY 50% FROM LAST YEAR LEADING THE NATION IN EMPLACEMENTS.

WHEREAS WITHIN OAK PARK SIX INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS ARE ATTENDING OAK PARK RIVER FOREST HIGH SCHOOL.

TWO STUDENTS ARE STUDYING AT FENWICK HIGH SCHOOL, RESIDING IN NEARBY BERWYN AND CICERO.

WHEREAS ONE OAK PARK RIVER FOREST STUDENT RECENTLY RETURNED HOME FROM A FULL YEAR AFS SCHOLARSHIP IN INDONESIA.

AND FIVE STUDENTS INCLUDING TWO HOSTED AND OAK PARK COMPLETED A TWO WEEK EXCHANGE THIS PAST OCTOBER.

WHEREAS OAK PARK STRONG PARTICIPATION THIS YEAR MARKS THE RECORD FOR THE LOCAL TEAM AND A POINT OF COMMUNITY PRIDE REFLECTING THE VILLAGES ENDURING COMMITMENT TO GLOBAL CONNECTION AND CULTURAL EXCHANGE.

THEREFORE, I, PRESIDENT SCAMAN ALONG WITH THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES HEREBY PROCLAIM NOVEMBER 17 TO THE 21ST TO 2025 AS GLOBAL LEARNING WEEK IN OAK PARK.

A TIME TO CELEBRATE THE IMPACT OF INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION AND HONOR THE FAMILIES AND STUDENTS WHO BRING THE WORLD TO OUR VILLAGE.

I BELIEVE WE HAVE A FAMILY PRESENT.

HINA AND FAISAL, WOULD YOU LIKE TO SAY A FEW WORDS?

YOU DON'T HAVE TO, BUT WE'RE GRATEFUL THAT YOU ARE HERE.

AND INTRODUCE YOUR VISITING SON?

ZION AND RAMIR, VISITING FROM EGYPT.

>> MY NAME IS FAISAL, MY WIFE UNFORTUNATELY COULDN'T MAKE IT.

IT'S OUR FIRST TIME POSTING A STUDENT FROM ABROAD.

WHEN I WAS IN HIGH SCHOOL MY FAMILY HOSTED A STUDENT FROM GERMANY FOR THREE WEEKS AND IT WAS LIKE TRANSFORMATIVE FOR ME AS A HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT SO WHEN THIS OPPORTUNITY CAME FOR US TO HOST FOR AN EXTENDED PERIOD OF TIME, WE WERE REALLY HAPPY TO TAKE ON THAT RESPONSIBILITY AND THE HONOR AND THE JOY OF THAT.

I KNOW DAVID YOU (NAME?) ISN'T HERE RIGHT NOW BUT HE'S MADE IT POSSIBLE FOR US AND SO MANY FAMILIES THIS YEAR.

WE THANK YOU AGAIN FOR THIS RECOGNITION AND I WILL LET A MERE SAY A FEW WORDS.

>> HELLO MY NAME IS AMAR NASAR, EMMA EXCHANGE STUDENT FROM EGYPT.

TO BE IN THE PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS TO STAY WITH THE HOST FAMILIES AND CHANGE IN CULTURES LIKE TAKING THE AMERICAN CULTURE AND GIVING THEIR CULTURE WHEREVER THEY ARE FROM.

IT'S REALLY INTERESTING TO BE HERE IN OAK PARK.

I FEEL SO GRATEFUL TO BE HERE.

GRATEFUL FOR THIS HOST COMMUNITY, GRATEFUL TO MY HOST FAMILY.

IT WOULDN'T BE POSSIBLE IF MY HOST FAMILY DIDN'T GIVE ME A CHANCE TO BE HERE.

THE GLOBAL LEARNING WEEK NEXT WEEK FROM THE 17TH OF THE 21ST, IT'S A WEEK WE ARE ALL CELEBRATING OUR CULTURE IS AND WHO WE ARE, WHO WE ARE FROM. IT'S REALLY INTERESTING.

>> THANK YOU SO MUCH.

>> I THINK WE WILL TRY TO TAKE A PHOTO.

CAN WE MOBILIZE QUICKLY THE FULL BOARD IN FRONT.

IF WE COULD PUT JOE ON THE SPOT TO HAVE A PHOTO THAN HE CAN SHARE WITH ME.

DAVID CAN SHARE IT TO YOU.

ANYONE INTERESTED IN BEING A HOST FAMILY, DAVID UBOGI I CAN ALWAYS PASS ON YOUR INFORMATION FOR EXPEDIENCY, IF YOU WANT TO REACH OUT TO ME, THAT'S FINE.

THANK YOU.

ALL IN FAVOR.

>> AYE.

>> VILLAGE MANAGER REPORTS.

>> WE HAVE UPDATED CALENDARS FOR NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER.

I WILL BE HAPPY TO TAKE QUESTIONS IF THERE ARE ANY.

JUST A COUPLE NOTABLE CHANGES THAT RECENTLY OCCURRED, THEY ARE NOT REPRESENTED ON THE GRAND CALENDARS.

WE ARE RECOMMENDING THE TAXATION HEARING THAT'S ON THE AGENDA TONIGHT UNTIL THE 18.

AND ALSO CONTINUING THE BUDGET HEARING SCHEDULED FOR THE 18TH THROUGH DECEMBER 2. THAT LEADS US TO A BUDGET ADOPTION SCHEDULE OF DECEMBER 9. HAPPY TO TAKE ANY QUESTIONS.

>> DATA, YOU SHOULD HAVE TEXTED ME.

YOU MISSED IT BY LIKE THREE MINUTES.

DID YOU WANT TO SHARE ANYTHING WITH THE ROOM?

YOU HAVE TO COME UP TO THE MICROPHONE.

MAY BE HOW TO CONTACT YOU.

AND THANK YOU, THIS HAS BEEN A WONDERFUL EXPERIENCE FOR ALL OF US.

>> I DON'T KNOW WHAT AMAR AND HIS FAMILY SAID BUT I'M SURE IT'S FAR MORE INTERESTING THAN ANYTHING I WOULD SAY.

I GUESS I COULD SAY IS ON, IT'S BEEN A SAD FOR MY SOUL NOTWITHSTANDING EVERYTHING THAT THE CHICAGO AREA HAS BEEN GOING THROUGH, THIS IS A BANNER YEAR.

OAK PARK IS LEADING THE NATION IN TERMS OF NUMBER OF EXCHANGE STUDENTS. DEPENDING ON HOW YOU COUNT, WE HAVE 15 EXCHANGE STUDENTS IN THE COMMUNITY THIS YEAR.

I'M JUST REALLY PROUD OF ALL MY NEIGHBORS.

THAT'S ALL.

IF ANYBODY'S INTERESTED, YOU CAN FIND ME.

>> HOW MANY TIMES HAVE YOU HOSTED?

>> I THINK WE'VE HAD ABOUT HALF A DOZEN STUDENTS LIVE WITH US THROUGH THE YEAR, AND TWO OR THREE TIMES THAT AMOUNT FOR A COUPLE DAYS TO A COUPLE WEEKS OCCASIONALLY A MONTH OR SO.

>> AND YOU KEEP IN TOUCH?

>> WITH PRETTY MUCH ALL OF THEM.

YES.

MY KIDS AROUND THE WORLD.

THANK YOU EVERYBODY.

>> OKAY.

I DIDN'T CUT ANYTHING SHORT WITH THE VILLAGE MANAGER REPORTS, RIGHT?

OKAY.

I APPRECIATE IT ANY QUESTIONS FROM THE TRUSTEES?

OKAY.

AS USUAL, WE HAVE THE BOARD AND COMMISSION REPORT.

ANYBODY INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING ON A VILLAGE BOARD OR COMMISSION CAN PLEASE REACH OUT TO CLERK WATERS.

WE DO HAVE TWO FIRST READINGS OF WHICH WE ARE HOPING TO WAIVE THE SECOND READING AND APPROVE THIS EVENING.

FIRST IS FIRST READING APPROVAL OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 26 ARTICLE 2 OF THE OAK PARK VILLAGE CODE REGARDING RATES FOR WATER AND SEWER SERVICES.

MOTION PLEASE.

>> SO MOVED.

>> SECOND.

>> THANK YOU.

>> ROBERT SPROLL.

>> THE FIRST READING WE HAVE TONIGHT IS THE RECOMMENDED ORDINANCE CHANGE RELATED TO FEES ASSOCIATED WITH WATER AND SEWER CHARGES. THIS IS THE FIRST STEP OF A LARGER PROCESS AS WE EVALUATE A LARGER FIVE YEAR RATE REGULATION WE PLAN ON BRINGING NEXT YEAR BUT WE STARTED THIS YEAR WITH IDENTIFYING CONSULTANT TO WORK WITH WHO COULD HELP US DEVELOP THAT FIVE-YEAR PLAN, LOOK AT OUR EXISTING FINANCES AND HELP US DEVELOP THAT PLAN.

THE FIRST STEP WAS A POTENTIAL RATE DECISION FOR 2026 AS WE FURTHER EVALUATE THE BIG INFRASTRUCTURE CHARGES THAT ARE GOING TO BE LOOMING IN THE FUTURE AS IT RELATES TO THE WATER AND SEWER FEES AND PROPOSE A FIVE YEAR WAIT PLAN RATE PLAN STARTING IN 2027.

THIS YEAR WE DID THAT INITIAL WORK WITH THE CONSULTANT WE IDENTIFIED THREE FINANCIAL GOALS FOR THE WATER AND SEWER FUND WHICH IS MAINTAIN A MINIMUM FUND BALANCE CONSISTENT WITH INDUSTRY BEST PRACTICES AND INCREASE FIXED REVENUE RECOVERY.

WHAT WE ARE RECOMMENDING THIS YEAR IS A COMBINATION OF BOTH VOLUMETRIC RATE CHANGE ALONG WITH A FIXED RATE CHANGE.

IF YOU APPROVE BOTH CHANGES, THE FUND ITSELF WILL EXPERIENCE A NEUTRAL CASUAL FOR 2026 SO THIS IS NOT REALLY A CHANGE TO GENERATE SIGNIFICANT REVENUE, IT'S JUST TO HOLD THE FUND IN A NEUTRAL POSITION FOR 2026 WHILE WE FURTHER EVALUATE FOR THE FUTURE.

I'LL BE HAPPY TO TAKE ANY QUESTIONS BUT IT'S A COMBINATION OF FEES, HISTORICALLY OVER THE LAST FEW YEARS, COMING OUT OF COVID, WE TYPICALLY JUST ON A CPI INCREASE ADJUSTMENT BASED ON THE VOLUMETRIC RATE TO KEEP UP WITH THE CITY OF CHICAGO WATER AND SEWER RATE CHANGES WE ARE RECOMMENDING THAT AGAIN THIS YEAR BUT ON TOP OF THAT WE ARE RECOMMENDING THE FIXED FEE INCREASE AS WE TRY TO MOVE THE FUND AWAY FROM RELYING SOLELY ON VOLUMETRIC HOUSE ARE PRIMARILY GENERATED FOR REVENUE TO A MORE FIXED FEES BECAUSE MOST OF THE COST OF THE FUND ARE FIXED AND IT'S A MUCH MORE SUSTAINABLE MODEL TO LOOK AT THOSE GENERATING THE REVENUE BASED ON THE FIXED FEES.

THIS WENT TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE EARLIER THIS YEAR IN SEPTEMBER THEY WERE IN SUPPORT OF THE RECOMMENDED RATE CHANGE.

HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS, AS PRESIDENT VICKI SCAMAN MENTIONED THIS IS FIRST A PROPOSED FIRST READING APPROVAL.

SO THE BOARD CAN MOVE FORWARD WITH IT, WITH APPROVING IF THEY LIKE IF NOT WE WOULD HAVE A SECOND READING SCHEDULED AT THE NEXT MEETING.

>> QUESTIONS OF THE BOARD?

ALL RIGHT.

OH, PLEASE, I'M SORRY.

>> I WILL BE QUICK.

OVERALL AND IN SUPPORT OF THIS.

I WANT TO RESTATE THAT I'M INTERESTED AS WE TALK ABOUT IN THE FINANCE COMMITTEE, I'M INTERESTED IN SOME OF THE DIFFERENT MODELS THAT WE TALKED ABOUT POTENTIALLY INCLINING RATE STRUCTURE THE MORE YOU USE THE MORE YOU PAY.

ONE NEW THING JUST BECAUSE IT CAME UP AT THE LAST FINANCE COMMITTEE I'M ON A MISSION TO FIND REVENUE FOR THE SUSTAINABILITY FUND AND THIS IS SOMETHING THAT SEEMS LIKE IT COULD FIT INTO THAT.

I JUST LIKE TO MAKE SURE THAT THAT'S KNOWN AND PART OF THOSE DISCUSSIONS THAT WE HAVE NEXT YEAR.

I ASSUME NONE OF THE REVENUE IS BUILDING OUT.

>> CURRENTLY THERE IS NO INTERFUND, YES, THE PLANS WE WOULD BE BRINGING FORWARD TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE NEXT YEAR AS PART OF THE FIVE-YEAR RATE PLAN WILL INCLUDE A FEW DIFFERENT MODELS PROPOSING FOR FUNDING THE FUND AND WE ARE EVALUATING ALL THOSE DIFFERENT OPTIONS BEYOND WHAT WE ARE TYPICALLY DOING TODAY WHICH IS JUST THE SIMPLE VOLUMETRIC.

THAT WILL BE PART OF THE DISCUSSION TO COME NEXT YEAR.

SECOND ITEM YES WE BEEN HAVING CONVERSATIONS ABOUT THAT, ACTUALLY LINDSAY, I THINK SHE'S HERE, WE HAD A CONVERSATION ABOUT THAT TODAY. AS A GENERAL IDEA TRYING TO FIND SUSTAINABILITY.

THERE IS NO DIRECT TRANSFER RIGHT NOW BETWEEN THE WATER AND SEWER FUND AND THE SUSTAINABILITY FUND BUT THERE IS PROGRAMMING AND WATER SO VERIFYING THAT SUPPORT SUSTAINABILITY ISSUES THE BIGGEST ONE IS THE RAIN READY PROGRAM WHERE THERE IS FUNDING SET ASIDE FOR THOSE GRANTS BUT WE WERE TALKING ABOUT IF IT WOULD MAKE MORE SENSE IN THE FUTURE POTENTIALLY TO MAKE THAT A DIRECT TRANSFER INTO THE SUSTAINABILITY FUND. WE ARE HAVING THOSE DISCUSSIONS AND I'M SURE YOU WILL HAVE THE SAME QUESTION FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES FUND WHICH WE WILL TALK ABOUT NEXT.

>> I APPRECIATE IT.

FOR STAYING ON TOP OF IT.

I LOOK FORWARD TO THOSE DISCUSSIONS NEXT YEAR.

>> CLERK WATERS WOULD YOU PLEASE TAKE THE ROLL.

>> I WON'T TAKE LONG.

JUST A COUPLE QUICK QUESTIONS.

ON THIS FUND DISCUSSING THE DRAWDOWN ON THE WATER AND SEWER FUND, IF THIS ISN'T ENACTED THERE IS A SHORTFALL THIS YEAR IN 2026?

>> YES.

>> I THINK IT SAYS, THERE'S A \$2 MILLION SHORTFALL IN THE REVENUE VERSUS EXPENDITURE BUT BECAUSE WE HAVE AN OPERATING RESERVE IT DOESN'T MEAN THE FUND WOULD BE INSOLVENT.

WE DO HAVE OPERATING RESERVE THAT WOULD BE TO PUNISHED BY THAT SHORTFALL NEXT YEAR.

>> AND NOT AGAINST THIS, I THINK UNDERSTANDING IT'S GOING TO IMPACT WE ARE LOOKING AT THE STABILIZING THE REVENUES.

BUT I HAVE NO IDEA WHAT'S IN THAT FUND, THE WATER AND SEWER FUND.

CAN I GET AN UPDATE ON THAT AT SOME POINT IN TERMS OF WHAT THIS WOULD DO IN THE LONG RUN WHERE WE ARE NOW AND WHAT THE BEGINNING BALANCE WAS, WITH THIS YEAR'S OPERATION 2025 IS THERE LOOK LIKE.

WHAT IT'S GONNA END UP AT THE END OF 25 AND LIKE WITH AND WITHOUT THIS IN 2026 I HAVE AN IDEA I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT.

>> THAT INFORMATION WAS PROVIDED AS PART OF THE COMMITTEE'S REVIEW OF THIS ITEM SO I CAN REASSURE THAT INFORMATION.

>> WHAT IS THE BALANCE?

>> THE BALANCE IS ALWAYS IN FLUX.

>> WHAT IS THE EXPECTED BALANCE AT THE END OF 2025?

I DON'T KNOW IF DAWN IS HERE, MY GUESS IS SOMEWHERE AROUND \$6 MILLION. WHICH IS KIND OF WHAT THE EXPECTED OPERATING RESERVE IS SUPPOSED TO BE. WHEN WE DID THE RATES FOR 2025 LAST YEAR THAT WAS THE EXPECTED PLAN THAT WE SHOULD BE HOLDING OPERATING RESERVES.

>> YOU KNOW THERE IS DISCUSSION ABOUT WHETHER PART OF PARK AVENUE WILL PAY FOR IT.

THERE'S A LOT OF CONVERSATIONS INFLUENCING WHERE THE ACTUAL FUND BALANCE HITS AT THE MOMENT.

THAT WILL BE ALSO A PART OF THE BUDGET BOOK IDENTIFIES WITH THE FUND BALANCE IS THROUGH TIME.

>> I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THAT, THANK YOU.

>> ANY OTHER QUESTIONS?

IF THERE IS NO CONFLICT WITH APPROVING NOW, THE MOTION WAS FIRST READING AND APPROVAL.

CLERK WATERS, WOULD YOU PLEASE TAKE THE ROLL.

>> (ROLL CALL)

>> THANK YOU.

MOTION HAS BEEN PASSED.

WE ALSO HAVE A FIRST READING AND ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 20 ARTICLE 7 OF THE OAK PARK VILLAGE CODE REGARDING RATES FOR GARBAGE, REFUSE, RECYCLABLE MATERIALS COLLECTION SERVICES.

MOTION PLEASE.

>> SO MOVED.

>> SECOND.

>> THANK YOU.

>> THIS IS OUR SECOND RATE READING JUST LIKE THE WATER AND SEWER FUND THE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES FUND IS AN ENTERPRISE FUND THAT IS SUPPORTED BY REVENUE COLLECTED AND PAID OUT FOR WASTE HAULING SERVICES. WE EVALUATE THE RATE EVERY YEAR AND MAKE ADJUSTMENTS TO THE RATE TO SUPPORT THE FUND.

THIS YEAR WE ARE PROPOSING A 3% INCREASE PRIMARILY ACROSS ALL THE RATES. THIS IS PRETTY MUCH TIED TO WHAT CPI IS AND THE TWO PRIMARY DRIVERS WITHIN THIS FUND ARE THE EXTERNAL SUPPORT FOR DISPOSALS SO THE LANDFILL DISPOSAL AND THE COLLECTION COST PER HOUR REFUSED.

BOTH HAVE CPI ESCALATORS BUILT INTO THE CONTRACTS, SO THE INTENT IS TO MAINTAIN WITH THE FUND AND STAY KIND OF COST NEUTRAL AS WELL.

THE ONLY THING YOU'LL NOTICE MAY BE OUT OF LINE WITH THAT IS THERE IS A CORRECTION WE ARE MAKING TO THE REFUSE STICKERS, THE PINK STICKERS, WE HISTORICALLY FOR SIMPLICITY TRIED TO KEEP BOTH THE LANDSCAPE WASTE AND THE PINK STICKERS THE SAME PRICE BUT BECAUSE WE PAY DISPOSAL COST OF THE PINK STICKERS BUT WE DON'T PAY IT ON THE GREEN STICKERS, THE LANDSCAPE WASTE BECAUSE IT'S COMPOSTER, THE DIFFERENTIAL BETWEEN THE COST OF THE VILLAGE ON THOSE WHO HAS CONTINUED TO SPREAD AND WE NEED TO START TO RECAPTURE SOME OF THAT COST BECAUSE WE ARE BASICALLY ABSORBING ALL THE COST BETWEEN THE TWO STICKERS.

WE ARE PROPOSING A RATE INCREASE 3.252 FOUR DOLLARS PER REFUSE STICKER. WHICH IS \$0.75 BUT IT'S THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE COLLECTION COST AND THE COST FOR DISPOSING THE WASTE IN THE LANDFILL.

AM HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS AS IT RELATES TO THESE FEES AS WELL.
>> YOU WERE JUST TALKING ABOUT THE DIFFERENTIAL COST FOR YARD WASTE VERSUS REFUSE FOR THE STICKERS.

I'M CURIOUS, IS THERE A DIFFERENCE IN COST TO US BETWEEN RECYCLING AND REFUSE FOR THE BINS?

>> THE RESIDENCE ON THE VILLAGE DON'T ACTUALLY PAY DIRECT COSTS FOR RECYCLING THE COST OF THE PROGRAM IS ROLLED INTO THE REFUSE COLLECTION FEE.

THAT'S NOT TO SAY THERE IS NO COST ASSOCIATED WITH RECYCLING BUT WHEN WE GO TO BED WE JUST ASK FOR RECYCLING AND REFUSE COLLECTION IS A SINGLE ITEM AND THAT'S THE PRICING THAT WE GET BACK.

THE ONLY DIFFERENTIAL RESIDENCE PAY IS BASED ON THE SIZE OF THEIR CONTAINER.

>> I GUESS I WOULD BE INTERESTED, AS YOU WERE TALKING ABOUT THE DIFFERENCE IN PRICING BETWEEN THE YARD WASTE STICKERS ON THE REFUSE STICKERS THIS CAME TO MIND I WOULD BE INTERESTED IN IF WE COULD STRUCTURE IT SUCH THAT THE REFUSE BINS ARE MORE EXPENSIVE THAN THE RECYCLING BINS BECAUSE IF THAT WOULD INCENTIVIZE PEOPLE TO BE PUTTING MORE INTO RECYCLING BINS AND LESS INTO TWO REFUSE BINS.

>> THE RECYCLING BINS ARE FREE.

YOU COULD ASK FOR FIVE RECYCLING BINS AT YOUR HOUSE AND YOU WOULD NOT PAY ANYTHING.

NOBODY PAYS ANYTHING EXTRA FOR RECYCLING.

>> SO THE NUMBER OF CARTS IN THE TABLE IN FIGURE 1, THAT'S ONLY REFERRING TO REFUSE CARTS.

>> WE DON'T KEEP COUNT OF THE RECYCLING CARTS BECAUSE THERE IS NO COST ASSOCIATED WITH THEM.

BATSON AND THEN AN EFFORT TO INCENTIVIZE FOR THE RECYCLING.

>> LOVELY.

THEN DISREGARD.

I APPRECIATE THAT.

>> IT'S AN IMPORTANT POINT TO BRING UP.

>> AND EVERYONE OUT THERE LISTENING KNOW THAT YOU CAN GET MORE RECYCLING BINS IF YOU SHIFT TOWARDS RECYCLING IT CAN DRIVE DOWN YOUR WASTE DISPOSAL COST BECAUSE YOU DON'T NEED TO HAVE MULTIPLE REFUSE BINS.

>> IF YOU DON'T FIND YOURSELF FILLING YOUR BINS WHERE YOU CAN ALSO DOWNSIZE YOUR REFUSE BINS WHICH WILL SAVE YOU A LITTLE BIT OF MONEY.

>> YES IS A DIFFERENT RATE FOR THE 96 AND 64 GALLON CART.

THIS IS BEEN A PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT.

>> YOU PROBABLY KNOW WHAT I'M GOING TO ASK ABOUT.

COMPOSTING THE THIRD BEEN THE OPT IN BEEN YOU PAY FOR CURRENTLY.

I'M CURIOUS ABOUT A COUPLE THINGS SINCE THE LAST TIME WE BROUGHT IT UP I THINK YOU MENTIONED ABOUT 30% SUBSCRIPTION RATE AT THE VILLAGE, IS IT STILL AT THAT OR HAVE YOU SEEN NEW NUMBERS?

>> WE ARE RIGHT AROUND 30% AND HOPING TO GROW THAT OVER THE NEXT YEAR. LAST YEAR WE SAW A SIGNIFICANT TICK UP DURING THE LEAVE COLLECTION SEASON AS A BECAME TOP OF MIND FOR PEOPLE ABOUT COMPOSTING. WE WOULD HOPE MAYBE WE WILL SEE SOME INCREASE THERE OVER THE NEXT FEW WEEKS BEFORE WE TRANSITION INTO WINTER.

>> I THINK THE CONTRACT WE HAVE WITH LRS EXPIRES IN 2037?

>> THE CONTRACT WITH LRS DOES EXPIRES IN MARCH 2027.

>> I KNOW WE TALKED ABOUT THIS BUT OVERALL THE GOAL IS TO GET TO 100% UNIVERSAL COMPOSTING IF WE CAN AND TO THE EXTENT POSSIBLE TO GET TO NEGOTIATE CONTRACTS THAT WRAPPED IN ALL THREE OF THE BINS AND INCENTIVIZES THE RIGHT BEHAVIOR.

I AGREE WITH WHAT TRUSTEES STRONG WAS SAYING AND HOW IT SET UP TO INCENTIVIZE THE RIGHT BEHAVIOR.

I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO THOSE CONVERSATIONS WHEN THEY DO COME UP.

>> WE ARE REALLY EXCITED, WE HOPE TO BE BACK IN FRONT OF THE BOARD IN Q1 TO HAVE THE CONVERSATIONS, THIS YEAR WE WERE UNDERTAKING OUR WASTE CHARACTERIZATION STUDY WE COMPLETED THE FIELDWORK, WHEREIN THE STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT TIME RIGHT NOW, THERE'S A LIVE SURVEY ONLINE ON ENGAGE OAK PARK, IF YOU WANT TO TAKE THE SURVEY ABOUT WASTE USE AND IF YOU TAKE THE SURVEY YOU GET A 10% CREDIT ON YOUR REFUSE BILL AND WE ARE SEEING REALLY GOOD RESULTS WITH THAT.

WE ARE GETTING A LOT OF REALLY GOOD VALUABLE DATA.

WE ARE HOPING TO COME BACK TO THE BOARD IN Q1 TO DISCUSS THAT AND GET PERSPECTIVE FROM THE CONSULTANTS ON THEIR PERSPECTIVES ON HOW THEY ARE SEEING BASED ON HOW PEOPLE IN THE VILLAGE DISPOSE OF WASTE, THEIR RECOMMENDATIONS ON DIFFERENT ACTIVITIES OR INCENTIVES WE CAN USE TO MOVE TOWARD THE BEHAVIOR THAT WE WANT.

HOPING WE ARE HOPING TO HAVE LRS COME IN AND WE CAN HAVE SOME CONVERSATIONS IN ADVANCE OF THE DECISION FOR THE BOARD REGARDING EITHER RENEWAL OR BIDDING IN 2026 FOR THAT CONTRACT.

>> THAT WAS MY LAST QUESTION AROUND THE STATUS OF THE WASTE CHARACTERIZATION STUDY, SOUNDS LIKE WE SHOULD EXPECT THAT TO BE WRAPPED IN THE FIRST QUARTER NEXT YEAR.

>> THE DATA COLLECTION IS THERE WE ARE JUST IN THE ACTIVE ENGAGEMENT PHASE WHICH WE WILL WRAP UP IN THE NEXT COUPLE WEEKS BEFORE THE HOLIDAY SEASON.

THEN THEY WILL BE FINISHING UP THE REPORT FOR EARLY JANUARY WE ARE HOPING.

>> GREAT.

OVERALL I'M IN SUPPORT OF THINGS AS WRITTEN.

>> THANK YOU.

>> QUICK QUESTION FOR YOU, I HATE THESE STICKERS, CAN WE DO A PREPAY SYSTEM OR LIKE I NEVER HAVE STICKERS WHEN I NEED THEM.
IT'S LIKE CRAP I HAVE TO THROW SOMETHING AWAY, THE TRUCK IS COMING IN 15 MINUTES, NOTHING IS OPEN.
IT WOULD BE GREAT EVEN IF I COULD GO TO THE VILLAGE WEBSITE AND PRINT SOMETHING OUT AND STICK IT ON THE ITEM IN THE ALLEY AND NOT HAVE TO TRY TO RUN TO THE STORE.
>> OKAY.
>> ANYTHING WE CAN DO ABOUT THAT?
>> I CAN TALK TO OUR HAULER ABOUT IT.
I HAVE A COUPLE DIFFERENT THINGS IN MY HEAD.
I HAVE TO THINK THROUGH THAT A LITTLE BIT MORE BUT MAYBE THERE IS SOMETHING WE CAN DO.
I CAN FOLLOW UP WITH THAT.
>> OTHERWISE, IN SUPPORT OF ALL OF THIS.
>> ONE CLARIFICATION, ON THE WASTE CHARACTERIZATION STUDY, IS A 10% OR \$10.
>> DID I SAY 10%?
\$10 IS ACTUALLY ALMOST ABOUT HALF OF YOUR REFUSE FEE FOR A MONTH.
DEPENDING ON WHAT YOU HAVE I GUESS.
>> \$10 CREDIT.
I KNOW IN THE PAST THE VILLAGE OR THE WASTE HAULER PROVIDED THE SMALL PORCH BOXES THAT YOU COULD DUMP IN.
>> BACK IN THE OLD DAY.
>> I WAS JUST CURIOUS, I HAD A QUESTION, FROM SOMEONE WHETHER THOSE WERE STILL AVAILABLE AND.
>> I DON'T THINK THE HAULER, I COULD ASK IF THE HAULER HAS ANY OLD STOCK OF SOMETHING LIKE THAT BUT I THINK IT WOULD BE MORE LIKE IF THAT WAS SOMETHING THAT THE VILLAGE WAS INTERESTED IN PROVIDING TO THE RESIDENCE. YOU CAN PURCHASE THOSE LIKE WE COULD PURCHASE THEM AND THEN GIVE THEM AWAY.
SOMETHING SIMILAR LIKE WE DID WITH THE COMPOSTING PAILS.
>> UNDERSTOOD.
THANK YOU.
>> ANY OTHER QUESTIONS?
VERY GOOD.
IF THERE IS NO OBJECTION WE WILL MOVE OVER AND CLERK WATERS, IF YOU WILL PLEASE TAKE ROLL.
>> (ROLL CALL).
>> THANK YOU.
I DON'T THINK YOU ARE GOING FAR.
ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA HAVING MOVED ITEM M TO REGULAR.
>> SO MOVED.
>> SECOND.

MOTION BY TRUSTEE EDER AND SECONDED BY TRUSTEE STRAW.

>> (ROLL CALL)

>> NOW TO ITEM M TO ENTERTAIN A MOTION FOR RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONTRACT WITH LAMB CREEK CONTRACTORS FOR 2520 OAK PARK AVENUE STREETScape IMPROVEMENTS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED THE.

>> ANY QUESTIONS RELATED TO THE TRUSTEES AND MAYBE A BRIEF OVERVIEW OF WHERE WE ARE.

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>> GOOD EVENING, BILL McKENNA, PUBLIC ASSISTANT PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR.

THIS IS A PROJECT WE BEEN WORKING ON A LITTLE OVER THE PAST THREE YEARS.

WE DID HAVE THE PROJECT OFFER BID LAST WINTER AND RECEIVED ONE BID FOR

\$22 MILLION, A LITTLE OVER \$22 MILLION WHICH WE PROJECTED.

WE GOT SOME ADDITIONAL INPUT FROM THE VILLAGE BOARD TO FURTHER REFINE

THE SCOPE TO REDUCE COST TO ELIMINATE THE USE OF BLUESTONE SIDEWALKS IS A GENERAL PAVING MATERIAL.

WE SWITCH THAT TO A CONCRETE PAVER IT DOES HAVE A SIMILAR COLOR PATTERN

TO BLUESTONE AND SLIGHTLY LARGER SO IT WILL BE A DRAMATIC VISIBLE CHANGE

BUT BRINGS THE COST OF THE PROJECT AND SOME OF THE MAINTENANCE

CONCERNS WE DID SOLICIT BIDS OUT IN SEPTEMBER.

WE GOT THREE BIDS FOR THE PROJECT.

LUCKILY THIS TIME THERE WAS A COMPETITIVE DATA \$18,464,000 THAT WAS LITTLE

LOWER THAN THE SECOND LOWEST BID SO IS AN AGGRESSIVE BID I THINK IT

REPRESENTS A COMPETITIVE PRICE FOR THE PROJECTS WE ARE RECOMMENDING.

THEY'VE DONE OTHER WORK IN THE VILLAGE MADISON STREET STREETScape

PROJECT THEY DID A GOOD JOB ON THAT PROJECT IS COMING IN UNDER BUDGET.

WE DID SPEAK WITH THE OWNER OF THE COMPANY AND THEY ARE LOOKING TO

BUILD THIS PROJECT AGGRESSIVELY BRINGING IN NUMBER TWO UNDERGROUND

CREWS TO MARK OUT THE UNDERGROUND WORK QUICKLY.

THAT'S THE MOST DESTRUCTIVE ASPECT OF THE PROJECT.

IT WOULD BE GOOD HAVE MULTIPLE CREWS WORKING ON THAT AT ONE TIME

SHORTEN THE DURATION SO WE LOOK FORWARD TO MOVING FORWARD WITH THIS

PROJECT AND AM HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS THE BOARD.

>> IT WAS ME I PULLED IT FROM CONSENT.

JUST BECAUSE IT'S SO LARGE PRICE TAG.

THAT'S WHY I DID IT PRIMARILY.

I APPRECIATE THE ADDITIONAL CONTEXT.

I'M CURIOUS A LITTLE BIT ABOUT THE SELECTION PROCESS AND WHAT THE VILLAGE RULES AROUND MINORITY AND WOMEN OWNED BUSINESS PARTICIPATION.

I'M CURIOUS HOW THAT FACTORS IN.

I KNOW THERE WERE TWO OTHER BIDS I'M CURIOUS ABOUT THAT PROCESS AND SELECTION.

>> THE SELECTION PROCESS FOR PROCURING CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS IS A CLOSED BID SYSTEM, SO IT'S SEALED BIDS THAT WE RECEIVED THE VILLAGE AWARD THE BETTER TO THE LOWEST RESPONSIBLE BIDDER, THAT'S THE BIDDER WITH THE

LOWEST COST THAT MEETS QUALIFICATIONS THAT THEY CAN PERFORM THEIR WORK.

SO GENERALLY ON LARGE PROJECTS WE REQUIRE PREQUALIFICATION BY IDOT, CERTIFICATION MECHANISM TO SHOW THAT CONTRACTORS ARE QUALIFIED TO DO THE WORK.

SO UNLESS THE VILLAGE GETS A BID FROM CONTRACTOR AND WE HAD OUR OWN EXPERIENCE WITH THEM THEN WE CAN DISQUALIFY THE BID BASICALLY SAYING THEY'RE NOT A RESPONSIBLE CONTRACTOR.

THE VILLAGE TYPICALLY GOES WITH THE LOWEST RESPONSIBLE BID.

IF THE VILLAGE WANTS TO GO WITH THE BID THAT'S NOT THE LOWEST RESPONSIBLE BID, WE WOULD GO TO THE NEXT LOWEST BID.

IN REGARDS TO DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISES AND HOW WE SELECT BIDS BASED ON THAT OR NOT, WE DO FOLLOW THE VILLAGE'S PURCHASING POLICY FOR THAT.

WE ENCOURAGE DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS PARTICIPATION, EITHER BY GENERAL CONTRACTORS OR SUBCONTRACTORS.

THERE IS NO HARD REQUIREMENT FOR IT.

WE REACHED OUT TO SUBCONTRACTORS AND CONTRACTORS THAT ARE DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISES TO TRY TO ENCOURAGE BIDDING FOR THEM ON THESE PROJECTS.

A PROJECT LIKE THIS HAS MULTIPLE SUBCONTRACTORS AND IT.

THERE'S ELECTRICIANS, THERE'S CONTRACTORS THAT DO THE PAVING BRICKS. UNDERGROUND CREWS, LOTS OF SORTS OF DIFFERENT CONTRACTORS.

WE CONTINUE TO WORK WITH THE GENERAL CONTRACTOR TO TRY TO ENCOURAGE LEGISLATION SUBCONTRACTORS THAT ARE DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISES BUT THERE'S NO HARD REQUIREMENT FOR IT.

>> THANK YOU.

THOSE ARE MOST OF MY QUESTIONS I THINK JIM HAD SOME OF THE QUESTIONS ARE ON THE BUDGET OF IT.

I'M CURIOUS TO HEAR THAT CONVERSATION AS WELL.

AND SOME RECOMMENDATIONS ON HOW TO MAKE SURE MAYBE THERE'S A WAY TO KEEP THE BUDGET BELOW, I THINK THERE'S LIKE AN \$800,000 VARIANCE OF WHAT WAS BID AND WHAT WAS BUDGETED.

I'M CURIOUS TO HEAR MORE ABOUT THAT.

>> WHAT WE HAVE IN THE PROPOSED 2026 BUDGET WAS THE SAME NUMBER WE PRESENTED TO THE VILLAGE BOARD BACK IN AUGUST FOR WHAT THE ESTIMATE WAS AT THE TIME FOR IF WE REMOVED BLUESTONE PAVERS.

THAT WAS THE ENGINEERS ESTIMATE THE BEST GUESS AT THE COST OF THE PROJECT AT THE TIME, THE BID CAME IN AT 18.4 MILLION, ABOUT A FOUR 4% DIFFERENCE FROM ESTIMATE.

LARGE PROJECTS ARE SOMETIMES DIFFICULT TO ESTIMATE AT THAT LEVEL OF ACCURACY.

WE HAVE \$350,000 AS A CONTINGENCY IN THE PROJECT SO THAT THE MONEY WOULD ONLY SPEND THINGS THAT ARE UNANTICIPATED GOING INTO THE JOB, HOPEFULLY SAVINGS WE CAN REALIZE.

WE HAVE A PRETTY GOOD TRACK RECORD OF COMING IN UNDER BUDGET ON THESE LARGE PROJECTS.

THERE'S A LOT OF OPPORTUNITY FOR COST SAVINGS ON THIS LARGE OF A PROJECT, THERE'S OPPORTUNITY FOR COST INCREASE, ESPECIALLY ON UNDERGROUND, WE CAN'T SEE UNDERGROUND SO THAT'S WHERE A LOT OF THE RISK IS.

BUT THERE'S A LOT OF PAVING MATERIALS GOING ON TOP OF THAT AND A LOT OF OPPORTUNITIES TO FIND SAVINGS.

WE ARE HOPEFUL WE CAN DELIVER A PROJECT THAT MEETS THE NUMBER THAT WE PRESENTED TO THE BOARD FOR THAT \$17.6 MILLION BACK IN AUGUST.

COST IS ALWAYS A CONSIDERATION, WE ARE ALWAYS OPEN TO LOOKING TO DELIVER PROJECTS UNDER BUDGET.

>> Q.

>> THANK YOU.

>> THAT ANSWERED MY QUESTION.

I APPRECIATE THE COMMENTS ABOUT TRYING TO KEEP THAT BUDGET AT THE ORIGINAL AMOUNT THAT WAS ESTIMATED, WHICH WAS AN ESTIMATE OF COURSE. WHOEVER ESTIMATED, YOU HAVE A CONTRACTOR.

>> PURE ENGINEERING.

>> THANK YOU FOR TRYING TO LOOK AT WAYS TO TRY TO GET DOWN.

THAT'S ALL I'M SAYING PRESENT IT'S IMPORTANT TO KEEP IT AS CLOSE TO THAT AS POSSIBLE.

WE GOT A TIGHT BUDGET.

>> ANY OTHER QUESTIONS?

CLERK WATERS, IF YOU COULD PLEASE TAKE THE ROLL.

(ROLL CALL)

>> MOVING FORWARD ON THE REGULAR AGENDA OUR NEXT ITEM T IS AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 12 ("HOUSING"), ARTICLE 2 ("RESIDENTIAL RENTAL LICENSE") AND ARTICLE 6 ("RESIDENTIAL TENANT AND LANDLORD ORDINANCE"), SECTION 4 ("RENTAL AGREEMENTS") AND SECTION 11 ("SECURITY DEPOSITS") AND AMENDING CHAPTER 13 ("HUMAN RIGHTS"), ARTICLE 5 ("UNLAWFUL MANAGEMENT PRACTICES"), SECTION 1 ("UNLAWFUL MANAGEMENT PRACTICES; REGULATIONS") AS REVIEWED BY THE VILLAGE BOARD AT ITS JUNE 17, 2025 STUDY SESSION.

>> SO MOVED.

>> SECOND.

>> THIS IS THE RENTER TENANT LEASE ORDINANCE.

>> WE HAVE JONATHAN BIRCH, ASSISTANT VILLAGE MANAGER, NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES DIRECTOR.

>> VERY GOOD.

WE WILL GO WITH PUBLIC COMMENT FIRST SO YOU CAN RESPOND.

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>> MICHAEL.

>> GOOD EVENING PRESIDENT SCAMAN AND THE MEMBERS OF THE VILLAGE BOARD. MY NAME IS CYNTHIA HOW, I'M A LOCAL REALTOR AND CURRENT PRESIDENT OF THE OAK PARK AREA ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS.

I URGE YOU TO RECONSIDER ORDINANCE 25-154, SEVERAL OF ITS PROVISIONS WILL RAISE THE COST OF HOUSING AND REDUCE THE ABILITY OF LOCAL PROVIDERS TO OFFER SAFE WELL-MAINTAINED HOMES.

INDIRECTLY CAUSING RENT TO INCREASE IS ANTITHETICAL TO THE GOAL OF THIS INITIATIVE.

INCREASING ACCESS TO FAIR AFFORDABLE AND QUALITY HOUSING.

ORDINANCE 25-154 INCLUDES CAPS ON MOVING FEES AND SECURITY DEPOSITS. AND PROHIBITION AGAINST CHARGING BOTH.

MOVING FEES AND SECURITY DEPOSITS ARE LEGITIMATE VIEWS ACTUALLY ASKED USE OF BUSINESS TOOLS THAT SERVE DISTINCT PURPOSES.

THEY PROTECT HOUSING QUALITY AND COVER DURING OVER COSTS.

ACCORDING TO THE LATEST DATA FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT OF THE AVERAGE PROPERTY MAINTENANCE COST PER HOUSING UNIT IS \$1940.

THE PROPOSED \$500 CAP ON MOVE IN FEES DOESN'T COVER THE TRUE EXPENSE OF TURNING OVER THE UNIT, THINGS LIKE PAINTING, DRYWALLING, DEEP MEANING, MAJOR REPAIRS, FIXING COSMETIC DAMAGE, ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS AND MORE. THE CAP ON SECURITY DEPOSITS WOULD SHIFT MORE FINANCIAL RISK HOUSING PROVIDERS, PARTICULARLY WHEN THERE IS BEEN PROPERTY DAMAGE OR UNPAID RENT.

WHEN THE RISK GOES UP, IT DOESN'T DISAPPEAR.

IT SIMPLY GETS BUILT INTO THE FUTURE RENT OF ALL TENANTS.

SO INSTEAD OF IMPROVING AFFORDABILITY, THESE CAPS CAUSE RENT TO INCREASE AND LIMIT LOCAL LANDLORD'S ABILITY TO MAINTAIN SAFE QUALITY HOUSING.

WE APPRECIATE THE STAFF IS RESPONDED TO SOME OF OUR REQUESTS.

HOWEVER, RE- WE REQUEST CLARITY ON WHETHER CONTRACTORS AND MAINTENANCE WORKERS NEED TO UNDERGO TRAINING AND OTHER COST INCREASE REALTORS SUPPORT FAIR HOUSING.

WE ASK THAT YOU CONSIDER THE ORDINANCES IMPACTS ON AFFORDABLE HOUSING.

AT A TIME WHEN FAMILIES ARE BURDENED WITH RISING COSTS ACROSS THE BOARD, THIS PROPOSAL WILL MOST LIKELY INCREASE RENT IN OAK PARK.

WE ARE NOT ASKING YOU TO VOTE AGAINST ORDINANCE 25-154, BUT TO REMOVE ITS MOST HARMFUL PROVISIONS.

WE SHARE THE ORDINANCES GOALS OF INCREASING HOUSING ACCESS, QUALITY, AND AFFORDABILITY.

AT THE PROVISIONS I MENTIONED TODAY STAND IN THE WAY OF THOSE GOALS.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

>> WE HAVE ANOTHER MICHAEL?

>> NICK LAMBROS.

>> GOOD EVENING EVERYONE.

MY NAME IS NICK LAMBROS, AND A PROPERTY MANAGER IN OAK PARK.

I HAVE BEEN MANAGING PROPERTIES WITH MY TEAM FOR ABOUT 25 YEARS.

20 OF THEM IN OAK PARK.

JUST SOME POINTS I WANTED TO ASK QUESTIONS ON.

ONE OF THE PROVISIONS IS REQUIRING OWNERS, LANDLORDS, AGENTS AND PROPERTY MANAGERS TO PARTICIPATE IN A MANDATORY ANNUAL MANAGEMENT SEMINAR/TRAINING.

MY QUESTION IS, HOW MUCH WILL THIS COST?

WHO WILL PAY FOR IT?

AND IF APPROVED, WILL THESE MEETINGS BE ABLE TO BE HELD VIRTUALLY OR IN A HYBRID FORMAT OR WILL THEY BE IN PERSON REQUIRED TO BE IN PERSON MEETINGS?

THE OTHER QUESTION I HAD IS REGARDING REGISTRATION AND INSPECTION FEES, CITED IN PARAGRAPH C. ARE THESE ANNUAL FEES THAT ARE TO BE IMPOSED FOR CONDOMINIUMS?

AND FINALLY, INSPECTION OF BUILDINGS, THERE'S A PROVISION STATING THAT IN CONDOMINIUMS, ALL COMMON FACILITIES AND ONE THIRD OF DWELLING UNITS, WHICH ARE OCCUPIED BY SOMEONE OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER OF THE UNIT, SHALL BE INSPECTED ON A BIENNIAL BASIS.

WE CERTAINLY ENCOURAGE AS PROPERTY MANAGERS WE ENCOURAGE PERIODIC INSPECTIONS WHETHER ANNUAL OR BIENNIAL, HOWEVER, IF AN ASSOCIATION IS NOT TRACKING WHO RENTS IN THE VILLAGES LOOKING TO HAVE OWNERS ARE RENTING THEIR UNITS, THEY ARE LANDLORDS RENTING THE CONDOMINIUM UNITS AND THE VILLAGES LOOKING TO MONITOR THOSE.

I THINK RATHER THAN TRYING TO GET THAT INFORMATION FROM THE PROPERTY MANAGEMENT COMPANY, BECAUSE OFTEN MANAGEMENT COMPANIES DON'T TRACK WHAT INDIVIDUAL PROPERTY OWNERS DO WITH THEIR PROPERTY.

SOME MIGHT LIVE IN IT, OTHERS MIGHT RENT IT.

MAY BE THE PROVISION SHOULD SAY SOMETHING THAT IN ORDER TO MONITOR THAT, THE RESIDENT COMING INTO PURCHASE A PERMIT FOR PARKING FOR THEIR VEHICLE OR REGISTER THEIR PET SHOULD BE ASKED ON THE QUESTIONNAIRE SOMETHING OF THE SORT, DO YOU OWN THE UNIT OR DO YOU RENT THE UNIT YOU RESIDE IN.

IF THEY RENT THE UNIT, THAT'S THE TIME TO ASK WHO IS YOUR LANDLORD, THEIR INFORMATION, CONTACT INFORMATION, AND THEN THE VILLAGE WILL SEND THE APPROPRIATE FORM TO THAT UNIT OWNER.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

>> THANK YOU.

>> MICHAEL.

>> THANK YOU EVERYONE.

MY NAME IS MICHAEL CHAVARRIA, I SERVE AS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE HOPE FAIR HOUSING CENTER.

WE ARE A 50-YEAR-OLD ORGANIZATION DEDICATED TO ENFORCING THE FAIR HOUSING ACT AND SIMILAR CIVIL RIGHTS PROTECTIONS I'M HERE TODAY IN SUPPORT OF THIS PROPOSAL.

I LOOK VERY CLOSELY AT THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE, I'VE DONE A BIT OF DIGGING TO CHECK SOME OF THE POINTS I ANTICIPATED THINGS LIKE RISING COSTS.

I WANT TO POINT OUT THAT THE SECURITY DEPOSIT CAP SEEMS REASONABLE TO ME.

I WANTED TO CHECK HOW THAT WOULD DISRUPT THE OAK PARK MARKET.

I LOOKED AT ABOUT A DOZEN OF THE LUXURY AND MODEST APARTMENTS FOR OFFERED IN OAK PARK.

I FOUND NO ONE THAT WAS CHARGING GREATER THAN 1 A HALF TIMES THE MONTHLY RENT.

I SAW ONLY ONE OF THOSE DOZEN THAT ACTUALLY CHARGED ONE OF THE HALF TIMES.

I ALSO BELIEVE THAT ONE AND A HALF TIMES THE MONTHLY RENT SHOULD COVER THE NORMAL DAMAGES ONE WOULD ANTICIPATE A LEASING AGREEMENT STOP I

ALSO WANT TO POINT OUT THAT ONE OF OUR RECOMMENDATIONS IF YOU WILL RECALL BACK IN 2024, I JOINED YOU ALL AND SPOKE ABOUT OUR STUDY INTO HOUSING DISCRIMINATION WITHIN OAK PARK.

WE DID A STUDY ACROSS THE YEAR IN 2023 AND WE FOUND A 100% RATE OF NONCOMPLIANCE IN TERMS OF COMPLYING WITH PROHIBITIONS ON DISCRIMINATION AGAINST LEASING AGENTS DID NOT KNOW FAIR HOUSING LAWS.

IF YOU ASKED IF THEY ACCEPT A VOUCHER THEY DIDN'T EVEN KNOW HOW THE VOUCHER WORKS THEY DISCOURAGE YOU FROM APPLYING OR OUTRIGHT DENIED YOU.

I DID SOME DIGGING TO SEE HOW COMMON IT MIGHT BE FOR SAY A MAINTENANCE PERSON TO GET FAIR HOUSING TRAINING, WHAT I FOUND IS THAT THERE WAS SOME CONSENSUS WITHIN THE INDUSTRY THAT MAINTENANCE PEOPLE IN SIMILAR POSITIONS STAFF ARE OFTEN OVERLOOKED IN THE TRAINING PROCESS AND ARE LANDMINES FOR HOUSING PROVIDERS.

MAINTENANCE PEOPLE AND OTHER PEOPLE NOT INVOLVED IN LEASING, THOSE OF THE DAY-TO-DAY EYES AND EARS OF PROPERTY MANAGEMENT.

THEY WERE INTERACTING WITH RENTERS ON A DAILY BASIS AND VERY INTIMATE SETTINGS INCLUDING WITHIN THEIR UNIT.

THEY ARE THE PERSON WHEN HE PASSED IN THE HALL IN YOUR MIND THEM, I HAVE A WHEELCHAIR AND I KEEP GETTING STUCK ON THIS THRESHOLD, CAN YOU PLEASE FIX IT, I HAVE A RIGHT TO THIS REASONABLE MODIFICATION TO ACCESS MY UNIT.

IS IMPORTANT FOR THAT MAINTENANCE PERSON TO UNDERSTAND THEIR OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE FEDERAL FAIR HOUSING ACT, AND THE COOK COUNTY HUMAN RIGHTS ORDINANCE AS WELL AS THE OAK PARK'S FAIR HOUSING ORDINANCE.

IN THE EARLY 70'S THEN PRESIDENT NIXON ACTUALLY BY EXECUTIVE ORDER DEMANDED THE CREATION OF THE NATIONAL CENTER OF HOUSING MANAGEMENT, WHICH IS A SORT OF TRAINING OUTFIT FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF PROPERTY IN

WHICH THEY SPECIFICALLY OFFER THE CLASS ORIENTATION TO FAIR HOUSING FOR MAINTENANCE STAFF.

BECAUSE WE RECOGNIZE AS FAR BACK AS 1970 UNDER THE PRESIDENT THEN ... WE RECOGNIZE THE MAINTENANCE STAFF NEED TO UNDERSTAND THE FAIR HOUSING OBLIGATIONS BECAUSE THEY PLAY A CRITICAL ROLE IN RENTERS LIVES.

I WANT TO BE SURE, UNDER THE COOK COUNTY RESIDENTIAL TENANT LANDLORD'S ORDINANCE, WHICH GOVERNS 130 MINUTES ABILITIES, THE CAB IS ALREADY SET AT 1.5 TIMES RENT FOR SECURITY DEPOSIT, THERE IS NO CHANGE.

THERE IS NO REASON A PERSON IN OAK PARK SHOULD NOT HAVE THE SAME PROTECTIONS FROM JUNK FEES THAN PEOPLE IN RIVER FOREST ON. SHOULD BE BALANCE.

MOST PROPERTY MANAGERS ARE MANAGING PROPERTIES ACROSS COMMUNITIES. IT'S NOT A BIG DESTRUCTION TO HAVE UNIFORMITY WITHIN THE PRICES THEY CONSENT.

I WANT TO POINT OUT A COUPLE THINGS I FOUND IN MY RESEARCH TODAY.

I THINK YOU ALL FOR YOUR TIME.

HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL VOTE IN FAVOR OF THESE.

THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU.

JONATHAN.

>> GOOD EVENING.

JONATHAN BIRCH, ASSISTANT VILLAGE MANAGER, NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES DIRECTOR COME HERE TO SPEAK TO YOU TONIGHT.

WERE ASKING FOR THE APPROVAL FOR THE CHANGES OF CHAPTER 12 AND 13 OF THE VILLAGE CODE.

SPECIFICALLY THE SECTIONS THAT RELATE TO RENTAL LICENSING AS WELL AS THE RESIDENTIAL TENANT LANDLORD ORDINANCES.

AS WELL AS SECTIONS OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS ORDINANCE.

AS YOU MAY RECALL, THE ORIGINATION, THE REASON WE STARTED THIS ROAD WAS THE FINDING OF HOPE FAIR HOUSING THE LAST ROUND OF TESTING THAT OCCURRED AND WAS PRESENTED TO THE BOARD IN 2024, FALL 2024.

SPECIFICALLY WITHIN THAT INCLUDED RECOMMENDATIONS AROUND WHO SHOULD BE TRAINED RELATED TO FAIR HOUSING.

IF YOU READ THROUGH THE ORDINANCE AND THE READING MATERIALS, THIS GOES BACK TO THE STUDY SESSION WE HAVE ON THIS TOPIC WITH THE BOARD BACK IN JUNE AS WELL AS SUBSEQUENT INFORMATION DISSEMINATED REGARDING THE ORDINANCE.

WE ARE MAKING AND RECOMMENDING CHANGES TO THE ORDINANCE THAT WOULD INVOLVE THE ON-SITE AND IN PERSON TRAINING WHAT WE ARE CALLING THE KEY THREE PROPERTY OWNERS PROPERTY MANAGERS AND AGENTS AS DEFINED BY THE ORDINANCE.

ALL OTHER STAFF ARE ALSO ASKED, FOLKS WHO WERE EMPLOYEES OF THE PROPERTY OWNER WHILE WORKING ON THE PROPERTY ARE ASKING FOR THEM TO BE TRAINED IN FAIR HOUSING BUT NOT ASKING FOR THAT TO BE IN PERSON. STAFF OF ALREADY DONE ADVANCED RESEARCH AND FOUND HALF A DOZEN A DOZEN FREE OPTIONS RELATED TO FAIR HOUSING TRAINING THAT AS PART OF THE ROLLOUT OF THE ORDINANCE WOULD BE DISSEMINATING TO PROPERTY OWNERS AND PROPERTY MANAGERS.

SO THEY ARE AWARE OF THE FREE AND AVAILABLE TRAINING OPTIONS. WHERE ASKING THEM TO COME IN PERSON TO BE TRAINED WITH THE KEY THREE THROUGH ON-SITE TRAINING.

BEYOND THAT, THERE ARE OTHER CHANGES IN THE ORDINANCE AND THOSE LARGELY RELATE TO OPERATIONAL ASPECTS AND THINGS IDENTIFIED AS WE REVIEW THE ORDINANCE OVERALL AMICABLE EASIER TO FOLLOW AND MAKE IT MAKE A LITTLE MORE SENSE ON SOME THINGS.

THAT INCLUDES SECTIONS RELATED TO FEES, SOMETHING I KNOW HAS BROUGHT UP BY PUBLIC COMMENT.

AS YOU CAN SEE, AND IS HAPPY TO BE CLEAR ABOUT THIS, THE TABLE IS NOT PROPOSING ANY INCREASES OF ANY OF THE FEES AND CHARGES FOR ANY EXISTING RENTAL LICENSES OR RENTAL REGISTRATIONS.

BACK IN 2015 YOU MIGHT RECALL THE VILLAGE ADOPTED WHAT WAS CALLED A PERFORMANCE-BASED RENTAL LICENSING.

THAT'S WERE DIFFERENT RENTAL BUILDINGS WHERE THEY HAVE FOUR OR MORE UNITS PRESENT IN THEM WILL BE ISSUED LICENSES AT DIFFERENT LEVELS DEPENDING ON THE INCIDENCE OR RATE TO WHICH WE FIND CODE VIOLATIONS IN THOSE BUILDINGS WHEN WE CONDUCT INSPECTIONS.

FROM A GOLD LICENSE ALL THE WAY DOWN TO CONDITIONAL LICENSE, CONDITIONAL BEING RENEWED EVERY SIX MONTHS.

SPECIFICALLY RELATED THE QUESTION ABOUT WHEN THE FREQUENCY OF THE FEES ARE CHARGED AND HOW THEY ARE RENEWED.

IF YOU HAVE FOUR MORE UNITS IN YOUR BUILDING YOU WILL BE CHARGED THAT FEE ON A PER UNIT BASIS IN A DIFFERENT RATE DEPENDING ON HOW WELL MAINTAINED YOUR BUILDING IS WHEN YOU'RE READY TO CONDUCT THAT INSPECTION.

ANYWHERE FROM SIX MONTHS TO EVERY THREE YEARS.

IF YOU HAVE FEWER THAN THREE UNITS IN YOUR BUILDING, THEN WE HAVE IT'S CALLED SMALL HOUSING OR SMALL UNIT REGISTRATION PROCESS.

THE PROCESS IS CHARGED ANNUALLY, YOU WILL SEE IT'S A LESSER OF \$10, THAT WAS ADOPTED BY THE VILLAGE BOARD BACK IN 2013.

IT'S NEVER BEEN RAISED SINCE THAT TIME.

THE FEES FOR THE OTHER UNITS, THE \$20 PER UNIT WERE ADOPTED BY THE VILLAGE BOARD BACK IN 2009 AND HAVE NOT BEEN RAISED SINCE THAT TIME.

AT THAT POINT THEY WERE RAISED FROM FIVE DOLLARS PER UNIT TO \$20 PER UNIT. THERE IS ALSO CHANGES THAT WERE MADE SPECIFICALLY LATER ON IN THE ORDINANCE.

SO THAT'S BACK IN SECTIONS 12 611 SECURITY DEPOSITS AND MOVING FEES AS WELL AS 13511 UNLAWFUL MANAGEMENT PRACTICES.

YOU'LL NOTICE CURRENTLY IN THE ORDINANCE SECTION 12-611 SECURITY DEPOSITS, THERE ARE REQUIREMENTS ALREADY ABOUT SECURITY DEPOSITS AND WHAT MIGHT BE CHARGED SPECIFICALLY REQUIREMENT ADOPTED AS PART OF THE VILLAGES BOARDED OPTION, THE RESIDENT TENANT LANDLORD ORDINANCE, BACK IN 2021 OR 2022.

JEFF WILL CORRECTLY.

ALREADY INCLUDES RESTRICTION YOU CANNOT CHARGE SECURITY DEPOSIT LOCALLY THAT IS IN EXCESS OF 1.5 MONTHS RENT.

THERE IS NO CHANGES PROPOSED IN THIS ARGUMENT SPECIFICALLY.

IF YOU GO TO SECTION 13 ONE SUBSECTION 3 THERE SEVERAL COMPONENTS ALREADY SEVERAL OF WHICH ARE STRUCK OUT BECAUSE IT'S CONFUSING FOR PEOPLE TO KNOW WHERE TO GO IN THE ORDINANCE TO FIND WHAT YOU ARE ALLOWED TO CHARGE OR NOT CHARGE RELATED TO SECURITY DEPOSITS AND FEES.

WE BROUGHT ALL OF THAT INTO 12-611.

SPECIFICALLY IN RESPONSE TO SOME FEEDBACK WE RECEIVED FROM REALTORS. AND THAT WE CONSOLIDATED ALL THE EXISTING REQUIREMENTS ALREADY IN THE ORDINANCE.

THOSE INCLUDE THE 1.5 MONTHS RENT SECURITY DEPOSIT MAXIMUM.

IN EXISTING MINIMUM ALREADY IN THE ORDINANCE RELATED TO NOT LESS THAN ONE MONTHS RENT AS WELL AS THE CONTINUED RESTRICTION AND YOU HAVE TO CHOOSE YOUR DEPOSIT OR MOVE-IN FEE YOU CAN DO BOTH IN THE \$500 AMOUNT WHICH IS ALREADY MAXIMUM INCLUDED IN THE ORDINANCE ALREADY.

THE ONLY CHANGES BEING MADE IS MOVING WHERE IT SITS WITHIN THE ORDINANCE AS WELL AS, AND THIS IS IN RESPONSE TO FEEDBACK WE RECEIVED IN THE BOARD BACK IN JUNE OF THE CURRENT ORDINANCE WAS UNCLEAR AS TO WHETHER OR NOT YOU WERE ACTUALLY LEGALLY REQUIRED TO CHARGE SECURITY DEPOSIT. WE CHANGE THE LANGUAGE TO MAKE IT CLEAR THAT IT IS A YOU MAY CHARGE A SECURITY DEPOSIT, NOT THAT YOU MUST.

PROVIDING LANDLORD'S ADDITIONAL FLEXIBILITY UNDER THE ORDINANCE ALREADY.

BEYOND THAT, WE'VE ALSO INCLUDED ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE TRANSFER AND SALE OF EXISTING LICENSES, THE CURRENT ORDINANCE ESPECIALLY SECTION 12 - TWO UNDER RENTAL LICENSING WAS UNCLEAR WHAT HAPPENS WITH THE LICENSE WHETHER IT COULD BE TRANSFERRED THE TIME OF SALE SO STAFF ARE PROPOSING TO ALLOW LANDLORD PROVIDED TO BE ABLE TO TRANSFER THAT LICENSE AT THE TIME OF SALE FROM THE PERSON WHO OWNS THE BUILDING NOW AND PURCHASING IT IN THE FUTURE.

THAT'S A PROCESS THAT DOESN'T HAVE TO HAPPEN PRIOR TO CLOSING WITH THE SECTION INCLUDED.

WE SPENT A SIGNIFICANT TIME BACK IN OUR MEETING IN JUNE TALKING ABOUT THE COLLECTION OF RACE AND ETHNICITY DATA, SPECIFICALLY AROUND INTEGRATION OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS APARTMENT BUILDINGS IN OAK PARK WE CONDUCTED

ADDITIONAL FOLLOW-UP PRIMARILY WITH POTENTIAL UNIVERSITY PARTNERS TO UNDERSTAND WHAT IT WOULD NEED TO CONDUCT THE SURVEY ON A REGULAR BASIS.

AS YOU WILL CALL BACK IN JUNE WE MADE A RECOMMENDATION TO DO THAT SURVEY EVERY FOUR YEARS.

AFTER TALKING WITH THEM AND TRYING TO BALANCE BOTH THE NEED TO DO GOOD COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT IN SUPPORT OF IT AS WELL AS A SURVEY APPEAR FREQUENTLY ENOUGH THAT PEOPLE KNOW WHAT IT IS THAT THEY'LL ACTUALLY RESPOND TO IT AND MAKE A RECOMMENDATION THAT WE GOT EVERY OTHER YEAR. THERE WOULD BE A COST ASSOCIATED WAS OUTLINED TO ANTICIPATE FOR THE FIRST YEAR BETWEEN 45 AND \$60,000 WILL COME DOWN IN SUBSEQUENT YEARS INITIAL SETUP COSTS WILL BE A LITTLE BIT HIGHER.

THERE IS NO PROPOSAL AS PART OF THE 2026 BUDGET PERFORMED BY THE VILLAGE TO INCLUDE THAT COST IN THEIR CURRENTLY THAT WOULD BEGIN IN 2027, IF THIS ORDINANCE CHANGE WAS APPROVED BY THE BOARD AND WE COME THROUGH WITH THE BUDGET REQUEST FOR THE BUDGETING PROCESS AT THAT TIME.

AND TO CLARIFY, WE ARE NOT ASKING ANY EXISTING LANDLORDS IN ORDER TO GATHER THE INFORMATION AND PASS IT BACK TO US, AS WAS MAYBE DONE HISTORICALLY PRIOR TO 2015, WE ARE ONLY ASKING THAT THEY MUST DISSEMINATE THE SURVEY ON OUR BEHALF IF WE ASKED THEM.

OTHERWISE EVERYTHING RELATED TO DATA COLLECTION AND ANALYSIS WOULD NEED TO HAPPEN TO THE VILLAGE BOARD CONTRACT PARTNER.

THERE IS AN ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENT ADDED AROUND A 45 MILE LIMIT, SPECIFICALLY THIS RELATES TO TWO DIFFERENT PARTS OF IT, ONE IS AROUND WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO DO REMOTE TRAINING VERSUS IN PERSON, IF YOU WANT Q3 PROPERTY OWNER TRYING TO SET THE BOUNDARY WHERE WOULD BE ABOUT 45 MILES OF WHAT WE THOUGHT WAS A REASONABLE AMOUNT FOR SOMEBODY TO DRIVE INTO OAK PARK FROM THE FARTHEST OUT PARTS OF OUR REGION AND MAYBE A LITTLE BIT FURTHER TO DRIVE BACK DURING THE DAY.

STAFF HAVE ANALYZED THE NUMBER OF RENTAL UNITS CAPTURED BY THAT. SO LIKE MANY FOLKS DO WE HAVE REVIEWING OUR CURRENT LICENSING DATA IT'S ABOUT 7% OF OUR BUILDINGS FALLING THAT WITH FAR MORE BEING THE THREE AND UNDER SO THE SMALL LANDLORDS THAT IT IS FOR THE LARGE LANDLORDS. THEIR INCIDENCE OF BUILDINGS THAT HAVE FOUR MORE UNITS.

IT ALSO REQUIRES IF WE OWN A BUILDING YOU WOULD NEED TO HAVE A LOCAL PROPERTY MANAGEMENT OR AGENT.

THIS IS TO MAKE SURE WE HAVE SOMEBODY WHO CAN WORK WITH WHO'S IN A REASONABLE DRIVE TO WORK WITH US IF THERE'S AN EMERGENCY SITUATION OF THE CORRESPONDENCE AND FOLLOW-UP TO BE ABLE TO MAKE SURE THEY ARE INVOLVED IN THE MAINTENANCE OF THE PROPERTY.

THE ORDINANCE CHANGE INCLUDE THE ADDITION OF REVOCATION PROCESS. THERE WAS NO DUE PROCESS INCLUDED AS PART OF THAT EITHER THE ORDINANCE CLARIFIES THE POINTS AS A RESULT OF THE FEEDBACK WE HEARD FROM THE

BOARD BACK IN THE STUDY SESSION IN JUNE WE MODIFIED AND INCLUDED AN ADDITIONAL SECTION TO CLARIFY THE ROLE OF ECHO AND CLARIFY EXACTLY WHAT HAPPENED AND THIS COMES BACK TO FEEDBACK THAT I BELIEVE PASSING FORWARD HAS PROVIDED TO THE BOARD.

SPECIFICALLY AROUND THE NEED TO NOTICE AND PROVIDE ANYONE BEING SERVED AN EVICTION NOTICE THE INFORMATION ABOUT ANY OF THE EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS THAT EXIST THAT ARE FUNDED BY THE VILLAGE ALREADY AND HAS THE REQUIREMENTS IN THEIR TIME TO FIVE AND 10 DAY NOTICES STAFF DID ADDITIONAL OUTREACH TO LANDLORDS TO UNDERSTAND WHAT THE INCIDENCE OF THAT WOULD BE LOCALLY.

IN ADDITION TO PROVIDING THE TENTATIVE BUDGET INFORMATION ABOUT THOSE RESOURCES AND MAKING SURE THE HOUSING PROVIDER ALSO PROVIDING THE INFORMATION TO ECHO.

YOU WILL SEE INFORMATION ON THEIR ABOUT HOW MANY OF THE CALLS WE RECEIVE ARE RELATED TO HOUSING AND HOUSING AND SECURITY.

FINALLY, I ADDED DEFINITIONS.

THERE WERE NO DEFINITION THE CURRENT ORDINANCE AND WE THOUGHT IT WAS IMPORTANT TO HAVE.

WITH THAT, QUESTIONS?

>> WHO WOULD LIKE TO START US OFF?

>> I THINK I HAVE TWO QUESTIONS.

AND VERY GRATEFUL I KNOW THIS HAS HAD A COUPLE OF ROUNDS OF EDITS SO I APPRECIATE EVERYBODY'S WORK.

THAT WAS A VERY INFORMATIVE PRESENTATION SO THANK YOU.

ONE QUESTION I'D BE INTERESTING IN HEARING A RESPONSE TO THE PUBLIC COMMENT COLLECTIVE COMMENT BY THE REALTORS HERE TONIGHT AND MY OTHER QUESTION IS, THE TRAINING REQUIREMENT EXISTED IN THE PAST AND DISAPPEARED AT SOME POINT, I'M JUST CURIOUS IF YOU KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT THE STORY ABOUT THAT, WHEN THAT HAPPENED, I SUPPORT BRINGING IT BACK BUT GIVEN THE DISAGREEMENT, I'M CURIOUS WHEN THAT DISAPPEARED AND WHY.

>> THE CURRENT ORDINANCE REQUIRES THAT TRAINING, IT SPECIFICALLY SAYS IF YOU'RE THE PROPERTY OWNER OR DESIGNATED AGENT IS SUPPOSED TO COME DO THE TRAINING ONCE A YEAR.

THERE IS NO REQUIREMENT WHETHER IT'S IN PERSON OR REMOTE OVER THE COVERT TIME PERIOD IMAGINE A LOT OF THINGS IT WAS MOVED REMOTELY AT THAT TIME BUT BASED ON THE DESIRED TO CULTIVATE A DEEPER RELATIONSHIP WITH THOSE RENTAL BUILDINGS BASED ON FEEDBACK WE RECEIVED FROM HOUSING PROVIDERS IT WOULD BE UNFEASIBLE TO DO IN PERSON TRAINING FOR ALL STAFF PART OF THE EXISTING HOUSING PROVIDERS.

WE ENDED UP TRYING TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO BE ABLE TO BALANCE THOSE RELATED PROVISIONS.

SPECIFICALLY RELATED TO THE FEEDBACK PROVIDED BY THE REALTORS, I TRY TO BE PRETTY CLEAR ABOUT THIS SPECIFICALLY ON THE COMPONENTS OF THE SECURITY DEPOSIT MOVE-IN FEES... EVALUATE OR ANALYZE IT BECAUSE WE

CONSIDERED THE STUFF THAT THE VILLAGE BOARD HAD ALREADY DECIDED AND INCLUDED IN THE ORDINANCE AND DID NOT SEE A NEED TO ADJUST OR AMEND THAT.

MANY OF THE PROVISIONS ARE THINGS ADOPTED WITH THE VILLAGE ADOPTED LOCALLY FOR OTHER COMMUNITIES AROUND US RELYING ALREADY ON THE COUNTY STATED REQUIREMENTS THEN THIS SIMPLY CONTINUES TO KEEP US IN ALIGNMENT WITH WHAT THOSE STANDARDS ARE.

SPECIFICALLY THE QUESTION THAT WAS ASKED RELATED TO CONTRACTORS AND OTHER PARTIES RELATED TO THAT, WE TRY TO BE CLEAR WE ARE REALLY LOOKING FOR STAFF, THE FOLKS BEING DIRECTLY HIRED RATHER THAN MAYBE 1099 CONTRACTORS OR OTHER PARTNERS AS PART OF THAT, WE REALLY THINK IT'S IMPORTANT AS PART OF THE PROCESS WE BEEN WORKING WE WERE CHATTING WITH CITYVIEW LAST WEEK LAST WEEK ARE PROVIDED FOR HOW WE DO A LOT OF THE RENTAL LICENSING, HOW WE ESSENTIALLY ADMINISTER THAT PROCESS.

ABOUT HOW WE CAN MAKE SURE AS PART OF THAT WE ARE SPECIFICALLY ASKING FOR SOMEONE TO TELL US THOSE THREE PEOPLE ARE SO WE KNOW WE ARE CATCHING THEM AS PART OF THE TRAINING PROTOCOL.

MAYBE YOU SELF MANAGE AND YOU DON'T HAVE A DESIGNATED, YOU HAVE DELETE YOURSELF.

>> IT WAS DURING COVERTLY STOPPED DOING THAT IN PERSON?

>> I'M LOOKING AT JEFF.

>> JEFF MIGHT HAVE THE HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE ON THIS.

I DON'T KNOW IF YOU HAVE SOMETHING TO OFFER ON THIS BUT MY HUNCH IS THAT PRETTY MUCH ALMOST EVERYTHING SHUT DOWN THROUGH COVID-19.

>> AS WE STARTED TO MOBILIZE A GET BACK IN PERSON AND STAND UP OPERATIONS AGAIN, WE HAD A RECENT EMERGENCY IN THE LAST YEAR AND A HALF WHERE A NUMBER OF SERVICES HAD BEEN WERE STOPPED.

>> DID IT STOP BEFORE COVID.

>> JEFF.

>> IT STOPPED JUST PRIOR TO COVID.

>> ANY OTHER QUESTIONS?

>> ON THE TRAINING, YOU MENTIONED ONLINE COURSES PEOPLE COULD SUBSCRIBE TO TAKE, WHAT DOES THAT ACTUALLY LOOK LIKE IN TERMS OF CERTIFICATION, TIMEWISE, TIME COMMITMENT.

>> IT SORT OF ALL OVER THE PLACE.

THERE ARE SHORT ONES, LONG ONES, THERE'S ONES WE CAN PAY AND END UP WITH THE CERTIFICATION OF THE M. WE ARE ASKING FOR THE PROPERTY OWNER TO DO THAT.

CAN CREATE SOME TRAINING LOG SO THEY COULD DOCUMENT THE TRAININGS. WE CONSIDER THIS A PRETTY IMPORTANT PIECE OF THAT BECAUSE WE TALKED BACK IN JUNE ABOUT HOW THIS IS PART OF IT WE ANTICIPATED STAFF COMING BACK WITH FURTHER APPLICATIONS TO HUMAN RIGHTS ORDINANCE AROUND THE FAIR HOUSING ENFORCEMENT PIECE.

>> THE DOCUMENTATION YOU WOULD EXPECT WOULD BE WHAT?

>> THE TRAINING LOG THAT WOULD BE FILLED OUT AND MAINTAIN SHOWING THE PERSON THAT TOOK IT, THE DATE AND WHAT THEY TOOK AND THAT'S ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WAS APPROVED ON.

WE ARE ESPECIALLY EXCITED BECAUSE THERE'S A WEALTH OF RESOURCES SPECIFICALLY FROM COOK COUNTY BECAUSE THEY CREATED ONE OF THEM WHEN THEY WERE DOING THE ROLLOUT OF THE RTL LOW.

WE FEEL THAT PROVIDING A CURATED LIST OF THOSE WOULD BE MOST APPROPRIATE FOR MOST FOLKS AS THEY ARE FREE AND READILY AVAILABLE AND THE CONTENT OF WHAT IT IS WE ARE COVERING.

>> IF THIS IS MOVED AHEAD, OBVIOUSLY, AND THE CHANGES IN THIS IF YOU WENT BACK A COUPLE YEARS, WOULD THIS HAVE WITH THESE CHANGES BE SENSITIVE ENOUGH TO CAUGHT ANY SORT OF FAIR HOUSING VIOLATION ARE THERE CODE VIOLATIONS.

IF YOU GO BACK A COUPLE YEARS AND APPLY THIS MOVE FORWARD, WOULD THIS HAVE CHANGED THINGS?

>> MAKING THESE CHANGES WOULD'VE MADE A DIFFERENCE?

>> CORRECT.

>> YES.

THAT'S VERY MUCH STAFF'S PERSPECTIVE ON THIS.

WE ARE TRYING TO REALLY INVEST IN FAIR HOUSING.

THE BOARD HAS SUPPORTED US TO BE ABLE TO DO ADDITIONAL FAIR HOUSING TESTING AND TRAINING.

WE'VE ALSO BEEN EXPLORING THE IDEA OF PROVIDING SOME ADDITIONAL FAIR HOUSING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE LOCALLY.

SO IF YOU ARE PICKED UP, IF YOU ARE HOUSING PROVIDER AND SOMETHING THAT'S FLAGGED AS PART OF A TESTING PROCESS AT SOME POINTS, THAT MIGHT EVENTUALLY ALLOW US THE OPPORTUNITY TO SAY HERE IS A TA SUPPORT OR OTHER SUPPORT TO COME ALONGSIDE AND HELP YOU EVALUATE YOUR LOCAL POLICIES AND PROVIDING NOT JUST THE STICK BUT ALSO THE ^ TO CHANGE AND TRAINED TO DO THOSE ACTIVITIES LOCALLY.

WE VERY MUCH FEEL THIS TRAINING AS PART AND PARCEL OF THAT.

THIS IS THE BASELINE WAY OF SUPPORTING AND MAKING SURE PEOPLE HAVE KNOWLEDGE.

SOMETHING LIKE WE MIGHT NEED SOME MORE SUPPORT AND EVENTUALLY WILL COME BACK WITH AN ENFORCEMENT PIECE TO GIVE US THE ABILITY TO STEER STEP UP TO PROVIDE THAT BASELINE LEVEL OF KNOWLEDGE FOR FOLKS INVOLVED IN THE HOUSING PROCESS AND THE LEASING PROCESS LOCALLY.

AND ADDITIONAL STEPS IF THOSE ARE NECESSARY AS WELL.

>> THANK YOU.

>> I JUST WANT TO CONFIRM A COUPLE OF THINGS.

WE DID RECEIVE A NUMBER OF EMAILS GENERATED BY THE REALTORS CAMPAIGN REGARDING THIS.

I SAW WITH THE TEXT MESSAGE THAT WENT OUT TO A NUMBER OF PEOPLE INCLUDING RENTERS IN OAK PARK TO GENERATE THE EMAILS. IT SAID THAT OAK PARK IS CONSIDERING THIS ORDINANCE WHICH WOULD INCREASE RENTS AND LIMIT HOUSING CHOICE. TAKE ACTION TODAY UNTIL THE VILLAGE BOARD HOUSING IS ALREADY TOO EXPENSIVE, TO MAKE IT WORSE. THOSE TEXT MESSAGES GENERATED A LOT OF THESE EMAILS. IT SOUNDS LIKE THE THINGS THE REALTORS HIGHLIGHTED OUR THE CAP ON THE SECURITY DEPOSITS. WHICH IS A CAP THAT ALREADY EXISTED IN THE ORDINANCE. IS THAT CORRECT?

>> CORRECT.

AND THE LIMIT ON THE MOVE-IN FEES TO \$500, WHICH ALREADY EXISTED IN THE ORDINANCE.

>> CORRECT.

>> AND THE FACT THAT YOU CAN'T CHARGE BOTH, WHICH ALREADY EXISTED IN THE ORDINANCE.

>> CORRECT.

>> AND THE OTHER ELEMENTS THAT'S BEEN HIGHLIGHTED AS THE TRAINING MAKING SURE THE TRAINING IS LIMITED TO CERTAIN STAFF BUT JUST TO CLARIFY FROM WHAT YOU'VE BEEN SAYING, THE TRAINING THAT THE VILLAGE PROVIDED TRAINING TO THE OWNER'S PROPERTY MANAGERS AND AGENTS AND LEASING AGENTS THAT'S FREE TRAINING PROVIDED BY THE VILLAGE?

>> CORRECT.

IN THE TRAINING THAT WE ARE ASKING REQUIRING LANDLORDS TO PROVIDE TO STAFF, FREE TRAINING IS AVAILABLE FOR THAT AS WELL?

>> CORRECT.

>> SO THE INCREASED RENTAL COSTS ARE SUPPOSED TO BE DRIVEN BY REQUIREMENTS THAT WERE ALREADY IN THE LAW AND FREE TRAINING?

>> CORRECT X I WILL BE VOTING FOR THE ORDINANCE.

>> ANY OTHER QUESTION?

>> FANTASTIC WORK AS ALWAYS JONATHAN.

I DO HAVE A QUESTION ABOUT THE NEED FOR TRAINING OF THE NON-BIG3 PEOPLE, SPECIFICALLY FOLKS LIKE MAINTENANCE WORKERS IN SUCH.

GET THE ARGUMENT THAT THEY INTERACT WITH PEOPLE, I THINK MY THOUGHT PROCESS ON THIS IS THAT THEY AREN'T REALLY IN A DECISION-MAKING CAPACITY UNLESS THEY ARE LIKE A BUILDING SUPER, IN WHICH CASE THEY HAVE A BIT MORE AUTHORITY.

MOST THE TIME THE DECISIONS RUN THROUGH OTHER PEOPLE.

I WONDER IF THIS ISN'T AN UNNECESSARY BURDEN AND MOST OF THE CASES.

>> I THINK FROM THE STAFF'S PERSPECTIVE WE VERY MUCH THINK IT IS APPROPRIATE FOR EVERYONE INVOLVED, WHO MIGHT BE HAVING THE TENANT INTERACTION, YOU CAN IMAGINE A SCENARIO WHERE SOMEBODY IS COMING OUT, THEY'RE ASKING AND INQUIRE THE MAINTENANCE PERSON MAY SEE, EVEN IF

THEY'RE NOT AWARE OF WHAT THEY SHOULD DO OR HOW TO PROPERLY ESCALATE BETTER WHAT TO DO WHEN CONFRONTED WITH THE SITUATION, WHETHER OR NOT BACK AND HAVE A CHILLING EFFECT BY THEIR INITIAL RESPONSE EVEN IF THEY DO NOT IN FACT HAVE DECISION-MAKING AUTHORITY AS A RESULT OF THAT.

THIS IS VERY MUCH DESIGNED TO PROVIDE THAT BASELINE LEVEL OF TRAINING. ONE OF THE THINGS WE WERE REALLY STRUCK BY LAST YEAR WHEN WE HAD A CONVERSATION WITH SOME OF THE LARGEST HOUSING PROVIDERS LOCALLY IS THAT SOME ALREADY DO THIS TYPE OF TYPICAL ONBOARDING TRAINING FOR THEIR STAFF, IT'S PART OF WHAT THEY DO WHEN THEY GO DOWN THE CHECKLIST AND SAY, YOUR COMING ON BOARD WITH ME, HAVE YOU DONE THIS... THEY MAKE EVERYBODY DO SOME SORT OF BASELINE SO THEY KNOW THEY ARE WORKING IN A RENTAL HOUSING SPACE, THEY WILL HAVE CONVERSATIONS WITH TENANTS, THEY WANT TO MAKE SURE THEY KNOW HOW TO DO THAT.

I FIND IT ALSO TO BE REALLY PERSUASIVE BECAUSE THESE ARE ORGANIZATIONS THAT ARE ALL ABOUT MITIGATING FINANCIAL RISK AND THE FACT THAT THEY ARE MAKING THAT INVESTMENT TELLS ME THEY PERCEIVE RISK ASSOCIATED WITH THAT AND TAKING ACTIONS TO TRY TO ADDRESS THAT.

>> ONE OF THE REASONS I ASK IS BECAUSE WHEN I'M DEALING WITH CLIENTS, ESPECIALLY CLIENTS IN FINANCIAL SERVICES, THEY ALWAYS WANT ME TO TAKE THEIR CPT USE AND MOST THE TIME EVER STEP FOOT ON THEIR ACTUAL PROM DRESSES BUT I HAVE TO TAKE A MONEY LAUNDERING LIKE A COMPUTER-BASED TRAINING.

FEELS LIKE A WASTE OF MONEY.

THAT'S WHY I ASKED.

IS THERE A WAY WE COULD PROVIDE THIS TRAINING FOR FREE TO FOLKS INSTEAD OF HAVING THEM GO ONLINE IF ORGAN ASKED THEM TO DO IT, THIS PART OF IT FEELS LOWER VALUE THAN THE BIG3.

IT WOULD SEEM TO ME TO MAKE IT EASIER TO GIVE THEM A STANDARDIZE, CLICK THIS LINK SIT HERE FOR 15 MINUTES ANSWER THESE QUESTIONS.

>> WE HAVE ROLL OUT AROUND IT, WE DON'T HAVE AN EXISTING VIDEO SERIES THAT'S READY.

WE HAVE WHATEVER VIDEO SERIES WE BEEN USING SINCE WE MOVED THE TRAININGS ON.

WE CAN CERTAINLY CONSIDER MAKING SURE WE RECORD A ROUND OF SESSIONS ONLINE AND POST THEM ONLINE ADDITION TO THE FREE RESOURCES SO WE ARE PROVIDING TO PEOPLE AS WELL.

>> OKAY.

I DON'T REALLY HAVE ANY REAL ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS TO THIS.

OH I DO.

DO WE HAVE H PACK LOOK AT THIS?

>> THEY TOOK A LOOK AT A DRAFT VERSION OF THE ORDINANCE.

I CAN'T REMEMBER WHEN IT WAS.

IT'S BEEN A MINUTE.

I WOULD GUESS BACK IN JANUARY OR FEBRUARY OF LAST YEAR.

AS WE MOVE THROUGH THE EVOLUTION PROCESS WE DID SIT DOWN WITH THEM, TOOK THEIR FEEDBACK AS PART OF THE PROCESS.

>> OKAY.

THAT'S ALL I GOT.

THANK YOU.

>> MICHAEL, DOES THE OAK PARK REGIONAL HOUSING CENTER STILL DO TRAINING? SO THAT'S ONE OPTION.

I ACTUALLY SENT THIS TO A LANDLORD AND GOT DIFFERENT QUESTIONS, NONE OF WHICH WERE ABOUT AFFORDABILITY.

THEY DIDN'T HIGHLIGHT ANY CONCERNS AT ALL ABOUT, AS WAS MENTIONED, 1 A HALF MONTHS IS AVERAGE IN OAK PARK.

THERE WERE QUESTIONS, QUITE A FEW AROUND WHO'S GOT TO GET TRAINED. I JUST WANT TO CLARIFY, YOU ARE STILL SAYING STAFF, NOT LIKE LANDSCAPERS WHO ARE CONTRACTED.

>> CORRECT.

>> AND YOU ARE BASICALLY LOOKING FOR THREE PEOPLE.

>> IT'S UP TO THREE.

IF YOU JUST WANT TO DO ONE, THAT'S FINE WITH US, IF IT'S FINE WITH THEM. WE JUST WANTED TO BE ACCURATE AND REFLECTIVE OF THE WAY THEY ARE OPERATING THEIR BUILDING.

>> IT SEEMS LIKE SOME CONSISTENCY IN WHAT HER TRAINING LOOKS LIKE WOULD PROBABLY BE HELPFUL TO MEETING OUR EXPECTATIONS OF THIS.

AND WORKING TOWARDS HAVING A TRAINING THAT WE'VE RECOMMENDED.

I RECOGNIZE THAT MIGHT TAKE A MINUTE.

>> I HEAR YOU.

>> AS FAR AS THE POSTING OF A NOTE, A LICENSE AT THE DOOR, VERY DIFFERENT QUESTIONS FROM LANDLORD TO REALTOR.

I REALIZE REALTORS ACT AS LEASER BUT ...

THE PRACTICALITY OF HAVING A LICENSE.

THE ASK OF THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK VOLATILE POSTING USING A QR CODE LINK TO THE VILLAGE HOUSING WEBPAGE SO RESIDENTS CAN ACCESS ALL HOUSING SERVICES, LINK WILL NEVER CHANGE FOR THE WEBPAGE WOULD.

SO AS LONG AS YOU HAVE THE LICENSE AND IT'S ON YOUR PAGE AND THEY DON'T HAVE TO GO AROUND AND REPOST.

>> LIKE THESE ARE ALL THE PLACES CURRENTLY ... WE COULD PROBABLY WORK ON SOMETHING LIKE THAT WE HAVE TO THINK ABOUT HOW WE GO ABOUT DOING IT PROBABLY BE BY ADDRESS BECAUSE I WANT TO KEEP SOME INFORMATION PRIVATE. QR CODE IS THE WE HEARD THAT AS POINTED FEEDBACK.

LIKE WHEN YOU WALK INTO WORKPLACE YOU SEE COMPONENTS OF FEDERAL LABOR LAW POSTED AND THEY WERE LIKE WHERE TO REPOST OUT OF THE BUILDING.

WHERE DOES IT WORK OUT RELATED TO THAT.

WE GOT RECOMMENDATIONS SPECIFICALLY RELATED TO THE QR CODE THAT MIGHT HELP ORIENT FOLKS.

>> I WOULD WANT TO LOOK THROUGH A DISABILITY ACCESS LENS.
ON WHERE IT WOULD BE AVAILABLE IN DIFFERENT CIRCUMSTANCES.

>> THANK YOU.

CAN YOU WALK THERE WITH ME ON THE CHART UNDER WHAT CIRCUMSTANCES ...
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>> THE TABLE?

>> INSPECTIONS.

SMALLER RESIDENTIAL OF THE 23 FLATS THEY DON'T HAVE TO BE INSPECTED?

>> THEY ARE NOT CURRENTLY INSPECTED.

WE DO NOT INSPECT EVERY RENTAL UNIT IN THE VILLAGE.

ONLY IN RESPONSE TO COMPLAINTS.

FOR US TO START DOING THAT WE HAVE A PRETTY GOOD, WE HAVE 400 OR 450, 401
SMALL RENTAL RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES IN THE VILLAGE AND IF WE WERE TO
START DOING THAT EVERY YEAR OR EVERY OTHER YEAR THAT WOULD BE
EXPANSION OF THE WORK OUR CO-COMPLIANCE TO.

>> I GET THAT BUT I'VE ALSO HEARD ANECDOTALLY EVERY ONCE IN A WHILE HITS
THE LANDLORDS THAT THEN YOU ARE DEALING WITH A LEAKY ROOF AND THEY ARE
NOT ADDRESSING IT BUT THEY CAN CALL THE VILLAGE UNDER THAT RTL OH AND
YOU HAVE THE TRAINING.

I JUST WONDER IF THERE ISN'T SOME VULNERABILITY THERE.

UNDER 12-TWO-SEVEN RECORDS WAS THE PURPOSE OF REQUIRING DISCLOSURE
OF EXPENDITURES?

ANYTHING OVER \$50 YOU SAY YOU WANT AND THAT RECEIPT.

I'M FORGETTING IF IT WAS LIKE UP TO FIVE YEARS?

>> UP TO FIVE YEARS UNDER THE ORDINANCE AND ANY EXPENSE GREATER THAN
\$50.

WE REALLY SEEN IT SPECIFICALLY TO QUESTIONS THAT COME UP IN REGARDS TO
WHETHER OR NOT SOMEBODY MADE REPAIRS TO THE BUILDING AND QUESTIONS
THAT COME UP SUBSEQUENTLY IN CODE VIOLATION SITUATIONS.

AT LEAST IN MY YEAR OR YEAR AND A HALF WITH THE VILLAGE OF HEAVEN HAVE
SOMEBODY WHO'S COME IN.

HAVE WE EVER HAD TO DO THAT?

>> THAT'S AN EVEN LONGER PERIOD OF TIME GOING BACK TO 2017 OR 2018 WHERE
WE HAD TO MAKE USE OF THAT PROVISION.

>> \$50 SEEMS REALLY LITTLE.

I DON'T KEEP ALL MY RECEIPTS EVERY TIME I GO TO HOME DEPOT.

COULD THAT CHANGE TO \$250?

>> THE CIRCUMSTANCE WE LOOKED AT THE ORDINANCE WE LOOKED AT EVERY
PROVISION LIKE TO BE ACTUALLY NEED THAT?

IS THIS A SCENARIO WHERE WE USE THAT?

THIS IS ONE WE HAVE THE AMORTIZATION.

WE SUSPECTED THIS IS A CO-COMPLIANCE SCENARIO WHERE SOMEBODY HAS BEEN
MAKING INVESTMENTS TO THE BUILDING AND WANTS TO BE ABLE TO PULL THE

RECORDS THOUGH WE HAVE NOT ACTUALLY HAD CAUSE TO DO SO FOR MADE USE OF THE PROVISION.

YOU COULD SPEND \$50 IN GARBAGE BAGS, YOU REALLY WANT THEM TO KEEP THAT?

>> WE WOULD BE HAPPY TO MEET THAT.

>> IF IT'S ABOUT MAINTAINING THE UNIT, IS THAT PER-UNIT OR.

>> IT'S NOT PER-UNIT.

IS JUST ANY COSTS THAT YOU COULD INCUR.

>> IF YOU HAVE BIG BUILDINGS YOU BE SPENDING THAT A LOT.

>> OKAY.

>> MAYBE THAT COULD BE LOOKED AT TO MAKE IT MORE ABOUT MATERIAL MAINTENANCE.

>> WE WOULD BE HAPPY TO TAKE A LOOK AT THAT.

>> NOT JUST ALL EXPENDITURES.

I REMEMBER THE CONVERSATION VERY CLEARLY OF ASKING WHEN THERE IS A POTENTIAL EVICTION, IS THAT SOMEBODY BE GIVEN THE RESOURCES THAT EXIST IN THE VILLAGE.

INCLUDING ECHO, HOUSING FORWARD, ETC. BUT THEN THE SECOND STEP OF REQUIRING THAT THE LANDLORD BE NOTIFY ECHO.

WHAT I HEARD FROM THIS LANDLORD IS 99% OF THE TIME THERE IS NO EVICTION AND, HEY WE NEED TO TALK, THAT ENCOURAGE THE CONVERSATION.

SO THERE MIGHT BE A PRIVACY PIECE OF LIKE MAYBE IT'S NOT NECESSARY TO GO IN AND HANDED THEIR NAME OVER TO ECHO.

WHAT CAN WE DO ABOUT THAT?

>> THIS WAS SPECIFICALLY BASED ON THE CONVERSATION WE HEARD PREVIOUSLY. THE DIRECTION WE HEARD FROM THE BOARD OF INCLUDING ECHO IN THE PART OF PROVISION.

WE WANTED TO MAKE SURE ECHO WOULDN'T BE OVERWHELMED WITH THE FLOOD OF CALLS.

WE REACHED OUT TO SEVERAL LOCAL HOUSING PROVIDERS TO UNDERSTAND EXACTLY WHAT WE WOULD EXPECT IN TERMS OF THE NUMBER OF FEES THAT WILL BE FORWARDED TO ECHO.

DEFINITELY DIDN'T FEEL LIKE THAT WOULD BE SUDDENLY A TSUNAMI OF RESPONSES.

AT THE SAME TIME, I KNOW ECHO DOES HEAR A LOT ABOUT THIS.

SO TRYING TO BE ABLE TO CATCH THAT EARLIER.

SO VERY MUCH FROM A STAFF PERSPECTIVE OPEN TO REMOVING THAT IF THAT'S THE DIRECTION.

>> I'M VERY HAPPY FOR THE RELATIONSHIP, I CAN SEE THE SITUATION WHERE MAYBE THEY ARE NOT GETTING THE RETURN PHONE CALLS FROM A TENANT AND THE EVICTION NOTICE PROMPTS COMMUNICATION.

AND THEN, YOU KNOW, THERE'S A LITTLE BIT OF PRIVACY THAT WE WOULD PROTECT.

I GUESS JUST LANDLORD DISCRETION.

IF WE WERE TO MAKE AN ADDITIONAL CHANGE PERHAPS IT'S APPROPRIATE TO SAY THAT IN ADDITION TO PROVIDING NOTICE ABOUT THE VILLAGES, HOUSING ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS, YOU ALSO PROVIDE THEM NOTICE ABOUT ECHO AS A SUPPORT MECHANISM IF THEY ARE HAVING CHALLENGES.

WE CERTAINLY HEARD FROM HOUSING PROVIDERS THAT ONE OF THE THINGS WOULD BE TO WORK OUT A PAYMENT PLAN BECAUSE IT'S EXPENSIVE TO GO THROUGH THE EVICTION PROCESS.

>> SO MAYBE THE REQUIREMENT THAT LANDLORD NOTIFY ECHO COULD BE LIKE 24 HOURS TO SEE IF THERE IS AN INITIAL OUTREACH.

WILL THAT BE OKAY WITH EVERYBODY?

>> IT FEELS LIKE WE ARE LARGELY IN APPROVAL OF ALL OF THIS.

I'M GOING TO GIVE MICHAEL BAILEY A CHANCE TO COUNTER.

FOR THE REASON WE WANT TO MAKE SURE WE HEARD AND UNDERSTOOD YOUR CONCERNS BECAUSE I'M NOT EXPECTING THIS TO GO ON AND ON.

>> I THINK ONE THING WE HAVE TO REMEMBER IS THAT IN TERMS OF PROPERTY OWNERS WHO MAY END UP BEING LANDLORDS OR RENTING THEIR PROPERTY, THERE'S A BIG VARIETY HERE.

THERE ARE SO MANY DIFFERENT SITUATIONS.

ONE SITUATION WHERE I CAN SEE LET'S SAY I BOUGHT MY CONDO TWO YEARS AGO LET'S SAY I TRANSFERRED TO STAY OUTSIDE OF DETROIT.

AND I GET PERMISSION IF I NEED TO FROM MY CONDO ASSOCIATION TO RENT MY CONDO FOR THOSE TWO YEARS.

AND THEN IN THIS SITUATION, AND MY CONDO ASSOCIATION CHARGES \$300 MOVE IN AND MOVE OUT FEES.

IN THIS SITUATION, TO MY UNDERSTANDING, I WANT TO MAKE SURE I UNDERSTAND CORRECTLY, I WOULD POTENTIALLY HAVE COSTS TO RENTING MY UNIT GETTING IT RENTED IN THIS SITUATION I WOULD HAVE TO MAKE THE DECISION ABOUT CHARGING THE \$500 MOVE-IN FEE WHICH WOULD STILL LEAVE ME IN A DEFICIT OF \$100 BECAUSE THERE WOULD BE A MOVE IN AND MOVE OUT.

I WOULD BE LEFT WITH NO SECURITY DEPOSIT.

I WOULD HAVE TO HIRE A PROPERTY MANAGER WHO IS LIKELY TO TAKE A CUT OF MY MONTHLY OR ANNUAL RENTAL.

I THINK THAT IS A SITUATION WHERE THAT CAUSES HARDSHIP.

AND VERY POSSIBLY THEN PUT THAT PERSON INTO A SITUATION WHERE THEY ARE LOSING MONEY EVERY MONTH.

I WANTED TO BRING THAT UP AS AN EXAMPLE OF WHERE THIS CAN BE DIFFICULT FOR A PROPERTY OWNER.

AND BEING A PERSON IS OPEN TO RETURN IN TWO YEARS.

I UNDERSTAND A LOT OF THIS IS GAUGE TOWARDS MULTI-UNITS BUT SOMETIMES IT'S AN INDIVIDUAL PERSON TRYING TO RENT THEIR HOUSE WERE TRYING TO RENT THEIR CONDO.

SOMETIMES IT'S FOR A SHORT PERIOD OF TIME AND SOMETIMES IT ENDS UP BEING A LONGER PERIOD OF TIME.

>> MADAM PRESIDENT, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, I WANT TO THANK YOU GUYS FOR ENGAGING WITH US ON THIS ISSUE.

IT'S REALLY REALLY I THINK WE GET A LOT OUT OF THIS MEETING, WE GET A LOT OF OUR QUESTIONS ANSWERED, WHICH WAS WHAT WE WERE HOPING OUT OF THIS.

I ALWAYS WANT TO THANK JONATHAN BIRCH, WHO IS JUST A STAND UP GUY FOR ALWAYS ANSWERING MY QUESTIONS AND CALLING TO.

PRESIDENT SCAMAN YOU MENTIONED SPECIFICALLY SOME SMALLER LANDLORDS, NOT REPAIRING A FACILITY OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT.

I WANT TO CALL YOUR ATTENTION TO 765 FROM ILLINOIS COMPILED STATUTES, 742 WHICH ALLOWS TENANTS TO CONTRACT OUT FOR REPAIR THE WRITTEN NOTICE ... I WANTED TO LET YOU KNOW THAT THERE IS SOME MEANS FOR TENANTS TO REPAIR IF THE UNIT IS NOT HABITABLE.

>> I TOTALLY UNDERSTAND.

>> SOMETIMES THE SMALLER UNITS CREATE VULNERABLE SITUATIONS WITH TENANTS WHO DON'T FEEL LIKE THEY DON'T HAVE A LOT OF OPTIONS.

WE ALSO HAVE IN OUR OWN RTL AND WITH OUR OWN STAFF AND RESOURCES HERE THE VILLAGE WAYS OF WORKING WITH THEM TO BE ABLE TO FOLLOW THROUGH WITH THOSE.

THAT'S ALSO BIG PURPOSE GIVEN THIS REVIEW.

AND HEARING THE PIECE THAT YOU'RE JUST GONNA RENT YOUR APARTMENT FOR TWO YEARS WHILE YOU VISIT YOUR MOM AND HELP THEM WITH WHATEVER THE SITUATION IS, WE DON'T HAVE TO MAKE ALL KINDS OF ANECDOTAL'S.

HOW WOULD YOU RESPOND TO WHAT YOU HEARD, JONATHAN.

>> THE REQUIREMENTS CURRENTLY IN THE ORDINANCE ARE THINGS ALREADY IN PLACE IN TERMS OF INCREASING CAUSE SPECIFICALLY AROUND SECURITY DEPOSITS AND MOVING FEES OF THE FACT IS ALREADY IN PLACE FOR INDIVIDUALS DEALING WITH THAT HE STOPPED BOTH HERE AND OTHER SIMILAR PARTS OF COOK COUNTY.

SO IF YOU HAVE CONDO HERE OR IN THE CITY AND SIMILAR CIRCUMSTANCE TRYING TO BE ABLE TO FIGURE OUT AND HOW TO UNDERSTAND AND NAVIGATE THOSE BUT AT THE SAME TIME CREATING A SEPARATE LOCAL REGIME WHICH IS MARKEDLY DIFFERENT.

CONFUSIONS FOR BOTH PROPERTY OWNERS AND TENANTS, THAT CONSISTENCY IS A VALUABLE ASPECT TO THIS.

SPECIFICALLY, THE OTHER PART IS THE QUESTION AROUND WHO SHOULD BE THE LOCAL PERSON KEEPING AN EYE ON A UNIT, FROM AN ANECDOTAL STANDPOINT I KNOW WHAT EMAILS I SEE COME THROUGH IN TERMS OF PROPERTY COMPLAINTS FROM US.

THOSE INCLUDE FOLKS WHO COMPLAIN FREQUENTLY THAT THEY ARE IN A CONDO OR APARTMENT AND THEY HAD SOMEBODY RENTING AN THEY DON'T FEEL LIKE THE PROPERTY OWNER IN THAT CIRCUMSTANCE HOUSING PROVIDER IS KEEPING UP THEIR UNIT OR SORTS OF THINGS, THAT CAN CREATE A SOURCE OF TENSION.

THAT'S ONE OF THE REASONS WHY THE ORDINANCE IN OUR CURRENT ORDINANCE AS WELL HAVE THE STANDARD AROUND IF IT'S A CONDO BUILDING, WE INSPECT THE

COMMON AREAS AND WE ALSO INSPECT ONE THIRD OF THE RENTAL UNITS FOUND IN THAT BUILDING IN ORDER TO BE ABLE TO MAKE SURE THOSE CIRCUMSTANCES IN A CONDO BUILDING DOESN'T BY DEFAULT BECOME AN APARTMENT BUILDING JUST WITH MANY SMALL LANDLORDS OR MANY SMALL PROPERTY OWNERS RATHER THAN ONE BIG HOUSING PROVIDER AS PART OF THE PROCESS.

TO THE QUESTION WE RECEIVED EARLIER, I DON'T KNOW IF I SEE THE INDIVIDUAL WHO ASKED IT, SPECIFICALLY ABOUT WHAT THAT WOULD MEAN AND HOW WE WOULD GO ABOUT IDENTIFYING THE UNITS WE ASKED THE PROPERTY MANAGEMENT FROM THE ASSOCIATION TO GIVE US INFORMATION BECAUSE THERE ARE ALWAYS FOLKS WHO ARE RENTING OUT A CONDO BECAUSE THEY MOVED AWAY FOR TWO YEARS AND HOPING TO JUST FLY UNDER THE RADAR.

IT'S HELPFUL FOR US TO HEAR THAT BUT WE ALSO KNOW PROPERTY MANAGERS DON'T ALWAYS HAVE THAT SO WE ARE ALSO LOOKING AT WHAT'S IN OUR OWN REGISTRATION RECORD.

IF YOU OWN A CONDO HERE IN TOWN AND YOU ARE RENTING IT OUT YOU SHOULD REGISTER WITH US AS A SMALL RENTAL PROPERTY LOCALLY.

BECAUSE IT'S THREE OR FEWER UNITS.

>> THANK YOU.

IT WOULD SEEM TO ME THAT MANY OF THOSE QUESTIONS ALSO BEEN IN EFFECT, IF SOMEBODY CHARGES FOR THE UNIT, TO MAKE SURE THEY ARE ABLE TO COVER THEIR OWN COSTS.

AM ALSO IN FAVOR OF THIS.

THAT I AM GRATEFUL FOR THE DIALOGUE.

AND I ALSO KNOW THAT THERE IS AN ONGOING RELATIONSHIP WHERE IF THE REALTOR GROUP OR ANY LANDLORD IN TOWN IDENTIFIED SOME UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES WITH THIS OR ANY ORDINANCE WE'VE GOT, THEN YOU HAVE AN OPEN DOOR POLICY TO CONTINUE THE DIALOGUE.

VERY GOOD.

I APPRECIATE IT.

I ALSO HAPPEN TO BE VERY GOOD WITH PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT AND EMAILS.

I SEE IT AS HELPING US DO THE BEST JOB WE COULD DO.

AND I ALSO KNOW THAT WE ARE CONTINUING TO BUILD TRUST.

I'VE BEEN TALKING WITH THE REALTORS FOR PROBABLY TWO YEARS NOW ABOUT THE IDEA THAT I'M ALSO INVESTED IN A CONVERSATION ON TRANSFER TAXES AND HOW WE COULD ROLL THAT OVER TO ANYONE WHO IS REMAINING IN THE VILLAGE AS PART OF A GOAL TOWARDS OUR AGING COMMUNITIES.

SO JUST TO SAY THAT OUT LOUD SO YOU ALL KNOW I HAVEN'T FORGOTTEN.

AND THEY ARE STILL GOING TO EXPECT POLICY DISCUSSIONS WITH A NUMBER OF REVENUE AND JUST FINANCE COMMITTEE RELATED POLICY DISCUSSIONS.

I'VE HEARD A LOT ABOUT IN FIRST QUARTER, SOUNDS LIKE FIRST QUARTER IS GONNA BE REALLY BUSY.

>> THERE WERE A COUPLE OF ITEMS THAT WE TALKED ABOUT POTENTIALLY AMENDING, WERE YOU WANTING TO AMEND SOME OF THOSE TONIGHT WILL HAVE STAFF COME BACK.

>> WHAT IS YOUR COMFORT LEVEL JONATHAN?
I THINK THE ONLY REAL RENT IS THE RECORDS.
PUTTING A DOLLAR AMOUNT WHICH IS REASONABLE.
>> IF YOU GIVE US A DOLLAR AMOUNT, WHICH I HEARD \$500.
>> IT'S \$500 PER EXPENDITURE.
>> ANYTHING OVER \$500 THEY HAVE TO KEEP THE RECEIPT.
>> I HAVEN'T SAID MUCH BUT I AM A LANDLORD I OWN PROPERTY IN THE CITY OF CHICAGO SO \$500 ACTUALLY SEEMS HIGH.
IF YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT ITEMIZED.
500 IS A LOT OF THINGS.
>> DO WE NEED TO THINK ABOUT THIS ABOUT THE DIFFERENT SIZES OF BUILDINGS BECAUSE YOU SAID IT'S TOTAL SO IF YOU'VE GOT 25 UNITS THAN \$500 IS PENNIES.
>> 500 AND EVERYTHING IS ITEMIZED.
>> 500 PER ACTIVITY.
>> EVERY VISIT TO HOME DEPOT.
>> I FEEL LIKE 500 IS TOO HIGH.
>> WHAT DO YOU THINK WOULD BE GOOD?
>> 200 SEEMS FINE IF WE ARE TRYING TO INCREASE IT.
I DON'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH 50 BUT IF WE ARE LOOKING TO INCREASE THAT I THINK 200 SEEMS BETTER THAN 500.
>> I THINK IT MAKES SENSE TO INCREASE IT, TODAY I BOUGHT GATLING TAPE AND CABLE TIES AND CAME REALLY CLOSE TO \$50 AT A LOCAL ACE.
WITH \$50 IS THE THRESHOLD, YOU CAN HIT \$50 THRESHOLD AND I DON'T WANT TO BE KEEPING THAT A RECEIPT.
I THINK SOMETHING IN THE RANGE OF \$200-\$250, THAT'S LIKE I'M DOING SOME DRYWALL WORK MORE THAN JUST FILLING IN SOME NICKS LEFT BY PAINTINGS THAT WERE HUNG.
>> YEAH THAT'S FINE.
\$250 MAKES SENSE.
>> THE PURPOSE IS ABOUT MAKING SURE THE UNIT IS BEING MAINTAINED WELL.
OKAY.
IF THAT'S THE ONLY FRIENDLY AMENDMENT THEN WE ARE GOOD.
>> WHO ARE THE MOTIONERS.
I'M GOOD WITH THAT FRIENDLY AMENDMENT POINTS WORKS FOR ME.
>> CLERK WATERS, IF YOU COULD PLEASE TAKE THE ROLL.
>> (ROLL CALL)
>> THANK YOU.
NEXT AGENDA ITEM IS AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING ACQUISITION THROUGH CONDEMNATION OF THE PROPERTY COMMONLY KNOWN AS LOCATED AT MOTION.
>> SO MOVED.
>> SECOND.
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>> VILLAGE MANAGER JACKSON.

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>> THANK YOU VERY MUCH MANAGER JACKSON.

THIS AGENDA ITEM IS AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE VILLAGE TO ACQUIRE THE PROPERTY OWNED BY U.S. BANK COMMONLY KNOWN AS 11 MADISON STREET THROUGH CONDEMNATION OF INVOLUNTARY PROCESSES NOT POSSIBLE. PER VILLAGE DIRECTION STAFF ABOUT EXPLORING OPTIONS FOR THE LOCATION FOR A NEW POLICE STATION.

THE PRIMARY FOCUS HAS BEEN THE SOUTH LAWN VILLAGE HALL HOWEVER, EARLIER IN 2025 U.S. BANK LISTED THE PROPERTY FOR SALE.

AND TOTALS APPROXIMATELY 1.1 ACRES.

THE PROPERTY IS CURRENTLY IMPROVED WITH PARKING LOTS AND A TWO-STORY BANK BUILDING.

VILLAGE STAFF REVIEW PROPERTY AND DETERMINE THE BUILDING IS A SUITABLE OPTION FOR ADAPTIVE REUSE FOR A NEW POLICE STATION.

THE VILLAGE BEGAN NEGOTIATING TO PURCHASE PROPERTY AFTER SEVERAL ROUNDS OF NEGOTIATION OVER SEVERAL MONTHS AND MULTIPLE OFFERS FROM THE VILLAGE, A STANDSTILL WAS REACHED.

IN ORDER TO PROVIDE THE VILLAGE WITH OPPORTUNITY TO ACQUIRE THE COMPANY AN ACCEPTABLE PRICE AND WITHIN THE TIMELINE NECESSARY FOR THE NEW POLICE STATION THE ATTACHED ORDINANCE WAS PREPARED TO AUTHORIZE OBTAIN TITLE BY CONDEMNATION OF AGREEABLE SALE TERMS ARE NOT REACHED. IF APPROVED, PER SECTION 3 OF THE ORDINANCE THE VILLAGE WILL PRESENT A BEST AND FINAL PURCHASE OFFER BASED UPON AN INDEPENDENT APPRAISAL PREPARED BY CERTIFIED AND LICENSED APPRAISER.

IF THE OWNER DOES NOT ACCEPT THE AUTHOR THE VILLAGE MAY INITIATE CONDEMNATION PROCEDURES TO ACQUIRE THE PROPERTY.

THE VILLAGE BOARD IS SCHEDULED TO DISCUSS VILLAGE MUNICIPAL CAMPUS AT A SPECIAL MEETING ON NOVEMBER 20.

APPROVAL OF THIS ORDINANCE WOULD ALLOW STAFF TO CONTINUE TO PURSUE ACQUISITION OF THE PROPERTY AND BE PREPARED TO DISCUSS THE POLICE STATION AND RELATED CAMPUS MATTERS ON NOVEMBER 20.

THANK YOU.

>> VERY GOOD.

DO WE HAVE QUESTIONS ON WHAT'S BEFORE US?

>> I THINK FROM WHAT I CAN SEE IT'S A FISCALLY PRUDENT APPROACH I THINK IT'S FAR CHEAPER THIS BUILDING OFFERED UP IS CHEAPER THAN NEW CONSTRUCTION. IT'S AN EFFICIENT USE OF OUR CAPITAL, TIME IS POTENTIALLY GREAT AND TIME IS MONEY.

IT'S IMPORTANT TO GET MOVING ON IT.

I THINK EVEREADY ON THIS BOARD HAS WANTED TO MOVE ON A NEW SITE AND PREVIOUS BOARDS FOR A LONG TIME.

TURNER IS A KEY CORNER IN OUR VILLAGE AND OFFERS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE AS A CATALYST OF OTHER DEVELOPMENT IN THE AREA.

FOR THAT I THINK IT'S A REALLY GREAT LOCATION AND ANY OLD BUILDING YOU COULD GET INSIDE OF IT AND WHEN WE REALLY LOOK HARD TO FIND SOMETHING WE DON'T KNOW ABOUT THERE IS CERTAINLY GOING TO BE WAYS TO TRY TO MITIGATE OR PREVENT THAT FROM HAPPENING.

OBVIOUSLY WITH ANY OLD STRUCTURE ANYTHING IS POSSIBLE.

I THINK IT OFFERS US GOOD LONG-TERM VALUE.

I THINK IT'S A REAL VALUE PLAY FOR THE FUTURE OF THE VILLAGE.

I SUPPORT THIS MOTION.

>> I GUESS THE REST OF US ARE NOT NEEDING TO ADD MORE WORDS TO THIS.

CLERK WATERS, IF YOU WOULD PLEASE TAKE THE ROLL.

>> (ROLL CALL).

>> THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR MOVING FORWARD WITH THIS.

SO WE CAN SEE PROGRESS DONE ON THE BIGGER TOPIC.

IF WE CAN NOW MOVE TO A MOTION TO RECEIVE THE CITIZEN POLICE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE'S SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT VILLAGE MANAGER JACKSON.

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>> GOOD EVENING, CARRIE CHANG ASSISTANT VILLAGE MANAGER DIRECTORY SERVICE STAFF LIAISON WITH THE CITIZENS POLICE THAT COMMITTEE THIS ITEM IS REGULAR ITEM THAT COMES TO THE BOARD TYPICALLY TWICE A YEAR TO PROVIDE AN UPDATE TO THE BOARD REGARDING THE CITIZEN POLICE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES FOR THE PRECEDING SIX MONTHS.

THE LAST TIME THE BOARD SAW A REPORT FROM CPOC WAS IN MAY.

THIS REPORT REFLECTS ACTIVITIES THEY UNDERTOOK OR REVIEWED IN THE FIRST HALF OF 2025.

CHAIR BARNHART KEVIN BARNHART IS HERE TODAY FROM A CITIZEN POLICE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE, EITHER HE OR I ARE HAPPY TO TAKE QUESTIONS AND I DON'T KNOW IF CHAIR BARNHART HAS ADDITIONAL COMMENTS HE WOULD LIKE TO MAKE REGARDING THIS PARTICULAR REPORT.

I WOULD NOTE THAT IT IS IN A LITTLE BIT OF TRANSITIONAL STAGE IN TERMS OF WHAT WORK CPOC HAS TRADITIONALLY GONE AND THE WORK THE BOARD HAS RECENTLY DISCUSSED AND APPROVED UNDER THE PIVOTS REPORT OF MODERNIZING OUR POLICE OVERSIGHT WORK WE DO.

AS WE PHASE OUT OF CPOC'S TRADITIONAL COMPLAINT REVIEW MODEL AND INTO MORE EXPANDED ACTIVITIES I WOULD EXPECT THIS REPORT WOULD CHANGE PRETTY SIGNIFICANTLY.

>> GOOD EVENING.

I WON'T TAKE UP TOO MUCH TIME.

I KNOW YOU ALL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO LOOK AT THE REPORT.

JUST GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT FORM.

THAT'S TYPICALLY WHAT WE'VE DONE AND AS CARA WAS ALLUDING TO WHAT WE ARE HOPING TO GET TO KNOW THAT WE HAD THE PIVOTAL ANALYSIS.

THIS REPORT WILL BECOME MUCH MORE USEFUL TO YOU ALL AS A BOARD TO GUIDE YOU WITH POLICY DECISIONS.

SEEING HOW THINGS ARE ACTUALLY WORKING BY USING DATA-DRIVEN METRICS WERE NOT TRYING TO SET POLICY WERE JUST TRYING TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS AND GIVE YOU AS MUCH INFORMATION AS POSSIBLE FOR YOU TO MAKE THE BEST DECISION AS TO WHAT'S BEING DONE.

IF THERE'S ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT ANYTHING IN THE REPORT OR ANYTHING ABOUT THE DIRECTIONS THAT CPOC IS HEADED, I'M HAPPY TO ENTERTAIN THOSE.

>> ANY QUESTIONS?

I WAS JUST ACKNOWLEDGE TRUSTEE ENYIA'S COMMITMENT TO HELPING US MOVE FORWARD WITH THIS IN HIS ABSENCE THIS EVENING, THANK YOU FOR THE WORK YOU ARE DOING AND WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO THE NEXT STEPS.

>> THANK YOU.

LOOKING FORWARD TO THAT, IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME COMING TO GET TO MORE ROBUST CPOC.

>> I DON'T THINK YOU NEED TO GO VERY FAR.

MOTION PLEASE.

>> SO MOVED.

>> SECOND.

>> THANK YOU.

CLERK WATERS, IF YOU WILL PLEASE TAKE THE ROLL.

ALL IN FAVOR?

>> AYE.

>> THANK YOU.

IF WE COULD JUST JUMP TO A MOTION BY TRUSTEE ENYIA TO DIRECT CPOC TO DELIVER THE HALLOWEEN INCIDENT TO THE BOARD AND THEN WE WILL GO TO THE E-BIKES.

MOTION PLEASE.

>> SO MOVED.

>> SECOND.

>> THANK YOU.

VILLAGE MANAGER JACKSON, OR SHOULD I TURN IT OVER TO THE TRUSTEES?

>> I THINK I WOULD LIKE YOU TO TURN IT OVER TO THE TRUSTEES AND IF THERE ARE ANY QUESTIONS OF STAFF WE ARE PREPARED TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS.

>> I BELIEVE WE HAVE ONE PUBLIC COMMENTER.

>> AM A CONSTITUENT IN OAK PARK.

I LIVE ON LAKE STREET AND HARVEY.

I WANTED TO HIGHLIGHT THE IMPORTANCE OF THIS AND THE INVESTIGATION INTO THIS INCIDENT WERE A NUMBER OF INCIDENTS THAT WENT DOWN ON HALLOWEEN BECAUSE IT WAS A LITTLE BIT, CHARACTERIZING THE POLICE RESPONSES CHAOTIC I THINK IT WOULD BE AN UNDERSTATEMENT.

DID NOT SEEM LIKE THEY WERE POSITIVELY CONTRIBUTING TO ANY SENSE OF NORMALCY OR CONTROL OVER THE SITUATION, FROM FIRST-HAND EXPERIENCE. I WAS THERE AND I SAW THEM ALL PUSHING A MASS OF KIDS DOWN LAKE STREET JUST WRITE TO THE BORDER OF AUSTIN FOR WHATEVER REASONS I COULD NOT QUITE UNDERSTAND.

AS FAR AS I WAS AWARE THERE WAS A GUNSHOT THAT WAS DISCHARGED LIKE MARIAN AND MARK.

WHICH IS PROBABLY ABOUT HALF A MILE AWAY FROM WHERE I SAW THEM AT LAKE STREET AND HARVEY CONTINUOUSLY PUSHING A CROWD OF KIDS IN ONE DIRECTION.

IT DIDN'T SEEM LIKE DISPERSAL AND DID NOT SEEM LIKE IT WAS REALLY CONTROL. IT SEEMED INEFFECTIVE AND CHAOTIC AT BEST.

AND THEN LATER IN THE EVENING I WAS IN MY HOUSE WITH MY DAD AND FAMILY AND WE HEARD COMMOTION IN THE DRIVEWAY WE CAME DOWNSTAIRS SO WE SAW A NUMBER OF KIDS FIGHTING.

NOT THAT THOSE SHOULD BE USED IN THE SCENARIO ANYWAY LIKE THESE ARE RIOT MUNITIONS WE ARE TALKING ABOUT.

'S THESE ARE 10 OR 12 KIDS SLAP FIGHTING.

I SAW THAT IN THE BATHROOM EVERY WEEK.

MY MOM WAS SUFFERING FROM THESE THINGS SO THERE'S A NUMBER OF THINGS HERE.

FIRST, WHY WERE THERE THAT MANY NEWS VALLEYS OF POLICE OFFICERS FOR GENERALLY WHAT IS A CROWD CONTROL THING.

IT WAS HALLOWEEN SO THINK THE AMOUNT OF PREPARATION FOR LARGE GATHERINGS OF PEOPLE SHOULD EVENT PUT IN PLACE REGARDLESS.

WHY DID WE NEED THE RIOT MUNITIONS FROM RIVER FOREST POLICE OFFICERS. WHERE WERE YOUR OFFICERS TO MAKE SURE A PEPPER BALL GUN WASN'T BEING SHOT AT A BUNCH OF KIDS.

IT SEEMS LIKE THAT WOULD BE A PRETTY EXPECTED LEVEL OF ACCOUNTABILITY FOR THE PREVAILING PRECINCT IN THIS AREA.

I KNOW THERE WERE COMMANDER LIGHTS OFFICER 21 HE WAS THERE AT HARVEY AND LAKE HE WAS THERE PUSHING KIDS DOWN TOWARD AUSTIN.

I WAS TRYING TO UNDERSTAND IF ANY OF THE KIDS COMMITTED A CRIME.

WASN'T MET WITH TOO MUCH I WANT TO HIGHLIGHT THE IMPORTANCE OF THIS.

THANK YOU FOR COMING IN.

ANY OTHER PUBLIC COMMENT?

WHO MADE THE MOTIONS?

>> FOR NOW I WILL JUST SAY THAT THE MOTION WAS FOR CPOC TO REVIEW THE INCIDENT AND REPORT TO THE BOARD.

I THINK CLARITY IS WHAT EVERYBODY WOULD WANT, STAFF, US, RESIDENTS, COMMUNITY MEMBERS AND WE TALKED ABOUT THIS A LITTLE BIT AT THE LAST MEETING BUT I THINK WE ALL SHARE A LOT OF THE SAME QUESTIONS ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED BUT MOST IMPORTANTLY, HOW TO PREVENT A SITUATION LIKE THAT IN THE FUTURE IN OUR COMMUNITY MORE CHILDREN ARE BEING VIOLATED IN THAT WAY WITH THOSE DANGEROUS WEAPONS.

A LINK ALONGSIDE AN INVESTIGATION HEARING FROM CPOC ESPECIALLY TERMS OF RECOMMENDATIONS GOING FORWARD WILL BE VALUABLE.

>> WHERE ARE WE GOING FROM HERE?

I CAN TALK?

>> I THINK THE BOARD WANTS TO SUPPORT THIS MOTION AS WE NOTED IN THE SUMMARY REPORT WE WOULD ENCOURAGE THE BOARD TO SUPPORT HIRING A PROFESSIONAL FACILITATOR TO SUPPORT CPOC IN ITS REVIEW. SO WITH THE ITEM THE OTHER THING I WANTED TO MENTION ONE OF THE THINGS THAT'S CRITICALLY IMPORTANT TO MAKE SURE WE GET CLARIFICATION OUT OF THE TRUSTEES AS WELL AS THE PUBLIC ABOUT WHAT OCCURRED OR MIGHT OCCUR AND HOW THE SYSTEM WORKS.

WE HAVE A STATEWIDE SYSTEM ESTABLISHED AFTER 9/11 THAT'S BEEN AROUND FOR A VERY LONG TIME WHERE IT CREATES OPPORTUNITIES FOR COOPERATION AROUND POLICE AGENCIES.

I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT BECAUSE IF WERE DOING OUR DUTY TO MAKE SURE THE PUBLIC IS AWARE WITH HAVING THEIR COMMUNITY.

UNDER THE EMPTY JOHNSON TO STEP UP TO THE PODIUM THINK IS IMPORTANT THE PUBLIC DESERVES ON HOW THE SYSTEM WORKS TO JOHNSON IF YOU COULD TALK A LITTLE BIT ABOUT HOW THESE EVENTS ARE MANAGED.

>> THANK YOU VILLAGE MANAGER JACKSON.

GOOD EVENING PRESIDENTS CAME IN AND VILLAGE BOARD.

THIS IS A SYSTEM WHERE YOU CALL IF YOU NEED ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE TO HELP WITH CROWD CONTROL AND ELIMINATE ADDITIONAL VIOLENCE FROM OCCURRING. ON THE NIGHT OF HALLOWEEN OUR STAFFING LEVELS ARE LOW.

I WAS THERE.

AS WELL AS APPROXIMATELY 12 OTHER OFFICERS.

WE HAD OVER 500 YOUNG TEENAGERS, NOT YOUNG, TEENAGERS AND YOUNG ADULTS DOWNTOWN OAK PARK CREATING DISORDER.

INSIDE OF ONE BUSINESS IN PARTICULAR WHERE OFFICERS WERE ATTEMPTING TO STOP A HUGE FIGHT, OFFICERS WERE MET WITH INDIVIDUALS THROWING CHAIRS AT THEM SO AT THAT POINT WE NEED TO CALL OUT FOR ADDITIONAL SUPPORT.

I WAS OUTSIDE THE STATION WHEN I HEARD THE PANIC.

AND A PATROL SERGEANT'S VOICE THAT WE NEED ADDITIONAL HELP.

IN THE MEANTIME, WE HAVE OTHER CALLS FOR SERVICE FOR SIMILAR INCIDENTS BUT NOT NEARLY AS LARGE AS WHAT WE WERE MET WITH DOWNTOWN OAK PARK. RECEIVED OTHER CALLS ON MY PERSONAL CELL PHONE SAYING WHAT IS GOING ON, YOU CAN'T GET THROUGH DOWNTOWN, THE STREET IS FLOODED WITH INDIVIDUALS IN THE STREET PROHIBITING MOTORISTS FROM GETTING THROUGH DOWNTOWN OAK PARK.

WE RESPONDED AND WE REALIZE THE NUMBER OF OFFICERS WE HAD ON THE STREET WAS NOT ENOUGH TO PREVENT ANYONE GETTING HURT TO PREVENT OUR BUSINESSES WE REQUESTED ADDITIONAL SUPPORT.

WE HAD A TOTAL OF 18 OFFICERS FROM SIX DIFFERENT POLICE DEPARTMENTS THAT LEFT THEIR COMMUNITY TO COME HERE TO PROVIDE MUTUAL AID.

WE WANT TO MOVE AWAY FROM THE BUSINESS DISTRICT AND A SHOT FIRE WENT OUT.

IN WHICH WE HAD A HUGE NUMBER OF TEENAGERS GOING NORTHBOUND ON FOREST.

TO ENSURE WE DIDN'T HAVE ANYONE HURT.
TO PREVENT INDIVIDUALS BEING TRAMPLED ON THEM FLEEING THE SCENE.
IT WAS A LOT GOING ON.
IT TOOK US APPROXIMATELY THREE HOURS TO GAIN CONTROL OF WHAT WAS A
CHAOTIC SCENE.
WITH A GREAT DEAL OF DISORDER.
OFFICERS MAINTAINED A GREAT DEAL OF RESTRAINT AS THEY WERE BEING
SQUARED AT, THREATENED AND COMPLETELY DISREGARDED.
I UNDERSTAND THAT WE WILL HAVE AN INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION BUT I WANTED
TO PROVIDE JUST FROM MY PERSPECTIVE OF WHAT WAS GOING ON.
WERE ON THE HILLS OF THE ANNIVERSARY OF OUR OFFICER BEING MURDERED
JUST A FEW BLOCKS AWAY AND THEN TO HEAR A GUNSHOT GO OFF AND SEE OVER
500 KIDS IN THE AREA, ANY ONE OF THEM COULD OF GOT STRUCK BY THAT.
ANY ONE OF OUR OFFICERS BUT INSTEAD WE ARE RUNNING TOWARD THE VIOLENCE
WHICH THAT'S WHAT WE ARE ACCUSTOMED TO DOING, WHILE AT THE SAME TIME
TRYING TO KEEP THESE INDIVIDUALS SAFE.
FROM A RANDOM PERSON FIRING A. THAT IS SERIOUS TO ME.
I UNDERSTAND THE NEED FOR OUR YOUNG ADULTS AND TEENAGERS TO HAVE
SOMEPLACE TO ENJOY THEMSELVES.
I'M COMMITTED TO HELPING TO PROVIDE THAT IN WHATEVER FASHION IS
NECESSARY BUT IT HAS TO BE SAFE.
WE CANNOT HAVE OUR BUSINESSES COMPLETELY DESTROY.
THAT SAME DAY SAME EVENING 7-ELEVEN IN CHICAGO COMPLETELY DESTROYED
AND THE INFORMATION I'M SEEING READILY AVAILABLE ON SOCIAL MEDIA IS, LET'S
DO THIS AGAIN IN OAK PARK.
TYPICALLY, I SHOULDN'T SAY TYPICALLY, HYDE PARK HAS BEEN THE MOST RECENT
AREA WHERE YOU HAVE A GREAT DEAL OF TEENAGERS SIMILAR TO THE ONES WE
HAD TAKING OVER HIDE.
CHICAGO HAS OVER 100 OFFICERS TO MANAGE THAT.
AND STILL THEY ARE NOT ALWAYS ABLE TO MANAGE IT.
SOCIAL MEDIA POSTS WERE LIKE FORGET HYDE PARK, LET'S RUN IT BACK TO OAK
PARK.
THAT MEANS LET'S DO IT AGAIN.
IS FINE.
THAT'S DISTURBING TO ME.
I UNDERSTAND THERE'S A NEED TO HAVE AN INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATOR OR
INVESTIGATION ON A CHAOTIC SCENE WHERE THE HOURS WE HAD NO INDIVIDUALS
INTERESTED WE HAVE NO MAJOR DAMAGE TO ANY OF OUR BUSINESSES AND NO
ONE HURT.
UNDERSTAND THE ASSOCIATION WITH ICE AND PEPPER BALLS BUT I UNDERSTAND
THE REALITY THAT THESE OFFICERS WERE PLACED IN THE REALITY OF THESE
OFFICERS WERE PLACED IN TRYING TO KEEP THESE YOUNG PEOPLE SAY.
IT WAS A SITUATION THAT I'M REALLY HOPING THAT WE DON'T HAVE TO ADDRESS
AGAIN BECAUSE WE DON'T HAVE THE STAFFING.

I AM UNCERTAIN, WHEN WE CALL FOR A CALLOUT, IF WE HAVE ANY OFFICERS TO COME ASSIST US.

THAT'S A VERY DANGEROUS PLACE TO BE.

I'M SORRY, VILLAGE MANAGER, I KNOW YOU ASKED ME TO JUST SHARE WHAT (WORD?) IS BUT I WANT YOU ALL TO UNDERSTAND THE SITUATION THAT OUR POLICE DEPARTMENT IS IN AND THE PLACE WE ARE PUTTING OUR COMMUNITY.

I'M HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS.

>> I DON'T HAVE ANYTHING MORE TO SHARE.

>> WHAT I'VE LEARNED SINCE THAT NIGHT IS IT'S APPROPRIATE BEFORE INVESTIGATION FOR ALL OF OUR LEARNING AND CLARITY WERE NOT JUST TALKING ABOUT THAT ONE MOMENT, THE WHOLE PROGRESSION OF THE EVENING, WHICH CAN PROVIDE EDUCATION TO US NOT JUST HOW ALIAS WORKS, ANY OPPORTUNITY FOR POLICY.

ADJUSTMENTS TRULY OR ALL OF US TO BE ABLE TO WRAP OUR BRAINS AROUND NOT JUST WHAT THE POLICE ARE GOING THROUGH BUT WHAT ABOUT HOW THE WHOLE SITUATION UNFOLDS.

WE HAD A CONTRACT IN THE PAST WITH PIVOT THERE YET BUT FOR THE THIRD PARTY INVESTIGATOR TO BRING THAT REPORT TO CPOC AND IT'S ALSO AN EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY ANIMALS IT'S IMPORTANT APPROPRIATE AS A CASE STUDY BUT A WAY TO FURTHER ADVANCE WHAT OUR GOALS ARE FROM THE PIVOT REPORT.

AND AIM TO HAVE A MECHANISM HERE IN OAK PARK WHERE WE HAD THAT IMMEDIATE RESPONSE TO OUR COMMUNITY TO ANSWER QUESTIONS.

AS ACCURATELY AS POSSIBLE.

AS WE ARE ALSO CONTINUING TO BUILD THE TRUST.

THE EDUCATION BOTH WAYS BENEFITS ALL.

>> I HAVE A FOLLOW-UP QUESTION, WHEN YOU SAID WHEN YOU SAID WE ARE OR MAYBE WILL BE IN A POSITION WHERE THE DEPARTMENTS WOULDN'T RESPOND TO CALLS FOR MUTUAL AID, DO YOU MEAN IF WE INVESTIGATE, DO YOU MEAN DEPENDING ON WHAT WE LEARNED, ARE WE ALREADY THERE WERE PEOPLE ARE DENYING REQUESTS FOR MUTUAL AID VIA (WORD?).

DURING THAT TIME WE HAD INDIVIDUALS ATTEMPTING TO TAKE OVER EVERY BUSINESS, MOM-AND-POP STORES THROUGHOUT.

IT WAS THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE VILLAGE.

WHEREAS THIS WAS CONTAINED FOR THE MOST PART THE DOWNTOWN OAK PARK. UP TO AND THROUGH COOPER'S HAWK AREA.

WE HAVE ASSISTANCE FROM OTHER POLICE DEPARTMENTS THAT ARE CONCERNED THAT IF WE COME TO ASSIST OAK PARK AND WE DO THINGS WITHIN THEIR GUIDELINES ACCORDING TO THEIR POLICIES, THERE CAN BE LOOKED AT AS DOING SOMETHING IMPROPER AND CHOOSE NOT TO PUT THEIR OFFICERS IN SITUATION THAT THEIR OPERATIONS THAT THEY ARE ABLE TO DO ALL THE QUESTION.

AND HAVE THEIR POLICE DEPARTMENT AS WELL AS THEIR VILLAGE LOOKED UPON OR COMMUNITY LOOKED UPON AS THEIR POLICE DEPARTMENT'S ARE NOT OPERATING WITHIN THEIR POLICIES.

>> I DID RECEIVE THAT CALL OUT.
FROM SOME OF MY COLLEAGUES.

THESE ARE QUESTIONING IS THE INVESTIGATION FROM THE WAY I PERCEIVE THIS
AND IN SUPPORT OF THIS IT'S NOT NECESSARILY POINT-BLANK, IT'S A LEARNING
OPPORTUNITY.

INTO TRANSPARENCY PIECE BUT I HAVE TO SAY THAT UNFORTUNATELY BUT
RESPECTFULLY I DID GET THOSE QUESTIONS FROM MY COLLEAGUES.

>> YOU MEAN OTHER MAYORS?

>> YES.

SO TO JUST PUBLICLY SAY THIS IS FOR OUR BENEFIT WE ARE DOING THIS FOR OUR
BENEFIT, WE ARE NOT DOING THIS TO SCRUTINIZE OTHER DEPARTMENTS, WE ARE
DOING THIS FOR OUR, CORRECT?

>> THE MOTION WAS FOR REVIEW.

>> WE KEEP SAYING LEARNING WE KEEP SAYING... THE PIVOT REPORT IN THE
FUTURE OF C CPOC WE TALK ABOUT HOW GOOD OVERSIGHT INCREASES TRUST.
THERE'S AN OPPORTUNITY FOR A FULSOME REPORT ON WHAT HAPPENED AND WHY
IT HAPPENED AND HOW THE ACTIONS USED ALIGNED WITH DEPARTMENTAL
GUIDELINES AND OTHER DEPARTMENTS GUIDELINES AND FOR THAT TO BE A
LEARNING OPPORTUNITY FOR US AND THE COMMUNITY SUCH THAT, SHOULD THAT
TEAM TAKE OVER, WE LEARNED AND GROWN AND HAVE A BETTER SENSE OF HOW
WE CAN HANDLE IT AND COORDINATE AND HAVE A BETTER RESPONSE IN THE
FUTURE.

I THINK IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE ANY TIME THESE KINDS OF LESLIE THOUGHT
MUNITIONS ARE DEPLOYED TO SEE SOME FOLLOW-UP ON THAT.
BECAUSE WE ARE A SMALL COMMUNITY WHERE WE ARE NOT SEEING PEPPER BALLS
DEPLOYED VERY OFTEN.

AND IT MAKES SENSE TO UNDERSTAND WHEN THAT FORCE IS USED IN OUR
COMMUNITY.

I'VE HAD SOME RECENT EXPERIENCE AND IT'S NOT IT'S NOT NOTHING I THOROUGHLY
APPRECIATE THE CHAOS FROM THAT NIGHT AND I UNDERSTAND THIS WAS A HARD
POSITION AND EVOLVING SITUATION.

WE CAN HAVE THAT FULSOME REPORT THAT THE COMMUNITY CAN HAVE A REAL
UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT HAPPENED, AND INTEREST OF EVERYONE.

AND POTENTIALLY AS YOU WERE SAYING IN YOUR COMMENT, WHAT RESOURCES
ARE NEEDED TO BE ABLE TO RESPOND TO MOMENTS LIKE THAT.

WE VERY MUCH HOPE WE DON'T DO VERY OFTEN.

>> I HAVE A COUPLE QUESTIONS FOR THE CHIEF.

IS THERE ANY SORT OF AGREEMENT WITH THIS ELIAS MEMORANDUM OF
UNDERSTANDING THAT GOVERNS ANY OF THESE EVENTS CIRCUMSTANCES THAT
ARISE IN THESE WHEN WE HAVE A CALL OUT.

YES IT IS THAT THEY WOULD SEND AT LEAST TWO OFFICERS IF THEY COULD AFFORD
TO.

AND I AM THE AUTHORITY.

USUALLY IT'S DELEGATED DOWN TO A COMMANDER, COMMANDER (NAME?) WAS PRESENT.

>> IF THERE'S A DISPUTE THE CONCERN SOMEONE SUGGESTING THAT ONE DEPARTMENT USES IN THIS COMPLAINT IS THERE ANY SORT OF A PROCESS WHERE THAT GETS DISCUSSED AMONG THE DIFFERENT AGENCIES?

>> THAT I WOULD HAVE TO FOLLOW UP ON.

I'VE BEEN IN COMMUNICATION WITH AT LEAST ONE POLICE CHIEF RELATED TO ACTIVITIES THAT TOOK PLACE.

IN UNDERSTANDING THEY HAVE A POLICY IN PLACE THAT ALLOWS THEIR OFFICERS TO USE THAT TYPE OF EQUIPMENT.

>> TO THE GUNSHOT TO SHOOT IN THE AIR AND LAND SOMEWHERE, HE.

>> IT PENETRATED IT PENETRATED THE HIGH-RISE AT ONE FOREST FOR STAFFING.

WE ARE BLESSED THAT NO ONE WAS OCCUPYING THAT SPACE AT THE TIME.

WE COULD HAVE BEEN INVESTIGATING A SERIOUS SITUATION.

WHILE TRYING TO MAINTAIN CONTROL.

IT DID PENETRATE AN APARTMENT.

>> YES.

>> THAT'S PRETTY SERIOUS.

A COUPLE THOUGHTS.

I THINK THE MOTION GENERALLY COMES FROM A GOOD PLACE, I THINK PEOPLE WANT TO DO SOMETHING TO HELP UNDERSTAND WHAT HAPPENED HERE.

RELATING TO CPOC IN PARTICULAR I DON'T THINK THERE IS REALLY ANY REASON TO UTILIZE THEM.

I DON'T THINK STATUTORILY IT COMES UNDER THE WAY THEY OPERATE AND INVESTIGATE.

WE ARE TALKING ABOUT DIFFERENT JURISDICTIONS.

I WOULD ALSO SAY THERE IS A TENDENCY IN OUR COMMUNITY TO TRY TO MICROMANAGE THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

WE ALL TRY TO DO IT IN A GOOD WAY.

AT SOME POINT I THINK WE NEED TO ALLOW THE POLICE TO PERMIT TO REVIEW THEIR OWN SITUATIONS.

THIS CASE IN PARTICULAR HAS BROAD IMPLICATIONS.

AS A CHIEF YOU HAVE A GOOD HANDLE ON WHAT'S GOING ON ENOUGH TO ASSESS ALL THE FACTS AND IT WOULD BE GOOD.

I WANT TO PAY ANOTHER THIRD-PARTY CONSULTANT TO DO THIS.

I DON'T THINK IT'S PRODUCTIVE.

I DON'T THINK IT'S A GOOD USE OF OUR BOARD TIME TO DO THAT.

I THINK WE SHOULD BE FOCUSED ON TRYING TO GET ANSWERS.

I THINK THE ANSWERS ARE EASILY OBTAINABLE.

WE UNDERSTAND WHAT HAPPENED.

ANOTHER AGENCY USED A DEVICE THAT WE DON'T PERMIT.

WE DON'T USE.

I DON'T WANT TO SEE WHERE, I WAS HERE IN 2020 DURING THE GEORGE FLOYD SITUATION WHERE WE HAD VERY MANY DISTURBANCES THROUGHOUT THE VILLAGE.

IF IT WEREN'T FOR MUTUAL AID, OAK PARK WOULD'VE BEEN SIGNIFICANTLY AFFECTED IN WAYS THAT ARE HARD TO IMAGINE.
WE TRIED TO CALL OUT THE NATIONAL GUARD AT THE TIME IT WAS SO BAD. AND WE COULDN'T GET THEM.
SO I HAVE A DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVE.
I HONESTLY WOULD DEFER TO HAVE THE DEPARTMENT LOOK AT IT IF YOU ARE CONTENT WITH LETTING AN INVESTIGATION GO ON, I REALLY DON'T THINK IT'S GOING TO BE ... I DON'T THINK THERE'S ANY MYSTERY OF WHAT HAPPENED. IT'S NOT UNDERSTOOD, UNDERSTOOD WHAT HAPPENED.
WE HAVE A LOT AT RISK, A LOT OF THE LIABILITY TO LOSE WITH OTHER JURISDICTIONS.
WE DO NEED THEM.
AND WE WILL NEED THEM IN THE FUTURE.
I KNOW IT'S NOT WHAT EVERYONE HERE PROBABLY WANTED TO HEAR, I'M CONCERNED ABOUT THIS MYSELF.
SO THANK YOU.
>> I HOPE I'M NOT COMING OFF AS DEFENSIVE.
BECAUSE I UNDERSTAND.
BUT I REALLY WANTED TO BE CLEAR HOW CHAOTIC THAT NIGHT WAS, HOW EVEN WITH 29 TO 30 OFFICERS, IT WAS DIFFICULT TO CONTROL THAT.
I THINK IT'S GONNA BE EVEN MORE CHALLENGING WHEN, NOT IF, WHEN THEY COME BACK.
BECAUSE THEY ARE ALREADY TRYING TO PLAN TO COME BACK.
>> I APPRECIATE THAT.
I DON'T WANT THE MESSAGE TO BE THAT WE ARE LOOKING TO PLACE BLAME ON ANYBODY.
I WILL INVITE KEVIN IF HE HAS ANYTHING HE WANTS TO SHARE FURTHER.
IT WAS A PRETTY MAJOR EVENT.
ANYTIME YOU HAVE AN EVENT OF THAT SIGNIFICANCE IT WOULD SEEM THAT TO STUDY ALL THAT HAPPENED.
NOT JUST WHAT HAPPENED WITH, I'M SORRY THAT THAT HAPPENED WITH THE GENTLEMAN BUT ALSO SO WHAT WE CAN TAKE FROM IT, WE ARE THE LEAST QUALIFIED TO BE THE ONES TO BE DOING THAT.
I TRUST THE VILLAGE MANAGER I'M SURE IT'S AN APPROPRIATE THIRD PARTY THAT'S BECAUSE YOU CAN'T DO IT YOURSELVES BUT BECAUSE SOMETIMES THESE ARE JUST THE WAY THINGS WORK LIKE THIS.
YOU GOT PLENTY OF WORK TO DO ALREADY.
AND THEN FOR IT TO GO TO CPOC THIS CAN BE WORKING THROUGH TRAINING AROUND THIS AT THE SAME TIME, AND IN AN UNBIASED WAY WHERE IT'S ABOUT CONSTRUCTIVE INFORMATION THAT COMES BACK FOR LEARNING FOR UNDERSTANDING.
YOU ARE HERE TONIGHT TO SHARE THAT STORY BECAUSE YOU FEEL IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT THAT WE AND THE COMMUNITY HERE WHAT THEY HAVE IT MAY BE HEARD BEFORE.

AND THIS REPORT WILL DO THAT TOO.
BUT IT WOULD DO THAT AND LIKE I SAID CONSTRUCTIVE UNBIASED WAY THAT IS NOT BEING MOBILIZED POINT FIGURES.
IT'S NOT WHAT IT'S ABOUT.
SO I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT THAT THAT MESSAGE WITH TONIGHT'S VOTE WOULD BE HEARD.
HAVE STRONG RELATIONSHIPS WITH MY COLLEAGUES YOU HAVE GREAT RELATIONSHIPS WITH YOUR COLLEAGUES.
I THINK AS LONG AS WE ARE TRANSPARENT AND COMMUNICATING THE WORK WE ARE DOING AT OAK PARK AND THE REASONS WHY IN THAT LINE OF COMMUNICATION REMAINS OPEN, THAT WE CAN KEEP THE ELIAS SYSTEM THERE FOR WHAT IT'S MEANT FOR ITS THEN ABOUT SAVING LIVES.
UNLESS KEVIN OR CHIEF I WOULD ASK KEVIN BERNHARDT ANYTHING TO SHARE.
>> THE ONLY THING I WOULD SAY IS THAT I WANT TO REITERATE THE FACT THAT WHAT'S ALREADY BEEN SAID.
THERE'S A LOT OF PUBLIC INTEREST IN IT.
DESPITE THE MOTION TONIGHT WE DEFINITELY WANT TO SEE ACTION REVIEW ON THIS.
DESPITE WHAT HAPPENS WITH THE MOTION THERE WILL BE AN AFTER ACTION REVIEW OF THE INCIDENT.
AND REPORT THAT FOLLOWS.
THE PURPOSE OF THE REVIEW IS LESSONS LEARNED.
IT'S NOT TO CAST BLAME.
THAT'S NOT THE OBJECTIVE OF WHAT THIS IS ABOUT.
WHAT'S THE THRESHOLD, WHEN YOU CALL FOR IT.
LOCAL CONSTRUCTION, WHERE DID IT START HOW DID IT MIGRATE OVER THE THREE HOUR TIME PERIOD, WHAT DECISIONS WERE MADE, MADE THEM, THAT'S NOT TO CAST BLAME, THE CHIEF MENTION SHE HAD COMMAND AND CONTROL.
IF WE HAVE ANOTHER AGENCY COMING IN AS DIFFERENT POLICIES AND WEAPONS AND TACTICS THAT WE WANT USED HERE, HOW IS THAT COMMUNICATED?
IF WE DON'T WANT PEPPER BALLS USED HOW IS THAT COMMUNICATED IN THIS CASE CROWD CONTROL TACTICS, THE PEOPLE WERE MOVED TOWARD AUSTIN AVENUE, WHY WAS THAT HAPPENING?
I'M NOT JUDGING IT I JUST, WHY WAS THAT DECISION MADE, WHAT IS THE END GOAL?
WE KNOW THAT NO ONE GOT PARTICULARLY HURT.
PART OF THE QUESTIONING COULD BE OUT OF THE POLICE SEE THIS UNFOLDING.
WHAT THINGS WHAT THEY HAVE DONE DIFFERENTLY.
ONE PERSON HAS A DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVE WE NEED TO HEAR THE WHOLE THE SUM TOTAL OF WHAT HAPPENED.
SO WE CAN DEVELOP BETTER POLICIES AND PROCEDURES GOING FORWARD.
IT'S NOT A GOTCHA SITUATION IT'S NOT ABOUT INVESTIGATING OTHER DEPARTMENTS AND INTERROGATE THEM WHERE THEY WOULDN'T SHOW UP IN THE FUTURE, THAT'S NOT THE GOAL.

>> YOU'RE ALREADY STATING SOME HYPOTHETICALS BECAUSE WE DON'T KNOW ALL THE DIFFERENT TYPES OF EQUIPMENT APPROPRIATE OR HOW THEY ARE USED AND WHY THEY ARE USED.

THE CHIEF NOTICE, THE COMMAND STAFF KNOW, THERE'S AN OPPORTUNITY ALSO FOR SOME EXPLANATION TO THE COMMUNITY BECAUSE THEY ARE ULTIMATELY FACET OF ANY INCIDENT GOING WELL OR NOT GOING WELL.

SO FOR THE BROADER KNOWLEDGE TO UNDERSTAND HOW ELIAS WORKS, WHY YOU USE IT, THE IMPORTANCE OF UTILIZING IT, THE IMPORTANCE OF HAVING THE RELATIONSHIPS IF THEY ARE THERE FOR YOU AND THEN ANY COMMUNITY COULD HAVE POLICIES THEY WOULD WANT TO HAVE UNDERSTOOD THROUGH ELIAS.

SO I'M ALMOST A LITTLE AFRAID THAT ALREADY TOO MUCH HAS BEEN SAID TONIGHT ABOUT THE DAY BECAUSE WE WANT THE REPORT TO TELL US WHAT HAPPENED.

IF WE ARE LARGELY IN AGREEMENT, BUT CORY, DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING ELSE YOU WANT TO ADD?

>> IT WAS CHAOS.

I DON'T THINK THERE'S ANY OTHER WAY TO WORD IT.

I WANT TO CALL OUT THAT WE HAD 500 LARGELY BLACK KIDS AND YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS WHO WERE IN DOWNTOWN OAK PARK AND WHO WERE THERE TO NOT HAVE A GOOD TIME AND COMMIT TURMOIL.

THEY ALL WALKED AWAY WITH THEIR LIVES AND THEIR FREEDOM AND THERE ARE MANY PLACES WHERE THAT WOULDN'T HAPPEN.

SO I'M DEEPLY APPRECIATIVE OF OUR POLICE FORCE THAT I CAN GO TO SLEEP AT NIGHT AND KNOW THAT THAT WILL HAPPEN.

THAT WAS NEVER SOMETHING THAT I CONSIDER THE ORDINARY OF STAFFING OPERATING PROCEDURE.

THAT SAID, I'M NOT COMFORTABLE WITH PEPPER BALLS.

I KNOW THAT WASN'T OUR POLICE FORCE THOUGH SO I DON'T ASCRIBE ANY BLAME TO OUR FOLKS ON THAT.

IT DOES POSE THE QUESTION THOUGH IN SOME OF THESE SITUATIONS WHAT COULD'VE BEEN DONE OTHERWISE.

I THINK THAT'S AN ANSWER I WOULD LIKE TO SEE COME OUT ANY AFTER ACTION REPORT.

EVEN AS WE SIT HERE AND CONTEMPLATE THIS TO THE CHIEF!. THERE ARE SOCIAL MEDIA POSTS FOLKS ARE SAYING WE SHOULD GO BACK.

I KNOW THOSE POSTS BECAUSE I'VE SEEN THEM.

I'VE SEEN A LOT OF THEM.

IT'S A SITUATION WHERE I DON'T OVER CHARACTERIZE AT THE MOMENT AND SAY (INAUDIBLE) WHAT I WOULD SAY IS THAT WE ARE CONTEMPLATING THE SITUATION IN A WAY THAT'S DIFFERENT THAN THE PEOPLE WHO SHOWED UP TO CAUSE THE CHAOS OR CONTEMPLATE AND CONTEMPLATING IT NOW.

THEY ARE NOT CONTEMPLATING THIS AS OH MY GOD WE WENT TO OAK PARK AND WE HAD A HORRIBLE TIME AND WE BARELY MADE IT OUT WITH OUR LIVES.

THEY ARE CONTEMPLATED THIS AS WE WENT TO OAK PARK, WE STAGED A HUGE CROWD OF FOLKS DOWNTOWN OAK PARK AND IT WAS SO GREAT WERE THINKING ABOUT GOING BACK.

I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO THINK ABOUT THAT.

BUT I DON'T FEEL BAD SAYING THAT THERE ARE LARGE ASPECTS OF THE WAY THE SITUATION WAS HANDLED THAT I THINK IT'S TOTALLY FINE.

HAD THE PEPPER BALLS NOT BEEN DEPLOYED I PROBABLY WOULDN'T HAVE HAD A SECOND THOUGHT ABOUT THIS TO BE QUITE HONEST WITH YOU.

THAT'S THE ONLY PART OF THIS THAT MAKES ME UNCOMFORTABLE.

YOU HAVE THE CHIEF 11 TO 14 COPS CAN'T REMEMBER THE NUMBER.

>> WE HAD 13 OFFICERS AN ADDITIONAL 18 OFFICERS TO PROVIDE SUPPORT.

>> CAN I JUST STAY AT THIS, THIS IS NOT MY FIRST INCIDENT. INVOLVING THIS.

I WAS THE ONLY COMMAND LEVEL AT THE PREVIOUS MAYOR'S HOUSE WHEN WE HAD THAT SITUATION WHERE DISORDER WAS BECAUSE THEY ARE.

THE SITUATION IN VILLAGE HALL.

I WAS AMONGST THE HIGHEST RANKING OFFICER THERE.

WHEN WE HAD INCIDENTS AT SCOBLE PARK.

I JUST WANT TO BE CLEAR THAT THIS IS NOT SOMETHING NEW TO ME AND I'M CONFIDENT THAT THE INVESTIGATION WILL REVEAL THAT ARE OFFICERS AS WELL AS OFFICERS THAT WERE RESPONDING DID WHAT THEY WERE SUPPOSED TO DO, ACCORDING TO THEIR POLICIES.

I UNDERSTAND THE SPEED OF SOCIAL MEDIA IS MUCH FASTER THAN MY ABILITY TO GATHER ALL THE INFORMATION AND PROVIDED IN A TIMELY FASHION.

WHEN WE ALSO HAD A MURDER TO OCCUR THE VERY SAME WEEKEND.

IN WHICH THAT NEEDED TO BE MANAGED AS WELL.

BUT AS I SAID, THIS ISN'T MY FIRST SITUATION LIKE THIS.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: MOTION TO CONTINUE PAST 10PM?

>>SPEAKER: MOVED.

>>SPEAKER: SECOND.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: I AGREE WITH YOU, EVERYBODY PROBABLY DID SPEAK AND YOU KNOW I'M NOT TALKING ABOUT JUST YOU AND YOU KNOW JUST TO BE CLEAR. I AGREE WITH THE FOLKS WHO WERE ASSISTING US WERE LIKELY WITHIN THE POLICY, AS WELL.

I DO NOT THINK THAT EVERY OTHER FORCE POLICY ALIGNED WITH OURS, BUT IN THE MUTUAL AID SITUATION I ALSO THINK THAT SOMETIMES YOU HAVE 500 FOLKS THAT YOU'RE TRYING TO MANAGE AND YOU KIND OF HAVE TO DO WITH WHAT YOU'RE DEALING WITH AT THE TIME AND YOU KNOW THIS IS THE LATER PART WITH HOW WE DEAL WITH WHAT WE DEAL WITH AT THE TIME.

SO, I THINK THE WAY THIS WAS HANDLED, NOBODY GOT ARRESTED AND NOBODY WAS HARMED AND NOBODY WAS KILLED, GUNSHOTS WENT OFF AND ALL OF THAT IS STILL TRUE.

AND I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE AFTER ACTION REPORT.

YOU KNOW I AM FINE WITH WHATEVER THE BOARD IS FINE WITH, BUT REALLY THAT IS WHERE I STAND WITH THIS.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: OKAY, YES.

AND JUST TO CLOSE, THIS IS ABOUT US AND OUR REVIEW, WE ARE NOT GOING INTO OTHER PEOPLE'S COMMUNITIES AND JUDGING.

YES, GO FOR IT.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: I DID NOT GROW UP IN OAK PARK, I GREW UP IN THE WEST SIDE OF CHICAGO.

YOU GET 20 PEOPLE AND PD SHOWS UP AND IT PROBABLY DOES NOT END UP LIKE THIS.

AND I JUST WANTED TO ADD THE CONTACT THERE FROM MY OWN PERSONAL EXPERIENCE THAT WHEN I HEAR HOW HE MANAGED 500 KIDS VS.

THINGS THAT I HAVE SEEN AS I HAVE BEEN GOING UP AND THINGS THAT I HAVE SEEN WHERE SOME OF THE PLACES THAT I HAVE LIVED YOU KNOW COMPLETELY DIFFERENT, RIGHT?

AND I'M APPRECIATIVE OF THAT AND THAT DOESN'T MEAN IT IS PERFECT, BUT WAY BETTER THAN ANYTHING ELSE I'VE EVER EXPERIENCED.

I JUST WANTED TO CALL THAT OUT.

THIS IS A SITUATION WHERE THIS IS NOT TWO KIDS WHO KIND OF GOT LIKE WE FOUND OURSELVES IN OAK PARK AND WE DON'T KNOW THE RULES HERE.

THIS WAS 500 PEOPLE, THEY DID THIS INTENTIONALLY.

I DON'T HAVE A WHOLE LOT OF SYMPATHY IN THIS SITUATION TO BE QUITE HONEST LIKE THEY KNEW EXACTLY WHAT THEY WERE DOING AND THEY SHOWED UP HERE TO DO IT AND THEN WE MANAGED IT.

DO NOT SHOW UP NEXT TIME.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THIS IS JUST AN OPPORTUNITY FOR LEARNING AND FOR FURTHER GROWTH AND FOR OUR OWN ADVANCEMENT OF OUR POLICIES AND PROCEDURES AND SYSTEMS.

AND IN PARTNERSHIP IT IS ACTUALLY IN TIME IT COMES TO US AND WE ARE JUST RECEIVING THE REPORT.

THE REAL WORK IS DONE BY PEOPLE WHO KNOW MORE THAN US.

INCLUDING YOURSELVES.

SO, CLERK WATERS, PLEASE TAKE THE ROLE.

OH, I'M SORRY.

>>TRUSTEE LEVING-JACOBSEN: I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE I KNOW WHAT I'M VOTING ON.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THAT IS A GOOD POINT, THANK YOU.

>>TRUSTEE LEVING-JACOBSEN: BECAUSE THE ORIGINAL MOTION WAS A REVIEW BY CPOC AND THEN THE REPORT TO US AND THEN THERE IS SOME ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS WHICH IS SEPARATE, BUT I DON'T KNOW IF THAT IS WHAT I'M VOTING ON AROUND HIRING A THIRD PARTY INVESTIGATOR.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: SO, A MOTION - TO DIRECT CPOC TO REVIEW THE HALLOWEEN INCIDENT AND REPORT TO THE BOARD.

AND SO WHAT I'M RECOMMENDING IS THAT THE VILLAGE MANAGER PROCEED WITH A THIRD-PARTY REVIEW AND THEN THAT REPORT GOES TO CPOC.

DOES THAT WORK FOR THOSE WHO MADE THE MOTION?

TRUSTEE ENYIA IS UNFORTUNATELY NOT HERE.

THAT IS VERY UNFORTUNATE.

>>MANAGER JACKSON: SO, THIS IS WHY I MADE THE STATEMENT REGARDLESS OF THIS MOTION FROM A ADMINISTRATIVE STANDPOINT JUST AS A PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE, I'M GOING TO INITIATE AFTER ACTION REVIEW TO GET AN OBJECTIVE ASSESSMENT.

IT HAS BEEN SAID AND I DON'T WANT TO REPEAT ALL OF THE COMMENTS, THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO HAVE LEARNING AROUND THIS EVENT.

AND I THINK THERE ARE A LOT OF THINGS THAT ARE BEING SAID THAT WE DON'T KNOW NECESSARILY THE VALIDITY OF ALL OF THEM AND THERE ARE THINGS THAT ARE NOT BEING SAID THAT WILL BE ABLE TO BE SET WITH AN OBJECTIVE THIRD-PARTY REVIEW AND A REPORT THAT IS TRANSPARENTLY REPORTED TO YOU IN THE PUBLIC.

IF THERE IS GOING TO BE CPOC INVOLVEMENT IN A REVIEW OF A CRITICAL INCIDENT, WE HAVE NOT PREPARED CPOC TO ACTUALLY DO THAT IN MY OPINION AND WE HAVE DONE A REVIEW WITH PIT IT AND THERE IS A RECOMMENDATION THERE TO EVENTUALLY GET TO A POINT WHERE WE CAN HAVE CPOC ACTUALLY HAVE THE CAPACITY AND TRAIN TO DO THESE REVIEWS AND WHAT WE ARE SUGGESTING WHEN WE LOOK AT THIS MOTION IS IF THIS MOTION IS GOING TO GO FORWARD, WE WOULD LIKE FOR THE BOARD TO CONSIDER IS IT COMING INTO SUPPORT THEM IN THIS REVIEW AND WE WOULD PROVIDE THE OUTCOME OF THE AFTER ACTION REVIEW FROM THE THIRD PARTY RESOURCE THAT WE WOULD USE FOR THAT TO SUPPORT CPOC REVIEW WITH THE SUPPORT OF PIVOT FACILITATING THE REVIEW. SO, THERE IS THE MOTION AND POTENTIALLY IF YOU GUYS AGREE WITH HER THAT WE WOULD BRING BACK PIVOT TO SUPPORT CPOC IN THIS REVIEW AND THEN IT IS THE WORK THAT WE WILL DO TO GET A AFTER ACTION ASSESSMENT TO PROVIDE OBJECTIVE INFORMATION TO SUPPORT THAT REVIEW AND ALSO TO PROVIDE INFORMATION TO YOU WILL AND THE PUBLIC ABOUT THE EVENT AND ALSO AN OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO GET THAT INFORMATION, AS WELL AS LEARN FROM THE EVENT, OURSELVES.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: SO -

>>MANAGER JACKSON: SO, THE MOTION TONIGHT IS REALLY ABOUT CPOC AND MAKING SURE THEY HAVE ADEQUATE SUPPORT TO DO THE REVIEW IF THAT IS THE WAY THAT YOU WANT TO GO.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: SO, IT DOESN'T REALLY REQUIRE ANY CHANGE YOU KNOW TO REVIEW THE HALLOWEEN INCIDENT AND REPORT TO THE BOARD. YOU WILL STILL DO THAT, IT IS JUST A PROCESS OF HOW IT WILL BE SHARED AND I CAN SEE KEVIN YOU ARE IN AGREEMENT.

>>SPEAKER: I WOULD BE IN AGREEMENT USING PIVOT TO FACILITATE THAT. YES.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: OKAY, GREAT.

GO FOR IT.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: JUST ONE QUICK THING AND IT JUST DAWNED ON ME BECAUSE WE ARE IN BUDGET SEASON.

CHIEF, IS THERE TECHNOLOGY OUT THERE THAT MONITOR SOCIAL MEDIA FOR THIS KIND OF STUFF OR DO YOU HAVE ACCESS TO IT?

>>CHIEF JOHNSON: WE HAVE OUR INVESTIGATIONS MANAGER LOOKING OPEN SOURCE DATA TO GET A PULSE ON THE POSSIBILITY OF THIS HAPPENING AGAIN. WE ALSO HAD A CITIZEN TO REACH OUT TO OUR WEBSITE - I'M SORRY, OUR EMAIL INDICATING THAT SHE HAS INFORMATION THAT ANOTHER TAKEOVER IS BEING PLANNED.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: IF THERE ARE ANY TOOLS OR ANYTHING LIKE THAT THAT YOU NEED I THINK SINCE WE ARE IN THE BUDGET SEASON I THINK IT IS PROBABLY A GOOD TIME TO TALK ABOUT THOSE IF THERE IS ANYTHING THAT CAN PROACTIVELY SURFACE THIS STUFF SO THAT WE ARE AHEAD OF IT BEFORE IT HAPPENS.

>>CHIEF JOHNSON: I WOULD LOVE TO HAVE A DRONE SO WE CAN HAVE A AERIAL VIEW OF SOMETHING LIKE THAT AND WE CAN MONITOR IT AS IT EVOLVES.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: OKAY, I THINK WE SHOULD TALK ABOUT THAT.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: OKAY.

I KNOW YOU'RE LOOKING -

>>MANAGER JACKSON: JUST A SMALL THING.

I JUST WANT TO MAKE SURE - I WANT TO EXTEND THE INVITATION TO ANY OF THE TRUSTEES WHO WOULD LIKE TO MEET WITH MYSELF AND THE POLICE COMMAND STAFF TO FOLLOW-UP WITH ANY QUESTIONS YOU HAVE ABOUT THIS INCIDENT.

WE ARE PREPARED TO SHARE ANY INFORMATION THAT WE HAVE AND TO ADD TO YOUR PERSPECTIVE ON WHAT YOU'VE LEARNED SO FAR.

SO, IF YOU WANT TO COME IN AND MEET WITH US AND REVIEW THE EVENT FROM THE POLICE PERSPECTIVE YOU KNOW WE ARE INVITING THAT, WE ARE OFFERING THAT TO YOU, AS WELL.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU.

CLERK WATERS, CAN YOU PLEASE TAKE THE ROLE?

>>CLERK WATERS: TRUSTEE LEVING-JOHNSON, TRUSTEE WESLEY, TRUSTEE EDER, TRUSTEE STRAW, TRUSTEE TAGLIA, PRESIDENT SCAMAN.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: YES.

THANK YOU.

AND SO WE REALLY JUST HAVE ONE MORE AGENDA ITEM TO GO THROUGH, BECAUSE JUST A REMINDER THAT Y AND Z ARE BEING CONTINUED TO FUTURE MEETINGS.

SO, A MOTION BY TRUSTEE TAGLIA AND SECOND BY TRUSTEE WESLEY FOR A STUDY SESSION TO REVIEW E-BIKE AND SCOOTER REGULATIONS IN THE VILLAGE.

MOTION, PLEASE.

>>SPEAKER: MOTION.

>>SPEAKER: SECOND.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: AND SHALL I TURN THE FLOOR OVER TO YOU, TRUSTEE TAGLIA?

>>TRUSTEE TAGLIA: I'LL NOT SPEAK LONG.
THIS IS IN RESPONSE TO THE - I CANNOT EVEN SAY IT.
PROLIFERATION OF E BIKES AND E SCOOTERS THREAT THE VILLAGE IN THE LAST
FEW YEARS.
SPECIFICALLY IN THE LAST COUPLE OF YEARS.
AND IT HAS REALLY GOTTEN TO A POINT WHERE WE NEED TO ADDRESS IT.
THERE IS AS MENTIONED IN THE MEMO BY THE CHIEF THAT PATCHWORK OF STATE
LAWS THAT GOVERN THIS, BUT THAT IS NOT ADEQUATE.
AND OUR CURTAIN ORDINANCES DO NOT ADDRESS THIS, BECAUSE THEY WERE NOT
ELECTRIC BICYCLES WAS NOT CONCEIVED AT THE TIME.
SO, THIS IS TO REALLY GET A HANDLE ON WHAT IS I THINK IN BE A VERY UNSAFE
CONDITION THROUGHOUT THE VILLAGE WHERE WE SEE PEOPLE ROUTINELY GOING
THROUGH A RED LIGHT AND VIOLATING AND GOING AND DRIVING ON THE
SIDEWALKS, I SAW HAD THIS WEEK.
I SAW PEOPLE GOING STRAIGHT THROUGH WITHOUT EVEN SLOWING DOWN.
AND RECENTLY THERE WAS A DEATH IN ARLINGTON HEIGHTS WHERE A YOUNG MAN
DROVE INTO THE BACK - DROVE HIS BICYCLE, ELECTRIC BICYCLE INTO THE BACK OF
A CAR BECAUSE HE WASN'T PAYING ATTENTION.
AND HE DID NOT KNOW THAT THE CROSS THE STREET DID NOT HAVE A STOP AND HE
JUST WENT RIGHT THROUGH A RED LIGHT I BELIEVE IT WAS - NO, IT WAS A STOP
SIGN.
ANYWAY, IT IS SOMETHING TO ADDRESS IN OUR VILLAGE AND I THINK SAFETY IS
IMPORTANT AND WE NEED SAFETY NOT JUST FOR BIKE RIDERS OF COURSE, PEOPLE
THAT DRIVE CARS, IT IS A SITUATION, BUT WE DON'T HAVE RULES FOR THIS.
AND THESE NEED TO BE NOT ONLY CREATED, BUT ENFORCED.
AND WE ALSO NEED A CAMPAIGN HAS JENNA HELZBERG FROM THE
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION OF THE CHAIR, SHE IS IN SUPPORT OF THIS AND
SHE SAID THAT SHE FELT A CAMPAIGN WAS IMPORTANT AND I AGREE WHERE
PEOPLE CAN UNDERSTAND THE DIFFERENCES AND WHERE THE PROBLEMS LIE AND
WHAT PROTECTIONS EXIST AND WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE IN TERMS OF ELECTRIC
BICYCLES.
SO, THAT IS ABOUT ALL I HAVE.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: I WILL JUST NOTE FOR RESPECT FOR THE CHAIR, JENNA
HELZBERG CANNOT BE HERE, SHE SENT US ALL A PUBLIC COMMENT AND YOU HAVE
REFERENCED IT AND IF I COULD JUST EXPAND ON IT FOR THE RECORD.
THERE IS NO OTHER PUBLIC COMMENT BESIDES JENNA?
OKAY, SHE HAD A ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION REPORT FROM ILLINOIS THAT WAS
LINKED IN A EMAIL AND THAT THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION AND THE 2026
WORK PLAN INCLUDES A REEVALUATION OF THE VILLAGE CURRENT LAWS AND
POLICIES REGARDING E BIKES AND LEANING HEAVILY TOWARDS THE VILLAGE
IMMEDIATELY CREATING A PUBLIC CAMPAIGN FOR RESIDENTS AND FAMILIES IN OAK
PARK ON WHAT IS A E BIKE VS. A MOTORCYCLE WHILE WE DEVELOP GUIDELINES,
TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION FLOW SUPPORTS THIS MOTION INITIATED BY
TRUSTEE TAGLIA AND TRUSTEE WESLEY.

E MOTORCYCLES DO POSE A SAFETY CONCERN IN OUR COMMUNITY HOWEVER A FRIENDLY REMINDER THAT THE MOST SIGNIFICANT SAFETY CONCERNS ON OUR VILLAGE STREETS CONTINUES TO BE UNSAFE AND DISTRACTED DRIVERS IN THE PAST FEW MONTHS, TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION HEARD FROM FAMILIES WHOSE ELEMENTARY AGED CHILDREN WERE STRUCK BY A DRIVER WHILE WALKING TO SCHOOL AND WE REVIEWED PETITIONS FROM LEXINGTON AND CLINTON AVENUE WHERE SENIOR CITIZENS RESIDENTS WAS STRUCK AND KILLED BY A DRIVER IN DISCUSSIONS AROUND E BIKES AND E SCOOTERS AND E MOTORCYCLES MUST GO BEYOND REGULATIONS, WE LOOK FORWARD TO BE INVOLVED IN THIS PROJECT AND WE EXPECT THAT THE VILLAGE LEVEL DISCUSSIONS ALSO INCLUDE PUBLIC HEALTH, DISABILITY ACCESS AND AGING COMMUNITIES TO ENSURE WE ARE CENTERING OUR MOST VULNERABLE RESIDENTS.

BRIAN?

>>TRUSTEE STRAW: I AM DEFINITELY IN SUPPORT OF LOOKING AT HOW WE CAN BOTH EDUCATE AROUND THIS ISSUE AND A PROPERLY REGULATE.

I THINK THAT I HAVE A LEVEL II E BIKE AND IT IS A CARGO BIKE AND IT DOES HAVE THE TWISTED THROTTLE, BUT THAT GETS YOU VERY SLOWLY UP TO 20 MPH. THE ISSUE IS THAT THERE IS - AND MOSTLY IT IS PEDAL ASSIST AND YOU HAVE LEVEL III E BIKES THAT ARE THE BIKES THAT GET UP TO 28 MPH AND CERTAINLY I THINK THAT THOSE NEED TO BE - WE NEED TO LOOK AT HOW WE REGULATE THOSE. AND THERE IS AN ISSUE OF JAILBROKEN E BIKES ESSENTIALLY.

IT IS EASY TO EITHER ELIMINATE LIKE A LINE OF CODE IN THE E BIKE OR IN SOME CASES JUST SNIP A WIRE AND IT REMOVES THE CONTROL ON THE THROTTLE AND SO EVEN IF THE BIKE FELL MAYBE CAME STOCK AS A LEVEL II E BIKE, SOME OF THEM HAVE POWERFUL ENOUGH MOTORS THAT THEY CAN GO WELL IN EXCESS OF 20 MPH AND SOMETIMES IN EXCESS OF 30 MPH.

AND THERE ARE ALSO, THERE ARE SOME WITHOUT A CLASS THAT ARE BEING SOLD OUT THERE THAT ACTUALLY GO INTO THE E MOTO CATEGORY BECAUSE THEY ARE GOING IN EXCESS OF 30 MILES AN HOUR WITH AT THE POINT THEY BECOME A MOTORCYCLE.

AND SO I DO THINK THAT IT IS SOMETHING WORTH CONSIDERING BECAUSE I HAVE DEFINITELY SEEN AND I HAVE STARTED TO SEE MORE AND MORE SITUATIONS WHERE AND REDUCING PEOPLE ON THESE E BIKES GOING AT A RATE FAR FASTER THAN I AM ABLE TO GET MYSELF AND IT DOES CREATE SOME ADDITIONAL SAFETY CONCERNS.

AND SO I THINK THAT EXAMINING HOW OTHERS ARE REGULATED THIS ISSUE AND WHAT THE SAFETY CONCERNS REALLY ARE IN A DATABASE WAY AND HOW WE CAN MITIGATE THOSE SAFETY CONCERNS.

BUT, REALLY PAIRING IT WITH A EDUCATION CAMPAIGN DIRECTED TOWARDS PARENTS, BECAUSE I THINK THAT THE PLACE WHERE WE SEE THE BIGGEST SAFETY RISKS HIS PARENTS WHO DO NOT NECESSARILY KNOW BETTER BUYING OVERPOWERED FUNCTIONALLY E MOTORCYCLES FOR THEIR KIDS THINKING IT IS JUST A E BIKE AND SO KIDS WHO MAY NOT EVEN BE ABLE TO GET A DRIVERS LICENSE ARE BEING PUT ON A VEHICLE THAT GOES FASTER THAN THE LITTLE 50 ML

SCOOTER I HAD BACK IN THE DAY AND WHEN I SAY SCOOTER I MEAN ONE OF THE REALLY DORKY LOOKING VESPA KIND OF THINGS AND I THOUGHT IT WAS REALLY KIND OF COOL AND IT WAS NOT.

AND SO I THINK THAT WE - I THINK IT IS WORTH LOOKING AT AND I THINK THAT THERE IS A LOT OF NUANCE HERE THAT WE HAVE TO TALK ABOUT AND GET INTO THE DATA ABOUT SO WE ARE MAKING SURE THAT WE ARE NOT OVERLY REGULATING THE SPACE BECAUSE THE CLASS I AND CLASS II E BIKES ARE SOME OF THE THINGS THAT ARE GOING TO MAKE CYCLING MORE ACCESSIBLE FOR FOLKS IN OUR COMMUNITY WHO ARE OLDER AND WHO HAVE MOBILITY ISSUES AND IT CREATES AN OPPORTUNITY.

AND WE DON'T WANT TO STIFLE THAT AND WE WANT TO REGULATE THE MORE DANGEROUS OVERPOWERED E BIKES.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: I AGREE WITH EVERYTHING I'VE HEARD FROM TRUSTEE TAGLIA AND EVERYTHING TONIGHT, THE BOARD TABLE FROM CHAIR JENNA HELZBERG IN TERMS OF WHAT SHE HAS MENTIONED WITH THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION AND SO THEY ARE ALREADY INVESTIGATING THIS AND WILL BE COMING BACK TO US WITH RECOMMENDATIONS AND WILL BE LOOKING FORWARD TO THAT AS WELL AS A NUMBER OF THINGS THAT TRUSTEE STRAW JUST SAID THAT VESPA EXCLUDED AND THE THING THAT I DO WANT TO DOUBLE-CLICK ON IS THE COMMUNICATION ASPECT OF THIS, BECAUSE I DO THINK THAT A LOT OF THIS CAN BE MITIGATED BY SIMPLY JUST PASSING OUT RELATIVE INFORMATION TO PARENTS TO KNOW WHAT THEY ARE BUYING THEIR KIDS AND THEY KNOW WHAT THEY SHOULD OR SHOULD NOT BE BUYING THEIR KIDS AND BEING AND GETTING THAT INFORMATION OUT TO FOLKS AT THE SOURCE I THINK REALLY COULD RESTRICT OR ELIMINATE THE NEED FOR ACTIVE ENFORCEMENT OF WHATEVER REGULATION WE CREATE.

BECAUSE, THE HOPE IS THAT PEOPLE SELF REGULATE ESPECIALLY WHEN IT COMES TO KIDS SO THAT WE ARE NOT HAVING TO DO A LOT OF REGULATION AND I THINK WE CAN DO THAT.

WE CAN ACHIEVE A LOT OF THAT GOAL WITH A PROACTIVE INFORMATION AND SIGNAGE AND NOTIFICATION AND COLLABORATION AT THE SCHOOL DISTRICT TO POSSIBLY BOTH IN OAK PARK AND RIVER FOREST.

AND WHAT I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO SAY IS THAT THIS HIGHLIGHTS THE NEED FOR MORE PROTECTED BIKE INFRASTRUCTURE.

BECAUSE IF WE HAD PROTECTED BIKE INFRASTRUCTURES THEN FOLKS WHO ARE DRIVING THESE THINGS, EVEN WHETHER OR NOT WE WANT THEM TO BE WOULD BE DRIVING IN PROTECTED BIKE LANES AND NOT ON SIDEWALK WHICH IS A LOT OF THE ISSUE THAT I HAVE SEEN WITH SOME OF THESE DEVICES.

SO, I THINK THAT AS WE THINK ABOUT WHERE WE WANT THIS VILLAGE TO GO IN THE NEXT 5 TO 15 YEARS THAT WE CONSIDER TO TRUSTEE STRAW AND THE ACCESSIBILITY OF E BIKES AND AS WE CONSIDER HOW FOLKS WILL POTENTIALLY USE CYCLING OR HOW THEY COULD USE CYCLING TO GET AROUND OUR VILLAGE IN WAYS THAT ARE DIFFERENT THAN THEY WOULD IF THEY WERE USING A CAR AND

HOW THOSE THINGS COULD BE USED TO OFFSET OUR TRIPS BECAUSE WE DO SPEND A LOT OF TIME AND EFFORT AND MONEY TRYING TO ACHIEVE THOSE. AND THESE THINGS ARE A SYSTEM, THEY ARE NOT A SILO AND WE NEED TO MOVE A LOT OF THINGS IN THAT DIRECTION SO WE CAN SEE THE AGGREGATE BENEFIT AND I THINK THIS IS ONE OF THOSE.

AND I THINK PART OF THE E MOTOR WHATEVER YOU WANT TO CALL THEM ISSUE NOT JUST HERE IN OAK PARK, BUT REGIONALLY IS DUE TO THE FACT THAT THERE IS A LACK OF BICYCLE INFRASTRUCTURE AND ESPECIALLY PROTECTED BICYCLE INFO STRUCTURE IN THE SUBURBS, ESPECIALLY CHICAGO IS DOING AN AMAZING JOB WITH THIS BUT MOST OF THE SUBURBS ARE NOT.

>>TRUSTEE EDER: I KNOW, IT IS GETTING LATE.

I APPRECIATE ALL OF THAT.

I JUST WANT TO HIGHLIGHT THAT WE SHOULD ABSOLUTELY BE TRUSTING OUR TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION TO BE GIVING US THE EXPERT INFORMATION TO MAKE THE RIGHT DECISIONS.

AND SO ALL FOR HAVING THAT STUDY SESSION WHEN THEY'RE READY WHEN THAT MAKE SENSE TO HAVE THAT HAPPEN.

AND I AM ALL FOR ELECTRIC VEHICLES, BUT E BIKES ARE A BETTER CHOICE THAN A ELECTRIC CAR WHEN IT COMES TO CLIMATE.

IT IS LOWER IMPACT, LOWER RESOURCES.

AND SO WE ABSOLUTELY NEED TO PREPARE FOR AND ENCOURAGE MORE E BIKE USAGE, BUT OBVIOUSLY THERE IS A SAFETY ASPECT AND VOLUNTEER.

WHEN WE HAVE THAT CONVERSATION AND I MEAN WE LOOK BACK AT DIVISION ZERO PLAN AND THERE IS DATA AND IT IS FROM 2022 AND SO MAYBE HOPEFULLY WE CAN GET SOME UP-TO-DATE DATA WHEN WE HAVE THAT CONVERSATION AGAIN MAYBE NEXT YEAR BUT FROM 2022 JUST TO PUT IT IN PERSPECTIVE, 95.7% OF CRASHES WERE FROM MOTOR VEHICLES, 2.8 WERE PEDESTRIAN, 1.5 PERCENT WERE CYCLISTS.

I THINK E BIKES WERE NOT AS BIG OF A DEAL WHEN THE SUPPORT WAS DONE, I UNDERSTAND IT IS A EMERGING PHENOMENON, BUT STILL THE PERSPECTIVE IS JUST LIKE LET'S KEEP THIS IN PERSPECTIVE.

CARS ARE KILLING PEOPLE.

WAY MORE.

THEY ARE THE BIGGEST THREAT.

AND I JUST WANT TO MAKE THAT A POINT WHEN WE ARE HAVING THIS CONVERSATION.

AND ALSO I APPRECIATE JENNA HELZBERG FROM THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION SHARING THE ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION ALLIANCE VIDEO.

I WATCHED IT.

AND THE SOLUTIONS THEY SUGGEST ON THEIR I THOUGHT WERE VERY SENSIBLE. NUMBER ONE, IT IS A ILLINOIS VEHICLE CODE.

AND IF WE PASS SOMETHING HERE, EVEN IF IT IS THE GREATEST IN THE WORLD, WE ARE A LITTLE RECTANGLE AND PEOPLE ARE DRIVING THROUGH OUR VILLAGE ALL THE TIME.

SO, IT IS NOT GOING TO REALLY SOLVE THE OVERALL PROBLEM.
UNLESS IT IS THOUGHT OF IN A MORE REGIONAL AND HOPEFULLY A STATEWIDE
WAY.
THE SECOND SOLUTION IS TO BRING ITS RETAILERS AND I'M NOT SURE LIKE HOW
MUCH POWER WE HAVE TO DO THAT, BUT THE THIRD IS EDUCATION.
AND THAT IS ALREADY RAISED BY THE TRUSTEES TONIGHT.
AND I WILL REACT INFRASTRUCTURE IS REALLY GOING TO BE THE THING HERE.
SO, I AGREE WITH THE POINTS ALREADY MADE BY TRUSTEE WESLEY AND STRAW
ABOUT THAT, BUT I WELCOME THIS CONVERSATION.
IT IS AN EMERGING THING AND WE HAVE TO ADDRESS IT AND DO SO IN A MEASURED
WAY.
THAT IS IT.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: YES, THIS WAS GOOD.
WE ARE GOING TO SAY SOMETHING, KEVIN?
OKAY.
ALL GOOD COMMENTS.
AND WE HAVE TO TAKE A VOTE ON THIS, CAN WE DO A ALL IN FAVOR?
ALL IN FAVOR?

(MULTIPLE SPEAKERS)
AYE.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: OKAY.
THANK YOU.
I WILL CALL TO - AND ALSO JUST REGULAR BIKES AND BIKE RIDERS -
>>MANAGER JACKSON: I THINK WE NEED TO PASS A MOTION TO CONTINUE THE
OTHER ITEMS -
>>SPEAKER: SO, A MOTION TO CONTINUE THE TRUTH AND TAXATION PUBLIC
HEARING FOR THE PROPOSED TAX YEAR 2025 PROPERTY TAX LEVY TO TUESDAY,
NOVEMBER 18 2025 AT 7 PM IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS.
>>SPEAKER: MOVE.
>>SPEAKER: SECOND.
>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: MOTION BY TRUSTEE LEVING-JOHNSON AND SECOND BY
TRUSTEE.
>>SPEAKER: AND ALL IN FAVOR.
>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: ALL IN FAVOR?

(MULTIPLE SPEAKERS)
AYE.

>>SPEAKER: THERE IS NO MOTION ON Z BECAUSE IT IS NOT A HEARING AND THAT
WOULD JUST BE INCORPORATED INTO THE TRUTH AND TAXATION HEARING.
AS PART OF THE AGENDA ITEM.
>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: OKAY, THEY WILL BOTH BE CONDUCTED ON THE SAME
NIGHT?
OKAY, VERY GOOD.
CALL TO BOARDING CLERK?

>>TRUSTEE STRAW: PASS.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: PAST.

>>TRUSTEE LEVING-JACOBSEN: PAST.

>>TRUSTEE TAGLIA: PASS.

>>TRUSTEE EDER: PASS.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: OUR GRATITUDE TO ALL VETERANS, THERE WAS A VERY NICE CEREMONY THIS MORNING THAT IS DONE EVERY YEAR ORGANIZED BY VOLUNTEERS, BRIAN FLORA, ELISE KURT, MARION P AND THE ATWOOD 'S. THEY DO AN AMAZING JOB EVERY YEAR.

I WOULD READ MY COMMENTS, BUT IT IS TOO LATE.

I ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO ADJOURN PEER.

>>SPEAKER: MOVE.

>>SPEAKER: SECOND.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: ALL IN FAVOR?

(MULTIPLE SPEAKERS)

AYE.