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>> TRUSTEE LEVING JACOBSEN.
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>> TRUSTEE STRAW.
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>> TRUSTEE TAGLIA.
>> HERE.
>> TRUSTEE WESLEY.
>> HERE.
>> PRESIDENT SCAMAN.
>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: HERE.

[MICROPHONE TURNED OFF]

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS SUBMITTED.

AM I STILL PULLING THE (WORD?)?

REMOVING ITEM L FROM CONSENT TO REGULAR.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: MOTION, PLEASE.

>> SO MOVED.

>> SECOND.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: ALL IN FAVOR?

>> AYE.

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

ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE MARCH 18, 2025 MEETING OF THE VILLAGE BOARD.

>> SO MOVED.

>> SECOND.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: ALL IN FAVOR?

>> AYE.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: HEARING NO NAY'S, THE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES FROM MARCH 18 ARE APPROVED.

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

>>CLERK: YES WE DO.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: IF YOU WILL PLEASE PROCEED THEN.

>>CLERK: WE HAVE LES A GOLDEN ONLINE.

LES, CAN YOU HEAR ME?

>>PUBLIC SPEAKER: YES I CAN AND NOW I KNOW HOW TO USE THE AUDIO.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: WELCOME, LES.

>>CLERK: YOU CAN START YOUR COMMENTS.

YOU HAVE THREE MINUTES.

>>CLERK: I THINK WE HAVE OTHER PEOPLE WHO WANT TO SPEAK, TOO.

WE WERE GOING TO HAVE MORE PEOPLE SHOW UP, BUT IT WAS MY FAULT, I SENT TO OUR GROUP - 400 PEOPLE ON OUR EMAIL LIST LAST WEEK'S LINK AND I DID NOT SEE THAT CLERK WATERS HAD IT SENT TO ME THE LINK FOR THIS MEETING. WE EXPECTED MORE PEOPLE, I DON'T KNOW IF THE OTHER LADIES WILL BE PRESENTING OUR ISSUE.

EIGHT MONTHS AGO, NORTHWEST OAK PARK WENT INTO A TIZZY UPON DISCOVERING THE SIGN PLACED ON THE FENCE AT FIELD PLAYGROUND THAT THEY PARK DISTRICT HAD APPROVED A NEW RENOVATION OF FIELD PLAYGROUND, WHICH INCLUDED LEVELING THE HILL, CUTTING DOWN A BUNCH OF 100-YEAR-OLD TREES, DESTROYING THE (WORD?) AND THE HISTORIC VANDENBERG AND FIELDHOUSE.

EIGHT MONTHS AGO - I WILL NOT GO INTO ALL THE DETAILS OF HOW WE INTERACTED WITH THE PARK BOARD.

I SENT A HISTORY OF THAT TWO WEEKS AGO.

THAT IS IN YOUR INBOX IF YOU HAVE NOT READ IT, BUT THE BOTTOM LINE WAS, IN JANUARY THE PARK BOARD APPROVED THE INITIAL PLAN.

THERE HAD BEEN NO CITIZEN INPUT.

THE CITIZEN INPUT WAS IGNORED.

SEVERAL HOURS OF PUBLIC COMMENT, MEETING INDIVIDUALLY WITH THE COMMISSIONERS.

308 PETITIONS, IT LED US TO THE EDITOR.

EVERYTHING THAT ONE COULD THINK OF, BUT IT WAS ESSENTIALLY IGNORED. THE REASON GIVEN IS THERE IS A 26 CHILD WAITING LIST FOR DANCE CLASSES.

THAT IS WHAT IS DRIVING A \$3 MILLION PROJECT AND DESTRUCTION OF THE CHARACTER FIELD PLAYGROUND.

SUNDAY, PRESIDENT SCAMAN WAS GRACIOUS ENOUGH TO TAKE TIME OUT FROM HER BUSY LIFE AND TAKING TIME OUT ON THE WEEKEND TO MEET WITH A SMALL GROUP OF US UNDER THE GAZEBO AT FIELD PLAYGROUND.

THE MEETING DOUBLED IN SIZE AS PEOPLE WITH THEIR KIDS AT FIELD PLAYGROUND CAME AND WANTED TO PUT IN THEIR TWO CENTS.

IF I REMEMBER CORRECTLY, PRESIDENT SCAMAN REACTING TO OUR CONCERN HAD FOUR POINTS SHE WAS CONCERNED ABOUT.

THE DESTRUCTION OF 100-YEAR-OLD TREES, THE DESTRUCTION OF THE TODD LOT, THE SAFETY ISSUE WITH AUGMENTED TRAFFIC ALONG BROOKSHIRE AND THE PARK DISTRICT, ONCE AGAIN COMPETING WITH THE PUBLIC INTEREST.

FIVE PRIVATE DANCE STUDIOS ARE IN OAK PARK.

THEY ARE GOING TO FEEL THIS IF THE PROJECT GOES THROUGH.

I WILL NOT GO INTO ALL THE DETAIL BECAUSE I WOULD LIKE TO SUGGEST SOMETHING.

IN THE OLD DAYS AND PERHAPS CURRENTLY, I THINK IT IS THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL COUNCIL THAT IS COMPOSED OF THE PRESIDENTS OF THE VARIOUS SEVEN BOARDS OR ARE NOT SURE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND THE PRINCIPLES OF THE SCHOOLS, BUT IN ANY CASE THEY GET TOGETHER TO DISCUSS COMMON INTERESTS.

THERE WAS ONE PERSON WHO I DID NOT KNOW.

HIS NAME WAS JUDGE GALLAGHER AND HE SAID, WHY DON'T YOU JUST BUILD IT ON THE MAN SCHOOL PARKING LOT AND HAVE PARKING UNDERGROUND?

BRILLIANT CONCEPT.

I WOULD LIKE TO SUGGEST THAT INSTEAD THAT THE VILLAGE IN THE PARK DISTRICT AND DISTRICT 97 GET TOGETHER AT A IGOV MEETING AND DISCUSS USING FACILITIES THAT ALREADY EXIST AT MAN SCHOOL.

YES (NAME?) HOME USES THE FACILITY AFTER SCHOOL, BUT I TALKED TO THE HEAD OF THE (NAME?) PROGRAM, THE DAYCARE AND THEY ONLY USE THE LUNCH ROOM, WHICH MAKES SENSE.

THEY HAVE TABLES TO DO ARTS AND CRAFTS, THE REFRIGERATOR AND THE TRADES.

THEY NEVER USE THE GYM AND THEY NEVER USE THE COMMONS AREA.

THAT IS WHERE THE DANCE STUDIOS COULD BE.

>>CLERK: I THINK YOU.

>>PUBLIC SPEAKER: OKAY.

THERE WAS A WOMAN BY THE NAME OF CANDI BUTERA THAT COULD NOT SPEAK. COULD I HAVE HEARD THREE MINUTES OR ONE MINUTE?

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: I'M NOT SURE I KNOW WHO CANDI IS.

>>PUBLIC SPEAKER: SHE IS A RESIDENT OF NORTHWEST OAK PARK.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: I DO NOT DOUBT THAT, BUT CAN YOU EMAIL US? I WILL GIVE YOU ONE MINUTE.

>>PUBLIC SPEAKER: THANK YOU.

THE OTHER OPTION IS TO - AS JUDGE GALLAGHER SUGGESTED IS TO USE THE PARKING LOT.

THE SAFETY ISSUE WOULD BE RESOLVED BECAUSE KIDS WOULD NOT BE OFF ON THE STREET, THEY WOULD BE LET OFF ON THE BLACKTOP.

THE ISSUE IS YOU CONVENE A IGOV MEETING AS SOON AS POSSIBLE BECAUSE THEY WILL START DESTROYING THE TREES IN A MATTER OF A COUPLE OF WEEKS. THE MINUTES ARE NOT UP-TO-DATE SO IT IS HARD TO TELL WHEN THEY ARE GOING TO START AND SEE IF DISTRICT 97 AND THE PARK DISTRICT CAN SAVE OUR PARK.

IT IS A GREEN AND SERENE NATURAL PARK AND WE DO NOT WANT TO SEE IT DESTROYED.

PLEASE TRY TO CONVENE IGOV AND WORK WITH DISTRICT 97 TO USE EXISTING PARKING LOT SPACE OR THE GYM OR THE SOUTH MULTIUSE AFTERSCHOOL CLASSES.

THANK YOU FOR LETTING ME HAVE AN EXTRA MINUTE.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: I THINK YOU, LES.

ANYBODY ELSE, CHRISTINA?

>>CLERK: JOYCE?

JOYCE PORTER?

>>PUBLIC SPEAKER: SORRY, I FORGOT TO UNMUTE.

I FEEL THAT THE PARK DISTRICT IS NOT LISTENING TO THE RESIDENTS OF THE AREA AND NOT GIVING THEM WHAT THEY WANT, WHICH SEEMS TO ME TO BE THERE JOB, RATHER THAN IMPOSING A PROJECT ON THEM.

SO THAT IS THE LONG AND SHORT OF IT.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: I THINK YOU, JOYCE.

ANYBODY ELSE?

>>CLERK: I'M NOT SURE, WHITNEY?

ARE YOU HERE FOR PUBLIC COMMENT OR TO PRESENT FOR AN AGENDA ITEM?

>>SPEAKER: I AM HERE ON BEHALF OF AN AGENDA ITEM IF NEEDED.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THAT IS ALL?

OKAY, THANK YOU.

I HAVE TO SAY THAT COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC SUMMARIZING WHAT AN ELECTED OFFICIAL SAID - I WAS CAREFUL TO ACKNOWLEDGE WHAT IS THE ROLE OF MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT VERSUS THE PARK DISTRICT AND THOSE ARE SUMMARIES FROM THE NEIGHBORS, NOT MINE.

THANK YOU.

I DO APPRECIATE THE CONCERN OF NEIGHBORS.

WE HAVE THREE PROCLAMATIONS ON OUR AGENDA THIS EVENING.

THE FIRST IS TO APPROVE A PROCLAMATION FOR NATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS WEEK. ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO APPROVE THE PROCLAMATION FOR NATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS WEEK?

>> SO MOVED.

>> SECOND.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: SECONDED BY TRUSTEE WESLEY.

THANK YOU.

THE PURPOSE OF THE PROCLAMATION IS REALLY TO HONOR, RESPECT AND TO HIGHLIGHT THE HARD WORK OF OUR PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT AND HOW IT

AFFECTS US AND KEEPS US SAFE IN EVERYDAY LIFE AND THE RESPONSIBLE NATURE OF MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT TO ENSURE OUR INFRASTRUCTURE CAN WITHSTAND WHATEVER HAZARDS AND NATURAL AND OTHERWISE THAT MIGHT COME OUR WAY.

WE ARE VERY GRATEFUL FOR THE 65TH ANNUAL NATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS WEEK SPONSORED BY THE NATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS ASSOCIATION AND CANADIAN PUBLIC WORKS ASSOCIATION.

THANK YOU.

ALL IN FAVOR?

>> AYE.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THE FULL PROCLAMATION IS ON THE VILLAGE WEBSITE.

THE SECOND PROCLAMATION WE WOULD ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO APPROVE A PROCLAMATION FOR BUILDING SAFETY MONTH.

>> SO MOVED.

>> SECOND.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: AGAIN, HIGHLIGHTING THE WORK - THE GOOD WORK OF OUR PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

THE OTHER, ALSO INCLUSIVE OF THE SERVICES TO RESIDENTS INCLUDING WATER AND SANITATION.

THIS IS OUR BUILDING SAFETY MONTH.

ALL IN FAVOR?

>> AYE.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: A THANK YOU.

THE FULL PROCLAMATION CAN BE FOUND ON THE VILLAGE WEBSITE.

AND THEN WE ALSO HAVE - ENTERTAIN A MOTION FOR NATIONAL BIKE MONTH FOR MAY 2025.

MOTION, PLEASE.

>> SO MOVED.

>> SECOND.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: OKAY.

MOTIONED BY TRUSTEE WESLEY IN THE SECONDED BY TRUSTEE STRAW.

THE BIKE MONTH IS ABOUT HIGHLIGHTING HOW WRITING BIKES IN THE INFRASTRUCTURE THAT WE ARE COMMITTED TO HERE IN THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK CONTRIBUTES TO A MORE SUSTAINABLE AND HEALTHIER FUTURE OF OUR RESIDENTS AND OUR FULL SUPPORT OF THAT AGENDA.

THE FULL PROCLAMATION CAN BE FOUND ON THE VILLAGE WEBSITE.

ALL IN FAVOR?

>> AYE.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: A THANK YOU.

ALL THREE PROCLAMATIONS HAVE BEEN APPROVED THIS EVENING.

VILLAGE MANAGER REPORTS.

DEBBIE VILLAGE MANAGER LISA SHELLEY.

>> GOOD EVENING.

AT THE FIRST ITEM IS AN UPDATE ON THE GAS POWERED LEAF BLOWER ORDINANCE.

THIS IS A PHASED-IN ORDINANCE.

SO WE HAVE JONATHAN BIRCH, OUR ASSISTANT VILLAGE MANAGER, NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES DIRECTOR TO GIVE US AN UPDATE BECAUSE IT IS GOING INTO EFFECT IN JUNE, FULL EFFECT.

>>JONATHAN BURCH: THANK YOU, LISA.

NICE TO SEE ALL OF YOU.

GIVEN THAT THE GAS POWERED LEAF BLOWER BAN WILL GO INTO EFFECT AS OF JUNE 1, THIS IS AN OPPORTUNE TIME TO GIVE THE BOARD AN UPDATE ON THE LIMITATION WHAT THAT HAS BEEN LIKE TODAY, A LITTLE BIT ABOUT WHAT ENFORCEMENT IS PLANNING TO DO ABOUT IT.

AS A REMINDER, BACK IN SPRING OF 2023 THE BOARD ADOPTED A PHASED-IN APPROACH TO THE BAN OF GAS POWERED LEAF BLOWERS.

OVER THE SUMMERS OF 2023 AND 2024, YOU COULD NOT USE GAS POWERED LEAF BLOWERS THEN, BUT YOU COULD USE THEM THE REST OF THE TIME.

FALL, WINTER, SPRING, BUT BEGINNING JUNE ONE OF THIS YEAR, THERE WILL BE A FULL BAN ON GAS POWERED LEAF BLOWERS.

WHO DOES THIS APPLY TO?

IT APPLIES TO LANDSCAPERS, PROPERTY OWNERS AND BUSINESS OWNERS.

THE ORDINANCE WAS ALSO WRITTEN IN SUCH A WAY THAT IT APPLIES TO PROPERTY OWNERS IF THEY ARE USING A LANDSCAPING FIRM DOING THE WORK ON THEIR PROPERTY.

SO GIVES THE VILLAGE THE ABILITY TO DO ENFORCEMENT ON THE PROPERTY OWNER AND THE FIRM WHEN THEY ARE FOUND TO USE THE GAS POWERED LEAF BLOWER.

OF COURSE, ELECTRIC LEAF BLOWERS, STILL PERMITTED DURING THOSE TIMES AND WITH CERTAIN SPECIFIC TIME RESTRICTIONS.

BOTH AROUND MONDAY-FRIDAY, SATURDAY AND SUNDAY, AS WELL AS SOUND LEVELS AND THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK HAS AND CONTINUES TO MAINTAIN A CONTRACTOR REGISTRATION REQUIREMENT FOR FIRMS THAT ARE LANDSCAPERS IN THE COMMUNITY AND THEY NEED TO BE ABLE TO REGISTER AS PART OF THE PROCESS.

THE VILLAGE HAS BEEN DOING AVERAGE AND DID AVERAGE IN 2023 AND 2024 AND CONTINUES TO DO IT NOW IN 2025 TO A VARIETY OF DIFFERENT GROUPS. AS A REFLECTION BACK, A LITTLE BIT ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED IN 2023 AND 2024, THE VILLAGE DID A VARIETY OF DIFFERENT THINGS.

POSTING ONLINE, BEING ABLE TO USE E BLAST, DOING RESIDENT SURVEYING AND MAKING SURE WE ARE HAVING CONVERSATIONS WITH LANDSCAPERS.

A LOT OF DIRECT EMAILS AND CONVERSATIONS, AS WELL AS A DISCRETIONARY ENFORCEMENT APPROACH.

IN 2023 THE VILLAGE ISSUED NO TICKETS DURING THE BAN THAT SUMMER. NOTICES, LETTING PEOPLE KNOW THAT THEY WERE VIOLATING THE REQUIREMENT DURING THAT TIMEFRAME, BUT NOT GOING DOWN THE TICKET ROUTE.

IN 2024, AGAIN, OVER THE SUM OF THE PRIMARY FOCUS OF OUR CODE ENFORCEMENT AS STAFF WAS TO DO EDUCATION FIRST AND FOREMOST. ONLY TWO TICKETS WERE WRITTEN DURING THAT SUMMER FOR DIFFERENT FIRMS TOWARDS THE END OF IT, BUT EVERYTHING ELSE WAS BASED OFF OF EDUCATION DURING THAT TIME.

THAT CONTINUES ON INTO 2025 AND SOME OF THE ACTIVITIES WE HAVE BEEN DOING.

IN PARTICULAR, THERE IS THE CARRYOVER BENEFIT FROM THE ENGAGEMENT ACTIVITIES THAT HAPPEN THE PRIOR TWO YEARS, BUT I WANT TO BE CLEAR THAT WE DID AN ADDITIONAL SURVEYING OF LANDSCAPERS THIS SPRING IN APRIL AND WE HELD A LANDSCAPER OPEN HOUSE ON APRIL 30, AS WELL AS DOING A LOT OF DIRECT ENGAGEMENT OF LANDSCAPING FIRMS.

I WILL TALK ABOUT THE DIRECT ENGAGEMENT THAT WE ARE DOING WITH BUSINESS OWNERS AND PROPERTY OWNERS IN JUST A MOMENT.

SPECIFICALLY, I THINK THE DIRECT ENGAGEMENT IS IMPORTANT TO HIGHLIGHT. OUR CODE ENFORCEMENT STAFF AS ARE OUT AND ABOUT DOING INSPECTIONS, CONDOMINIUM INSPECTIONS AND THOSE THINGS, THEY ARE CARRYING FLYERS OUT AND ABOUT INTO THE COMMUNITY.

THE TASK MANDATE IS IF THEY SEE A LANDSCAPER IN THE COMMUNITY, SEE ANYBODY THAT IS OUT USING A GAS POWERED LEAF BLOWER, THEY WILL STOP THAT PERSON AND HAVE A CONVERSATION WITH THAT PERSON, HAVE A CONVERSATION ABOUT THE UPCOMING BAN.

WE ARE DOING A LOT OF DIRECT ONE-ON-ONE ENGAGEMENT DURING THIS TIME. IN ADDITION TO OUR CODE ENFORCEMENT STUFF, OBVIOUSLY WE ARE ASKING OUR PUBLIC WORKS STAFF WHO ARE OUT AND ABOUT ON THE STREET EVERY DAY, HELPING OUT AND PASSING OUT THE FLYERS AS WELL.

WE DID GET FEEDBACK FROM BOTH OF THE TWO SESSIONS THAT I MENTIONED. ONE AROUND THE SURVEY AND ONE AROUND THE OPEN HOUSE THAT WE HELD BACK ON APRIL 30.

THIS TALKS A LITTLE BIT ABOUT THE FEEDBACK WE HEARD FROM THE ONLINE SURVEY.

A LITTLE BIT ABOUT SOME - BOTH SOME OF THE CHALLENGES THAT FOLKS HAVE, AND SKIPPERS HAVE AROUND THE TRANSITION OF BATTERY PERFORMANCE OVER THE LONG TERM AND A LITTLE BIT ABOUT HOW IT IS TO BE ABLE TO COMPLY, BUT ALSO IN THIS CASE FROM A FIRM OR TWO THAT WAS RELATIVELY POSITIVE ABOUT THE BAN.

AT THE LANDSCAPER OPEN HOUSE THAT WE HAD FIVE OF OUR REGISTERED FIRMS ATTENDED DURING THE MEETING, THEY WERE EXPRESSING CONCERNS AROUND THE ABILITY OF INCENTIVES, LACK OF CHARGING STATIONS, BATTERY DISPOSAL ASSISTANCE - THINGS OF THAT NATURE AS WELL.

WE DID WANT TO CALL OUT, OUT OF OUR 17 - THERE ARE 17 FIRMS THAT ARE REGISTERED AS OF RIGHT NOW WITH THE VILLAGE - I KNOW THERE ARE MANY MORE YOU SEE OUT ON THE STREET, BUT THERE 17 OFFICIALLY REGISTERED WITH THE VILLAGE.

OUT OF THOSE WE HAVE RECEIVED PART OF THE SURVEY RESPONSES ASKING LIKE, HAVE YOU MADE THE SWITCH, IF YOU HAVE, LET US KNOW AND WE ARE HAPPY TO CALL YOU OUT IN OUR OUT AND ABOUT.

THIS IS THE ONLY FIRM THAT RESPONDED SAYING THAT THEY PROACTIVELY MADE THE SWITCH.

OUR CODE ENFORCEMENT STAFF HAVE FOUND OTHER FIRMS AS THEY HAVE BEEN OUT ABOUT THE COMMUNITY THAT HAVE MADE THE SWITCH, BUT HAVE NOT REGISTERED WITH THE VILLAGE YET SO WE ARE WORKING WITH THEM TO GET THEM REGISTERED WHEN THE INITIAL PHASED IN BAN WAS APPROVED IN 2023, ONE OF THE THINGS OFFERED WAS THE ABILITY TO NOT HAVE US CHARGE THE \$50 FEE TO GET YOU TO REGISTER WITH THE VILLAGE.

DURING THIS TIME PERIOD UP UNTIL JUNE 1 WHEN YOU CAN REGISTER WITH THE VILLAGE AS A LANDSCAPING FIRM WITH NO COST.

WE ARE TRYING TO GET THOSE FIRMS IN AS WELL SO WE CAN CALL THEM OUT AS PART OF THIS.

IT IS A RESOURCE TO RESIDENTS WHEN THEY ASK AND SAY, IS THERE ANYBODY WHO IS ACTUALLY COMPLYING?

WE CAN POINT THEIR WAY.

THIS IS A FIRM THAT HAS DONE SO.

WE HAVE ALSO BEEN DOING A LOT OF OUTREACH TO PROPERTY OWNERS.

IN SOME OF THIS IS DIRECT EMAILS TO THE GROUPS THAT YOU SEE LISTED ON THE SLIDE, BUT ALSO IMPORTANT TO RECOGNIZE IF YOU HAVE TAKEN A LOOK AT YOUR OP FYI IF THAT IS IN YOUR INBOX YET, YOUR MAILBOX, INFORMATION INCLUDED IN THERE.

AND DELIVERED FLYERS AS WE ARE TALKING ABOUT.

OBVIOUSLY WE HAVE OUR WELCOME CENTER GREETING STAFF EVERY DAY THAT ARE OUT THERE PASSING OUT THE MESSAGE.

STAFF ARE OUT AT DIFFERENT COMMUNITY EVENTS, INCLUDING THE FARMERS MARKET.

THIS PAST WEEKEND AND FOR THE NEXT TWO WEEKENDS FOR THE CIVIC ENGAGEMENT FESTIVAL AND GETTING THE WORD OUT TO AS MANY FOLKS AS POSSIBLE ABOUT THE CHANGES THAT ARE COMING SO FOLKS ARE READY AND PREPARED FOR WHAT THAT MEANS.

ONE OF THE THINGS WE HAVE BEEN WORKING WITH IN PARTICULAR WITH PUBLIC WORDS AND SUSTAINABILITY IS DOING SOME FORM OF ADDITIONAL BENEFIT IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE TWO ACE HARDWARE STORES HERE IN TOWN.

ONE OF THE THINGS THEY'RE OFFERING AS YOU CAN SEE ON THE SCREEN IS THE \$20 GIFT CARD WITH THE PURCHASE OF A NEW ELECTRIC LEAF BLOWER THROUGHOUT MAY.

IN EITHER ONE OF THE TWO ACE HARDWARE IS HERE IN TOWN ALONG CHICAGO AVENUE.

IT WILL ALSO BE PARTNERING WITH US ON MAY 31 BUYBACK EVENT THAT IS OPEN TO REGISTERED LANDSCAPERS AND RESIDENTS.

THAT MEANS ON THE DAY, IF YOU COME IN BETWEEN 10 AND ONE OR 10 AND TWO, THEY WILL GIVE \$50 TO THE RESIDENT THAT IS COMING IN, IN ADDITION

TO THE \$20 GIFT CARD OR \$100 TO A LANDSCAPER CHOOSING TO MAKE THAT UPGRADE AT THE TIME.

TRADE IN THE GAS POWERED LEAF BLOWER AND MAKE THE SWITCH TO AN ELECTRIC ONE.

THIS IS PART OF - THIS IS THE FIRST TIME THE VILLAGE IS DOING SOMETHING LIKE THIS FOR GASPARD LEE POWERS.

WE'LL SEE HOW IT GOES ON MAY 31 AND IF THERE IS A LOT OF DEMAND, DEPENDING ON THE ROLLOUT, ONE OF THE THINGS WE HAVE BEEN TALKING ABOUT IS WHETHER OR NOT WE WOULD NEED TO REVISIT AND DO ADDITIONAL ROUND OF A PROGRAM LIKE THIS.

IF WE NEED TO, WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO MAKE THAT HAPPEN.

THAT SAID, STARTING JUNE 1 WE HAVE TO BE READY FOR ENFORCEMENT AND THAT IS ONE OF THE CONVERSATIONS WE HAVE BEEN TALKING ABOUT INTERNALLY.

STAFF WHO ARE INTERESTED IN MOVING FORWARD WITH STRICT ENFORCEMENT. BECAUSE WE HAVE DONE A LOT OF EDUCATION OVER THE PAST TWO YEARS. MOVING INSTEAD WITH WRITING TICKETS AND LIMITED USE OF WARNINGS WITH LANDSCAPERS AND RESIDENTS.

AS WELL AS DEDICATING A SPECIFIC INSPECTOR ON THE CODE ENFORCEMENT TEAM TO RESPOND TO COMPLAINTS.

WE KNOW OVER THE LAST TWO SUMMERS THAT THE MINUTE IT TURNS TO THAT TIME OF YEAR WHEN THE GAS POWERED LEAF BLOWERS ARE BANNED, WE SEE AN UPTICK OF FOLKS ASKING TO GO ON ONE OF THE THINGS WE GET IS - DID YOU SEND SOMEONE OUT FAST ENOUGH?

I SENT YOU THE NOTE NOW AND IT TOOK YOU AN HOUR TO GET OUT THERE.

THERE IS INFORMATION AS YOU SEE ON THE SLIDE HERE OF HOW PEOPLE ARE ABLE TO REPORT THE INFORMATION TO US, BUT WE ALSO WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE HAVE STAFF THAT IS POSITIONED TO BE RESPONSIVE TO THE ISSUES AND CHALLENGES THAT FOLKS ARE FACING.

WITH THAT, QUESTIONS ON THE BOARD?

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: QUESTIONS FROM MY COLLEAGUES?
PLEASE.

>>TRUSTEE STRAW: QUICK QUESTION, HOW TO GET CONTRACTORS TO REGISTER IF THERE'S ONLY 17?
WE HAVE TO HAVE AT LEAST 100 ROAMING AROUND.

>>JONATHAN BURCH: I THINK THIS IS A WAY TO GET FOLKS TO REGISTER BECAUSE WE WILL BE DOING MORE DEDICATED ENFORCEMENT AROUND THIS TOPIC THEN WE HAVE IN MANY YEARS AND THIS IS A MOMENT.
ONE OF THE THINGS THAT OUR DEDICATED INSPECTOR HAS BEEN ASKED TO DO IS LOOK AT BOTH ARE YOU USING A GASPARD LEAF BLOWER AND ARE YOU REGISTERED AND USING IT TO BE ABLE TO DO BOTH AT THE SAME TIME.

>>TRUSTEE TAGLIA: CERTAINLY THAT WILL HELP IF YOU HAVE THAT LIST, I THINK.
YOU CAN NOTIFY, COMMUNICATE, THE WHOLE THING.

ALSO, DO THEY REQUIRE - I'M JUST CURIOUS, I DON'T KNOW THE ANSWER, BUSINESS LICENSES?

IS THAT REQUIRED BY CONTRACTORS?

>>JONATHAN BURCH: ONLY OF THE BUSINESS IS LOCATED IN THE COMMUNITY.

I'D SAY THE OFFICE IS IN FOREST PARK, THEY ONLY NEED THE CONTRACTOR REGISTRATION TO OPERATE IN OAK PARK, WHEREAS IF IT WAS ALSO BASED IN OAK PARK YOU WOULD HAVE TO DO BOTH.

>>TRUSTEE TAGLIA: THEY DO NOT HAVE TO PROVIDE INSURANCE OR ANYTHING?

>>JONATHAN BURCH: I WOULD HAVE TO CHECK ALL THE CONTRACTOR REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS FOR THAT.

>>TRUSTEE TAGLIA: JUST WONDERING.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: TRUSTEE WESLEY?

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: A COUPLE OF QUESTIONS.

THE FIRST ONE IS, WITH THE TICKETING OF THE CONTRACTORS, IF WE ISSUE A TICKET TO THE CONTRACTOR, ARE WE PLANNING TO ALSO ISSUE A TICKET TO THE HOMEOWNER?

>> YES WE ARE.

>> WE WILL NOT ISSUE ONE WITHOUT THE OTHER?

>> THAT IS THE IDEA.

ESPECIALLY INITIALLY, WE WANT TO MAKE SURE BOTH PARTIES ARE AWARE, NOTIFIED AND WE ARE FOLLOWING UP WITH TICKETS.

WE WANT TO BE AGGRESSIVE AROUND THE ENFORCEMENT.

>> I DON'T THINK WE SHOULD EVER ISSUE ONE WITHOUT THE OTHER, UNLESS WE FIND WE HAVE CONTRACTORS THAT ARE VIGILANTE LEAF BLOWING IN OAK PARK, RIGHT?

IN THAT CASE THEN SURE.

THEY TYPICALLY GET PAID BY SOMEONE WHO LIVES HERE TO COME HERE AND PERFORM A SERVICE AND SO I THINK THAT PERSON SHOULD BE RESPONSIBLE AS WELL.

>>JONATHAN BURCH: OKAY.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: THE RESIDENCE CAN HELP ENFORCEMENT PART OF THIS.

I GET IT, FEELS ICKY.

I KNOW IT IS GOING TO HAPPEN ANYWAY.

THIS WHOLE THING IS A HOT BUTTON ISSUE AND I CANNOT GO ANYWHERE ON SOCIAL MEDIA IN THE LAST YEAR, MAYBE YEAR AND 1/2 WITHOUT SOMEONE SAYING, OUR LEAF BLOWERS A BANNED YET?

CAN WE CALL THE COPS ON THESE FOLKS YET?

IF SO I KNOW DOES NOT MATTER WHETHER OR NOT OAK PARK IS CAN HELP WITH ENFORCEMENT OR NOT, YOU WILL GET IT ANYWAY.

I THINK THAT WILL BE INTERESTING.

ONE OF THE REASONS I'M INSISTENT AROUND THE HOMEOWNER GETTING A TICKET AS WELL AS THE CONTRACTOR IS BECAUSE RESIDENTS WILL HELP WITH THE ENFORCEMENT, RIGHT?

AND I THINK IT IS IMPORTANT THAT THE NEIGHBORS WHO ARE CALLING ON NEIGHBORS, LIKE YOU NEED TO TALK TO YOUR NEIGHBOR AND NOT JUST CALL THE COPS ON THEM.

YOU KNOW?

SO IF THE HOMEOWNER DOES NOT GET THE TICKET, THEN THE HOMEOWNER DOES NOT FEEL THE PAIN AND THE HOMEOWNER DOES NOT KNOW THAT THEIR NEIGHBOR CALLED ON THEM FOR USING A GAS POWERED LEAF BLOWER.

I THINK THE ONLY WAY TO KEEP THIS CONTAINED AND REASONABLE AS IF THERE IS SOME SORT OF INTERPERSONAL ACCOUNTABILITY AMONGST NEIGHBORS.

SO THAT IS REALLY THE MAIN REASON - MAYBE THE SECOND MAIN REASON THAT I FOCUS SO HARD ON THE HOMEOWNER GETTING TICKETS AS WELL.

THE OTHER ONE IS THAT MOST OF THE LANDSCAPER CONTRACTORS IN OUR VILLAGE ARE GOING TO BE TYPICALLY HISPANIC, AND JUST CALLING AUTHORITIES ON FOLKS BEING PAID TO PERFORM THE SERVICE, WHERE ENGLISH IS THEIR SECOND LANGUAGE, THAT FEELS ICKY TO ME, TOO.

THAT IS GOING TO BE SOMETHING THAT WE ARE ENCOURAGING, I THINK THE PERSON WHO IS PAYING THEM TO BE HERE NEEDS TO FEEL THE CONSEQUENCES WELL.

>>JONATHAN BURCH: THIS WEEKEND WHEN ANSWERING QUESTIONS AT THE FARMERS MARKET, A LOT OF THE QUESTIONS WHEN I STOP SOMEONE AND SAID, DO YOU KNOW ABOUT THE BAN?

I GUESS I KNOW ABOUT THE BAND.

GREAT, DO YOU DO YOUR OWN LANDSCAPING OR DO YOU HIRE SOMEBODY?

A GOOD NUMBER OF PEOPLE SAID, I HIRE SOMEBODY.

I OKAY, DO THEY KNOW ABOUT THE BAND?

THEY PAUSED.

THAT IS WHAT WE ARE TRYING TO HELP US MAKE SURE FOLKS KNOW THAT IT APPLIES IN BOTH WAYS AND FOLKS ARE AWARE OF THE ACT THAT THE VILLAGE WILL BE TAKING BOTH PARTIES AND THAT IS PART OF THE ENFORCEMENT ORDINANCE.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: THAT IS ALL I HAVE.

THANK YOU.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: ANY OTHER COMMENTS THIS EVENING?

OKAY.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR PRESENTATION AND - IF YOU ARE GOING TO BE ENCOURAGING UPDATES TO THIS OR AN ALTERNATIVE RESPONSE BASED ON FEEDBACK AND SUCCESS YOU WILL COME BACK TO US, CORRECT?

>>JONATHAN BURCH: THAT IS CORRECT.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: OKAY, THANK YOU.

LISA, ANYTHING FURTHER WITH THE VILLAGE MANAGERS REPORT?

>> THE LAST ITEM IS OUR ROUTINE UPDATE ON CALENDARS.

THIS IS USUALLY A SNAPSHOT ON THE BOARD GOALS THAT ARE READY FOR DISCUSSION IN THE COMING MONTHS AND THAT IS WHAT YOU SEE HERE POSTED TONIGHT.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: GREAT.

HAS EVERYBODY HAD A CHANCE TO REVIEW THE CALENDARS AND IF SO, DO YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ON EITHER THE TIMING OF ANYTHING OR ANY CHALLENGES YOU MIGHT HAVE WITH THE CALENDAR AS IT IS BEING PRESENTED?

OKAY.

VERY GOOD.

BRIAN AND TRUSTEE ENYIA, I HOPE YOU'LL INTERRUPT ME IF THERE IS ADDITIONAL COMMENTS YOU HAVE.

GO AHEAD, TRUSTEE WESLEY.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: ON JUNE 3 THERE IS THE BIKE PLAN UPDATE. IS THAT A STUDY SESSION OR IS THAT FOR A VOTE?

>> THAT IS A STUDY SESSION AND THE VOTE IS THREE WEEKS LATER IN JULY.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: GOT IT.

THANK YOU.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: GOOD THING TO HIGHLIGHT.

THANK YOU.

THEN WE WILL MOVE TO VILLAGE BOARD COMMITTEES.

THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR ANY CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS TO PROVIDE AN UPDATE FOR THE COMMUNITIES THEY SERVE ON.

I KNOW OUR NEWER TRUSTEES HAVE NOT BEEN ASSIGNED TO - AS LIAISONS. ANYBODY CURRENTLY SEATED, IF YOU HAVE AN UPDATE, THIS IS YOUR TIME. OKAY.

HEARING NONE, CITIZEN COMMISSION VACANCY REPORT.

AS IS CUSTOMARY, THE VILLAGE CLERK PROVIDES AN UPDATE OF WHERE THE VACANCIES ARE IN THE COMMISSIONS.

ANYBODY INTERESTED IN SERVING CAN EMAIL THE CLERK'S OFFICE AT CLERK@OAK-PARK.US.

WE DO NOT HAVE ANY APPOINTMENTS THIS EVENING.

I ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA, MINUS HAVING REMOVED ITEM L FROM CONSENT TO REGULAR.

MOTION, PLEASE?

>> SO MOVED.

>> SECOND.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: MOTION BY TRUSTEE WESLEY AND DISSECTED BY TRUSTEE LEVING JACOBSEN.

AND CLERK WATERS, PLEASE TAKE THE ROLL.

>> TRUSTEE ENYIA.

>> YES.

>> TRUSTEE LEVING JACOBSEN.

>> YES.

>> TRUSTEE STRAW.

>> YES.
>> TRUSTEE TAGLIA.
>> YES.
>> TRUSTEE WESLEY.
>> YES.
>> PRESIDENT SCAMAN.
>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: YES.

MOVING TO THE REGULAR AGENDA.

I THINK WE WILL TAKE ITEM L FOR SPEED RESOLUTION APPROVING AND
ADOPTING THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK'S OFFICIAL ZONING CODE.
MOTION, PLEASE.

>> SO MOVED.
>> SECOND.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: I THINK.

WE CAN BEGIN DISCUSSION.

DEPUTY VILLAGE MANAGER LISA SHELLEY.

>> THIS ITEM IS A ITEM THAT THE VILLAGE DOES FROM TIME TO TIME
AND HERE IS CRAIG FALOR, CUSTOMER SERVICES DIRECTOR TO PROVIDE AN
OVERVIEW.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: I THINK YOU.

>> THANK YOU.

THIS ITEM BEFORE YOU IS AN UPDATE OR RE-ADOPTION OF THE ZONING MAP
BASED ON THE CHANGES MADE IN THE PREVIOUS YEAR.

THIS IS REQUIRED BY STATE STATUES THAT MUNICIPALITY ADOPT OR RE-ADOPT
THE ZONING MAP EACH YEAR IF THERE WERE CHANGES MADE FROM THE PREVIOUS
YEAR.

IN THIS INSTANCE THERE'S A CHANGE MADE FROM LAST YEAR, WHICH IS THE
ADDITION OF A PLAN DEVELOPMENT AT 1106 MADISON ST., WHICH IS AN
AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEVELOP MEANT.

WE ARE ADDING THAT TO THE LIST OF PLAN DEVELOPMENT ON THE MAP AND
GREETING THE IDENTIFICATION OF WHERE THE PLAN DEVELOPMENT IS AND THAT
IS THE ONLY CHANGE ON THAT THIS YEAR.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: AND THANK YOU.

QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS?

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: I WILL GO IF YOU DO NOT HAVE ANYTHING.

HOW ARE YOU DOING, CRAIG?

YOU ALREADY KNOW WHERE THIS IS GOING.

I DO APPRECIATE YOU COMING UP AND PRESENTING ANYWAY THOUGH.

ULTIMATELY THIS IS ME REFUSING TO VOTE FOR A ZONING MAP THAT IS
RACIST, ULTIMATELY.

ONE OF THE PRIVILEGES OF SITTING IN THE SEAT IS I GET TO CALL OUT
THESE THINGS, RIGHT?

MAKING RACISM THE STATUS QUO ALLOWS IT TO EXIST AND I WILL USE MY
VOICE HERE TO CALL IT OUT WHENEVER IT COMES ACROSS THIS BOARD TABLE.
ZONING IS INHERENTLY RACIST AND IT ALWAYS HAS BEEN.

OUR ZONING CODE IS LARGELY REMINISCENT OF THE ZONING CODE THAT HAS BEEN IN EXISTENCE IN OAK PARK FOR DECADES.

HIS ZONING CODE THAT WAS IN PART DESIGNED BY THE GODFATHER OF RACIST ZONING, HARLAND (NAME?), AND CODIFIED CONTINUOUSLY YEAR AFTER YEAR WITHOUT CHANGES.

UNTIL WE STARTED IN INCLUSIVITY, DIVERSITY AND EQUITY.

WE HAVE DONE A LOT OF THINGS TO PURSUE THOSE GOALS.

WHAT WE HAVE NOT DONE YET AND HOPE WE DO SOON IS TAKEN THE TIME AND SPENT THE EFFORT TO UNWIND THE RACISM THAT IS BUILT INTO THE CURRENT STATUTE SO A ZONING CODE THAT WE HAVE GOING FORWARD CAN BE WITHOUT THE SEGREGATION BUILT-IN, BOTH ECONOMIC AND RACE-BASED.

IT IS VERY - ONE OF THE THINGS I FIND MOST CHALLENGING ABOUT LIVING IN THIS COMMUNITY IS THAT WE ARE VERY WELL-INTENTIONED AND WE OFTEN DO A LOT OF THINGS THAT OTHER COMMUNITIES DO NOT DO AND I WISH THEY WOULD. WHAT WE ARE NOT DOING THAT OTHER COMMUNITIES ARE IN PLACES THAT ARE PLACES THAT ARE HEAVILY REPUBLICAN AND HEAVILY TROMPED SUPPORTING IS NOT ELIMINATING SINGLE-FAMILY ZONING AND NOT ELIMINATING THE RACISM THEREIN.

IT IS WEIRD TO ME HOW SUCH A PROGRESSIVE PLACE SUCH AS OAK PARK CAN BE BEHIND PLACES LIKE SOUTH DAKOTA.

WHEN IT COMES TO ELIMINATING SINGLE-FAMILY ZONING.

PLACES THAT ARE HEAVILY RED.

IN THOSE PLACES THEY HAVE ACKNOWLEDGED AND UNDERSTAND THAT HOUSING PRICES ARE CORRELATED WITH THE SUPPLY OF HOUSING AND THAT ZONING REDUCES THE SUPPLY OF HOUSING.

IN REDUCING - I WILL TAKE THAT A STEP FURTHER.

THEY PROBABLY HAVE NOT TAKEN IT THIS FAR, BUT I WILL.

THE WHOLE CONCEPT BEHIND ZONING, ONCE RACE-BASED ZONING WAS STRUCK DOWN IN THE 1920s IT IS ECONOMIC BASED ZONING COULD BE USED AS A PROXY FOR RACE-BASED ZONING.

THAT IS WHAT WE HAVE NOW.

THE FACT THAT OAK PARK IS EXPENSIVE IS NOT UNINTENTIONAL.

THAT IS EXACTLY THE POINT OF THE ZONING CODE IS TO LIMIT THE SUPPLY OF HOUSING, WHICH THEREBY DRIVES UP THE PRICE OF HOUSING AND LIMITS THE NUMBER OF CERTAIN PEOPLE THAT CAN LIVE HERE.

THIS IS ALL VERY CLEAR, VERY WELL DOCUMENTED AND IS AN ISSUE, NOT JUST IN OAK PARK, BUT ACROSS THE COUNTRY.

HOWEVER, THIS IS OAK PARK AND WE ARE BETTER THAN THE ENTIRE COUNTRY.

THAT IS WHAT WE SAY.

HOWEVER, IN THIS CASE WE ARE NOT.

BECAUSE YEAR AFTER YEAR WE APPROVE THIS ZONING MAP WITH ALL OF THESE INHERENT BIASES BUILT INTO IT.

HONESTLY, ALL IT TAKES IS THE PEOPLE AT THIS BOARD TO SAY NO.

THIS IS NOT A SITUATION WHERE WE DO NOT HAVE THE POWER TO UNDO THIS.

WE ARE THE POWER.

FOR ME, RIGHT, I CANNOT IN GOOD CONSCIENCE VOTE FOR SOMETHING THAT DISCRIMINATES AGAINST PEOPLE WHO LOOK LIKE ME. WHO LOOK LIKE SO MANY PEOPLE WHO I NOTE. SO MANY PEOPLE SITTING AT THIS TABLE. THE WHOLE POINT IN ME RUNNING FOR THIS OFFICE AND SITTING AT THE SEAT IS TO HAVE A VOICE TO PUSH BACK AGAINST THINGS LIKE THIS. THAT IS WHAT I AM DOING.

>>TRUSTEE LEVING-JACOBSEN: THANK YOU FOR THAT COMMENT. I'M ALSO INTERESTED IN ELIMINATING SINGLE-FAMILY ZONING. IT IS HARMFUL. I'M INTERESTED IN APPROACHING IT MORE COMPREHENSIVELY IN A BROADER HOUSING PLAN. TO LOOK AT BOTH AFFORDABILITY AND INTEGRATION, IN ORDER TO INCREASE AFFORDABILITY AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR IMPROVING INTEGRATION IN OUR NEIGHBORHOODS. THE MMC REPORT HAD A ADVISORY TASK FORCE RECOMMENDED. I THINK THAT COULD BE THE RIGHT APPROACH OF DONE WITH THE CLARITY AROUND OUR GOALS, WHICH I BELIEVE ARE CONSISTENT WITH INCREASING AFFORDABILITY AND HONORING OUR COMMITMENT TO DIVERSITY AND INTEGRATION. I THINK AN IMPROVED AND A STRENGTHENED IHL, IN ADDITION TO ZONING REFORM, THAT IS THE WAY I WOULD LIKE TO APPROACH HER AND HOW I WOULD HOPE WITH SOME URGENCY TO HAVE THIS CONVERSATION. WE HAVE SEEN - TRUSTEE WESLEY MENTIONED SOME COMMUNITIES THAT ARE DIFFERENT THAN OURS, BUT MINNEAPOLIS, EVANSTON. WE HAVE COMMUNITIES NOT AS DIFFERENT THAT HAVE DONE THIS WITH ELIMINATING SINGLE-FAMILY ZONING OR EXCLUSIONARY ZONING IN ADDITION TO OR IN CONJUNCTION WITH INCLUSIONARY HOUSING ORDINANCES. SO THAT WE GET WHAT WE WANT AND WE CAN DO SOME OF FORWARD THINKING COMPREHENSIVELY, INTENTIONALLY BECAUSE I DO NOT THINK ZONING REFORM ALONE WILL YIELD THE BENEFITS THAT OUR COMMUNITY DESERVES AND IT NEEDS. GREATER RACIAL, CULTURAL DIVERSITY. OUR CHILDREN BEING ABLE TO COME BACK AND AFFORD TO SETTLE HERE. RETIRING PARENTS AND NEIGHBORS BEING OF THE SAY OR MOVE HERE IF THEY WANT TO BE CLOSE TO US. ALL THESE THINGS THAT WE REPEATEDLY SAY WE CARE ABOUT NEED TO BE DONE IN CONJUNCTION WITH EACH OTHER. AN AGREEMENT, SO YES AND I WOULD LIKE TO LOOK AT THE ZONING MAP WITH A MORE ROBUST I HO.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: A PLEASE.

>> LAST YEAR IN JUNE WE HAD A MEETING WITH THE VILLAGE BOARD TO TALK ABOUT THE ZONING MAP AND THE DIFFERENT IDEAS WE HAD TO ELIMINATE OR REDUCE THE SINGLE-FAMILY ZONING THAT EXIST TODAY AND IN FACT WE MET WITH METROPOLITAN MAYORS CAUCUS ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS.

WE TALK TO THEM ABOUT THE MISSING MIDDLE HOUSING WITH 18 OTHER COMMUNITIES.

WE ARE VERY CLOSE TO LAUNCHING AN RFP TO LOOK AT THE ZONING ORDINANCE IN THE ZONING MAP AND THE ZONING CLASSIFICATIONS WITHIN THE COMMUNITY, AS WELL AS LOOKING AT MISSING MIDDLE OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE VILLAGE GRADE WE HEARD WHAT THE VILLAGE BOARD SAID AND WE ARE ON OUR WAY TO DO WHAT YOU BOTH HAVE INDICATED THIS EVENING WITH THAT RFP THAT WE WILL BE PUTTING OUT LATER THIS YEAR.

SO WE WILL BE BRINGING YOU MORE UP TO SPEED ON HOW THAT IS AT SOME POINT, BUT - -

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: I DEFINITELY APPRECIATE THAT, CRAIG.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: UNDERSTAND TRUSTEE STRAW HAS SOMETHING TO ADD.

>> I WILL NOT REPEAT ALL OF THE SAGE WORDS THAT TRUSTEE WESLEY HAD SAID, BUT I THINK WHEN WE WERE CONSIDERING THIS ITEM A YEAR AGO, BOTH TRUSTEE WESLEY AND I AND THE TRUSTEE WESLEY WILL CORRECT ME IF I'M WRONG SAID WE ARE GOING TO VOTE FOR THIS THIS YEAR BECAUSE WE UNDERSTAND - WE SAID WE WANT TO DO THIS AND YOU HAVE NOT HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO DO IT YET, BUT WE WILL NOT VOTE FOR IT AGAIN. WE ARE HERE, A YEAR LATER, YES, WE DISCUSSED THIS LAST JUNE, 11 MONTHS AGO WANTING TO END EXCLUSIONARY ZONING.

I DO AGREE WITH TRUSTEE LEVING JACOBSEN THAT WE SHOULD BE CONSIDERING OTHER COMPONENTS ALONG WITH ENDING THE EXCLUSIONARY ZONING.

I DO THINK WE HAVE ENOUGH INFORMATION TO ELIMINATE EXCLUSIONARY ZONING, ALLOW THE CONSTRUCTION OF TWO FLATS, THREE FLATS AND FOUR FLATS ACROSS OAK PARK AND TAKE FURTHER STEPS - IN THAT STUDY, THE RFP YOU WERE CONDUCTING CAN FOCUS INSTEAD ON ADDITIONAL STEPS TO INCENTIVIZE THE CONSTRUCTION OF THOSE TWO FLATS, THREE FLATS AND FOUR FLATS THAT PROVIDE ADDITIONAL DENSITY SO WE CAN ACHIEVE THOSE GOALS THAT TRUSTEE LEVING JACOBSEN SPOKE TO.

AND WE CAN ALSO CONSIDER THOSE OTHER MISSING MIDDLE APPROACHES THAT YOU HIGHLIGHTED.

WE DO NOT NEED TO PAUSE CONSIDERATION OF ELIMINATING EXCLUSIONARY ZONING BEFORE WE STUDY THOSE OTHER THINGS BECAUSE WE KNOW FROM THE MMC REPORT, FROM OUR PRIOR DISCUSSIONS THAT THAT IS A PLACE WHERE THERE IS AND HAS BEEN CONSENSUS ON THE VILLAGE BOARD.

I WOULD ALSO REITERATE THAT WHEN WE ARE PUTTING OUT THE RFP - I HAVE MENTIONED THIS SEVERAL TIMES BEFORE AND I KNOW TRUSTEE WESLEY HAS MENTIONED IT IN THE PAST.

WE NEED TO BE EXAMINING THE APPROPRIATENESS OF BOTH THE SCALE OF OUR HISTORIC DISTRICTS AND THE SCOPE OF OUR HISTORIC PRESERVATION GUIDELINES THAT MAKE ANY WORK THAT HOMEOWNERS WANT TO DO ON THEIR HOUSES, EVEN IF THEY ARE NOT LIVING IN A COUNTRY BIDDING STRUCTURE, SOMETIMES COST PROHIBITIVE AND SIMPLY EXTEND THE TIMELINE FOR ANY OF THAT CONSTRUCTION AND ALL OF THAT CAN LEAD TO MANY OF THE END RESULTS

THAT TRUSTEE WESLEY WAS TALKING ABOUT, ABOUT MAKING CERTAIN PARTS OF OAK PARK COST PROHIBITIVE AND DECREASING DIVERSITY, AND INCREASING EXPENSIVE HOUSING.

I DO THINK THAT WHEN WE ARE PUTTING THINGS IN THE MIX THAT NEED TO BE DISCUSSED FOR THE RFP, FOR A HOLISTIC APPROACH TO HOUSING AFFORDABILITY AND MISSING MIDDLE, THAT IS ONE OF THE ELEMENTS THAT NEEDS TO BE IN THE MIX, BUT I AM READY TO MOVE FORWARD ON ELIMINATING EXCLUSIONARY ZONING.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU, BRIAN.

SO THANK YOU AGAIN, TRUSTEE WESLEY.

EVERY TIME YOU MAKE ME THINK WHAT MORE WE CAN BE DOING TO NOT JUST BE AFFIRMING, BUT LEADING IN THE CONVERSATIONS THAT YOU BRING TO THE BOARD TABLE WITH YOUR - YOUR PURPOSE FOR RUNNING FOR OFFICE.

AND I DO AGREE WITH EVERYTHING ELSE THAT HAS BEEN SAID, IN FACT, THIS IS VERY CLEAN AND LAYDOWN, VERY WELL LAID OUT IN THE METROPOLITAN MAYORS CAUCUS STRATEGIC PLAN FOR HOUSING THAT THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK DID APPROVE LAST YEAR AND I'M PROUD OF THAT WORK, INCLUDING THE PROPOSAL OF A TASK FORCE.

WHAT I'M HEARING TONIGHT IS WHEN THAT COMES FORWARD TO US IN THE RFP THAT WE WILL BE READY TO ACT.

I ALSO TRUST AND BELIEVE THAT IT IS WORDS OF THE DUE DILIGENCE OF WORKING THROUGH THE RFP AND DISCUSSION THAT THE INEVITABLE, VERY THOUGHTFUL, VERY DEEP PROBLEM-SOLVING THAT IS GOING TO COME FROM THE COLLECTIVE CONVERSATION HERE AT THE BOARD TABLE IS HUGE GOING TO BE BENEFICIAL TO OUR COMMUNITY AND BEING VERY INTENTIONAL AND WHAT WE EXPECT THE OUTCOME TO BE.

AS - UNCOVERING ADDITIONAL BARRIERS TO HOMEOWNERSHIP, TO THE SUPPORTING OF THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE MISSING MIDDLE, TO BEING VERY INTENTIONAL AND WHAT TYPES OF HOUSING WE ARE MISSING, LARGELY THREE BEDROOM CONDOS, THREE-BEDROOM APARTMENTS.

BUILDINGS TO HOUSE AGING IN OUR COMMUNITY AND PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES AND ALSO PROTECTING - NOT NECESSARILY PROTECTING, BUT RETAINING OUR NATURALLY OCCURRING AFFORDABLE HOUSING.

OUR SMALLER BUNGALOWS AND UNDERSTANDING HOW WE NEEDED TO ENCOURAGE THAT RETENTION AS WELL AS ADDITIONAL ELEMENT.

I JUST THINK THAT WE WILL BE A PRETTY AMAZING GROUP TO HOST THE CONVERSATION AND YEAH.

THE SENSE OF URGENCY IS HEARD.

I KNOW THAT THE PROTOCOL AND THE GOALSETTING SESSIONS WILL ALSO BE VERY FRUITFUL.

OKAY?

THANK YOU.

AND THANK YOU FOR ALSO - WE UNDERSTAND THAT THERE ARE SOME LEGAL - A SITUATION - WHILE NOT NECESSARILY IDEAL, WANT WHAT WE CURRENTLY HAVE

TO BE ACCURATE ON THE BOOKS AND THAT IS WHAT YOU ARE BRINGING TO US TONIGHT.

OKAY.

ALTHOUGH, I GUESS WE CAN UNDERSTAND THAT THESE SYSTEMS ARE WHAT HELPS PROTECT THE STATUS QUO, BUT WE ARE OTHERWISE READY TO INTERRUPT.

THANK YOU.

WITH THAT, CLERK WATERS, PLEASE TAKE THE ROLL.

>> TRUSTEE WESLEY.

>> NO.

>> TRUSTEE LEVING JACOBSEN.

>> YES.

>> TRUSTEE ENYIA.

>> YES.

>> TRUSTEE STRAW.

>> NO.

>> TRUSTEE TAGLIA.

>> YES.

>> PRESIDENT SCAMAN.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: YES.

THE MOTION PASSES.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH AND THANK YOU FOR THE PRESENTATION THIS EVENING.

CRAIG AND DEPUTY VILLAGE MANAGER LISA SHELLEY.

NEXT ON THE AGENDA IS A MOTION TO RECEIVE THE CITIZEN POLICE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEES SEMI ANNUAL REPORT.

MOTION, PLEASE?

>> SO MOVED.

>> SECOND.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: LISA?

>> YES, THIS NEXT ITEM IS PER THE VILLAGE CODE.

THIS CITIZEN POLICE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE SHALL PROVIDE A WRITTEN REPORT TO THE VILLAGE BOARD.

HERE IS KEIRA CHANG, HR DIRECTOR TO FURTHER DESCRIBE THE ITEM.

>> GOOD EVENING EVERYONE, KEIRA ASSISTANT HR DIRECTOR AND I'M ALSO THE STAFF LIAISON TO THE CITIZEN POLICE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE. LIKE DEPUTY VILLAGE MANAGER LISA SHELLEY EXPLAINED IT IS PROVIDING ENABLING LANGUAGE TO PROVIDE AN UPDATE TO THE BOARD ON A SEMIANNUAL BASIS WITH REGARD TO ITS ACTIVITIES FROM THE PRECEDING SIX MONTHS. THE LAST TIME THAT THE VILLAGE BOARD RECEIVED THE CPOC SEMIANNUAL REPORT WAS IN NOVEMBER 2024.

MY MAIN ROLE IS TO INTRODUCE THE CHAIR OF THE CITIZEN POLICE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE, KEVIN BARNHART WHO CAN TALK TO ABOUT THE SEMIANNUAL REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS THAT CPOC HAS IN REGARD TO THE COMMITTEE.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU.

WELCOME.

THANK YOU FOR JOINING US THIS EVENING.

>>SPEAKER: I'M ASSUMING THAT YOU HAVE SEEN THE REPORT AND HAD A CHANCE TO LOOK AT IT?

OKAY.

I PREFER ANSWER QUESTIONS YOU HAVE ABOUT IT, RATHER THAN GOING THROUGH THE REPORT LINE BY LINE.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: OKAY.

WITH THAT, - LET'S START WITH THE ACTUAL REPORT ITSELF.

WHICH IS DATED MARCH 12, 2025.

APPRECIATE THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION FOR PUTTING THIS TOGETHER.

I WILL OPEN IT UP TO QUESTIONS OF THE BOARD.

WOULD ANYBODY LIKE TO START US OFF THIS EVENING?

PLEASE.

WOULD ANYBODY FIND IT HELPFUL IF WE JUST SUMMARIZE FOR THOSE LISTENING IN THE WORK OF THE CITIZEN POLICE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE AND YOUR ROLE?

>>SPEAKER: WE CAN DO THAT.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: I WAS JUST GONNA SAY, I KNOW WHAT THEY DO.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: AS I PAUSE FOR A SECOND, THERE MIGHT BE FOLKS LISTENING.

>> IS EVERYBODY FAMILIAR WITH THE ROLE OF CPOC AND WHAT WE DO? GENERALLY WE REVIEW COMPLAINTS AND ON SPECIAL OCCASIONS WE ARE ASSIGNED ADDITIONAL TASKS, LIKE LOOKING AT LPR SYSTEMS AND HOW IT IS WORKING IN THE COMMUNITY AND ARE WE GET IN THE OUTCOMES WE DESIRED FROM HAVING THOSE THINGS IN PLACE?

THE GENERAL CHARTER IS ABOUT COMPLAINTS AND RACIAL EQUITY IN THE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND BIAS AMONGST POLICING OUTCOMES IN GENERAL. ON SPECIAL OCCASIONS, YOU GUYS, THE BOARD HAS PASSED US TO LOOK AT OTHER THINGS AND FLOCK IS ONE OF THOSE THINGS.

THE GENERAL REPORT COVERS EVERYTHING WE LOOK AT.

COMPLAINTS AND A LOT OF INFORMATION FROM THE POLICE DEPARTMENT ITSELF REGARDING STAFFING LEVELS, MANAGEMENT LEVELS AND ALL OF THOSE THINGS THERE.

WHAT WE DID IS ADD AN ADDITIONAL REPORT.

THIS IS WHAT PRESIDENT SCAMAN JUST REFERRED TO ABOUT FLOCK ALPR OVERSIGHT FOR INVESTIGATIVE SEARCHES BECAUSE TO DATE WE HAVE NOT RECEIVED INFORMATION ABOUT ANY OF THE OUTCOMES OF THOSE SEARCHES. THIS IS A TEMPLATE FOR A RECOMMENDATION TEMPLATE FOR COLLECTING THE INFORMATION.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: AGAIN, MY COMMENTS ARE FOR THOSE PEOPLE WHO MIGHT BE LISTENING INTO NIGHT THAT DON'T HAVE THE SAME - WE ALSO APPROVE THE WORK PLAN EVERY YEAR AND HAVE AN ONGOING RELATIONSHIP WITH THE CITIZEN POLICE OVERSIGHT COMMISSION.

>>SPEAKER: SURE.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: SO IT IS IN OAK PARK CITIZEN COMPLAINT OF OUR POLICE DEPARTMENT AND THAT IS WHERE IT IS RECEIVED. AND THAT IS WHAT YOU ARE REPORTING OUT TO US INITIALLY.

OKAY, TRUSTEE WESLEY, FLOOR IS YOURS.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: HEY, KEVIN.

GOOD TO SEE YOU, MAN.

I DON'T HAVE ANYTHING, HONESTLY.

I WAS JUST GOING TO SAY GREAT JOB ON THE REPORT AND APPRECIATE THE WORK YOU ALL DO.

ALWAYS VERY THOROUGH.

YEAH, KEEP IT UP.

>>SPEAKER: THANK YOU.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: ANY OTHER COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS?

>>TRUSTEE TAGLIA: HOW MANY COMPLAINTS FOR THE PUBLIC?

>> THE PAST SIX MONTHS THERE WERE TWO.

>>TRUSTEE TAGLIA: HOW MANY CALLS FOR SERVICE?

>> THAT IS SOMETHING I DON'T KNOW OFF THE TOP OF MY HEAD.

>>TRUSTEE TAGLIA: I DON'T KNOW EITHER.

JUST WANT TO GET SOME IDEA OF THE MAGNITUDE.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: TWO FROM JULY 2024 TO SEPTEMBER 2024?

>> YES.

>> FOR 2024, FOR THE ENTIRE YEAR WE HAD 42,000 - I'M SORRY, ENGAGEMENTS.

WHERE INDIVIDUALS CALLED THE POLICE.

>>TRUSTEE TAGLIA: THANK YOU.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: ANY OTHER QUESTIONS?

>>TRUSTEE LEVING-JACOBSEN: I APPRECIATE THE WORK THAT WENT INTO THE REPORT.

I WOULD LIKE TO SUPPORT THAT REQUEST.

I DON'T KNOW IF THAT IS THE RIGHT LANGUAGE TO USE.

TO GIVE THE COMMISSION MORE INFORMATION SO YOU CAN DO THE WORK THAT YOU HAVE BEEN TASKED TO DO.

I GUESS MY QUESTION IS WITH THE RECOMMENDATION TO ADOPT OVERSIGHT OF THE FLOCK ALPR, DO YOU HAVE MODELS FROM OTHER COMMUNITIES WITH THE WORK FROM A PIVOT THAT YOU HAVE SEEN AND COULD MODEL, SHOULD THAT OVERSIGHT BE ALLOWED?

>> A COUPLE OF THINGS THERE.

WE HAVE A CONSULTANT IN PIVOT CONSULTING GROUP AND THEY ARE HELPING US REVAMP OUR RULES SO WE CAN GO BEYOND LOOKING AT COMPLAINTS.

SO AS A TASK WE CAN DO, THIS IS PART OF OUR NORMAL WORK AND PART OF THAT, PIVOT HAS GONE THROUGH A COUPLE DIFFERENT PHASES AND THEY WERE GOING TO MAKE A LIST OF RECOMMENDATIONS FOR US TO FOLLOW.

SOME OF THE CITIES WE LOOK AT PART OF THE PROCESS, LANSING, MICHIGAN CHAMPAIGN, ILLINOIS, SIMILAR SIZE AND SCOPE AND THERE ARE DIFFERENT TYPES OF MODELS, AND INVESTIGATIVE MODEL WHERE WE DO OUR OWN INVESTIGATIONS.

DIFFERENT HYBRID MODELS WHERE IT IS A COMBINATION OF DIFFERENT POSSIBLE OUTCOMES.

NOTHING HAS BEEN DECIDED AT THIS POINT.

JUST GOING THROUGH THE MOTIONS OF UNDERSTANDING ALL THE DIFFERENT MODELS AND CHOOSING THE ONE THAT BEST FITS OAK PARK FOR WHAT WE ARE TRYING TO DO.

THAT IS ONE OF THE THINGS AND I FORGOT THE OTHER PART OF YOUR QUESTION.

SPECIFICALLY REGARDING ALPR, THERE ARE SOME OTHER COMMUNITIES THAT ARE LOOKING AT THIS IN A VARIETY OF DIFFERENT WAYS.

AT SAN DIEGO IS ONE.

LOOKING AT THE SPECIFIC METRICS OF HOW THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THIS IS USED.

>> THE INFORMATION WOULD BE USEFUL TO ME AND US, TOO, I THINK. SO I WOULD APPRECIATE AND SUPPORT EXPANDING THAT OVERSIGHT AND THE ABILITY OF THE COMMISSION.

>> OKAY.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: WHY BRING THIS TO US NOW WHEN PIVOT IS GOING TO BE PRESENTING A FRAMEWORK MODEL, SOMETHING IN RESPONSE TO THE SAME REQUEST?

>> BEFORE PIVOT WAS CHOSEN AS THE VENDOR WE HAD BEEN ASKED TO LOOK AT THIS.

IN THE BEGINNING FLOCK - THERE WERE INVESTIGATIVE SEARCHES AND FLOCK STOPS ARE TWO DIFFERENT THINGS.

THERE ARE MORE INVESTIGATIVE SEARCHES HAPPENING NOW AND WE HAVE ASKED FOR THE OUTCOMES OF THOSE PARTICULAR SEARCHES, WHAT IS THE RESULT OF THAT?

PIVOT IS AWARE OF THIS AS WELL AND THEY ARE TAKING THAT INTO CONSIDERATION AS THEY MAKE FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS.

SO IT IS NOT NECESSARILY OUT OF BOUNDS - IT IS NOT A WILD THING THROWN IN.

IT IS PART OF OUR NORMAL TASK.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: I DO BELIEVE THAT WE PUT YOU IN A SITUATION WHEN WE APPROVE THE CAMERA SYSTEM OF REVIEWING AND WE DID NOT HAVE A LOT OF DIRECTION AT THAT TIME AND WHAT THAT WOULD LOOK LIKE.

I THINK WHAT WE ARE LEARNING IN THAT REGARD - I HAVE - I DON'T KNOW FOR SURE WHETHER OUR NEWLY ON BOARD OF TRUSTEES HAVE HAD TIME TO MEET WITH PIVOT OR NOT.

I AM VERY GRATEFUL AND THEY ARE WORKING INTERNALLY WITH THE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND STAFF AND DIFFERENT STAKEHOLDERS AND A NEW COMMUNITY, TOO.

IF I WASN'T AWARE THAT THE REPORT IS COMING BACK TO US VERY QUICKLY, YOU KNOW, I WOULD BE - I AGREE THAT THE QUESTIONS YOU'RE ASKING ARE ONES THAT SEEM VERY LOGICAL, BUT IN THIS CASE I WILL BE PAUSING UNTIL THE PIVOT REPORT COMES BACK.

>> OKAY.

>> I APPRECIATE THE WORK IN THIS, BUT IT SEEMS LIKE WE ARE GOING TO HAVE AN OUTCOME VERY SHORTLY I THINK WE SHOULD CONSIDER THAT. WE HAVE ENGAGED THIS FIRM AS OF LAST NOVEMBER. THAT IS INFORMATION THAT THEY HAVE BEEN WORKING ON, PRESUMABLY AND BRINGING IT FORTH AND I WOULD LIKE TO SEE A COMPREHENSIVE LOOK FROM THEIR VIEWPOINT AS TO THE RECOMMENDATIONS AND KIND OF - NO DISRESPECT, BUT A ONE-OFF PIECE OF THE ENTIRE PICTURE OF WHAT THEY MAY NOT MELD WITH THE OTHER PART. NOT TO SAY THAT THIS CANNOT BE LOOKED AT LATER.

>> I'M PRETTY SURE IT WOULD BE CONSIDERED AS PART OF THE OVERALL PACKAGE OF WHAT IS GOING ON. AGAIN, NOTHING HAS BEEN DECIDED UP UNTIL THIS POINT, BUT THERE IS NO WAY TO EVALUATE FLOCK WITHOUT HAVING A METRIC TO MEASURE. SO THAT IS ALL THIS IS POINTING OUT IS IF WE ARE GOING TO MEASURE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF HOW THIS TOOL IS BEING USED AND UTILIZED IN THE COMMUNITY WE HAVE TO HAVE SOME SORT OF MEASUREMENT MECHANISM. THAT IS ALL IT SAYS.

>> OKAY, THANK YOU.

>> WHAT I ANTICIPATE COMING FROM THE REPORT IS THE CAPACITY BUILDING. AND I THINK THAT IS A BIG IMPORTANT PIECE TO THIS.

>> THAT IS THE PART FOR YOU GUYS TO FIGURE OUT BECAUSE THERE IS ASSOCIATED CAPACITY WORKLOAD FOR A COMMITTEE. THERE COULD BE STAFFING OR REQUIREMENTS FROM THE POLICE DEPARTMENT, FOR DATA ANALYSIS AND THINGS LIKE THAT. WE JUST DO NOT KNOW YET BECAUSE WE DON'T HAVE A FINAL RECOMMENDATION, BUT WHATEVER IT IS, IF FLOCK IS PART OF IT, THERE HAS TO BE A MEASUREMENT MECHANISM.

>> I ALSO LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING WHAT THE REPORT SUGGESTS FROM THE SUPPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT AS WELL. AND TRUSTEE STRAW AND THE TRUSTEE ENYIA, I DON'T HAVE ANY WAY OF KNOWING IF YOU HAVE A HAND UP. PLEASE FEEL FREE TO JUMP IN.

>> MY HAND IS UP. LET ME PUT IT DOWN NOW.

I WANTED TO SAY, AS THE LIAISON TO CITIZEN POLICE OVERSIGHT COMMISSION, I HAVE THE PRIVILEGE OF WORKING WITH ALL OF THESE GREAT LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, AS WELL AS HAVING MULTIPLE INTERACTIONS WITH BRIAN, BART AND (NAME?) FROM PIVOT, WHICH HAS BEEN A REALLY GREAT CONVERSATION.

I WHOLEHEARTEDLY SUPPORT THE RECOMMENDATIONS AND IT IS REALLY HARD TO DO THE WORK THAT WE HAD ASSIGNED TO THEM ORIGINALLY WITHOUT BEING ABLE TO ANALYZE THE DATA THAT THEY NEED TO BE SUCCESSFUL. IN THAT APPROACH OF FLOCK.

SO I DEFINITELY THINK THAT THOSE FINDINGS ARE GOING TO GO IN LINE WITH THAT.

I'M INTERESTED TO SEE WHAT THOSE FINDINGS ARE AFTER MANY CONVERSATIONS AND UNDERSTANDING THE WORK THEY HAVE DONE WITH OTHER DEPARTMENTS IN TOWNS, MUNICIPALITIES.

THEY HAVE A TRACK RECORD OF GETTING THESE THINGS RIGHT.

I'M WHOLEHEARTEDLY EXCITED ABOUT SEEING WHAT THAT LOOKS LIKE FOR A COMMUNITY AND THEM UNDERSTANDING HOW THIS WORKS AND HOW THIS CAN WORK IN OAK PARK AND HOW THIS CANNOT WORK IF WE ARE NOT GIVEN THE PROPER DATA.

DEFINITELY LOOKING FORWARD TO THE CONVERSATION AND I WHOLEHEARTEDLY SUPPORT THE RECOMMENDATION FROM CPOC.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU.

BRIAN?

>>TRUSTEE STRAW: I CONCUR WITH EVERYTHING THAT TRUSTEE ENYIA JUST SAID.

I DON'T THINK THAT I NEED TO REPEAT WHAT HAS BEEN SAID, BUT I AGREE WITH THE RECOMMENDATION FROM CPOC.

I THINK IT MAKES SENSE TO WAIT UNTIL WE GET THE PIVOT REPORT TO MAKE ADJUSTMENTS TO THE CPOC ORDINANCE AND IDENTIFY WHAT CAPACITY BUILDING IS NECESSARY SO WE CAN DO IT ALL AT ONE TIME, BUT I DO THINK IT MAKES SENSE TO ENSURE THAT WE ARE HAVING CONSISTENT OVERSIGHT OVER THE FLOCK CAMERAS AND WHAT WE ARE ACTUALLY GETTING OUT OF THEIR USE.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU.

CURRENTLY WHAT I'M HEARING IS THE MOTION ON THE TABLE IS TO RECEIVE THE CITIZEN POLICE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE SEMIANNUAL REPORT.

YOUR RECOMMENDATION GETS FOLDED INTO WHAT PIVOT WOULD BE REVIEWING, BUT THE MOTION FOR TONIGHT IS TO RECEIVE THE REPORT?

AND THEN FINAL DECISIONS ARE MADE ONCE WE HAVE THE PIVOT REPORT AND THAT IS THEN THE DISCUSSION THAT THE VILLAGE BOARD HAS AND OUR CHIEF AND TWO OF OUR DEPUTY CHIEFS ARE HERE TONIGHT.

DO YOU WANT TO ADD ANYTHING TO THE CONVERSATION?

GREAT TO SEE YOU, GLAD TO HAVE YOU.

THANK YOU FOR JOINING US.

THANK YOU, CHAIR BARNHART.

FOR ALL THE WORK YOU DO TO PUT THIS TOGETHER.

>> CHIEF JOHNSON FROM THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

I SUPPORT WAITING ON THE CONSULTANTS ASSESSMENT.

I'M ALSO INTERESTED TO KNOW - WHICH WE WILL RESURGE IF THERE ARE ANY OTHER COMMUNITIES THAT HAVE AN OVERSIGHT OVER THE LICENSE PLATE READERS AND HOPEFULLY THAT IS SOMETHING THAT PIVOT CAN - - THAT IS SOMETHING OUR DEPARTMENT WILL ASSESS AND WE ARE HAPPY TO DO WHATEVER THE BOARD DESIRE IS.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: NORMALLY ANYTHING THAT COMES BEFORE US,
MODELING THAT EXISTS AND WHAT HAPPENS ELSEWHERE IS INCLUDED IN THAT
AND SOMETHING WE WILL TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION.
IF THERE ARE NO FURTHER COMMENTS.
CLERK WATERS, PLEASE TAKE THE ROLL.

>> TRUSTEE WESLEY.

>> YES.

>> TRUSTEE LEVING JACOBSEN.

>> YES.

>> TRUSTEE ENYIA.

>> YES.

>> TRUSTEE STRAW.

>> YES.

>> TRUSTEE TAGLIA.

>> YES.

>> PRESIDENT SCAMAN.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: YES.

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, ALL.

I BELIEVE WE WILL HEAR MORE ON THIS TOPIC THIS SUMMER IN JULY.
I ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION APPROVING A SPONSORED
SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF
ILLINOIS FOR THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK BUILDING ASSESSMENTS AND ENERGY
EFFICIENCY EDUCATION FOR COMMERCIAL TENANTS AND LANDLORDS PROGRAM IN
AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$100,000 AND AUTHORIZING ITS EXECUTION.
MOTION, PLEASE?

>> SO MOVED.

>> SECOND.

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

DEPUTY VILLAGE MANAGER LISA SHELLEY, IF YOU WILL PLEASE.

>> FOR THIS ITEM WE HAVE OUR CHIEF SUSTAINABILITY OFFICER,
LINDSAY ROLAND (NAME?), SHE WILL PROVIDE INFORMATION ABOUT THE
AGREEMENT AND I WILL HIGHLIGHT THAT IT IS ALSO RESPONSIBLE TO BOARD
GOALS IN THE VILLAGES CLIMATE PLANET KNOWN AS THE CROP PLAN.

>> THANK YOU, KEEPING - - GOOD EVENING.

THIS IS WHAT THE DESIGN ASSISTANT CENTER WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF
ILLINOIS.

THIS IS CONTINUATION OF A GREEN BUSINESS PROGRAM THAT WAS RUN IN 2022
AND 2023.

WE HAD BUDGETED FOR THIS IN 2024, BUT BECAUSE THE STAFFING IN THE
SUSTAINABILITY OFFICE HAD NOT RUN THE PROGRAM - WE DID ANOTHER BUDGET
REQUEST FOR THE FISCAL 2025 BUDGET YEAR, AND IN OUR CONVERSATIONS WITH
THE DESIGN CENTER AND THE REPORT BACK AFTER THE GREEN BUSINESS PROGRAM
IN 2023, WE SAW AN OPPORTUNITY TO DO A PROGRAM THAT WOULD CONNECT
COMMERCIAL BUSINESSES WITH THE COMMERCIAL PROPERTY OWNERS IN ORDER TO

DO DEEPER RETROFITS AND ENERGY EFFICIENCY WORK IN SOME OF OUR COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS AND SAW THIS AS AN OPPORTUNITY TO HELP SUPPORT OUR BENCHMARKING COMPLIANCE WITH OUR BENCHMARKING ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE AN INCENTIVE FOR BUILDINGS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM AND THEN THEY GET TO PARTICIPATE IN THE GREEN BUSINESS PROGRAM HERE. BUILD ON THOSE RELATIONSHIPS TO IDENTIFY WHAT THE OPPORTUNITIES ARE FOR DEEPER RETROFITS AND SOME OF OUR COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS BUT HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
ANY QUESTIONS?

I OPEN IT UP TO THE BOARD.
WHO WOULD LIKE TO START US OFF?
MICHAEL, ARE YOU HERE?

>> (SPEAKER AWAY FROM MIC).

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR JOINING US THIS EVENING.
SO YES, WHETHER IT IS ON THE GRANT ITSELF OR HOW THE PROGRAM MIGHT ROLLOUT.
OR THE RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE LANDLORDS, PLEASE HAVE AT IT.
GO AHEAD.

>>TRUSTEE TAGLIA: I HAVE A QUESTION.
I READ THE SCOPE OF WORK AND THE WAY IT IS WRITTEN IS LIKE A SCIENCE EXPERIMENT.
THAT IS WHAT IT SEEMS LIKE.
I UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU ARE OUT TO DO, BUT THEY ARE GOING TO INVESTIGATE FIVE DIFFERENT TYPES OF - IS THAT NOT KNOWN?
THESE BUILDINGS HAVE BEEN THERE 100 YEARS.
THERE IS NOTHING REALLY - IT SHOULD BE WELL UNDERSTOOD WHAT THE REQUIREMENTS, WITH THE DIFFICULTIES ARE AND IMPEDIMENTS ARE.
WOULD IT NOT BE?

>> THAT IS WHAT WE ARE HEARING FROM NOTHING OWNERS IS ASSISTANCE FROM THE VILLAGE TO DO A FULL AUDIT TO UNDERSTAND WHAT OPPORTUNITIES ARE AND PROVIDE GUIDANCE ON SWITCHING OUT DIFFERENT TECHNOLOGIES AND THINGS THAT EXIST IN THE BUILDING.
IT IS A BIT OF A SCIENTIFIC STUDY IN THAT THEY WANT TO GET THAT REPRESENTATIVE SAMPLE OF THESE DIFFERENT BUILDING TYPES AND THAT GOES INTO BUILDING OUT THE EDUCATION PROGRAMS THAT ARE AVAILABLE TO A WIDE VARIETY - THE BUILDINGS HAVE BEEN HERE FOR 100 YEARS, WHICH MEANS THAT THERE ARE A LOT OF UNIQUE INSTANCES IN THE DIFFERENT TYPES OF SYSTEMS IN PLACE.
UNIQUE CHALLENGES FOR UPGRADING TO MORE MODERN SYSTEMS THAT THIS CAN HELP IDENTIFY THOSE OPPORTUNITIES WORKING WITH THE TENANTS AND SOME OF THE ENERGY USERS WITH THE PEOPLE WHO ARE MANAGING THE BUILDING AS A WHOLE TO IDENTIFY BEST PRACTICES FOR MOVING FORWARD WITH THAT RELATIONSHIP.

>>TRUSTEE TAGLIA: ARE THERE ONLY FIVE BUILDINGS YOU ARE GOING TO LOOK AT?

>> FOR THE DEEP ASSESSMENTS, YES.
OF THOSE FIVE BUILDINGS ARE REPRESENTATIVE SO WE CAN BUILD OUT THE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMING THAT IS A BROAD - MORE BROADLY AVAILABLE.

>>TRUSTEE TAGLIA: YOU FEEL LIKE YOU NEED THAT STEP IN ORDER TO GET TO THE NEXT STEP, WHICH IS PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT AND EDUCATION?

>> TO HAVE THAT DEEPER INFORMATION TO BUILD OUT THE EDUCATION.

>>TRUSTEE TAGLIA: OKAY.
THANK YOU.

>>TRUSTEE LEVING-JACOBSEN: THANK YOU FOR THE WORK.
I'M CURIOUS TO HEAR MORE ABOUT HOW THE BUSINESSES AND LANDLORDS WILL BE IDENTIFIED.
IS IT SIZE, OMISSIONS?
ANYTHING ELSE ABOUT OUTREACH?
I'M INTERESTED IN THE EDUCATION EVENTS.
IT SAID IN THE REPORT THAT IT WILL BE RECORDED.
ARE THERE OPPORTUNITIES FOR HYBRID PARTICIPATION, ZOOM PARTICIPATION?
THOSE KINDS OF DETAILS I AM VERY CURIOUS ABOUT.

>> IN A TASK ONE, PART OF THAT WILL BE IDENTIFYING THE FIVE BUILDINGS AND SO THERE WILL BE A LOT THAT GOES INTO THAT.
ONE OF THE PRIMARY BASELINES WE ARE LOOKING FOR IS THAT THERE BUILDINGS THAT ARE BENCHMARKING THROUGH OUR BENCHMARKING ORDINANCE AND ONE THING WE HAVE DONE IN THE LAST FEW MONTHS IS WORK WITH DEVELOPING SERVICES TO HELP US PROMOTE THIS OPPORTUNITY THAT IS COMING TO OUR BUSINESS COMMUNITY.
AND PROVIDE MORE OPPORTUNITY FOR PEOPLE TO GET INTO COMPLIANCE AND THEY BENCHMARKING ORDINANCE AND WILL CONTINUE TO DO THAT IF THIS IS APPROVED TO GET MORE SPECIFIC, THIS IS WHAT YOU CAN GET IF YOU DO THIS AND WHERE USING THAT TO IDENTIFY AND WE WILL WORK WITH SEDAC TO GET THE DATA AND SEE WHAT ARE THE BUILDINGS THAT WE WILL GET THE MOST BENEFIT FROM ENGAGING AS WELL AS WORKING WITH OUR BUSINESS COMMUNITY TO IDENTIFY THE BUSINESSES INTERESTED, THE BUSINESSES AND LANDLORDS THAT HAVE THE RELATIONSHIP THAT WANT TO PARTICIPATE IN A PROGRAM LIKE THIS.

WE WILL LOOK AT THE BENCHMARKING PROGRAM AND DOING OUTREACH INTO THE COMMUNITY TO IDENTIFY THOSE AND THE SECOND PART OF YOUR QUESTION WAS FOR THE EDUCATION PART, YES.

AGAIN, ONCE WE HAVE THAT IN PLACE, WE WILL DESIGN WHAT THE EDUCATION OUTREACH LOOKS LIKE, BUT THE IDEA THAT THERE MIGHT BE SOME IN PERSON, SOME HYBRID AND SOME VIRTUAL AND MATERIAL THAT CAN BE HOUSED ON THE WEBSITE AND AVAILABLE FOR A LONGER PERIOD OF TIME.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: ALRIGHT. GO AHEAD, TRUSTEE WESLEY?

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: SO FOR THE - THANK YOU, FIRST OF ALL, FOR BEING HERE.

APPRECIATE IT.

FOR THE FIVE BUILDING ASSESSMENTS, ARE WE GOING TO USE THE RESULTS OF THAT TO BUILD OUT BUILDING PROFILES THAT WE CAN THEN APPLY ACROSS THE VILLAGE?

SO BUILDING ONE IS SAY A 10 STORY MIXED-USE BLAH BLAH BLAH AND THESE ARE THE RESULTS.

CAN WE THEN ABSTRACT THOUGHT OUT AND PROVIDE THAT TO OTHER OWNERS?

>> THAT IS WHY WE ARE LOOKING FOR FIVE DIFFERENT TYPES OF BUILDINGS SO WE CAN USE THOSE - EXACTLY AS YOU SAY. REPRESENTATIVE SAMPLE AND IT IS BENEFITING MORE THAN JUST THAT ONE BUILDING.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: GOT IT.

WE WILL USE IT IN EDUCATION.

WILL WE USE IT FURTHER THAN EDUCATION AS WELL OR JUST IN THE EDUCATION?

>> THIS CONTRACT OR THIS AGREEMENT WILL BE FOR THOSE FOUR EDUCATIONAL EVENTS, BUT THE IDEA IS THAT THERE WILL BE WEBINARS THAT ARE RECORDED, MATERIALS CREATED THAT CAN BE HOUSED ON OUR WEBSITE AND USED FURTHER.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: AND WE WOULD MESSAGE TO THE BUILDING OWNERS THAT THIS IS A REPRESENTATIVE SAMPLE, FIND WHAT FITS CLOSEST TO YOUR BUILDING AND YOU SHOULD BE SOMEWHERE \pm 20 PERCENT OF THIS SORT OF THING?

>> THROUGH THE BENCHMARKING ORDINANCE THAT WE HAVE, WE ARE DOING CONTINUES OUTREACH TO BUILD DURING OWNERS - BUILDING OWNERS AND SUPPORT WE HAVE THIS INFORMATION AND WE HAVE THE RESOURCES AND PROVIDE THEM.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: GREAT.

THANK YOU.

>> YEAH!

>>TRUSTEE TAGLIA: ONE MORE QUESTION.

ON THE BUDGET, IT IS \$100,000, RIGHT?

IT SEEMS LIKE AND MAYBE I'M WRONG, BUT YOU CAME UP WITH THE AMOUNT AND BELT OUT THE BUDGET TO MATCH THAT AMOUNT?

>> THE BUDGET WE REQUESTED WAS BASED ON THE PROPOSAL THAT WE HAD FOR 2024.

YES.

THE AMOUNT WE HAD FOR IT WAS BASED ON THE PREVIOUS PROPOSALS.

SO THEY JUST REVISED THE PROPOSAL WITH THE SAME BUDGET.

>>TRUSTEE TAGLIA: OKAY.

IT IS A GOOD WAY OF APPROACHING BUDGETING IS TO FIGURE AND AMOUNT AND WHEN YOU FILL IT OUT WITH INDIVIDUAL COMPONENTS.

A GOOD WAY OF LOOKING AT LARGER CAPITAL PROJECTS, TOO.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: I APPRECIATE THE - WHAT THIS DOES FOR US.

I HAVE TALKED TO SOME BUILDING OWNERS - CHALLENGES COME UP THAT ARE OVERWHELMING FOR THEM TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO NAVIGATE OR NO IS ANTICIPATED OR UNIQUE.

SO I SUGGEST AT LEAST TWO OR THREE OF THE BUILDINGS B AND DENSE AREAS. I ARE GOING TO CHANGE OUT EQUIPMENT ON THE ROOF OF A BUILDING.

THE SPACE TO EVEN GET A CRANE CLOSE TO THE BUILDING.

THOSE KINDS OF THINGS THAT WHEN YOU MAKE POLICY AND HAVE THESE ASPIRATIONAL GOALS OF HOW WE WANT OUR BUILDINGS TO BE AND OUR INFRASTRUCTURE IS NOT JUST THE AGE OF THE BUILDING THAT CONTRIBUTES TO THE CHALLENGE, BUT THE INFRASTRUCTURE HERE AND OAK PARK.

SO HOW WE MIGHT THEN IMPLEMENT AND HELP - YEAH.

I SEE DEFINITELY WHY THIS IS NEEDED.

I APPRECIATE THE STRATEGIC THOUGHT.

>> THANK YOU.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: WITH THAT.

IF THERE ARE NO FURTHER COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS, CLERK WATERS, PLEASE TAKE THE ROLL.

>> TRUSTEE WESLEY.

>> YES.

>> TRUSTEE ENYIA.

>> YES.

>> TRUSTEE LEVING JACOBSEN.

>> YES.

>> TRUSTEE STRAW.

>> YES.

>> TRUSTEE TAGLIA.

>> YES.

>> PRESIDENT SCAMAN.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: YES.

AND WE HAVE CALLED TO BOARD AND CLERK THIS EVENING.

CLERK WATERS, WOULD YOU LIKE TO START US OUT?

>>CLERK: I WOULD, BUT I HAVE LOST ALL - I DON'T HAVE ANYTHING ON MY SCREEN.

I HAVE SOMETHING I WOULD LIKE TO SHARE, BUT I HAVE TO FIND A DIFFERENT WAY.

I CAN BE SKIPPED FOR A MOMENT.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: OF COURSE.

JUST SIGNAL ME.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: I WOULD LIKE TO SAY CONGRATULATIONS TO CHIEF KOBE ON HIS RETIREMENT.

I WAS OUT OF TOWN WHEN HE HAD HIS WALKOUT.

I WOULD BE REMISS TO NOT CONGRATULATING HIM.

HE HAS BEEN AMAZING FOR THE VILLAGE AND HIS SERVICE IS GREATLY APPRECIATED.

ALSO, JENNA, SINCE YOU ARE HERE, I WOULD LIKE TO SAY CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU AS WELL.

APPRECIATE YOU JOINING THE BOARD AND I LOOK FORWARD TO US WORKING TOGETHER AND I WANTED TO SAY IT LAST WEEK, BUT YOU WERE NOT HERE. CONGRATULATIONS AND WELCOME.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: YOUR TURN.

NOTHING?

TRUSTEE TAGLIA?

>>TRUSTEE TAGLIA: I HAVE A FEW WORDS TO SAY.

I WANT TO TALK VERY BRIEFLY, ABOUT A MINUTE ABOUT THE BIKE PLAN AND THE DEDICATED BIKE LANES PROPOSED ON HARVARD STREET.

I WANT TO BEGIN BY SAYING THAT I SUPPORT THE BIPLANE AND THE BUILDOUT OF THE GREENWAY SYSTEM IN OAK PARK.

HOWEVER, TRUSTEE WESLEY AND I MET WITH ABOUT 30 RESIDENTS ON A SUNDAY AFTERNOON TO DISCUSS THEIR CONCERNS ABOUT THE PLAN, INCLUDING HOW DECISIONS WERE MADE.

HOW HARVARD STREET WAS CHOSEN.

MATERIAL CHANGES TO THE CAR VOLUME CRITERIA AND THE MATERIAL CHANGES TO THE BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR THE WORK ON HARVARD STREET.

THE LACK OF ABILITY TO ASK QUESTIONS AND GET A SPECIFIC RESPONSE TO THOSE QUESTIONS.

I KNOW STAFF HAS MET WITH RESIDENTS AND I APPRECIATE THAT AND IT HAS BEEN VERY HELPFUL AND I KNOW THERE HAS BEEN A LOT OF OUTREACH, BUT STILL, THERE IS A LACK OF INFORMATION CONCERNING - THAT IS CONCERNING TO ME AND OBVIOUS.

ANY TIME I HAVE SEEN THIS LEVEL OF DISCORD IN THE PAST, IT HAS BEEN COUNTERPRODUCTIVE AND HAVING BEEN ON THIS BOARD FOR OVER SIX YEARS, I HAVE SEEN MY SHARE OF DISCORD.

WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO PROPOSE IS A PUBLIC MEETING FOR VILLAGE STAFF AND RESIDENTS TO ENGAGE AND HAVE A THOROUGH AND COMPREHENSIVE DISCUSSION SIMILAR TO WHAT WE DID A FEW YEARS AGO AT WASHINGTON IRVING SCHOOL WHEN WE HAD TROUBLE AT ROOSEVELT ROAD FOR A BAR IN BERWYN.

IN MY OPINION, THIS RESIDENT GROUP NEEDS TO HAVE A MEETING OF THE MINDS AND IF THIS CAN BE SCHEDULED AND BETWEEN THE JUNE 3 PRESENTATION, WHICH IS OUR NEXT BOARD MEETING, BY THE WAY AND THE JULY VOTE, THEN IT SHOULD NOT DELAY THE PROCESS, WHICH I WOULD NOT WANT TO SEE DELAYED.

I WOULD ASK VILLAGE STAFF TO LET ME KNOW IF THIS IS A POSSIBILITY. I THINK IT WOULD BE BENEFICIAL TO ALL CONCERNED TO HAVE THIS HEARING. IT JUST NEEDS TO HAPPEN.

THAT IS MY OPINION.

THANK YOU.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: AND THANK YOU.

TRUSTEE STRAW?

>>TRUSTEE STRAW: I WANT TO REFLECT BRIEFLY ON THE BOARD PROTOCOLS THAT ALLOW US TO PARTICIPATE REMOTELY.

I THINK ONE OF THE THINGS THAT - WE TALKED ABOUT BRIEFLY IN THE PAST BEFORE IS SOME OF THE DIFFICULTIES OF SERVING ON THIS BOARD OR ANY OF THE OTHER ELECTED BOARDS IN OAK PARK WHILE HAVING A YOUNG FAMILY.

TODAY IT HAPPENS THAT MY WIFE, WHO USUALLY - WHEN I'M AT A BOARD MEETING IS ABLE TO TAKE CARE OF THE KIDS IS TRAVELING, AS IS MY MOTHER-IN-LAW, AS IS MY PARENTS.

THOSE ARE OUR USUAL SORT OF SUPPORT NETWORKS WHEN MY WIFE IS TRAVELING AND SO I HAVE BEEN PAYING ATTENTION TO THIS MEETING, WHILE OVERSEEING MY CHILDREN FROM THE CORNER OF MY LIVING ROOM, AND THAT IS ONLY POSSIBLE BECAUSE WE IMPLEMENTED BOARD PROTOCOLS THAT ARE DESIGNED TO ALLOW TRUSTEES TO PARTICIPATE REMOTELY WHEN THERE IS A CHILDCARE NECESSITY.

YOU KNOW, THESE ARE THE VERY BASIC THINGS THAT I AM GLAD THAT WE ARE DOING TO MAKE SERVING AS TRUSTEE EVEN A LITTLE BIT MORE ACCESSIBLE FOR FOLKS WITH YOUNG FAMILIES.

THANK YOU, BUT I ALSO WANTED TO CALL ATTENTION TO THAT BECAUSE IT IS SOMETHING THAT FOLKS DO NOT NECESSARILY THINK OF WHEN THEY THINK OF SOME OF THE DIFFICULTIES WITH PUBLIC SERVICE.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU.

I DO HAVE TO ADD, ONLY MADE POSSIBLE BY THE FACT THAT THE GOVERNOR EXPANDED THE RIGHTS AFTER FOLLOWING COVID.

I APPRECIATE THAT AS WELL.

TRUSTEE ENYIA?

THANK YOU, TRUSTEE STRAW.

>> I WANT TO ECHO EXACTLY WHAT TRUSTEE WESLEY WAS SAYING BEFORE. HAD A CHANCE TO ATTEND THE WALKOUT FOR CHIEF KOBE AND HE SERVED OAK PARK FOR OVER 40 YEARS.

THAT IS OLDER THAN I AM.

TO BE IN ONE LOCATION FOR ALL OF THAT TIME IS PRETTY AMAZING AND HE DID IT.

IT DID IT GRACEFULLY AND SAID IT WAS NEVER WORK.

IT WAS SOMETHING HE WAS ALWAYS PROUD AND HONORED TO DO.

I WANT TO THANK HIM AND HIS WIFE AND KIDS FOR THEIR SACRIFICE OF TIME AND LENDING HIM TO OUR VILLAGE TO DO THE GREAT WORK THAT HE DID OVER THE YEARS.

ALSO WANTED TO ECHO TRUSTEE TAGLIA ABOUT THE BIKE PLAN.

I AM SUPER SUPPORTIVE OF IT, BUT REALLY WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT THE HARVARD RESIDENCE WOULD HAVE TIME TO SPEAK TO THE ENTIRE BOARD AND TALK MORE ABOUT THIS BECAUSE THIS IS SOMETHING THAT SEEMS LIKE IT NEEDS MORE ATTENTION.

IT HAD A CHANCE TO TALK TO A LOT OF THOSE NEIGHBORS OVER THE LAST COUPLE OF MONTHS AND HEARING SOME OF THE DISCORD THAT HAPPENED AROUND

IT, I DEFINITELY THINK IT IS MORE THAN WORTH THE TIME AND EFFORT TO PUT A CONVERSATION TOGETHER, BUT ALSO SEE WHAT CAN BE DONE ABOUT THIS. SO I TRULY APPRECIATE IT.
THANK YOU ALL.

HAVE A GREAT EVENING.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU.

>>CLERK: SO FIRST AND FOREMOST, I WANT TO SAY CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF THE OAK PARK AND RIVER FOREST HIGH SCHOOL PROM GOERS THAT WENT OFF ON SATURDAY EVENING.

I HOPE EVERYBODY HAD A WONDERFUL TIME.

A WONDERFUL AND SAFE TIME.

WE ARE ALL LOOKING FORWARD TO EVERYBODY'S GRADUATION COMING UP ON JUNE 1. I ALSO WANTED TO CONGRATULATE THE PERIMETER WALK, WHO WALKED 9.5 MILES ON SATURDAY.

THOSE FOLKS WALK THE ENTIRE PERIMETER OF OAK PARK NYE ONLY WALKED ABOUT 3.6 MILES OF THAT BECAUSE I WAS A LITTLE TARDY TO THE PARTY, BUT WE PLAN TO DO IT ONCE A MONTH.

HOPEFULLY NEXT TIME I WILL BE ABLE TO GET THERE ON TIME.

FINALLY, I WANTED TO MAKE MENTION THAT TOMORROW WE ARE COLLABORATING WITH SEVERAL DIFFERENT ORGANIZATIONS.

WE MEANING THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK CREDIT TOMORROW, WEDNESDAY, MAY 21 FROM 5:30 P.M. TO 7:30 P.M. AT THE AUSTIN PCC FAMILY CENTER LOCATED AT 5461 LAKE STREET.

EVERY BIRTHING PERSON DESERVES CONSISTENT, HIGH-QUALITY CARE, NO MATTER THE CIRCUMSTANCE.

COME ENJOY THE PERSPECTIVES OF MEDICAL AND PERINATAL PROFESSIONALS ACROSS COMMUNITIES AND ORGANIZATIONS.

UPLIFT OF THE VISION OVER DINNER AND THERE IS A REGISTRATION LINK. YOU CAN GIVE ME A CALL 708-358-5672 AND DINNER WILL BE SERVED BY PASSION IT'S CATERING AND THERE WILL BE CHILDCARE PROVIDED BY THE COLLABORATION OF EARLY CHILDHOOD.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: WONDERFUL.

THANK YOU SO MUCH.

>> (SPEAKER AWAY FROM MIC).

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: YES.

BEFORE WE ADJOURN.

NO WORRIES.

>>CLERK: TRUSTEE WESLEY MADE THE MOTION AND IT TRUSTEE TAGLIA SECONDED IT.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: WE DID AND ALL IN FAVOR?

>>CLERK: THAT WAS WESLEY AND THEN LEVING JACOBSEN.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: ALL GOOD.

COUPLE OF THINGS.

I DID HEAR FROM AN OAK PARK RESIDENT, KAREN GRIMES WHO WAS ONE OF THE FOUNDERS OF A PROJECT CALLED PROJECT UNITY THAT PREVIOUS PRESIDENT OF PROJECT UNITY PASSED AWAY.

PROJECT UNITY - I AM NOT GOING TO DO THE WORK JUSTICE, BUT THERE HAS BEEN SEVERAL ARTICLES THAT HAVE BEEN WRITTEN OVER THE YEARS SINCE THE mid-90s OF DIVERSITY WORK, RACIAL EQUITY WORK OF BRINGING PEOPLE TOGETHER AND HOSTING CONVERSATION SIMILAR TO WHAT WE NOW FROM OUR COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMISSION, DINNER AND DIALOGUES, HAVING PEOPLE TO BREAK DOWN BARRIERS, BUILD BRIDGES, BY GETTING TO KNOW EACH OTHER. SO WHEN WE REFLECT ON THE MANY DIFFERENT LEADERS IN OUR COMMUNITY OVER GENERATIONS THAT HAVE BEEN DOING THIS WORK AND WHAT A LUCKY COMMUNITY WE ARE FOR THEIR LEADERSHIP.

NIALL GOSSETT PASSED AWAY ON MAY 5 AND HIS SERVICES WERE THIS MORNING. GRATEFUL TO KAREN GRIMES FOR BRINGING THAT TO MY ATTENTION AND HAPPY TO SHARE BROADLY.

MY CONDOLENCES GO TO HIS FRIENDS AND FAMILY AND MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY THAT KNEW HIM WELL.

I AM WEARING A T-SHIRT "MOVE WITH THE MAYOR".

LITTLE MORE CASUALLY DRESSED FOR THE MEETING TONIGHT THAN I NORMALLY HAVE.

GRATEFUL TO OUR DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, AS WELL AS VILLAGE MANAGER'S OFFICE FOR HELPING TO COORDINATE THE MOVEMENT.

IT IS A NATIONAL TRADEMARK.

I KNOW WE PREFER TO USE THE TERM "VILLAGE PRESIDENT" HERE IN OAK PARK, BUT IT IS ABOUT USING THE PLATFORM OF THE OFFICE OF MAYOR - EVERY COMMUNITY HAS A VILLAGE PRESIDENT OR MAYOR TO PROMOTE TAKING A MOMENT TO CONSIDER YOUR MENTAL AND PHYSICAL HEALTH.

GET OUTSIDE, RECONNECT WITH YOUR NEIGHBORS AND SO LAST WEEKEND WAS THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF OUR FARMERS MARKET.

WE HAD A WALK FROM HERE TO THE FARMERS MARKET AND MET SOME BRAND-NEW RESIDENTS TO OAK PARK AND OF COURSE I HAD TO ASK HOW IT WAS THAT WE BE OUT EVANSTON AND THEY DECIDED TO MOVE HERE INSTEAD AND, YOU KNOW, THERE ARE MANY, MANY REASONS.

GRATEFUL FOR THAT LITTLE BIT OF RIVALRY THAT WE HAVE THERE AS WELL. THIS MORNING I WAS ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN A GYM CLASS AT SCHOOL AND THIS AFTERNOON AT LONGFELLOW WITH FIRST FIFTH-GRADERS AND FIRST-GRADERS, WITH MY TWO - TRUSTEE STRAW'S POINT OF DAY CARE NEEDS. WHAT WOULD WE DO WITHOUT FAMILY?

NOT EVERYBODY HAS THAT SUPPORT SYSTEM, BUT I HAD MY FOUR-YEAR-OLD GRANDDAUGHTER WITH ME AND SHE HAD A BLAST.

GRATEFUL TO THE PRINCIPLES OF BOTH SCHOOLS, AGAIN, TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND OUR VILLAGE MANAGERS DEPARTMENT FOR MAKING IT HAPPENED AND ALL THE YOUNG PEOPLE AT BOTH OF THE SCHOOLS AND DOCTOR SHAW WAS PRESENT FOR THE FIRST HALF OF THE DAY AND THE GYM TEACHERS AS WELL.

THANK YOU.

WE HAVE COMING UP THIS WEEKEND MEMORIAL DAY ON MONDAY AND RIVER FOREST IS HAVING THEIR 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THEIR MEMORIAL DAY PARADE.

IF THAT BEGINS AT 9:30 A.M. AT IOWA AND ASHLAND AND IT IS USUALLY A VERY, VERY NICE PARADE.

AND I AND (NAME?) - OVER TO SCOVILLE PARK FOR A CEREMONY THAT STARTS AT 11:00 O'CLOCK WITH A MEMORIAL DATE COMMITTEE AND NEIGHBORS AND VOLUNTEERS.

THEY HAVE BEEN DOING IT FOR A LONG TIME AND I KNOW, TRUSTEE TAGLIA, YOU HAVE PARTICIPATED IN THE PAST TALKING ABOUT THE ORIGINS OF MEMORIAL DAY AND HOW IT AFFECTS US TODAY.

HAPPY TO JOIN YOU AT SCOVILLE PARK AT 11:00 A.M. FOR THAT ON MONDAY AND WE HAVE DAY IN OUR VILLAGE ON JUNE 1 AND I KNOW SOME OF US STILL HAVE TO GET OUR VOLUNTEER SLOTS TO THE CLERK, RIGHT?

PLEASE COME OUT - - I HAVE NOT DONE IT YET EITHER.

PLEASE COME OUT AND ALL THE GREAT COMMUNITY PARTNERS AND AGENCIES THAT ARE PARTICIPATING IN THE VOLUNTEERS THAT HELP WITH DAY IN OUR VILLAGE AND PUTTING IT TOGETHER.

SOME OF WHOM HAVE BEEN DOING THAT FOR YEARS UPON YEARS.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF OUR 2025 GRADUATES.

THANK YOU, CLERK WATERS, FOR REMINDING US OF THAT.

AND ALL OF THE FUN OF PROM WEEKEND.

CONGRATULATIONS TO JENNA AND FOR JOINING US IN PERSON.

JIM, YEAH, GLAD TO HAVE YOU ABOARD.

I COULD HAVE HAD A LOT MORE EXCITEMENT AROUND THESE WONDERFUL THINGS, BUT TRULY APPRECIATIVE.

WITH THAT I WOULD ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO ADJOURN.

>> SO MOVED.

>> SECOND.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: ALL IN FAVOR?

>> AYE.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: MY ENERGY LEVEL FROM CHASING A FOUR WHEELED AROUND ALL DAY.