

ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2 (“ADMINISTRATION”), OF THE OAK PARK VILLAGE CODE BY ADDING A NEW ARTICLE 35 (“AGING IN PLACE COMMISSION”)

WHEREAS, the Village Board adopted its 2018-2019 Board Goals on February 5, 2018 pursuant to Resolution Number 18-781 and one of its goals is to establish a “Commission on Seniors to inform the Village on policies related to aging in place;” and

WHEREAS, pursuant to said goal, the Village Board has determined to adopt this Ordinance to create an Aging in Place Commission.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Oak Park, Cook County, Illinois, in the exercise of their home rule powers, as follows:

Section 1. Recitals Incorporated. The above recitals are incorporated herein as though fully set forth.

Section 2. Village Code Amended. Chapter 2 (“Administration”) of the Oak Park Village Code is hereby amended by adding a new Article 35 (“Aging in Place Commission”) to read as follows:

Article 35 AGING IN PLACE COMMISSION

2-35-1: ESTABLISHMENT; COMPOSITION:

2-35-2: PURPOSE AND DUTIES:

2-35-1: ESTABLISHMENT; COMPOSITION; DEFINITION:

A. Establishment: There is hereby established an Aging in Place Commission to consist of a Chairperson and six (6) members.

B. Composition: The members and chairperson shall be appointed by the President with the consent of the Village Board. Members shall initially be appointed as follows: a chairperson and two (2) members for one year, two (2) members for two (2) years, and two (2) members for three (3) years. Thereafter, the chairperson and all members shall be appointed for three (3) year terms. Commission members shall be residents of the Village who are 55 years age or older or who represent organizations which provide services to seniors in the Village. Such organization representatives may be non-residents of the Village.

C. Definition: For purposes of this article, a “senior” shall be defined as any person who are 55 years of age or over.

2-35-2: DUITES:

A. The Commission shall have the following duties:

1. Advise the Village Board in its efforts to facilitate full participation in community activities by its senior residents and to bring persons over the age of 55 into the mainstream of Oak Park life by recognizing policies which support aging in place as highly desirable.

2. Recommend to the Village Board policies to promote aging in place.

3. Cooperate with and provide support to other Village commissions, committees, task forces, and departments in their efforts to facilitate and promote aging in place.

4. Provide advice to any entity within the Village which seeks assistance from the Commission on how to better serve the needs of seniors.

5. Work with the Village Manager or the Manger’s designee to establish seminars and workshops that promote public awareness of aging place.

6. Establish and carry out a program to recognize excellence in providing access to seniors within the Village which will make the public aware of businesses and institutions which are part of a senior friendly community.

B. The Village Manager or the Manager’s designee shall provide for such staff assistance as the Commission may need to carry out its duties.

Section 3. Severability and Repeal of Inconsistent Ordinances. If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be held invalid, the invalidity thereof shall not affect any of the other provisions of this Ordinance. All ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

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Section 4. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect after its approval, passage and publication as provided by law.

ADOPTED this 20th day of February, 2018, pursuant to a roll call vote at follows:

| Voting | Aye | Nay | Abstain | Absent |
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| President Abu-Taleb | | | | |
| Trustee Andrews | | | | |
| Trustee Boutet | | | | |
| Trustee Button | | | | |
| Trustee Moroney | | | | |
| Trustee Taglia | | | | |
| Trustee Tucker | | | | |

APPROVED this 20th day of February, 2018.

Anan Abu-Taleb, Village President

ATTEST

Vicki Scaman, Village Clerk

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Vicki Scaman, Village Clerk