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>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: OKAY, THANK YOU.

IT IS 6:34 PM, CALLED THE MEETING OF THE VILLAGE BOARD TO ORDER. DEPUTY CLERK DRAINE, WOULD YOU PLEASE CALL THE ROLE?

>>JUANCHE DRAINE: TRUSTEE EDER, TRUSTEE LEVING-JOHNSON, TRUSTEE TAGLIA, TRUSTEE WESLEY - ABSENT.

AND LASTLY PRESIDENT SCAMAN.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: HERE.

THANK YOU SO MUCH.

CLERK WATERS, DO YOU HAVE A FEW WORDS TO SHARE ABOUT OUR DEPUTY CLERK THIS EVENING?

>>CLERK WATERS: WE ACTUALLY HAD THREE DEPUTY CLERKS JOINED LAST FRIDAY AND SO I WILL SPEAK ABOUT EACH AND EVERY ONE OF THEM.

MY APOLOGIES, BEAR WITH ME.

I AM GETTING LOGGED IN!

ALL RIGHT - SO, I JUST HAVE TO ADD THAT IT WAS QUITE THE PLEASURE - OH - I HAVE TO MUTE - THERE WE GO - TO HAVE THE THREE GENTLEMEN ON FRIDAY, JULY 18. AND SO I JUST WANT TO SHARE A LITTLE BIT ABOUT EACH ONE OF THEM. AND AS SOON AS I CAN FIGURE OUT ZOOM - THERE WE GO.

OKAY.

IT IS MY HONOR TO INTRODUCE WHAT WERE GOING TO BE THREE, BUT ONE REMARKABLE RISING SEVENTH GRADERS, IS THAT CORRECT, RISING SEVENTH OR EIGHTH?

SEVENTH.

FROM BROOKS MIDDLE SCHOOL.

JUANCHE DRAINE AND JACK CAMP AND ETHAN CASSELLE WHO JOINED BEFORE A CIVICS ENGAGEMENT PROJECT ON FRIDAY, JULY 18.

I WAS LEARNING A THING OR TWO ABOUT BASKETBALL FROM THEM AND THEY WERE EQUALLY WILLING TO LEARN ABOUT OAK PARK, HOW LOCAL GOVERNMENT WORKS AND WHY CIVIC ENGAGEMENT MATTERS, NO MATTER HOW OLD YOU ARE. OUR SESSION HAPPENED JUST A DAY AFTER THE NATION PAUSED TO HONOR THE LEGACY OF CONGRESSMAN JOHN LEWIS.

AND HIS CALL TO THE TROUBLE.

THAT TIMING GAVE US THE PERFECT OPPORTUNITY TO TALK OPENLY ABOUT THE CURRENT POLITICAL CLIMATE AND WHAT IT MEANS FOR COMMUNITIES LIKE OURS. WE EXPLORED WHAT JOHN LEWIS 'S LIFELONG ADVOCACY CONNECTS, DIRECTLY TO YOUTH CIVIC ENGAGEMENT.

REMINDING OURSELVES THAT LEADERSHIP, COURAGE AND CHANGE MAKING OFTEN START LONG BEFORE HOLDING AN OFFICIAL TITLE.

TOGETHER WE WALKED TO THE HISTORY AND ARCHITECTURE OF VILLAGE HALL, TAKING IN ITS SIGNIFICANCE AS A COMMUNITY SPACE, BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY WE REFLECTED HOW EACH OF US, REGARDLESS OF AGE CAN BE AN AGENT OF POSITIVE CHANGE RIGHT HERE IN OAK PARK.

THROUGH INTERACTIVE CONVERSATIONS AND DIALOGUE, JUANCHE, JACK AND ETHAN SHARED HOW THEY WANT TO BE CIVIL LEADERS, GROUNDED IN JUSTICE, FAIRNESS AND COMMUNITY SERVICE.

AND WHILE I STILL MAY BE WORKING ON MY JUMPSHOT, I KNOW THESE YOUNG MEN ARE TAKING THEIR FIRST SERIOUS STEPS TOWARDS BECOMING LEADERS IN THEIR OWN RIGHT.

THEIR CURIOSITY, THOUGHTFUL QUESTIONS AND THE DETAILED NOTES THAT THEY TOOK SHOWED ME THEY ARE NOT JUST HERE TO LEARN, THEY ARE HERE TO LEAD. WITH A MINDSET LIKE THAT, I HAVE NO DOUBT THAT THEY WILL BRING THE KIND OF GOOD TROUBLE THAT MAKES OAK PARK AND THE WORLD A BETTER PLACE. THANK YOU SO MUCH JUANCHE FOR JOINING THE PROGRAM.

AND I HAVE FOR YOU TODAY A CERTIFICATE - THAT IS ETHAN'S - AND THIS ONE IS FOR YOU.

YOU ARE VERY WELCOME.

AND I THINK WE HAVE A PICTURE.

AND THIS IS PRESIDENT SCAMAN - AND JUST TO ALSO NOTE THAT WE INCLUDE LUNCH WITH A LEGISLATOR DURING THE JUNIOR DEPUTY PROGRAM AND ARE LEGISLATOR THAT DAY WAS VILLAGE PRESIDENT SCAMAN. THANK YOU.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: I ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION. >>SPEAKER: CLOSED SESSION MINUTES PURSUANT TO FIVE ILCS TO DISCUSS COLLECTING NEGOTIATING MATTERS BETWEEN VILLAGE AND THE EMPLOYEES AND THE REPRESENTATIVES IN DELIBERATIONS CONCERNING SALARY SCHEDULES FOR ONE OR MORE CLASSES OF EMPLOYEES PURSUANT TO ICS 2C2.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: MOTION.

>>SPEAKER: MOVED.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: SECOND.

>>SPEAKER: SECOND.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: CLERK WATERS -

>>CLERK WATERS: TRUSTEE STRAW, TRUSTEE LEVING-JOHNSON, TRUSTEE STRAW, TRUSTEE WESLEY IS ABSENT AND PRESIDENT SCAMAN?

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: YES.

WE WILL SHE -- WE WILL SEE YOU SHORTLY.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE, WE WILL GET STARTED AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE.

IT IS 6:26 PM.

SORRY - SEVEN - OKAY, IT IS 6:26 PM, I WILL RECONVENE - 7:26 PM - I DON'T KNOW WHAT IS WRONG WITH ME TODAY.

CLERK WATERS, WOULD YOU PLEASE TAKE THE ROLE?

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

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: HERE.

AND I ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS IT IS PRESENTED THIS EVENING.

>>SPEAKER: MOVED.

>>SPEAKER: SECOND.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU, ALL IN FAVOR?

(MULTIPLE SPEAKERS)

AYE.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: AND MOTION TO APPROVE THE MEETING MINUTES FROM JULY.

>>SPEAKER: MOVED.

>>SPEAKER: SECOND.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: ALL IN FAVOR?

(MULTIPLE SPEAKERS)

AYE.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THE MINUTES FROM JULY 15 HAVE BEEN APPROVED. CLERK WATERS, DO WE HAVE ANY NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENTS THIS EVENING? PLEASE, TAKE YOUR TIME.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: YES, I DO.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: MR. DONOVAN, DO YOU CARE TO JOIN US? AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR ASSISTANCE.

>>SPEAKER: GOOD EVENING, I APPEARED BEFORE YOU SIX MONTHS AGO, ALMOST 6 MONTHS TO THE DAY REGARDING AN ISSUE REGARDING 6104 SOUTH ROOSEVELT ROAD AND AT A TIME JUST BEFORE THAT MEETING THE VILLAGE BOARD APPROVED A RECOMMENDATION FOR THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING TASK FORCE TO ALLOCATE SOME OF THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING FUNDS TO A PROJECT AT THAT ADDRESS FOR MIXED-USE AFFORDABLE HOUSING BUILDING. SINCE THEN, THERE HAS BEEN SOME DEVELOPMENTS. AND ON THE FRONT PAGE OF THAT WHICH YOU HAVE, YOU WILL SEE THERE IS A LEGAL NOTICE, THE FINE PRINT IN THE BACK OF THE WEDNESDAY JOURNAL AND I REALLY MEAN IF YOU LOOK AT IT IT IS DEFINITELY THE FINE PRINT.

THE OWNER OF THAT LOT IS GOING TO PETITION THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS TO ESTABLISH A EV CHARGING STATION AT THAT LOCATION WHICH WAS SOMETHING THAT HE PROPOSED WHEN HE PURCHASED THE PROPERTY FROM THE COOK COUNTY LAND BANK OVER THREE YEARS AGO.

BUT, YOU'LL NOTICE THERE HAS BEEN VARIOUS THINGS, THERE IS A NOTICE THAT THREE YEARS LATER YOU WILL SEE THAT THERE IS SOME EMAIL EXCHANGES IN THE STAFF EARLIER THIS YEAR WHERE HIS BUILDING PERMIT THAT HAD BEEN PREVIOUSLY ISSUED HAD BEEN DETERMINED TO BE ABANDONED AND CANCELED. WHAT HAPPENED TO THAT?

AND IN THE MEANTIME, YOU HAVE THIS MULTIMILLION DOLLAR AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECT BY THE COMMUNITY BUILDERS THAT WAS APPROVED FOR GOING FURTHER EARLIER THIS YEAR.

NOW, IF YOU LOOK AT THE PETITIONER FOR THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS, HE HAS BEEN SOMEWHAT DELINQUENT IN HIS OBLIGATIONS WHEN HE PURCHASED THE PROPERTY FROM THE LAND BANK.

THEY GAVE HIM 18 MONTHS TO HAVE IT UP AND READY, IF NOT ALL OF THE BUILDING PERMITS SECURED AND HE HAS NOT PAID TAXES ON THE PROPERTY AND AS YOU CAN SEE SHE LET THE BUILDING PERMIT THAT HE PREVIOUSLY HAD EXPIRED. SO, WHAT HAPPENED?

AND IN A TIME WHEN YOU KNOW WE ARE TALKING ABOUT SUSTAINABILITY AND FORGIVE ME - I HAD A TECHNICAL PROBLEM AND THAT IS WHY YOU DON'T HAVE IT ON DOUBLE-SIDED COPIES.

YOU HAVE AN ISSUE WITH SUSTAINABILITY IN TOWN, BUT YOU HAVE TO LOOK AT THIS PROPOSAL TO PUT THE EV CHARGING STATION THERE AND WONDER IF IT IS A SUSTAINABLE BUSINESS AND THE REASON I BRING THAT UP IS BECAUSE A, THE VILLAGE PASSED AN ORDINANCE THAT ALL NEW BUILDINGS INCLUDING GARAGES HAS TO HAVE A CHARGING STATION IN THE BUILDING.

YOU WILL ALSO NOTICE ON THE LAST PAGE THAT IT IS A TECHNICAL REPORT SAYING ALL PEOPLE BUYING EV CARS NOW INSTALL SOMETHING IN THEIR HOUSE.

SO, IS THERE A NEED FOR PRIVATELY FUNDED OUT OF THE WAY EV CHARGING STATIONS ON ROOSEVELT ROAD?

I WOULD SAY NO.

IS THERE A NEED, A TRUE NEED FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN OAK PARK? I WOULD SAY YES.

AND I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW WHAT HAPPENED TO THE PROJECT WITH COMMUNITY BUILDERS AND I SUGGEST THAT IF HE GETS TO YOU, THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS PASSES THIS APPLICATION THAT THIS BOARD REFUTE THAT AND GET ON WITH PUTTING AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN THAT LOCATION. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU MR. DONOVAN, I THINK WE AGREE. OKAY - THANK YOU - >>CLERK WATERS: ALAN?

>>SPEAKER: PRESIDENT SCAMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, MY NAME IS ALAN PARRIS, 43 YEAR RESIDENT OF OAK PARK AND I HAVE NOT HAD A LOT OF OPPORTUNITY OR NEED RATHER TO INTERACT WITH THE VILLAGE OVER THE YEARS AND I GUESS THAT IS A GOOD THING AND THE EXPENSES I'VE HAD HAVE GENERALLY BEEN GOOD.

BUT, OVER THE PAST COUPLE OF MONTHS I HAVE HAD A SERIES OF PROBLEMS WHICH, SOME OF WHICH YOU KNOW ABOUT BECAUSE I WROTE THE BOARD, TRUSTEE TAGLIA AND TRUSTEE WESLEY WERE BOTH VERY HELPFUL IN RESPONDING, BUT I DO WANT TO COME AND SAY THAT I THINK THE VILLAGE NEEDS TO TAKE A GOOD HARD LOOK AT THE USE OF EMAIL AND VOICEMAIL BY EMPLOYEES OF THE VILLAGE.

MY PROBLEM WAS THAT I SENT EMAILS AND THINGS DON'T GET RESPONDED TO. IN FACT, I SENT AN EMAIL TO VILLAGE MANAGER JACKSON AT THE EMAIL ON THE WEBSITE WHICH IS A GENERAL EMAIL FOR ALL OF THE VILLAGE, IT IS VILLAGE AT OAK PARK .US AND I SAID THAT JUNE 25 AND IT HAS STILL BEEN UNANSWERED. AND NONE OF THE SENIOR STAFF OF THE VILLAGE FOR EXAMPLE HAS EMAIL ADDRESSES ON THE WEBSITE.

AT LEAST NONE THAT I COULD FIND.

IN ADDITION, I HAVE - I WAS A REGULAR CALLER OR I HAVE HAD TO MAKE SOME PHONE CALLS TO THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT AND I WOULD SPEAK TO THE PERSON WHO IS THE FIRST CONTACT AND THEY WOULD SEND ME OFF TO SOMEONE ELSE AND THE VOICEMAIL BOX THAT I GET TO RESPOND TO, THERE IS NO NAME, THERE IS NO EXTENSION NUMBER, THERE IS NO IDENTIFICATION OF ANY KIND. IT IS NOT VERY HELPFUL AND I LEAVE A MESSAGE AND I DON'T KNOW WHO IT GOES TO OR NOT.

IF IT IS GOING TO GET RESPONDED TO - ALSO, ONE LAST THING - I HAD BEEN A REGULAR CALLER TO THE GRAFFITI HOTLINE.

I TAKE MY DOG FOR A WALK EVERY DAY, ONE OF THE PRIVILEGES OF BEING RETIRED, I TAKE LONG WALKS, I SEE A LOT OF GRAFFITI, I CALLED THE GRAFFITI HOTLINE.

OVER A 10 DAY PERIOD OF TIME - THE CALLS ALWAYS GOT DISCONNECTED. I FINALLY CALLED THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT AND I GET ROUTED TO I THINK ONE OF THE ASSISTANT ENGINEERS WHO TOLD ME THAT THE LINE WAS DISCONNECTED AT SOME POINT.

AND NO NOTIFICATION, THERE WAS NO FORWARDING, THERE WAS NOTHING. IT IS NOT VERY GOOD PUBLIC SERVICE AND IT IS NOT VERY HELPFUL AND I REALLY THINK THAT THE VILLAGE AS AN EMPLOYER AND FOR GOOD PUBLIC SERVICE REALLY NEEDS TO TAKE A LOOK AT ITS POLICIES AND PROCEDURES REGARDING EMAIL AND VOICEMAIL TO MAKE SURE THAT ANYBODY THAT WANTS TO CONTACT PEOPLE AND DO SO.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU MR. PEREZ. WE HAVE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION? THANK YOU. ANYONE ELSE? >>CLERK WATERS: DOROTHY?

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: AND DO WE HAVE ANYONE AFTER DOROTHY? >>CLERK WATERS: YES.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: WHO IS AFTER DOROTHY?

ALICIA?

OKAY, JUST SO SHE IS AWARE.

>>SPEAKER: HELLO PRESIDENT SCAMAN, BOARD MEMBERS, HELLO. HELLO.

I AM A HEALTHCARE PROVIDER FOR OVER 10 YEARS IN COOK COUNTY.

I HAVE BEEN PRACTICING PSYCHIATRIC AND MENTAL HEALTHCARE AS A NURSE PRACTITIONER.

AND FOR THREE YEARS I HAVE BEEN IN PRIVATE PRACTICE, INCLUDING OPERATING AN OFFICE IN OAK PARK, 1010 LAKE STREET.

AND I HAVE BECOME AWARE THAT THE AUTOMATIC LICENSE PLATE READERS AND THEIR USE BEING DRAWN INTO FLOCK DATA ARE NOW A THREAT TO ACCESS TO HEALTHCARE.

I AM REQUIRED TO SEE OUT-OF-STATE PATIENTS WHO ARE COMING TO VISIT ME IN PERSON.

I AM LICENSED IN THE STATE OF ILLINOIS AND I CAN SEE ILLINOIS RESIDENTS WHEN THEY ARE IN ILLINOIS, BUT SOME PEOPLE COME FROM OUT-OF-STATE.

AND THEY NEED TO PRESENT IN PERSON FOR ME TO BE LICENSED AND PRACTICING PROPERLY.

THERE IS NOW WIDESPREAD AWARENESS THAT FLOCK DATA AND MONITORING OF LICENSE PLATES AND REGISTERED VEHICLES IS BEING USED BY OTHER STATES TO RETROACTIVELY SURVEILLED PEOPLE.

ALARMING PEOPLE ENOUGH THAT THEY CANCEL AND FAILED TO ATTEND IN PERSON APPOINTMENTS.

PREVENTION OF ACCESS TO CARE WORSENS HEALTHCARE DISPARITIES AND IS A MORAL AND ETHICAL PROBLEM.

THESE AND AUTOMATIC LICENSE PLATE READERS AND FLOCK DATA RECORDING - THANK YOU.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU.

>>CLERK WATERS: ALICIA?

>>SPEAKER: HELLO.

MOST OF US WOULD MOVE HEAVEN AND EARTH TO PROTECT OUR LOVED ONES WHETHER BORN HERE OR IN AMERICA OR HOME, BUT OUR COURAGE AND COMMITMENT TO PROTECT OUR COMMUNITY IS BEING TESTED.

TESTED BY FEDERAL KIDNAPPERS TEARING FAMILIES APART AND TECHNOLOGY BILLIONAIRES WHO BUILD SURVEILLANCE SYSTEMS, FLOCK SAFETY IS ONE OF THOSE SYSTEMS.

WE HAVE ALREADY REPORTING ABOUT THE ILLEGAL GRABS OF FLOCK DATA IN ILLINOIS.

WE HAVE LEARNED THAT ICE HAS GAINED ACCESS WITH INFORMAL BACK CHANNELS WITH LOCAL POLICE DEPARTMENTS AND A TEXAS POLICE DEPARTMENT USED ILLINOIS DATA FOR AN ABORTION.

AND IN AUDITS AT LEAST ONE ILLINOIS POLICE OFFICER USE THIS FOR IMMIGRATION VIOLATION.

THEY ARE NOT OUTLIERS, THEY ARE AN ILLUSTRATION OF WHAT THE SYSTEM IS BUILT TO DO.

FLOCK PLATFORM IS BUILT TO FACILITATE MASSIVE DATA COLLECTION AND ENABLE SHARING WITH THE STATE ENABLING LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES TO ACCESS DATA VIA STATEWIDE AND NATIONWIDE NETWORKS IS A PRIMARY SELLING POINT FOR THE COMPANY.

THIS IS WHY AGENCIES BOTH INSIDE AND OUTSIDE OF ILLINOIS WILL CONTINUE TO SEARCH THESE NETWORKS FOR REASONS THAT VIOLATE STATE LAWS AND LOCAL ORDINANCES.

IN RESPONSE TO THE STATE OF BREACHES, THE ILLINOIS SECRETARY OF STATE HAS LAUNCHED A STATEWIDE INVESTIGATION TO INVESTIGATE FOR POSSIBLE CRIMINAL CHARGES.

AS THESE INVESTIGATIONS UNFOLD, IT IS IMPORTANT TO REMEMBER THAT MITIGATING THIS IS AN IMPOSSIBLE TASK, EVEN IF AGENCIES OPT OUT OF THESE NETWORKS AND TURN OFF ALL SHARING, FLOCK RETAINS ACCESS TO HISTORICAL DATA COLLECTED IN ILLINOIS.

THIS ACCESS IS SO IMPORTANT THAT FLOCK CONTRACT INCLUDE A PROVISION ENSURING THE COMPANY HAS A RIGHT TO BROAD USE OF THIS DATA. FURTHER, THE CONTRACTS RETAIN THE RIGHT FOR THE COMPANY TO SHARE DATA WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITIES, GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND/OR THIRD PARTIES AT THE COMPANY'S DISCRETION AND THE CONTRACT DID NOT INCLUDE ANY COMMITMENT TO PROVIDE NOTICE TO CUSTOMERS IF IT PRODUCES ITS DATA TO ICE. THESE HARMS CANNOT BE MITIGATED OUT OF FLOCK BECAUSE THEY ARE WITH THE SYSTEM WAS BUILT TO DO.

CIRCUMVENTING ILLINOIS LAWS, GIVING ICE ACCESS TO PEOPLE'S MOVEMENTS AND TRACKING DOWN PEOPLE SEEKING REPRODUCTIVE HEALTHCARE, UNDERMINING LOCAL SANCTUARY ORDINANCES, THIS IS WHAT FLOCK DOES.

THIS IS WHAT THESE SYSTEMS DO, IT IS THEIR PURPOSE BECAUSE IT IS THE OUTCOMES THEY PRODUCE.

CITIES LIKE AUSTIN, ST. MARK'S, DENVER, NORFORK AND SAN DIEGO ARE PUSHING BACK AND TAKING AWAY FLOCKING FROM THEIR COMMUNITIES.

IT IS MY HOPE THAT WE WILL JOIN THEM.

I AM ASKING OAK PARK TO CANCEL THIS CONTRACT AND INVEST THOSE RESOURCES INTO REAL COMMUNITY SAFETY PROGRAMS LIKE OUR ECO-PROGRAM BY MAKING THIS PROGRAM WE WILL AFFIRM OUR COMMITMENT TO CREATING SANCTUARY AND WE WILL BUILD A VILLAGE WHERE EVERYONE HAS WHAT THEY NEED TO THRIVE. THANK YOU.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU, IS THAT ALL?

OKAY, VERY MUCH APPRECIATED AND SO NOW WE ARE MOVING TO OUR AGENDA TO A MOMENT TO CELEBRATE WITH A PROCLAMATION AND ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO APPROVE PROCLAMATION HONORING THE LIFE, LEGACY AND CONTRIBUTIONS OF McLOUIS "MAC" ROBINET, CAN I HAVE A MOTION, PLEASE?

>>SPEAKER: MOVED.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: I THINK THERE ARE SEVERAL PEOPLE THAT WOULD HAVE LOVED TO BE A PART OF THAT.

MOTION BY TRUSTEE EDER AND SECOND BY TRUSTEE WESLEY AND AS A GREAT HONOR I HAVE ASKED TRUSTEE TAGLIA IF YOU WOULD RELEASE READ THE PROCLAMATION OUT LOUD?

>>TRUSTEE TAGLIA: PROCLAMATION HONORING THE LIFE, LEGACY AND CONTRIBUTION OF McLOUIS "MAC" ROBINET.

WHEREAS, THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK PROUDLY RECOGNIZES THE LIVES OF THOSE WHOSE DEDICATION, VISION, AND QUIET PERSEVERANCE LEAVE AN INDELIBLE MARK ON OUR COMMUNITY; AND

WHEREAS, MCLOUIS "MAC" ROBINET, A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF OAK PARK, ILLINOIS, HAS DEVOTED HIS LIFE TO THE CARE FOR OUR PLANET, CIVIC ENGAGEMENT, AND INTERGENERATIONAL WISDOM, AND IN DOING SO, STRENGTHENED THE VERY FOUNDATION OF OUR VILLAGE'S VALUES; AND

WHEREAS, MR. ROBINET - THROUGH THE DIGNITY OF HIS PRESENCE, HIS LOVE OF LEARNING, COMMITMENT TO MENTORSHIP, AND A PROFOUND DEDICATION TO A SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY AND WORLD - HAS MODELED A WAY OF LIFE ROOTED IN EQUITY, RESILIENCE, AND CARE FOR THE EARTH AND ONE ANOTHER; AND WHEREAS, AS A PIONEERING VOICE IN LOCAL CONVERSATIONS ABOUT ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY LONG BEFORE IT BECAME A NATIONAL PRIORITY, MR. ROBINET BROUGHT WISDOM, EXPERTISE, AND HUMILITY TO THE CHALLENGES OF OUR TIME, ADVOCATING FOR SUSTAINABLE LIVING AND PRACTICES THAT PROTECT FUTURE GENERATIONS; AND

WHEREAS, MR. ROBINET WAS ONE OF THE FIRST RESIDENTS IN OAK PARK TO USE RENEWABLE ENERGY IN THEIR HOME AND HIS LOVE AND CARE FOR OUR PLANET MOTIVATED HIM TO MENTOR MANY. HE IS A FOUNDING MEMBER OF OAK PARK CLIMATE ACTION NETWORK (OPCAN) AND INTERFAITH GREEN NETWORK; AND WHEREAS, TOGETHER WITH HIS BELOVED WIFE, THE LATE HARRIET ROBINET-AN ACCOMPLISHED AUTHOR AND ADVOCATE IN HER OWN RIGHT-MR. ROBINET HAS HELPED FOSTER A HOME AND COMMUNITY OF INCLUSION, SCHOLARSHIP, AND INTEGRITY, INSPIRING NEIGHBORS, YOUNG PEOPLE, AND CIVIC LEADERS ALIKE; AND WHEREAS, THE ROBINETS MADE OAK PARK THEIR HOME FOR DECADES, AND MR. ROBINET'S PRESENCE BECAME SYNONYMOUS WITH THOUGHTFUL DIALOGUE, ETHICAL ACTION, AND A DEEP AND ABIDING BELIEF IN THE POWER OF COMMUNITY; AND

WHEREAS, MR. ROBINET'S LEGACY EXTENDS BEYOND PERSONAL ADVOCACY-HIS LIFE STANDS AS A TESTAMENT TO THE ENDURING IMPACT OF QUIET LEADERSHIP,

LIFELONG LEARNING, AND THE MORAL IMPERATIVE TO ACT WITH FORESIGHT AND COMPASSION IN SERVICE OF THE COMMON GOOD;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT I, VICKI SCAMAN, PRESIDENT OF THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK, ON BEHALF OF THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND THE COMMUNITY AT LARGE, DO HEREBY HONOR AND CELEBRATE THE EXTRAORDINARY LIFE, LEGACY, AND CONTRIBUTIONS OF MR. ROBINET, AND EXTEND OUR DEEPEST GRATITUDE FOR THE WISDOM HE HAS SHARED AND CONTINUES TO SHARE TO THIS DAY, AND THE PATH HE HAS HELPED ILLUMINATE;

BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED, THAT THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK RECOGNIZES MR. ROBINET AS A FOUNDATIONAL STEWARD OF SUSTAINABILITY, A MORAL GUIDEPOST FOR CIVIC RESPONSIBILITY, AND A BELOVED MEMBER OF OUR SHARED HISTORY, WHOSE UNRELENTING COMMITMENT WILL ECHO FOR GENERATIONS. THANK YOU. (APPLAUSE).

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: AND I BELIEVE THERE ARE A FEW RESIDENTS WHO WOULD ALSO LIKE TO SHARE A FEW WORDS.

LAURA?

>>SPEAKER: GOOD EVENING EVERYONE.

PRESIDENT SCAMAN, VILLAGE TRUSTEES, MY NAME IS LAURA D, RESIDENT OF OAK PARK AND ARDENT ADVOCATE FOR OUR PLANET.

AND ALL THE PEOPLE, PLANTS AND ANIMALS THAT LIVE HERE.

FORMER CHAIR OF THE ENVIRONMENT COMMISSION AND FOUNDING MEMBER OF OPCAN.

THANK YOU FOR TODAY.

I WILL NOT GET EMOTIONAL.

ALTHOUGH TRAINED AS AN ENGINEER, MAC IS TRULY ONE OF THE BEST TEACHERS YOU CAN FIND IF YOU ARE LOOKING TO UNDERSTAND AN ISSUE THOROUGHLY, ESPECIALLY COMPLEX ONE LIKE ENERGY.

I CAME TO A MUCH DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF HOW HUMAN BEHAVIOR CAUSES THE UNPRECEDENTED WARMING OF OUR PRESENCE WITH MAC 'S GUIDANCE AND PATIENCE.

HE IS THE KIND OF TEACHER ANYBODY WOULD WANT, EAGER TO CHART OUT ESSENTIAL INFORMATION AND PATIENT.

AS A FOUNDING MEMBER OF OAK PARK CLIMATE ACTION NETWORK, MAC IS A CONSTANT DRUMBEAT TO REMIND US CONSISTENTLY THAT WE MUST DO AS MUCH AS WE CAN AS A VILLAGE AND BEYOND HER BOUNDARIES TO NUDGE IF NOT REQUIRE PEOPLE, BUSINESSES, PUBLIC ORGANIZATIONS TO STOP USING FOSSIL FUELS AND TO IMPLEMENT SUSTAINABLE PRACTICES.

MAC IS PERSISTENTLY DEVELOPING IDEAS TO EDUCATE RESIDENCES TO ELECTRIFY, COMPOST, LOWER CARBON FOOTPRINT, HE IS A QUINTESSENTIAL ENGINEER EFFECT OF CLIMATE ACTION AND EDUCATION.

BEFORE WE FOUNDED OPCAN IN 2018, HE HELPED FORMER PRESIDENT T, TRUSTEE TAGLIA AND MYSELF TO CREATE A RENEWABLE ENERGY AREA.

HE EDUCATED ALL OF US ABOUT THE VERY COMPLICATED CONSTRUCT OF ENERGY, THE GRID, THE EMERGING FIELD OF SOLAR AND LARGE-SCALE SOLAR DEVELOPMENTS.

WE WERE SO EAGER TO MAKE THIS GRAND IDEA HAPPENED THAT THE FINANCING CAUSED ITS DEMISE.

ON A PERSONAL NOTE, I AM A MOTHER AND I AM VERY THANKFUL FOR MAC AND HARRIET FOR THE PARENTING.

ONE OF THEIR CHILDREN, LINDA WHO IS HERE TONIGHT TAUGHT TWO OF OUR KIDS. LINDA IS ONE OF THOSE TEACHERS YOU WILL NEVER FORGET.

OF COURSE SHE HAD MULTIPLE ANIMALS IN HER CLASSROOM, A SURE WINNER OF FOURTH-GRADERS, SHE WAS TOP-NOTCH WHEN IT CAME TO SOCIAL AND

EMOTIONAL INTELLIGENCE AND LEARNING PAIRED WITH ONE OF OUR KIDS SHE WAS INVALUABLE DURING A PARTICULARLY CHALLENGING TIME.

PRESIDENT SCAMAN, TRUSTEES, THANK YOU FOR HONORING HIM, MAC ROBINET, WE ARE ALSO VERY LUCKY TO HAVE HIM IN OUR VILLAGE SO THAT WE WILL ALL TAKE BETTER CARE OF OURSELVES AND OUR PLANET.

(APPLAUSE).

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: MAC, WOULD YOU LIKE TO SHARE A FEW WORDS, YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE TO TAKE PHOTOS - (CHUCKLE) EITHER WAY!

WELL, THEN WE WILL ASK YOU AND THE MEMBERS OF OPCAN TO COME UP AND TAKE A PHOTO AND THEN THE VILLAGE BOARD WILL STEP AROUND AND TAKE A PHOTO WITH YOU AS WE PRESENT A PROCLAMATION, OKAY? DEREK?

(LAUGHTER) THANK YOU, JOE.

(LAUGHTER) AND THEN I WILL ASK MEMBERS OF THE VILLAGE BOARD TO STEP AROUND AND TAKE A PHOTO.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: YES, YES, YES.

VERY INTENTIONAL.

AND SO WE WILL MOVE TO THE VILLAGE MANAGERS REPORT, VILLAGE MANAGER JACKSON?

>>MANAGER JACKSON: THANK YOU PRESIDENT SCAMAN AND TRUSTEE MEMBERS, I AM HAPPY TO INTRODUCE ONE OF OUR NEWEST EMPLOYEES, I WOULD LIKE HER TO COME TO THE PODIUM AND PROVIDE A BRIEF INTRODUCTION OF HERSELF. KELLY KEYES, CHIEF DEI OFFICER.

>>SPEAKER: THANK YOU.

GOOD EVENING PRESIDENT SCAMAN, VILLAGE BOARD MEMBERS AND ALL OF THE ATTENDEES OF THE VILLAGE BOARD MEETING, I HOPE EVERYONE IS DOING WELL, MY NAME IS KELLY KEYES AND I WANTED TO TAKE A MOMENT TO INTRODUCE MYSELF.

AS THE NEW CHIEF DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION OFFICER FOR THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK.

AS SOMEONE WHO HAS CALLED OAK PARK HOME FOR MORE THAN A DECADE I'M EXCITED AND GRATEFUL FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE IN THIS ROLE.

I BRING MORE THAN 25 YEARS OF EXPERIENCE OF PUBLIC SERVICE, LAW AND POLICY, MOST RECENTLY SERVING AS THE CHAIRPERSON AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE STATES ILLINOIS COMMISSION ON EQUITY AND INCLUSION. IN THAT ROLE OUR TO ADVANCE ECONOMIC INTERESTS BY INCREASING STATE CONTRACTING OPPORTUNITIES FOR BUSINESSES OWNED BY PEOPLE OF COLOR, WOMEN, VETERANS, SERVICE DISABLED VETERANS AND INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES.

MY CAREER HAS ALSO INCLUDED LEADERSHIP ROLES AND GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS INCLUDING THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY AS WELL AS THE EXECUTIVE ETHICS COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS AND THE CHICAGO HOUSING AUTHORITY AS WELL AS A DECADE OF PRACTICING LAW IN THE PRIVATE SECTOR.

AT THE CORE OF MY WORK, HAS ALWAYS BEEN A COMMITMENT TO EQUITY, TRANSPARENCY AND CREATING PATHWAYS FOR MEANINGFUL COMMUNITY IMPACT. I AM LOOKING FORWARD TO BRIDGING - NO, BRINGING, I SHOULD TAKE THESE OFF SO I CAN SEE BETTER, THEY ARE PRESCRIPTION, BEGINNING IN THE WAY! I AM LOOKING FORWARD TO BRINGING THAT LENS WHO BRINGING THAT WITH EACH ONE OF YOU.

I WANT TO STRENGTHEN OAK PARK EQUITY GOALS AND HEALTH OUTCOMES. I WANT TO CONNECT WITH YOU EACH IN THE UPCOMING WEEKS TO LEARN ABOUT PRIORITIES AND YOUR PERSPECTIVES.

PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO REACH OUT TO ME AND CALL ME OR CONTACT ME IF THERE IS ANYTHING YOU WOULD LIKE TO SHARE.

I'M HERE TO LISTEN AND WORK WITH YOU AND FOR YOU. THANK YOU.

>>MANAGER JACKSON: ALL RIGHT, THANK YOU, KELLY.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU SO MUCH AND WELCOME TO OAK PARK. WELL, WELCOME TO THE VILLAGE!

>>MANAGER JACKSON: OKAY, PRESIDENT SCAMAN, MEMBERS, JUST A MINOR UPDATE TO THE CALENDAR AND THAT WILL CONCLUDE, WE HAVE CONFIRMED FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING ON JULY 30, WEDNESDAY AND WE HAD A SLIGHT CHANGE TO TONIGHT AGENDA, WE MOVE THE ZONING ORDINANCE UPDATE FROM INITIATING THE PROJECT ITSELF AND/OR IN THE CONTRACT MOVED FROM TONIGHT AND IT WAS ACTUALLY SCHEDULED ORIGINALLY FOR TONIGHT BUT IT IS MOVING TO 8.5.

SO, I WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THOSE TWO CHANGES SINCE WE MET LAST AND IF THERE ARE ANY CALENDAR CHANGES FOR JULY, AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER I AM HAPPY TO TAKE ANY QUESTIONS.

OKAY.

IF THERE ARE NO QUESTIONS, THANK YOU AND THAT CONCLUDES MY REPORT. >>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU VERY MUCH AND IT IS A PLEASURE TO

WELCOME KELLY KEYES TO THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK.

THANK YOU FOR HAVING HER JOIN US THIS EVENING.

AND BEFORE WE LEAVE THIS SECTION OF THE AGENDA, JULY IS AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT AWARENESS DAY AND I WOULD LIKE TO READ A PROCLAMATION HONORING THIS MONTH.

WHEREAS, THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA) WAS SIGNED INTO LAW ON JULY 26, 1990, ESTABLISHING A CLEAR AND COMPREHENSIVE NATIONAL MANDATE FOR THE ELIMINATION OF DISCRIMINATION TO ENSURE THE CIVIL RIGHTS OF PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES; AND

WHEREAS, THE ADA HAS EXPANDED OPPORTUNITIES FOR AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES BY REDUCING BARRIERS, CHANGING PERCEPTIONS, AND INCREASING OPPORTUNITIES FOR FULL PARTICIPATION AND INCLUSION IN COMMUNITY LIFE; AND WHEREAS, CONTINUED COMMITMENT TO THE IMPLEMENTATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF THE ADA IS NECESSARY TO HELP INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES REACH THEIR FULL POTENTIAL; AND

WHEREAS, THE ADA INCLUDES PROTECTION FROM DISCRIMINATION FOR PEOPLE WITH ALL TYPES OF DISABILITIES, INCLUDING PEOPLE WITH NON-VISIBLE PHYSICAL, MENTAL HEALTH, DEVELOPMENTAL, AND BEHAVIORAL DISABILITIES; AND WHEREAS, NUMEROUS ORGANIZATIONS IN OAK PARK AND ILLINOIS WORK WITH CONSTITUENTS AND COMMUNITIES TO BRING FORTH THE PROMISE OF HOPE AND FREEDOM THAT IS ENVISIONED BY THE PASSAGE OF THE ADA; AND WHEREAS, DISABILITY PRIDE MONTH IS AN ANNUAL EVENT CELEBRATED IN JULY TO COMMEMORATE THE PASSING OF THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT. IT RECOGNIZES AND HONORS THE HISTORY, ACHIEVEMENTS, EXPERIENCES, AND STRUGGLES OF PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES; AND

WHEREAS, DISABILITY PRIDE MONTH PROMOTES VISIBILITY AND MAINSTREAM AWARENESS OF THE POSITIVE PRIDE FELT BY PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES, CELEBRATING DIVERSITY AND FOSTERING A SOCIETY THAT IS INCLUSIVE AND ACCESSIBLE TO ALL INDIVIDUALS, ACCESSIBLE TO ALL DISABLED AND NON-DISABLED INDIVIDUALS; AND

WHEREAS, DISABILITY PRIDE MONTH ENABLES PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES TO REDEFINE THEIR IDENTITY WITH PRIDE; SERVES AS A TOOL TO TACKLE ABLEISM, BIAS, AND DISCRIMINATION; AND RESHAPES FALSE NEGATIVE PERCEPTIONS OF INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES AS PEOPLE WITH VALUE, TALENTS, AND SIGNIFICANCE; AND

WHEREAS, DISABILITY PRIDE MONTH CELEBRATES PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES AND DISABILITY AS AN IDENTITY, HONORING THE COMMUNITY AND CULTURE. THE INITIATIVE AIMS TO CHALLENGE DIRECTLY SYSTEMIC ABLEISM AND DISCRIMINATION FACED BY THOSE WITH A DISABILITY, CENTERING DISABLED EXPERIENCES. DISABILITY PRIDE MEANS DIFFERENT THINGS TO DIFFERENT PEOPLE: TO HONOR EARLY ACTIVISTS, TO RECOGNIZE THAT THEIR DISABILITY IS INTRINSIC TO THEIR SELF, TO CELEBRATE DISABILITY VISIBILITY IN PUBLIC SPACES, AND TO ENCOURAGE ACCESSIBILITY AS A CORNERSTONE OF EQUITY AND INCLUSION. THE OAK PARK PUBLIC LIBRARY IS LEADING THE WAY IN EDUCATING THE COMMUNITY ON HOW TO ADDRESS ACCESSIBILITY AND HOW TO COMBAT ABLEISM AND HOW MORE CAN BE LEARNED FROM DISABLED PEOPLE AND SELF-ADVOCATES BY SEARCHING #DISABILITYPRIDE AND #DISABILITYPRIDEMONTH ON SOCIAL MEDIA; AND WHEREAS, THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK ENCOURAGES PEOPLE TO REAFFIRM THE PRINCIPLES OF DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION LAID OUT IN THE ADA AND RECOMMIT OUR EFFORTS TO REACH FULL ADA COMPLIANCE SO THAT EVERY PERSON IN OUR VILLAGE HAS THE OPPORTUNITY TO SUCCEED. IT IS ESSENTIAL TO PROMOTE A SOCIETY THAT EMBRACES DISABILITY AS AN INTEGRAL AND VALUED PART OF HUMAN DIVERSITY, WHERE ALL INDIVIDUALS ARE TREATED WITH DIGNITY, RESPECT. AND EQUALITY. AND WHERE BARRIERS TO PARTICIPATION AND INCLUSION ARE ELIMINATED; AND APPRECIATE THE EFFORTS OF DISABILITY RIGHTS ACTIVISTS, ORGANIZATIONS, AND ADVOCATES WHO WORK TIRELESSLY TO ADVANCE THE RIGHTS, INDEPENDENCE, AND WELL-BEING OF INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES, AND TO CREATE A MORE INCLUSIVE AND ACCESSIBLE WORLD FOR ALL; AND WHEREAS, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK SUPPORTS THE RECOGNITION OF ADA AWARENESS DAY BOTH FINANCIALLY AND IN SPIRIT FULLY. NOW THEREFORE, I, VICKI SCAMAN, PRESIDENT OF THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK SHALL RECOGNIZE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT AWARENESS DAY ANNUALLY ON JULY 26TH AND HEREBY REAFFIRM OUR COMMITMENT TO WORK TOWARDS FULL ADA COMPLIANCE IN THE VILLAGE OF OAK PARK. THANK YOU FOR HEARING.

AND I KNOW THAT WE HAVE MORE WORK WITH THE CHAIR OF DISABILITY ACCESS COMMISSION IN HONORING THIS MONTH AND SO THANK YOU.

AND JUST TO INSERT FOR JUST A MOMENT I HAPPENED TO BE A PERSON WITH DYSLEXIA AND SO AS I WAS READING ALL OF THAT OUT LOUD, SOME OF IT WAS RESONATING VERY CLEARLY.

AND THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT - AND SO I WOULD MOVE FORWARD TO OUR REGULAR AGENDA FOR ITEMS PURSUANT TO OUR LIQUOR CODE AND WE NEVER TOOK THE ROLE ON MAC 'S PROCLAMATION APPEARED ALL IN FAVOR?

(MULTIPLE SPEAKERS)

AYE.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: FORMALITY!

AND SO I ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO CONCUR WITH THE LIQUOR CONTROL REVIEW BOARD ADOPTING ORDINANCE CHAPTER 3 ARTICLE 1 SECTION 3 – ONE - ONE ARTICLE 4 AND SECTION THREE DASHBOARD – TWO AND ARTICLE 8 SECTION 3 -EIGHT - ONE AND SECTION THREE - EIGHT – TWO FOUR ARTS AND CRAFTS ESTABLISHMENT CLASS D 19 LIQUOR LICENSE TO FATCAT ART GALLERY.

>>SPEAKER: MOVED.

>>SPEAKER: SECOND.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU.

MOTION BY TRUSTEE STRAW AND SECOND BY TRUSTEE ENVIA AND VILLAGE MANAGER JACKSON?

>>MANAGER JACKSON: YES, RASHIDA JACKSON, VILLAGE ATTORNEY.

>>SPEAKER: VILLAGE JACKSON, THIS IS AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE D 19 ARTS AND CRAFTS ESTABLISHMENT TO GRANT A CLASS D 19 LIQUOR LICENSE TO FATCAT ART GALLERY LOCATED AT 19 HARRISON STREET.

THE D 19 LIQUOR LICENSE PERMITS ARTS AND CRAFTS ESTABLISHMENTS WHICH INCLUDES PAINTING, POTTERY, CERAMICS, CANDLEMAKING, JEWELRY MAKING, WOODWORKING, CRAFT, DESIGN, CONTRACTION PROJECT UTILIZING FIBERS, METAL, WOOD AND/OR GLASS, BUT THERE WAS NOT ANYTHING SPECIFIC TO GALLERY OPENINGS.

SO, NOW IT WILL ALSO HAVE THE ABILITY TO HOLD A GALLERY OPENINGS, ARTS AND CRAFT SHOWS WITH AGAIN THE ABILITY TO SERVE BEER, WINE OR SPARKLING WINE ON THE PREMISES FOR CONSUMPTION.

THE LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION DESCRIBES THE HARRISON ART DISTRICT GALLERY, FATCAT AS OFFERING TO DISPLAY AND SELL ARTWORK BY LOCAL ARTISTS, LOCAL ART PAINT LESSONS AND PAINT AND SET OF EVENTS AND OF COURSE GALLERY OPENINGS AND ART SHOWS WHILE HAVING THE ABILITY TO SERVE ALCOHOL.

THE LIQUOR CONTROL REVIEW BOARD MET ON MAY 26, 2025 IN REVIEW OF THE APPLICATION AND THE BOARD VOTED TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE D 19 ARTS AND CRAFTS ESTABLISHMENT CRAFT LIQUOR LICENSE FOR FATCAT ART GALLERY AND ON JUNE 10, 2025, THE LIQUOR REVIEW BOARD HAD A SPECIAL MEETING TO ADD LANGUAGE TO CHAPTER 3, ARTICLE 4 SECTION 3 - FOUR - TWO THAT THEY CAN SERVE BEER, WINE AND SPARKLING WINE AT ARTS AND CRAFT SHOWS WERE CRAFT OR ART ITEMS ARE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC FOR REVIEW OR PURCHASE. AND ALSO LANGUAGE ADDING ART GALLERIES TO THE LISTS OF ARTS AND CRAFTS ESTABLISHMENTS.

SO, THE APPLICANT IS HERE TODAY, AND HIS NAME IS MR. RAYMOND JUNIOR AND YOU CAN STEP UP MR. CALL IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS FOR HIM, HE IS HERE AND READY TO ANSWER AND CAN TELL YOU A LITTLE BIT MORE ABOUT HIS BUSINESS.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU FOR JOINING US.

>>RAYMOND CALL JR.: THANK YOU.

MY NAME IS RAYMOND CALL AND I'M WITH FATCAT ART GALLERY.

FATCAT ART GALLERY IS THAT 19 HARRISON AND WE ARE REALLY EXCITED ABOUT THE D 19, BECAUSE IT IS NOT ONLY GOING TO HELP US TO BE ABLE TO - YOU KNOW PEOPLE LIKE TO HAVE NOT ONLY A LITTLE BIT OF WINE WHEN THEY GO INTO AN ART GALLERY THAT SOME OF THE OTHER CITIES LIKE CHICAGO HAS AND SOME OF THE OTHER SUBURBAN AREAS, BUT THIS ALSO HELP ALL GALLERIES, NOT JUST FATCAT ART GALLERY.

WE LIKE TO THINK OF OUR GALLERY AS A PLACE THAT PEOPLE CAN COME, SIT BACK, HAVE SOMETHING TO DRINK, WHETHER IT BE COFFEE OR A GLASS OF WINE AND OF COURSE YOU ARE ONLY GOING TO GET 2 OUNCES MAX, OKAY?

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TRAINING.

AND WITH THAT SAID, MOST OF OUR ARTWORK, THEY ARE ALL FROM LOCAL ARTISTS AND WE LIKE TO MAKE OUR WORK AFFORDABLE.

SO, MOST I WOULD HAVE TO SAY ABOUT 70% OF OUR ARTWORK IS UNDER \$300.

BUT, THIS FUNCTION ALLOWS US TO BE ABLE TO DO SIT AND PAINT DATE NIGHTS WITHOUT HAVING ANY TROUBLE OR WITHOUT GETTING IN TROUBLE BY SERVING ALCOHOL.

AND THE ALCOHOL IS NOT FOR SALE, WE POURING OURSELVES TO THE PEOPLE. SO, WE ASK YOU TO APPROVE THIS.

>>RICHARD KATZ: AND THIS IS GOING TO BE A BENEFIT TO ALL ART GALLERIES ALONG HARRISON.

AS WELL AS THROUGHOUT THE VILLAGE.

SO, WITHOUT ANY FURTHER ADO, ANYONE HAVE QUESTIONS FOR ME? >>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: ANYONE HAVE ANY QUESTIONS?

I INVITE ANYONE IN THE AUDIENCE TO TAKE TO GOOGLES FATCAT ART GALLERY AND I NOTE THAT THE HARRISON DISTRICT HAS STARTED DOING VIDEOS OF A LOT OF THE ESTABLISHMENTS AND SO YOU HAVE A VIDEO ON GOOGLE AS WELL AND IT IS VERY GOOD AND SO ALL OF THOSE HAVE BEEN A REALLY UNIQUE WAY TO ADVERTISE THE ARTS DISTRICT OF ESTABLISHMENTS.

AND SO THANK YOU FOR BRINGING THIS.

I THINK IT POTENTIALLY SHOULD HAVE BEEN DONE ALONG TIME AGO AND SO THANK YOU!

ALTHOUGH I CAN ONLY BLAME MYSELF BECAUSE ONCE I WAS A CHAIR OF THE LIQUOR REVIEW BOARD!

>>RAYMOND CALL JR.: JUST TO LET YOU KNOW AUGUST 19 WE ARE INVITING EVERYONE TO SHOW UP AT FATCAT ART GALLERY AND WE ARE HAVING A SPECIAL EVENT, PLUS MUSIC AND SO COME ON OUT AND ENJOY YOURSELF!

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU AND I HOPE YOU'LL SHARE THAT WITH EMAIL IF YOU HAVE IT AVAILABLE.

>>RAYMOND CALL JR.: THAT WILL BE COMING VERY SHORTLY! THANK YOU.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: CLERK WATERS, PLEASE TAKE THE ROLE?

>>CLERK WATERS: TRUSTEE STRAW?

TRUSTEE ENYIA, TRUSTEE EDER, TRUSTEE LEVING-JOHNSON, TRUSTEE TAGLIA, TRUSTEE WESLEY?

PRESIDENT SCHEMING?

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: YES, CONGRATULATIONS.

>>RAYMOND CALL JR.: THANK YOU.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: AND THANK YOU TO THE LIQUOR REVIEW BOARD AND RASHIDA AND ALL OF YOUR WORK.

AND WE HAVE VILLAGE BOARD COMMITTEES AS USUAL, A VACANCY REPORT THAT IS PROVIDED BY THE VILLAGE CLERK IF ANYONE IS INTERESTED IN SERVING ON A BOARD OR COMMISSION TO ADVISE THE VILLAGE BOARD, PLEASE REACH OUT TO CLERK WATERS AT CLERK@OAK-PARK.US AND I ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO THE CONSENT OF MY APPOINTMENTS AND CLERK WATERS, WOULD YOU PLEASE READ OUR TWO APARTMENT? >>CLERK WATERS: RICHARD KATZ TO THE ENVIRONMENT ENERGY COMMISSION AS A COMMISSIONER AND A GLENN BREWER TO THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS APPOINTING AS A MEMBER.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU.

OSHA PLEASE?

>>SPEAKER: MOVED.

>>SPEAKER: SECOND.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU, CLERK WATERS, PLEASE TAKE THE ROLE? A.

>>CLERK WATERS: TRUSTEE WESLEY?

TRUSTEE STRAW?

TRUSTEE EDER, TRUSTEE ENYIA, TRUSTEE LEVING-JOHNSON, TRUSTEE TAGLIA AND PRESIDENT SCAMAN?

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: YES.

THANK YOU.

AND THANK YOU TO BOTH MR. KATZ AND GLENN BREWER FOR THEIR SERVICE AND NOW WE HAVE AN ADDITIONAL SPECIAL APPOINTMENT FOR A FINANCE COMMITTEE TO THE VILLAGE BOARD.

AND SO THE VILLAGE BOARD HAS THREE COMMITTEES THAT SERVE THREE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD LESS MYSELF AS CHAIR AND THAT IS FINANCE, PERSONNEL AND REIMAGINING GOVERNMENT, ACCORDING TO OUR CODE, I AM ABLE TO ADD FOR WHAT I BELIEVE MAY BE THE FIRST TIME IN OUR MODERN HISTORY AT LEAST THREE MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY EVEN THOUGH THE CODE HAS EXISTED FOR SOME TIME, ONE PERSON BEING A X TRUSTEE AND TWO ADDITIONAL MEMBERS AND SO THERE IS A MOTION TO CONFIRM MY APPOINTMENTS OF AND THE THREE TRUSTEES THAT HAVE BEEN NAMED TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE, TRUSTEE EDER, TRUSTEES STRAW AND TRUSTEE TAGLIA AS WELL AS THE APPOINTMENT OF JOHN HEDGES AND FORMER TRUSTEE AND LONG HISTORY IN OUR COMMUNITY, GREG KOLAR, MEMBER OF OUR COMMITTEE THAT HAS SERVED ON MANY GOVERNMENTAL BODIES, FINANCE COMMITTEES AND BRIDGETT ALLEN HEDGEMAN TWO ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

MOTION, PLEASE?

>>SPEAKER: MOVED.

>>SPEAKER: SECOND.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: DO WE HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR DISCUSSION? I SEE THAT JOHN HEDGES HAS JOINED US THIS EVENING, WE ARE HONORED TO HAVE YOU WITH US AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR WILLINGNESS TO SERVE IN THIS WAY. CLERK WATERS, WOULD YOU PLEASE TAKE THE ROLE?

>>CLERK WATERS: TRUSTEE WESLEY, TRUSTEE STRAW, TRUSTEE EDER, TRUSTEE ENYIA, TRUSTEE LEVING-JOHNSON, TRUSTEE TAGLIA AND PRESIDENT SCAMAN?

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: YES. AND SO IN ADDITION, ONE OF THE REASONS I HAVE DECIDED TO DO THIS IS BECAUSE I DO ANTICIPATE IN THE COMING YEARS THAT THIS IS THE FIRST TIME IN 50+ YEARS THAT WE WILL BE TALKING MAJOR FACILITIES PLANNING. AND SO IN-KIND WITH OUR OTHER GOVERNMENTAL BODIES WE HAVE HAD THAT KIND OF LEVEL OF FINANCIAL PLANNING NECESSARY AND THERE HAS BEEN SOME SORT OF ADDITIONAL COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT.

SO, THANK YOU.

AND NOW I WILL MOVE AND THANK YOU TO MY COLLEAGUES FOR THEIR SUPPORT AND ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED.

>>SPEAKER: MOVED.

>>SPEAKER: SECOND.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THAT WAS MOTIONED BY TRUSTEE LEVING-JOHNSON AND SECONDED BY TRUSTEE TAGLIA.

THANK YOU.

AND CLERK WATERS, WOULD YOU PLEASE TAKE THE ROLE?

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

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: YES.

THE CONSENT AGENDA HAS BEEN APPROVED AND WE ARE NOW MOVING FORWARD TO THE REGULAR AGENDA.

WE HAVE A RESOLUTION BEFORE US APPROVING THE BIPLANE UPDATE AS RECOMMENDED BY THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION AND I ENTERTAIN A MOTION PEERS.

>>SPEAKER: MOVED.

>>SPEAKER: SECOND.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: MOTION BY TRUSTEE TAGLIA AND SECOND BY TRUSTEE STRAW.

AND AT THIS TIME - BEFORE PUBLIC COMMENT, I NOTE THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION HELD SEVERAL PUBLIC MEETINGS ON A PLAN UPDATE AND A VILLAGE HOSTED TWO PUBLIC HEARINGS ON JULY 14 AND THE 16TH AND ALL COMMENTS RECEIVED BY THE VILLAGE AT THE HEARINGS VIA EMAIL HAVE BEEN DISTRIBUTED BY THE VILLAGE BOARD AS NOTED IN OUR MEETING AGENDA AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE VILLAGE BOARD PROTOCOLS BECAUSE THE PUBLIC HEARINGS HAVE BEEN HELD, PUBLIC COMMENT WILL BE ALLOWED FOR UP TO FIVE PERSONS SPEAKING IN SUPPORT OF THE ITEM AND UP TO FIVE PERSONS SPEAKING AGAINST THE ITEM. CLERK WATERS, HOW MANY PUBLIC COMMENTS DO WE HAVE FOR THIS EVENING?

>>CLERK WATERS: SO, I THINK IT MAY BE HELPFUL TO CLARIFY SOME OF THE SHEETS THAT WERE COMPLETED IF THAT IS POSSIBLE.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: SURE, BUT DO WE HAVE MORE THAN 10? >>CLERK WATERS: I'M NOT SURE IF THEY ARE FOR THE ITEM OR NOT. >>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: OKAY -

>>CLERK WATERS: LAURA, YOURS IS MARKED FOR CONSENT? EIGHT IN TOTAL.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: WITH ONLY EIGHT PRESENT I SUGGEST WE MOVE FORWARD.

>>CLERK WATERS: ALSO, INGO, INGO, ARE YOU HERE? SCHAEFER?

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: OKAY, WE CAN PUT THAT TO THE END.

>>CLERK WATERS: SO, JUST CALL THEM -

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: YES.

>>CLERK WATERS: MICHAEL ERICKSON?

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: AND DO WE HAVE ANY VIRTUALLY THAT WE ARE AWARE? >>CLERK WATERS: NONE THAT REACHED OUT PRIOR TO, BUT I CAN CHECK THE ZOOM.

>>SPEAKER: MY NAME IS MICHAEL ERICKSON, RESIDENT OF OAK PARK FOR 14 YEARS AND I'M SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF THE BIKE WALK OAK PARK ORGANIZATION. AS THE MEMBERS OF OPCAN SO ELOQUENTLY PUT IT EARLIER THERE IS A FIERCE URGENCY TO COMBAT CLIMATE CHANGE.

WE WOULD LIKE TO PROFESS OUR STRONG SUPPORT OF THE BIPLANE UPDATE AS BOTH A MEANS TO ACHIEVE THIS AND TO CONNECT OUR COMMUNITY.

WE WOULD LIKE TO SAY THANK YOU TO THE BOARD, TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION, VILLAGE ENGINEERING STAFF AND A SAM SCHWARTZ FOR THEIR SUSTAINED EFFORT IN DEVELOPING THE PLAN AND PROVIDING SO MANY OPPORTUNITIES FOR COMMUNITY INPUT.

THE CONTROVERSY AROUND THE PROPOSED HARVARD BIKE LANE MADE IT POSSIBLE TO ANALYZE THE USE OF PUBLIC SPACE AND COMMUNITY BENEFIT IN EXPOSER TERMS AND TO BRING MANY MORE RESIDENTS INTO THE PROCESS THAN USUAL BEER LOOKING AT 13 AND ITS ABILITY TO SERVE SO MANY, EXAMPLE 5 THE POTENTIAL INHERENT STREETS ACROSS THE NETWORK.

WE ARE HOPEFUL THAT THIS DIALOGUE HAS BROADENED THE BASE FOR PROGRESSIVE FUTURE FOCUSED DESIGN AND WE ARE CONFIDENT THAT THE PLANS BUILDOUT WILL INCREASE THE RIDERSHIP AND SAFETY OF CYCLISTS OF ALL AGES AND ABILITIES WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY.

THANK YOU.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU.

>>CLERK WATERS: RACHEL?

>>SPEAKER: HELLO EVERYONE.

RACHEL P, 700 BLOCK OF CARPENTER AND ALSO A BIKE WALK OAK PARK BOARD MEMBER AND I WILL KEEP IT SHORT BECAUSE MANY OF YOU HAVE HEARD FROM ME MULTIPLE TIMES OVER THE YEARS AS WE HAVE TALKED ABOUT SIMILAR ISSUES. AND YOU'VE HEARD FROM MY KIDS, ONE OF WHOM WAS HIT IN A CROSSWALK CROSSING THE STREET AND BOTH OF WHOM BIKE BY THEMSELVES TO SCHOOL OVER THE HOME BRIDGET DOWN HARVARD TO LINCOLN.

ALONE.

AND SO WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO DO IS THIS MOMENT AS MICHAEL MENTIONED, WE HONORED MAC TONIGHT AND HEARD ABOUT THE URGENCY OF REDUCING OUR DEPENDENCY ON FOSSIL FUELS AND THIS IS REALLY OUR CHANCE TO MEET THOSE GOALS.

WE ARE ALSO FACING A TIME IN THIS COUNTRY WHERE EVIDENCE AND DATA ARE TAKING A BACKSEAT TO GUT FEELINGS AND I THINK IT IS REALLY IMPORTANT, OBVIOUSLY TO HEAR FROM OUR NEIGHBORS, COMMUNITY AND AS A RESEARCH SCIENTIST THAT WORKS A LOT IN THE REALM OF PUBLIC HEALTH AT THE MOMENT, I FEEL THIS ACUTELY THAT WE HAVE TO FOLLOW THE DATA, SCIENCE IS NOT FLAWLESS, THE BIKE PLAN MAY NOT BE FLAWLESS, BUT IT IS BASED ON EVIDENCE AND DATA AND IT IS YEARS IN THE MAKING.

AND I AM A PROUD MEMBER OF THE LEAGUE OF AMERICAN BICYCLISTS AND ALSO A CERTIFIED CYCLING INSTRUCTOR AT THIS ORGANIZATION AND IT WAS STARTED IN 1880 BY THE LEAGUE OF AMERICAN WHEELMAN, THE ORIGINAL BICYCLISTS WHEN THEY WERE UPSET ABOUT THE ROAD CONDITIONS, DIRT CONDITIONS THAT WERE MAKING ARE TO RIDE THEIR BIKES AND THEY FACE ANTAGONISM FROM ALL SORTS OF ROAD USERS AND HORSEMEN AND WAGONS AND THEY FOUGHT AND THEY PREVAILED IN THEIR EFFORTS TO GET OUR ROADS PAVED, OUR ROADS ARE PAVED BECAUSE OF THE WHEELMAN AND I THINK IT IS DIFFICULT OBVIOUSLY TO ACCEPT CHANGES TO THE STATUS QUO AND CHANGES THAT COUNTER OUR CAR CENTRISM OF OUR SOCIETY, BUT THESE CHANGES BENEFIT OUR COMMUNITY.

THEY ARE FORWARD THINKING FOR OUR VILLAGE, WHAT WE WANT TO BE AND WHAT ARE VILLAGE SHOULD BE IN THE FUTURE FOR US AND FOR OUR CHILDREN AND I WILL JUST END - I COMMUTE BETWEEN OAK PARK AND UIC AND ON MY RIDE HOME TONIGHT I WAS AT A RED LIGHT SOMEWHERE NEAR THE UNITED CENTER ON WASHINGTON AND I WAS STOPPED IN THE BIKE LANE WITH A GENTLEMAN IN A POWER CHAIR AND WE HAD A MOMENT AND WE LOOKED AT EACH OTHER AND I SAID HOW ARE YOU DOING AND HE SAID HOW ARE YOU DOING AND THE LIGHT TURNED GREEN AND WE BOTH WHEELED OFF INTO THE SUNSET AND IT JUST REMINDED ME THAT THIS IS REALLY ABOUT COMMUNITY AND IT IS ABOUT RESPECT AND IT IS ABOUT OUR FUTURE AND I THINK THAT THIS CHANGE IS MAY BE HARD TO EMBRACE, IT IS DIFFICULT, DIFFERENT, BUT IT IS SO NECESSARY TO MAKE OUR VILLAGE WHAT WE WANT IT TO BE.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU.

>>CLERK WATERS: CURTIS?

>>SPEAKER: I AM CURTIS, LONGTIME RESIDENT OF OAK PARK, ABOUT 30 YEARS WE HAVE LIVED HERE.

SO, GOOD EVENING PRESIDENT SCAMAN, TRUSTEES AND NEIGHBORS.

I AM GOING TO START BY ASSUMING THAT EVERYONE TONIGHT HAS READ THE 53 PAGE BIKE INTERSECTORAL PLAN AND NOT JUST THE SUMMARIES OR THE NOTES FROM THE STAFF.

I ADMIT THAT I CAN BE A BIT OF A OVERACHIEVER IN ADDITION TO READING THE PLAN THOROUGHLY, I ALSO REVIEWED THE REFERENCES, READ SEVERAL OF THE FOUNDATIONAL RESEARCH PAPERS BEHIND THE STANDARDS, RAN A FEW FINANCIAL MODELS, TESTED A FEW OF THE CRASH OF SCENARIOS, ABOUT 10,000 SIMULATIONS AND SO I AM FAIRLY FAMILIAR WITH THE STRENGTHS AND WEAKNESSES WITH WHAT THE PLAN CAN CLAIM DEFINITIVELY.

I PUT IN THIS EXTRA EFFORT BECAUSE I WANTED THE PLANS EVALUATION TO RISE AND FALL ON ITS OWN MERIT, NOT ON ANYTHING THAT I HAD HEARD OR SOMEONE PRESENTED TO ME.

A FEW THINGS ARE TRUE.

FIRST, EVERYONE IN THIS ROOM SUPPORTS BIKE SAFETY.

WHERE WE DIFFER IS OUR VISION OF HOW TO ACHIEVE IT.

THE CURRENT BIKE PLAN PROPOSES A SINGULAR PATH TO SAFETY.

A SPECIFIC INFRASTRUCTURE PLAN.

BUT, THERE ARE OTHER MODELS.

THIS PLAN HAS IMMEDIATE SHORT-TERM AND LONG-TERM EFFECTS AND INCREASE IN SCOPE AND LARGE JUMPS IN COSTS OVER TIME.

BUT, THIS ONE-SIZE-FITS-ALL APPROACH HAS NOT RESONATED WITH THE COMMUNITY.

VERY SIMILAR TO HOW COMMERCIALS ADVERTISE REPEATED LOOPS, A PRODUCT OFTEN FAILS SIMPLY REVISING AND REPRESENTING THE SAME PLAN OVER AND OVER HAS NOT BEEN EFFECTIVE.

THERE IS A CLEAR SENSE REGARDLESS OF THE MINOR TWEAKS THAT THIS PLANNED BIKE INFRASTRUCTURE DOES NOT REFLECT THE DESIRES OF OAK PARK RESIDENTS. EVEN IF HYPOTHETICALLY THIS WORD THE MOST TECHNICALLY SOUND PLAN FOR OUR INFRASTRUCTURE, THE PROCESS BY WHICH IT WAS DEVELOPED HAS UNDERMINED ITS LEGITIMACY.

IT HAS LEFT MANY IN THE COMMUNITY FEELING UNHEARD, SIDELINED AND FRUSTRATED AND THAT MATTERS.

OAK PARK IS A COMMUNITY FIRST.

WE ARE KNOWN FOR VALUING DIVERSE OPINIONS, EMBRACING DIFFERENT WAYS OF LIVING, WELCOMING DIALOGUE, NOT IMPOSING UNIFORMITY.

THIS PROCESS HAS FELT THE OPPOSITE OF THAT, IT HAS BEEN RIGID, TOP-DOWN AND UNRESPONSIVE.

VILLAGE STAFF NO DOUBT HAVE WORKED HARD ON THIS PLAN AND WE APPRECIATE THEIR EFFORTS.

BUT, AFTER ALONE DOES NOT MAKE A SUCCESSFUL PLAN.

A PLAN THAT LACKS BROAD COMMUNITY SUPPORT, A PLAN THAT DOES NOT REFLECT COMMUNITY PRIORITIES CANNOT MOVE FORWARD AND SO THE VOTE ON THIS RECOMMENDATION SURELY SHOULD BE NO.

WE CAN AND SHOULD DO BETTER.

LET'S PAUSE, RESET AND FIND THE PATH THAT BRINGS PEOPLE TOGETHER RATHER THAN DRIVING US APART.

OTHERWISE WE ALL LOSE.

TRUSTEES, I URGE YOU TO FORM A COMMUNITY TASK FORCE TO CREATE A NEW FRAMEWORK FOR A BIKING INFRASTRUCTURE THAT IS COMMUNITY CENTRIC. THANK YOU.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU.

>>CLERK WATERS: SC?

>>SPEAKER: ALL RIGHT - I HAVE A FEW HANDOUTS AND I WILL HAND THEM OUT, IS THAT OKAY?

OKAY, THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK TODAY.

THERE ARE MANY CONCERNS I HAVE RAISED OVER THE PAST FEW MONTHS OVER EMAIL, BY PHONE, IN PERSON.

AND I WILL NOT REPEAT THEM ALL NOW, BUT TONIGHT I FEEL DEEPLY, DEEPLY RESPONSIBLE TO MAKE ONE FINAL PLEDGE TO ALL OF YOU, PLEASE LOOK AT THE DATA.

THE LADY BEFORE SAY, LOOK AT THE DATA.

HARPER STREET IS A RESIDENTIAL ROAD AND STUDIES HAVE CONFIRMED THAT OUR STREETS SPEED IS UNDER 24 MILES AN HOUR, IT IS ACTUALLY 15 - 24 MPH.

THE TRAFFIC IS LESS THAN 1560 THROUGHOUT THE CORRIDOR.

WE HAVE 68 DRIVEWAYS, 22 ALLIE'S AND MULTIPLE STOP SIGNS, ALL OF WHICH REINFORCE THAT THIS IS A LOWELL LOCAL USE STREET.

AND I WILL PASS THIS TO YOU.

WHY DOES THIS MATTER?

WHY DOES THIS DATA MATTER?

BECAUSE NEARLY EVERY EXPERT, LOCAL, STATE, FEDERAL AND NATIONAL WILL RECOMMEND A GREENWAY.

EVEN US, OAK PARK IN 2008 AND 2015 PLANS WHERE WE CONSULTED THE TRANSPORTATION ALLIANCE AND ACTIVE PARTICIPATION ALLIANCE AND OTHER CONSULTANCY FIRMS RECOMMENDING HARVARD AS A GREENWAY.

AND EVEN WHEN THE MOST RECENT BIKE PLAN, THE TYPOGRAPHY RECOMMENDS HARVARD FOR A GREENWAY.

AND I ONLY HAVE FOUR, I APOLOGIZE.

BUT, YOU WILL SEE - THIS SHOWS (AWAY FROM MIC) SPEED AND TRAFFIC WILL BE RECOMMENDED FOR A GREENWAY, NOT A STRIPE LANE.

THIS IS NOT JUST ABOUT A DIFFERENCE IN OPINION, IT IS ABOUT A WARNING. STRIPE LANES IN A CORRIDOR LIKE THIS CREATE UNINTENDED SAFETY CONCERNS TO DRIVEWAYS, CROSSINGS AND LIMITED VISIBILITY THAT WILL HAVE AN EFFECT. GREENWAYS ARE PRECISELY FOR STREETS LIKE HARVARD.

SO, TONIGHT I ASK YOU TO TRUST NOT ONLY THE VOICES OF YOUR NEIGHBORS, BUT ALSO THE FINDINGS OF PROFESSIONALS AND THE GUIDANCE OF YOUR OWN PAST PLAN.

PLEASE VOTE YOU DESIGNATE HARVARD STREET AS A GREENWAY, NOT A STRIPE LANE.

I HAVE A LIST OF EIGHT DIFFERENT STATE, LOCAL (AWAY FROM MIC) THAT WILL MENTION -

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: HOW MUCH LONGER DO YOU HAVE?

>>SPEAKER: ABOUT 30 SECONDS.

(AWAY FROM MIC) THAT WILL RECOMMEND HARVARD (AWAY FROM MIC) AS A STRIPE LANE.

OKAY, SORRY.

SO, PLEASE VOTE TO THIS AS A GREENWAY AND LET'S FOLLOW THE RESEARCH, THE DATA AND THE PATH THAT IS MOST LIKELY TO PROTECT BOTH THE BIKERS AND OUR NEIGHBORS.

LET'S TRY THE GREENWAY, IT HAS NOT BEEN TRIED ON HARVARD.

EVEN THOUGH THE 2008 AND 2015 RECOMMENDED IT.

FINALLY, I AM LIVING BEHIND THOSE AND I WILL ALSO LEAVE BEHIND SOME CONCLUSIONS HERE THAT I WAS ABLE TO GATHER FROM THE DIFFERENT ORGANIZATIONS AND I THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND CONSIDERATION. I REALLY REALLY HOPE THAT YOU LOOK AT THE DATA AND CAN THIS BE ON RECORD? CAN YOU PUT THOSE ON RECORD?

OKAY, PERFECT.

AND THESE ARE JUST LARGER - THESE ARE ALL FROM YOUR - THE DATA WAS NOT INTRODUCED UNTIL LATER, THE SPEED AND STUFF AND THAT IS WHY I DON'T KNOW IF YOU GUYS HAVE HAD A CHANCE TO LOOK AT IT, I HOPE SO, I SENT IT TO ALL OF YOU VIA EMAIL, BUT IT JUST DOES NOT MATCH.

OKAY.

HERE YOU GO.

THANK YOU.

AND I'M JUST TALKING BUT HARVARD.

I DON'T KNOW ABOUT THE OTHER.

>>CLERK WATERS: MR. DONOVAN?

>>SPEAKER: MY NAME IS CHRIS DONOVAN, I CONSIDER MYSELF A AVID CYCLIST, I CYCLE FOR - I RIDE MY BIKE FOR EXERCISE AND RECREATION, I DON'T USE IT FOR COMMERCE OR TRANSPORTATION TO ANY PLACE IMPORTANT AT THIS POINT. HOWEVER, I WENT TO THE MEETING A WEEK AGO MONDAY TO ASK YOU TWO QUESTIONS, FIRST, AS MUCH AS I SUPPORT THE 2008 AND 2015 - WHAT CHANGED? TO DEMAND THAT THERE BE THIS MANY RADICAL CHANGES TO THOSE PLANS WITH THIS NEW PROPOSAL?

I DID NOT GET AN ANSWER.

SO, AS AN EXAMPLE OR ANOTHER THING THAT I ASKED WAS IN TERMS OF DATA AND I CITED THE EXAMPLE OF THE MADISON STREET ROAD GUIDE.

HOW MANY ICICLES USE THAT ROAD, IS THERE COUNT?

NO, IT IS MISSING AN IMPORTANT PIECE OF DATA, WHAT IS THE NUMBER OF CYCLISTS?

AND DO THE NUMBER OF CYCLIST MERIT THE KIND OF CHANGES THAT ARE TRYING TO BE MADE WITH THIS BIKE PLAN ESPECIALLY ON HARVARD AND I WOULD SAY NO. SO, WITHOUT THAT KIND OF DATA, YOU HAVE FLAWED INFORMATION, STAY WITH THE 2008 AND 2015, VOTE NO ON THIS PLAN.

THANK YOU.

>>CLERK WATERS: SUSAN?

>>SPEAKER: I CANNOT TELL YOU HOW MUCH FUN THIS IS!

MY NAME IS SUSAN BUCHANAN AND I LIVE FOUR HOUSES NORTH OF HARVARD. AND MY COMMENT IS TITLED NIMBY, N IS FOR NEIGHBORS WHO PROFESS BIKING INFRASTRUCTURE, BUT NOT IN THEIR NEIGHBOR HOOD.

I IS FOR IMPATIENCE, THE FEELING I GET LISTENING TO PEOPLE THAT PROFESS BIKING INFRASTRUCTURE UNTIL IT IS PLAN FOR THEIR NEIGHBORHOOD.

M IS FOR MOBILITY, BEING ABLE TO GET OUT AND ABOUT IN YOUR WHEELCHAIR WITHOUT BEING RUN OVER BY A CAR IS YOUR RIGHT.

FEELING SAFE WHEN YOU'RE COSTING A BUSY STREET IS ESSENTIAL.

RIDING A BIKE IN A PROTECTED BIKE LANE IS SO MUCH FUN, IT IS ONE PILLAR IN CREATING A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE.

B OF COURSE IS FOR BICYCLING AND BICYCLE INFRASTRUCTURE.

AND PROTECTED BIKE LANES, B IS ALSO FOR BS IS WHY I CALL FESSING TO SUPPORT BIKING INFRASTRUCTURE EXCEPT WHEN IT IS IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD AND Y IS FOR YES.

YES TO PROTECTED BIKE LANES, YES TO LIVING WHAT YOU PROFESS TO SUPPORT, YES.

LEE'S VOTE YES ON THE BIKE PLAN.

THANK YOU.

>>CLERK WATERS: MR. GORDON?

>>SPEAKER: HELLO, I'M JOE GORDON FROM 1101 (NAME).

FIRST I WANT TO SAY THANK YOU TO TRUSTEE TAGLIA AND WESLEY FOR COMING TO THE MEETING THAT WE HAD A MONTH AND AND A HALF AGO AND I WANT TO SAY THANK YOU TRUSTEE TAGLIA FOR COMING LAST MEETING.

THIS IS NOT ABOUT NOT IN MY BACKYARD, IT IS NOT ABOUT PROBIOTIC OR NOT BIKE, THIS IS ABOUT GOVERNANCE, COMPROMISE, INCLUSIVENESS AND THE APPROPRIATE USE OF TAXPAYER DOLLARS.

PUTTING A BIKE LANE NOW I AGREE WITH EVERYONE, WHAT THE GENTLEMAN SAID, WE DON'T KNOW HOW MANY BIKERS, WE HAVE NOT STUDIED THE PARKING AND WE DON'T KNOW HOW MANY WOULD USE IT AND WE HOPE AND PRAY THAT WE WOULD DEDICATE SOMETHING AND IT WOULD BE USED IN THE FUTURE, BUT NONE OF US REALLY KNOW HOW MUCH A BIKE LANE IS GOING TO BE USED OR NOT BE USED. SO, I AM ASKING THAT WE COMPROMISE WITH THE NEIGHBORS, WE NEED TO WORK BETTER WITH THE TRANSPORTATION FOR SURE, BUT WE START OUT WITH A PRUDENT FASHION AND PRUDENTLY MEANS WHY NOT START WITH A GREENWAY? WHY NOT START WITH A GREENWAY AND HAVE OUR NEIGHBORS GET TOGETHER WITH THE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE THAT WE WOULD WORK TOGETHER TO SAY LET'S STUDY THE BICYCLING THAT HAPPENS FOR THE NEXT ONE TO THREE YEARS, LET'S LOOK AT IT AND SEE IF IT DOES INCREASE THE WAY MANY OF THE PEOPLE IN THE BIKING COMMUNITY AGREE IT WILL AND WE BELIEVE THAT IT REALLY WON'T. LET'S LOOK AT IT AND THEN IN THREE YEARS OR TWO YEARS OR HOWEVER LONG

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RECORDING STOPPED.

>>SPEAKER: WE CAN GET BACK TOGETHER AND WE CAN LOOK AT THE RESULTS OF WHAT WE REALLY NEED TO LOOK AT WHICH IS HOW MANY PEOPLE ARE USING IT, BECAUSE THIS IS A STREET FOR THE WHOLE COMMUNITY.

IT IS NOT FOR US TO USE AS OUR PARKING, IT IS NOT OUR PARKING, IT IS THE VILLAGE, BUT NOT JUST FOR THE BICYCLIST OR THE FEW THAT MAY BE USING IT YEAR-ROUND AND IF YOU THAT MAY BE USED IN THE WINTERTIME.

I DON'T KNOW, LET'S LOOK AT A AND PROCEED IN A PRUDENT FASHION IS ALL WE ARE ASKING.

AND SO AGAIN, IT IS ABOUT INCLUSIVENESS AND COMPROMISE AND I THINK THIS WOULD SET A TREMENDOUS MODEL YOU KNOW USING TAXPAYER DOLLARS DOWN

THE ROAD FOR THE STREETS THAT WILL BE SO MUCH MORE DIFFICULT THAT WE ARE GOING TO NEED AS A BIKING COMMUNITY AND AS A COMMUNITY AS A WHOLE, THE NORTH-SOUTH STREETS AND SO LET'S SAVE OUR TAXPAYER DOLLARS FOR WHERE IT IS REALLY NEEDED INFORM A MODEL OF INCLUSIVENESS WHERE WE TALK THINGS THROUGH AND START PRUDENTLY AND THEN MOVE FORWARD.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

>>CLERK WATERS: INGO?

INGO SCHAEFER?

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: OKAY, WE WILL TURN IT OVER TO STAFF, I APPRECIATE THE PUBLIC COMMENT THIS EVENING.

>>SPEAKER: DENIES ITEM IS A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE BIKE PLAN UPDATE AS RECOMMENDED BY THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION AT THE JUNE 3 BOARD MEETING STAFF WITH THE VILLAGE CONSULTANCY TO GIVE A PRESENTATION WHERE WE REVIEW THE DRAFT IMPLANT WHICH INCLUDED PROPOSALS FOR NEW AND UPGRADED ON STREET BIKE FACILITIES AND APPROVE INTO THE NEIGHBORHOOD GREENWAY NETWORK AND CHANGES TO THE VILLAGE CODE AND A FEASIBILITY STUDY OF THE BIKE SHARING SYSTEM.

THE BIKE PLAN UPDATE DOES INCLUDE SHORT, MID AND LONG TERM RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE BIKE NETWORK AND DEPENDING THE UPDATE, THE SHORT TERM RECOMMENDATIONS WOULD BE INCORPORATED INTO THE FIVE-YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN AND UPCOMING BUDGETS THIS FALL.

THE SHORT TERM RECOMMENDATIONS AND THE BIKE PLAN UPDATE INCLUDE ABOUT \$5 MILLION OF INVESTMENT IN THE BIKE NETWORK THAT INCLUDES ABOUT 2.5 MILLION IN ALREADY PROGRAMMED IMPROVEMENTS THAT ARE PROGRAMMED OUT FOR 2025 AND 2026 IN BUILDING OUT THE NEIGHBORHOOD GREENWAY SYSTEM AND THERE IS ABOUT 2.5 MILLION IN NEW RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE BIKE NETWORK IN THE SHORT TERM RECOMMENDATIONS.

THE STAFF WOULD BE INCORPORATING THOSE INTO THE UPCOMING FIVE-YEAR CAPITAL PLAN AND SPREADING THOSE COSTS OUT OVER THE FIVE-YEAR PLAN. THERE ARE MID AND LONG TERM RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE BIKE PLAN UPDATE AND THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR MEDIUM AND LONG-TERM WOULD BE FURTHER EVALUATED AS PART OF A FUTURE PLANNING EFFORT AND PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT IN ABOUT A FIVE YEAR TIME PERIOD.

YOU WOULD PROBABLY SEE THAT REFLECTED IN THE FIVE-YEAR CAPITAL PLAN FOR AN INVESTMENT ABOUT FIVE YEARS OUT TO KIND OF REEVALUATE THE BIKE STUDY. THE SHORT TERM RECOMMENDATIONS IN THE STUDY DO INCLUDE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR BIKE LANES ON AGUSTA FROM HARLEM TO KYLER AND THEN ON HARVARD FROM MAPLE HUMPHREY WITH GAPS BY THE THREE SCHOOLS AND THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE SHORT-TERM PLAN DO REQUIRE ON STREET PARKING TO ACCOMMODATE THE BIKE LANES AND THE VILLAGE BOARD WAS PRESENTED WITH A NUMBER OF OPTIONS FOR THE HARVARD CORRIDOR AND BASED ON DISCUSSION AT THAT TIME THERE DID NOT SEEM TO BE INTEREST ON THE BOARD FOR THOSE OPTIONS AND THOSE OPTIONS WERE FOCUSED ON THE RECOMMENDATION FOR COMMISSION AND OPTION THREE AND THOSE TWO OPTIONS SEEM TO HAVE THE MOST INTEREST AT THE TIME AND OPTION THREE IS TO DO BIKE LANES THAT PROVIDES CONNECTIVITY TO THE NORTH AND SOUTH FREEWAYS AND THEN USING THE NEIGHBORHOOD GREENWAY TREATMENTS EAST AND WEST OF THOSE WHERE THE TRAFFIC VOLUMES ARE LOWER ON HARVARD AND SO IT DOES REDUCE SOME OF THE AMOUNT OF ON STREET PARKING WITH OPTION THREE. SINCE THAT MEETING, THE VILLAGE HAS HOSTED TWO PUBLIC OPEN HOUSES AND PUBLIC HEARINGS ON JULY 14 AND JULY 16 TO ANSWER QUESTIONS FROM THE RESIDENCE AND TO OBTAIN PUBLIC COMMENTS AND AGAIN, THE VIDEO TRANSCRIPT OR THE VIDEOS FROM THOSE ARE ATTACHED TO TONIGHT'S MEETING AGENDA ALONG WITH THE FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTION DOCUMENTS ANSWERING AND ADDRESSING AS MANY COMMENTS AS WE COULD IN ADVANCE OF THAT MEETING TO GET MORE INFORMATION OUT OF THE PUBLIC.

SO, TONIGHT I AM HERE TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS THE VILLAGE BOARD HAS ABOUT THE BIKE PLAN UPDATE AND RECOMMENDATION TO ADOPT THE BIKE PLAN UPDATE AS RECOMMENDED BY THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION INCLUDING BIKE LANES ON HARVARD FROM MAPLE HUMPHREY.

THANK YOU.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU. VILLAGE MANAGER JACKSON?

OKAY.

DO WE HAVE - WHO WOULD LIKE TO START US OFF THIS EVENING WITH ANY QUESTIONS?

>>SPEAKER: DO WE HAVE ANY IDEA OF HOW MANY EXEMPTIONS WE MAY NEED FOR INDIVIDUALS THAT MAY HAVE PHYSICAL DISABILITIES OR ANYTHING LIKE THAT FOR ACCESSING THE STREET AND PARKING LIMITATIONS, DO WE HAVE AN IDEA OF NOT YET OR HOW THEY WOULD GO ABOUT DOING THAT IN THIS PROCESS?

>>SPEAKER: RIGHT NOW WE ARE NOT AWARE OF ANY RESIDENCE THAT WOULD NEED SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS.

THE PROCESS WOULD BE SIMILAR TO THE PROCESS FOR REQUESTING AND ON STRAIGHT RESERVE HANDICAP PARKING SPACE AND SO RESIDENCE CAN EVALUATE THAT REQUEST AND IF THERE IS NOT A FEASIBLE OPPORTUNITY TO PARK AROUND THE CORNER THE STAFF WOULD WORK WITH THE APPLICANT FOR RESERVING A SPACE ON HARVARD AND THAT IS SOMETHING THAT WE CAN WORK WITH WITH THE BIKE LANE AND HAVE A SHORT GAP IN THE ACTUAL LANE TO A MORE ADVISORY BIKE CONDITION WHERE THERE IS A NEED FOR A RESERVE HANDICAP PARKING SPACE.

>>TRUSTEE ENYIA: THANK YOU.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: OKAY.

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS?

>>TRUSTEE TAGLIA: I JUST HAVE SOME QUESTIONS AND I KNOW WE HAVE TALKED ABOUT THIS, BUT JUST GENERALLY, WE DON'T TALK ABOUT IT, BECAUSE THERE IS A LOOK AT THE LONGER-TERM ASPECTS IN TERM OF THE BUDGET, BUT JUST UNDERSTANDING WHAT OUR CAPITAL NEEDS ARE GOING TO BE OVER THE YEAR, IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING THE THREE PHASES, THE FIRST PHASE IS ABOUT 6 AND A HALF MILLION DOLLARS TOTAL. >>SPEAKER: THERE WAS AN ERROR IN THE BIKE LANE UPDATE ACTIVATE AND SO THE BIKE LANE IN FRONT OF THE BOARD, THE SHORT-TERM IMPROVEMENT HAS BEEN REDUCED TO 5 MILLION AND SO THE PREVIOUS VERSIONS OF THE PLAN SHOWED ABOUT 1.6 OR 1.7 MILLION IN INVESTMENT FOR THE SHORT TERM. THAT HAS SINCE BEEN REVISED.

SHORT-TERM IS I THINK 100,000.

SO, WE UPDATED A PLAN TO REFLECT DIETS OF THE COSTS HAVE GONE DOWN A LITTLE BIT AND THAT 1.7 WAS THE SHORT AND MIDTERM RECOMMENDATIONS.

>>TRUSTEE TAGLIA: AND THE MIDTERM IN TOTAL WAS AROUND 5 AND A HALF MILLION, WAS IT NOT, SOMETHING LIKE THAT, APPROXIMATELY?

>>SPEAKER: YES, ROUGHLY.

>>TRUSTEE TAGLIA: AND THEN THE LONG-TERM, WE DON'T HAVE ESTIMATES, RIGHT?

AND THIS IS BASED ON A PLAN, WE DON'T KNOW WHAT PARTS OF IT ARE GOING TO BE ULTIMATELY IMPLEMENTED, BUT YOUR ESTIMATION, YOU THINK THAT THE LONG-TERM COSTS MAY BE EQUIVALENT TO THE SHORT AND INTERMEDIATE TERM COSTS ALTOGETHER?

>>SPEAKER: THEY COULD BE.

WE DID NOT EVEN EXPLORE LONG-TERM COSTS WITH THIS, THERE IS SOME FAIRLY AGGRESSIVE TREATMENTS IN HERE FOR LONG-TERM THAT WOULD REALLY REQUIRE A MOOD SHIFT AWAY FROM CAR TRAVEL TO REALLY ACCOMPLISH THESE, WE HAVE A RECOMMENDATION IN THERE THAT REQUIRE MOVING OF - REMOVAL OF SIGNIFICANT PARKING AND COMMERCIAL AREAS THAT RIGHT NOW WOULD NOT REALLY BE FEASIBLE.

AND SO IT GIVES US SOME DIRECTION AS STAFF TO SEE YOU KNOW IS THAT A POSSIBILITY IN 10 YEARS?

RIGHT NOW IT IS NOT AND SO WE DID NOT JUST DESCRIBE COSTS BECAUSE WE ARE NOT THERE YET AND THAT WOULD REALLY BE A PART OF FUTURE PLANNING EFFORTS, IT JUST GIVES US A LONG-TERM VISION AND GOALS AS SOMETHING THAT THE VILLAGE WANTS TO MOVE TOWARDS.

>>TRUSTEE TAGLIA: I THINK IT IS A GOOD PLAN, I AM JUST TRYING TO GET MY HEAD AROUND THE ADDITIONAL CAPITAL NECESSARY, BECAUSE WE HAVE A LOT OF BIG THINGS COMING IN FRONT OF THE BOARD IN THE NEXT FEW YEARS SINCE IT IS VILLAGE HALL, THE POLICE STATION, OAK PARK AVENUE, NUMEROUS OTHER PROJECTS - LANDSCAPE DIVISION, THEY ALL HAVE BIG PRICE TAGS AND WE ARE JUST TRYING TO GET THE UNDERSTANDING.

SO, IF WE HAVE THE SHORT, THE MID IN THE LONG-TERM PLAN - AND A LONG-TERM PLAN IS 10 YEARS OUT AT LEAST, RIGHT?

8 TO 10 YEARS MINIMUM?

AND SO PRESENT VALUE OF THOSE DOLLARS IF YOU PUT THIS IN TODAY'S DOLLARS, IT IS NOT A BIG NUMBER, BUT IF YOU CONSIDER WHEN THE MONEY IS GOING TO BE SPENT THE BUDGET ACTUALLY IS GOING TO BE BIGGER. MY ESTIMATION IS IT MAY BE SOMEWHERE UPWARDS OF \$30 MILLION IN TOTAL POTENTIALLY IF NUMBER OF IF AND OBVIOUSLY YOU ARE LOOKING AT GRANTS TO, AND UNDERSTAND THAT.

BUT, UNDERSTANDING THE CAPITAL NEEDS OVER AN EXTENDED PERIOD OF TIME, IT COULD BE A \$30 MILLION PLAN.

>>SPEAKER: IT COULD BE.

THE MID AND LONG TERM DOES NOT COMMIT TO THAT LEVEL OF EXPENDITURES, THOSE ARE ALL DONE ANNUALLY THROUGH THE BUDGET PROCESS AND YOU KNOW THESE FUNDS LIKE ALL OF THE OTHER PROJECTS ARE COMPETING FOR THAT SAME CAPITAL DOLLARS.

>>TRUSTEE TAGLIA: SO, OUR COMPETITION AND INTERCEPTOR NEEDS RIGHT NOW I MEAN WE HAVE STREET REQUIREMENTS AND IT IS MY IMPRESSION THAT THE OPINION AND IT MAY NOT BE SHARED BY EVERYONE AND MAYBE NOT YOU, BUT THE STREETS ARE REALLY ABOUT AS BAD AS I CAN RECALL IN MY LIFETIME AT OAK PARK AND WE REALLY NEED TO - AND FOR BIKE RIDERS AS WELL, IT IS NOT JUST CARS VS. BIKES, IT IS FOR BIKE RIDERS AS WELL, THE STREETS ARE IN BAD SHAPE. SO, A LOT OF THAT IS DUE TO COVID I THINK, BUT WE NEED TO PUT MONEY IN THESE THINGS AND IT IS SOMETHING TO CONSIDER, I DO SUPPORT THE PLANT, I HAVE A PARTICULAR FAVORITE ALTERNATIVE, BUT I DO THINK THAT IT IS A GOOD IDEA FOR THE VILLAGE AND I THINK AS A VILLAGE THIS BOARD IS MOVING AHEAD, BUT I DO -WHEN WE LOOK AT THIS IN THE LONG RUN WE NEED TO BE THINKING ABOUT THAT. AND THINKING ABOUT IT REALLY CAREFULLY, BECAUSE WE ARE ENGAGING IN A LOT OF DIFFERENT PLANS WHICH ARE ALL GOOD, BUT THERE IS ONLY SO MANY DOLLARS. TO FUND THEM AND NOT ENOUGH I WOULD IMAGINE WHEN YOU LOOK AT THEM ALL AND CLEARLY - SO, ONE OTHER THING - THE BIKE SHARING SYSTEM AND I THINK I ASKED THIS BEFORE AND I WANT TO CLARIFY AGAIN. WHEN YOU SAY THAT THERE IS ESTIMATED ANNUAL OPERATING EXPENSE, THAT IS A SUBSIDY, AS IN OTHER WORDS -WE ARE GOING TO BEAR THAT EXPENSE IN TERMS OF -

>>SPEAKER: THE ESTIMATED ANNUAL OPERATING EXPENSE FOR THE VILLAGE WOULD BE ABOUT 175,000 TO OPERATE A BIKE SHARE SYSTEM YOU KNOW - THAT WOULD ULTIMATELY BE DETERMINED BASED ON NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE VENDOR BASED ON SIMILAR CONTRACTS AND COMMUNITIES, THAT IS THE BEST GUESS AT THE TIME.

>>TRUSTEE TAGLIA: THAT WAS THE CASE YEARS AGO THAT THEY HAVE SO MUCH REVENUE AND EXPENSE EXCEEDS THE REVENUE AND IT COULD BE A COUPLE HUNDRED THOUSAND AND I THINK IT WAS SIMILAR TO THAT YEARS AGO, BUT I AM JUST WONDERING ARE THERE ANY EXAMPLES OF COMMUNITIES THAT ARE ACTUALLY NOT HAVING TO SUBSIDIZE OR IS THERE A MODEL OUT THERE WHERE THE LENDER TAKES ALL OF THE LIABILITY OR RESPONSIBILITY OF A PROGRAM, BECAUSE THAT WOULD BE INTERESTING TO ME.

>>SPEAKER: I DON'T THINK FOR A COMMUNITY OF OUR SIZE AND DENSITY YOU WILL SEE MODELS WHERE THE MUNICIPALITY DOES NOT HAVE TO SUBSIDIZE THE PROGRAM.

ONLY WHEN YOU GET TO CITIES THAT ARE LARGE AND DANCE AND HAVE A HIGH ENOUGH RIDERSHIP OF THOSE PROGRAMS WOULD YOU MAYBE SEE A NET ZERO OR EVEN PROFIT-SHARING.

SIMILAR COMMUNITIES OR LIKE OUTER RING SUBURBS ARE ALMOST ALWAYS SUBSIDIZING THESE PROGRAMS.

>>TRUSTEE TAGLIA: LIKE CHICAGO WOULD BE -

>>SPEAKER: CITY OF CHICAGO, I DON'T KNOW WHAT THE REVENUE STREAM IS, THEY WILL HAVE A LOWER SUBSIDY THAN THAT YOU KNOW IF THERE IS A SUBSIDY FOR THE CITY OF CHICAGO, BUT WHEN YOU START LOOKING AT OUTER SUBURBS, WE COMMUNICATED WITH THE OUTER SUBURBS LIKE THE AUSTIN AREA AND WHAT KIND OF CONTRACT WITH ABLE TO NEGOTIATE AND WHAT WAS THE STRUCTURE OF THOSE CONTRACTS AND HOW MUCH WERE THEY HAVING TO SUBSIDIZE AND WE ARE FAIRLY CONFIDENT IN THAT NUMBER BASED ON THEIR DENSITY.

>>TRUSTEE TAGLIA: OKAY, THANK YOU.

I JUST WANTED TO GET MY HEAD AROUND THE BUDGET A LITTLE BIT BETTER. THANK YOU FOR CLARIFYING.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS?

>>SPEAKER: NOT QUESTIONS, JUST A QUICK COMMENT.

I JUST WANTED TO SAY THANK YOU TO YOU ALL AND SAY THANK YOU TO THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION FOR PUTTING TOGETHER A ROBUST PLAN THAT I THINK LIKE FORMER TRUSTEE BUCHANAN SAID BEFORE, THAT ADDRESSES THE THINGS WE HAVE BEEN ASKING FOR.

I THINK AS A COMMUNITY AND NOT EVEN JUST A COMMUNITY, SOCIETY AS A WHOLE, THINKING OF WAYS TO BECOME AS FOSSIL FUEL DEPENDENT AND GETTING MORE ACTIVE AND YOU KNOW BEING A TRANS COMMUTER OR TYPE OF CITY WHERE THIS IS THE STEP THAT YOU HAVE TO TAKE AND I DO YOU KNOW - HUGELY FEEL FOR YOU KNOW GETTING COMMUNICATION.

AND I THINK WE LOVE THE AMOUNT OF EFFORT AND ALL THE HARD WORK THAT WENT FROM OUR STAFF TO LITERALLY TRY TO MAKE OUR VISION COME TRUE, RIGHT?

AND WE ARE ALWAYS LIKE BUCK, CAN YOU DO IT LIKE THIS, CAN YOU DO THIS AND CAN YOU DO THIS AND THEY ALWAYS TRY TO CHANGE AND YOU DO IT YOU KNOW THE JOB OF MAKING THIS LOOK EVEN BETTER AND MORE PALATABLE FOR OUR COMMUNITY AND WHEN YOU CAME UP WITH OPTION C, WE ARE STILL TRYING TO YOU KNOW GRASP A WAY TO MAKE EVERYONE HAPPY, RIGHT?

I JUST DON'T THINK THAT IS POSSIBLE.

YOU WILL NEVER MAKE EVERYBODY HAPPY AND THERE IS A TRADE-OFF AT SOME POINT, YOU WILL HAVE SOME TRADE-OFF AND I BRING IT UP, BECAUSE I TALK ABOUT YOU KNOW I HAVE THIS HOUSE IN OAK PARK AND IT IS THE ONLY HOUSE THAT I COULD REALLY AFFORD IS ON RICHLAND AND IT IS LIKE YES, YOU MOVED TO RICHLAND AND IT IS LIKE YES, BUT THAT IS WHAT WAS AVAILABLE TO ME AND I KNEW RIGHT OFF THE BAT MY KIDS WOULD NEVER PLAY OUTFRONT, IT JUST DOESN'T WORK THAT WAY BECAUSE OF TRAFFIC SAFETY AND I KNEW THAT I WAS GOING TO HAVE TO ADDRESSED MY LIFESTYLE A LITTLE BIT BECAUSE I WANTED TO LIVE HERE AND THAT WAS THE ONLY HOUSE THAT WAS AFFORDABLE AND I THINK ABOUT ALL OF THE TRADE-OFFS BEING ABLE TO HAVE A COMMUNITY THAT IS BANKABLE, WALKABLE AND GIVES ME ALL OF THE OTHER THINGS LIKE I FIGURED OUT THAT I WOULD BE OKAY WITH IT AND I STILL AM OKAY WITH YOU AND STILL TO THIS DAY, BUT STILL PEOPLE BECOME COMFORTABLE WITH THE LIFESTYLE THAT THEY HAVE IN THE WAY THEY HAVE ACCESSIBILITY TO THE THINGS THAT THEY DO AND I WOULD LIKE TO BE ON THAT SIDE OF MY HOUSE AND HAVE ACCESS HERE AND CHANGE WHEN WE THINK ABOUT WHAT THIS IS FOR OURSELVES IN THE IMMEDIATE TIME AND IT IS A LITTLE BIT HARD AND IT IS DIFFICULT TO THINK ABOUT SOMETHING THAT WOULD CHANGE OUR LIVES DRAMATICALLY AND SO QUICKLY AND I THINK ABOUT WHAT THAT MEANS IN THE FUTURE AND ALL OF US DO NEED TO CHANGE HOW WE ADDRESS HOW WE LIVE OUR DAILY LIVES AND THE FOSSIL FUELS WE BURNED AND THE WAY WE UTILIZE TRASH PICKUP AND I KNOW IT SEEMS LIKE WE WANT A VOICE FOR EVERYTHING, BUT I THINK WE ALWAYS HAVE TO TAKE A STEP BACK AND THINK ABOUT HOW IT IMPACTS OUR LIVES FOR OUR KIDS, THEIR KIDS AND IF WE DON'T TAKE THESE STEPS NOW AND IF WE DON'T TAKE SOME OF THE UNCOMFORTABLE STEPS, WE PUT OURSELVES IN A POSITION THAT MAKES IT VERY HARD FOR THEIR FUTURE TO BE REAL, A REALITY.

AND SO I THINK ABOUT THAT WHEN I MAKE THESE MORE TOUGH CHOICES, BECAUSE I WOULD LOVE TO TELL YOU LIKE YOU GET TO KEEP THAT PARKING RIGHT NEXT TO YOUR HOUSE, BUT I KNOW THAT IN REALITY IT WOULD JUST GET PUSHED TO ANOTHER BLOCK AT SOME POINT AND SOMEWHERE ELSE TO FIGURE OUT HOW DO WE MAKE OURSELVES MORE OF THIS COMMUNITY THAT WE WANT TO BE SAFER AND TO BE MORE GREEN AND SO IT IS A HARD DECISION AND WE HAVE ALL BEEN TRYING TO FIGURE OUT HOW WE MAKE EVERYONE HAPPY AND THERE IS NO ANSWER UP THERE THAT WILL MAKE 100% OF OAK PARK HAPPY IN ANY OF THIS AND I JUST KNOW THAT WE HAVE ALL BEEN KNOCKING OUR HEADS ON THE WALL TO FIGURE OUT WHAT WORKS AND OUR STAFF HAS BEEN DOING THE SAME THING AND TAKING THESE EXTRA MEETINGS AND FIGURING THIS OUT AND IT IS NOT EASY AND I KNOW IT IS NOT EASY AND TO SAY OKAY, WE'LL JUST THROW IT BACK TO THE DRAWING BOARD AND WE WILL START ALL OVER AND WE DON'T HAVE TIME AND WE LITERALLY DON'T HAVE TIME AT THIS POINT AND THAT IS A PROBLEM THAT WE ARE UP AGAINST.

AND I JUST WANTED TO SAY ALL OF THAT BECAUSE THIS IS WHAT A LOT OF US ARE THINKING AND NOBODY IS LIKE OH, YES, I WANT TO - YOU KNOW WE ARE GOING TO GO WITH THIS OPTION AND I THINK IT IS YOU KNOW LIKE IS THERE ANY WAY TO MAKE THESE THINGS WORK?

BUT, THIS IS WHERE WE ARE AT.

BUT, I AM VERY GRATEFUL FOR THE OPTIONS THAT WE DO HAVE AND I SAY THANK YOU FOR TAKING INTO ACCOUNT SOME OF THESE THINGS WHEN IT COMES TO THE SPEED AND THE AREAS AND ALL OF THAT, IT MEANS A LOT. IT REALLY DOES.

>>SPEAKER: SO, TWO YEARS AGO WHEN I RAN FOR VILLAGE TRUSTEE, ONE OF THE THINGS THAT I RAN ON WAS BIKING AND WALKING AND I NOTED AND WE HAD THIS 2008 BY CLIENT AND WE HAD THE NEIGHBORHOOD GREENWAYS PLAN AND THE UPDATE TO THAT PLAN IN 2014 AND WE HAD NOT REALLY STARTED BUILDING AT OUT. AND SO THAT WAS ONE OF THE THINGS THAT OVER THE LAST COUPLE OF YEARS THAT I HAVE DEFINITELY PUT A LOT OF TIME AND ATTENTION TO AND I AM EXCITED ABOUT WHAT WE HAVE STARTED BUILDING OUT AND WHAT WE HAVE BUDGETED TO CONTINUE BUILDING OUT IN THE NEXT COUPLE OF YEARS AND I AM INCREDIBLY EXCITED ABOUT WHAT THIS BIKE PLAN INCLUDES, BECAUSE I THINK THAT WE HAVE SPENT A LOT OF TIME TONIGHT TALKING ABOUT ONE STRETCH OF THIS BIKE PLAN, BUT THIS BIKE PLAN IS A PLAN ACROSS THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY AND IT HAS A LOT OF FEATURES THAT WE ARE NOT TALKING ABOUT, BECAUSE WE ARE ONLY FOCUSING ON ONE STRETCH OF HARVARD.

THIS BIKE PLAN CREATES AN INTERCONNECTED NETWORK THAT IS GOING TO MAKE IT EASIER FOR SOME OF THE LESS CONFIDENT CYCLISTS AND FOR FAMILIES TO GET AROUND OUR VILLAGE AND TO GO TO PARKS AND SCHOOLS AND TO GO TO LIBRARIES AND OUR BUSINESS DISTRICTS.

AND THAT IS INCREDIBLY EXCITING TO ME AND I SAY THAT, BECAUSE IT IS NOTICEABLE HOW BIKING CULTURE HAS CHANGED OVER THE COURSE OVER THE LAST TWO YEARS IN THIS VILLAGE.

IT IS NOTICEABLE WHEN I GO TO SCHOOL IN THE SPRING AND THERE ARE LITERALLY 100 BIKES LOCKED UP AND PEOPLE ARE HAVING TO SEND BIKES HOME WITH THEIR PARENTS BECAUSE THERE ARE NO MORE PLACES FOR THEM TO LOCK UP THEIR BIKES.

THAT WAS NOT THE CASE A COUPLE OF YEARS AGO.

THE CULTURE AROUND CYCLING IS CHANGING AS WE IMPLEMENT MORE INFRASTRUCTURE.

IT IS A FACT.

AND SO I THINK THAT THAT IS ONE OF THE THINGS I AM LOOKING AT WHEN I'M CONSIDERING THIS PLAN AND IT IS ONE OF THE REASONS I AM SO EXCITED ABOUT THIS PLAN.

I ALSO - WE AS A BOARD VOTED TO PURSUE THIS BIKE PLAN BACK IN EARLY 2024 AND THAT PROCESS INVOLVED A BUNCH OF ENGAGEMENT BY STAFF AND CONSULTANTS INCLUDING AN OPEN HOUSE OF LAST YEAR INCLUDING THE ENGAGE OAK PARK PROCESS AND IT WAS BEFORE THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION MULTIPLE TIMES AND NOW IT HAS BEEN BEFORE US MULTIPLE TIMES AND IN ADDITION TO THE OPPORTUNITIES FOR FEEDBACK OVER THE LAST COUPLE OF WEEKS.

I SPENT TIME READING THE 60 PAGES OF TRANSCRIPTS AND I HAVE SPENT TIME READING THE EMAILS THAT HAVE COME IN AND OF THE FEEDBACK HAS BEEN HEARD AND HAS BEEN CONSIDERED AND I STILL THINK THAT HAVING A NETWORK THAT IS A COHESIVE NETWORK IS IMPORTANT.

AND I BELIEVE THAT THE CONTINUITY OF TREATMENT ACROSS HARVARD IS IMPORTANT.

AND IT IS IMPORTANT THAT WE ALSO DO LOOK AT THE DATA, BECAUSE WE HAVE HEARD ABOUT SOME OF THE DATA ON HARVARD EARLIER, BUT THERE WERE TRAFFIC STUDIES DONE ON HARVARD IN 2023 BOTH IN MAY AND JULY ON CERTAIN BLOCKS AND THOSE TRAFFIC STUDIES SUPPORT THAT THERE IS OVER 2200 CARS GOING THROUGH ON HARVARD AT OAK PARK AVENUE AND IN MAY 2023, 2400 ABOUT AND IN JULY OF 2023, AT THE SAME LOCATION, OVER 2100 AND ON HARVARD BY SOUTH GROVE AND INMATE, OVER 2300, AGAIN ON HARVARD BY GROVE IN JULY AND AT THE SAME TIME REALLY IMPORTANTLY WE ARE LOOKING AT 140 CYCLISTS UTILIZING HARVARD UNDER CURRENT CONDITIONS WHERE THERE IS NO NEIGHBORHOOD GREENWAYS TREATMENT AND THERE IS NO BIKE LANE TREATMENT. THAT WILL INCREASE AS WE HAVE SEEN ELSEWHERE WHERE WE HAVE IMPLEMENTED NEIGHBORHOOD GREENWAYS TREATMENT.

THESE TREATMENTS DO INDUCE MORE VOLUME.

IT TRULY IS A CASE OF IF YOU BUILD IT, THEY WILL COME.

AND THIS IS A TRUE THING ACROSS MANY AREAS OF INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING WHERE IF YOU BUILD AN EXTRA LANE ON A HIGHWAY, IT TENDS TO NOT DECREASE CONGESTION ON THE HIGHWAY AND INSTEAD YOU INDUCE DEMAND, ADDING A LANE, YOU ADD MORE CARS.

IF YOU INSTEAD AT A BIKE LANE, YOU ADD MORE BIKES.

IT IS WHAT THE DATA SUPPORTS AND SO I AM EXCITED TO SUPPORT THE BIKE PLAN AND I AM EXCITED THAT WE ARE GOING TO HAVE A COHESIVE BIKE LANE SOUTH OF 290, I THINK THAT IT IS IMPORTANT AND IT IS IMPORTANT THAT WE HAVE TREATMENTS ALL THROUGHOUT THE VILLAGE AND SO THE BIKE PLAN HAS - IT HAS MY ENTHUSIASTIC SUPPORT.

THANK YOU FOR ALL OF THE HARD WORK YOU'VE DONE ON THIS.

>>SPEAKER: I APPRECIATE ALL OF THE HARD WORK THAT HAS GONE ON TO THIS BIKE PLAN BY THE STAFF AND COMMISSION AND EVERYONE ELSE INVOLVED. LIKEWISE AND I APPRECIATE ALL OF THE PUBLIC COMMENT THAT WE HAVE RECEIVED FROM THOSE WHO ARE PRO AND ALSO AGAINST.

I KNOW CHANGE IS NEVER EASY AND I THINK ULTIMATELY WHEN WE ARE PRESENTED WITH SIGNIFICANT CHANGE IN OUR VILLAGE YOU KNOW THE ISSUE ITSELF IS OFTEN IN THE FOREGROUND, BUT THE BACKGROUND REALLY IS THINGS WERE THIS WAY AND WE WANT THEM TO BE THAT WAY.

AND NOT EVERYONE IS COMFORTABLE WITH THAT.

I GET IT.

I AM NOT A BIG FAN OF CHANGE EITHER EVEN THOUGH MY DAY JOB IS CREATING CHANGE FOR OTHER PEOPLE AND NOT JOB IS GRADING CHANGE FOR US. AND I ALSO SOMETIMES STILL FEEL - WELL, I ALWAYS FEEL THE WEIGHT OF CHANGE IN THE VILLAGE.

THAT SAID, WE DO HAVE TO LOOK TOWARDS THE FUTURE.

AND I THINK THE ONLY WAY THAT OAK PARK BECAME OAK PARK IS BECAUSE A BUNCH OF FOLKS LIKE US OUT AT THIS TABLE AND SAID NO WAY THAT WE ARE DOING THINGS RIGHT NOW IS NOT THE WAY WE SHOULD DO IN THE FUTURE AND SO WE CHANGED THAT. WHEN I THINK ABOUT THIS BIKE LANE AND THE BIKE LANE IN GENERAL, THE WAY THAT WE ARE DOING THINGS RIGHT NOW IS NOT THE WAY THAT WE DO THINGS IN THE FUTURE.

I THINK ABOUT THE KIDS TO HAVE TO GET TO SCHOOL AND I THINK ABOUT HOW SCARED I AM FOR THE THEIR KIDS WHEN THEY BIKE AND I HAVE MY SON WHO IS A MORE CONFIDENT CYCLISTS, HE BIKES INDUSTRY, BUT MY DAUGHTER IS STARTING HIGH SCHOOL THIS YEAR AND SHE WILL LIKELY BIKE ON THE SIDEWALK ALL THE WAY THERE.

FROM BARRY PARK TO OAK PARK RIVER FOREST.

BECAUSE, SHE IS NOT COMFORTABLE BIKING IN THE STREET.

THERE SHOULD NEVER BE A SITUATION WHERE KIDS ARE NOT COMFORTABLE BIKING IN OUR STREETS.

AND THERE SHOULD NEVER BE A SITUATION WHERE ANYONE IS NOT COMFORTABLE BIKING IN OUR STREETS AND SOMETIMES SIGNS AND PAINT ARE ENOUGH. SOMETIMES IT IS NOT ENOUGH AND SOMETIMES YOU HAVE TO TAKE AN ACTIVE HAND AND YOU HAVE TO BE INTENTIONAL ABOUT CREATING THE SAFETY THAT YOU DESIRE.

THAT IS WHAT THIS PLAN DOES.

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A LOT OF THE EMAILS THAT I GET FRAMED THESE AND I WANT TO BE CLEAR THAT I HAVE NOT HEARD THIS FROM THE PUBLIC COMMENTS TONIGHT, BUT A LOT OF THE EMAILS THAT I GOT TONIGHT FRAMED BIKE LANES AS YOU ARE A REGULAR PERSON OR A BIKE PERSON AND I DON'T KNOW WHAT A BIKE PERSON IS, BUT I'LL TAKE A GUESS AND MY GUESS IS THE GUYS WITH THE POINTY HELMETS, RIGHT? ALL OF THE SPANDEX, THOSE ARE THE BIKE PEOPLE?

AND YOU KNOW I AM A BIKE PERSON AND I DON'T HAVE A POINTY HELMET AND I DON'T WEAR SPANDEX AND SOMETIMES I BICYCLE IN JEANS AND MY TOP SPEED IS LAUGHABLY LOW.

BUT, I BIKE OFTEN AND I BIKE BECAUSE ONE, I ENJOY IT AND TWO BECAUSE IT IS A GREAT WAY TO GET AROUND AND WHEN I THINK ABOUT YOU KNOW CYCLISTS VS. REGULAR PEOPLE, WE ARE ALL PEOPLE YEAR.

WE ARE ALL NEIGHBORS HERE AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS HERE IN THIS VILLAGE. AND I DON'T CARE IF YOU ARE VERY PASSIONATE ABOUT CYCLING OR IF YOU'RE VERY PASSIONATE ABOUT KNITTING, IF YOU ARE A RESIDENT OF OAK PARK AND YOU WANT TO SEE THE FUTURE HAPPEN, YOU DESERVE TO HAVE YOUR VOICE HEARD, TOO.

AND YOU KNOW SWEEPING THATAWAY BY TRYING TO PAINT A CERTAIN GROUP OF PEOPLE IN A CERTAIN LIGHT AND CLAIM THAT THEY ARE I DON'T KNOW, A SHADOW LOBBY IN SUBVERTING OR SOME OTHER - I HAVE READ A LOT OF THINGS, IT HAS BEEN WEIRD.

IT IS JUST PLAIN RIDICULOUS.

LIKE WHEN I WALK OUTSIDE MY DOOR AND WHEN I RIDE DOWN HARVARD WHICH I DO SO OFTEN, I SEE REGULAR PEOPLE JUST RIDING THEIR BIKES AND I SEE PEOPLE

WITH CARTS AND GROCERIES AND I SEE PEOPLE WITH ATTACHMENTS WITH KIDS AND I'VE SEEN PEOPLE ON BIKES WITH LIKE THREE KIDS AND I DON'T KNOW LIKE SOME KIND OF LONG LIMOUSINE BIKE OR WHATEVER - IT IS JUST THE VARIETY AND DIVERSITY OF FOLKS WHO ARE BIKING IN OUR VILLAGE CANNOT BE OVERSTATED. LIKE IT IS LITERALLY WHOEVER YOU THINK AND I HAVE SEEN YOUNG PEOPLE AND OLDER FOLKS AND I HAVE SEEN FOLKS OF ALL DIFFERENT ABILITIES AND THIS IS NOT A SITUATION WHERE IT IS US VS. THEM, THIS IS A SITUATION OF DO WE WANT OUR VILLAGE TO BE SAFER FOR FOLKS WHO ARE BIKING IN OUR VILLAGE?

AND I THINK SINCE A LOT OF FOLKS ARE BIKING IN OUR VILLAGE AND THOSE FOLKS ARE OUR NEIGHBORS, THE ANSWER HAS TO BE YES.

YOU KNOW I HAVE SAID HERE A LOT THAT OUR STREETS ARE OUR MOST UNDERUSED RESOURCE IN OAK PARK.

WE ARE LANDLOCKED AND NO WAY TO EXPAND OUTSIDE OF OUR 4.7 MILES. WE HAVE VERY YOU KNOW EXTENSIVE RESTRICTIONS AROUND HOW WE CAN USE OUR STREETS.

WE CAN PARK OVERNIGHT - WE DON'T HAVE ANY BIKE LANES LIKE WHEN YOU THINK ABOUT IT WE DRIVE DOWN THE STREET AND HOW OFTEN DO YOU SEE CARS ACTUALLY SIT ON THE STREETS?

LIKE I GET A LOT OF TRAFFIC ON MY STREET, BUT ANY GIVEN TIME I MAY HAVE ONE OR TWO NEIGHBORS - OH, AM I OUT OF TIME?

WELL, MY POINT HERE IS JUST THAT I WOULD LIKE TO RECLAIM THE VALUE THAT WE HAVE IN OUR STREETS AND USE IT FOR THE PEOPLE OF OUR VILLAGE AND NOT THE INFRASTRUCTURE.

MEANING THE CARS AND I THINK IT IS TIME FOR OUR STREETS TO BE FOR EVERYONE AND NOT JUST PEOPLE DRIVING ON FOUR WHEELS.

AND THEY HAVE HAD A GOOD RUN, IT HAS BEEN 100 YEARS, IT HAS BEEN A GOOD RUN, BUT THE FUTURE LOOKS LIKE MOBILITY FOR EVERYONE, NOT JUST FOR MOBILITY FOR PEOPLE WHO DRIVE CARS.

AND THE LAST THING I WANT TO SAY AND IT IS TWO LAST THINGS ACTUALLY. ONE, NOT AGGRESSIVE ENOUGH.

I WOULD LIKE TO SEE MORE OF THE LONG TERM STUFF MOVED UP AND I WOULD LIKE TO SEE MORE PROTECTED AND I DON'T SEE ANY PROTECTED LANE - I THINK NORTH/ SOUTH I WOULD LIKE TO SEE SOMETHING LIKE THAT. AM I WRONG. DID I MISS SOMETHING?

>>SPEAKER: NOT IN THE SHORT-TERM, WE HAVE SOME PROTECTED LANES FOR EAST AND WEST CORRIDORS IN THE SHORT-TERM AND THOSE ARE THINGS THAT WE CAN START LOOKING AT IN THE MID TO LONG TERM AND THOSE WITH PARKING LOTS WHICH RIGHT NOW YOU WOULD SEE THE SHORT-TERM RECOMMENDATIONS.

>>SPEAKER: GOT YOU.

BUT, THE EAST-WEST - AND FOR LOOKING AT PARKING LOTS WHATEVER YOU NEED TO PUT BIKE LANES AND SO I EXPECT I WILL DO A MOTION, I DON'T KNOW IF I WILL HAVE A SECOND, BUT WE WILL SEE.

THE OTHER THING THAT I WANT TO MENTION IS TO TRUSTEE ENVIA 'S POINT INTERESSE BUCHANAN, THIS IS A SUSTAINABILITY ISSUE.

IF WE ARE SPENDING SO MUCH TIME AND SO MUCH MONEY AND SO MUCH EFFORT ON MAKING OUR VILLAGE A MORE SUSTAINABLE VILLAGE, THEN WE MUST DO THINGS THAT ACTUALLY MAKE IT SUSTAINABLE LIKE ENCOURAGING PEOPLE TO NOT DRIVE CARS.

AND I DON'T KNOW HOW MANY PEOPLE ACTUALLY STAND OUTSIDE WHEN IT IS TIME FOR A PICKUP AND DROP OFF AT SCHOOLS.

BUT, I HAVE TWO KIDS THAT HAVE BEEN IN SCHOOL FOR 10 YEARS NOW AND I AM ALWAYS IN THAT MIX.

THERE ARE - THE BIGGEST GROUP OF CAR TRAFFIC IN OUR VILLAGE IS DURING THOSE TIMES, RIGHT?

AND WHY?

BECAUSE PARENTS DO NOT FEEL SAFE WHEN THEIR KIDS ARE WALKING OR BIKING TO SCHOOL.

IF WE GIVE THEM THAT SAFETY, THOSE CARS STAY IN THE GARAGE, MAYBE THE SECOND CARS ACTUALLY GO AWAY.

IF WE ARE SERIOUS ABOUT SUSTAINABILITY, WE CANNOT JUST LOOK AT THE PRIMARY IMPACTS, WE HAVE TO LOOK AT THE SECOND AND THIRD ORDER. IF WE MAKE IT EASIER FOR FOLKS TO BIKE IN THIS VILLAGE, WE WILL MAKE IT EASIER FOR KIDS TO BIKE IN THIS VILLAGE WHICH MAKES IT EASIER FOR PARENTS TO TRUST THAT THEIR KIDS WILL MAKE IT TO SCHOOL UNHARMED WHICH MEANS CARS STAY IN THE GARAGE OR DEALERSHIP WHICH MEANS SUSTAINABILITY WINS.

MUNICIPALITIES ARE SYSTEM, THEY ARE NOT A SILO, NONE OF THESE SYSTEMS HAVE ONLY THE STATED IMPACT THAT IT LOOKS LIKE ON PAPER.

FOR ME, BIKE LANES ARE NOT JUST ABOUT THE FOLKS WHO ARE BIKING BACK AND FORTH, IT IS ABOUT HOW IT IMPACTS EVERYTHING ELSE IN THIS VILLAGE, AS WELL. AND SO FOR THAT REASON I AM ABSOLUTELY PRO THIS BIKE LANE.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: DEREK?

>>SPEAKER: I WILL BE BRIEF.

SO, I AM THE NEW GUY AND I AM COMING INTO THIS PROCESS AS IT HAS BEEN UNFOLDING FOR YEARS, BUT I HAVE BEEN DOING MY HOMEWORK AND I CAN ALSO SAY I LIVE ADJACENT TO HARVARD, I LIVE ON GROVE AVENUE AND I BIKE ALL THE TIME AND I BIKE TO VILLAGE HALL, NOT TONIGHT, BUT OTHER NIGHTS AND OTHER DAYS AND I BIKE WITH MY KIDS ALL THE TIME AND MY DAUGHTER LIKES TO BIKE AND SO WE BIKE AND I ECHO ALL OF THE THINGS AND IT IS A NECESSARY PLAN, I AM IN SUPPORT OF IT AND I ALSO WANT TO COMMEND THE STAFF, FROM THE PROCESS I HAVE OBSERVED YOU KNOW YOU GO ABOVE AND BEYOND AND YOU HAD ADDITIONAL SESSIONS AND YOU HAVE COME BACK MANY TIMES AND I APPRECIATE ALL OF THAT EFFORT AND I AM REALLY EXCITED TO BE SUPPORTING ALL OF THE EFFORT YOU HAVE BEEN WORKING TOWARDS.

THE FINAL THING I WILL SAY IS AS YOU SAID, THIS IS A SUSTAINABILITY ISSUE AND THIS PLAN IS SOMETHING THAT WILL LEAD TO A CLEANER ENVIRONMENT AND A HEALTHIER VILLAGE FOR EVERYONE, ESPECIALLY OUR CHILDREN AND OUR FUTURE AND SO I AM REALLY IN SUPPORT OF IT AND I THINK WE ARE GOOD TO GO. THE. >>TRUSTEE LEVING-JACOBSEN: I WILL ALSO TRY TO BE BRIEF. IN TERMS OF SUBSTANCE, I REALLY LIKE AND APPRECIATE THE DESIGN AND I WILL JUST SAY THAT I ECHO WHAT MY COLLEAGUES SAID IN TERMS OF THE FOCUS ON SAFETY AND SUSTAINABILITY AND I HAVE A REFLECTION PROCESS AND SOME OF THE PUBLIC COMMENTS AND JUST WHAT I HEARD THROUGHOUT THE COMMUNITY HAVE ECHOED A LOT AND I AGREE WITH WHAT TRUSTEE EDER SAID IN BEING GRATEFUL AND IMPRESSED WITH HOW MUCH IT SEEMED - THE EXTRA TIME AND EXTRA EFFORT ON BEHALF OF STAFF, BUT I THINK WE CAN ALSO JUST BE THINKING ABOUT HOW WE CAN DO BETTER AND IT DIFFERENTLY.

I DO NOT HAVE THE ANSWER, I HAVE ASKED FOLKS HOW YOU THINK WE SHOULD DO THINGS DIFFERENTLY IN TERMS OF COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND THAT IS WHAT I WILL TAKE AWAY FROM THIS PROCESS AND REFLECT UPON AND I DON'T HAVE THE ANSWER TONIGHT, BUT I DON'T LIKE THE TONE OF SOME OF THE WAYS PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT HAS TAKEN PLACE AND I HAVE READ EVERY EMAIL AND THE TRANSCRIPTS OF THE PUBLIC HEARINGS THAT TOOK PLACE LAST WEEK AND I WILL JUST BE THINKING ABOUT HOW WE CAN REACH MORE PEOPLE AS WELL AND WE HEARD FROM A NUMBER OF COMMUNITY MEMBERS, BUT I THINK THERE IS PLENTY OF VOICES THAT HAVE NOT BEEN HURT AND I WANT TO MAKE SURE EVERYBODY KNOWS THAT THEY WERE LISTEN TO WHETHER THEY FEEL THAT WAY OR NOT AND THANK YOU AGAIN, THANK YOU FOR THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION AND FOR BIKE WALK OAK PARK AND THEIR TIRELESS EFFORTS AND THANK YOU TO - EXCUSE ME - ALL OF THE COLLEAGUES WHO INITIATED THIS PROCESS LONG BEFORE I JOINED THE BOARD AND FOR YOUR TIME TONIGHT.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: OKAY.

DO YOU WANT TO TALK AGAIN - I AM COUNTING TO FOUR AT THIS POINT, WE HAVE FOUR IN APPROVAL OF THE BIKE PLAN WHO HAVE SPOKEN, TRUSTEE ENVIA, ARE YOU - DO YOU HAVE MORE THOUGHTS BEFORE NEEDING TO OR DO YOU KNOW WHICH WAY YOU'RE GOING TO GO?

OKAY.

AND TRUSTEE TAGLIA, ANY FURTHER COMMENTS?

>>TRUSTEE TAGLIA: I DO, BECAUSE I HAVE A LITTLE BIT OF A DIFFERENT TAKE THAN OTHERS AND I EXPECT EVERYBODY'S INPUT ON THIS AND I SPENT A LOT OF TIME AND I SPENT THE LAST FEW WEEKS I'VE REALLY PLAYED CATCH UP AND I HAVEN'T VERSED MYSELF IN THE BIKE LANE DOCUMENTS AND I HAVE TAKEN A RIDE ON THE ROADWAYS WITH BILL AND CHRIS VERY GENEROUSLY AND I HAVE EVEN READ THE GUIDE WHICH IS NOT THE MOST EXCITING DOCUMENT IN THE WORLD. AND I HAVE LEARNED A LOT FROM THAT AND I HAD MET WITH A LOT OF MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY AND I APPRECIATE AND TRY TO BE RESPONSIVE TO EVERYBODY. AND JUST TO THE COMMUNICATION PIECE BECAUSE I THINK IT IS IMPORTANT. I THINK THEY DO JUST SUCH A GREAT JOB AND EXCEPT FOR WHEN THE TENSION RATCHETS UP, WHAT WE NEED IS A TIME TO RECALIBRATE AND TO LOOK AGAIN AT WHAT IS NECESSARY TO ANSWER PEOPLE.

WE HAD A LOT OF OPPORTUNITIES TO ENGAGE OAK PARK, I THINK 248 PEOPLE RESPONDED TO THE SURVEY IN THE VILLAGE. AND THAT IS GOOD TO HAVE THAT INFORMATION, BUT WHEN THE LETTER CAME OUT, THAT IS WHEN THE RUBBER HIT THE ROAD AND WHEN THE LETTER CAME OUT TO RESIDENTS SAYING YOU'RE GOING TO LOSE YOUR PARKING AND THEN AT THAT POINT YOU KNOW WE ARE BUSY AND EVERYONE IS BUSY, MY LIFE IS BUSY AND I AM VERY BUSY AND I KNOW BRIAN IS PROBABLY BUSIER THAN ME ACTUALLY, BUT WE ALL DO SO MANY THINGS AND WE DON'T PAY ATTENTION AND WHEN WE GET A LETTER AND IT SAYS WE ARE GOING TO HAVE A STUDY SESSION ON PLANNING YOU KNOW IT MAY EVENTUALLY DO SOMETHING, YOU TOTALLY DISREGARDED AND WHEN THE LETTER CAME OUT TO THESE RESIDENTS AT THE END OF LAST YEAR BETWEEN THEIR MENTIONING BETWEEN CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S, THAT WAS THEIR NOTIFICATION AND THEY ENDED UP GOING TO TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION MEETINGS WHICH ARE A MONOLOGUE.

I CAN ONLY BEING ONE WAY COMMUNICATION BY DEFINITION AND HOW THEY ARE SET UP AND THEY CAN'T ANSWER YOUR.

SO, IT IS SIMILAR TO HERE OBVIOUSLY AND WE ARE NOT ALLOWED REALLY TO EXCHANGE AND DISCUSS WITH PEOPLE.

SO, AS THOSE THINGS WENT ON, IT BECAME MORE FRUSTRATING AND THE TENSION ON RATCHETING UP AND I WAS NOT EVEN A PROFESSIONAL AND I WAS LIKE THIS IS REALLY GETTING KIND OF CRAZY JUST WHEN I WOULD RUN INTO PEOPLE. AND THE POINT IS - AND YOU GUYS DO A GREAT JOB AND PUTTING THOSE OPEN HOUSES ON A SHORT NOTICE WAS APPRECIATED, CERTAINLY BY ME.

I DO THINK IT WAS A GREAT THING, BUT WHEN THAT TENSION RISES, WE NEED TO RECALIBRATE AND RETHINK THE WAY WE ARE ENGAGING WITH PEOPLE, BECAUSE IT HAS TO BE - THERE HAS TO BE - THERE HAS TO BE A WAY TO GET AN ANSWER TO THE QUESTION AND REACHING OUT TO STAFF MEMBERS IS GREAT, BUT THERE WERE A LOT OF PEOPLE ASKING QUESTIONS AND NOT REALLY GETTING WHAT I WOULD CONSIDER EASY ANSWERS.

IT IS SOMETIMES DIFFICULT.

AND SO HOPEFULLY THE OPEN HOUSE SESSIONS ACCOMPLISHED SOME OF THE ANSWER REALLY QUICK AND I DON'T KEEP YOU BECAUSE IT HAS BEEN A LONG NIGHT, I HAVE A DIFFERENT TAKE ON THIS PLAN AND I DO SUPPORT ALTERNATIVE THREE AND PROBABLY THE ONLY ONE I FOUND LIKE ALTHOUGH WE DID HAVE DISCUSSIONS WHERE A LOT OF PEOPLE INDICATED INTEREST IN IT AND NOW IT SEEMS A LITTLE DIFFERENT AND THAT IS FINE, BUT ALTERNATIVE THREE REPRESENTS A PHASED APPROACH TO ONE PART OF ONE SEGMENT OF THE OVERALL BIKE LANE.

ONE PART OF ONE SEGMENT.

98% AND IT ACKNOWLEDGES, ACKNOWLEDGES AND I THINK THAT IS IMPORTANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT TRAFFIC VOLUMES WEST OF HOME AND EAST OF LOMBARD ARE VERY LOW ALLOWING GREENWAYS INSTEAD OF STRIPED BIKE LANES AND IT WOULD ALSO CONTINUE TO ALLOW PARKING FOR SOME PORTION, JUST A FEW BLOCKS ON HARVARD AT LEAST UNTIL THE MID-PHASE WHICH WOULD ONLY BE A FEW YEARS.

AND IT WOULD ACKNOWLEDGE THAT.

AND ALSO SHOW SOME FLEXIBILITY ON PART OF OUR BOARD AND I THINK IT IS IMPORTANT AS WELL TO ADJUST AND RECOGNIZE THE FACT THAT TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS AND I APPRECIATE THEIR WORK AND IT IS GOOD WORK, BUT IT IS A RECOMMENDATION AND WHEN THE DATA INDICATES OTHER OPPORTUNITIES OR POSSIBILITIES ARE VIABLE, WE CAN EASILY ADJUST AND MAKE THOSE CHANGES AND THIS IS ONE WHICH I THINK WOULD GO AWAY TOWARDS SHOWING WE AS A BOARD ARE MORE OPEN-MINDED ABOUT LISTENING AND I THINK IT IS IMPORTANT TO LISTEN TO RESIDENTS EVEN IF IT IS JUST A SMALL COMBINATION.

AND IN MY OUTREACH TO THE COMMUNITY THE LAST FEW MONTHS, THE LAST COUPLE OF MONTHS, AND HAS ALSO BEEN WITH MEMBERS OF THE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION AS WELL AS STAFF MEMBERS OF THE ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT, THEY ALL INDICATED THAT THEY THOUGHT - THEY WERE AGREEABLE AND ACCEPTABLE AND IT WAS A FINE ALTERNATIVE.

IT IS JUST A SLIGHT CHANGE AND SO I STRONGLY SUPPORT ALTERNATIVE THREE AND I ALSO STRONGLY SUPPORT BIKING IN OAK PARK AND I WANT SAFETY ACROSS THE BOARD AND THE REASON THEY COME IS TO FEEL SAFE AND THEY DON'T FEEL SAFE, THEY WANT TO LIVE HERE AND I WANT A COMMUNITY WHERE PEOPLE FEEL SAFE.

AND SO THAT IS MY TAKE ON IT.

SO, THAT IS MY PIECE, THANK YOU.

>>TRUSTEE STRAW: VERY QUICKLY JUST BECAUSE TRUSTEE TAGLIA AND I HAD A CONVERSATION YESTERDAY AND I HAD A CONVERSATION TALKING ABOUT THE ORIGINAL OPTION AND ALTERNATIVE THREE AND YOU KNOW I DID SAY AT THE LAST MEETING OF THE OPTIONS ON THE TABLE - ALTERNATIVE THREE WAS THE ONE I WAS MOST AMENABLE TO AND I WILL NOTE THAT THE BIKE LANE TREATMENTS HAS THE HIGHEST LEVEL OF SAFETY ABOVE THAT OF A NEIGHBORHOOD GREENWAY FOR A PORTION OF IT AND IT IS ALSO \$86,000 CHEAPER THAN ALTERNATIVE THREE AND ALTERNATIVE THREE IS BOTH MORE EXPENSIVE AND SLIGHTLY LESS SAFE, ALTHOUGH YOU ARE CORRECT THAT THE AVERAGE DAILY TRAFFIC VOLUME ON THOSE EN BLOC IS LOWER.

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I DO THINK THERE IS A BENEFIT TO A CONTINUOUS COHESIVE TREATMENT THAT GOES ACROSS THE VILLAGE, ESPECIALLY WITH THE HOPE THAT IT WILL CONNECT INTO OTHER BIKE NETWORK BEYOND THE VILLAGE.

AND SO THAT IS THE REASON WHY ULTIMATELY I DECIDED TO REMAIN ON THE ORIGINAL STAFF RECOMMENDATION, THOUGH ALTERNATIVE THREE THUS HAVE SOME THINGS GOING FOR IT.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU.

I AM ALSO IN SUPPORT OF THE BIKE PLAN AS PRESENTED BY STAFF. I WANT TO MAKE NOTE OF A NUMBER OF REASONS WHY AS WELL AS JUST HOW WE GOT HERE. SO, IT WAS ASKED EARLIER BY A PUBLIC COMMENTER, WHERE DID THIS EVEN COME FROM?

AND AS TRUSTEE STRAWN NOTED EARLIER IN HIS TERM, THERE WAS NOTE TO LOOK AT THE ORIGINAL BIKE PLAN AND UPDATE IT AND IT BECAME A GOAL OF THIS BOARD TO HAVE PROTECTED BIKE LANES.

AND SO WHEN WE THINK OF SOME OF THE CHALLENGES OF COMMUNICATION TO OUR COMMUNITY, I CANNOT FAULT ANYTHING SPECIFIC ABOUT THE PROCESS, HOWEVER I DO EMPATHIZE AND CAN PUT MYSELF IN A POSITION OF SOME OF THE NEIGHBORS WHO FELT AS IF THERE COULD HAVE BEEN ROOM FOR IMPROVEMENT AND A PROCESS WHICH ULTIMATELY WE ALWAYS WANT TO LOOK FOR, BUT I THINK MY MESSAGE IS REALLY YOU HAVE TO - WHAT TO PAY THE MOST ATTENTION TO WITH THE BOARD IS OUR GOALS, BECAUSE EVERYTHING THAT WE WILL WORK ON IS GOING TO STEMS FROM THAT.

WE WILL HAVE A GOAL SETTING SESSION MEETING AT THE END OF THIS MONTH AND IT WILL TAKE SOME TIME BEFORE THOSE COME BACK TO US AND WE ARE FULLY VOTING ON THEM, BUT THAT IS TELLING YOU WHAT THE WORK OF THIS BOARD WANTS TO DO.

AND SO PROTECTED BIKE LANES WAS WHAT WE WERE LOOKING FOR AND WE TASKED OUR STAFF TO COME BACK TO US WITH THAT.

IT WAS AN INVESTMENT, BUT WHEN I VISUALIZE OUR COMMUNITY IN 10 YEARS, I AM ENVISIONING A COMMUNITY WHERE WE SEE AS MANY BIKERS AND WE ARE TRULY A WALKABLE COMMUNITY.

AND WE ARE TAKING A DEEP BREATH AND SLOWING DOWN ON HOW WE UTILIZE CARS.

AND WE USE THE TERM VILLAGE AND I HAVE HAD A LOT OF VILLAGES ASK, HOW ARE YOU VILLAGE WITH 4.7 MILES?

WELL, WE EMBRACED OUR NEIGHBORHOODS AND WE EMBRACE THE FEELING OF BEING A VILLAGE.

AND WE ALSO ARE YOU KNOW BEING YOU KNOW WORKING TO TRULY BE A SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY THAT IS DOING OUR PART TO ADDRESS THE REALITY OF CLIMATE CHANGE.

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AND ALL OF THESE THINGS CONTRIBUTE TO THE BEAUTY OF WHO WE ARE AS A COMMUNITY, BOTH PHYSICALLY AS A TREE CITY USA AS MUCH AS THE NEIGHBORHOOD FEEL OF OUR COMMUNITY AT LARGE.

AND SO - AT EVERY STEP OF THE WAY, I WAS READING THE EMAILS AND I TALKED TO EVERY MEMBER OF THE BOARD AND THEY READ ALL OF THE EMAILS THAT WERE COMING IN AND HAVING A REACTION TO THEM, FEELING FOR OUR RESIDENTS, AT THE END OF THE DAY WE ARE SITTING HERE AT THIS BOARD TABLE WHERE WE ARE HERE TO BROKER CHANGE AND WE KNOW THAT AND ARE COMMITTED TO IT, BUT STAFF IS ALSO RECOGNIZING THAT WE WANT TO BE AS RESPONSIVE EVEN IF IT DOES NOT YOU KNOW ULTIMATELY YOU KNOW SOME PEOPLE ARE GOING TO SAY TOMORROW THAT IS NOT IT, BUT OPTION THREE WAS STAFF SERIOUSLY TAKING THAT INTO CONSIDERATION, PUTTING REAL-TIME AND EFFORT INTO PUTTING IT TOGETHER.

SO, IT IS NOT STAFF THAT HAS NOT BEEN WANTING TO WORK WITH RESIDENTS TO BRING US AS MANY OPTIONS AS POSSIBLE.

IT IS NOT OUR STAFF THAT DID NOT WANT TO CREATE A PROCESS WHERE RESIDENTS WERE HEARD AND YOUR QUESTIONS WERE ANSWERED, IT IS THIS BOARD THAT HAS ULTIMATELY PROTECTED BIKE LANES AS A GOAL FOR OUR COMMUNITY.

AND MANY OF US WERE ELECTED FOR IT, IT IS ULTIMATELY US THAT NEED TO BE HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR IT, BUT IT IS ALSO US MAKING THAT CHOICE PROACTIVELY. AND I AM THANKFUL FOR STAFF TO MAKE THE SIGNIFICANT INVESTMENT TO MAKE IT HAPPEN.

AND SO ULTIMATELY THAT IS WHERE WE ARE AT.

AND I AM PROUD TO BE ABLE TO SUPPORT THIS PLAN AND I HAVE - I STILL RESPECT EVERY SINGLE PUBLIC COMMENT THAT WE HAVE HEARD AND I KNOW THAT THERE WAS STILL A TUG-OF-WAR FOR MANY OF US WONDERING HOW IT IS THAT WE COULD STILL ADDRESS THOSE CONCERNS.

SO, IF YOU DO HAVE SPECIAL NEEDS FOR A PARKING SITUATION, I DO ENCOURAGE YOU TO REACH OUT TO STAFF AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AND WE WILL WORK WITH YOU AS MUCH AS WE HAVE WITH THE RESOURCES THAT WE HAVE AVAILABLE TO US TO ADDRESS YOUR NEEDS, EVALUATED, EVALUATED FOR WHAT YOU ELIGIBLE FOR, BUT THEY WILL WORK WITH YOU AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE.

AND THIS IS NOT GOING TO BE SOMETHING THAT HAPPENS OVERNIGHT. IT IS GOING TO BE PAINT ON THE STREET FOR A LITTLE WHILE, ALL RIGHT? AND SO THERE IS INEVITABLY YOU KNOW WE WANT TO CONTINUE TO BE A RESPONSIBLE BOARD AND SO IF WE REALLY SEE THAT THERE IS A HARDSHIP FOR SOMEBODY IN PARTICULAR, THEN WE WILL WORK TO ADDRESS IT.

AND WE WOULD ENCOURAGE YOU TO COME BACK TO US AND SHARE THE INFORMATION WITH US.

BUT, I WILL ALSO SAY THAT ALL OF THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD AND THE TIME AND ENERGY THEY PUT INTO THIS, TRUSTEE TAGLIA IS CONSISTENTLY SOMEBODY WHO IS RESPONSIVE AND IS MEETING WITH RESIDENTS AND MEETING WITH OUR STAFF AND MAKING SURE THAT WE ARE DOING OUR OWN WORK, TOO.

SO, THANK YOU.

CLERK WATERS IS ACTUALLY DOING WORK - THANK YOU, CLERK WATERS, PLEASE TAKE THE ROLE.

>>CLERK WATERS: ABSOLUTELY, TRUSTEE TAGLIA.

>>SPEAKER: NO.

>>CLERK WATERS: TRUSTEE STRAW?

TRUSTEE EDER, TRUSTEE ENYIA, TRUSTEE LEVING-JOHNSON, TRUSTEE WESLEY? AND PRESIDENT SCAMAN.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: YES.

THANK YOU.

NEXT WE HAVE AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 8 BUSINESS LICENSING ARTICLE 24 FOODS AND FOOD ESTABLISHMENTS OF THE VILLAGE CODE. MOTION, PLEASE.

>>SPEAKER: MOTION.

>>SPEAKER: SECOND.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: MOTION BY TRUSTEE ENVIA AND SECOND BY TRUSTEE STRAW.

>>CLERK WATERS: I WANT TO INTRODUCE MIKE VALLAR.

>>SPEAKER: GOOD EVENING, I WANT TO PRESENT FOOD TRUCKS, ON MARCH 18 WE MET WITH YOU, HAD A DISCUSSION AND YOU GAVE US SOME FEEDBACK, AT LEAST MAJORITY OF YOU HERE.

AND WE WANTED TO GIVE YOU A PRESENTATION TONIGHT ON REGULATIONS THAT WE HAVE FORMED WE BELIEVE ARE FAIR NOT ONLY TO THE FOOD TRUCKS, BUT TO THE BRICK-AND-MORTAR ESTABLISHMENTS WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY. AND I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE NO ME DIAZ, ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER TO GO OVER

THOSE RELATIONS WITH YOU AND WE WOULD BE HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS ONCE SHE HAS CONCLUDED.

THANK YOU.

>>SPEAKER: GOOD EVENING.

NOMI DIAZ, ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER, AS CRAIGHEAD MENTIONED, WE PRESENTED TO THE VILLAGE BOARD, SOME REGULATIONS FOR CONSIDERATION REGARDING MOBILE FOOD VENDORS.

AFTER ANALYZING THE VILLAGE BOARD MEMBER FEEDBACK, STAFF IS PROPOSING THE FOLLOWING REGULATIONS TO BE CONSIDERED FOR ADOPTION.

THE FIRST BEING A MOBILE FOOD VENDOR MUST OPERATE AT LEAST 250 FEET FROM A FOOD AND DRINK ESTABLISHMENT OF THE SAME KIND.

MOBILE FOOD VENDORS, THE SECOND ONE BEING MOBILE FOOD VENDORS ARE UNABLE TO OPERATE IN THE GREATER DOWNTOWN OAK PARK AREA AND THESE BEING RECOMMENDATIONS FOR OTHER PARKING ON THE DOWNTOWN AREA AND GIVEN THAT THERE IS NOT MUCH ON STREET PARKING CURRENTLY.

THE THIRD POTENTIAL REGULATION BEING IF A MOBILE FOOD VENDOR WISHES TO PARTICIPATE IN A SPECIAL EVENT, WITHIN THE RESTRICTED AREAS, THEY MUST SUBMIT A REQUEST FOR A SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT UNLESS THE EVENT IS ON PRIVATE PROPERTY, TEMPORARY USE PERMIT MUST BE OBTAINED. IF SOMEBODY WISHES TO PARTICIPATE IN A SPECIAL EVENT WE WOULD LIKE FOR THEM TO ACQUIRE SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT TO ENSURE THE HOLDER IS PRESENT FOR THEM THROUGHOUT THE DURATION AND THE SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT WOULD

THEN OVERRIDE THE TIME RESTRICTIONS THAT ARE BEING PROPOSED TONIGHT.

LAST POTENTIAL REGULATION IS THE MOBILE FOOD VENDOR MUST NOT BE STATIONED IN A BUSINESS DISTRICT FOR MORE THAN TWO HOURS AT A TIME. THIS RATIONALE FOR THE TWO HOUR TIME RESTRICTION IS TO BE CONSISTENT WITH OUR CURRENT REGULATIONS FOR PEDDLERS AND THAT HAS ALREADY BEEN

EXISTING IN OUR CODE FOR DIFFERENT LICENSES.

THESE MEASURES ARE INTENDED TO BALANCE ECONOMIC VITALITY OF LOCAL RESTAURANTS WITH OPPORTUNITIES FOR MOBILE FOOD VENDORS WHILE MINIMIZING UNFAIR COMPETITION ENSURING LAND USE, COMPATIBILITY. OUT OF THE 16 LICENSE, EIGHT OF THEM ARE I SCREAM TRUCKS, THREE ARE SPECIAL DRINKS SUCH AS BOBA OR COFFEE VENDORS AND THEN THE REMAINING FIVE FOOD TRUCKS ARE FOOD RELATED.

WHETHER THAT IS TACO, CHICKEN, RIBS OR ITALIAN CUISINE AND SO AFTER ADOPTION, HOPEFULLY WE WILL BE REACHING OUT TO EACH OF THE 16 ACTIVE LICENSES AND WORKING WITH THEM INDEPENDENTLY TO LET THEM KNOW WHAT THOSE RESTRICTIONS LOOK LIKE AND WHAT THE IMPACT WOULD BE TO THEIR OPERATIONS.

AVAILABLE FOR ANY QUESTIONS.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU, DO WE NEED A MOTION ON THIS AGENDA ITEM?

YES?

AND I THINK I NAMED THE TOPIC AND DID NOT ASK FOR THE ACTUAL MOTION, DID I? >>SPEAKER: YOU MOVED AND I SECONDED.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: TRUSTEE ENVIA MOVED AND TRUSTEE STRAW SECONDED.

THANK YOU.

THANK YOU, NOMI FOR YOUR INTRODUCTION HERE.

WHO WOULD LIKE TO START US OFF WITH QUESTIONS?

>>SPEAKER: I HAVE A FEW.

I AM NEW AND SO MAYBE THESE ARE NOT SUPER WISE QUESTIONS, BUT GENERAL RESEARCH, THE CITY OF CHICAGO HAS A SIMILAR ORDINANCE WHERE IT IS LIKE A SIMILAR 200 FEET AND THAT WOULD BE A NEW THING, THERE IS NO CURRENT LIKE DISTANCE REQUIREMENT AT ALL OF ANY KIND OF RESTRICTION? OKAY.

I HAVE HEARD THAT THE IMPETUS FOR THIS IS THERE WAS AN INCIDENT WITH LIKE TACO 76 AND THERE WAS A FOOD TRUCK THAT WAS OF A SIMILAR KIND PART ACROSS THE STREET AND WOULD NOT LEAVE.

SO, IS NOT THE ONLY EXAMPLE OF LIKE BEHAVIOR WE ARE TRY TO CURB HERE? ARE THERE OTHER EXAMPLES THAT YOU CAN CITE THAT THIS WOULD ADDRESS?

>>SPEAKER: ABSOLUTELY, THE MOST RECENT EXAMPLE IS THE TACO TRUCK THAT WAS STATIONED OUTSIDE OF TACO 76 AND PREVIOUS TO THAT THE ONLY OCCURRENCE OR ISSUE THAT WE HAD WAS DURING COVID AND THAT WAS A TACO TRUCK OUTSIDE OF A TACO RESTAURANT, AS WELL. SO, JUST TWO.

>>TRUSTEE EDER: I JUST DON'T LIKE THERE IS SO FEW AND WE ARE MAKING A VILLAGE WIDE CHANGE THAT WILL HAVE LOTS OF EFFECTS AND WE ARE TRY TO CURB VERY SMALL NUMBER OF BAD BEHAVIOR OVER SEVERAL YEARS IT SOUNDS LIKE, SO IT DOESN'T SEEM JUSTIFIED TO ME.

BUT, I MEAN - IF YOU HAVE OTHER THINGS TO SHARE AS FAR AS WHY THERE WOULD BE JUST A VACATION, I WOULD LOVE TO HEAR, BUT SO FAR IT SEEMS LIKE IT ADDS

RESTRICTION AND I SEE POTENTIALLY MORE HARM THAN GOOD THAT COMES FROM THIS.

>>SPEAKER: OF COURSE, I DEFER TO MANAGER JACKSON IF HE WANTS TO MENTION ANYTHING, IF NOT I CAN GIVE SOME FEEDBACK.

>>CLERK WATERS:

>>MANAGER JACKSON: I WILL LET YOU AND CRAIG RESPOND TO THE QUESTION, I STEPPED OUT OF THE ROOM JUST MOMENTARILY AND I REMIND THE TRUSTEES THAT THIS WAS THE ORIGINATION OF THIS ITEM WAS FROM A MOTION, A BOARD MOTION STAFF CONDUCTED ANALYSIS AND CAME BACK WITH INITIAL RESPONSE AND TOOK SOME FEEDBACK AND THEN HAS FOLLOWED UP NOW IN RESPONSE TO THE INITIAL INPUT.

SO, SIMPLY WHAT WE ARE DOING IS RESPONDING TO THE BOARD'S DIRECTION. AND SO YOU MAY HAVE ALREADY KNOWN THAT, I WAS NOT AWARE, BUT I WAS JUST LISTENING TO THE QUESTION AND JUST WANTED TO MAKE SURE IT WAS CLEAR THAT WE ARE ONLY RELIGIOUS RESPONDING TO THE BOARDS INTEREST BASED UPON A MOTION THAT WAS ORIGINATED A FEW MONTHS AGO.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: I THINK IT WAS TRUSTEE P -

>>MANAGER JACKSON: ABSOLUTELY.

>>SPEAKER: THE ONLY THING I'LL ADD TO THAT COMMENT IN TERMS OF POTENTIAL REGULATIONS TO MOBILE FOOD VENDORS IS THEY ARE CURRENTLY THE ONLY LICENSE WE HAVE IN OUR CODE THAT DOES NOT HAVE ANY SPECIFIC REGULATIONS AND SO CURRENTLY IF YOU HAVE A MOBILE FOOD VENDOR LICENSE, THE ONLY THING WE ASK IS THAT YOU ARE COMPLIANT WITH HEALTH INSPECTIONS AND THAT IS DEPENDENT ON YOUR LEVEL OF RISK WHETHER YOU ARE HIGH, MEDIUM OR LOW, THREE INSPECTIONS PER YEAR, TWO OR ONE ANNUAL INSPECTION AND THAT YOU ARE COMPLYING WITH PARKING REGULATIONS.

SO, IF YOU ARE PARKED ON THE STREET AND PAYING FOR PARKING AND JUST BEING COMPLIANT WITH THAT AND NOT OBSTRUCTING ANYTHING.

THOSE ARE CURRENT REGULATIONS THAT WE JUST WANTED TO DO AN ANALYSIS BASED OFF OF TRUSTEE DIRECTION TO POTENTIAL FURTHER YOU KNOW - JUST TO FOLLOW UP ON THAT I THINK WE WANT TO BE PROACTIVE IN THIS CASE AND WE WANT TO BE SURE THAT THE BRICKS AND MORTAR ESTABLISHMENT ARE PROTECTED IN THAT WAY AND I KNOW WE HAVE ONLY HAD A COUPLE INCIDENTS, BUT YOU KNOW WE WANT TO BE SURE THAT THE PEOPLE HAVE INVESTED IN THE COMMUNITY AND PAYING TAXES HAVE SOME SORT OF PROTECTION AND NOT COMPETITION AND JUST A LITTLE BIT MORE PROACTIVE.

>>TRUSTEE TAGLIA: I CAN SPEAK JUST FOR WHAT IT IS WORTH, I DON'T REALLY HAVE A STRONG OPINION AND I CAN SPEAK FROM EXPERIENCE AND WHEN I WAS ON THE BOARD THERE WERE COMPLAINTS LAUNCHED AGAINST FOOD TRUCKS THAT WOULD COME INTO TOWN AND PARKED IN FRONT OF OR DOWN THE BLOCK FROM OR VERY CLOSE TO ESTABLISHMENTS THAT PAY SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF PROPERTY TAX IN THE VILLAGE AND TACO TRUCK OR WHATEVER DO NOT HAVE THAT SAME BURDEN. SO, THEIR BENEFIT - THEY DON'T HAVE THE BURDEN AND SO THEY HAVE A GREATER BENEFIT.

BUSINESSES, BRICK-AND-MORTAR BUSINESSES YOU KNOW WE WANT THEM TO COME AND INVEST IN THE COMMUNITY AND WE DON'T WANT TO SEE PEOPLE STEALING THEIR BUSINESS AND SO I DON'T KNOW HOW BIG OF A PROBLEM IT IS, BUT I DO RECALL FROM PRIOR TIME ON THE BOARD THAT THIS WAS AN ISSUE ASK SEVEN OR EIGHT YEARS AGO, MAYBE EVEN LONGER.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: WHO WOULD LIKE -

>>TRUSTEE LEVING-JACOBSEN: MAY I ASK IF THERE HAS BEEN ANY RESOLUTION FOR THE TACO TRUCK THAT WAS THE IMPETUS FOR THIS?

>>SPEAKER: ABSOLUTELY.

WE DID ENCOURAGE THEM AND THEY HAVE BEEN ACTIVE AND MOVING THROUGHOUT.

>>TRUSTEE LEVING-JACOBSEN: MY ONLY OTHER QUESTION IS ABOUT ENFORCEMENT AND ABOUT HOW AND WHO AND WHAT IS THE TICKET THAT WILL BE ISSUED TO THE VIOLATORS IF WE PASS THIS MOVEMENT?

>>SPEAKER: ABSOLUTELY THE ENFORCEMENT WOULD BE THE BUSINESS LICENSE OFFICERS BEING RESPONSIBLE FOR ENSURING AS PART OF THEIR ANNUAL INSPECTIONS, ALL BUSINESSES WITH FOOD VENDORS WOULD QUALIFY UNDER THAT. AND THEY ARE OUT IN THE FIELD EVERY SINGLE DAY - THEY WOULD CITE THEM BASED OFF THIS ORDINANCE ESSENTIALLY IF THEY WERE NOT COMPLIANT WITH ANY REGULATIONS ASSISTANT.

THE FEE FOR THAT CITATION - I CANNOT REMEMBER OFF THE TOP OF MY HEAD WHAT THAT WOULD BE, BUT I BELIEVE IT STARTS OFF AT \$75 DEPENDENT AS TO THE AMOUNT OF VIOLATIONS BASED ON WHAT IS WRITTEN IN THE CODE.

>>TRUSTEE LEVING-JACOBSEN: DO THEY ADD UP A SECOND VIOLATION MORE? IS THERE ANYTHING OTHER THAN THE FINES?

>>SPEAKER: THAT WOULD BE DEPENDENT OR UP TO THE ADJUDICATION PROCESS WHAT THE JUDGE WOULD THEN DETERMINE.

>>SPEAKER: THIS COULD ALSO BE WITH THE BUSINESS LICENSE. IN ADDITION TO INCREASING -

>>TRUSTEE STRAW: SO, ONE QUESTION I HAVE IS ON THE DISTANCE LIMITATION IT IS FROM A FOOD OR DRINK ESTABLISHMENT OF THE SAME KIND AND WHAT PRECISELY DOES THAT MEAN AND HOW DO WE UNDERSTAND THAT?

>>SPEAKER: WHEN A MOBILE FOOD VENDOR COMES INTO ACQUIRE A LICENSE WE DO ASK FOR A COPY OF THE MENU AND SO WE DO HAVE THE ON FILE AND WE WOULD BE ABLE TO ASSESS DEPENDING AS TO WHAT ARE THE ITEMS LISTED ON THEIR AND WHAT THE ESTABLISHMENT CURRENTLY ARE WITH WHAT THEY ARE SELLING, AS WELL.

>>TRUSTEE STRAW: OKAY, SO WE HAVE GOT THE MAP THAT SHOWS 250 FEET AROUND ALL RESTAURANTS, BUT IF I AM OPERATING A FOOD TRUCK THAT IS YOU KNOW - SELLING KOREAN BARBECUE, THE ONLY SPOT ON THIS MAP THAT I WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO BE AROUND WOULD BE SOUL AVENUE. WE ARE GOING TO BE SPECIFIC AND IF I WANTED TO PARKED OUT FOOD TRUCK SOMEWHERE ELSE, AS LONG AS I'M NOT IN THE EXACT SAME SORT OF GENRE FOOD, THERE IS NO RESTRICTION ON MY PARKING BASED ON THE DISTANCE PIECE.

>>SPEAKER: THAT IS CORRECT.

>>TRUSTEE STRAW: SO, WITH THAT I AM FINE WITH THE DISTANCE LIMITATION, BECAUSE I THINK THAT IS FAIRLY NARROWLY TAILORED TO THE CONCERNS OF LIKE ME PARKING A TACO TRUCK IN FRONT OF AN EXISTING TACO RESTAURANT. CAN THE MOBILE FOOD VENDORS IN DOWNTOWN - THAT IS PURELY A PARKING ISSUE, YOU KNOW WE HAVE GOT LIMITED STREET PARKING AND SO WE WANT TO BE USING THAT PARKING FOR A CAR INSTEAD OF A BUSINESS GENERATING REVENUE?

>>SPEAKER: ASIDE FROM PICKING UP A PARKING SPACE IT IS ALSO A POTENTIAL OBSTRUCTION OF BLOCKING OF RIGHT-OF-WAY.

SO, A TRUCK IS SIGNIFICANTLY LARGER AND THEN WE WOULD HAVE TO LOOK IN TERMS OF WHAT THE WEIGHT OF THE VEHICLE IS AND THE SIZE OF THE VEHICLE AND MAKING SURE IT IS NOT PARKED IN A WAY THAT IS BLOCKING SOMEBODY FROM MAKING A TURN OR BEING ABLE TO GO ANYWHERE.

>>TRUSTEE STRAW: SURE, SO I GUESS - I GUESS I HAVE NOT HEARD ANY COMPLAINTS ABOUT FOOD VENDORS IN DOWNTOWN OAK PARK AND SO THIS DOES SEEM A LITTLE BIT OF A SOLUTION IN SEARCH OF A PROBLEM AND IT IS JUST NOT SOMETHING THAT HAS COME UP.

AND AS YOU SAID EARLIER, ALL OF OUR FOOD TRUCKS, FOOD VENDORS HAVE TO ABIDE BY EXISTING LAWS.

THEY CANNOT BE OVERSTAYING A PARKING SPOT OR PARKING IN SUCH A WAY THAT THERE BLOCKING TRAFFIC OR RECEIVE CITATIONS FROM PARKING ENFORCEMENT.

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AND SO I WOULD PREFER NOT TO HAVE THAT UNLESS WE START TO HAVE AN ISSUE OF FOOD VENDORS BLOCKING DOWNTOWN AND THEN WE HAVE TO HAVE AN ANALYSIS OF WHETHER THAT ECONOMIC ACTIVITY IS MORE VALUABLE THAN THE PARKING AND WHAT WE WANT TO DO THERE.

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BUT, THIS IS ONE THING THAT WE HAVE NOT DUG IN ON WHETHER THIS IS SOMETHING YOU KNOW SAY WE CANNOT DO.

>>SPEAKER: THAT DOES NOT MEAN THAT YOU CANNOT DO AS PART OF A SPECIAL USE.

AND SO A LOT OF OUR FOOD TRUCKS ARE PART OF A SPECIAL EVENT LIKE IN A NOW OR WHATEVER AND THAT IS STILL AVAILABLE TO THEM AND THERE IS NOT TOO MANY TRUCKS THAT ARE IN DOWNTOWN THAT ARE NOT A PART OF A SPECIAL EVENT THAT I KNOW OF.

AND SO THEY ARE KIND OF - THEY ARE OKAY IF THEY ARE A PART OF A SPECIAL EVENT.

IT IS THE ONES THAT I WOULD SAY OUR ROGUE THAT WANT TO COME IN AND TRY TO SELL THEIR WARES AND PARKING A PARKING SPACE THAT REALLY DOES NOT FIT.

THAT IS WHERE WE WANT TO PREVENT THAT.

SO, WE WANT TO KNOW THAT THEY ARE GOING IN THERE AS PART OF A SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT AND THAT IS OKAY.

BUT, OTHERWISE, THEY SHOULD BE RESTRICTED FROM THE AREA.

>>TRUSTEE STRAW: I GUESS MY POINT THOUGH IS THAT WE HAVE NOT HAD THAT PROBLEM.

LIKE AS YOU JUST SAID, MOST OF THE FOOD TRUCKS ARE GOING DOWNTOWN AND THEY ARE GOING DOWNTOWN FOR A SPECIAL EVENT AND WE HAVE NOT HAD ISSUES OF FOOD TRUCKS BLOCKING DOWNTOWN STREETS THUS FAR.

>>SPEAKER: AGAIN, IT IS PREVENTATIVE TO MAKE SURE IT DOES NOT HAPPEN, BUT I SEE YOUR POINT.

>>TRUSTEE STRAW: AND THEN THE THIRD PIECE GOES TO THAT SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT - WHAT WOULD THE COST OF SPECIAL EVENT PERMITS BE IF THEY WANT TO PARTICIPATE IN A SPECIAL EVENT?

>>SPEAKER: IT IS \$50 IF THEY WANT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE EVENT.

>>TRUSTEE STRAW: WHAT IS THE PROCESS FOR THEM OBTAINING THAT PERMIT? HOW QUICKLY CAN THEY OBTAIN A PERMIT?

>>SPEAKER: THEY CAN OBTAIN THE PERMIT WITHIN 24 HOURS AS LONG AS THEY PROVIDE A COPY OF THEIR INSURANCE AND THEN A LETTER AND SOME KIND OF WRITTEN FORM SAYING THEY ARE OKAY WITH IT.

>>TRUSTEE STRAW: THIS IS ONE WHERE I WOULD BE HEARING MORE ABOUT WHAT MY OTHER COLLEAGUES THINK ON THIS ONE, BECAUSE WE HAVE HAD A LOT OF ISSUES WITH FOOD VENDORS CRASHING SPECIAL EVENTS AND DOING IT IN A WAY THAT IS PROBLEMATIC LIKE I DO NOT HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THE ICE CREAM TRUCK SEEING THERE IS A FIRST FRIDAY EVENT GOING ON AND PULLING UP AND PARKING RIGHT NEXT TO THE FIRST FRIDAY EVENT AND SELLING ICE CREAM. LIKE THAT SEEMS TO BE KIND OF THE WHOLE POINT OF THE MODE OF DOING BUSINESS IS TO BE MOBILE AND GO WHERE THE PEOPLE ARE.

AND SO I WOULD BE CURIOUS WHAT EXACTLY THE PROBLEM IS THAT WE ARE TRYING TO ADDRESS HERE, BECAUSE I AM NOT REALLY SEEING IT.

BUT I WOULD BE CURIOUS TO HEAR THE WISDOM.

>>SPEAKER: I WOULD JUST ADD TO THE EXAMPLE OF FIRST FRIDAY THAT SO ANY VENDOR THAT WOULD LIKE TO PARTICIPATE CURRENTLY IN THE FIRST FRIDAY EVENT, IF THEY ARE A NON-OAK PARK BUSINESS AND THEY WOULD LIKE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE FIRST FRIDAY EVENT, THEY DO HAVE A FEE REGARDLESS IF THEY ARE A MEMBER OR NOT OF THE CHAMBER AND IT IS TO PROMOTE EQUITY BECAUSE A LOT OF THE MOBILE FOOD VENDORS ARE NOT FROM OAK PARK.

IN TERMS OF ISSUES WITH FOOD TRUCKS OR MOBILE FOOD VENDORS SHOWING UP AT EVENTS AND IT HAS CAUSED A LITTLE BIT OF AN ISSUE WOULD BE LIKE OUR FARMERS MARKET, WE HAVE HAD FEEDBACK WE HAVE GOTTEN FROM THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT IS THAT WE HAVE FOOD VENDORS THAT ARE PARKING UP NEAR THE FARMERS MARKET AND IT IS CAUSING BUSINESS AWAY FROM THE ACTUAL VENDORS OF THE FARMERS MARKET. SO WE HAVE BEEN DOING A LITTLE BIT OF REMEDY THERE AND THAT IS A REASON WHY THIS PROHIBITS PEOPLE FROM BEING IN THE GREATER DOWNTOWN OAK PARK AREA.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: OKAY, SO - WELL, I REMEMBER WHEN THIS CAME UP THE FIRST TIME, I HAD SOME CONCERN AROUND PROVISIONS THAT ACTUALLY HELP A BRICK-AND-MORTAR LIKE THE BEER SHACK AND THE BEER SHACK WAS WHERE DIFFERENT FOOD TRUCKS, AS PART OF THAT VIBE AND IT IS NOT NECESSARILY A SPECIAL EVENT AND SO HOW CAN WE ACCOMMODATE?

>>SPEAKER: THEY WOULD HAVE TO COME TO THE VILLAGE WITH A LETTER OR SOMETHING FROM THE BEER SHACK SAYING THEY ARE COMFORTABLE WITH THE FOOD TRUCK BEING PARKED OUTSIDE AND THEY WOULD HAVE TO THEN JUST GO THROUGH THE SPECIAL EVENT PROCESS REGARDLESS EVEN IF IT IS NOT A SPECIAL EVENT, IT WOULD STILL HAVE TO ACQUIRE THAT PERMIT IF THESE REGULATIONS WOULD BE APPROVED.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: BUT, THEY WOULD NOT NECESSARILY HAVE TO DO THAT IF THEY WERE A WORKPLACE PULLING UP AND EVEN ROBINSON'S RIBS IS RIGHT AROUND THERE.

A HAMBURGER JOINT PULLING UP ACROSS WALGREENS, THEY WOULD NOT NEED THAT - WHAT IS THE DOWNTOWN AREA AS DESCRIBED -

>>SPEAKER: THE GREATER DOWNTOWN AREA IS THE PLEASANT DISTRICT, THE DOWNTOWN OAK PARK DISTRICT AND THE HEMINGWAY DISTRICT.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: I HAVE NOT IN LOVE WITHOUT YOU SCOVEL PARK AND AUSTIN GARDENS AND I CAN SEE LOGICAL PLACES WHERE IF I HAD A FOOD TRUCK I MAY THINK IT NOT A PROBLEM TO PULL UP AND I STILL LIKE THE IDEA OF THE BEER SHOP HAVING THOSE PARTNERSHIPS IF THEY PURSUE THEM AND I DON'T KNOW IF THEY WOULD WANT TO DO IT SAY EVERY FRIDAY AND SATURDAY NIGHT TO PAY THAT. I MEAN I DO THINK THAT HAVING SOMETHING LIKE THIS IS THERE IS A PROACTIVE NATURE THAT I AGREE WITH IF WE ARE BEING FAIR TO OUR BRICK-AND-MORTAR BUSINESSES, BUT ALSO FOR US TO KIND OF HAVE TABS ON THE BUSINESSES THAT ARE OPERATING IN OUR COMMUNITY, BUT I WANT TO PROMOTE VIBRANCY AND SO MAYBE I'M JUST NOT IN FAVOR OF THE RESTRICTIONS IN THE DOWNTOWN AREA.

>>SPEAKER: I AGREE WITH A LOT OF WHAT YOU JUST SAID SO THANK YOU FOR SAYING IT SO I DON'T HAVE TO.

THE BEER SHOP THING IS ONE THAT I HAD A NO AROUND AND I WOULD NOT WANT THEM TO HAVE TO GET A SPECIAL EVENT IN ORDER TO GET A FOOD TRUCK PARKED OUTSIDE, BECAUSE THAT IS KIND OF LIKE A SYMBIOTIC RELATIONSHIP THAT THEY HAVE FORMED.

THEY DON'T SERVE HOT FOOD AND I THINK THE FOOD TRUCK ADDS TO THEIR BUSINESS BUT ALSO SINCE THERE ARE NOT REALLY YOU KNOW VERY MANY RESTAURANTS THERE, BUT NONE OF THEM ARE REALLY LIKE FOOD TRUCK TYPE OF RESTAURANTS LOCALLY IN THAT AREA AND I WOULD WANT TO SEE A PROCESS IF WE WERE TO DO THIS, A PROCESS THAT MADE THIS A LOT EASIER FOR PLACES LIKE THE BEER SHOP TO HAVE A FOOD TRUCK OUTSIDE. AND IF WE GIVE THEM AND TELL THEM TO PUT THIS IN YOUR WINDOW WHILE YOU OUTSIDE AND YOU ARE GOOD OR WHAT HAVE YOU, RIGHT?

BUT, SOMETHING THAT DOES NOT REQUIRE THEM TO SEND US MONEY OR GO THROUGH PAPERWORK OR WHATEVER JUST TO GET A FOOD TRUCK OUT THERE. I SCREAMED TRUCKS, I DON'T WANT ICE CREAM TRUCK SEND THIS, THEY ARE NOT FOOD TRUCKS, THERE IS A DIFFERENCE.

MAYBE I'M THE ONLY PERSON THAT SEES THIS, BUT YOU HEAR A JINGLE AND YOU GO GET ICE FROM COHEN, THAT IS NOT A FOOD TRUCK, I DON'T KNOW - FOR ME I DON'T THINK I SOON TRUCKS SHOULD BE REGULATED UNDER THE FOOD TRUCK ORDINANCE.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: BUCK, THEY CAN SELL EXPIRED ICE CREAM - AND THEY DO.

BUT, LICENSING MAY NOT BE A BAD IDEA.

SORRY TO INTERRUPT YOU.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: NO, YOU ARE GOOD, BUT NOBODY IS REALLY WORRIED THAT AND I ASKED HIM TRUCK IS PULLING UP OUTSIDE OF THEIR AND TAKING THEIR BUSINESS.

IT IS LIKE A HOLE IN THE WALL THAT IS GOING TO BE FINE.

TRUST ME.

>>SPEAKER: (AWAY FROM MIC).

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: NO, I DON'T THINK ANYONE IS.

AND THAT IS THE THING FOR ME.

I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE AN EXEMPTION FOR ICE CREAM TRUCKS.

IF WE DO THIS.

AND TO TRUSTEE STRAW 'S POINT ABOUT DOWNTOWN OAK PARK AS A WHOLE AND TO PRESIDENT SCAMAN 'S POINT AS WELL, I'M KIND OF THERE AS WELL.

I DON'T KNOW THAT THAT DOES SOLVE THE PROBLEM AND I KNOW IT IS

PREVENTATIVE FROM SOLVING A PROBLEM AND YOU KNOW I COULD PROBABLY GET AROUND TO LIKE ALLOWING FOOD TRUCKS DOWNTOWN AND SO THINK ABOUT THE ONES WE JUST DID AND.

>>SPEAKER: LOT 10.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: LOT 10, THANK YOU!

AND OTHER SPOTS LIKE THAT LIKE IF WE EVER REDUCED THEM TO THAT, I COULD GET ON BOARD WITH THAT AND JUST BEING KIND OF OUT-OF-THE-WAY AND A DESTINATION THAT PEOPLE CAN WALK TO AND THEN AT THAT POINT YOU ARE ACTIVELY GOING TO THE FOOD TRUCK LIKE THAT IS YOUR INTENTION AND NOT HANGING OUT IN FRONT OF SOMEBODY'S RESTAURANT AND THEN CANNIBALIZING FOLKS WHO WOULD BE OTHERWISE GOING THERE, THEIR INTENTION IS TO GO HANG OUT WITH THE FOOD TRUCKS SOMETIMES HANG OUT.

AND IN LIEU OF NOT REMOVING THE ENTIRE DOWNTOWN RESTRICTION I WOULD BE IN FAVOR OF MARKING THOSE PARKING LOTS AS SAFE SPOTS.

PRIVATE EVENTS, BLOCK CLUB PARTIES - HOW IS THAT?

>>SPEAKER: LONG PARTIES DO HAVE TO GO THROUGH A SPECIAL EVENT PERMITTING PROCESS AND THEY WOULD HAVE TO IDENTIFY IF THEY HAVE ENABLED FOOD VENDORS.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: DO THEY DO THAT NOW?

>>SPEAKER: YES.

THEY CURRENTLY DO THAT NOW.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: SO THAT IS NO CHANGE.

OKAY.

>>SPEAKER: I ALSO WANT TO CLARIFY THAT THE BUSINESS LICENSE IS A MOBILE FOOD VENDOR, NOT A FOOD TRUCK.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: MAYBE WE NEED A ICE CREAM TRUCK LICENSE! I JUST DON'T WANT ICE CREAM TRUCKS COVERED, I WILL NOT VOTE FOR THIS IF I SCREAMED TRUCKS ARE COVERED.

IT DOES NOT MAKE SENSE TO ME.

SO, REVENUE - I KNOW HOW WE GET REVENUE FROM RESTAURANTS, BUT FOOD TRUCKS, HOW DOES THAT WORK?

>>SPEAKER: (AWAY FROM MIC).

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: I'M ALMOST DONE!

SO WE DON'T GET ANY SALES TAX FROM THAT?

YOU SEE THAT IS WHY WE NEED THIS, BUT I DON'T WANT - LIKE I THINK YOU NEED SOME TWEAKS PERSONALLY FOR ME TO BE COMFORTABLE WITH IT.

BUT, I STILL DO LIKE THE PREMISE OF IT, BUT I WOULD LIKE TO SEE SOME TWEAKS BASED ON THE FEEDBACK I JUST GAVE.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: YOU DID GREAT, YOU DID GREAT!

DO YOU WANT ME TO SUMMARIZE WHERE WE ARE AT OR DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING MORE TO ADD?

PLEASE, DO -

>>TRUSTEE ENYIA: I THINK GOOD INTENTION, RIGHT?

WE HAVE GOOD INTENTIONS AND WE WANT TO DO WHAT IS RIGHT BY MAKING SURE THAT THIS BUSINESS OWNER HAS THE OPPORTUNITY TO THRIVE, BUT ALSO NOT HAVE SOMEBODY PULL UP RIGHT IN FRONT OF THEIR BUSINESS AND DO THE SAME BUSINESS AND ALL OF THOSE THINGS, BUT I DO THINK THAT SOMETIMES WE CAN OVERDO A THING AS WELL AND SO I DEFINITELY WANT US TO TAKE SOME TIME TO THINK ABOUT THAT, BECAUSE I THINK THERE IS ROOM FOR IMPROVEMENT IN THIS AND I THINK THAT THERE IS SOME CONSIDERATIONS TO TAKE INTO AND THIS IS LIKE WHERE IT IS OKAY, WHERE CAN WE HAVE PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT WITH THESE PUBLIC BUSINESS OWNERS THAT ARE AFFECTED LIKE THE BEER SHOP AND CAN WE BRING THEM IN AND THINK ABOUT OKAY, WHAT REALLY PROHIBITS YOUR BUSINESS FROM IT BEING AS GOOD AS IT CAN BE WITH THIS AND HOW CAN WE HELP AND CAN WE MAKE AN ORDINANCE THAT DOES ALLOW FOR SOMETHING THAT DOES HELP YOUR BUSINESS TO THRIVE IN THAT AREA?

AND I KNOW IT IS A LOT OF ENGAGEMENT AND I THINK TRYING TO GET SOMETHING LIKE THIS RIGHT IS IMPORTANT.

THAT WAY WE ARE NOT GOING BACK AND PENALIZING ICE CREAM TRUCKS AND I THINK WE JUST WANT TO DELIVER TO THESE COMMUNITIES AND SERVICES THAT WE ARE ALL USED TO YOU KNOW TO BE ABLE TO AT A BASEBALL GAME GO GET ICE CREAM BUT SAY YOU KNOW YOU ARE 250 FEET AWAY FROM HERE AND I DON'T WANT TO BE OVER PENALIZING THE SITUATION WHERE IT IS SOMETHING THAT SHOULD BE PRETTY NORMALIZED TO DEAL WITH AND SO IF WE CAN, MAYBE TAKE A STEP BACK TO LOOK AND SEE WHAT IS ACTUALLY EFFECTIVE FOR A COMMUNITY AND IF IT IS OVERSTEPPING WITH SOME OF OUR BUSINESS OWNERS I WOULD SAY JUST BRING THEM IN OR BRING IN SOMEONE FROM THE CHAMBER TO HAVE SOME OF THESE DEEPER CONVERSATIONS TO SEE WHERE WE ARE WITH THIS AND WHAT FITS OUR COMMUNITY, BUT I DO THINK WE ARE OFF TO A GOOD START BECAUSE THE INITIAL PROBLEM IS MY PROBLEM AS WELL, I WOULD HATE TO START A BUSINESS AND HAVE SOMEBODY LITERALLY RIGHT OUTSIDE OF MY BUSINESS DOING THE SAME THING.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: I ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO GO BEYOND 10 PM. >>SPEAKER: MOVED.

>>SPEAKER: CHIEF - (CHUCKLE) I SECOND-PERIOD (LAUGHTER). >>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: ALL IN FAVOR?

(MULTIPLE SPEAKERS)

AYE.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: OKAY, THANK YOU.

ALL RIGHT, UNLESS THERE IS ADDITIONAL COMMENTS, THIS IS WHAT I AM HEARING AND I MAY HAVE PUSHED BACK.

SO, THERE IS A ORDINANCE AND MOTION ON THE TABLE TO APPROVE TONIGHT. IF WE TAKE THE RESTRICTION OF THE DOWNTOWN AREA OUT, WE CAN STILL APPROVE THIS THIS EVENING.

AS LONG AS AND ASKING TRUCK DOES NOT PULL UP IN FRONT OF A HOLE IN THE WALL, I DON'T SEE WHY THERE IS AN ISSUE.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: I'M NOT VOTING FOR IT IF IT COVERS ICE FROM TRUCKS.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: I DO KNOW THAT WE HAVE SEEN ICE CREAM TRUCKS SERVE EXPIRED ICE CREAM - AND SO I AM NOT GOING TO - I WILL PUSH BACK ON THAT.

AND MY COLLEAGUES CAN SPEAK UP IF THEY SO DESIRE.

AND IF WE HEAR BACK FROM DOWNTOWN OAK PARK THAT THEY WOULD LIKE TO HAVE SOME RESTRICTIONS TO PROTECT THEIR RESTAURANTS THEN WE CAN ADDRESS THAT AT A LATER DATE.

AND WE ARE AROUND HEMINGWAY.

MY SUGGESTING TO MY COLLEAGUES IS GO AHEAD AND PASS THAT, BECAUSE THAT ALSO SOLVES THE ISSUE OF AN ICE CREAM TRUCK PULLING UP NEAR SCOVEL PARK OR AUSTIN PARK AS LONG AS THEY ARE 250 FEET FROM A RESTAURANT THAT IS SERVING A SIMILAR FOOD, THOSE ARE PLACES WHERE IT CAN BE APPROPRIATE. AND OTHERWISE I THINK IT IS REASONABLE AND I SAY THANK YOU FOR YOUR WORK AND I WILL ALSO NOTE THAT SINCE THE PARKING SPOTS ARE ON A DIAGONAL, IT MAY BE A LITTLE CHALLENGING NOW IN THAT FOR THE FOOD TRUCKS, BUT POTENTIALLY THEY HAD TO PAY FOR TWO PARKING SPOTS.

AND I UNDERSTAND THAT AS FAR AS THE ENFORCEMENT PIECE, THIS IS LARGELY APPARENTLY AT THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND YOURSELF AND PROVIDING FOR THE LICENSE IN THE FIRST PLACE.

AND RESPONDING TO COMPLAINTS IN WAYS THAT YOU ARE ALREADY NEEDING TO MITIGATE WITH THE FARMERS MARKET AND MADISON STREET.

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SO, WE HAVE A MOTION AND A SECOND.

UNLESS SOMEBODY IS INTERESTED IN MAKING A MOTION TO TABLE THE ITEM I ENTERTAIN A FRIENDLY MOTION TO TAKE THE GREATER DOWNTOWN AREA AND WHO MADE THE MOTION AND SECOND?

TRUSTEE ENVIA, YOU MOTION AND TRUSTEE STRAW, YOU SECONDED?

>>SPEAKER: IF TRUSTEE ENVIA CONSENTS THEN YOU DON'T HAVE TO GO FORWARD WITH A FORMAL AMENDMENT.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: ,CLERK WATERS, PLEASE TAKE THE ROLE.

>>TRUSTEE LEVING-JACOBSEN: I HAVE SOME CLARIFICATION OF WHAT WE ARE VOTING FOR, I'M NOT CLEAR ON WHAT I AM VOTING FOR.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: AMENDING ARTICLE 24 FOODS AND FOOD ESTABLISHMENTS OF THE VILLAGE CODE REGULATING WHICH IS REGULATING OUR NOT FOOD TRUCKS, THEIR MOBILE VENDORS, MOBILE VENDOR LICENSES AS PRESENTED WITH THE AMENDMENT OF TAKING OUT THE PROVISION THAT YOU CANNOT OPERATE IN THE GREATER DOWNTOWN AREA WHICH WOULD MEAN THAT THE RESTRICTIONS WOULD BE VILLAGE WIDE, THE SAME. NO EXCEPTIONS FOR DOWNTOWN.

>>TRUSTEE LEVING-JACOBSEN: BUT, IT SAYS OPERATORS -

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: WE ARE AMENDING THAT TO TAKE THAT OUT.

>>SPEAKER: SO THEY CAN OPERATE.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: SO THAT THEY CAN.

BUT, THE 250 FOOT BUFFER REMAINS.

>>SPEAKER: AND THE SPECIAL EVENT -

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: AND THE SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT - THE SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT IS GONE NOW, BECAUSE IF THERE IS A SPECIAL EVENT AND THEY WANT TO PARTICIPATE, BUT DOWNTOWN OAK PARK DOES NOT REQUIRE A SPECIAL EVENT AND SO YOU CAN BE OUTSIDE OF THE BEER SHOP AS LONG AS YOU'RE FOLLOWING THE OTHER REGULATIONS.

OKAY, DOES EVERYBODY UNDERSTAND WHAT WE ARE VOTING ON TWO ARE YOU SURE?

>>TRUSTEE TAGLIA: SO, WE ARE APPROVING THE STAFF PROPOSED ORDINANCE EXCEPT THAT THE SECOND AND THIRD BOTH OF WHICH -

>>SPEAKER: DOWNTOWN OAK PARK ARE NOT PART OF WHAT THE BOARD IS VOTING ON RIGHT NOW.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: AND THIS DOES NOT SPECIFICALLY MENTION ASKING TRUCKS IN ANY WAY.

(LAUGHTER).

>>SPEAKER: I BELIEVE STAFF SAID THAT MOBILE FOOD VENDORS ARE INCLUSIVE OF ICE CREAM TRUCKS.

>>SPEAKER: YES.

>>SPEAKER: WHAT FLAVORS?

VANILLA?

GELATO?

SNOWCONE?

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: CLERK WATERS, PLEASE TAKE THE ROLE.

>>CLERK WATERS: TRUSTEE ENYIA, TRUSTEE STRAW.

>>SPEAKER: NO.

>>CLERK WATERS: TRUSTEE EDER -

>>TRUSTEE ENVIA: THIS IS WITH THE AMENDMENT, RIGHT?

ICE CREAM IS OUT -

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: ICE CREAM IS INCLUDED.

>>TRUSTEE ENVIA: I THOUGHT WE DIDN'T WANT THAT?

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: BUT, IT WAS NOT PART OF THE FRIENDLY AMENDMENT, WOULD YOU LIKE TO MAKE IT A PART OF THAT?

>>TRUSTEE ENYIA: INCLUDE THAT.

MAYBE WE JUST TABLE THIS JUST SO THAT WE CAN GET IT RIGHT.

I FEEL LIKE SOMEBODY -

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: WE HAVE A MOTION ON THE TABLE WITH THE FRIENDLY MOMENT, CAN WE PLEASE JUST VOTE, YOU CAN VOTE NO.

>>TRUSTEE ENYIA: NO.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: SO, TRUSTEE ENYIA NO AND TRUSTEE STRAW NO. >>SPEAKER: (AWAY FROM MIC).

>>CLERK WATERS: I AM SORRY TRUSTEE ENYIA IS NO, TRUSTEE STRAW -- NO. TRUSTEE EDER, TRUSTEE LEVING-JOHNSON, TRUSTEE TAGLIA AND TRUSTEE WESLEY?

PRESIDENT SCAMAN?

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: YES.

OKAY - VILLAGE MANAGER JACKSON.

>>MANAGER JACKSON: YES.

PRESIDENT SCAMAN, JUST A QUICK STATEMENT ON THIS AND THEN I WILL GIVE IT BACK TO YOU AND THE TRUSTEES, THIS ITEM ARRIVED WITH STAFF BASED UPON A MOTION, AND STAFF ONLY ENGAGED IN THIS EFFORT TO CONDUCT AN ANALYSIS LISTENING TO TRUSTEE FEEDBACK AND TO BRING IT BACK WITH CONSIDERATION AND I GUESS THERE IS ANOTHER ALTERNATIVE HERE IS THAT YOU KNOW TO NOT DO IT.

WITH THE AMOUNT OF STAFF TIME THAT GOES INTO THIS, IF WE DON'T SEE A PROBLEM AND WE DON'T SEE A CHALLENGE -

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: IS THAT WHAT I'M HEARING WITH A VOTE OF NO, BECAUSE I'M NOT SURE, I KNOW TRUSTEE TAGLIA HAS COMMENTED THAT HE IS LOOKING FOR SOME PROTECTION AND EQUITY WITH THE BRICK-AND-MORTAR.

IS ANYONE ELSE - CAN WE GIVE SOME STAFF FEEDBACK YEAR AS TO HOW TO PROCEED?

ARE WE LOOKING TO TABLE AND ADDRESS ICE CREAM TRUCKS - AND WHAT ELSE WOULD WE ADDRESS WITH THIS ORDINANCE, BECAUSE I'M CONFUSED.

>>TRUSTEE STRAW: FOR ME IT IS ABOUT PROTECTING BRICK-AND-MORTAR RESTAURANTS THAT HAVE FOOD TRUCKS PULLING UP OUTSIDE OF THEM SELLING THE SAME TYPE OF FOOD AND CANNIBALIZING SALES.

WE DON'T MAKE ANY REVENUE FROM THE FOOD TRUCKS AND WE DO MAKE REVENUE FROM OUR BRICK-AND-MORTAR BUSINESSES AND WE HAVE A SIGNIFICANT INVESTMENT IN THE COMMUNITY AND THAT IS WHERE IT ENDS.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THAT IS WHAT THE MMA DOES, UNLESS YOU WANT TO KEEP DOWNTOWN OAK PARK -

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: THE AMENDMENT ALSO INCLUDES DOWNTOWN -- INCLUDES ICE CREAM TRUCKS.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: AND TRUSTEE ENVIA, YOUR AMENDMENT IS INCLUDING WHAT?

>>TRUSTEE ENVIA: MY VOTE NO IS BECAUSE I SIMPLY JUST WANTED TO ADDRESS THAT ONE SPECIFIC INSTANCE, THAT TYPE OF ISSUE, I DID NOT WANT TO OVER REGULATE WHAT IS GOING ON WITH THESE FOOD VENDORS TO THIS POINT YET. I DO NOT THINK IT IS CLEAR ENOUGH FOR ME TO UNDERSTAND OKAY, THIS IS WHAT WE ARE OFFERING AND THIS IS WHAT WE ARE NOT OFFERING AND THIS IS HOW WE GET THEMSELVES LICENSED AND ALL OF THOSE THINGS, I WOULD MUCH RATHER SAY HEY, 250 FEET RIGHT NOW AND THEN WE TAKE SOME TIME TO EVALUATE SMALL BUSINESS OWNERS AND THEN SAID THIS IS WHAT WE HAVE COME UP WITH, THAT MAY BE A LITTLE BIT FURTHER IN REGULATION, BUT RIGHT NOW I JUST WANT TO LEAVE IT OUT -

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THAT IS WHAT THE AMENDMENT DEAD. THE AMENDMENT JUST REGULATED 250 FEET FROM AN ESTABLISHMENT OF THE SAME TYPE AND IT BASICALLY MADE EVERYTHING ELSE IRRELEVANT.

>>TRUSTEE ENVIA: EXCEPT FOR ICE CREAM TRUCKS.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: OKAY, SO ICE CREAM TRUCKS.

>>TRUSTEE ENVIA: I MEAN IF YOU ARE WILLING TO WORK ON THAT PART AS WELL I AM OKAY TO WORK WITH IT.

(LAUGHTER).

>>SPEAKER: IN THE LEGISLATIVE TEXT, THERE WERE THREE PARTS, THE DO HUNDRED 50 FEET, DOWNTOWN AND SPECIAL EVENT AND I'M FINE WITH 250 FEET WITH THE SAME KIND OF FOOD AND THE OTHER RESTRICTIONS BASED ON THE CONVERSATIONS WE HAD, THEY SEEM TO BE SOLUTIONS IN SEARCH OF A PROBLEM WHERE IT DID NOT SEEM TO BE AN ONGOING ISSUE AND THE AMENDMENT DID ADDRESS THE DOWNTOWN PART AND YOU KNOW THE - I USE THE EXAMPLE OF I USE THE EXAMPLE OF LIVING UP OUTSIDE OF A SPECIAL EVENT AND THAT IS SORT OF THE ISSUE I AM SEEING, A MOBILE FOOD VENDOR, IT CAN BE THE ICE CREAM TRUCK, IT CAN BE THE COFFEE CART - WE HAVE A LOT OF THESE SMALL BUSINESSES -

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: I HEAR YOU, BUT IF A VENDOR WISHES TO USE A PUBLIC VENDOR IN A DOWNTOWN AREA, THE SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT WAS ONLY IF THEY WANTED TO BE DOWNTOWN AND WE EXCLUDED ANY RESTRICTIONS ON THE DOWNTOWN AREA AND THERE IS NO MORE SPECIAL USE.

>>TRUSTEE STRAW: THE COMMENT WAS MADE THAT IT APPLIES TO BLOCK PARTIES -

>>SPEAKER: THE CURRENT PRACTICE WOULD REMAIN.

SO CURRENT PRACTICE ANY MOBILE FOOD VENDORS THAT WOULD LIKE TO PARTICIPATE WE WOULD KEEP FOOD PRACTICES THE SAME SO IF A FOOD VENDOR WOULD LIKE TO PARTICIPATE, THEY WOULD HAVE TO GO THROUGH A SPECIAL PROCESS WHICH IS CURRENT PRACTICE.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: BUT IF THEY WANT TO PULL UP AT THE END OF A BLOCK WHERE A BLOCK PARTY IS ONGOING I MEAN MY UNDERSTANDING WAS YOU KNOW THERE WERE THREE ELEMENTS AND WE ADDRESS ONE AND -

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: READ THE WHOLE SENTENCE.

OPERATORS ARE NOT TO OPERATE IN THE GREATER DOWNTOWN OAK PARK AREAS DEFINED BY THE VILLAGE.

WE SCRATCH THAT OUT AND IF A VENDOR WISHES TO USE A PUBLIC DOWNTOWN AREA - THIS SECOND HALF OF THE SENTENCE IS ONLY RELEVANT IF WE ARE LOOKING FOR - SOMEBODY TELL ME I AM WRONG.

THAT AN OPERATOR MUST APPLY FOR A SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT, BUT SINCE - IF A VENDOR WISHES TO USE THE PUBLIC DOWNTOWN AREA AND SINCE WE NOW TOOK THE RESTRICTION OF USING THE DOWNTOWN AREA OUT, THERE IS NO NEED FOR A SPECIAL USE PERMIT AT ALL.

AND YOU KNOW WHAT?

IF THE PEOPLE AT THE BLOCK PARTY DON'T MIND THE PERSON SHOWING UP, NOBODY IS WHAT TO CALL THE VILLAGE AND SAY THAT WE WANT YOU TO TURN THIS GUY IN, BECAUSE YOU KNOW WHAT?

WE ARE GOING TO PURCHASE THE FOOD AND THEN TURN THEM IN.

SO, YOU CAN'T GIVE ME A SCENARIO RIGHT NOW WHERE THIS ORDINANCE IS OVER RESTRICTED, IT IS 250 FEET FROM A RESTAURANT AND THAT IS THAT, EVERYTHING ELSE IS GONE.

EXCEPT FOR THE ICE CREAM.

WHICH I AM NOT VOTING BASED ON ICE CREAM.

I AM SORRY.

(LAUGHTER) SO, ARE WE GOING TO BRING BACK THE SAME THING, THEY ARE JUST GOING TO DO WHAT WE SAID OR ARE WE GIVING MORE FEEDBACK YEAR? BECAUSE THIS IS RIDICULOUS.

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>>TRUSTEE EDER: YOU SAID THE PERSON WAS PARKED ACROSS 76 WAS MOVED ALONG AND SO I DON'T SEE WHAT THE POINT - THE BUFFER IS NOT SOLVING A CURRENT PROBLEM. >>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: YOU ARE JUST A NOTE -

>>TRUSTEE EDER: IT IS JUST MORE BUREAUCRACY THAT DOES NOT NEED TO EXIST.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THAT IS FAIR, BUT TO ANSWER VILLAGE MANAGER SHOULD WE BRING THIS BACK OR NOT, WE HAVE AT LEAST TRUSTEE TAGLIA AND MYSELF WHO BELIEVE THAT THERE IS WARRANTED SOME REASON TO PROTECT OUR BRICK-AND-MORTAR BUSINESSES.

DOES ANYBODY ELSE AGREE WITH ME?

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: I AM SAYING THE SAME THING, I JUST DON'T WANT TO INCLUDE ICE CREAM TRUCKS.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: AT LEAST YOU ARE CLEAR.

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>>TRUSTEE LEVING-JACOBSEN: I AGREE IN PRINCIPLE, BUT IF IT IS NOT HAPPENING IT IS HARD FOR ME -

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: BUT, IT DID.

>>TRUSTEE LEVING-JACOBSEN: I COULD BE SWAYED, I DON'T FEEL

SUPERSTRONG, THE PROCESS HERE HAS BEEN KIND OF CONFUSING TO ME AND SO I - IF THIS COMES BACK I WILL CERTAINLY ENTERTAIN IT WITH A OPEN MIND, I JUST DON'T FEEL SUPERSTRONG ABOUT IT AS IS AND THEN GIVEN -

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: WITH THE NUMBER OF THINGS ON THE AGENDAS OVER THE NEXT COUPLE OF MONTHS I DON'T KNOW THAT I WANT TO SAY THIS AGAIN, THANK YOU.

I THINK YOU GUYS DON'T UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU'RE VOTING ON AND I'M SORRY IF THAT IS - YOU WERE VERY CLEAR AND TRUSTEE EDER IS CLEAR, BUT IF GREG SMITH WOULD JUST CLARIFY FOR ME RIGHT NOW, AM I CORRECT?

THE ONLY THING THIS ORDINANCE DOES IS LIMIT 250 FEET FROM ANOTHER ESTABLISHMENT IN ALL OF OAK PARK?

>>SPEAKER: YES.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU.

SO, WE ARE MOVING ON.

AND NO I DON'T WANT TO SEE AGAIN.

POLICE ANNUAL REPORT.

>>SPEAKER: OKAY, POLICE ANNUAL REPORT, THIS WILL BE CHIEF JOHNSON OBVIOUSLY, ALWAYS EXCITED EACH YEAR TO REPORT OUT ON WHAT IS HAPPENING IN THE PLEASE DEPARTMENT AND THIS IS THE THIRD TIME THAT WE HAVE DONE THIS AND SO SINCE WE REPORT ON 2022, 2023 AND WE ARE NOW IN 2024, CHIEF JOHNSON

>>CHIEF JOHNSON: GOOD EVENING AND THANK YOU ALL.

ANYBODY NEEDS COFFEE, I PROMISE NOT TO KEEP YOU ALL PAST 2 AM.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU.

>>CHIEF JOHNSON: TONIGHT I WILL PROVIDE - TONIGHT I WILL BE PROVIDING AN OVERVIEW FOR THE 2024 ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT. SOME OF THE THINGS THAT I WILL COVER DURING THE OVERVIEW ARE THREE KEY AREAS. STAFFING, CRIME STATISTICS AND DEPARTMENT ACHIEVEMENTS. THE POLICE DEPARTMENT MISSION IS TO PROVIDE EXCELLENT PUBLIC SERVICE THROUGH A COLLABORATIVE COMMUNITY CENTERED APPROACH.

OUR WORK CONTINUES TO BE GUIDED BY THE REPORT COMPLETED BY PRESIDENT OBAMA'S 21ST CENTURY TASK FORCE AS WELL AS NAACP 10 SHARED PRINCIPLES FOR EQUITABLE AND JUST POLICING.

OUR ORGANIZATIONAL CHART INCLUDES THE AUTHORIZED STAFFING OF 116 SWORN PERSONNEL AND 23 CIVILIAN STAFF.

LAST YEAR WE ENDED WITH 84 SWORN OFFICERS AND 16 CIVILIAN STAFF. DESPITE THAT, I AM PLEASED TO REPORT THAT WE HIRED 19 HIGHLY QUALIFIED OFFICERS LAST YEAR.

THAT IS THE MOST THAT WE HAVE HIRED IN OVER A DECADE.

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OUR CRIME STATS REFLECT ONLY NOTABLE INCIDENTS THAT HAPPENED IN 2024. THESE FIGURES WERE AUDITED EARLIER THIS YEAR AND SO PLEASE NOTE THAT THE DATA YOU SEE HERE IS NOT ALL-INCLUSIVE AND IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE DUE TO ONGOING UPDATES AND ADDITIONS.

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AS YOU CAN SEE, PROPERTY CRIME PARTICULARLY THEFT REMAIN OUR HIGHEST MOST SIGNIFICANT CRIME THAT OUR VILLAGE EXPERIENCED.

LAST YEAR WE SAW A SLIGHT INCREASED AND OVERALL CRIME, HOWEVER NATIONWIDE CRIME WAS DOWN SLIGHTLY.

ALTHOUGH WE ONLY HAD TWO HOMICIDES LAST YEAR, STANDARDS REQUIRE US TO COUNT THE ATTEMPT MURDER - I AM SORRY - AGAINST THE OFFICER THAT WAS PRESENT WHEN DETECTIVE REDDINGS WAS KILLED.

I WANT TO NOTE SOME OF OUR ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2024, SPECIFICALLY THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE LATERAL HIRING PROGRAM.

LAST YEAR WE HIRED THREE OFFICERS, ALL THREE OF THOSE OFFICERS HAD PREVIOUSLY LEFT THE DEPARTMENT AND WENT TO THREE DIFFERENT DEPARTMENTS AND THEY ALL RETURNED BACK.

SOME OF THE BEST OFFICERS AND I'M HAPPY TO HAVE THEM BACK.

IN ADDITION TO THAT, I WANT TO SHARE THE COMPLETION OF THE NEEDS ASSESSMENT FOR OUR RMS CAD SYSTEM AND I AM HAPPY TO REPORT THAT AS OF LAST WEEK WE NOW HAVE A SIGNED CONTRACT SO WE CAN START THE IMPLEMENTATION PROCESS.

ADDITIONALLY, LAST YEAR, WE HAD A NEARLY 50% INCREASE IN TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES.

AND THE AUTOMATED LICENSE PLATE READER.

FIRST I WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE PUBLIC FEEDBACK CONCERNING THE LICENSE PLATE READERS AND I WANT TO SAY CLEARLY THAT I HEARD YOU ALL AND I UNDERSTAND THE CONCERNS, BUT I WANT TO ALSO ENSURE THE COMMUNITY THAT THE POLICE DEPARTMENT IS WORKING CLOSELY WITH THE ILLINOIS ASSOCIATION OF CHIEF OF POLICE, WITH OUR LEGAL TEAM AND WITH FLOCK SAFETY SO THAT WE CAN ADDRESS THESE ISSUES AND MY ONLY REQUEST TONIGHT IS YOUR CONTINUOUS PATIENTS AND SUPPORT AS WE WORK THROUGH THESE ISSUES. AS WELL AS COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT, BECAUSE I WANT TO CONTINUE TO ENGAGE WITH THE COMMUNITY SO THAT WE CAN MAINTAIN ITS SYSTEM AND MAINTAIN IT RESPONSIBLY IN CONSIDERING ALL INDIVIDUALS IMPACTED.

WITH THAT BEING SAID, I WANT TO SHARE SOME POSITIVE OUTCOMES FROM 2024 WITH THE USE OF OUR AUTOMATED LICENSE PLATE READERS.

ALL OF THESE INCIDENTS INCLUDED WITH THE EXCEPTION OF ONE THAT I RECORDED OUT ON INCLUDES GUN VIOLENCE.

VEHICLES THAT WERE IDENTIFIED IN BEING INVOLVED IN GUN VIOLENCE SUCH AS RECKLESS DISCHARGE, ARMED ROBBERIES, AGGRAVATED DISCHARGE AND ONE HOMICIDE CASE THAT WE HAD LAST YEAR.

DESPITE THE LIMITED SCOPE, WE RECOVERED TWO GUNS AND THEY MADE TWO ARRESTS RELATED TO GUN VIOLENCE.

LASTLY, I WANT TO TAKE A MOMENT TO REFLECT ON THE TRAGIC LOSS THAT OUR DEPARTMENT AND OUR COMMUNITY TOGETHER EXPERIENCED THE LOSS OF DETECTIVE ALAN REDDINS, HIS SERVICE AND SACRIFICE WILL NEVER BE FORGOTTEN.

WITH THAT, I WANT TO SAY THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND YOUR CONTINUOUS SUPPORT AND I'M HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS, THANK YOU.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: OKAY, THANK YOU, CHIEF, WHO WOULD LIKE TO START US OFF THIS EVENING?

PLEASE.

>>TRUSTEE EDER: THANK YOU, CHIEF.

I THINK THAT WE ARE GOING TO GET TOGETHER THIS COMING WEEKEND FOR SOME ONE-ON-ONE TIME.

BUT, THANK YOU.

THANK YOU FOR PRODUCING THIS REPORT AND FOR ALL YOU DO. SO, I WILL PREFACE THAT I HAVE A FEW QUESTIONS HERE AND I WILL PREFACE IT SPECIFICALLY BECAUSE WE DON'T KNOW EACH OTHER TOO WELL YET THAT THIS IS NOT LIKE CRITICISM OF LAW ENFORCEMENT, BUT JUST TO HAVE A DIALOGUE AROUND INSTRUCTIVE OVERSIGHT.

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SO, I AM A DATA PERSON, I LOVE DATA AND ON THEN I WAS BORN IN, ACTUALLY ON JUNE 17, YOU GAVE THE QUARTERLY PEDESTRIAN FIELD STAFF REPORT WHICH INCLUDED A NUMBER OF REALLY IMPORTANT DETAIL DEMOGRAPHICS ABOUT DECOMPOSITION OF THE ARREST AND WHEN I WAS READING THROUGH THIS REPORT I JUST FOUND THAT WAS MISSING AND I DID NOT SEE THAT IN HERE. SO, THERE WAS NO TRAFFIC STOP DATA AND I DID NOT SEE ANYTHING ABOUT DEMOGRAPHIC OUTCOMES OR USE FOR SUMMARIES AND I GUESS I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THOSE, BECAUSE IF WE ARE REPORTING ON A QUARTERLY, IT SEEMS LIKE SINCE THIS IS THE ANNUAL REPORT THIS IS KIND OF LIKE THE MOTHER REPORT OF EVERYTHING TO SEE THAT INCLUDED IN THESE REPORTS, AS WELL AND I THINK WE HAVE THAT DATA AND SO I WOULD LOVE TO SEE YOU AND I DON'T KNOW IF YOU COULD REVISE THIS REPORT, BUT I WOULD LOVE TO SEE THAT FOR 2024 IF WE COULD.

AND THEN GOING FORWARD I WOULD LOVE TO SEE IT EVERY YEAR GOING FORWARD IF MY COLLEAGUES AGREE.

AND THAT WAS A BIG THING THAT I WAS LOOKING FOR THAT I DID NOT SEE IN THIS REPORT.

I HAVE OTHER QUESTIONS, BUT I CAN PAUSE IF YOU HAVE -

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: I WANT TO ASK - IS THAT PART OF THE C PACK REPORT? >>SPEAKER: IT IS A REPORT THAT WAS PREVIOUSLY REQUESTED BY ONE OF OUR TRUSTEES WHERE WE HAVE NEVER INCLUDED IN THE ANNUAL REPORTS, BUT I THINK THE QUESTION WAS REALLY BEING ASKED, SHOULD WOULD BE INCLUDING THAT IN THE ANNUAL REPORT?

AND CHIEF JOHNSON IF I'M NOT AFTER THAT ENTIRELY -

>>CHIEF JOHNSON: I THOUGHT I HEARD TRUSTEE GRANITE SAY USE OF FORCE, I JUST WANT TO MAKE IT CLEAR THAT ANY TYPE OF RESISTANCE RESULTS IN A USE OF FORCE REPORT AND SO IF AN INDIVIDUAL RUNS, WE CHASE THEM AND THEN WE HAVE TO PUT HANDS ON THEM AND THEY PULL AWAY, THAT CONSTITUTES A USE OF FORCE.

SO, I'M NOT SURE IF YOU WANT ALL OF THOSE NUMBERS, BECAUSE THAT WILL BE A LOT OF DATA THAT DOES NOT NECESSARILY CONSTITUTE I WOULD SAY THE GENERAL PERSPECTIVE ON USE OF FORCE.

>>TRUSTEE EDER: OKAY, I THINK IT SEEMS LIKE IT COULD INCLUDE IT, I WOULD BE CURIOUS OF MY COLLEAGUES WOULD AGREE, BUT IT SEEMS LIKE - FOR SOMETHING THIS BIG, THIS IS A SUMMARY OF WHAT HAPPENED LAST YEAR, IT SEEMS LIKE IT SHOULD BE INCLUDING THAT DATA EVEN IF THERE IS SOME MORE WORK TO DO, SO I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THAT.

>>CHIEF JOHNSON: AND ALSO I HEARD YOU SAY THE DEMOGRAPHICS ON ARRESTS?

>>TRUSTEE EDER: WHICH HOPEFULLY THAT IS NOT TOO MUCH SINCE YOU COMPILE IT QUARTERLY ALREADY.

>>CHIEF JOHNSON: THOSE ARE NOT ARRESTS THAT WE HAD QUARTERLY, THOSE ARE PEDESTRIAN STOPS.

SO, YOU WANT THE PEDESTRIAN STOPS OR THE ARREST OR BOTH?

>>TRUSTEE EDER: BOTH.

>>CHIEF JOHNSON: THANK YOU.

>>TRUSTEE EDER: I HAVE A COUPLE MORE QUESTIONS.

SO, I APPRECIATE THE INPUT ON THE DATA ON FLOCK - I GUESS ICDS 29,000 ALERTS AND SOMETHING LIKE FIVE EXAMPLES ARE TAKEN AND SO ARE THOSE FIVE EXAMPLES THE ONLY EXAMPLES OR ARE THERE OTHER LIKE IS THERE OTHER DATA SHOWING WHAT WAS DONE WITH THIS FLOCK DATA. >>CHIEF JOHNSON: THERE ARE MORE THAN FIVE, I HAVE MY COMMANDER OF INVESTIGATION HERE TO SPEAK ON MORE IF YOU WOULD LIKE, BUT SPECIFICALLY THE 29,000 THAT YOU SAW WERE ALERTS.

THE INFORMATION THAT I PROVIDED OF THE FIVE, FOUR OF THEM WERE FOR INVESTIGATIVE RESEARCH.

THE RESULTS OF THAT.

WITH ONE BEING AN ARREST FROM A FLOCK ALERT WHERE WE RECOVERED A GUN AND ARRESTED TWO INDIVIDUALS.

>>TRUSTEE EDER: I WOULD LOVE TO SEE THOSE KIND OF STATS INCLUDED IN THESE REPORTS.

NOT JUST THE RESULTS, BUT THE EXAMPLES.

AND I THINK MY LAST QUESTION IS YOU KNOW I WOULD LOVE TO HEAR FROM CPOC SINCE THE O IS OVERSIGHT AND SEE HOW THIS ALIGNS WITH WHAT THEY ARE DOING AND I WOULD LOVE TO SEE CPOC AND HAVE THEM EVALUATE TO HELP INFORM US GOING FORWARD.

AND SO IF THAT IS SOMETHING THAT WE NEED TO GIVE CPOC DIRECTION ON, I WOULD LOVE TO DO THAT.

>>CHIEF JOHNSON: TO LOOK ALL OF POLICE ACTIVITY ENGAGEMENTS, ACCOMPLISHMENTS, YOU WANT ME TO HAVE CPOC EVALUATE ALL OF THOSE OR JUST THE SPECIFIC AREA AROUND LICENSE PLATE READERS?

>>TRUSTEE EDER: I WOULD SAY THE WHOLE THING AND I WOULD LOVE TO HAVE CPOC LOOK AT THE REPORT AND SEE THE DATA BEHIND IT AND PROVIDE THEIR OWN FEEDBACK ON IT, NOT JUST FLOCK -

>>MANAGER JACKSON: RESPECTFULLY I WILL WEIGH IN HERE TRUSTEE EDER AND WHAT WE KNOW IS THAT IS OBVIOUSLY NOT THE TRADITION OF OAK PARK, IT IS NOT CODIFIED IN THE CURRENT CHARTER OF CPOC AND SO I THINK WHAT YOU'RE ASKING US TO DO IS SOMETHING DIFFERENT THAN WHAT WE HAVE TRADITIONALLY DONE AND WHERE WE HAVE NOT HAD DIRECTION TO DO IT BEFORE. AND SO WE WILL EVALUATE THAT REQUEST, BUT THIS MAY BE SOMETHING THAT MAY FALL IN THE REALM OF THE BOARD ACTUALLY PROVIDING DIRECTION VIA A VOTE SIMILAR TO IT HAPPENED WITH THE OVERSIGHT DIRECTION TO HAVE CPOC OVERSEE THE DATA ON THE CPOC SYSTEM.

BUT, WE WILL FOLLOW-UP.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: AND WE DO HAVE AN ANALYSIS OF CPOC CURRENT PURVIEW BEING ANALYZED RIGHT NOW BY A CONSULTANT AND THAT IS COMING BACK SOON, CORRECT?

>>MANAGER JACKSON: YES, WE ANTICIPATE BRINGING THAT BACK IN EARLY DECEMBER.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: OKAY, SO THAT MAY BE HELPFUL IN THIS DIALOGUE, RIGHT?

THAT REPORT?

I AM HOPING TO DIGEST THE INFORMATION -

>>MANAGER JACKSON: I MEAN IF THAT BECOMES A WISH OF THE BOARD, CERTAINLY WE ARE GOING TO FOLLOW THE DIRECTION OF THE BOARD. >>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: I AM SAYING NOT TO VOTE ON IT UNTIL WE HEAR - I'M SORRY I DID NOT MEAN -

>>MANAGER JACKSON: AGAIN I WOULD SAY THAT WHAT IS BEING ASKED IS NOT CUSTOMARILY A PART OF THE OVERSIGHT FUNCTION.

AND WHETHER IT IS - AND I AM SUGGESTING IT IS A PART OF THE OVERSIGHT REPORT -

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: AND I WILL LISTEN TO THE FEEDBACK OF MY COLLEAGUES, BUT I AM SUGGESTING THAT WE TAKE NO OF THE QUESTIONS FROM TRUSTEE EDER AND WAIT FOR THAT REPORT FROM THE CONSULTANT AND THAT MAY HELP US INFORM THE PROCESS MOVING FORWARD.

>>MANAGER JACKSON: I THINK THAT IS A GREAT IDEA AND I WILL SPEAK BRIEFLY TO THAT, I THINK THE BEAUTY OF GOING AND REVIEWING THE OVERSIGHT FUNCTION WHICH WE HAVE SEEN ACROSS THE COUNTRY, SUBSEQUENT TO THE GEORGE FLOYD INCIDENT WHERE THOSE COMMUNITIES INVESTED IN OVERSIGHT SAID HEY, WE NEED TO LOOK AT WHAT OUR OVERSIGHT FUNCTION AND WHAT IS CURRENT AND MODERN AND THOSE COMMUNITIES YOU START TO LOOK AT IF IT IS SOMETHING WE WANT TO CONSIDER DOING AND WE ARE EVALUATING OUR OVERSIGHT FUNCTION THAT HAS NOT BEEN EVALUATED IN OVER 30 YEARS AND SO IT IS NOT ONLY TO LEARN ABOUT OUR CURRENT SYSTEM, BUT ALSO TO LEARN ABOUT CURRENT PRACTICES AND OVERSIGHT AND HOW THOSE RELATIONSHIPS WORK WITH THE CURRENT ENVIRONMENT WITH POLICE DEPARTMENTS AND POLICE OPERATIONS AND THEN CERTAINLY THERE WILL BE SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATIONS IN TERMS OF UPDATING OUR PROTOCOLS FOR OVERSIGHT HERE IN THE VILLAGE AND THE VILLAGE BOARD WILL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO PROVIDE DIRECTION. SO. I THINK IT IS A PERFECT OPPORTUNITY THROUGH THE OVERSIGHT TO ENTERTAIN NEW INTERESTS THAT THE BOARD MAY HAVE AS IT RELATES TO OVERSIGHT, YES.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU, I WONDER IF YOU COULD MAYBE - DO YOU HAVE THOSE QUESTIONS WRITTEN DOWN OR NO, DEREK?

>>TRUSTEE EDER: I CAN SUBMIT THEM IN WRITING IF IT IS HELPFUL.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: YES, THANK YOU.

WHO WOULD LIKE TO GO NEXT?

>>TRUSTEE ENVIA: I AGREE WITH A LOT OF WHAT TRUSTEE EDER SAID ABOUT GETTING OUT THIS INFORMATION AND I THINK PUTTING IT IN FRONT OF CPOC GIVES AN OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE THAT EXTRA EYEBALLED LIKE GIVE THIS OVERSIGHT FROM YOU ALL LOOKING AT THIS AT A CONSISTENT BASIS AND WHAT IS YOUR TAKE ON THIS AND WHAT CAN WE DO BETTER AND OTHER THINGS LEFT OUT OR ARE THERE THINGS THAT WERE REMITTED THAT THEY DID NOT EVEN SPEAK ON OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT?

I THINK THERE IS ALWAYS THAT OPPORTUNITY TO GET A SECOND EYE TO FIGURE IT OUT WITH WHAT WE ARE MISSING AND I THINK ONE OF THE THINGS WE TALKED ABOUT BEFORE WHICH I DO GET BECAUSE OF PRIVACY ISSUES AND I DON'T NEED YOU TO TELL ME WHAT IS GOING ON IN AN OPEN INVESTIGATION, BUT IF WE HAVE A OPEN INVESTIGATION THAT UTILIZES LICENSE PLATE READERS THAT WE KNOW, OKAY, HERE IS WHERE IT IS BEING AFFECTED AND WE KNOW WE ARE USING IT IN 10 OPEN CASES OR WHATEVER.

WE DON'T GET A BREAKDOWN OF THE AND SO WE DON'T KNOW OKAY, THIS IS AN EFFECTIVE TOOL BECAUSE WE HAVE THIS EFFECTIVE AND SO MANY CASES AND WE DO KNOW NOW WHERE THERE WERE USED TO CLOSE OUT AN INVESTIGATION. BUT, I THINK WHEN WE SEE THIS AT CPOC LEVEL, WE DON'T EVEN KNOW IF THERE ARE OPEN INVESTIGATIONS OR HOW MANY CURRENTLY THAT ARE UTILIZING - AM I RIGHT?

IT.

>>CHIEF JOHNSON: WE PROVIDE CPOC ACCORDING TO THE GENERAL ORDERS THAT I COLLABORATED WITH CPOC ON WRITING WITH THE INFORMATION REGARDING INVESTIGATIONS WHERE WE HAD SUCCESS STORIES.

SO, WE REPORTED OUT ON THIS LAST YEAR AND WE ALSO REPORTED OUT ON IN 2023.

AND WE PROVIDE THIS INFORMATION TO CPOC MONTHLY.

>>TRUSTEE ENVIA: DO WE PROVIDE ACTIVE CASES OR CLOSED CASES ONLY? >>CHIEF JOHNSON: WE PROVIDE EVERY TIME THE NUMBER OF INVESTIGATIVE - I'M SORRY, THE NUMBER OF SEARCHES THROUGH INVESTIGATIONS.

AND WE SPECIFY IF IT IS FOR A ROBBERY, IF IT IS FOR A MISSING PERSON, WE SPECIFY WHAT IT IS FOR AND EACH TIME WE SEARCHED.

ONE OF THE QUESTIONS THAT CPOC REQUESTED EARLIER THIS YEAR IS THE STATUS OF THE INVESTIGATION.

AND AFTER A FEW REQUESTS, I PROVIDED THEM WITH A STATUS BECAUSE IT WAS OUTSIDE OF THEIR SCOPE, BUT THEY WERE PERSISTENT WITH MAKING THE SAME REQUEST MONTH OVER MONTH AND SO I PROVIDED THEM THE STATUS OF IT WHICH IS USUALLY ONGOING OR CONTINUED.

>>TRUSTEE ENYIA: THANK YOU.

>>TRUSTEE STRAW: I AM LOOKING FORWARD TO GET THE PIVOT REPORT BACK SO WE CAN HAVE A BROADER CONVERSATION ABOUT THAT POLICE OVERSIGHT ROLE, BECAUSE I DO THINK THAT YOU KNOW AS WE ARE EVALUATING THIS, HAVING PEOPLE WHO ARE STEEPED IN THE POLICE OVERSIGHT FUNCTION SORT OF RAISING QUESTIONS THAT MAYBE WE DON'T NECESSARILY SEE IS VALUABLE, BUT I ALSO UNDERSTAND THE TRADITIONAL POLICE OVERSIGHT FUNCTION AS IT EXISTS RIGHT NOW.

SO, I THINK THAT BROADER DISCUSSION WILL BE VALUABLE.

I DO AGREE WITH TRUSTEE EDER 'S COMMENTS ON THE DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION AND SORT OF GETTING A LITTLE BIT MORE GRANULAR AND SOME OF THE DATA THAT WE GET IN THE ANNUAL REPORT, BECAUSE THAT WILL MAKE IT A LITTLE BIT EASIER TO EVALUATE.

I HAVE A QUESTION ON THE STAFFING, BECAUSE I THINK YOU ARE RIGHT, THE HIRING IS A BIG THING TO CELEBRATE YOU KNOW HIGHEST LEVELS OF HIRING WE HAVE HAD IN RECENT HISTORY WITH 19 OFFICERS HIRED.

AT THE SAME TIME, OUR TOTAL NUMBER OF SWORN FTE DECLINED BY TWO DUE TO ALSO HAVING HIGHER RETIREMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS THAN IN PAST YEARS.

CAN YOU TALK A LITTLE BIT ABOUT WHAT IS CAUSING CONTINUED RETIREMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS IN THE DEPARTMENT?

>>CHIEF JOHNSON: SURE, SPECIFICALLY AT THE BEGINNING OF 2024, WE SAW INDIVIDUALS LEAVING OUR COMMUNITY AND OUR POLICE DEPARTMENT TO GO TO OTHER POLICE DEPARTMENT SAID NOT HAPPEN FOR OTHER VARIOUS REASONS. SPECIFICALLY WE HAD SIX OFFICERS THAT LEFT OAK PARK AND WENT TO DOWNERS GROVE.

MOST OF THOSE OFFICERS WERE ON THE MIDNIGHT SHIFT AND WHEN ONE LEFT, THEY REPORTED OUT TO THE MIDNIGHT SHIFT, THIS IS A GREAT PLACE TO WORK. SO, THEN ANOTHER LEFT AND THEN ANOTHER.

AND THEN WE IMPLEMENTED THE LATERAL PROGRAM IN WHICH SOME OF THOSE OFFICERS THAT LEFT REALIZED THAT THINGS ARE NOT SO GREAT AND THAT OAK PARK IS OKAY.

BUT, IN THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR, WE LOST - WE WERE LOSING - LOSING AN OFFICER LIKE EVERY MONTH.

WHERE EVERY COUPLE OF WEEKS I WOULD SAY - AND IT WAS FOR A HOST OF REASONS.

SOME OF THEM - IT WAS FOR A LOT OF REASONS.

SPECIFICALLY SOME AGAIN SHARED THE NEWS THAT DOWNERS GROVE WAS GREAT AND SOME FELT LESS SUPPORTED AND WANTED TO GO TO A MORE SUPPORTIVE COMMUNITY.

SOME LEFT BECAUSE THEY HAD NEWER FACILITIES.

THEY HAD EQUIPMENT TO HELP THEM DO THEIR JOBS MORE EFFICIENTLY.

SOME LEFT DUE TO LEADERSHIP.

I BELIEVE IN ACCOUNTABILITY.

SO, THERE IS A HOST OF REASONS WHY WE LOST SO MANY OFFICERS AT THE BEGINNING OF 2024.

ONCE PATROL RECEIVED A NEW CONTRACT AND THE ADDITION TO BEING ABLE TO MAKE LATERAL HIRES, WE SAW A DECLINE IN OFFICERS RESIGNING.

NOW, RETIREMENTS, YOU HAVE INDIVIDUALS AND THEIR GOAL WOULD BE TO REACH 20 YEARS AND RETIRE AND I THINK MY GOAL IS TO REACH 22 YEARS.

BUT, DURING MY 22ND YEAR I WAS APPOINTED THE CHIEF OF POLICE.

>>TRUSTEE STRAW: THAT DOES NOT SEEM A VIABLE RETENTION STRATEGY FOR EVERYBODY!

>>CHIEF JOHNSON: BUT, I TELL YOU WHAT, THESE LAST THREE YEARS HAVE BEEN THE MOST CHALLENGING, BUT ALSO THE MOST REWARDING.

AND I KNOW THAT OUR POLICE DEPARTMENT, WE HAVE EXPERIENCED A LOT. BUT, COLLECTIVELY WE ARE PUBLIC AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND I KNOW THAT WE WILL OVERCOME THIS HUMP AND I SEE BRIGHTER THINGS.

>>TRUSTEE STRAW: I APPRECIATE THAT AND IT IS GOOD TO KNOW THAT THE RATE OF FOLKS LEAVING WAS MUCH HIGHER IN THE FIRST HALF OF THE YEAR AND DECLINED SUBSTANTIALLY AFTER THE NEW CONTRACT WAS PUT IN PLACE, BECAUSE THAT HELPS PUT IN PLACE SOME OF THIS DATA INTO PERSPECTIVE. AND SO HOPEFULLY IF WE CAN MAINTAIN THE RATE OF HIRING WE HAVE, WE CAN START TO RECOVER ON STAFFING A LITTLE BIT WHICH WILL CREATE A BETTER WORK ENVIRONMENT FOR EVERYONE.

>>CHIEF JOHNSON: OFFICER WELLNESS IS VERY IMPORTANT TO ME AND I SHOULD SHARE EVEN THOUGH WE ARE TALKING ABOUT 2024, WE HAVE NOT LOST THE SAME RATE OF INDIVIDUALS, BUT WE DID LOSE A FEW PROBATIONARY POLICE OFFICERS THIS YEAR AND THERE ARE VARIOUS REASONS AND I HAVE ONE PROBATIONARY POLICE OFFICER, NOT TO OVER SHARE, BUT VERY TRANSPARENT THAT DECIDED THAT THE ACTIVITY HERE IN OAK PARK WAS A BIT MUCH AND WANTED TO GO TO AN AREA THAT PERHAPS WAS A LITTLE SLOWER AND TO MY UNDERSTANDING HE IS GOING TO RIVER FOREST.

I WILL JUST LEAVE IT THERE.

>>TRUSTEE STRAW: AND THEN I GUESS THE ONE LAST TOPIC AND THIS IS NOT - I THINK THAT WHAT YOU KNOW THE OAK PARK POLICE DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN DOING AROUND ALPR AND THE -

>>CHIEF JOHNSON: CIVIC INFORMATION SYSTEM -

>>TRUSTEE STRAW: YES, CISC, WHAT WE ARE PUT TOGETHER IN OAK PARK IS BEST IN CLASS AROUND SURVEILLANCE TECHNOLOGY AND I THINK THAT SHOULD GO WITHOUT SAYING, BUT IS WORTH CELEBRATING AND I DO THINK THAT IT WOULD BE -IT WOULD MAKE SENSE TO HAVE A FURTHER CONVERSATION AROUND FLOCK IN LIGHT OF EVERYTHING THAT HAS BEEN HAPPENING NATIONALLY NOT BECAUSE OF ANYTHING THAT THE OAK PARK POLICE DEPARTMENT HAS DONE, BUT SHARING OF FLOCK DATA AND BECAUSE OF A LACK OF TRUST IN FLOCK, THE COMPANY WHICH CONTINUES TO HAVE ACCESS TO AND HOW THOSE THE DATA AND WHO DOES NOT HAVE ANY REAL ACCOUNTABILITY TO US OR TO OUR CONSTITUENTS. AND SO I CONTINUE TO HAVE CONCERNS AROUND FLOCK AND I WOULD LIKE US TO HAVE A FURTHER CONVERSATION AROUND WHETHER THERE IS ANY TRUE ACCOUNTABILITY TO BE HAD WHETHER THERE IS ANY TRUE SECURITY TO ANY OF THAT DATA AND I THINK BASED ON EVERYTHING I HAVE SEEN I HAVE CONCERNS THAT THERE IS NOT AND I WOULD LIKE TO SEE US TURN OFF THE FLOCK CAMERAS, BECAUSE I DO KNOW THAT THERE HAVE BEEN SOME INSTANCES WHERE THEY HAVE BEEN USEFUL. BUT I DO NOT KNOW THAT THE LIMITED DATA I HAVE SEEN REGARDING THEIR USEFULNESS OUTWEIGHS CONCERNS AROUND PRIVACY AND THE FACT THAT YOU KNOW IT IS NOW CAPABLE - IT IS NOW A POSSIBILITY FOR THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO GET ACCESS TO SORT OF A LIVE STREAM OF DATA OF WHO IS MOVING THROUGH THE COMMUNITY.

SO, I WOULD LIKE US TO HAVE A FURTHER CONVERSATION ON THAT IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: OKAY, TRUSTEE WESLEY?

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: SORRY - THANK YOU, CHIEF.

I JUST WANT TO SAY I APPRECIATE THE REPORT AND I APPRECIATE YOUR TEAM AND I KNOW IT HAS BEEN A DIFFICULT YEAR AND I APPRECIATE YOU SHOWING UP AND SO THANK YOU.

THIS IS A GREAT REPORT FROM MY PERSPECTIVE.

A FEW THINGS IN HERE I WANT TO CALL OUT.

BECAUSE, I THINK THERE IS MAYBE A LITTLE BIT OF CONTEXT MISSING AND CONTEXT IS MY WORD, LIKE CONTEXT.

ONE OF THE THINGS I WANT TO POINT OUT HERE IS THE TRAFFIC STOP DATA FROM 23 TO 24.

TO INCREASE TARGETED TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT TO IMPROVE ROADWAY SAFETY AND ENSURE ACCESSIBILITY FOR ALL USERS.

AND WE WENT FROM 2600 STOPS IN 2023 KIND OF LIKE THE LEGACY OF OUR PANDEMIC AND KIND OF LIKE COMING OUT OF THAT TO OVER 5000 IN 2024, RIGHT? AND THE REASON I CALL THAT OUT IS BECAUSE TRAFFIC SAFETY IS PROBABLY ONE OF THE NUMBER-ONE THINGS I HEAR FROM FROM PEOPLE IN THE VILLAGE AND THE FIRST THING I ALWAYS HEAR FROM THEM IS WE NEED TO DO MORE ENFORCEMENT AND I ALWAYS TELL THEM THAT WE DO A LOT OF ENFORCEMENT AND THESE NUMBERS SHOW THAT WE ARE DOING A LOT OF ENFORCEMENT.

AND SO I REALLY APPRECIATE THAT FROM YOU ALL.

YOU HEARD US AND YOU RESPONDED.

AND THIS SHOWS THE DEGREE OF THE ISSUE OVER THE PANDEMIC AND HOW PEOPLE'S DRIVING PATTERNS HAVE JUST ERODED AND HOW WE ENDED UP DRIVING ON THE SHOULDERS ON THE EXPRESSWAY EVERY DAY.

BUT, I APPRECIATE YOU ALL IN KEEPING US SAFE ON THAT.

THERE IS ANOTHER ITEM HERE COLLABORATING WITH PUBLIC WORK AND THE VISIONS AND ZERO SAFETY INITIATIVE, RIGHT?

DOVETAILING RIGHT BACK TO THAT SAME THING AND I APPRECIATE THAT AS WELL BECAUSE THAT IS IMPORTANT AND IT GOES TO THE SOUL TRAFFIC SAFETY THING AND HARPING ON THAT BECAUSE I APPRECIATE THE EFFORT, BUT ALSO THAT I HAVE HEARD SO MUCH FROM PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITY THAT THIS IS A VERY IMPORTANT TOPIC TO THEM AND I'VE SAID THIS PLENTY OF TIMES, BUT IT FEELS LIKE EVERY SCHOOL YEAR IT FEELS LIKE SOMEBODY IN THE COMMUNITY THAT GETS INTO

A SERIOUS TRAFFIC COLLISION, RIGHT?

AND I SHOULD SAY GETS INTO BEING STRUCK BY A CAR, IT IS ALWAYS A PEDESTRIAN AND THEY ARE ALWAYS BEING HIT BY A CAR AND IT IS HAPPENING LIKE EVERY SCHOOL YEAR AND I KNOW SEVERAL PARENTS UNFORTUNATELY PARENTS WHO WERE SERIOUSLY INJURED DROPPING KIDS OFF OR PICKING KIDS UP FROM SCHOOL AND THIS IS AN ISSUE THAT IS DEFINITELY VERY CLOSE TO ME AND CLOSE TO THE COMMUNITY THAT I HEAR FROM AND I REALLY APPRECIATE YOU ALL PUTTING IN THE WORK TO HELP KEEP US SAFE IN THAT REGARD.

AND ASSISTING THE LAUNCH OF THE ECHO PROGRAM, I LOVE AND ECHO PROGRAM. AND I LOVE THAT YOU GUYS ARE PARTNERING WITH THEM AND REALLY HELPING GET THAT OFF THE GROUND, BECAUSE I THINK AND AND HAND IT REALLY HELPED MAKE US A STRONGER COMMUNITY AND THERE ARE SO MANY FOLKS OUT THERE WHO NEED THIS TYPE OF HELP AND BY BEING ABLE TO GIVE THAT TO THEM YOU KNOW THEY FEEL THAT EFFORT AND THEY FEEL THAT SUPPORT AND THEY KNOW THAT THEY NOW DON'T HAVE TO CALL AND GET EMERGENCY SERVICES, RIGHT? LIKE WE HAVE THE PROGRAM WHERE FOLKS ARE AVAILABLE FOR THEM AND THEY CAN COORDINATE AND THEY KNOW THAT THERE IS SOMEBODY ON THE OTHER END OF THE PHONE THAT CAN HELP.

AND I HAD A PHONE CALL NOT TOO LONG AGO WITH SOMEBODY IN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AND THEY MENTIONED TO ME HOW THAT SAME THING THE THREE-WAY PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN YOU AND THEM AND ECHO IS SOMETIMES - THEY SAID IT IS LIFE-CHANGING TO A CERTAIN DEGREE BECAUSE THEY HAVE BEEN IN SITUATIONS WHERE THEY HAVE ENCOUNTERED CONDITIONS WHERE THEY CAN HELP WITH LIKE THEY SHOW UP FOR AN EMERGENCY AND IT IS NOT REALLY AN EMERGENCY AND THERE ARE SITUATIONS WHERE THERE ARE FOLKS IN THE HOUSE AND THERE IS NOT ENOUGH FOOD AND THEY DON'T HAVE ANY MONEY AND YOU KNOW WHAT CAN YOU DO AS THE FIRE DEPARTMENT WHEN YOU SEE THAT?

WELL, YOU CAN CALL ECHO AND THEY CAN SHOW UP AND HELP.

AND BECAUSE YOU HAVE ALL HELPED, ECHO HAS BECOME A SUCCESS.

>>CHIEF JOHNSON: ABSOLUTELY.

I APPRECIATE THE WORK THAT THEY ARE DOING AND I LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING IT THRIVE AND CONTINUE TO THRIVE AND IN ADDITION TO THAT, IT IS ONE OF THE BOARD GOALS THAT WE WANT TO FOCUS ON AT THE DIRECTION OF THE VILLAGE MANAGER, THE ALTERNATIVE CALLS AND ECHO IS A PART OF THAT AS WELL AS IT SHOULD SAY CITIZEN TO POLICE, BUT IT IS I HAVE A LITTLE BIT OF DYSLEXIA AS WELL.

WHERE WE LAUNCH THAT PORTAL AS AN OPTION, AN ALTERNATIVE OR HAVING POLICE RESPOND TO YOUR HOME AND NOT GIVE THE INDIVIDUALS AN OPPORTUNITY TO EITHER CALL IN AND MAKE A TELEPHONE REPORT OR GO ON TO THIS PORTAL AND MAKE A REPORT ON MISCELLANEOUS INSTANCES THAT DO NOT REQUIRE AN OFFICER TO RESPOND.

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>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: I DID NOT KNOW THAT, COULD I GET SOME MARKETING MATERIAL ON THAT?

>>CHIEF JOHNSON: SURE.

IN FACT I THINK THE WEDNESDAY JOURNAL REPORTED OUT ON THAT IF I'M NOT MISTAKEN.

AND THROUGH OUR COMMUNICATION TEAM WE SENT THAT INFORMATION OUT, AS WELL.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: IF YOU COULD SHARE THAT WITH ME AGAIN I WOULD LIKE TO SHARE THAT WITH THE COMMUNITY MORE BROADLY AND THAT IS SOMETHING I ALSO HEARD FOLKS ASKING FOR AND I THINK THAT WOULD BE REALLY WELCOME NEWS. A COUPLE OTHER THINGS HERE THAT I WANT TO CALL OUT.

I'M GOING TO GLOSS OVER THIS ONE BUT I THINK IT IS REALLY IMPORTANT, THE COORDINATION FOR THE DNC AND I THINK THAT WAS REALLY REALLY WELL DONE AND REALLY IMPORTANT, BUT THE OTHER THING THAT I WANT TO BRING OUT IS THIS WHAT I THINK RIGHT HERE WITH THE DNC REALLY SHOWS THE EXPERT CEASES AND THE FUNERAL PROCESSIONS AND IT REALLY HIGHLIGHTS THE COMMENTS AND EMAILS I GET FROM FOLKS AND I WILL SAY THAT THE ISSUES ARE REMARKABLY REDUCED AND I APPRECIATE THAT.

>>CHIEF JOHNSON: IT IS A CONTINUOUS EFFORT THAT WE DEFINITELY HAVE TO STAY ON TOP OF AND MAKE SURE THAT WE CONTINUE TO ENGAGE WITH THE FUNERAL DIRECTORS AS WELL AS OUR OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT PARTNERS.

>>SPEAKER: THE EFFORT IS SHOWING AND SO I APPRECIATE THAT. LATERAL HIRING, I LOVE THAT, I LOVE THAT WE HIT 19 OFFICERS - 'S.

>>CHIEF JOHNSON: THREE DECADES -

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: THREE DECADES, LET'S PUT THAT OUT THERE! ALL RIGHT!

AND WE HAVE ALREADY BEEN IN A SITUATION WHERE WE HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO GET FULLY STAFFED AND TO HEAR THAT WE ARE NOW ABLE TO MOVE THESE THINGS IN A HUGELY IMPACTFUL WAY AND HOPEFULLY WE ARE BUILDING ON THE AND CAN KEEP GOING AND SO WELL DONE ON THAT.

THE ONLY ONE THING I HAVE IS CAN WE GET THIS DATA IN A MACHINE-READABLE FORMAT LIKE A CSV OR JUST TO GET THE STATS AND SUCH.

>>CHIEF JOHNSON: YES, IN FACT WE WILL BE HIRING A STRATEGIC INTELLIGENCE MANAGER - SO, IN THE NEAR FUTURE!

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: THAT IS AWESOME, I APPRECIATE THAT.

OTHERWISE WELL DONE, MY DAUGHTER WOULD LIKE TO MENTION THAT SHE LOVES OFFICER HOLLY AND I JUST WANT TO PASS THAT ON, AS WELL.

THERE IS A PICTURE OF HIM HERE -

>>CHIEF JOHNSON: OKAY!

>>TRUSTEE LEVING-JACOBSEN: I HAVE A COUPLE QUESTIONS I CAN PUT IN EMAIL FORM.

THANK YOU FOR THE REPORT.

I WAS TRAVELING LAST WEEK AND SO I MISSED THE OPPORTUNITY TO HONOR AND SEND CONDOLENCES TO THE DEPARTMENT FOR THE OCCASION OF HONORING AND RETIRING DETECTIVE REDDINS STAR AND I WATCHED THE REPLAY AND I EXTEND MY CONDOLENCES AGAIN AND I HOPE THAT WE ARE PROVIDING AND SUPPORTING THE CONTINUED GRIEF PROCESS AND I THINK ABOUT YOU ALL A LOT IN THE TRAUMA AND HOW CLOSE THAT CAME TO YOU AS A TEAM AND AS A FAMILY.

I ALSO AM EXCITED ABOUT THE INTEGRATION OF ECHO AND WANT TO EXTEND GRATITUDE FOR THAT.

SOMETHING THAT WAS NOT IN THE REPORT BUT I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO BEING LAID OUT IN TWO WEEKS I THINK, I'M GLAD THAT THAT IS BACK AND HOPEFULLY IN THE 2025 REPORT WILL BE LISTED AND CELEBRATED.

TRANSPARENTLY I FEEL PRETTY UNCOMFORTABLE WITH DIRECTING THIS TO YOU ALL, BECAUSE I HAVE EXPRESSED IN OTHER OCCASIONS MY DISCOMFORT WITH THE FLOCK CAMERAS IS NOT A REFLECTION ON DISTRUST OR HOW I PERCEIVE OUR POLICE DEPARTMENTS USE OF THE CAMERAS AND I AGREE I WANT THEM TURNED OFF AND I HAVE EXPRESSED THAT ENOUGH AND I WAS TOLD THAT AUGUST 5 WE WILL HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO VOTE TO CANCEL THE CONTRACT AND I HAVE BEEN GETTING MORE AND MORE COMMUNITY FEEDBACK AND I KNOW THIS IS 2025, BUT YOU MENTIONED AT THE RECENT INFORMATION WE HAVE GOTTEN FROM PRESS AND THE MEMO THAT WE GOT A FEW WEEKS AGO THAT TONIGHT WE HAD A COUPLE OF PUBLIC COMMENTS AND ONE WAS A HEALTHCARE PROVIDER THAT WAS TALKING ABOUT HOW HER PATIENTS ARE CANCELING APPOINTMENTS OUT OF FEAR BECAUSE OF ICE AND THIS IS AN EXPERIENCE THAT I HAVE IN MY LIFE OUTSIDE OF BOARD WORK, I AM A HEALTHCARE INTERPRETER AND OUR PATIENTS ARE NOT SHOWING UP FOR THEIR APPOINTMENTS AND THEY ARE MISSING TESTS AND REFILLS AND PEOPLE ARE TELLING ME THAT THEY WILL GO TO CHURCH ANYMORE AND FAMILIES ARE PLANNING NOT TO SEND THEIR CHILDREN TO SCHOOL IN THE FALL AND A LARGE PERCENTAGE OF MY STUDENTS ARE LATIN X AND THE NO-SHOW AND ABSENCES IN THAT AREA OF MY LIFE HAS GONE UP TREMENDOUSLY SINCE THE INAUGURATION IN JANUARY.

THE SPHERE AND TERROR AND VIOLENCE WHICH I ONLY ANTICIPATE WILL INCREASE GIVEN THE NEW BUDGET I WAS PASSED IN DC - ANYTHING THAT WE ARE DOING THAT CAN FACILITATE THAT, I DON'T WANT TO BE A PART OF.

I CANNOT SUPPORT PUBLIC FUNDS GOING TO ACCOMPANY, GOING TO A BUSINESS THAT CAN HELP FACILITATE THAT KIND OF TERROR.

AND VIOLENCE AND FAMILY SEPARATION AND THE IDEA THAT PEOPLE ARE PROFITING OFF OF IT IS JUST LIKE - IT IS KEEPING ME UP AT NIGHT.

AND SO I APPRECIATE IT AND I GUESS I APPRECIATE THAT PUBLIC COMMENT. IT IS NOT A REFLECTION ON WHAT I SEE IN THE REPORT AND SO AGAIN I FEEL DEEPLY UNCOMFORTABLE AND I AM RESPONDING TO THIS WITH THESE COMMENTS, BUT I FEEL A DEEP RESPONSIBILITY TO DO EVERYTHING WE CAN TO CONNECT PEOPLE AND I SEE THE CONTINUED USE OF THIS TECHNOLOGY AS FACILITATING SOME OF THE WORST OF WHAT WE ARE SEEING AND WHAT WE WILL CONTINUE TO SEE AND I AM PROBABLY GOING TO END UP LIKE RAMBLING AT THIS POINT BECAUSE OF THE TIME AND THE EMOTION THAT I FEEL AND SO I WILL TRY TO WRAP IT UP IN A NOT VERY ARTICULATE WAY.

I WILL ALSO ECHO THE REQUEST FOR MORE DATA, I THINK THAT IS HELPFUL, ESPECIALLY WHEN IT COMES TO RACIAL DEMOGRAPHICS A FEW WEEKS AGO GIVEN TO EQUITY AND IF THAT IS A WAY IN WHICH WE CAN LIVE UP TO THAT COMMITMENT. I THINK THAT IS IMPORTANT.

AND THEN SPEAKING TO COMMITMENTS AGAIN, I THINK IF WE ARE JUST GOING TO BE A SANCTUARY COMMUNITY FOR ANYONE, WE CAN'T CONTINUE TO USE THE FLOCK CAMERAS.

>>TRUSTEE TAGLIA: THANK YOU, I WILL JUST BE BRIEF, JUST A COUPLE QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS.

THE FUNERAL DIRECTOR SITUATION, I KNOW THAT YOU PERSONALLY HAVE INVESTED IN THAT AND IT IS IMPROVING FROM WHAT I UNDERSTAND AND THAT MEANS A LOT TO RESIDENTS, BECAUSE THAT WAS A VERY COMMON COMPLAINT AS A TRUSTEE FOR MANY YEARS AND I CAN SEE THE IMPROVEMENT IN THE BOARD FOR A COUPLE MONTHS AND SO THANK YOU FOR THAT. AND ANOTHER THOUGHT WAS READING THIS REPORT, THERE WERE 27,000 ALERTS FOR STOLEN LICENSE PLATES AND IF YOU LOOK AT THE NUMBER, THAT IS ABOUT 75 A DAY APPROXIMATELY.

AND THAT WOULD BE WHAT, THREE AN HOUR?

AND WE HAVE EIGHT CAMERAS AND SO IF WE HAVE THOSE CAMERAS AND WE HAVE THREE HITS EVERY HOUR, THAT IS A LOT OF STOLEN PLATES COMING INTO OUR COMMUNITY.

TELL ME A LITTLE BIT MORE, I KNOW PEOPLE STEAL THESE PLATES, BUT IT SEEMS LIKE THERE IS AN AWFUL LOT AND WHAT IS GOING ON WITH THESE PLATES, CAN YOU TELL ME?

>>CHIEF JOHNSON: SURE, INDIVIDUALS ARE STEALING PLATES TO PUT THEM ON STOLEN VEHICLES SO THAT THEY CAN GO UNDETECTED THROUGH LICENSE PLATE READERS.

AND THEY DO THAT SO THEY CAN COMMIT VIOLENT OFFENSES.

THIS IS BY EXPERIENCE THROUGH THE 29 YEARS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT. WE HAVE CRIMINALS BECOMING MORE AND MORE SOPHISTICATED AND GONE ARE THE DAYS WHERE THERE IS STEALING VEHICLES FOR A JOYRIDE AND THEY ARE TAKING VEHICLES TO DO VIOLENT OFFENSES.

OFFENSES THAT HAVE OCCURRED HERE IN OAK PARK AND THEY ARE USING THOSE LICENSE PLATES TO ACHIEVE THAT IN ADDITION TO THAT, THEY ARE RE-TAGGING THEM AND SELLING THEM ON SOCIAL MEDIA.

LET ME BE CLEAR, THEY ARE RETAGGING THE VEHICLES TO SELL THEM ON SOCIAL MEDIA.

>>TRUSTEE TAGLIA: SO, WOULD YOU GUESS AND IT IS KIND OF AN ALBERT QUESTION, BUT THE MASS MAJORITY OF THESE CARS - WHEN THERE IS A STOLEN PLATE, THERE IS USUALLY A STOLEN CAR BEHIND IT?

IS THAT COMMON, IS NOT THE EXPERIENCE?

>>CHIEF JOHNSON: FROM MY EXPERIENCE, YES.

>>TRUSTEE TAGLIA: THAT IS A LOT OF STOLEN CARS, ALL RIGHT.

THAT IS A BIG PROBLEM.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH AND I APPRECIATE THAT AND THANK YOU FOR THE UPDATES, THEY ARE VERY HELPFUL AND I LOOK FORWARD TO FUTURE REPORTS, THANK YOU.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: DOES ANYONE HAVE ANY - HAS EVERYONE HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE?

THANK YOU FOR THE REPORT AND ACTUALLY I APPRECIATE TRUSTEE TAGLIA REMINDED ME ONE OF YOUR CLEAR STRENGTH CHIEF IS BUILDING RELATIONSHIPS TO MITIGATE THE FUNERAL PROCESSIONS.

AND I APPRECIATE RECEIVING THE REPORT AND LOOK FORWARD TO FUTURE CONVERSATIONS WITH A CONSULTANT AND I HAVE ENJOYED YOU KNOW - I THINK HANDS DOWN WE KNOW WE HAVE ONE OF THE BEST POLICE DEPARTMENTS IN THE GREATER REGION.

AND I AM JUST GRATEFUL EVERY TIME I AM IN THE UNITY AND LOOKING AT OUR OFFICERS AT OUR EVENTS AND ENGAGING WITH OUR FAMILIES AND HOW

TRANSPARENTLY YOU ARE WORKING WITH US TO ADDRESS YOU KNOW GREATER CONCERNS OF OUR COMMUNITY AND AS YOU KEEP SAYING, PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT AND OPEN DIALOGUE AND TRANSPARENCY AND WE KNOW THAT THESE THINGS PUT US AHEAD 50 YEARS AGO AND WE WERE ONE OF THE FIRST COMMUNITIES THE EVEN HAVE OVERSIGHT COMMISSION AND IT WILL BE THE SAME THING THAT KEEPS US CONTINUALLY BEING THE EXAMPLE FOR THE GREATER COMMUNITY.

I KNOW THAT WE HAVE A GOALSETTING MEETING COMING UP AND I ANTICIPATE HEARING IDEAS FROM MY COLLEAGUES ON CONTINUING TO SUPPORT WHAT OTHER TYPES OF TECHNOLOGY AND RESOURCES AND POLICE DEPARTMENTS WOULD IDENTIFY TO BE A MODERN POLICE DEPARTMENT AS WELL AS THE INVESTMENT WE HAVE IN IMPLEMENTING A NEW POLICE DEPARTMENT.

AND AT THE SAME TIME I DO WORK TO ASSIST IN BROKERING THOSE RELATIONSHIPS WITH OUR COMMUNITY AND ADDRESSING CONCERNS WITH HIGH ANXIETY AROUND NATIONAL GOVERNMENT AND SEND KNOW THAT THESE THINGS ARE VERY VERY COMPLICATED AND WE HAVE ONE OF THE STRONGEST CPOC IN THE NATION FOR HOW UTILIZE DATA, BUT IN ONE OH, THERE IS STILL A LOT OF UNKNOWNS THAT YOU WILL HELP US NAVIGATE.

AND I KNOW THAT AS A COMMUNITY, WE WANT TO LIVE BY OUR VALUES AND I KNOW THAT OUR POLICE OFFICERS ARE RIGHT THERE WITH US.

SO, I DON'T HAVE ANYTHING SPECIFIC TO ASK OF THE REPORT.

I THINK THAT WE ARE GOING TO HAVE ONGOING DIALOGUE.

VILLAGE MANAGER JACKSON?

>>MANAGER JACKSON: I WAS WAITING UNTIL YOU'RE WRAPPED UP THAT I JUST WANTED TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT WE HAVE BEEN WORKING ON A OPEN DATA PORTAL AND THERE IS A VARIETY THAT WE PLAN TO SHARE WITH THOSE VARIETIES AND BUILDING PERMITS, BUT WE ALSO HAVE A PRIME MODULE THAT WE HAVE BEEN WORKING ON AS WELL THAT WE ENVISION PUTTING THE DATA OUT SO YOU GET THE DATA IN REAL TIME BUT DO NOT NECESSARILY HAVE TO WAIT ON THE ANNUAL REPORT AND THAT IS SOMETHING THAT THE COMMUNITY AND THE BOARD -SOMETHING THAT THE BOARD CAN GET BACK TO IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU.

I APPRECIATE THAT AND I LOOK FORWARD TO THE BUDGET PROCESS IN ITS ENTIRETY TO HEAR FROM THESE DEPARTMENTS AND HOW WE CAN BEST SERVE OUR COMMUNITY.

SO, HONESTLY EVERY TIME WE SIT DOWN HERE AT THE TABLE, THAT IS WHAT WE ARE HERE TO DO.

SO THAT WE CAN BE SUCCESSFUL IN REACHING OUR GOALS.

SO, IF THERE IS NO FURTHER COMMENTS IN THE ANNUAL REPORT I ASKED CLERK WATERS - AND WE HAVE TO VOTE ON RECEIVING THE REPORT, CORRECT? OKAY, THANK YOU.

CLERK WATERS, ANYTHING?

>>CLERK WATERS: PASS.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: TRUSTEE ENYIA?

>>TRUSTEE ENVIA: REALLY QUICK I WANTED TO GIVE A HUGE SHOUT OUT TO MAC ROBINET, JUST A FANTASTIC HUMAN BEING, IF YOU EVER GET THE CHANCE TO STOP AND TALK TO HIM AND HEAR ABOUT THE HISTORY OF COMING TO OAK PARK, THE STRAW PURCHASE, HIM AND HIS WIFE, JUST SUPER INTELLIGENT AND AMAZING PEOPLE THAT WE HAVE BEEN LUCKY TO HAVE AND I AM THANKFUL TO TRUSTEE TAGLIA FOR EVEN BRINGING IT UP AND JUST TO BE ABLE TO HONOR SUCH A GREAT PERSON AND TO BE ABLE TO RUN FOR THIS TABLE AND MAC BEING ONE OF THE PEOPLE I SAT DOWN WITH FIRST AND I KNOW PEOPLE SAID HE IS A MAN OF FEW WORDS, BUT MAN HE TOLD ME SO MUCH ABOUT SUSTAINABILITY AND I THINK IT WAS LIKE TWO OR THREE HOURS AND I WAS LIKE HE IS NOT STOPPING.

BUT, THE AMOUNT OF JUST KNOWLEDGE, CARE, COMPASSION THAT HE HAS FOR THIS COMMUNITY AND FOR PEOPLE IN GENERAL AND THIS PLANET, IT IS SOMETHING THAT I AM JUST SO HAPPY WE ARE ABLE TO BE HERE TO WITNESS AND IF YOU SAW THAT SMILE ON HIS FACE AT THAT ONE MOMENT LIKE I WAS LIT UP ON THE INSIDE BECAUSE YOU COULD SEE JUST HOW HONORED HE WAS THAT YOU ALL WERE GIVING HIM HIS FLOWERS, YOU KNOW?

AND I AM GLAD WE COULD SEE THAT MOMENT HERE AT THE BOARD TABLE TODAY. AND IN SEEING US JUST LOOKING AT THE FUTURE AND THE DIFFERENT WAYS OF LOOKING AT THIS BIKE PLAN THAT YOU KNOW I THINK IS JUST HUGE AND ALL OF THIS WORK HAS GONE INTO THIS FOR SO LONG AND JUST THE CARE AND COMPASSION FOR EVERYONE FROM OUR ADMINISTRATORS WHO WORK SUPERHARD TO LISTEN AND HEAR WHAT PEOPLE ARE SAYING AND I KNOW WE DON'T ALWAYS GET IT RIGHT, BUT I KNOW WE DID EVERYTHING WE POSSIBLY COULD TO UNDERSTAND OUR COMMUNITY AND TO BRING THEM SOMETHING THAT GETS THEM A STEP CLOSER. AND I'M VERY PROUD OF THAT AND VERY PROUD OF OUR STAFF AND THIS BOARD FOR BEING WILLING TO HAVE CONVERSATIONS EVEN WHEN WE MAY BE EXHAUSTED STILL OPENING UP THE NEXT EMAIL AND I KNOW YOU ALL DID IT.

AND MY WIFE IS LIKE WHAT YOU DOING AND I AM LIKE I GOT ANOTHER EMAIL, I NEED TO READ IT TO UNDERSTAND BECAUSE I TRIED TO PUT MYSELF IN EVERYONE'S SHOES AND UNDERSTAND WHERE THEY'RE COMING FROM AND I THINK OUR COMMUNITY IS VERY SUPPORTIVE AND WE ARE ALL ON THIS RIDE TOGETHER AND JUST VERY PROUD OF EVERYONE HERE.

AND AS FAR AS THE ALPR IS CONCERNED, IT HAS ALWAYS BOTHERED ME, BUT ALSO I FEEL FOR PEOPLE WHO I THOUGHT WOULD BE IN THIS TYPE OF SITUATION AND I WAS HOPEFUL WE WOULD NEVER BE IN IT, BUT WE ARE IN IT THE WAY THAT OUR FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND YOU KNOW TRY TO SEQUESTER THIS INFORMATION FROM US AND IN THIS DATA AND THAT IS WHAT REALLY SCARES ME IS BEING IN A POSITION TO NOT EVEN BE ABLE TO SAY NO, BECAUSE WE ALREADY HAVE OUR CAMERAS UP AND SO I NEVER WANT TO PUT OUR RESIDENTS IN THAT POSITION OF FEELING SCARED THAT SOMETHING MAY HAPPEN TO THEM OR THEY MAY DISAPPEAR OR THEY MADE TAKING INTO CUSTODY AND THOSE ARE THE THINGS I FEAR AND I KNOW THAT IS NOT WHAT OUR POLICE DO.

BUT, WHEN IT IS NOT IN YOUR HANDS, IT IS NOT IN YOUR HANDS AND THAT IS WHAT I DO NOT LIKE.

IT IS NOT IN OUR HANDS IN CERTAIN SITUATIONS WHEN IT COMES TO ALPR. AND SO I KNOW THAT THIS JOB IS TAXING, BUT I KNOW THAT THERE IS REASON WHY WE HAVE THE PEOPLE HERE TO DO THIS IS THAT WE ARE WILLING TO TAKE ON THESE DIFFICULT SITUATIONS.

AND SO I AM DEFINITELY HAPPY TO BE SERVING WITH EACH OF YOU AND THANK YOU FOR THIS CONSIDERATION THAT YOU PUT INTO ALL OF THESE VOTES.

>>TRUSTEE WESLEY: I WILL PASS.

>>TRUSTEE STRAW: I WILL PASS.

>>TRUSTEE LEVING-JACOBSEN: I WILL PASS.

>>TRUSTEE TAGLIA: I DO WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE RESIDENT SCAMAN 'S SUPPORT.

THANK YOU FOR LAST WEEK MENTIONING FOR THE VILLAGE 'S EFFORT IN PURSUING THE POST OFFICE RENAMING FOR DETECTIVE REDDINS IN HIS MEMORY AND THAT IS A VERY NICE GESTURE AND I THINK IT IS SOMETHING THAT WE CAN ALL GATHER AROUND AND SUPPORT.

IT WAS A VERY GOOD AND TOUCHING MOMENT AND SO THANK YOU FOR THAT, THANK YOU FOR THAT LEADERSHIP.

>>TRUSTEE EDER: I JUST HAVE A COUPLE THINGS.

IT WAS BEAUTIFUL SEEING MAC 'S - AND YOU DID A GREAT JOB READING IT, I WAS MOVED AND ONE WAY THAT I WILL ALSO BE CONTINUING TO HONOR MAC AND HIS LEGACY IS HE HAS BEEN REALLY A BIG ADVOCATE FOR UNIVERSAL COMPOSTING LIKE RECENTLY.

JUST LIKE MAC, HE HAS A BIG DETAILED DATA REPORT WITH FEASIBILITY AND HOW IT CAN BE DONE AND I AM GOING TO PICK THAT UP AND CHAMPION THAT AND I WANT THAT TO HAPPEN AND SO LET'S HONOR HIM AND CONTINUE TO HONOR HIM BY PUSHING FOR THAT.

IT WAS NOT DISCUSSED TONIGHT AND WE TALKED ABOUT TONS OF THINGS AND I JUST WANTED TO CALL OUT THAT ONE OF THE THINGS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA WAS SELECTING ELEVATE ENERGY TO BE THE ONE STOP SHOP WHICH IS PART OF THE CROP LANDING AND I'M VERY EXCITED ABOUT THAT.

IT WOULD HAVE BEEN NICE TO TALK ABOUT IT BUT AGAIN, TOOMEY THINGS TO TALK ABOUT ALREADY.

I JUST WANT TO CALL IT OUT, IT IS HAPPENING, THE ONE STOP SHOP IS IN MOTION AND I'M VERY EXCITED TO SEE THAT TAKE SHAPE.

AND THEN AGAIN, THANK YOU TO STAFF AGAIN FOR ALL OF THE EXTRA WORK THEY HAVE DONE FOR THE BIKE PLAN AND I THINK IT WAS GREAT.

AND THAT IS IT FOR ME.

>>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: THANK YOU.

AND ELEVATE AS A GREAT PARTNER.

AND ALL RIGHT - ALSO I DO APPRECIATE ALL OF YOU FOR THE HARD WORK YOU PUT INTO BEING HERE ALMOST EVERY TUESDAY NIGHT.

WE THEN ACKNOWLEDGED THAT THIS EVENING, DAVID BULLINGER, A LONGTIME SUPERVISOR WAS HONORED AT OAK PARK TOWNSHIP AND THEY DEDICATED THE COMMUNITY ROOM IN HIS HONOR, HE WAS TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR FROM 2002 UP UNTIL 2017 WHICH OVERLAPPED WITH WHILE I WAS WORKING THERE TO REDUCE UNDERAGE DRINKING AND DRUG USE. AND TRUSTEE TAGLIA, YOU WORKED WITH DAVID FOR A LONG TIME, ALSO. HE IS AN EXCEPTIONAL EXAMPLE OF THE SERVANT LEADER AND WITH THAT I ENTERTAIN A MOTION TO ADJOURN.

>>SPEAKER: MOVED. >>SPEAKER: SECOND. >>PRESIDENT SCAMAN: ALL IN FAVOR?

(MULTIPLE SPEAKERS) AYE.