



Village of Oak Park

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Meeting Agenda President and Board of Trustees

Monday, May 8, 2023

7:00 PM

Village Hall

A Special Meeting will start at 7:00 p.m., in Council Chambers (Room 201)

The President and Board of Trustees welcome you. Public comments may be made by individuals at the beginning of the meeting, as well as when agenda items are reviewed. If you wish to make a statement, please complete the "Request to Address the Village Board" form which is available at the back of the Chambers, and present it to the staff table at front. When recognized, approach the podium, state your name first, and please limit your remarks to three minutes.

Instructions for Non-Agenda Public Comment

Non-agenda public comment is a time set aside at the beginning of a Village Board meeting for persons to make public comments about an issue or concern which is not on the meeting agenda. It is not intended to be a dialogue with the Board. Send a request to state your comments by 5:00 p.m. the day of the Village Board meeting to publiccomment@oak-park.us or make a request at the meeting with the Village Clerk. You may also call the Village Clerk's office by 5:00 p.m. prior to the meeting at 708-358-5670 and you will be given instructions on how to participate during the meeting. Non-agenda public comment will be limited to 30 minutes with a limit of three minutes per comment. If comment requests exceed 30 minutes, public comment will resume after the items listed under the agenda are complete.

Instructions for Agenda Public Comment

Public comments are allowed for an agenda item. Persons are asked to email a request to speak during the meeting to publiccomment@oak-park.us no later than 5:00 p.m. prior to the start of the meeting or make a request at the meeting with the Village Clerk. You may also call the Village Clerk's Office by 5:00 p.m. prior to the meeting at 708-358-5670 and you will be given instructions on how to participate during the meeting. Agenda public comment will be limited to three minutes per person per agenda item with a maximum of three agenda items to which you can speak. In addition, a maximum of five persons can speak to each side of any one topic that is scheduled for or has been the subject of a public hearing by a designated hearing body. These items are noted with ().*

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

III. Agenda Approval

IV. Non-Agenda Public Comment

V. Proclamation

- A. [MOT 23-45](#) **A Motion to Approve a Proclamation for Proclaiming May 2023 as Asian American, Pacific Islander, Desi Heritage Month.**
Overview: This is a motion to approve Village President Scaman proclaiming May 2023 as Asian American, Pacific Islander, Desi Heritage Month.
- B. [MOT 23-44](#) **A Motion to Approve a Proclamation for Proclaiming May 2023 as National Jewish American Heritage Month.**
Overview: This is a motion to approve Village President Scaman proclaiming May 2023 as Jewish American Heritage Month.
- C. [MOT 23-43](#) **A Motion to Approve a Proclamation for Proclaiming May 7-13, 2023 as International Compost Awareness Week.**
Overview: This is a motion to approve Village President Scaman proclaiming May 7-13, 2023 as International Compost Awareness Week.

VI. Village Manager Reports

- D. [ID 23-230](#) **Official Oath of Village Officer: Police Sergeant Michael J. Lambert**
Overview: Pursuant to Section 2-1-1 of the Village Code ("Oath and Bond of Officers Generally; Filed with the Clerk") Michael J. Lambert, in his position as a Police Sergeant for the Village is being administered the official oath by the Village Clerk Christina M. Waters.
- E. [ID 23-229](#) **Update on COVID-19 Public Health Emergency Declaration**

VII. Citizen Commission Appointments, Reappointments and Chair Appointments

Names are forwarded from the Citizens Involvement Commission to the Village Clerk and then forwarded to the Village President for recommendation. If any appointments are ready prior to the meeting, the agenda will be revised to list the names.

- F. [ID 23-226](#) **A Motion to Consent to the Village President's Appointment of:
Fire and Police Commission - Sara Spivy, Appoint as Member**

VIII. Regular Agenda

- G.** [ID 23-211](#) **Presentation on Proposed Tow Zones for the 1150 to 1200 Blocks of South Cuyler, Highland, and Harvey Avenues**
- Overview:** The Oak Park Police Department proposes an ordinance that establishes tow zones in the Village at the 1150-1200 blocks of South Cuyler, Highland, and Harvey Avenues from 10:00 p.m. to 2:30 a.m., seven days a week. The ordinance would allow residential-only parking during these times. The tow zone ordinance is in response to long-standing resident complaints regarding the unruly late-night behavior of patrons of Mike’s Place Sports Bar and Grill, located at 6319 W Roosevelt, Berwyn.
- H.** [RES 23-146](#) **A Resolution Approving a Professional Services Agreement with the Board of Trustees of the University of Illinois, on behalf of the University of Illinois Chicago to Provide a Racial Equity Assessment and Report in an Amount Not to Exceed \$150,000 and Authorizing its Execution**
- Overview:** The Office of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion is pleased to conduct the first ever racial equity assessment for Oak Park. This assessment will provide valuable data on the state of racial equity in Oak Park. Data from this project will be used to create a racial equity action plan. Please note that the total ARPA amount previously approved by the Board was \$300,000 to be spread evenly over FY23 (\$150,000) and FY24 (\$150,000).
- I.** [MOT 23-32](#) **A Motion to Approve an Updated Organizational Chart for the Village Manager’s Office and Development Customer Services Department, Including the Creation of a Neighborhood Services Department**
- Overview:** In order to meet both emergent and long-term organizational goals and address succession planning needs, the Village Manager is proposing changes to the organizational chart designed to prioritize efficient and effective baseline services and ensure visibility and responsiveness with important initiatives and key organizational priorities in support of the Board’s goals. The reorganization includes the following elements: 1) The creation of a standalone Neighborhood Services Department designed to oversee and elevate code compliance, housing programs, grants management and bring back neighborhood and community engagement and civic education and participation. 2) The permanent integration of the Community Relations Department responsibilities within the Office of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion. 3) Changes to the Development Customer Services Department, including a name change to “Development Services,” which is in line with industry standards and an enhanced focus on economic development and vitality within the Village organization.

J. [MOT 23-24](#) A Motion to Approve an Updated Organizational Chart for the Public Works Department

Overview:

The Village is facing increased attention and concerns around traffic and mobility needs in the community. In an effort to better address these issues, staff recommends a number of organizational changes creating a new Transportation Engineering Division within the Public Works Department. These proposed changes provide more direct oversight and attention to transportation and traffic issues within the Village. Proposed changes include a reorganization of existing positions and reclassifying and/or title changes for four positions within the Department. There is no increase in the number of FTE with the proposed changes.

K. [MOT 23-46](#) A Motion to add Police Radio Encryption to the Citizens Police Oversight Committee Work Plan

Overview:

Per a request from Trustee Buchanan and seconded by Trustee Wesley, the motion seeks to add police radio encryption to the Citizens Police Oversight Committee Work Plan.

IX. Adjourn