



Agenda Item Summary

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Agenda Item Title

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 2 (“Administration”), Article 18 (“Community Design Commission”) of the Oak Park Village Code Related to the Membership of the Community Design Commission

Overview

Staff is proposing a reduction in the required membership for the Community Design Commission from thirteen (13) members to eleven (11) members.

Staff Recommendation

Staff supports the proposed amendment to lower the number of commission seat which will bring the number more into line with other citizen-appointed commissions. This need is due in difficulty in filling all positions on a regular basis.

Fiscal Impact

N/A.

Background

The Community Design Commission, formed in the 1970’s, is the largest standing citizen-appointed commission with thirteen (13) seats. Historically, the commission has had difficulty consistently filling all thirteen (13) seats. Presently there are three vacancies on this commission and two additional members second terms will be ending in June of this year. The Historic Preservation Commission and Farmers Market Commission are the next highest with eleven (11) seats. The majority of the commissions are either seven (7) or nine (9) seats.

Alternatives

- Approve the proposed amendment.
- Do not approve the proposed amendment.
- Modify the proposed amendment.

Previous Board Action

The Village Board amended this Chapter of the Village Code in 2011 by incorporating Forestry Commission responsibilities into the Community Design Commission’s enabling language.

Citizen Advisory Commission Action

N/A.

Anticipated Future Actions/Commitments

N/A.

Intergovernmental Cooperation Opportunities

The Community Design Commission is unique to Village government within the corporate limits of Oak Park and therefore, intergovernmental cooperation opportunities do not exist.

Performance Management (MAP) Alignment

A Governance Priority established for the Development Customer Services Department -Economic Development.