

# Village of Oak Park

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# Agenda Item Summary

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### **Agenda Item Title**

A Resolution Authorizing Oak Park Elementary School District Number 97 to Temporarily Close Harvard Street to Westbound Traffic Between Cuyler Avenue and Ridgeland Avenue Two Times Per Day on School Days Pursuant to Section 22-4-1 of the Oak Park Village Code

#### Overview

This is the final step in the approval process to allowing Irving School to deploy a DO NOT ENTER barricade on Harvard Street to prohibit westbound traffic between Cuyler and Ridgeland Avenues during the arrival and dismissal time periods

#### **Staff Recommendation**

Approve the Resolution.

#### Fiscal Impact

Staff estimates it will cost less than \$1,500 to assemble and provide the DO NOT ENTER barricade to Irving School to deploy on Harvard Street to prohibit westbound Harvard Street between Cuyler and Ridgeland Avenues during arrival and dismissal time periods. There are available funds in the FY2018 General Fund, Public Works - Street Services, account no. 1001-43740-761-550634 for this work.

## **Background**

In January 2018, the Village of Oak Park received phone calls from the principal of Irving School as well as parents of Irving School students. Both expressed concern regarding safety in the area of the school during arrival and dismissal time periods.

After observing drop-off and pick-up operations during the arrival and dismissal time periods, Village staff met with certain Irving School stakeholders to discuss their concerns, the issues observed and possible alternatives.

After a couple more iterations of staff observations and follow-up meetings, a neighborhood meeting to present the proposed transportation safety plan to parents and neighbors of Irving School occurred on Wednesday, June 6, 2018.

Next, the proposed Irving School transportation safety plan was presented to the Transportation Commission at its July 9, 2018 meeting. After listening to staff's presentation and public testimony, the Commission deliberated and then made a series of recommendations to implement transportation safety plan.

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Tonight the Village Board reviewed and acted upon the Transportation Commission's recommendations on the proposed Irving School transportation safety plan.

#### **Alternatives**

Deny the Commission's recommendation to allow Irving School to deploy a DO NOT ENTER barricade on Harvard Street during arrival and dismissal time periods and two way traffic would remain on Harvard Street between Cuyler and Ridgeland Avenues.

#### **Previous Board Action**

Tonight the Village Board of Trustees reviewed and acted upon the Transportation Commission's recommendation to allow Irving School to deploy a DO NOT ENTER barricade on Harvard Street just west of Cuyler Avenue to prohibit westbound traffic on Harvard Street between Cuyler and Ridgeland Avenues.

# **Citizen Advisory Commission Action**

N/A

## **Anticipated Future Actions/Commitments**

None at this time.

## **Intergovernmental Cooperation Opportunities**

N/A.

## Performance Management (MAP) Alignment

N/A.