



MEMORANDUM VILLAGE OF NORTHBROOK

TO: Staff

COPY: Village President & Board of Trustees – Department Heads

FROM: Richard Nahrstadt, Village Manager

DATE: April 6, 2018

SUBJECT: STAFF BRIEFING

WEEK OF April 2, 2018

PLAN COMMISSION MEETING

On Tuesday, April 3, the Plan Commission held its regular meeting during which it conducted two public hearings. The first public hearing was on an application filed by Northshore Car Center, LLC requesting special permit approval for an automotive repair business with accessory outdoor automobile storage and an automotive detailing facility. The Plan Commission will vote on a resolution recommending approval at the April 17 Plan Commission meeting.

The second public hearing was on an application filed by Wiss, Janney, Elstner Associates, Inc. requesting special permit approval for two wall signs, with a total height in excess of 20' from grade. The Commission adopted a resolution recommending approval and an ordinance approving the wall signs is on the April 10 Village Board agenda.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING

On Tuesday, April 3, the Public Works Committee held a meeting to review the Draft Master Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan. At the meeting, Village staff and the Village's consultant provided an overview of the draft plan, and the Committee provided comments on the draft. The Committee will hold its next meeting on Tuesday, May 22 for final discussion of the plan before presenting it to the Village Board.

For more information on this project, to see the draft plan, and for more resources on biking and walking in the Village, please visit <http://il-northbrook.civicplus.com/175/Biking-Walking>.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMISSION MEETING

On Thursday, April 5, the Community Relations Commission held its regular meeting. At the meeting, the Commission reviewed all subcommittee work and approved expenditures for the Northbrook Cares project, 2018 Celebration of Cultures, and 2018 Welcome to Northbrook/Flamingo Friday Kick-Off Event.

The 2018 Celebration of Cultures will be held on Sunday, May 6, at the North Suburban YMCA (2705 Techny Road) from 12:00 to 4:00 p.m. This year's event will feature a free concert by the Chicago Folklore Ensemble, a cricket demonstration and clinic held by the Greater Chicago Cricket Association, food trucks (with food for sale), free snacks and sweets, cultural stations, and performances by local groups. For more information on the Celebration of Cultures, visit www.northbrook.il.us/Cultures.

The 2018 Welcome to Northbrook/Flamingo Friday Kick-Off event will be held on Friday, May 18, from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. at Village Hall (1225 Cedar Lane). This annual event welcomes new residents to the Village and kicks-off Flamingo Fridays for the summer season. For more information, visit www.northbrook.il.us/Flamingo

ARTS COMMISSION MEETING AND NORTHBROOK ORIGINALS ARTISTS' RECEPTION

On Thursday, April 5, the Arts Commission held its regular meeting. At the meeting, the Commission discussed upcoming events including the Artist Workshops (June & September), the Artist in Residence Exhibit at the Library (June/July), the Young Artist in Residence Art Exhibit at the Library (September), the 2nd Annual Plein Air Festival (September 26-30), and the Latin Music and Dance event (Spring 2019). Details of these events and opportunities for artists will be announced in future Village newsletters.



Immediately following the meeting, the Commission hosted the Northbrook Originals exhibit reception. Over 100 attendees enjoyed artwork throughout the Library by 36 Northbrook artists. The exhibit will be on display at the Northbrook Public Library through May 29.

FIRE DEPARTMENT SWEARING-IN

On Monday, April 2, five firefighters (four career and one paid-on-call) were sworn in. Welcome and congratulations to Daniel Leszka, Eric Brouillette, Thomas Longaker, Jack Trimble, and Robert Heroux!



WESTERN AVENUE WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT & RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT

This week, the Village's contractor installed a new connection to the existing water system at Techny Road and Western Avenue and began placing new water main along Western between Techny and Bellevue Place.

As a friendly reminder, Western is closed to through traffic. One southbound lane will be open to local traffic between Walters Avenue and Techny with periodic closures. The southbound lane will remain open during school pick-up and drop-off periods. Staff will continue monitoring the existing traffic control plan and make adjustments as necessary.

For more information on this project and to sign up for project specific updates, please visit www.northbrook.il.us/western.



SANITARY SEWER TELEVISION AND CLEANING

Each year, the Village of Northbrook televises and cleans sections of its sanitary sewer main system using contractual assistance. This work allows the Village to both clean the system and identify sections of the main that need to be repaired. Contractor crews are currently working in the Northbrook East and Northbrook Highlands subdivisions (pictured right). Work will continue now through the end of April. For any questions, please contact the Public Works Department at 847-272-4711.



COMED TREE TRIMMING PROGRAM

As part of its regular maintenance program, ComEd regularly trims trees and branches that interfere with power lines. This month, ComEd crews are trimming in the eastern area of the Village near the Edens Expressway. For more information about ComEd's tree trimming program, please visit comed.com/trees or call 1-800-Edison-1.

EARTH AND ARBOR DAY RECYCLING EVENT AND EXHIBITION

The Village and Park District invite all to celebrate Earth and Arbor Day on Saturday, April 21. Northbrook residents are encouraged to participate in the special recycling collection and document shredding event, which opens at 8:30 a.m., in the west side METRA commuter parking lot, near the corner of Walters and Shermer Roads. Clean-up teams will meet at 8:30 a.m. on the Village Green to collect debris and windblown trash at an assigned location. Enjoy exhibits, information on living green, demonstrations, give-a-ways, free tree seedlings, pony rides, children's activities, and entertainment between 9:00 a.m. and noon.

The event takes place rain or shine on the Village Green, at the corner of Shermer and Meadow Roads. Bring the Family! For a schedule of events and list of recyclable items, visit www.northbrook.il.us/EarthDay or call 847-664-4129.

WEEK OF April 9, 2018

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| SAT. | 4/7 | 9am-Noon | First Saturday of the Month Electronics Recycling |
| MON. | 4/9 | 6:30 p.m. | CRC Celebration of Cultures Subcommittee – North Suburban YMCA |
| TUES. | 4/10 | 5 - 7:00 p.m. | 911 Dispatcher/Meet the Police Chief Reception – Police Department |
| | | 6:30 p.m. | Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees – Board Room Public Hearing will not start prior to 7:30 p.m. |
| WED. | 4/11 | 7:30 a.m. | EDC – Terrace Room |
| | | Noon - 3 p.m. | Bicycle Technical Advisory Committee – Terrace Room |
| | | 7:00 p.m. | Special Meeting of the Bicycle Task Force – DPS Conference Room |
| THURS. | 4/12 | 5:30 p.m. | Architectural Control Commission – Terrace Room |
| FRI. | 4/13 | | No Meetings |
| SUN. | 4/15 | 2 - 4 p.m. | Youth Commission's Youth Forum – Library, Pollak Room |