



MEMORANDUM VILLAGE OF NORTHBROOK

TO: Staff

COPY: Village President & Board of Trustees – Department Heads

FROM: Richard Nahrstadt, Village Manager

DATE: October 18, 2019

SUBJECT: STAFF BRIEFING

WEEK OF October 14, 2019

PLAN COMMISSION

On Tuesday, October 15, the Northbrook Plan Commission held its regular meeting. The Plan Commission unanimously approved the final plat of subdivision for the redevelopment of Northbrook Court. The Commission also held the first public hearing on an application filed by Greenhouse Group, LLC for a special permit to allow an adult cannabis dispensary at 755 Skokie Boulevard. The Plan Commission reviewed the application and heard public comments both for and against the proposed facility. The Commission noted that they could not make a final recommendation on the request until the Board takes action on the pending Zoning Code amendments to possibly allow adult cannabis dispensaries, scheduled for October 22. The Plan Commission continued the public hearing on this matter to the November 5 meeting.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

On Tuesday, October 15, the Board of Trustees held a Committee of the Whole meeting. At the meeting, the Board continued their discussion from September 27 on strategies regarding downtown land use, parking concerns, bike/pedestrian access, alternative uses of public land such as event space opportunities, and future uses for the Grainger property. The Board also heard a presentation from the consultants hired to review the Village's communications and develop a comprehensive communications plan.

ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COMMISSION (EQC)

On Thursday, October 17, the EQC held its regular meeting. The Commission discussed goals and projects to recommend to the Village Board for the FY 2020/2021 Budget. The Commission discussed a number of topics including pollinator habitats, increased accessibility for bike and pedestrian access, reducing the use of chlorides (salt), and using alternative fuels for the Village's fleet. The EQC's next meeting is November 21.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMISSION (CRC)

On Thursday, October 17, the CRC held a special meeting. At the meeting, the Commission heard a presentation from Senior Services Commission Chair Fred Rosenberg on his Commission's activities. The Commission then received updates on the work of each of its subcommittees and approved the budget for the November 3 Celebration of Cultures event. The Commission's next regular meeting is November 7.

CELEBRATION OF CULTURES - SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3

The Community Relations Commission invites everyone to the 4th annual Celebration of Cultures on Sunday, November 3 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the North Suburban YMCA (2705 Techny Road). Enjoy free entertainment from around the world (including South Korea, Poland, Russia and Persia), free food samples, family fun, and empanadas for purchase from Argentinian food truck - 5411. This year's event will also feature an interactive Tai Chi demonstration beginning at 3:30 p.m. For more information, please visit www.northbrook.il.us/events

WOODLAWN ROAD AND PENFOLD PLACE ASPHALT RESURFACING

This week, crews began resurfacing Woodlawn Road and Penfold Place. Next week, crews will complete any remaining open work and begin restoration. As a reminder, this work includes resurfacing Woodlawn between Western Avenue and Shermer Road and the entirety of Penfold Place. For more information on this project and copies of notices, please visit www.northbrook.il.us/woodlawn.

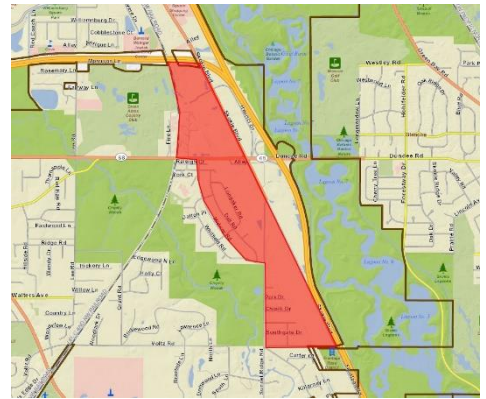


2019 STORMWATER PROJECTS

This week, the Village's contractor began concrete restoration work on Brentwood Road, Blackthorn Lane, and Longvalley Drive. Next week, crews will complete any necessary asphalt restorations and begin ditch grading on Brentwood. As a reminder, this year's projects include the Dehne Subdivision, Blackthorn Lane and Longvalley Drive projects. For more information on these projects, visit www.northbrook.il.us/2019stormwater.

SHERMER ROAD MULTI-USE PATH

This week, the contractor for the Shermer Road multi-use (bicycle and pedestrian) path began removing sidewalk at the intersection of West Lake Avenue and Shermer Road in Glenview. Next week, crews will begin relocating fire hydrants near the intersection of Shermer and Willow Road in Northbrook. The Public Works Department will notify impacted water customers prior to the work beginning. During this time, there will be daytime lane closures in the work zone area. Motorists should expect delays, allow extra time for trips through the area and use caution in the work zone.



COMED TREE TRIMMING

As part of its regular maintenance program, ComEd regularly trims trees and branches that interfere with power lines. This month, ComEd crews will be trimming in the area in which the large transmission towers are located. This area is generally bounded by Skokie Boulevard to the east, the Edens Spur to the north, Midway Road and Sunset Ridge Road to the west and Happ Road to the south. For more information about ComEd's tree trimming program, please visit comed.com/trees or call 1-800-Edison-1.

DUNDEE AND LEE CULVERT REPLACEMENT PROJECT

In an effort to help the Illinois Department of Transportation complete work on the Dundee and Lee Road culvert replacement project and to reopen Dundee by the end of this construction season, approved work hours have been extended. Work may now take place 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturdays, and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sundays. The Village appreciates the community's patience with construction and understanding the need to reopen this vital IDOT roadway.

GATEWAY HOMES RIBBON CUTTING- GRAND OPENING

On Thursday, October 17, Village President Sandy Frum attended the Gateway Townhomes Grand Opening. The model townhomes (1281 Shermer Road) were built by The Jacobs Companies. The development includes a 68-unit townhome development on the south side of Shermer Road, just east of Village Green Park in Downtown Northbrook. This site is approximately 5.34 acres in size.



WEEK OF October 21, 2019

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| SAT. 10/19 | 9 am-1 pm | Last Paper Shredding Event – Township Garage, 237 Melvin |
| MON. 10/21 | 7:00 p.m. | CRC Celebration of Cultures Subcommittee – YMCA, 2705 Techny |
| TUES. 10/22 | 7:30 a.m. | ICDC – Terrace Room |
| | 6:00 p.m. | Special Committee of the Whole – Terrace Room |
| | 7:30 p.m. | Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees – Board Room |
| WED. 10/23 | | No Meetings |
| THURS. 10/24 | 9:00 a.m. | Administrative Hearing |
| FRI. 10/25 | | No Meetings |