

Village of La Grange Park  
Village Work Session Minutes  
November 8, 2016

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A Work Session meeting of the Village Board of the Village of La Grange Park, Illinois was held in the Community Room of the La Grange Park Municipal Building on November 8, 2016.

Village Clerk Seidel called the meeting to order at 7:31 pm. President Discipio asked all in attendance to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance. He then asked Village Clerk Seidel to call the roll.

Board Members in attendance were:

Trustees:

Scott Mesick  
Patricia Rocco  
Michael Sheehan  
James Kucera  
Robert Lautner  
Jamie Zaura

Village President:

James Discipio

Also in Attendance were:

Village Manager: Julia Cedillo  
Assistant Village Manager: Emily Rodman  
Village Attorney: Cathleen Keating  
Village Clerk: Amanda Seidel  
Village Engineer: Paul Flood  
Police Chief: Ed Rompa  
Fire Chief: Dean Maggos  
Finance Director: Larry Noller  
Youth Commissioner: Charlotte Philip

Clerk Seidel informed President Discipio a quorum was present.

**Public Participation**

There was none.

**Building & Zoning Committee Items**

Trustee Zaura summarized the Village Board Agenda Memo regarding Zoning Application No. 2016-06, 320 N. Waiola. Trustee Lautner asked about precedence which was clarified by Attorney Keating. At the end of discussion there was a Consensus to place the *motion to approve an ordinance granting certain variations for 320 N. Waiola, LaGrange Park, IL (Public Hearing No. 2016-06) on the Consent Agenda at the November Village Board Meeting*. Charlotte Philip informed the Village Board that the Youth Commission was in Consensus.

Trustee Zaura summarized the Village Board Agenda Memo regarding Cook County Health Inspections. At the end of discussion there was consensus to place the *motion approving the resolution to allow the Village Manager to execute a Certain Agreement with the Cook County Department of Public Health for health*

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*inspection services, effective December 1, 2016, and continuing through November 30, 2017 on the Consent Agenda at the November Village Board Meeting.* Charlotte Philip informed the Village Board that the Youth Commission was in Consensus.

Trustee Zaura summarized the Village Board Agenda Memo regarding Don Morris Architects August Invoice Payment. Trustee Rocco was concerned with the Village fronting the money and how the Village could get the cost upfront. Village Manager Cedillo clarified the delay and timing. Attorney Keating mentioned the reimbursement of fees agreement which can be amended. Chief Maggos discussed cost, phases, permit, and code language in regards to this project. At the end of discussion there was a *motion by Trustee Zaura approving the payment of the August invoice for Don Morris Architects in the amount of \$42,890.00. The motion was seconded by Trustee Mesick and passed unanimously by roll call vote.* Charlotte Philip informed the Village Board that the Youth Commission was in Consensus.

### **Finance Comite Items**

Trustee Rocco summarized the Village Board Agenda Memo regarding Annual Post-Issuance Compliance Report. At the end of discussion there was consensus to place the *motion to receive the annual Post-Issuance Compliance Report on the Consent Agenda at the November Village Board Meeting.* Charlotte Philip informed the Village Board that the Youth Commission was in Consensus.

Trustee Rocco summarized the Village Board Agenda Memo regarding Police Pension Municipal Compliance Report. At the end of discussion there was consensus to place the *motion to accept the 2016 Police Pension Municipal Compliance Report on the Consent Agenda at the November Village Board Meeting.* Charlotte Philip informed the Village Board that the Youth Commission was in Consensus.

Trustee Rocco summarized the Village Board Agenda Memo regarding 2016 Property Tax Levy. At the end of discussion there was consensus to place the *motion (1) to approve an Ordinance providing for the Annual Tax Levy for the Village of LaGrange Park, Cook County, Illinois, for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2016 and ending April 30, 2017 (2) to approve an Ordinance providing for Specific Reductions of the 2016 Property Tax Levy Pursuant to the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law (3) to approve an Ordinance abating the tax hereto levied for the year 2016 to pay the principal of and interest on \$3,496,000.00 General Obligation Refunding Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2014, of the Village of LaGrange Park, Cook County, Illinois on the Agenda at the November Village Board Meeting.* Charlotte Philip informed the Village Board that the Youth Commission was in Consensus.

### **Other Reports**

President Discipio called upon Village Manager Julia Cedillo for a report. Village Manager Cedillo had nothing to report.

He then called upon Village Clerk Seidel for a report. Village Clerk Seidel had nothing to report, but mentioned that all went well in the Village regarding Election Day.

The next report was from President Discipio. President Discipio began by thanking all involved in the State of the Village. President Discipio moved on by mentioning his attendance at the dedication at the new Walsh Center at Nazareth.

President Discipio moved on by summarizing the Village Board Memo regarding appointment to Youth Commission. At the end of discussion there was a *motion by Trustee Mesick to appoint Wyatt Forsyth to the*

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*Village of LaGrange Park Youth Commission for a term to expire on September 1, 2018. The motion was seconded by Trustee Rocco and passed unanimously by roll call vote.*

President Discipio moved on to his next item by summarizing the Village Board Memo regarding Notice of Annual Schedule of Regular Meetings. Discussion began over Village Manager Cedillo mentioned the reasons why this was brought to the Village Board. Discussion continued over whether or not to combine the July and/or August Work Session and Regular Village Board Meetings similar to December due to the increased absences of Trustees on summer vacation. Trustee Lautner had a concern that residents accept a consistent schedule of the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays with the exception of December. Discussion continued over pros and cons of changing the schedule. At the end of discussion there was a Consensus to leave the schedule as-is for now.

President Discipio called upon Trustee Kucera regarding the Commercial Revitalization Committee items. Trustee Kucera summarized the Village Board Agenda Memo regarding TIF District Implementation-Indiana Harbor Belt Property Annexation. At the end of discussion there was *motion to adopt an ordinance annexing certain territory to the Village of LaGrange Park, Cook County, Illinois (Indiana Harbor Belt Railroad Company Right of Way)*. The motion was seconded by Trustee Mesick and passed unanimously by roll call vote.

Trustee Kucera moved on to his next item by summarizing the Village board Memo regarding Business Development District Implementation- Timeline. Assistant Village Manager Rodman discussed Business Development District Implementation. She moved on to discussing proposed districts & revenue projections. She moved on to discussing implementation considerations. She moved on to implementation options. She moved on to discussing the status quo and the pancake house and Philips properties. She moved on to discuss Timeline A Option 1 and then moved on to discuss Timeline B Option 2. She also discussed proceeding with Village Market 1<sup>st</sup> and other BDD's later. Discussion began regarding; timeframe, revenue, potential redevelopment, staff time & consideration, equity & business support, and public education & outreach. The Village Board discussed the benefits of option 1: "wobble room" for an additional meeting, and to allow opportunity to influence VM redevelopment. The Village Board moved on to discuss taxes, potential, and best economic use. Assistant Village Manager and Attorney Keating clarified any questions of the Village Board. Assistant Village Manager ended with next steps and discussed the January Public Hearing and requirements. At the end of discussion there was *consensus to proceed with Timeline A(option 1) with plans & ordinances introduced on January 24<sup>th</sup> with final approval anticipated on February 28<sup>th</sup> for the BDD implementation timeline.*

### New Business

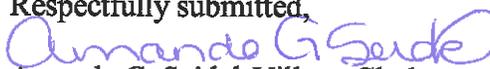
There was none.

### Executive Session

Since there was no further business to be brought before the Village Work Session, President Discipio said he would entertain a motion to adjourn into Executive Session. *Trustee Mesick made a motion to adjourn into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing Collective Bargaining in accordance with 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(2). Trustee Sheehan seconded the motion and the motion to adjourn into Executive Session passed unanimously by voice vote.*

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Amanda G. Seidel-Village Clerk