



Village of Oak Park

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Meeting Agenda President and Board of Trustees

Tuesday, February 13, 2024

6:00 PM

Village Hall

A Regular Meeting will start at 6:00 p.m., to begin in Council Chambers (Room 201). The Village Board is expected to adjourn immediately into Executive Session and move to Room 130. The Board will reconvene the Regular Meeting at 7:30 p.m. in Council Chambers (Room 201).

The President and Board of Trustees welcome you. Public comments may be made by individuals at the beginning of the meeting, as well as when agenda items are discussed. If you wish to provide public comment, complete the "Instructions to Address the Village Board" form which is available at the back of the Chambers and present it to the Village Clerk at the Board table. When recognized, approach the podium and state your name first. If you wish to provide comment by virtual means, contact the Village Clerk's Office prior to 5:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting by calling 708-358-5670 or by email to publiccomment@oak-park.us. Your camera must remain on while speaking. Please limit your remarks to three minutes.

Instructions for Non-Agenda Public Comment

Non-agenda public comment is a time set aside at the beginning of a meeting for individuals to speak about an issue or concern that is not on that meeting's agenda. It is not intended for a dialogue with the Board. Non-agenda public comment is limited to 30 minutes with a limit of three minutes per person. If non-agenda public comment exceed 30 minutes, public comment will resume after the items listed under the regular agenda are complete. See instructions above on how to provide public comment.

Instructions for Agenda Public Comment

Comments are three minutes per person per agenda item with a maximum of three agenda items on which an individual may speak. In addition, the Village Board permits a maximum of five persons to speak on each side of any one topic which is scheduled for or has been the subject of a public hearing by a designated hearing body. These items are noted with (). See instructions above on how to provide public comment.*

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

III. Consideration of a Motion to Adjourn to Executive Session to discuss Lease of Property

IV. Adjourn Executive Session

V. Reconvene to Regular Meeting in Council Chambers and Call to Order

VI. Roll Call

VII. Agenda Approval

VIII. Minutes

- A. [MOT 24-118](#) **A Motion to Approve Minutes from the January 30, 2024 Regular Meeting Regular Meeting of the Village Board**

Overview:

This is a motion to approve the official minutes of meetings of the Village Board.

IX. Non-Agenda Public Comment

X. Village Manager Reports

- B. [ID 24-150](#) **Review of the Updated Village Board Meeting Calendar for February, March, and April 2024**

Overview:

Calendars are presented for the purpose of highlighting the Special Meeting topics. These topics are based on adopted Village Board Goals and/or prior Village Board direction.

XI. Village Board Committees & Trustee Liaison Commission Reports

This section is intended to be informational. If there are approved minutes from a recent Committee meeting of the Village Board, the minutes will be posted in this section.

XII. Citizen Commission Vacancies

This is an ongoing list of current vacancies for the Citizens Involvement Commissions. Residents are encouraged to apply through the Village Clerk's Office.

XIII. Citizen Commission Appointments, Reappointments and Chair Appointments

Names are forwarded from the Citizens Involvement Commission to the Village Clerk and then forwarded to the Village President for recommendation. If any appointments are ready prior to the meeting, the agenda will be revised to list the names.

- C. [MOT 24-121](#) **A Motion to Consent to the Village President’s Appointment of:**
Board of Fire and Police Commissioners - Edward Pacer, Appoint as Member
Civic Information Systems Commission - Manning Peterson, Appoint as Member
Farmer’s Market Commission - Kelsey L. Di Pirro, Appoint as Member
Police Pension Board - Robert Planek, Reappoint as Member
Police Pension Board - Dennis Marani, Reappoint as Member

XIV. Consent Agenda

XV. Regular Agenda

- D. [ID 24-135](#) **Presentation on the Village of Oak Park Classification and Compensation Study for Non-Union Employees**
- Overview:** The Village Board approved a professional services agreement with GovHR USA, LLC (“GovHR”) on April 24, 2023, to conduct a Classification and Compensation Study for non-union positions in the Village. This study included a review of job descriptions, the compensation system (including benefits), and determination of the correct market pay for each position. The purpose of the project is to ensure the Village provides equitable wages for non-union employees in alignment with the Village’s compensation philosophy and to support of employee recruitment and retention.
- E. [RES 24-136](#) **A Resolution Approving a Lease Agreement between the Catholic Bishop of Chicago and the Village of Oak Park to Provide Shelter Space for Asylum Seekers Residing in the Village and Authorizing its Execution Subject to the Village Entering into an Operating Agreement for the Shelter Space**
- Overview:** The Lease Agreement between the Catholic Bishop of Chicago (“CBC”) and the Village would provide shelter space at the former St. Edmund’s Parish School located at 200 S. Oak Park Avenue for the asylum seekers currently residing in the Village after the Village’s temporary shelter program ends on February 29, 2024.

- F. [RES 24-140](#) **A Resolution Approving a Funding Grant Agreement between Oak Park River Forest Community of Congregations and the Village of Oak Park to Fund a Short-Term Resettlement Program for Asylum Seekers Residing in the Village's Temporary Shelter Program and Authorizing its Execution**

Overview:

The Village of Oak Park received \$1,944,000 in grant funds from the Metropolitan Mayor's Caucus to provide services to asylum seekers in the community. Of those funds, \$300,000 have been designated to provide short-term rental assistance to asylum seekers. The Community of Congregations serves as the fiscal agent of a volunteer-run mutual aid effort that supports the resettlement of asylum seekers in Oak Park's temporary shelter program. The Village's temporary program is scheduled to end on February 29, 2024 and as of February 9, 2024 there are 132 asylum seekers still in the program.

- G. [MOT 24-119](#) **A Motion by Trustees Enyia and Straw to Direct Village Staff to Draft an Agreement for Board Consideration with the Oak Park-River Forest Community of Congregations to Provide \$150,000 in Village General Funds to the Community of Congregations to Provide Short-Term Rental Assistance for Asylum Seekers**

Overview:

Trustee Enyia has moved, and Trustee Straw has seconded, to direct staff to draft an agreement to provide \$150,000 in support to the Oak Park-River Forest Community of Congregations to support short-term rental assistance apart from the \$300,000 in grant funds for short-term rental assistance from the state-funded SMASS Grant Round II awarded by the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus on February 2, 2024.

XVI. Call to Board and Clerk

XVII. Adjourn