

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor and Trustees

FROM: Village Administrator Evan Walter and

DATE: Staff July 22, 2022

RE: Village Administrator's Weekly Report

The following is the Village Staff's weekly report of upcoming Village meetings, staff updates, and various reports. This memo is provided every Friday and distributed to Trustees, Staff, and posted on the Village web site. Any concerns or questions should be directed to the Village staff at (630) 654-8181.

- Monday, July 25: Board of Trustees 7 PM; Board Room
- Thursday, July 28: Concerts on the Green (Chicago Experience) 7 PM; Village Green
- Monday, August 1: Plan Commission 7PM; Board Room
- Wednesday, August 3: Economic Development Committee 6PM; Board Room
- Monday, August 8: Board of Trustees 7 PM; Board Room
- Tuesday, August 9: Stormwater Management Commission 7PM; Board Room
- Wednesday, August 10: Board of Fire & Police Commissions 7PM; PD Conf. Room
- Monday, August 15: Plan Commission 7PM; Board Room
- Wednesday, August 17: DMV 10AM-2PM; Board Room
- Monday, August 22: Board of Trustees 7PM; Board Room
- Monday, September 5: Labor Day Village Non-Emergency Offices Closed
- Wednesday, September 7: Economic Development Committee 6PM; Board Room
- Monday, September 12: Board of Trustees 7PM; Board Room
- Wednesday, September 14: Board of Fire & Police Commissions 7PM; PD Conf Rm
- Monday, September 19: Plan Commission 7PM; Board Room
- Monday, September 26: Board of Trustees 7PM; Board Room
- Saturday, October 1: Taste of Burr Ridge & Car Show 11AM-8PM; Village Center
- Monday, October 3: Plan Commission 7PM; Board Room

Village Highlights and Updates

Concerts on the Green: Reckless rocked the Village Green last night with classic rock hits. The attendees danced, sang, and had a great time. We look forward to seeing them play again at the Taste of Burr Ridge on October 1.

King-Bruwaert House sponsors the final show as The Chicago Experience will close out our summer concert series on July 28. Their Chicago tribute with horns is a fan favorite, don't miss it!



Sewer Pipe Evaluation: The Village's Inflow and Infiltration Control Program (IICP), to evaluate its sanitary sewer pipes for cracks and cross-connections, is beginning next week. See the attached notice sent to HOAs in the project area, which generally includes residential neighborhoods south of Village Center and east of County Line Road (excluding Burr Oaks Glen North and Savoy Club). The upcoming procedure includes cleaning and televising the sanitary sewer and is done by lowering pressurized water jetters and a video camera into the sanitary system. The equipment crawls in sewer lines and records video the Public Works Department can use to identify pipe defects, roots and problem areas. This information will be used to plan improvements and repairs to our sanitary sewer infrastructure.

Village Sponsored Blood Drive: The Wellness Committee's mobile blood drive had 18 donors, who took time out of their busy schedules to give back to our community. Today's donations have the potential to save over 54 lives! If you missed this event, stayed tuned, another drive will be scheduled for later this fall.

Road Program Delayed: The Village's Road Resurfacing program as well as other projects continue to be delayed due to a region-wide unfair-labor practices dispute against three major suppliers of sand, crushed stone, and gravel. This action has resulted in escalating and severe shortages of asphalt and concrete. Staff is currently assessing our overall capital program to determine if alternative construction schedules or funding sources are necessary to ensure that the Village remains on time in its development strategy for the betterment of residents. More information will continue to be provided as to this overall development as it becomes available.

Staff Resignation: Permit Technician Michelle Mahlan has announced her resignation from the Village, effective July 29. Michelle, a six-year employee with the Village, started her career with Burr Ridge as a parttime Administrative Assistant in the Community Development Department, she moved to her current position in 2018 where she has been serving Village residents and businesses. We wish Michelle well in her new endeavors!

Community Engagement Report: Attached is the June 2022 Communications report. June was an exciting and productive month at the Village with summer in full swing! The month began on a strong note with the launch of the new and improved Village Website along with a fresh design and layout of the Annual Oak Leaf. In June, the Burr Ridge channels saw significant increase in metrics: 115% increase month-over-month in profile visits across all channels, 20,000 Facebook Impressions in June, and a strong 61% open rate and 5.2% click rate for the June Oak Leaf. These are impressive engagement rates, especially as compared to industry peers; see full report for comparative rates.

Hazardous Waste Recycling: The Highway Department of Orland Township is hosting a Household Hazardous Waste Recycling Event. This event will take place on Saturday, August 13, 2022, from 8AM-3PM at the Victor J. Andrew High School located at 9001 W 171st Street, Tinley Park, IL and is free to ALL Illinois residents. See the attached flyer for more details and a list of acceptable recycling items.

Vegetation Clean-up: ComEd has contracted with Christopher Burke Engineering to remove previously trimmed vegetation and fallen trees from the ComEd ROW near 8124 Garfield Ave. This cleanup requires a tracked piece of equipment but is in accordance with the Vegetation Management Agreement between ComEd and the Village.

Groot Rate Increase: Per our contract, Groot's single family rate increase will go into effect on August 1, 2022, and last until July 30, 2023; the new rate is a 2.5% increase from the previous year. The attached letter provides the rate breakout by individual service.

IML Annual Conference: The Illinois Municipal League's 109th Annual Conference will take place September 15–17, 2022 at the Hilton Chicago. Mayor Grasso and Village Administrator Walter are scheduled to speak on Saturday, September 17 on the subject of non-home rule status. See the attached flyer for more details or let Pam Foy know if you would like to attend.

Public Works Providing Free Wood Chips: Once again, Public Works is offering free wood chips to Burr Ridge residents. Residents can pick them up at 451 Commerce Street where they are piled in the street for easy access any time of day. Loading assistance will not be available, so it is recommended that residents bring their own shovels and containers and make as many trips as needed.

Watering Restrictions: Seasonal watering restrictions are now in force. Until September 15, residents and businesses are reminded to please conserve water and follow these lawn and landscaping irrigation restrictions:

- North of 83rd Street: watering allowed Monday, Thursday, and Saturday from midnight to noon and 6pm to midnight.
- South of 83rd Street: watering allowed Tuesday, Friday, and Sunday during same times.
- o No watering is permitted on Wednesdays, or any day between noon and 6pm.

Reports and Briefings

- ❖ IML Statehouse Briefing: Attached is the Illinois Municipal League Statehouse Briefing dated July 18, 2022
- ❖ IML Federal Focus: Attached is the Illinois Municipal League Federal Focus dated July 20, 2022
- ❖ IML Conference Registration: Attached is the registration flyer for the Illinois Municipal League 109th Annual Conference (September 15-17)

EBW:pkf

cc: Department Heads



EVERY THURSDAY EVENING

June 2 - July 28 | 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

JUNE 2 Fortunate Sons **IUNE 9** Anthem

IUNE 16 The Plant Band

IUNE 23 Brooklyn Charmers JUNE 30 Fuze

JULY 7 Whiskey Road **JULY 14** R-Gang

JULY 21 Reckless

JULY 28 Chicago Experience



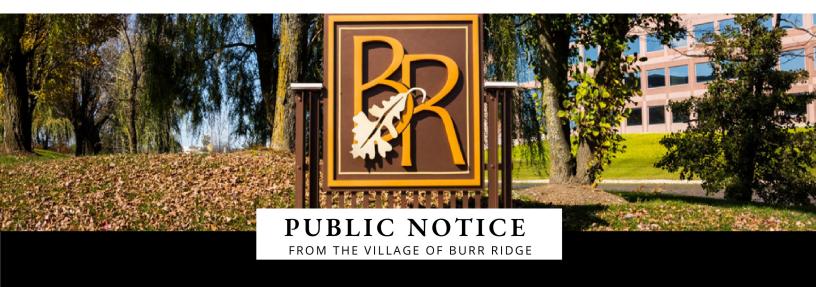
RSVP HERE

Scan here to stay up to date with the latest event info and updates.



Burr-Ridge.gov

ShopBurrRidge.com



SANITARY SEWER EVALUATION PROJECT BEGINS NEXT WEEK

The Village of Burr Ridge has hired a contractor to clean and inspect the sanitary sewer pipes in your neighborhood. We have scheduled this work over the next two weeks from July 25th through August 12th, and only on weekdays between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m.

This two-stage operation first sends nozzles with high-pressure water into each manhole to jet-clean the sewer pipe, then follows with a remotely operated camera to inspect each pipe's integrity. Your sanitary service will not be affected, but you may hear gurgling sounds from your drains and toilets. Please keep all toilet seats down during our work since water could bubble up from the high-pressure pipe cleaning. In addition, please keep floor drains filled with several gallons of water to prevent sewer gas from entering your living spaces.

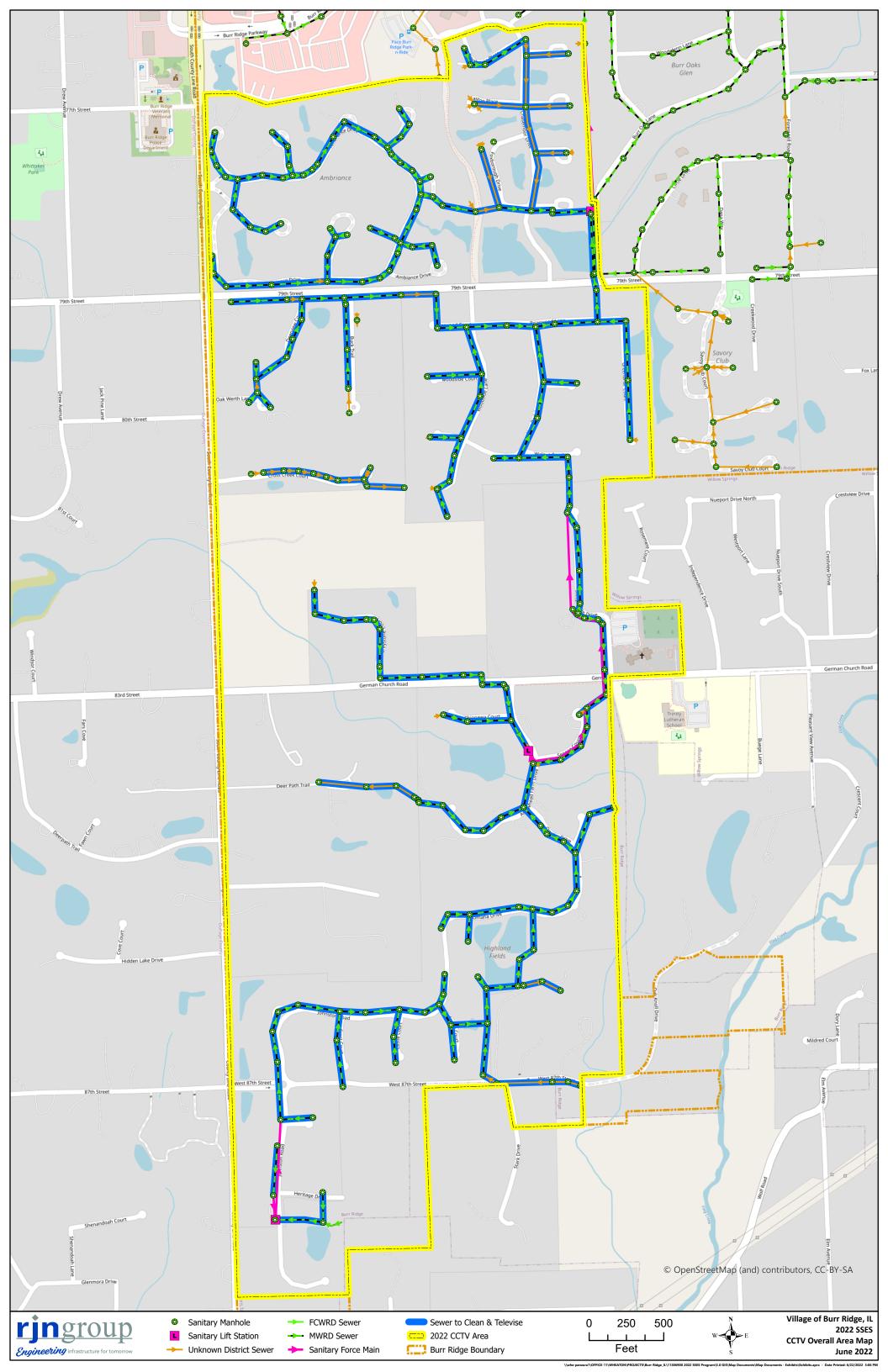
Sewertech LLC will perform this work for the Village and will leave a door hanger at your home before any work on your street. Crews will never need to enter your residence; however, they will need access to any manholes in the rear yards.

This procedure is the first of two projects the Village will use to evaluate the pipes and identify any future repairs needed to maintain a reliable sanitary sewer system for our residents and businesses.

If you encounter problems during this work, please call our project manager at (708) 743-1470.

For questions after-hours or general inquiries about our sewers and infrastructure, please call our Public Works Department at (630) 654-8181.







I. Highlights

June was an exciting and productive month at the Village with summer in full swing! The month began on a strong note with the launch of the new and improved <u>Village Website</u> along with a fresh design and layout of the <u>Annual Oak Leaf</u>. In June, the Burr Ridge channels saw significant increase in metrics, including:

- 56% increase in Facebook Impressions
- 67% increase in Facebook Interactions
- 115% increase in Profile Visits across all channels

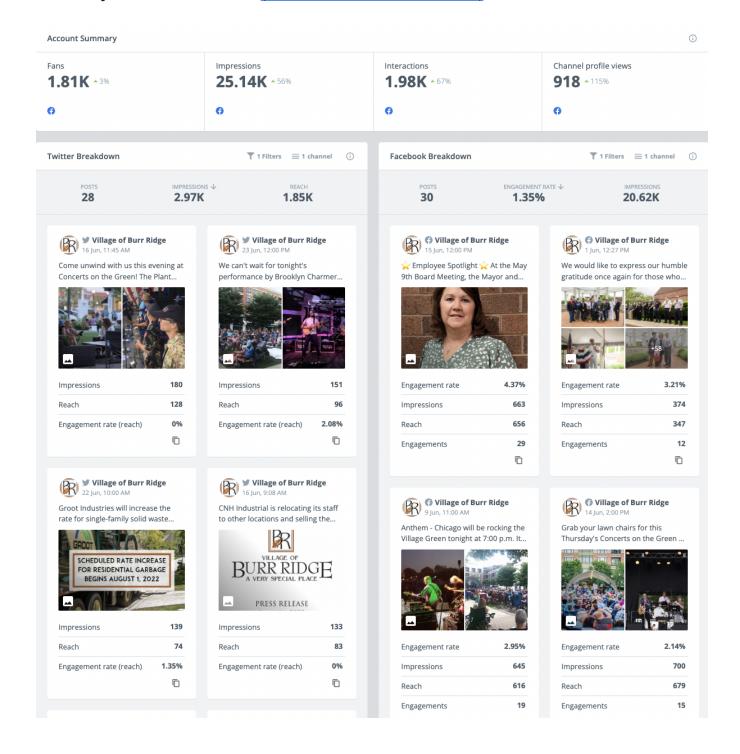
The Village's social posts on Facebook garnered a total of 20.62K Impressions during the month of June. Top performing posts include the employee spotlight featuring Julie Tejkowski's retirement (4.4% Engagement), the Armed Forces Day recap (3.2% Engagement) and content surrounding Concerts on the Green (3.0% Engagement). These engagement rates are very strong, considering the eaverage engagement rate on Facebook is now 0.064%.

Oak Leaf open rates have been consistently above industry average month to month; however, June in particular performed extremely well with an **Open Rate of 60.7%** and **Click Rate of 5.2%**. These averages reflect very impressive as compared to other industry peers, which report that Civic Organizations have an average email open rate of 12.6% and Government Agencies with 28.2%. The average click rate for the public sector is 2.9%. Overall, the Village of Burr Ridge's rates sit well above average and are very impressive in comparison to similar organizations.

With the various thoughtful improvements to current resources and communications platforms rolled out in June, the Village of Burr Ridge was able to show its dedication towards excellence as it pertains to village connectivity and serving its residents and community as a whole.

Please find more detailed social metrics below.

II. Key Social Media Metrics (Sharable Link to View in Detail)



III. June Email Marketing Highlights

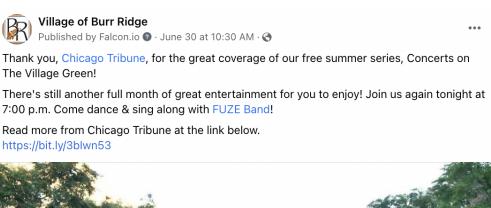
- June Oak Leaf 6/2/2022
 - 60.7% Open Rate
 - 5.2% Click Rate
 - Top Clicks:
 - 1. Annual Oak Leaf in Issu
 - 2. Burr Ridge Facebook Concerts on the Green Pg.
 - 3. New Burr Ridge Website

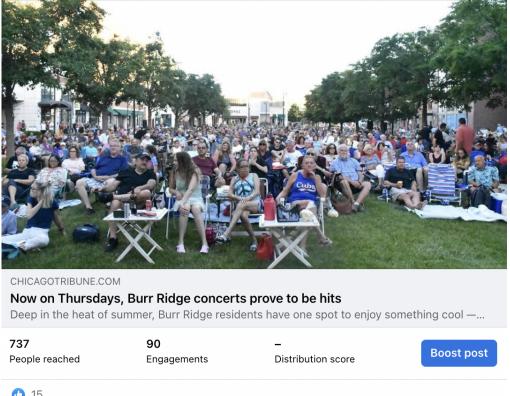
- June ICYMI 6/16/2022
 - o 59.2% Open Rate
 - 5.2% Click Rate
 - Top Clicks:
 - 1. Annual Oak Leaf in Issu
 - 2. Burr Ridge Facebook Concerts on the Green Pg.
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IV. Notable Comments/Media Coverage:

Overall, Concerts on the Village Green has been a big draw on our social platforms, especially with great news coverage by the Chicago Tribune.

- "Deep in the heat of summer, Burr Ridge residents have one spot to enjoy something cool and free: The summer concert series at the Village Center." ~ Chicago Tribune
- "It's outdoors, I love the community and the music is good," ~ Kristine Bisset of Western Springs.



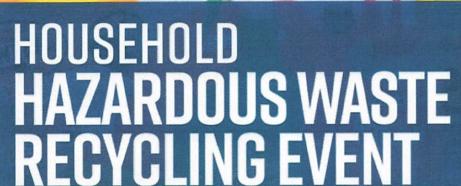


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Presented By: HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

OF ORLAND TOWNSHIP

RESERVATION REQUIRED



This event is FREE to ALL Illinois Residents

SAT. 8/13 4 8AM - 3PM



VICTOR J. ANDREW HIGH SCHOOL: 9001 W. 171ST STREET **TINLEY PARK, IL 60487**

ITEMS ACCEPTED

Aerosol Paints Aerosol Pesticides Antifreeze Cleaning Products Drain Cleaners Fluorescent Bulbs Gasoline Herbicides Hobby Chemicals

Insecticides Lawn Chemicals Mercury Oil-Based Paints Paint Thinners Pesticides Pool Chemicals Solvents Used Motor Oil

ITEMS NOT ACCEPTED

LATEX PAINT*

Acid Batteries Agricultural Waste Ammunition Biological Waste **Business Waste** Cell Phones Commercial Waste Controlled Substances Explosives

Electronics Farm Oil Fire Extinguishers Fireworks Institutional Waste Needles/Sharps Propane Tanks **Smoke Detectors** Tires

In Partnership With:

Household Batteries

IL Environmental Protection Agency School District 230 Village of Orland Hills IL House of Representatives, 28th District IL State Senate, 19th District **Tinley Park Park District** Will County Land Use Department

*Latex Paints are not hazardous and should be dried or absorbed and discarded with the regular trash.

REGISTER ONLINE BY VISITING calendly.com/othd/hhwc22

QUESTIONS/CONCERNS:



CHRISTOPHER B. BURKE ENGINEERING, LTD.

9575 W Higgins Road, Suite 600 Rosemont, Illinois 60018-4920 Tel (847) 823-0500 Fax (847) 823-0520

June 8, 2022

Village of Burr Ridge – Village Hall 7660 County Line Road Burr Ridge, IL 60527

Attention: Village of Burr Ridge Village Manager and Village Clerk

Subject: Notification for Upcoming Removal of Dead Vegetation by ComEd in ComEd

ROW near 8124 Garfield Avenue, Burr Ridge, IL

(ComEd ESD 22-D007)

(CBBEL Project 040532.001514)

To Whom it May Concern:

On behalf of Commonwealth Edison (ComEd) and pursuant to the April 2009 Vegetation Management Agreement (Agreement) between ComEd and the Village of Burr Ridge (Village), Christopher B Burke Engineering, Ltd (CBBEL) is providing notice to the Village that ComEd will be removing deadfall from the ComEd ROW near 8124 Garfield Avenue. The deadfall includes vegetation previously trimmed in 2022 and at least one fallen tree from recent storm events and will be removed as part of "Non-Cyclical Vegetation Management" per the Agreement. This removal was requested by the resident at this location. ComEd will utilize a sub-contractor (Emerald Site Services, Ltd) to enter the ComEd ROW from the north along 81st Street, cut up the deadfall, and haul out the material. This will be accomplished with a tracked piece of equipment, which may require a small amount of buckthorn removal in the ComEd ROW for access.

Attached to this letter is the Emerald Site Services contract as well as photos of the deadfall in the ROW. Please do not hesitate to contact me with questions.

Sincerely,

Darren Olson, PE, D.WRE

Vice President and Assistant Water Resources Department Head

Attachments – Photos and Landscaping Contract

CC: Sara Race - ComEd

Thomas Ringhoffer – ComEd

Resident – 8124 Garfield Avenue, Burr Ridge, IL

John Donahue – Emerald Site Services



Photo 1. Deadfall in ComEd ROW



Photo 2. Dead Tree in ComEd ROW



PROPOSAL

8223 W. Lincoln Highway Frankfort, IL 60423 815-469-7400/815-469-7413 fax (Business Office) 847-833-0467/847-318-9792 fax (Accounting Office)

June 6, 2022

VIA E-MAIL -dolsen@cbbel.com

Mr. Darren Olson Christopher B. Burke Engineering, Ltd. 9575 W. Higgins, Suite 600 Rosemont, IL 60018

RE: 8124 Garfield Avenue (DRA 22-07) Burr Ridge, IL

PHONE: (847) 823-0500

We hereby submit specifications and estimates for: 8124 Garfield Avenue (DRA 22-07)

Emerald Site Services, LLC will provide all labor and material necessary to complete the following:

- 1. Cut up and remove tree and scrub growth piles left by ComEd Vegetation Management Crew.
- 2. Remove additional buckthorns, etc. to access into area from ROW. Haul all material off-site.
- 3. Emerald will access the ROW of off 81st Street to the north.
- 4. 5-man crew with track machine and grapple.

TOTAL \$4,500.00

NOTE: This proposal includes General Terms and Conditions attached herein and constitutes a binding agreement upon acceptance. Quotation is valid for 30 days from date of proposal.

WE PROPOSE, hereby to furnish material and labor - complete in accordance with the above	ve specifications for the sum T	OTAL	\$4,500.00	
Payments Terms: Net 30 Days				
All material is guaranteed to be specified. All work to be completed in a professional manner according to standard practices. Any alteration or deviation from above specifications involving extra costs will be executed only upon written orders and will become an extra charge over and above the estimate. All agreements contingent upon strikes, accidents, or delays beyond our control. Owner to carry fire, tornado, and other necessary Insurance. Our workers are fully covered by Worker's Compensation	Authorized Signature EMERALD SITE SERVICES, LLC			
ACCEPTANCE OF PROPOSAL - The above prices, specifications and conditions are satisfactory and are hereby accepted. You are authorized to do the work as specified. Payment will be made as outlined above. Upon the occurrence of the failure of signatory to pay the amount owed pursuant to the terms of this contract, it shall be considered a default. Upon the occurrence of said default, said indebtedness shall immediately become due and payable in full. In the event of institution of legal proceedings by Emerald Site Services, LLC to enforce any of the terms of this agreement signatory shall be responsible to pay all of Emerald's attorneys' fees and costs including filing costs, deposition costs and opinion witness costs incurred in enforcing the terms of this contract.	Signature: CBBEL REPRESENTATIVE		Date:	



8475 West 53rd Street McCook, IL 60525 Phone: 708/485-0900 Fax: 708/442-0037 www.groot.com

Since 1914

June 7, 2022

Evan Walter Village Administrator Village of Burr Ridge 7660 County Line Road Burr Ridge, IL 60527

Dear Evan:

Please accept this letter concerning the scheduled rate increase for the single-family solid waste collections in the Village of Burr Ridge. Pursuant to Appendix A of the current agreement, the new rates will be effective **August 1, 2022**.

<u>Description</u>	Current Rate	New Rate Effective August 1, 2022	
Single-Family General	\$18.59 per month	\$19.05 per month	
Single-Family Senior Discount	\$17.76 per month	\$18.20 per month	
Top of Drive Service	\$27.43 per month	\$28.12 per month	
Back Door Refuse Service	\$37.20 per month	\$38.13 per month	
Collection of White Goods	\$27.60 per month	\$28.29 per month	

Groot Industries appreciates the continued opportunity to provide these very important collection services to the Village of Burr Ridge. As always, do not hesitate to contact me with any questions concerning this matter.

Sincerely,

Service Locations in Elk Grove Village, Chicago, McCook, West Chicago, Round Lake Park

- Waste Collection
- Recycling Processor
- Dumpster Services
- Document Destruction
- Waste Audits
- Demolition Recycling

National
Waste & Recycling
Association...
Collect. Recycle. Innovate.

Josh Molnar Municipal Manager Groot Industries, Inc. From: IML Conferences

Subject: IML - 109th IML Annual Conference Registration Now Open

Date: Wednesday, June 15, 2022 9:36:04 AM





Thursday - Saturday September 15-17, 2022 Hilton Chicago 720 S. Michigan Avenue

For details, please see conference.iml.org

Reasons to attend IML Annual Conference

- Premier statewide educational event for municipal officials and staff
- Three days of learning and networking with other officials
- Nearly 50 educational sessions with local, regional and national speakers
- An exhibit hall with vendors from across the country



Register today at conference.iml.org.

From: <u>IML Legislation</u>

Subject: Illinois Municipal League Statehouse Briefing - July 18, 2022

Date: Monday, July 18, 2022 11:13:22 AM



July 18, 2022

This week's edition of the *Statehouse Briefing* includes a request for information on lead service line replacement, the launch of the 9-8-8 suicide prevention lifeline, a draft Renewable Energy Access Plan (REAP) from the Illinois Commerce Commission (ICC), a new Illinois Municipal League (IML) resource on recently-enacted law enforcement and crime reduction legislation, an upcoming virtual meeting on electric vehicle infrastructure being hosted by the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) and information about the Governor's Volunteer Service Awards.

Lead Service Line Advisory Board Update

Public Act (P.A.) 102-0613 created the Lead Service Line Replacement and Notification Act. IML's fact sheet on the Act is available via this link. A provision of the law created the Lead Service Line Replacement Advisory Board to provide technical assistance to the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency in implementing the Act. This 28-member Advisory Board includes 10 members who are mayors of the largest municipalities in the state, or their designee, two mayors who are members representing municipalities south of Sangamon County, or their designee, and an IML representative.

The next meeting of the Advisory Board is scheduled for July 27, 2022. Three future meetings are scheduled for November 16, 2022, January 25, 2023, and March 8, 2023. The Advisory Board is tasked with preparing and submitting a report to Governor JB Pritzker and the General Assembly by July 1, 2023, addressing the following topics:

- 1. The sufficiency of various revenue sources to adequately fund replacement of all lead service lines in Illinois:
- 2. The financial burden, if any, on households falling below 150% of the federal poverty limit;
- 3. Revenue options that guarantee low-income households are protected from rate increases;
- 4. An assessment of the ability of community water supplies to assess and collect revenue;
- 5. Variations in financial resources among individual households within a service area; and,
- 6. The protection of low-income households from rate increases.

IML is requesting municipal officials to submit input or data on lead service line replacement efforts in their communities to IML by email at lMLLegislation@iml.org. IML will compile this and other information to share with the Advisory Board at future meetings.

Governor Pritzker Announces Launch of 9-8-8 Suicide Prevention Lifeline

On July 15, Governor Pritzker announced that the Illinois Department of Human Services, in coordination with the federal Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, is expanding Illinois' mental health safety net by launching 9-8-8, a new, nationwide suicide prevention and mental health crisis line. A press release from the Governor's Office announcing the launch of the 9-8-8 suicide prevention lifeline is available via this link.

The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline is now available via a three digit dialing code, 9-8-8, making it

easier for those in crisis to get the help they need. Illinois' six existing 9-8-8 call centers have increased staffing, through both state and federal resources, to ensure that calls are answered adequately.

People in mental health crisis or emotional distress can call or text 9-8-8 to reach the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline. Those who are not in crisis but are seeking treatment options for mental health conditions can visit <u>988hotline.illinois.gov</u> or call 800-662-HELP (4357).

Governor Issues Executive Order Modifying Vaccination Requirements

On July 12, the Governor signed <u>COVID-19 Executive Order (EO) 2022-16 (available via this link)</u>, which modifies previous COVID-19 EOs relating to testing and vaccination requirements for individuals in high-risk settings. Additionally, EO 2022-16 removes emergency medical services and Illinois Department of Public Health licensed emergency medical service vehicles from the definition of "health care facility." <u>A press release from the Governor's Office with additional information on these modifications is available via this link.</u>

IML is posting all of this information and more on our COVID-19 resources page <u>available at iml.org/covid</u>.

ICC Releases Draft Renewable Energy Access Plan

On July 13, the Illinois Commerce Commission (ICC) released a first draft of the statutorily-required Renewable Energy Access Plan (REAP), which opens a 120-day public review and comment period. REAP is a comprehensive plan for supporting the transition to decarbonization and meeting the requirements under law for a clean electricity system.

<u>P.A. 102-0662</u> created the Climate and Equitable Jobs Act, which sets a target of 100% clean energy in Illinois by 2050. ICC is required to open an investigation to develop and adopt a REAP by December 31, 2022. A REAP must prioritize equity throughout the energy transition. <u>ICC issued a press release on the first REAP draft available via this link.</u>

ICC will submit a second REAP draft in the fall, which will serve as a starting point for the investigation that must begin by December 31, 2022. ICC will then open a docketed proceeding and formally adopt an Illinois REAP. ICC will be required to initiate a new investigation to review and update the REAP in 2025, and every two years thereafter.

ICC will be hosting workshops in the coming months to provide stakeholders a forum for providing input on the development of the second draft REAP. <u>More information on REAP is available via this link.</u>

IDOT to Host Virtual Meeting on Statewide Electric Vehicle Infrastructure

The Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) has announced that it will host a virtual public meeting on July 28, at 6:00 p.m., to provide information and receive feedback on the development of the state's National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Plan. Comments received at the meeting will help IDOT in developing a statewide plan to create and support an interconnected network of charging stations along key travel corridors.

The plan is required in order for Illinois to receive an anticipated \$148 million investment in electric vehicle infrastructure as part of the federal Bipartisan Infrastructure Law passed in 2021.

Registration and additional information on the virtual public meeting is available via this link.

The Serve Illinois Commission on Volunteerism and Community Service, in partnership with the Office of the Governor, is accepting applications for the Governor's Volunteer Service Awards. These awards recognize individual volunteers through a statewide award program to highlight the importance of volunteerism and community service. All applications and supporting materials must be turned in no later than August 5. For more information, and to fill out an application, visit the Serve Illinois Commission's website via this link.

If you have questions or need assistance, please contact Jacob Jenkins at <u>jacob.jenkins2@illinois.gov</u> or <u>dhs.serveillinois@illinois.gov</u>.

2022 Law Enforcement Retention and Crime Reduction Legislation

During the 2022 Spring Legislative Session, the Illinois General Assembly passed, and Governor Pritzker enacted, a series of proposals intended to assist with law enforcement recruitment and retention and address increased criminal activity throughout the state. IML has developed an informational resource (available via this link) on these new laws due to the impact they may have on municipal operations, public safety personnel and residents.

IML has compiled additional information on criminal justice and policing reforms on a dedicated webpage: iml.org/policing reforms (available via this link).

Register Today for the 109th IML Annual Conference

IML is returning to the Hilton Chicago for our 109th IML Annual Conference, from September 15-17, 2022. IML is excited to host this conference, with more than 50 educational sessions featuring local, regional and national leaders and more than 100 exhibitors of interest to local governments.

More information about the IML Annual Conference, including links to registration and hotel accommodations, is available on our website at <u>conference.iml.org</u> (<u>available via this link</u>).

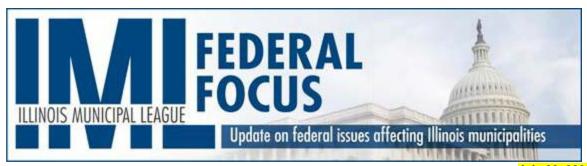
Contact Us

As always, IML staff will continue to monitor any prospective legislative developments and aggressively advocate on behalf of our membership. Should you have any questions, please contact our Legislative Department at (217) 525-1220 or IMLLegislation@iml.org. Thank you.

If you do not wish to receive information from the Illinois Municipal League via email, please reply to this email, include the words "Please remove from list" along with your name, municipality and email address included in the message. If you have updates to your contact information, please submit them similarly. Thank you.

Illinois Municipal League 500 East Capitol Avenue Springfield, IL 62701 IMLLegislation@iml.org 217-525-1220 From: IML Legislation
Subject: IML - Federal Focus

Date: Wednesday, July 20, 2022 2:45:54 PM



July 20, 2022

This month's *Federal Focus* highlights today's hearing before the U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee on protecting communities from mass shootings, White House executive actions on gun violence, an active shooter preparedness webinar, a reminder on American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) disbursements and information from the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) on new funding opportunities, technical assistance resources and proposed rulemaking.

Highland Park Mayor Testifies Before U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee

Highland Park Mayor Nancy Rotering testified today, July 20, before the U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee, Chaired by U.S. Senator Richard J. Durbin (D-IL), on protecting communities from mass shootings. The hearing was in response to the July 4 mass shooting in Highland Park that took the lives of seven people and injured dozens more.

More information on today's hearing, including a video of the hearing, is available via this link.

On July 11, Mayor Rotering and Governor JB Pritzker met with President Joseph R. Biden, Jr., to discuss federal efforts to curb gun violence at an event commemorating the passage of the Safer Communities Act. A copy of President Biden's remarks from the event is available via this link.

White House Executive Actions on Gun Violence

On July 11, the White House released a fact sheet highlighting 21 executive actions taken to reduce gun violence in the United States (available via this link).

On June 23, 2021, the White House announced its Comprehensive Strategy to Prevent and Respond to Gun Crime and Ensure Public Safety (available via this link).

Active Shooter Preparedness Webinar

On August 24, the <u>Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA)</u> is hosting a two-hour webinar, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. CT, to enhance awareness of, and response to, an active

shooter event.

Registration for this webinar is free and is available via this link. Registration is limited and will close at 300 participants, or no later than August 23, 2022, at 11:00 a.m. CT. More information on the topics that will be covered and other resources, is available via this link.

American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Reminder

Under ARPA, non-entitlement units (NEUs) of local government receive ARPA funding disbursements through the State of Illinois. Metropolitan units of government, such as states and counties, receive their funding directly from the U.S. Department of Treasury.

The Illinois Municipal League has been contacted by municipal officials with concerns that they have not yet received their second tranche of funding. It is our understanding that the State of Illinois will be distributing funds to all NEUs later this summer. Individuals with questions or concerns should contact the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (DCEO) or their third-party administrator, Crowe LLP. Questions can be submitted by email to ILARPA@crowe.com or CEO.CURE@illinois.gov.

Additional information from DCEO on NEU disbursements is available via this link.

DOT Announces Reconnecting Communities Pilot Program

On June 30, the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) announced that applications are being accepted for the Reconnecting Communities Pilot (RCP) Program. RCP was created through the 2021 Bipartisan Infrastructure Law as a \$1 billion pilot program to help reconnect communities that were previously cut off from economic opportunities by transportation infrastructure. This could include adapting existing infrastructure, such as building a pedestrian walkway over or under an existing highway, to better connect neighborhoods.

RCP may help support planning efforts that advance projects to a phase where they are more competitive for other sources of funding. Preference will be given to applications from economically-disadvantaged communities, especially communities with projects that are focused on equity and environmental justice.

The RCP Notice of Funding Opportunity is available via this link. Applications are due by October 13, 2022.

Railroad Crossing Elimination Program

The Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) is accepting applications for the Railroad Crossing Elimination Program. \$573 million is available. Eligible projects include:

- Grade separation or closure, including through the use of a bridge, embankment, tunnel or combination thereof;
- Track relocation;
- Improvement or installation of protective devices, signals, signs or other related systems;
- Measures to improve safety related to a separation, closure or track relocation project;
- Other means to improve the safety if related to the mobility of people and goods at highwayrail grade crossings; and/or,
- Planning, environmental review and other preliminary design elements.

The Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) released <u>Circular Letter 2022-19 (available via this link) with additional information</u> on the program. Applications must be submitted to FRA by October 4 through <u>Grants.gov (available via this link)</u>.

DOT Announces Technical Assistance for the Thriving Communities Program (TCP)

The U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) has announced two new technical assistance and capacity building resources to help create a pipeline of diverse and transformative community-driven infrastructure projects designed to drive economic growth.

DOT Navigator is a new one-stop shop to access an array of DOT resources that will provide technical assistance and help grantees navigate the grant application, transportation planning, project delivery, funding and financing and implementation processes. DOT Navigator includes fact sheets and information to help those new to federal grant programs understand the requirements, gain tips for successful applications and better navigate commonly-required processes and terminology. More information on DOT Navigator, along with the ability to provide feedback, is available via this link.

The Thriving Communities Program (TCP) will be launched later this year and will provide technical assistance and capacity building to enable under-resourced communities to identify, develop and deliver transformative transportation projects. DOT is partnering with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), which will provide free technical assistance to improve the coordination of housing and transportation planning. More information on TCP is available via this link.

DOT Announces Proposed Transportation Greenhouse Gas Emission Reduction Framework

On July 7, DOT announced a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) for states and municipalities to track and reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions. The 2021 Bipartisan Infrastructure Law makes

more than \$27 billion in federal funding available for state departments of transportation (State DOT) and Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPO) to meet their declining GHG targets. The proposed rule would take two steps to reduce GHG:

- Establish a national framework for tracking state-by-state progress by adding a new GHG
 performance management measure to existing DOT Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)
 national measures to help states track performance and make more informed investment
 decisions; and.
- Create a flexible system under which State DOTs and MPOs can set their own declining targets for on-road greenhouse gas emissions from roadway travel on the National Highway System.

The proposed rule would require State DOTs and MPOs to report biennially on their progress in meeting the declining targets they establish and require FHWA to assess significant progress toward achieving those targets. The proposed rule has been published in the Federal Register and is available via this link.

DOT Announces Alternative Fuel Corridor Designations

DOT has announced the latest round of Alternative Fuel Designations (available via this link). The 2021 Bipartisan Infrastructure Law established the National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) Formula Program to direct funding to designated electric vehicle (EV) alternative fuel corridors for the national EV charging network.

DOT has announced nearly \$5 billion in funding under the NEVI Formula Program that will help states build out a national EV charging network, along with proposed minimum standards to ensure the national EV charging network is user-friendly, reliable and accessible to all Americans.

More information on Alternative Fuel Corridors, along with a full list of designated corridors by state, can be found on FHWA's Alternative Fuel Corridors webpage, available via this link.

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