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Message From City Manager Erik Tungate

It is no secret that our City has followed a positive trajectory for several years in a row. In addition to the many business expansion projects going on throughout the City, we have maintained our spending levels. We will also see our third straight year of lower taxes. This means we are doing more with less as the need for our services continues to grow.

At the August Primary Election there are two millage renewal proposals on the ballot. The first asks for the *Renewal of Partial Headlee Override Millage for Public Safety Purposes (Police and Firefighters)*, a 1 mill renewal, and the second asks for the *Renewal of a Millage to Fund the Public Safety Retirement System Pursuant to Act 345 of 1937*, not to exceed seven mills for seven years. These help to fund public safety benefits. If approved, neither of these renewal requests will increase taxes.

What is most interesting is that both of these requests are focused on our Public Safety Department at a time when we have proven we can deliver on our promises to you by driving down crime, adding officers, and increasing traffic enforcement detail within our neighborhoods. We pursue unique programs like the Oak Park Public Safety Citizens Academy, a Public Safety ice cream truck detail, and a canine unit. These programs are building stronger ties to the citizens we serve. They are truly making a difference.

We are still greatly impacted by our legacy liabilities, despite our cost-saving measures; growing our tax base by other means than raising residential property taxes; concentrating on economic development and placemaking initiatives; and a list of other measures to grow Oak Park's value as a desired place to live, work and visit. I cannot understate the devastating residual effects of the decrease in state funding, the cumulative loss of property values and taxes from the recessionary periods, and the increasing costs of healthcare and pension liabilities.

If approved by voters, these two millages will allow us to maintain operations and the level of service you have come to expect and enjoy in the last seven years.

Because of community support, we continue to build momentum towards creating the City we all know it can be.

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Congratulations to Robert Koch, the City's new Community Resource Officer. Officer Koch has been with the Department for 15 years serving as Detective and Evidence Technician in previous roles. He comes to the position highly decorated with numerous awards and citations, two of which have been Director's Commendations. He was also named 2017 City Manager Employee of the Year.

After an extensive interview process, his passion for the position and the body of work he has accomplished throughout his tenure with the Department set him apart from some other very qualified and capable candidates.

The City will now have two Community Resource Officers as Officer Koch joins Officer Devin Benson.

With two officers on the beat, the Community Resource Officers will spend more time in the schools interacting with the youth. The ultimate goal of this unit is to build and strengthen relationships while working together with the community to make Oak Park the most desired community to live, work and visit.



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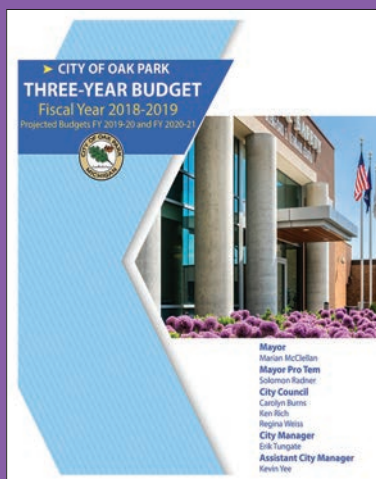
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Council Approves City Manager's Three-Year Budget

SUBSTANTIAL DROPS IN STATE REVENUE SHARING AND LIMITS PLACED ON PROPERTY GROWTH LOOM HEAVY ON ADMINISTRATION WHEN BALANCING THE CITY'S BUDGET



City Council approved the City Manager's Three-Year Budget that takes effect July 1.

"Modeling a three-year budget gives us time to realize changes and savings that we would not otherwise be able to see," said City Manager Erik Tungate. A three-year budget includes the fiscal year 2018-2019, but also the projected budgets for 2019-2020 and 2020-2021. This year's budget keeps costs in line and indicates that revenue is outpacing our conservatively budgeted approach.

City Manager Tungate said the task of balancing the budget is difficult under the current economic climate. The City has lost approximately \$23 million in revenue sharing since 2002 from the State of Michigan causing a considerable cumulative decrease in revenue over the years (and, we are not alone, \$8.2 billion in taxpayer money has been taken away from municipalities statewide, according to the Michigan Municipal League, June 2018). The State of Michigan continues its reign as the state with the least assistance to its communities in providing repair, maintaining streets, bridges, water and sewer. Legacy costs, in the form of retiree healthcare and pension obligation costs, are increasing at more than the rate of inflation.

"The cumulative effect of costs rising at a rate higher than we are gaining revenue means that it is becoming increasingly difficult to keep up with these obligations while continuing to provide the same level of services," reports City Manager Tungate.

Combine this with the fact that the City is still recovering from the Great Recession when we lost 40 percent of our total taxable value. This is made more difficult when you consider that the Headlee Amendment and Proposal A limit the growth of taxable value on existing property in a manner that tax revenues lost during recessionary times will not be gained back in the near future and can only be spread over decades.

Therein lies the challenge and weeks upon weeks of careful and considerate strategic and financial planning for the City Manager, City Council and the City's Finance Department with input from the various departments and affected personnel. The result - this year's approved budget - incorporates many fiscally sound decisions in order to maintain a balanced budget. To do so, the City will deploy a cost savings with a city-wide hiring freeze; departments will reduce their budgets by five percent over already frugal planning; and efficiencies in healthcare benefits for retirees and active employees have been made. All this is an effort to avoid State oversight of the retirement system under Public Act 202, formally known as Protecting Local Government Retirement and Benefits Act 202 of 2017, and to thwart the risk of financial insolvency over the long term.

On the flip side, our Economic Development efforts are paying off. The attraction of new businesses and prospects have gained impressive momentum. The City was recently certified as the state's 23rd Redevelopment Ready Community® by the Michigan Economic Development Corporation. A municipality with this prestigious designation is recognized in the business



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community as having a vision for the future and the fundamental practices in place to retain and attract new investors, new businesses and new residents through efficient processes and best practices. This, in turn, will increase the revenue stream.

General Fund Revenues are projected to increase in the coming year as we are experiencing an incremental increase in tax revenue. Capital projects, mostly funded with grants, grant matches and reimbursement programs, will be vital to Oak Park's continued rebirth and progressive revitalization.

A water and sewer rate increase recommended by outside consultants will help to properly maintain the City's infrastructure. And, the City's undesignated fund balance, also referred to as the rainy day fund, remains at a healthy level. These funds help to ensure that the City has the neces-

sary funds to sustain through unforeseen emergencies or shortfalls.

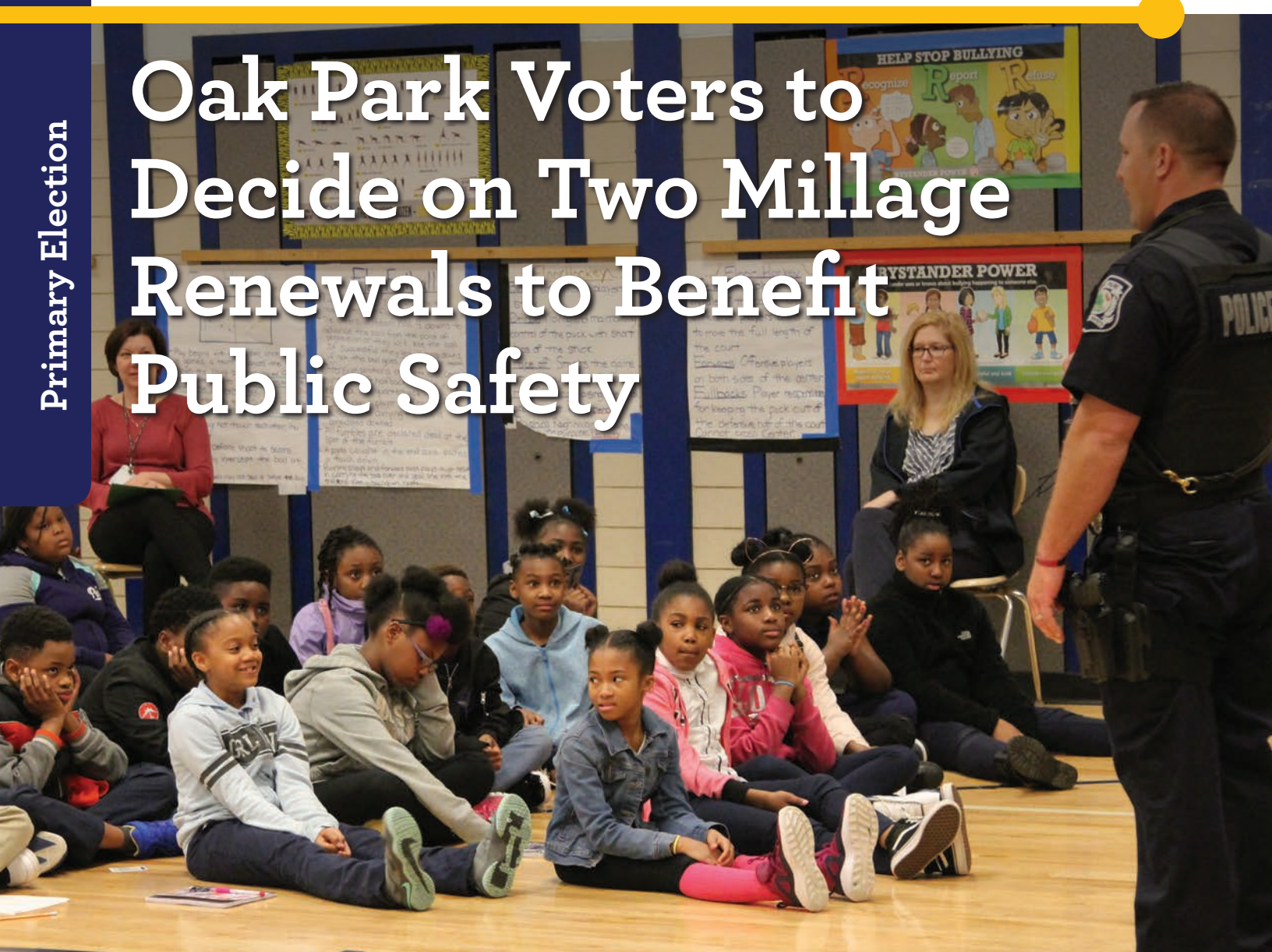
With its budget constraints in mind, the City is asking voters to consider two millage renewal proposals at the August Primary Election, the Public Safety Retirement System Pursuant to Act 345 of 1937 and the Renewal of a Partial Headlee Override Millage for Public Safety Purposes. The former is used to fund the Public Safety retirement system, while the latter supports the police and firefighting operations and equipment. Both items will be on the ballots for the August 7 Primary Election. It's important to

mention, these are renewals to maintain operations at the current level and they are not tax increases.

“Based on the City's financial policies, the Capital Improvement Plan, City Council's goals, and my comprehensive review of operations, this balanced budget reflects a reasonable approach to meeting our most critical needs while continuing to position the City for long-term financial stability,” said City Manager Tungate. “I continue to work diligently with my team to lay a sustainable foundation for the future by finding operational cost savings and a lower overall tax rate.”

To view a copy of the City Manager's Three-Year Budget, visit <http://bit.ly/OPBudget2018>. To view City Manager Erik Tungate's Budget Presentation to City Council on May 16, visit <http://bit.ly/OPBudgetOverview>; presentation begins at 11 minutes in.

Oak Park Voters to Decide on Two Millage Renewals to Benefit Public Safety



These are
both millage
renewals.
They will
NOT increase
your taxes.

What are they?

Renewal of a Millage to Fund the Public Safety Retirement System Pursuant to Act 345 of 1937 (Police and Firefighters)

The millage renewal will not exceed 7 mills for a period of seven years. Revenue received is restricted to funding long-term Public Safety retirement benefits (public safety pension and retiree healthcare), pursuant to Public Act 345 of 1937.

In 2012, due to harsh budget constraints, the City was forced to lay off 15 officers. Because the voters passed the Public Act 345 millage in 2012, the City has been able to bring back many of those officers through the years. If the millage renewal does NOT pass, the City will be forced to make difficult budget cuts across City departments in order to fund these growing retirement costs, including possible layoffs in Public Safety.

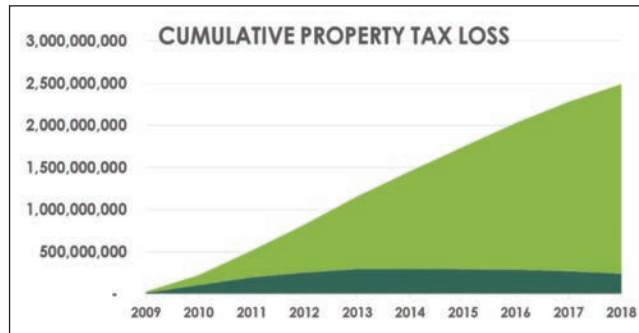
Renewal of Partial Headlee Override Millage for Public Safety Purposes (Police and Firefighters)

Revenues from this millage are available for the purpose of funding the Public Safety Department's personnel, equipment and operations. In 2008, residents approved a ten-year millage levy of 1 mill to support Public Safety operations. This millage has helped the City make meaningful investments in Public Safety over the years.

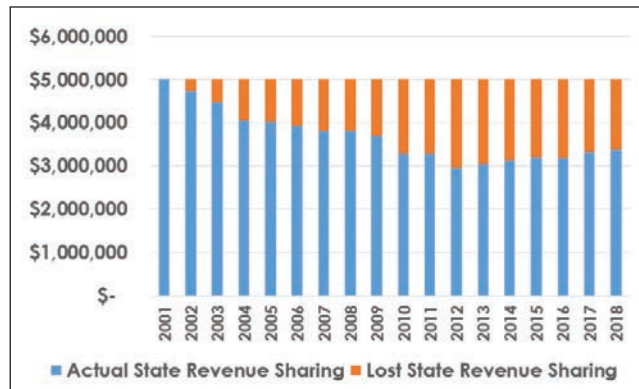
Why are both millage renewals important?

During the Great Recession, the City's taxable value experienced a significant decline. At the lowest point, the City's taxable value experienced a 40% decrease compared to pre-recession values. Although property market values are beginning to rise, the State of Michigan limits the amount of annual revenue growth

realized by a municipality. Therefore, when the City's total taxable value dropped so did the amount of revenue it receives from one mill. The value of one mill has dropped significantly, from \$728,000 in 2009 to \$479,000 in 2018. Due to the statutory restrictions in tax revenue growth imposed by the State, the City projects that the taxable value will not return to pre-recession values until the year 2034.



The City has experienced additional revenue loss by way of State Revenue Sharing, which began decreasing in 2002 and has never returned to comparable levels. Since 2002, the City **lost over \$23 million** in revenue sharing from the State.



What steps has the City already taken?

While the City struggled to find new sources of revenue to make up for this loss, they also faced other challenges. The costs associated with long-term liabilities, including pensions and retiree healthcare are rising faster than revenue. The City has taken many steps over the years to strategically cut costs while continuing to offer residents the amenities and services they are accustomed to. Some of the efforts the City has already taken to control costs are:

- Proactively refinanced debt to lower the City's interest rate; resulting in lower taxes for residents
- Employees who receive pensions must now contribute to their retirement costs; those amounts have increased over the past several years.
- Eliminated pensions to general City employees
- Eliminated retiree healthcare to new employees
- Continuously apply for grants to do more with less City funding
- Solicit sponsors of events and programs to offset or completely cover City costs (Public Safety Ice Cream Truck, Recreation and Library events and programs, and the Façade Improvement Program, etc.)
- Reduced healthcare costs by increasing co-pays, transitioned to a self-funded healthcare system (pay-as-you-go), and future costs will be passed onto the employees



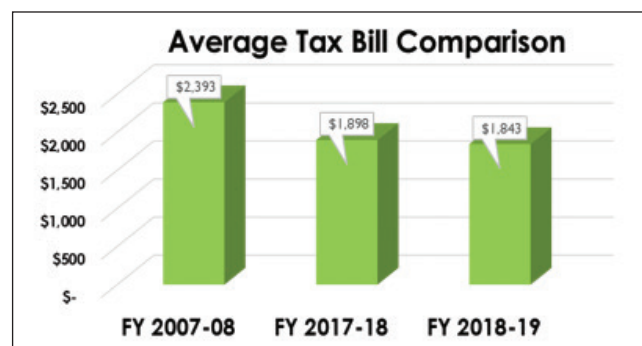
- Cut General Operating Costs by reducing costs by 5% in the 2018-2019 Budget
- Created an Economic Development Department to grow the City's tax base
- Partnered with neighboring communities to cut costs and realize efficiencies
- Efficient project management and oversight to ensure project overruns do not happen

What does it mean for you?

These are both millage renewals. They will NOT increase your taxes. Total mills have decreased more than 2% over the last three years, resulting in lower tax bills every year.

Before the Great Recession, during which time taxable values plummeted and before residents were paying for either of these millages, taxes were actually higher!

The average homeowner in the Oak Park School District paid \$2,393 in taxes in 2008. This year the average homeowner in the Oak Park School District paid \$1,898. Even if these millage renewals are passed, residents will actually see a decrease in their City taxes due to statutory millage rollbacks, putting the bill for the average homeowner to \$1,846.



PRIMARY ELECTION

Are You Registered to Vote?

As of June 9, there were 7,370,259 voters registered to vote in the State of Michigan

Are you one of them? To ensure that you can make your vote count in the upcoming election, verify your voter status at Michigan Secretary of State's website at <http://www.michigan.gov/vote>.

To register to vote, you must be a citizen of the United States; a resident of the State of Michigan and the city or township where you wish to vote; and at least 18-years-old by Election Day, August 7. Oak Park residents can register to vote or change their address at the City Clerk's Office, any Secretary of State branch, or online at www.michigan.gov/vote.

What's on the ballot?

This Primary Election, voters will have the opportunity to nominate candidates for Governor, U.S. Congress, State Legislature and County Commissioner; elect delegates to county party convention; and vote on the following proposals:

- City of Oak Park's Renewal of Partial Headlee Override Millage for Public Safety Purposes (Police and Firefighters)
- City of Oak Park's Renewal of a Millage to Fund the Public Safety Retirement System Pursuant to Act 345 of 1937
- Oakland County's Public Transportation Millage Renewal
- Berkley School District's Sinking Fund Millage Proposal (Precincts 1, 2, 3 only)

Sample ballots are available on the City website <http://bit.ly/OPVoterInfo>, at the City Clerk's office, or at the Oak Park Library's circulation desk.

Are you qualified to vote absentee?

A registered voter can obtain an Absent Voter Ballot if he or she is:

- 60 years of age or older;
- Physically unable to attend the polls without assistance;
- Appointed an election inspector in a precinct other than the precinct where the elector resides;
- Expects to be absent from the community on election day;
- Cannot attend the polls due to religious tenants; or
- Cannot attend polls due to confinement to jail while awaiting arraignment or trial.

To vote absentee, an Absent Vote Ballot application must be filed in advance of each election. To learn about the Absent Voter Ballot process, visit <http://bit.ly/OPAbsentee>.

Polling location change

Precinct 1 Polling Location Will Change for the August 7 Primary Election. Precinct 1 voters who normally vote at Avery Center will vote at Norup International for the upcoming Primary Election on August 7. This is a temporary change that will only apply to the Primary Election. If you are unsure of your precinct,

**MICHIGAN PRIMARY
ELECTION TUESDAY,
AUGUST 7**

**POLLS OPEN FROM
7 a.m. to 8 p.m.**

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE
IS MONDAY, JULY 9**

call the City Clerk's office at (248) 691-7544. Polling locations in Oak Park are:

Precinct 1, 2 and 3

Norup International School
14450 Manhattan Street

Precinct 4

Pepper Elementary School
24301 Church St.

Precinct 5 and 6

Oak Park Community Center
14300 Oak Park Blvd.

Precinct 7 and 8

Oak Park High School
13701 Oak Park Blvd.

Precincts 9 and 10

Einstein Elementary School
14001 Northend Avenue

Precinct 11

Oak Park Alternative
Education Center (Lessenger)
12901 Albany St.

Precinct 12 and 13

Oak Park Preparatory Academy
23261 Scotia Rd.

Precinct 14

John F. Kennedy School
24220 Rosewood St.

Precincts 15 and 16

CASA (Jackson Center)
23561 Rosewood St.

Learn more

- On the City's website at <http://bit.ly/OPVoterInfo>.
- On the State's website at <http://www.michigan.gov/vote>.
- By visiting the City Clerk's office at **Oak Park City Hall
14000 Oak Park Blvd.
(248) 691-7544**

DATES TO REMEMBER

- **Monday, July 9:** Deadline to register to vote.
- **Saturday, August 4, by 2 p.m.:** Last day to request an Absent Voter Ballot by mail. City Clerk's Office open from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- **Monday, August 6, by 4 p.m.:** Last day to request an Absent Voter Ballot in-person.
- **Tuesday, August 7:** Primary Election polls are open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

City's Economic Development Efforts are Paying Off

OAK PARK ATTRACTS BORDRIN'S WORLD-CLASS NORTH AMERICAN HEADQUARTERS

The City of Oak Park is excited to announce the arrival of a new international company from China. Bordrin Motor Corporation is an electric vehicle manufacturer with four locations worldwide. Bordrin recently relocated to a site on 11 Mile Road by opening a new, larger research and development center in the City. Specializing in new energy vehicle development, Bordrin's North America headquarters will serve as home to more than 110 employees. Bordrin's U.S. team will focus on the development of new platforms with world-class lightweight body design, vehicle dynamics, and highly efficient powertrain systems. The project is expected to generate a total capital investment of \$3.4 million and create 62 new jobs, resulting in a \$496,000 Michigan Business Development Program performance-based grant.

"We are excited to locate our North American Technical Center in Michigan to help us incorporate world-class technical leadership into our team and future products," said Jerry Lavine, Bordrin President, North America and Chief Technology Officer.

"We are thrilled that Bordrin has chosen Oak Park as the location for their North American headquarters to house an impressive research and development team of international experts working on the future of electric vehicles," said Oak Park City Manager Erik Tungate. "Their ability to create sustainable next-generation mobility products and services is a

perfect fit for Oak Park's progressive vision for sustainable future growth."

OAK PARK RECEIVES REDEVELOPMENT READY COMMUNITY® CERTIFICATION BY THE MICHIGAN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Designation facilitates private investment and improves economic development opportunities

Oak Park is dedicated to Michigan Economic Development Corporation's Redevelopment Ready Community® Program which provides the framework for a solid foundation to attract private investment and further build on municipality assets. The City was recently awarded Redevelopment Ready Communities® (RRC) certification, from the Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC).

The MEDC presented the award in recognition of the City's new designation at a reception on Monday, June 4, at the Randolph Tool Building, located at 14661 11 Mile Road in Oak Park. Oak Park joins 22 other communities that have qualified as "thoroughly prepared" when it comes to planning and zoning along with other key features that remove traditional barriers and promote opportunities for prospective investors.

"Our mission at MEDC is to empower communities so they can proactively shape their future; a future built on a solid foundation of retaining and attracting business investment and talent," said MEDC Senior Vice President of Community Development Katharine Czarnecki. "We look forward to building upon

our relationship with the City and supporting them in their local efforts."

As an RRC participant, Oak Park received a comprehensive assessment that measures current community and economic development practices and compares them to RRC best practice standards. Further, the program evaluates and certifies communities that integrate transparency,

predictability and efficiency into economic development practices. Certification status provides a compelling sign that a community has removed development barriers and streamlined processes to be more competitive and attractive to investors. An added benefit to the City is additional resources from the MEDC and access to grants that can be used to attract additional businesses into Oak Park.

"Like a handful of other inner ring suburbs, Oak Park is experiencing a revitalization, in part, because of its commitment to planning, pro-active zoning and community engagement," said Mayor Marian McClellan. "The best practices provided through the Redevelopment Ready Communities® program have promoted economic development and renewed interest in our community as a great place for investment and an exciting place for families to grow."

The City moved swiftly to complete certification requirements, completing all of the recommended changes from the report in a short ten months.

"Working alongside our partners at the MEDC, I'm proud of the great work our Economic Development team has done under the leadership of Kimberly Marrone," Tungate said. "This certification is an asset we plan to utilize to continue the tremendous momentum we're building in the areas of business attraction and retention throughout the City."

Foot Locker, Lady Footlocker and Footaction to re-open in Oak Park

Schostak will develop an approximate 12,000-square-foot retail center on a vacant lot off Greenfield Road, north of 8 Mile. The shopping center will house three retailers all under the same flagship: Foot Locker, Lady Footlocker and Footaction. The retailer has traditionally performed well in this market area and once Northland Mall closed they have been trying to find the right location to re-open.

"We are excited to see yet another development begin on the prior Detroit Artillery Armory site," said Kimberly Marrone, Director of Economic Development and Communications. The construction plans are being finalized with work to commence soon.





CITY COUNCIL APPROVES Water and Sewer Rate Increase

Setting water and sewer rates is a deliberate, annual process that includes several steps, according to Plante Moran, Michigan's largest government auditor. You define the objectives; understand your operating costs and what drives them; consider other cash outflows, establish adequate reserves, and develop a multi-year tool.

It's not enough to take into consideration the actual cost of operations, maintenance, administration and water and sewage treatment, you have to plan for what drives the cost. For example, the more variation a municipality experiences in consumption, the greater the need to maintain adequate reserves to cover fixed costs if consumption at some point surpasses expectations.



Debt service principal payments and projected capital improvement outlays come into play, as well. Equipment, vehicles and infrastructure projects are planned to ensure that funds are available when a purchase is required. The plan should provide for budgeted expenditures, as well as for unforeseen emergencies.

To obtain and substantiate the proper rate structure, the City of Oak Park hired Plante Moran in 2015 to conduct a study. The study recommended a 7% combined rate increase for three years ending fiscal year 2018-2019. During that time, City Council only passed on half the recommended increase. But, available funds are now tight for the fiscal year 2018-2019 budget. City Council approved the following rate increases in order to fully prepare for the costs in fiscal year 2018-2019:

- A change in the water rate from \$40.10 to \$41.70 per thousand cubic feet
- A change in the sewer rate from \$79.70 to \$95.80 per thousand cubic feet

"Unfortunately, the City can no longer incur these costs as we have to maintain a healthy fund balance to safeguard against catastrophic events and to maintain our aging water and sewer systems," said Kevin VanDeWalle, Water Supervisor. "Nobody enjoys raising rates."

"I'm sure there are people at home that are less than thrilled when they hear what's going to happen," said Mayor Pro Tem Solomon

Radner reminding that the Mayor and City Council are residents of Oak Park who will also experience the same rate increase.

"We won't have a choice but to share that cost with our own residents," said City Council Member Carolyn Burns. "Prices have gone up over time and we've just never passed the cost on to the residents."

"I think utility rates are going to continue to go up. If someone tells you they can fix it, they are selling you a bill of goods," added Mayor Marian McClellan. "Utility rates and, in particular, water rates are going to continue to go up and we need to plan on it... Nobody is happy to bring this on."

City Council Member Regina Weiss cautioned that if Council were to continue to kick the can down the road and keep putting off appropriate rate increases, the residents would eventually have to pay more in financing costs.

"We are presented now with a situation where we have no choice. We have to raise these rates," said City Council Member Ken Rich.

For more information on the City's Water and Sewer Rates, visit the City's website at <http://bit.ly/OPWaterSewer>. To watch the Water and Sewer Rate Presentation made at the June 18 City Council meeting, visit the City's YouTube channel @CityOfOakPark.

OAK PARK OFFERS

Finance Options for Sidewalk Repair

Sidewalk repair programs have many benefits to the homeowner

and the City alike. The City recognizes that not all homeowners are in a situation where funds are readily available when sidewalks warrant repair.

To address this concern, City Council has approved finance options that assist residents with expenses. They are:

- **For invoices up to \$1,000** – The City will adhere to current payment terms in which property owners have until the end of August 2019 to pay the invoice.
- **For invoices between \$1,000 and \$2,000** – The City will establish a Special Assessment District that offers two-year financing at a 6% interest rate.
- **For invoices over \$2,000** – The City will establish a Special Assessment District that offers three-year financing at a 6% interest rate.

“We are very pleased that City Council recommended and approved the Special Assessment District to minimize hardship to residents,” said Robert Barrett, Director of Technical and Planning.

The need

Communities have the responsibility to provide safe, accessible and well-maintained sidewalks. Community investment enhances public health and maximizes social capital. It follows best practices and reduces lawsuits and liability, as well.

With today's trend away from the reliance on travel by car, more emphasis is being placed on creating spaces where people walk, bike and participate in outdoor activities. Urban neighborhoods where residents primarily walk are deemed more economically vibrant, safe, welcoming and also more expensive than suburban counterparts. To the average

homeowner, this can translate into higher property values.

The process

The City earmarks manageable sections of the City's map for inspection every other year. To view the City's Sidewalk Repair Program Map, visit <http://bit.ly/OPSidewalkRepairMap>. The City is currently inspecting the area north of Ten Mile, south of Lincoln, east of Greenfield, and west of Coolidge. Next they will inspect the area north of Oak Park Blvd., south of Ten Mile Road, east of Scotia Road and west of Sherman. The City is also obligated to inspect areas in which complaints have been filed. Additionally, the City performs what is known as a Sidewalk Gap Program where sidewalks are constructed in areas where there is no sidewalk.

Inspectors look for such things as grade differences between your service walk and the sidewalk, damage caused by trees or utility structures, raised or settled sidewalks, cracked slabs, spalling or scaling concrete, cross slopes and holes or chips to surfaces. They also look for areas where water is retained or slopes appear.

Any items flagged by the City that are caused by a City utility structure will be replaced at the City's expense.

A homeowner whose property has been flagged will be notified by the City's Engineering Department and provided with options on how to proceed with repairs. Homeowners are provided three options. They can allow the City's contractors to replace the sidewalk as part of this program, hire their own contractor, or perform the work themselves. All options must be completed to meet City standards and specifications.

The City's contract price is substantially less than market price due to economies of scale. The City of Oak Park does not make any money off the Sidewalk Repair Program and there are no administrative mark-up fees.

For more information on the Sidewalk Repair Program, please visit <http://bit.ly/OPSidewalkReplacement>, or call the City's Engineering Division at (248) 691-7580. For information on financing options, or payment deadlines, contact the City's Finance Department at (248) 691-7545.





UPCOMING EVENTS

SUMMER READING PROGRAM IS GOING TO ROCK THIS YEAR!
Enroll Now!

Program Ends, Tues., July 31

Come into the Oak Park Library to collect your materials for our Libraries Rock! Once registered, you may begin reading right away.

July 31 is the last day we will be accepting your completed Summer Reading Program logs. We'll be giving away three Kindles, one for adults, one for teens, and one for kids. For more details, call (248) 691-7480.

STEAM: GENERATION MAKERSPACE
Featuring 3 Doodler

Weds., July 11, at 4:30 p.m. | Age: All | FREE

We are combining one of our favorite activities, STEAM's 3 Doodler, with our Summer Reading Program. Come join us at 4:30 p.m. to draw 3D creations in thin air. You'll be amazed.

OAKLAND COUNTY PARK INFLATABLES
Mon., July 16, at 2 to 4 p.m. | Age: All | FREE
Don't forget your socks!

Who doesn't like to play on the inflatables! We'll have plenty of opportunity to jump, crawl, and slide during Oakland County Park's Inflatable Day. All participants must be wearing socks.



BLACK AND WHITE: LIKE YOU AND ME: PARALLEL LINES SOMETIMES INTERSECT
Mon., Aug. 13, at 6:30 p.m. | Age: All | FREE

Authors Tom Daniels and Thomas "Cookie" Marsh will make an appearance at the Oak Park Library to share their story of growing up in the 1950s and 1960s in Detroit during the riots. Learn about their perspective on how "the things that are truly important are actually black and white, like you and me" the topic of the book they co-wrote.

LIBRARY CLASSES

ADULT COMPUTER CLASSES

Every Mon. from 9 to 10 a.m. | Age: Adult | FREE

Come explore the basics of using a computer, including mouse skills, setting up an email address, using search engines, and other topics as requested. No experience necessary. (No class on Sept. 4, Labor Day)

DROP-IN PROGRAMS

MONDAY MOVIE NIGHT

Third Mon. from 5:30 to 7:45 p.m.

Age: All | FREE

Join us on Monday Movie Night at the Oak Park Library and watch G-rated or PG-rated movies on our big screen. Our movies are a great excuse to spend quality time with the family.

July 16 – A Wrinkle in Time, PG-Rated, 110 min.

Aug. 20 – Matilda, PG-Rated, 102 min.

Sept. 10 – Jungle Book, PG-Rated, 110 min. (Special Date)



IT'S STORY TIME

Every Tues., 10:30 to 11:05 a.m.

Ages: 2-6. Children must be accompanied by an adult | FREE

Story time at Oak Park Library is a drop-in program for parents with children under the age of six. Story Time develops listening, literacy, and pre-reading skills while exposing children to letters, numbers, shapes, colors, animals, and more. Participants read, sing, dance, move and play. (No Story Time July 3, the month of August or Sept. 4)

ADULT COLORING CLUB

Every Tues., 6 to 7:30 p.m. | Age: Adult | FREE

When focusing on coloring as an art form, worries wash away. Coloring generates wellness, solitude and stimulates areas of the brain that involve motor skills, the senses, and creativity. We supply coloring sheets, coloring pencils, and gel pens. (No Coloring Club on July 3 or Sept. 4)

TOURNAMENT TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS

Every Tues and Thurs., 6 to 7:45 p.m. | Ages: Youth and Adult | FREE

If you're a tabletop gamer who enjoys the competitive gaming experience, join us on Tournament Tuesdays and Thursdays. Players of all skill levels are welcome. Some games commonly played during Tournament Tuesdays include Force of Will, Magic: the Gathering, Yu-Gi-Oh!, and other collectible card games.

BOOK CLUB

Join us for lively literature discussions in Room 4 of the Oak Park Community Center on the first Wednesday of the month, from 6 to 8 p.m. As always, the Book Club welcomes new members! Age: All | Free | NO BOOK CLUB IN JULY

The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness by Michelle Alexander | Wed., Aug. 1, from 6 to 8 p.m.

The New Jim Crow was on the New York Times bestseller list for more than a year. It has been noted, that this book has led to the consciousness-raising efforts at universities, churches, community centers, prisons, and more, nationwide.

The Store by James Patterson | Wed., Sept. 5, from 6 to 8 p.m.

Imagine a future of unparalleled convenience. What would that be like? The Store is a powerful retailer known for its watchful eye. Jacob is on a mission to publish his expose before the truth dies with him.

UPCOMING EVENTS

2018 SUMMER PROPERTY TAXES LEVIED Sun., July 1

FOURTH OF JULY | Wed., July 4

City Offices Closed on Wed., July 4
Oak Park Library Closed on Wed., July 4
Trash Collection Delayed One Day This Week

ELECTION DATES TO REMEMBER

Mon., July 9

Voter Registration Deadline for August Primary Election

Sat., August 4, by 2 p.m.

Last Day to Request an Absent Voter Ballot by Mail

Mon, August 6, by 4 p.m.

Last Day to Request an Absent Voter Ballot In-Person

Tues., August 7

Primary Election Polls are Open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

OAK PARK FARMER'S MARKET PRESENTED BY HUMANA, INC. Every Weds., July 18 to Sept. 26 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. | City Hall Grounds

We are proud to bring farm-fresh produce to the community every Wednesday, from July 18 to September 26, on the grounds between the Oak Park City Hall and the Oak Park Library. The



market is designed to provide producer-only market goods from fresh vegetables and fruits to baked goods and spices. There will be live entertainment, cooking demonstrations, fitness and wellness materials, exhibits, and weekly blood pressure checks available. Select vendors will be able to accept double-up food bucks, or DUF; electronic food bucks, or EBT; women, infant and children approved, or WIC; and Senior Project FRESH/Market

FRESH coupons. This exciting Farmer's Market is made possible through our generous sponsor, Humana Inc., and the educational efforts of Beaumont Hospital.

NOMINATION DEADLINE FOR BEAUTIFICATION AWARDS Fri., July 20 by 4 p.m.

The Beautification Advisory Commission hosts their annual Beautification Awards Ceremony in October to honor those within the community that maintain their lawns and groom their properties. To have a chance at receiving an award, participants must be nominated by a resident or property owner by July 20, at 4 p.m. Residents can nominate their own homes, as well as those of their neighbors, friends or complete strangers. To nominate a property, call the Department of Public Works at (248) 691-7497. For more information, visit <http://bit.ly/BACAwardNominations>.



FREE GARAGE SALE WEEKENDS Thurs. to Sun., July 26 to July 29 Thurs. to Sun., Aug. 23 to Aug. 26 Thurs. to Sun., Sept. 27 to Sept. 30

City Council authorizes "Free Garage Sale Weekends" in the City of Oak Park once a month from April to September. Permits and permit fees are waived during Free Garage Sale Weekends. All other rules of operation and sign regulations still apply during free garage sale weekends. For more information, contact the City Clerk's Office at (248) 691-7544.

PARK-IT FAMILY FUN NIGHTS Tues., Aug. 7

David H. Shepherd Park

Event Starts at 6 p.m.

Live Music at 6:30 p.m. – Momford and Sons
Movie begins at 8:20 p.m. - Coco

Join us for Movies Under the Stars, Park-It style with live entertainment, plenty of activities for the whole family to enjoy, a movie in the park and entertainment by Momford & Sons. This event is a Park-It event presented by Farm Bureau Insurance and MetroPCS. Call (248) 691-7555 or more information.

LABOR DAY | Mon., Sept. 3

City Offices Closed on Mon., Sept. 3

Oak Park Library Closed on Sun., Sept. 2 and Mon. Sept. 3

City Council Meeting Rescheduled to Tues., Sept. 4, at 7 p.m.

Trash Collection Delayed One Day This Week

LAST DAY TO PAY 2018 SUMMER PROPERTY TAXES WITHOUT PENALTY Tues., Sept. 4

HAUL YOUR OWN JUNK AWAY Fri., Sept. 14 to Sun., Sept. 16

2018 SUMMER PROPERTY TAX DEFERMENT APPLICATIONS DUE Sat. Sept. 15

SUMMER DAY CAMP AND LATCHKEY PROGRAMS

JUNE 18 TO AUGUST 10

DISCLAIMER: Enrollment is on a first come, first serve basis. Fees must be paid in advance. We no longer take deposits. Latchkey participants must be enrolled in Summer Day Camp or Tot Lot Day Camp to be enrolled in Latchkey program.



TOT LOT AND SUMMER DAY CAMP

AGES: Tot Lot Day Camp, age 5 to 6.
Summer Day Camp, ages 7 to 12.

FULL WEEK (Five Days):

Mon. to Fri., from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
\$120 per week, Resident
\$130 per week, Non-Resident

SPECIAL WEEK

(Four Days, Not Open 7/4):

July 2 to 3 and July 5 to 6
9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
\$96 per week, Resident
\$104 per week, Non-Resident

LATCHKEY

AGES: Tot Lot Day Camp, age 5 to 12.

A.M. LATCHKEY: 7:30 a.m. to 9 a.m.

FULL WEEK (Five Days)

Mon. to Fri. \$30/week

SPECIAL WEEK (Four Days, Not Open 7/4)

July 2 to 3 and July 5 to 6. \$24/week

P.M. LATCHKEY: 4 to 6 p.m.

FULL WEEK (Five Days)

Mon. to Fri. \$35/week

SPECIAL WEEK (Four Days, Not Open 7/4)

July 2 to 3 and July 5 to 6. \$28/week

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Call Oak Park Recreation at (248) 691-7555.

FREE ADMISSION | FREE ACTIVITIES | FREE PARKING

4TH JULY
INDEPENDENCE DAY

**MAYOR'S
5K Race**
7:30 a.m. Check-In
8 a.m. Race

**PANCAKE
BREAKFAST**
Oak Park Youth Assistance Program
9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

PARADE
Parade begins at Coolidge and
McClain. Parade ends in
David H. Shepherd Park
Begins at 11 a.m.

FUN FEST
Persuasion, 1 to 3 p.m.
Food Court | Kosher Food
Available | Children's Activities
11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

POOL OPEN & MINI GOLF
1 to 6 p.m. | REGULAR RATES

CITY OF OAK PARK | RECREATION
14300 Oak Park Blvd., Oak Park, MI 48237
www.OakParkMI.gov | (248) 691-7555

**OAK PARK
AUTUMN FEST**
September 22
Farmer's Market
11 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Autumn Fest
1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

**PUBLIC
SAFETY**
Station Tour
Mase Appearance
Firetruck Demonstrations
Police Vehicle Exploration
Evidence Processing

**PUBLIC
WORKS**
John Deere Front-End Loader
Case Backhoe
Plow Truck
Steiner Tractor
Vactor Truck

**RECREATION
DEPARTMENT**
Entertainment
Pumpkin Patch
Petting Farm
Face Painting

**OAK PARK
LIBRARY**
Fall Library Activities
Pumpkin Painting
Presented by the Arts
and Cultural Diversity
Commission

AUTUMN FEST OPEN HOUSE
Demonstrations | Tours | Sparky Appearances
Light Refreshments | DJ Entertainment | Fun Activities

CITY OF OAK PARK | CITY HALL
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KIMMIE HORNE

OAK PARK SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

PRESENTED BY



2018 SUMMER CONCERT SERIES IS SIZZLING HOT! AND, FREE! Due to the popularity of last year's Summer Concert Series, we have increased the number of concerts from four to seven. The concerts are held in David H. Shepherd Park on the corner of Church and Northfield in Oak Park on Thursday evenings from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Bring your blanket, lawn chair, and picnic dinner. No time to cook? No problem, we have food vendors on-site for your convenience!

This year's Oak Park Summer Concert Series is presented by UnitedHealthcare. Without their support, we would not have been able to expand the series by three additional concerts or have the caliber of entertainers we have acquired for the 2018 concert series. You can find more information about UnitedHealthcare on their website at www.uhcommunityplan.com, on Facebook@UnitedHealthcare CommunityPlan or on Twitter @UHCCS.

HIGH SCHOOL MUSIC SHOWCASE

Thur., June 21, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. | David H. Shepherd Park

ALISE KING

Thur., June 28, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. | David H. Shepherd Park

MARVIN THOMPSON, JR.

Thur., July 5, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. | David H. Shepherd Park

MAINSTREET SOUL

Thur., July 12, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. | David H. Shepherd Park

SOUTHFIELD JAZZ ORCHESTRA

Thur., July 19, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. | David H. Shepherd Park

PADDLEBOTS

Thur., July 26, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. | David H. Shepherd Park

KIMMIE HORNE

Thur., Aug. 2, from 7 to 8:30 p.m. | David H. Shepherd Park

Oak Park Pool is Open to Public Until August 25



PUBLIC OPEN SWIM

Sunday, 1 to 6 p.m. Thursday, 2 to 7 p.m.
 Monday, 2 to 7 p.m. Friday, 1 to 8 p.m.
 Tuesday, 2 to 7 p.m. Saturday, 1 to 6 p.m.
 Wednesday, 2 to 7 p.m.

*City of Oak Park's Recreation Department reserves the right to close the pool due to inclement weather or other circumstances.

DAILY RATES

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Open Swim Daily Fee - Resident:

- Ages 3 and Under, FREE
- Ages 4-54, \$3 per day
- Ages 55 and Up, \$2 per day

Open Swim Daily Fee - Non-Resident:

- Ages 3 and Under, FREE
- Ages 4-54, \$5 per day
- Ages 55 and Up, \$4 per day

SEASON POOL PASSES

Season Passes - Resident: Ages 4-54, \$30 | Ages 55 and Up, \$20

Season Passes - Non-Resident: Ages 4-54, \$50 | Ages 55 and Up, \$40

POOL EVENTS

LAST DAY OAK PARK POOL IS OPEN

Saturday, August 25, from 1 to 6 p.m. | Location: Oak Park Pool

Celebrate the unofficial end of summer on the last day the pool will be open to the public. Help us shut the pool down in style.

DOG DAY AT THE POOL

Sunday, August 26, from Noon to 3 p.m.

\$10 per dog pre-registration, or \$15 per dog day-of registration

Dogs deserve a day at the park, too! Enroll your dog for an end-of-the-season 55-minute session. Each registered dog receives a gift. Must have proof of current vaccinations and a dog license before entry is allowed. For the safety and enjoyment of the dogs, we offer separate swim times for various size dogs. They are:

Small Sized Dogs (Under 30 lbs.), Noon to 12:55 p.m. Course #DDAP118

Medium Sized Dogs (30-69 lbs.), 1 to 1:55 p.m. Course #DDAP218

Large Sized Dogs (70 lbs. and Up), 2 to 2:55 p.m. Course #DDAP318

POOL RENTALS

Are you looking for a fun venue for an upcoming party, baby shower, family reunion, or any special event? Consider renting the Oak Park Pool. It's sure to be a refreshing splash! For more information on pool rentals and to make your reservations, call the Recreation Department at (248) 691-7555.

RENTAL DAYS AND TIMES

Saturdays: 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. | Sundays: 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.

RENTAL FEES

Up to 75 people	\$350 Resident/\$400 Non-Resident for three hours
76 to 100 people	\$400 Resident/\$450 Non-Resident for three hours
101 to 200	\$450 Resident/\$500 Non-Resident for three hours
201 to 400	\$500 Resident/\$550 Non-Resident for three hours

Additional party hours, if available, are \$160 per hour. A \$75.00 deposit is required on all pool rentals. All pool rentals MUST be paid in full on the booking date to reserve the date and time.



Play in the Parks

Oakland County Parks and Recreation offers free or low cost activities year round for all ages, interests and abilities.

Butterfly Parade: <i>July 7</i> Red Oaks Nature Center 	Come Out and Play: <i>July 10</i> Independence Oaks 	Rhythm & Rhymes: <i>July 21</i> Southfield Civic Center 	Pirate Day: <i>July 25</i> Waterford Oaks Waterpark 
Sink or Sail Cardboard Regatta: <i>July 26</i> Waterford Oaks Waterpark 	Air Fair: <i>Aug. 4</i> Addison Oaks 	Wookie Wednesday: <i>Aug. 8</i> Waterford Oaks Waterpark 	Cosmic Connection Perseids Meteor Shower: <i>Aug. 11</i> Addison Oaks 
Come Out and Play: <i>Aug. 15</i> Catalpa Oaks 	G3 - Swing, Kick & Throw Golf Scramble: <i>Aug. 24</i> Red Oaks Golf Course 	Barn Bash: <i>Aug. 26</i> Springfield Oaks Ellis Barn 	Drive In Movie: <i>Sept. 14</i> Waterford Oaks 

Check out our website for more information on these programs and our new OakVentures Summer Day Camp Program.



248-858-0916
Program Information

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COUNTY PARKS**
Great Parks for Great People



OaklandCountyParks.com



DROP-IN PROGRAMS

50 UP CLUB MEMBERSHIP

Fee: \$6 Res./\$12 Non-Res. | Calendar Year Renewal

The mission of the 50 Up Club Membership is to provide Oak Park's diverse, mature population with education, exercise and recreation programs to challenge the mind and body to greater heights of personal achievement. Join our Senior 50 Up Club and enjoy our weekly senior drop-in sessions at the Community Center, located at 14300 Oak Park Blvd., Oak Park, Mich. Call (248) 691-7555 for more information.

HOURS: Monday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (Closed 1 to 2 p.m.)
Open every other Friday on these days:
July 13, July 27, Aug. 10, Aug. 24, Sept. 7, and Sept. 21
Closed on Saturday and Sunday.

You must be a 50 Up Club Member to enjoy the following drop-in programs:

MONDAY

Quilters Club, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Free
Ping Pong, Noon to 2 p.m., Free
Bingo, every second and fourth Monday, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

TUESDAY

Watercolor Drop-In, 1 to 3 p.m., \$5 Fee Per Person
Contemporary Quilters, every third Tuesday, 1 to 3 p.m., FREE
Bridge Drop-In, 1 to 3 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Bingo, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
Ping Pong, Noon to 2 p.m., Free
Scrabble Club, Noon to 5 p.m., FREE

THURSDAY

Drop-In Hustle, 10 to 11 a.m., \$4
Pickleball, 11:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., \$2
Bid Whist, 1 to 4 p.m., Free

DAY TRIPS

Theatre and day trips are also available. Consult the Arts and Entertainment section of this magazine, visit the Recreation Department in-person, or call (248) 691-7555 for more information.

LUNCH BUNCH

Senior DIA Inside|Out Lunch Bunch Bus Tour

Fri., July 13, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Return at 1 p.m. to lunch at Community Center

Transportation Fee Waived | Lunch fee is separate.

Join us on this trip around to see the DIA Inside|Out art replicas around installed in 12 locations around Oak Park. We'll have a docent on the bus to explain each art replica at every stop. This event is hosted by the Arts and Cultural Diversity Commission with the help of the Recreation Department. Call (248) 691-7555 to register.

Course: 0045LNTR18

Waves Chill & Grill, St. Clair Shores

Fri., July 20, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

\$6 Transportation Fee. Lunch fee is separate.

Waves serves a mix of American and Caribbean-inspired cuisine in a festive, tropical setting. They feature many classic and signature dishes such as those that are "over the wave" (ribs, steak, chicken and sirloin) and those that are "under the wave" (fish, shrimp, crab and frog legs). Or, try the famous Waves' Paradise Burger or house salad.

Course: WavesLunch

Bakersfield, Detroit

Tues., July 24, at 6 p.m.

Call (248) 691-7555 for Details.

Transportation Fee TBD. Meal fee is separate.

Bakersfield serves authentic, Mexican street fare. They are known for their selection of over 100 tequilas and American whiskeys. As they like to say, "Bakersfield is a spot where the food is simple, the service is warm, and the atmosphere is alive."

Course: 0047SS18

Gaudino's, St. Clair Shores

Fri., Aug. 10, from 11:15 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

\$6 transportation. Lunch fee is separate.

Classic Italian pizzas, pastas and other dishes served in modern surroundings; includes a gourmet market.

Course: Gaudino'sSS18

Santorini Estiatorio, Greektown Detroit

Fri., Aug. 24, from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

\$6 transportation. Lunch fee is separate.

Come celebrate the Greek experience through Greek culinary tradition and culture. Santorini Estiatorio is known for their white tablecloths, nautical décor, and sophisticated, classic Greek menu.

Course: SantoriniSS18

Chartreuse Kitchen & Cocktails, Midtown Detroit

Fri., Sept. 7, from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

\$6 transportation. Lunch fee is separate.

This restaurant embodies the best of the farm-to-table concept in Midtown Detroit. It features a cozy atmosphere, a stunning living wall created by Lady Lazarus, a beautiful vestibule mural by Louise Chen, and creative horticulture decor. Chartreuse Kitchen is known for their natural, wholesome ingredients.

Course: 0050SS18

CLASSES

ESTATE PLANNING CLINIC

Thurs., 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Free | Registration is required.

Lawyers from Western Michigan University's Cooley Law School will talk about wills, power of attorney, and trusts. They will also hold a question and answer session. Register at least one week prior to the event.

Course: 3070SS18 – Thurs., July 12, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Course: 3070SS18 – Thurs., Aug. 16, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Course: 3070SS18 – Thurs., Sept. 20, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Course: 3070SS18 – Thurs., Nov. 15, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

FITNESS AND EXERCISE

BASIC HATHA YOGA

Thurs., from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.

\$32 Res./\$37 Non-Res.

There must be a minimum of five participants for class to run.

This class provides a basic yoga foundation. Instruction is personalized around the unique needs of those enrolled. Don't forget to bring your own mat. Ages: 50 and up. Instructor: Bob Smith

Course: 3070SS18 – Thurs., July 19 to Sept. 6, 8-Week Session

Course: 3071SS18 – Thurs., Sept. 13 to Nov. 1, 8-Week Session

GENTLE CHAIR YOGA

Tues., from Noon to 1 p.m.

\$24 Res./\$29 Non-Res.

There must be a minimum of five participants for class to run. Gentle Chair Yoga provides gentle therapeutic yoga exercise while reducing stress on joints and muscles. Ages: 50 and up. Instructor: Bobby Calhoun

Course: 3054SS18 – Tues., July 31 to Sept. 18, 8-Week Session

Course: 3055FW18 – Tues., Sept. 25 to Nov. 13, 8-Week Session

ENHANCE FITNESS

Mon. through Fri., 9 to 10 a.m.

Free | Must register at the Recreation Office.

Class size is limited to 55 participants.

Enhance Fitness is a fitness program geared toward improving the overall functional fitness and well-being of older adults. A certified fitness instructor provides opportunities for social stimulation and physical benefits Monday through Friday from 9 to 10 a.m. This class focuses on cardiovascular conditioning, strength training, flexibility, and balance.

The benefits include improved strength, boost in activity level, improved mood, and fun!



Senior Odyssey

TAI CHI FOR BEGINNERS

Tues., from 10 to 10:45 a.m.

\$56 Res./\$61 Non-Res.

There must be a minimum of five participants for class to run.

Learn the ancient Chinese system of exercise and movement meditation in an effort to develop flexibility and coordination, and to slow down the aging process. Ages: 18 and up. All experience levels are welcome! Instructor: Holly Malloy. Tai Chi for Beginners will be on break from July 10 to Sept. 3. There will be no classes until Sept. 4.

Course: 3067SS18 – Tues., Sept. 4 to Oct. 30, 8-Week Session

TAI CHI FOR RETURNING STUDENTS

Tues., from 11:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

\$56 Res./\$61 Non-Res.

There must be a minimum of five participants for class to run.

This class utilizes the ancient Chinese system of exercise and movement meditation to develop flexibility and coordination while striving to improve the aging process. Practice the ancient art of Tai Chi. This class is for experienced students only, ages 18 and up. Instructor: Han Hoong Wang. Tai Chi for Returning Students will be on break from July 10 to Sept. 3. There will be no classes until Sept. 4.

Course: 3058SS18 – Tues., Sept. 4 to Oct. 30, 8-Week session

SENIOR MEALS

MEALS ON WHEELS “More than just a meal”

Meals on Wheels home delivery is available in Oak Park as long as you call at least one week in advance. Lunch can be served with a preordered meal. For more information, call Senior Meals on Wheels at (248) 689-0001.

SENIOR TRANSPORTATION

SMART TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM

The Oak Park Recreation Department provides transportation through a partnership with SMART buses for residents who are seniors, age 50 or above, and individuals who have a disability. Qualified individuals can contact the Recreation Department to schedule transport at (248) 691-7555. Reservations are subject to availability. There is a fare to use the bus. You must be a 50 Up Club Member to use the SMART bus system.



WICKED

THEATER TRIPS

The theater district takes a "little vacation" over the summer months. Look for our fabulous upcoming 2018-2019 theater and opera tickets in the fall. New this year - the opera rehearsal trips will be held on THURSDAYS, instead of Fridays!

WICKED

Thurs., Aug. 9, at 1 p.m.

Reserve Tickets by Mon., June 18

Front Row Center Mezzanine, Rows CC-EE

\$78 Res./\$83 Non-Res. | Includes transportation. Limited tickets.

Wicked, the Broadway sensation, takes a look back into the Land of Oz from a different lens. The story begins long before Dorothy arrives.

Course: WickedSS18 – Fisher Theatre

DAY TRIPS

The Oak Park Recreation Department is proud to partner with Bianco Travel and Tours to offer an exquisite line of day trips. These trips require us to book well in advance. We are currently booking for the following tours. Full details are available in the lobby of the Recreation Department. Contact the Recreation Department at (248) 691-7555 for more details.

SUMMER IN THE CITY

Guided Tour of the Boston-Edison Historic District
Andiamo Detroit Riverfront and Detroit's RiverWalk
Tues., July 10, from 9:15 a.m. to 2 p.m.

\$47 per person

Enjoy a guided tour of the Boston Edison Historic District, a fabulous lunch at Andiamo Detroit Riverfront, and a stroll along Detroit's RiverWalk. The Boston-Edison Historic District is home to over 900 homes constructed between 1905 to 1925. The likes of Henry Ford, James Couzens, Horace Rackham, Joe Louis, Willie Horton, and more lived there. Many of the homes are eclectic. They range in size from modest two-story vernacular to impressive mansions.

Course: SummerinthecitySS18

ALL THAT GLITTERS

Wed., July 18, from 9:30 a.m. to 6:15 p.m.

\$79 per person

Enjoy a fun-filled day in Detroit that includes three hours at the Greektown Casino, followed by lunch in the Sohar Room at the fabulous Sinbad's Restaurant and Marina which overlooks the Detroit River and Belle Isle Park. Choose between three different entrées. Continue the day with a two-hour narrated cruise aboard the Diamond Jack's River Tour!

Course: AllhatGlittersSS18

PIONEER TRAIL, WINE AROUND

Wed., Sept. 26, from 9 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

\$78 per person. Lunch included.

Spend a fun-filled day visiting and sampling your way around three vineyards - Sandhill Crane Vineyards, Cherry Creek Winery, and the Flying Otter Winery.

Course: PioneerWineTrFW18

MYSTERY TRIP

Thur., Oct. 18, from 9:15 a.m. to 5 p.m.

\$69 per person

Where in the world will we go? Your trip will include plenty of surprises and fun stops. Of course, lunch is always the highlight of the day. Travel in the luxury of a Bianco motorcoach!

Course: MysteryOctoberFW18

HISTORIC WHITNEY

Tues., Dec. 11, from 11:15 a.m. to 4:40 p.m.

\$70 per person

Come join us for a guided tour of The Historic Whitney, built in 1894, including the Katherine McGregor Dessert Parlor, the Ghostbar and Gardens. Then we'll take a self-guided tour of the Tudor Revival style Pewabic Pottery; a designated National Historic Landmark in 1991. We'll dine at the Big Fish Seafood Bistro in Dearborn. Try the traditional Fish and Chips, Chicken Cape Codder or the Tavern Burger and enjoy.

Course: HistoricWhitneyFW18





DETROIT TIGERS BASEBALL

Senior Days at Comerica Park.

All games include transportation and a food voucher good for one hot dog, small bag of chips and a small soda.

TIGERS vs. CHICAGO WHITE SOX

Wed., Aug., 15. Departs 11:30 a.m. | Game at 1 p.m.

Reservations due Mon., July 16

\$36 Res./\$41 Non-Res.

Section 113, Row 40 to 42

Course: TigersWhiteSox18

TIGERS vs. HOUSTON ASTROS

Wed., Sept. 12. Depart at 11:30 p.m. | Game at 1 p.m.

\$24 Res./\$29 Non-Res.

Section 143, Row 41 to 42

Course: TigersAstros18

TIGERS vs. MINNESOTA TWINS

Wed., Sept. 19. Depart at 11:30 a.m. | Game at 1 p.m.

\$25 Res./\$30 Non-Res.

Sec. 113, Row 41 to 42

Course: TigersTwins18

EXTENDED TRIPS

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BOSTON TRIP

Thurs. to Tues., July 12 to July 17

\$1,171 per person, double occupancy | Six days, five nights

Spend six fabulous days and five nights in beautiful downtown Boston. We'll visit the Publick House-Trillium Brewing Company, take a Boston Duck Tour, and site see on the U.S.S. Constitution Ship and Museum. We'll dine at the Bisuteki Japanese Steak House, and at the iconic Cheers Restaurant where everyone knows your name! The trip will include an overnight stay at the Turning Stone Casino Resort in New York, three nights at Four Points Sheraton in Massachusetts, and one night at the Country Inn in Pennsylvania.

Course: BostonSS18

EXPERIENCE COLUMBUS

Mon. to Tues., Aug. 20 to Aug. 21

\$301 per person, double occupancy | Two days, one night

Join us as we experience Columbus, Ohio. We'll visit the North Market, dine at Schmidt's Sausage Haus, shop at Worthington's High Street, create unique candles at the Candle Lab, and more. We'll take a guided tour of Columbus which includes visiting the Ohio Statehouse, German Village, Scioto Mile, King Lincoln District, Columbus Museum of Art, and the North Shore Arts.

Course: ExperienceColumbusSS18

NEW YORK HOLIDAY

Tues. to Sat., Nov. 27 to Dec. 1

\$1,427 per person, double occupancy | Five days, four nights

Experience New York with this five-day tour to include St. Patrick's Cathedral, Winter Village Holiday Market in Bryant Park, Macy's Herald Square, Rockefeller Center, and NBC Studio Tour. Dine at Ellen's Stardust Diner and Carmine's of Time Square and join us for the Radio City Music Hall Christmas Spectacular. Other Broadway shows are available, but optional.

Course: NewYorkFW18



COLUMBUS, OHIO



FITNESS AND WELLNESS

AEROBIC HUSTLE DANCE CLASS

Weds., from 7 to 8:15 p.m.

\$50 Res./\$55 Non-Res. Ages: 18 and Up

Room C, Com. Ctr.

Dance to old and new hustles that have been combined into aerobic workouts. This class is a great way to achieve 3,500 to 5,000 steps per class! Bring a water bottle and a towel. A minimum of five participants are required for class to run.

Course: 1010SS18 – Weds., July 25 to Sept. 12

Course: 1011FW18 – Weds., Sept. 19 to Nov. 7

YOGA IS FOR EVERYBODY

Mons., from 7:45 p.m. to 9:15 p.m.

\$56 Res./\$61 Non-Res.

Yoga is for EVERY BODY! This course is designed to fit the needs of the beginner as well as the continuing student. Emphasis is placed on stretching and strengthening the muscles, improving posture, breathing, and deep relaxation. Reducing stress is an important benefit! Bring a mat and wear loose clothing.

Course: 2015 SS18 – Mons., Aug. 20 to Oct. 15

Course: 2016FW18 – Mons., Oct. 22 to Dec. 10

MIDDLE EASTERN BELLY DANCE

Tuesday class: from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Thursday class: from 6 to 7:30 pm

\$75 Res./\$80 Non-Res. | Ages: 20 and Up

This class attracts participants of all shapes and sizes who come dressed in comfortable clothing to learn the art of belly dance. Express yourself through dance and learn fun ways to maintain health. Enjoy the physical and personal benefits of belly dancing - abdominal toning, leg strengthening, self-esteem, and an essence of sensuality. No experience necessary.

Belly6SS18 – Tues., July 31 to Sept. 18

BellyTH5FW18 – Thurs., Aug. 2 to Sept. 20

BALLROOM DANCE FOR MEN AND WOMEN

Thursday from 11 a.m. to Noon

\$32 Res./\$37 Non-Res. | Ages: 40 and Up

Learn the latest ballroom dance steps, including Chicago Steppin, salsa, and more. Couples and singles are welcome. No experience necessary.

Course: 3069SS18 – July 19 to Sept. 6

EVENING BALLROOM DANCE FOR MEN AND WOMEN

Weds. Evening Class, from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m.

\$32 Res./\$37 Non-Res. | Ages 40 and Up

Learn the latest ballroom dance steps, including Chicago Steppin, salsa, and more. Couples and singles are welcome. No experience necessary. This is an evening class.

Course: 1000SS1 – July 19 to Sept. 6

FALL YOUTH SOCCER

Fall Youth Soccer Registration Ends August 3

Games are every Saturday and Some Week Nights | Locations Vary

Teams sponsored by Oak Park play for the Southeast Oakland Soccer League. They compete with teams from Ferndale, Hazel Park and Pleasant Ridge. This is a co-ed soccer league. Participants are provided with jersey, shorts, and soccer socks. Shin guards are not provided but must be worn at all games and practices.

U4 FALL SOCCER

Saturdays. Start times of either 9, 10, or 11 a.m.

\$40 Res./\$45 Non-Res. | Age: 3

Course: 2208FW18 – Sat., September 8 to October 13

U6 FALL SOCCER

Saturdays and Some Tuesdays. Times vary.

\$50 Res./\$55 Non-Res. | Ages: 4 to 5

Course: 2209FW18 – Sat., September 8 to October 13

U8 FALL SOCCER

Saturdays and Some Wednesdays. Times vary.

\$60 Res./\$65 Non-Res. | Ages: 6 to 7

Course: 2210FW18 – Sat., September 8 to October 13

U10 FALL SOCCER

Saturdays and Some Tuesdays and Thursdays

\$65 Res./\$70 Non-Res. | Ages: 8 to 9

Course: 2211FW18 – Sat., September 8 to October 13

KARATE

DRAGON'S EIGHT YOUTH BEGINNER KARATE

Thurs., 6:15 to 7 p.m. | \$55 Res./\$60 Non-Res. | Ages: 4 to 10

Dragon's Eight Youth Beginner Karate is an introductory class specifically designed for children and beginners. It enhances a child's focus, memory, teamwork skills, discipline, self-control, fitness, balance and coordination. All this is achieved through exciting and fun games and activities. Wear loose fitting clothes. A responsible adult must remain in attendance during class. Instructor: Grand Master Robb Hogan

Course: 2011SS18 – Tues., June 26 to Aug. 14, 8-Week Session

DRAGON'S EIGHT KARATE

Tues. and Thurs., 7 to 8 p.m. | \$65 Res./\$70 Non-Res.

Ages: 8 and Up (Depends on Experience)

Students are challenged in 16 classes of the Dragon's Eight fighting system, a traditional, street-oriented approach to the martial arts. There are eight life skills that are incorporated in this sport: focus, memory, teamwork, discipline, self-control, fitness, balance and coordination. Students should dress comfortably for class. Instructor: Grand Master Robb Hogan

Course: 2018SS18 – Tues. and Thurs., June 26 to Aug. 16, 8-Week Session

ADULT LEAGUES

FALL ADULT KICKBALL

6 to 10 p.m. | Fee: \$150 + \$50 Refundable Team Forfeit Fee

Ages: 18 and Up | Location: David H. Shepherd Park

The Oak Park adult, coed kickball leagues are back. They've grown into a great social activity for adults. The game with the BIG RED BALL that Oak Park residents played during recess is becoming increasingly more popular. People have been known to travel far and wide to enjoy this sport, it's not just for kids anymore. Kickball is organized, laid back, fun, and entertaining. This sport offers a way in which to relieve stress and to exercise. Fall League does not include jerseys.

KICKBALL (FRIDAYS)

Ages: 18 and Up

Course: 3102FW18 – Fri., Sept. 7 to Oct. 26, 8-Week Session

KICKBALL (MONDAYS)

Ages: 18 and Up

Course: 3302FW18 – Mons., Sept. 10 to Oct. 29, 8-Week Session



SOFTBALL

FALL ADULT SOFTBALL

6 to 10 p.m. | Ages: 18 and Up | Location: David H. Shepherd Park

Interested in Fall Softball? Call Dan Parker at (248) 691-7462 or email Istasiak@oakparkmi.gov for more information. Leagues offered on Tuesday and Thursday evening in cooperation with USSSA Softball.

MAYOR'S INDEPENDENCE DAY 5K RUN/WALK

Wednesday, July 4, at 8 a.m.

\$15 pre-register | \$20 for day-of registrations

The first of all the Independence Day festivities begins with the annual Mayor's 5k Run/Walk. Divisions are split based on age and medals are awarded to winners in each division. Each participant will receive a t-shirt, along with post-race snacks and refreshments. This race is for all levels; whether you regularly participate in distance runs or you just want to take a morning walk through beautiful David H. Shepherd Park.

Course: 1012018

Make a Difference in the Lives of Our Youth

BECOME A VOLUNTEER

Are you interested in making a difference in the lives of the youth of our community? Become a volunteer coach. Even if you are not an expert in the sport, we need more positive role models in the lives of our youth to help them develop into well-rounded individuals. If you have any interest, call (248) 691-7555 for more information.

BECOME A SPONSOR

Interested in sponsoring a team? Donate money to your favorite youth sport and get your logo on the back of each player's jersey. For more information call (248) 691-7562.

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WE APOLOGIZE FOR THE ERROR

Our 2017 Consumer Confidence Report listed the 90th percentile for lead as <2 parts per billion (ppb). The correct value for our system's most recent 90th percentile should have been listed as 4.3 ppb, which is still below the 15 ppb action level for lead. We apologize for this error.

A copy of the full report is available on our website at <http://bit.ly/OPWaterQuality>, or you can request a paper copy by contacting Kevin Yee, Operator-In-Charge at the Department of Public Works at (248) 691-7497.

The correct value for the 90th Percentile for lead is 4.3 ppb.

We apologize for the error.

Contaminant	Unit	Year	90th Percentile	10th Percentile	Maximum	Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG)	Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL)	Public Water System (PWS) Compliance	Notes
Lead	ppb	2017	4.3	0.5	15.0	0.01	15.0	Yes	Lead is a naturally occurring contaminant. The 90th percentile for lead is 4.3 ppb, which is below the 15 ppb action level for lead.



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