

**MINUTES
WINNETKA VILLAGE COUNCIL
STUDY SESSION
June 11, 2024**

(Approved: July 16, 2024)

A record of a legally convened meeting of the Council of the Village of Winnetka, which was held at the Council Chambers on Tuesday, June 11, 2024 at 7:00 PM.

- 1) Call to Order. President Rintz called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM. Village Manager Bahan called the roll of the Village Council. Present: Trustees Kirk Albinson, Rob Apatoff, Tina Dalman, Bob Dearborn, Kim Handler and Bridget Orsic. Absent: None. Also present: Village Manager Robert Bahan, Village Attorney Courtney Willits, Deputy Village Clerk Berina Gradjan, Engineering Director Jim Bernahl, Community Development Director David Schoon, and approximately 6 persons in the audience.

2) Public Comment

- a) Ted Wynnynchenko addresses Council regarding matters related to closed session minutes and public and private land along the lakefront.
- b) Rocky Flinterman addresses Council regarding updates on the Winnetka Farmer's Market.

3) Discussion.

a) Hubbard Woods Streetscape Design Concepts Review

Community Development Director David Schoon informs Council that Village staff has been working with Teska Associates on designing two streetscape design concepts for the Hubbard Woods business district. The community has participated in online surveys, attended an open house, and provided feedback regarding the proposed concept designs. While certain elements of the first design require the Village to take control of the Green Bay Road right-of-way, a State-owned road, the other concept would remain within the State's control but limit the improvements made within the right-of-way.

Jodi Mariano, Principal Urban Designer at Teska Associates, presents the two concept designs for the Hubbard Woods Business District. Additionally providing information regarding the scope of the project study area, overview of the planning process and the anticipated outcomes consisting of various surveys and meetings, improved traffic flow and crosswalks, intersection improvements, parking impacts, streetscape amenities, and key feedback from the community.

Council and Jodi Mariano discuss partnership with the Village of Glencoe, matters related to parking lot usage, parking access, concerns related to traffic flow, pedestrian safety and access, matters related to cyclists, and various traffic improvements.

Public Comment

Karen Adel addresses Council regarding traffic flow, community feedback, and the Hubbard Woods train station entrance point improvements.

Glen Deutsch, owner of Mino's, addresses Council regarding Village partnership with impacted businesses and concerns related to traffic flow and parking.

Cynthia Burr, owner of Vivid Art Gallery, addresses council regarding Village partnership with impacted businesses and concerns related to traffic and parking.

Tom Brown encourages Council to conduct a traffic study.

Terry Dason addresses Council regarding traffic flow concerns and urges Council to engage in conversations with impacted businesses.

President Rintz addresses concerns related to a jurisdictional transfer concerning ongoing maintenance, construction impacts on businesses, construction issues and duration, and partnership with the Illinois Department of Transportation.

Council discusses infrastructure repair and maintenance along Green Bay Road, pedestrian control, and traffic safety, signage, and flow pertaining to Merrill Street alongside Hubbard Woods Park.

Council directs staff to conduct a traffic study and asks for Teska Associates to incorporate Council's feedback in the streetscape design plans.

- 4) Closed Session for the Purpose of Discussing Closed Session Minutes and Pending or Probable Litigation pursuant to Section 2(c)(21) and 2(c)(11) of the Open Meetings Act.

Trustee Handler, seconded by Trustee Orsic, moved to adjourn to Closed Session for the purpose of discussing closed session minutes and pending or probable litigation pursuant to Section 2(c)(21) and 2(c)(11) of the Open Meetings Act and to adjourn the Open Meeting automatically and immediately upon the conclusion of the Closed Session without the conduct of any further business or comments. By roll call vote, the motion carried. Ayes: Trustees Albinson, Apatoff, Dalman, Dearborn, Handler, and Orsic. Nays: None. Absent: None.

The Council adjourned into Closed Session at 9:22 p.m.

- 5) Adjournment. The Closed Session meeting ended at 9:59 p.m.

/s/ Berina Gradjan, Deputy Village Clerk
Recording Secretary