



Agenda Section	Agenda Item	Comment	Commenter
Comments of a General Nature		<p>Has the village ever done social scientific research investigating the perception non-white individuals living in the Chicago area but outside the village have of Downers Grove?</p> <p>Specifically, do they view DG as a desirable place to live, shop, dine, etc.? If not, why not?</p>	David Rose
Active Agenda	Active A. ORD 2021-8928 An ordinance amending Ordinance No. 3996 to modify the compensation of the Mayor and the Village Council.	<p>If you are going to invoke cost of child care as justification for increasing member compensation, please provide actual evidence? What then justifies the increase for a member with no or adult children? Point being: As a justification for increasing member compensation, why and how is one's family situation relevant?</p> <p>What does the phrase "in an amount equal to the mode of the pay increase received by the non- bargaining unit employees of the Village for such year" mean in practice? Has that rate ever been negative? such as in response to tax revenue drops from the pandemic?</p> <p>If council influences the rate of increase to which its own compensation is linked, as may be the case in the proposed ordinance, should the rate of increase not be linked to something council doesn't influence? Why not link the rate to something more appropriate as a measure of doing public service, such as the rate of increase (decrease?) in social security payment to senior citizens?</p>	David Rose
Comments of a General Nature		<p>Demographics of DG</p> <p>I have come across in reports produced by the village tabulated information describing the distribution of residents by racial/ethnic and income grouping.</p> <p>Does the village or county possess cross tabulated information on residents? In particular, does the village have</p> <p>a) cross tabulated numbers for race/ethnicity of residents by type of residence in which they reside? What is the village cross tab compared to the county?</p> <p>b) cross tabulated numbers for race/ethnicity of residents by (personal or household) income group to which they belong? What is the village cross-tab compared to county?</p> <p>Is the information collected solely as part of census data, or more frequently? If more frequently, who collects and disseminates it?</p> <p>Presuming such information exists, when and how often is it made available for public scrutiny? What entity makes it available? In what form?</p>	David Rose

<p>Comments of a General Nature</p>		<p>Several policing questions:  +++++  Policing and foot chases  “Stop or I’ll shoot” is such an accepted notion in the US that we can see the practice of police shooting at a person running away from them in such examples as the beloved movie “It’s a Wonderful Life” and not think twice about it. In particular, we don’t think twice about the aptness of the practice and what circumstances if any differentiate between when police shooting at someone running away is and is not appropriate.</p> <p>Does the DG police force have information regarding the relative frequency of situations nationwide and in IL in which police are chasing an individual on foot and the person fires at the police while s/he is running away but not looking in the direction in which s/he is firing? Of those situations in which the person being chased fires while running away, how many such instances result in injury or death to a police officer or anyone else?</p> <p>If the former seldom happens and if the latter happens even less often, what is the rationale underlying police shooting first, leaving many people these days to ask uncomfortable questions later?</p> <p>Such as the fundamental uncomfortable question: If the operative assumption by police is that a person fleeing their presence does so because s/he guilty of something, does (actual or suspected) possession of a gun by the person fleeing currently serve as sufficient grounds allowing police to fire at that individual ... regardless of anything else? What if the person fleeing has a legal right to carry a weapon?</p> <p>Does anyone on the DG police force know if police in other nations follow practices similar to those in the US? If the practices differ across nations, what do police in the rest of world do if an individual tries to run/drive away?</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Police body cameras  Do I understand correctly that a law recently passed in IL requires police to wear body cameras by 2025 (or so)?</p> <p>Are DG police presently equipped with body cameras? If not, when will they be?</p>	<p>David Rose</p>
		<p>Does the new state law specify policy regarding police use of the body camera? Does an individual municipality have discretion within the law’s language on body camera usage by members of its police force? If so, how will that policy be decided in DG? How much input will residents (be able to) have?</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Nuanced policing and improving relations within and between communities  I know from personal conversation that people of color can be as concerned for their safety when in white-majority suburbs as white people can be when they travel to parts of cities in which whites are not the majority.</p> <p>If a frequent operative assumption of police is that a person of color is guilty of something simply because of their color, what steps can (and should) police and municipal leaders, including here in DG, take to facilitate discussion between white and non-white citizens and between citizens and police to help both police and citizens of every color be more nuanced in their thinking?</p> <p>Will we see authorities in DG facilitate such discussions?</p> <p>If council is unwilling or unable to facilitate, what entity does council hope will bear that responsibility?</p>	