



Meeting Minutes

Village of Downers Grove – Council Meeting

Council Chambers

October 18, 2022

7:00 PM

1. Call to Order

Mayor Barnett called to order the Village Council meeting at 7:00 p.m. and led those in the room in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. He explained the protocol for the meeting and the guidelines to submit public comment.

2. Roll Call

Council Attendance (Present): Mayor Barnett, Commissioner José, Commissioner Walus, Commissioner Sadowski-Fugitt, Commissioner Kulovany, Commissioner Gilmartin, Commissioner Glover

Council Attendance (Not Present): None

Non-Voting: Village Manager Dave Fieldman, Village Attorney Enza Petrarca, and Village Clerk Rosa Berardi

3. Proclamations

A. American Pharmacists Month

4. Minutes of Council Meetings

MIN 2022-9614 — A. Minutes: Village Council Meeting Minutes – October 11, 2022

MIN 2022-9674 — A. Minutes: Executive Session Meeting Minutes for Approval Only – October 11, 2022

MOTION: To adopt the meeting minutes of the October 11, 2022 meeting and the Executive Session minutes from the October 11, 2022 meeting, as presented.

RESULT: Motion carried unanimously by roll call.

MOTIONED TO APPROVE: Commissioner José

SECONDED BY: Commissioner Walus

AYES: Commissioners José, Walus, Glover, Gilmartin, Kulovany, Sadowski-Fugitt, and Mayor Barnett

NAYES: None

5. Consent Agenda

BIL 2022-9615 — A. Bills Payable: No. 6694 - October 18, 2022

COR 2022-9616 — B. Claims Ordinance: No. 6477, Payroll - September 23, 2022

RES 2022-9648 — C. Resolution: Approve an Agreement with CFA Software, Inc. of Addison, IL to Upgrade the Village's Fleet Maintenance Software **RES 2022-81**

Summary: This resolution authorizes a contract to upgrade the Village's fleet maintenance management software with CFA Software, Inc. of Addison, IL.

RESOLUTION 2022-81

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE AND CFA SOFTWARE, INC.

RES 2022-9649 — D. Resolution: Approve a Renewal Agreement with Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Illinois for Medical Claim Administration Services **RES 2022-82**

Summary: This resolution approves a renewal agreement with Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Illinois for medical claim administration services.

RESOLUTION 2022-82

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A RENEWAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE AND BLUE CROSS/BLUE SHIELD OF ILLINOIS FOR MEDICAL CLAIM ADMINISTRATION SERVICES

RES 2022-9650 — E. Resolution: Approve a Renewal Agreement with Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Illinois for Stop Loss Insurance Coverage **RES 2022-83**

Summary: This resolution approves a renewal agreement with Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Illinois for Stop Loss Insurance Coverage

RESOLUTION 2022-83

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A RENEWAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE AND BLUE CROSS/BLUE SHIELD OF ILLINOIS FOR STOP LOSS INSURANCE

RES 2022-9651 — F. Resolution: Approve a Renewal Agreement with Humana for Medicare Advantage Insurance for Retirees Over Age 65 **RES 2022-84**

Summary: This resolution approves a renewal agreement with Humana for Medicare Advantage Insurance for retirees over the age of 65.

RESOLUTION 2022-84

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A RENEWAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE AND HUMANA FOR MEDICARE ADVANTAGE INSURANCE FOR RETIREES OVER 65

RES 2022-9652 — G. Resolution: Approve a Claims Administration Agreement with Professional Benefit Administrators **RES 2022-85**

Summary: This resolution approves a claims administration agreement with Professional Benefit Administrators.

RESOLUTION 2022-85

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A CLAIMS ADMINISTRATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN PROFESSIONAL BENEFIT ADMINISTRATORS AND THE VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE RES 2022-86

RES 2022-9653 — H. Resolution: Approve a Dental Insurance Contract with Delta Dental of Illinois

Summary: This resolution approves a dental insurance contract with delta Dental of Illinois.

RESOLUTION 2022-86**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF A GROUP DENTAL INSURANCE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE AND DELTA DENTAL OF ILLINOIS**

RES 2022-9654 — I. Resolution: Approve an Administrative Agreement with America Administrative & Retirement Solutions, Inc. **RES 2022-87**

Summary: This resolution approves an administrative agreement with America Administrative & Retirement Solutions, Inc.

RESOLUTION 2022-87**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A TRUST FUNDED HRA ADMINISTRATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN MID AMERICA ADMINISTRATIVE & RETIREMENT SOLUTIONS, INC. AND THE VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE**

***MOTION:** To adopt all items on the Consent Agenda, as presented*

***RESULT:** Motion carried unanimously by roll call.*

***MOTIONED TO APPROVE:** Commissioner José*

***SECONDED BY:** Commissioner Walus*

***AYES:** Commissioners José, Walus, Glover, Gilmartin, Kulovany, Sadowski-Fugitt, Mayor Barnett*

***NAYES:** None*

6. Active Agenda

ORD 2022-9602 — A. Ordinance: Amending Chapter 26 of the Downers Grove Municipal Code **Ord 5946**

Summary: This ordinance amends Chapter 26 of the Downers Grove Municipal Code concerning stormwater and flood plain regulations.

MOTION:** To adopt AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 26 OF THE DOWNERS GROVE MUNICIPAL CODE, as presented. **ORDINANCE 5946

***RESULT:** Motion carried by roll call.*

***MOTIONED TO APPROVE:** Commissioner José*

***SECONDED BY:** Commissioner Walus*

***AYES:** Commissioners José, Walus, Glover, Gilmartin, Kulovany, Sadowski-Fugitt, and Mayor Barnett*

***NAYES:** None*

ORD 2022-9621 — B. Ordinance: Amending the Zoning Ordinance of the Village of Downers Grove, Illinois to Designate the Property at 4915, 4919 and 4923 Main Street (Main Street Apartments) as Planned Unit Development #67 **ORD 5947**

Summary: This ordinance amends the Zoning Ordinance of the Village of Downers Grove, Illinois to designate the property at 4915, 4919 and 4923 Main Street (Main Street Apartments) as Planned Unit Development #67.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Vincent Barrett, resident, spoke in opposition to the proposed Planned Unit Development.
- Jeremy Shiliga, resident, spoke in opposition to the proposed Planned Unit Development.
- Joe Birkett, resident, spoke in opposition to the proposed Planned Unit Development.
- Stephen Jagielo, resident, spoke in opposition to the proposed Planned Unit Development.
- Marshall Schmitt, resident, spoke in opposition to the proposed Planned Unit Development.
- Ian Ogdon, resident, spoke in opposition to the proposed Planned Unit Development.
- Brian Barbato, resident, spoke in opposition to the proposed Planned Unit Development.
- The petitioner, Adam Berry from Barrier Properties, stated that he had listened to all the comments and suggestions made and has been accommodating to them all. He spoke of the development being discussed at two Plan Commission meetings and at the last Village Council meeting. Mr. Berry said that he had been dealing with staff for the past year regarding this development and he believed that the public was

misinformed, as soil borings have been done and the only relief he sought was for underground parking.

- Bob Goodmanson, registered Civil Engineer retained by the petitioner, stated that a stormwater management report was submitted with preliminary plans, as it was required by the Village. He gave a summary of the report's details.

VILLAGE COUNCIL COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

Commissioner Gilmartin thanked the residents, staff and the developer for all the feedback and information they had provided. He said he didn't take making this decision lightly and was sympathetic to both sides. The Commissioner said he had visited the sight multiple times, met with the residents and the petitioner, and listened to the Plan Commission meetings. He further stated that the Council was required to take into consideration the Zoning Ordinances; though he felt they were misaligned with the Comprehensive Plan in this part of the downtown. The property was currently zoned Downtown Business, and except for the underground variants, he believed it met the standards of the current zoning district, the stormwater and parking requirements, and the Downtown Design Guidelines. He reminded everyone that the petitioner had taken the resident and Council concerns into consideration by making revisions to the southeast corner of the building - he brought it within the setbacks; eliminating a variance and three units to the building - which brought the density of the building down by 12.5%; the outdoor dining was removed from the rear of the building; balconies were removed from the top floor of the building; tree preservation around the borders and subsequent adjacent properties would be a priority; the installation of an eight foot privacy fence. Commissioner Gilmartin said that any building built at that location would be a minimum of 32 feet and though this building exceeded that by 12 feet, it was better than a building that exceeded it by 40 feet. The Commissioner believed this to be a positive addition to the Village, and in its revised state, he intended to support the development.

Commissioner Walus stated that this had been weighing heavily on her mind. She said she felt the traffic study needed to be more detailed. She stated she felt there was insufficient information on parking for restaurant patrons and that there was a potential precedent for "breaking the block". She also said she felt PUDs were an excuse to zone things a certain way. While the Commissioner was appreciative of the changes the petitioner had made, including the removal of the outdoor dining, she was concerned with the possibility of him making the same request again in the future. Commissioner Walus said she felt as if there had been situations in the past when the Council's hands were tied, but this was not one of them. She concluded by stating that she represented the residents and was listening to her gut and was not in favor of the development at this time.

Commissioner Sadowski-Fugitt stated that she was in agreement with most of what Commissioner Walus said. She said that given this was a PUD and a special use, the Council had the ability to lean more on the Comprehensive Plan more than they do on other cases – and with the Plan classifying the area as Transitional but knowing that the Zoning was actually Downtown Business had her concerned with it back to residential neighborhoods. She said even with the detail she received regarding stormwater, she still had concerns. She also stated that with the underground garage, she still had concerns with the possibility of losing boundary trees overtime; protecting the trees is important to her. The Commissioner also indicated that she had concerns with parking for the restaurant and the traffic in the area. Commissioner Sadowski-Fugitt said she wished there could have been more conversations with the developer and felt she could not vote in favor of it at this time.

Commissioner José thanked the residents for coming out to the meetings and for reaching out to him. He thanked the petitioner for making the changes needed in order to meet the concerns of the neighbors, especially moving the cafe to the front, the protection of the boundary trees and the elimination of the east facing balconies. He said as a result, he believed all of the standards under the zoning code had been met. He said the having the PUD does provide flexibility and is what gave the Council the ability to request the changes that were made by the petitioner. He spoke of how a much taller (but narrower) building could have been built on this site or that a one story restaurant, with a large outdoor café, could have been built at the location "by-right"; in which case, he explained, there would be no oversight by the Village Council. The Commissioner continued by stating that this had been discussed not only at Plan Commission and Village Council meetings, but also at neighborhood meetings. He said this development had gotten as many, if not more, than most other petitions had ever gotten. Commissioner José stated that since the standards were met, he didn't see how additional conversations would make much of a change.

He concluded by stating that he supported the development and once it was complete, he wanted to discuss the parking regulations in and around the area in order to mitigate any parking issues to the fullest extent possible.

Commissioner Kulovany complimented the residents on their respectful and thoughtful way of approaching this topic. He said he had read all of the emails that had been sent to him and intended to respond to them as time permitted. He also thanked the builder for choosing Downers Grove. He said he was a past member of the Plan Commission and he had also attended all of the Comprehensive Plan Ad Hoc Committee meetings where the one thing that kept surfacing was that the Downers Grove downtown had a landlocked Business District. He spoke about the boundaries of the Business District and how the economic development in Downers Grove kept municipal tax rates low, which was an advantage to the residents. He went on to state that the petitioner had yielded to the resident requests, in addition to the Commissioner's request to root prune the larger trees. He further stated that root pruning trees that were not in the parkway was not a Village requirement. He said that the petitioner was listening and wanted to be a good neighbor. Commissioner Kulovany said though he didn't like getting emails from disappointed residents, he had certain responsibilities to carry out as a Council member. He also spoke of food and beverage taxes, the Village budget, tax levies and how creating a vibrant downtown was a benefit to the entire community financially. The Commissioner said he would be voting in favor of the development.

Commissioner Glover stated that when he learned of the development, he too was happy to hear that there was an opportunity to extend the vibrancy of the downtown to the Northside of the tracks. He said he felt the density and the restaurants in the downtown had really done wonders for the community. He further stated that the petitioner had listened to the resident concerns and worked with the Council and staff to make the changes necessary to accommodate everyone. Commissioner Glover he was in support of the development.

Mayor Barnett stated that the standards and the criteria for the PUD had been met and had been considered by both the Plan Commission and the Village Council. He explained the process that had been followed and the meetings that took place from the time that the proposed plan was submitted to the current revised plan. He explained that changes were made with this development. He said that even though some residents may not have been satisfied with the changes and the developer may have been left with less revenue, the Mayor was satisfied with the standards being met and the process that took place. Mayor Barnett said he was in support of the development.

MOTION: *To adopt AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE, ILLINOIS TO DESIGNATE THE PROPERTY AT 4915, 4919 AND 4923 MAIN STREET (MAIN STREET APARTMENTS) AS PLANNED UNIT #67, as presented. ORDINANCE 5947*

RESULT: *Motion carried by roll call.*

MOTIONED TO APPROVE: *Commissioner José*

SECONDED BY: *Commissioner Gilmartin*

AYES: *Commissioners José, Gilmartin, Glover, Kulovany, and Mayor Barnett*

NAYES: *Commissioners Walus, Sadowski-Fugitt*

ORD 2022-9623 — C. Ordinance: Rezoning Certain Property Located at 4915, 4919, and 4923 Main Street (Main Street Apartments) **ORD 5948**

Summary: This ordinance rezones certain property located at 4915, 4919, and 4923 Main Street (Main Street Apartments).

VILLAGE COUNCIL COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

Mayor Barnett stated that this was a zoning classification change to provide an overlay that allowed the Village to impose restrictions and control activities in this PUD. The underlying zoning still remained the same.

MOTION: To adopt AN ORDINANCE REZONING CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED AT 4915, 4919 AND 4923 MAIN STREET (MAIN STREET APARTMENTS), as presented. **ORDINANCE 5948**

RESULT: Motion carried by roll call.

MOTIONED TO APPROVE: Commissioner José

SECONDED BY: Commissioner Gilmartin

AYES: Commissioners José, Gilmartin, Glover, Kulovany, and Mayor Barnett

NAYES: Commissioners Walus, Sadowski-Fugitt

ORD 2022-9622 — D. Ordinance: Authorizing a Special Use for Main Street Apartments Planned Unit Development #67 to Permit Multi-Family Residential **ORD 5949**

Summary: This ordinance authorizes a special use for Main Street Apartments Planned Unit Development #67 to permit multi-family residential.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- Marshall Schmitt returned to the podium and expressed concerns that the character of the Village was changing adversely.

VILLAGE COUNCIL COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

Commissioner Kulovany explained that the proper process had been followed, which included appearing both before the Plan Commission and the Village Council and allowed for public input.

Mayor Barnett stated that one of the things the Village ordinance required was that a special use be granted to properties zoned Downtown Business that were used in a residential manner, as with this case. He said the criteria had been reviewed and considered by the Village Council. The Mayor said he felt it was an appropriate use for this parcel and in all of the downtown.

MOTION: To adopt AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A SPECIAL USE FOR MAIN STREET APARTMENTS PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT #67 TO PERMIT MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL, as presented. **ORDINANCE 5949**

RESULT: Motion carried by roll call.

MOTIONED TO APPROVE: Commissioner José

SECONDED BY: Commissioner Gilmartin

AYES: Commissioners José, Gilmartin, Glover, Kulovany, and Mayor Barnett

NAYES: Commissioners Walus, Sadowski-Fugitt

7. First Reading

ORD 2022-9620 — A. Ordinance: Establishing Special Service Area #12 in the Village of Downers Grove

ORD 2022-9619 — B. Ordinance: Establishing Special Service Area #13 in the Village of Downers Grove

Village Manager Dave Fieldman explained that both Item A and Item B established Special Service Areas (SSA) that allowed the Village to collect property taxes on the areas in those districts, in order to provide maintenance to stormwater detention facilities when a homeowners association failed to do so. He said the process for the creation of the districts had been before the Council numerous times.

VILLAGE COUNCIL COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

Mayor Barnett explained that there were a series of SSAs throughout the community. They served as backstops for things like homeowners associations that had the responsibility of maintaining stormwater systems, such as detention basins in developments. This was assurance that the Village had the ability to levy the fees and funds necessary to maintain those, in cases where the homeowners associations did not.

8. Manager's Report

Manager Fieldman stated that though it was off agenda, he wanted to share an update on one of the Village's top Priority Action Items – the Civic Center Project. He complimented Deputy Village Manager Mike Baker on the exemplary job he had been doing as the Project Manager. Manager Fieldman also gave thanks to the Village Communications Department for their help with producing the short form videos that captured the progress of the project.

Mr. Baker gave a short presentation and explained that the construction of the Civic Center, that would house the Village Hall, Police Department, and School District 58 staff, began in August. He reported that while it was still early in the construction process, the project was tracking on schedule and under budget. He said to date, construction activities had focused on site grading, utility installation, and the excavation of the basement of the building. Mr. Baker concluded by stating that regular updates would be provided to the Council as the project moved forward.

VILLAGE COUNCIL COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

Mayor Barnett said that he had walked past the construction site often and had observed that the streets had been kept clean and that traffic had been managed well, even with the many trucks entering and exiting the site. He thanked Mr. Baker for that and said he hoped that continued throughout the construction process.

REP 2022-9656 — A. Report: Social Services Gap Analysis Report

Manager Fieldman presented this item via PowerPoint. He reviewed the goals of the Social Services Referral Program, the history of the program, the Social Services Gap Analysis Report that was prepared by the Human Service Commission (HSC), the Village Council's action plan, and the next steps regarding the project. He said that the report was included in the Council meeting packet that was posted online. Manager Fieldman reviewed the three potential service gaps that were identified by the Village Council, a few months prior, when they directed on the project.

1. Awareness Gaps – Public awareness to the program could be low since it had been launched recently.
2. Acceptance Gaps – None had been identified as the acceptance rate of the referrals remained very high.
3. Availability Gaps – While the Village identified a service provider for each of the requested services, additional information needed to be provided to the Village to determine if there was an availability gap. The Human Service Commission identified one gap in the participation of the Village's Taxi Coupon Program, for residents 65 years and older or with disabilities, due to the lack of availability of taxis.

Manager Fieldman stated that the final step in the report was to develop strategies and recommendations to address the gaps. He explained the top priority was to create a public awareness campaign by disseminating information to the public, partnering with other organizations, and using data to quantify and qualify an awareness gap moving forward. He said the report recommended that the HSC become a working board by operating information booths at community events and that service providers submit information to the Village about their wait times and general scheduling availability. Manager Fieldman further stated that the report also contained recommendations to increase senior resident access to transportation (including the Taxi Program issue identified earlier) by exploring partnerships with local community groups, with local medical service providers, and by exploring and developing a senior subsidy program in partnership with rideshare companies. He said that the Council had three options. 1) Accept the report as it was drafted and presented; 2) Accept the report with modifications as directed by the Village Council; 3) Ask the HSC to do more work on the report and remand it back to them for specific changes.

Manager Fieldman stated that once the Council accepted the report, staff would work with the HSC to develop an implementation plan and schedule, likely to be completed in the early part of 2023. He said staff would carry out the actions in the plan in 2023 and beyond. Manager Field concluded by stating that it was a pleasure to be the staff liaison to the HSC. He was pleased to present their work and looked forward to carrying out the Village Council's direction on the specifics of the plan.

VILLAGE COUNCIL COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

Commissioner Sadowski-Fugitt said that she wanted to engage the senior community to see if they would be interested in the participation of rideshare programs. If they did, she wanted to explore a partnership with the rideshare companies. She said she was in favor of the rest of the report. She also stated she was interested in finding a way to allow the members of the HSC to volunteer their time at information booths during community events.

Commissioner Kulovany said he was pleased that there was not an acceptance issue. He said there were a lot less taxi services/drivers due to the rideshare companies. He also said that when it came to seniors, there was a big difference between a 65 year old and an 85 year old being able to use cellphone rideshare applications. He said since the HSC members were offering to volunteer their time and they more knowledgeable in the issues at hand, he was interested in remanding the issue back to the HSC to allow them to be a part of the solution.

Commissioner Hosé said he did not want the members of the HSC out at community events and would much rather send staff. In particular, the Village Social Worker, as she was educated in providing the residents with the right resources/connections they needed. He said with regard to the transportation issue, he wanted to engage the Township and any other organization that might offer rideshares to the senior and disabled communities. The Commissioner said that he did not want to engage the senior community until after we reached out to those organizations.

Commissioner Gilmartin said he thought the members of the HSC would be good volunteers at information booths, but he too recommended having staff and the Village Social Worker working them and providing direction to the volunteers. When it came to transportation for the seniors and the disabled population, he also agreed to look to the Township and County for ideas and possibly partnering with rideshare programs. Commissioner Gilmartin stated that he thought that more seniors had cell phones than people might think. He concluded by stating that awareness was critical and a real area of focus. He said he thought the report was a comprehensive look at what the Village needed to do and he had no issues with anything else in the report.

Commissioner Walus thanked the HSC members for their service. She said that she agreed with most of what Commissioner Hosé mentioned. With regard to the transportation issue, she wanted to go to the Township first and put rideshare companies lower on the list. She said when it came to information booths, she agreed that it was best to have the Village Social Worker attend as many events as possible. She also stated that she would be comfortable having someone that reported to staff attend in the Social Worker's place.

Commissioner Glover said that he agreed with Commissioner Gilmartin. He said with regard to the awareness gap he thought that since the program was still fairly new, the Village should continue to reach out to other organizations. The Commissioner also said with regard to information booths, if feasible, it should be staff that works those. Regarding the transportation gap for seniors and the disabled, he agreed we should reach out to the County and Township before exploring rideshare partnerships.

The Mayor said the main goal was to raise awareness at community events and to connect people with the help they needed. He thought it would be best to start by using our professional team and staff to raise awareness. He said if they felt they needed additional help, they could ask for volunteers; on the flip side, if they felt they weren't getting enough interest, they could re-evaluate if they should attend events all together. With regard to transportation for seniors and the disabled, the Mayor said he did not feel we had enough information. He felt we needed to know why the Village Taxi Coupons were not being used, so he wanted data that showed the number of coupons used during the program's peak versus what was currently being used. The Mayor also said that before looking into any partnerships, he felt we needed additional information from the seniors including what ride services they were currently using; what they were experiencing; if they would be interested in using rideshare companies.

Commissioner Gilmartin said that he felt this should be considered a marketing exercise – thinking of the seniors as the focus group and questioning both past and present coupon users. He also said he thought that several different methods of marketing should be used to get awareness out into the community, such as creating videos and using social media – both in a way that was scalable. The Commissioner said the Village's in-house communications team

should be consulted regarding the best ways to get awareness out to the community. He also stated that he thought it would be a good idea to use the statistics that had been kept on the types of services that were leveraged most, in order to determine the best means to communicate with other people that could use those services most.

Manager Fieldman said that he would like to take the Council's proposed changes and consult with staff and possibly the Human Service Commission. He said he would come back with revisions that captured the Council's direction correctly and then action would be taken from there.

Mayor Barnett gave thanks to the members of the Human Service Commission and asked all that new someone on the Commission to do the same. He said of the 459 referrals the Village received over the past year, 380 of them resulted in people accepting services. He said many were cases of people suffering from depression, substance abuse, and thoughts of suicide. The families and neighbors of those people were also suffering and in a way they also got help. That help was not available to them two years ago. The Mayor also gave thanks to Heather Lippe, the Village Social Worker for all of her work.

9. Attorney's Report

Pursuant to Section 2.5 of the Downers Grove Municipal Code, Village Attorney Enza Petrarca presented the following for Village Council consideration:

1. An ordinance establishing Special Service Area #12 in the Village of Downers Grove.
2. An ordinance establishing Special Service Area #13 in the Village of Downers Grove.

10. Public Comment

- Marshall Schmitt returned to the podium and expressed that he disagreed with public comments being limited to 5 minutes per person. He also spoke of the Civic Center Project and the lease agreement between the Village and School District 58.
- Louise Kelly spoke of the DuPage County Metropolitan Mayor's Initiative and encouraged the Village Council to take part in the initiative.
- Carol Richard said she concurred with the Village Council taking part in the Metropolitan Mayor's Initiative and also encouraged the Council to reinstate the Village's Economic Concerns Commission.

11. Mayor's Report

Mayor Barnett explained that there were procedures during Village Council meetings that needed to be followed in order to move public policy forward and to make decisions. He said the process also involved taking input on decisions. He also stated that in the 10 years he had served on the Council, he did not recall a time where everyone that attended a meeting did not have the opportunity to provide their input. He said that was why each person needed to limit their public comments to five minutes. The Mayor concluded by stating that when people made public comments and limited their time to five minutes, they were being considerate to their neighbors by allowing others some time to speak as well.

12. Council Member Reports

Commissioner Kulovany said that he wanted to piggy back off the Mayor's Report. He stated that he himself had been in the position of being at the podium sometimes struggling to keep his comments to five minutes. He suggested that residents be concise by typing their comments into a Word document and edit them to approximately 750 words, as on average it would take approximately five minutes to read a document with that many words aloud.

Commissioner José commented in response to a public comment regarding the Village's lease with School District 58. He said that the lease was available online at downer.us for anyone to view. He also stated that the lease called

for annual payments, but if the school district decided they wished to pay it differently, that was up to them.

13. Adjournment

Mayor Barnett asked for a motion to move the meeting into Executive Session.

***MOTION:** Commissioner José moved to convene into Executive Session pursuant to Section 2(C)(3) of the Illinois Open Meetings Act to consider the selection of a person to fill a public office which the Village Council is given power to appoint under law or ordinance.*

***RESULT:** Motion carried unanimously by roll call.*

***SECONDED BY:** Commissioner Walus*

***AYES:** Commissioners José, Walus, Glover, Gilmartin, Kulovany, Sadowski-Fugitt, and Mayor Barnett*

***NAYES:** none*

Mayor Barnett declared the motion carried by roll call and the meeting was moved into Executive Session at 9:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rosa Berardi
Village Clerk