

# VILLAGE OF HOMEWOOD



**BOARD AGENDA MEMORANDUM**

**DATE OF MEETING: December 10, 2024**

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**To:** Village President and Board of Trustees

**Through:** Napoleon Haney, Village Manager

**From:** Joshua Burman, Director of Public Works

**Topic:** IDOT Resolution for Construction on State Highway

## **PURPOSE**

Staff requests consideration of a resolution for the Village to obtain permits from the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) to perform work within IDOT rights-of-way in accordance with State requirements. This resolution also allows the Village to request permits without the requirement of posting a surety bond.

## **PROCESS**

The Village owns and operates sanitary, water, and storm sewer systems on State roads which include Ridge Road, Riegel Road, Dixie Highway, and Harwood Avenue. Chapter 121 of the Illinois Revised Statutes requires a permit when any person, firm, or corporation desires to perform work within the right-of-way of any State-owned and maintained roadway. This permit requirement also pertains to any emergency work such as the repair of a broken water main or sewer.

In order to expedite the permit process, a current Village resolution must be on file with IDOT prior to starting the work. The resolution establishes that the Village will take full responsibility to restore the IDOT right-of-way upon completion of any work. Typically, a surety bond is also required with each permit to help guarantee that all work is completed in accordance with the State's specifications and the right-of-way is fully restored. However, a resolution is acceptable in lieu of the surety bond for work to be performed by employees of a municipality.

Approval of this resolution streamlines and expedites the Village's ability to respond to emergency repairs in IDOT right-of-way. It does not constitute a blanket permit for work since a separate application must be made to IDOT for each individual project, such as new construction or capital projects. In the case of emergencies, if a resolution is in place, verbal authority may be given by IDOT prior to receipt of the written application.

This resolution will be valid during the calendar years 2025 and 2026.

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## **OUTCOME**

Upon adoption, the resolution will be filed with IDOT and the Village will be able to obtain permits to perform work within the right-of-way of any State-owned and maintained roadway in a timely manner and without the need to provide a surety bond.

## **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

- **Funding Source:** N/A
- **Budgeted Amount:** N/A
- **Cost:** N/A

## **LEGAL REVIEW**

Not Required

## **RECOMMENDED BOARD ACTION**

Pass a resolution for the Village to obtain permits from the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) to perform work within IDOT rights-of-way during the calendar years 2025 and 2026 in accordance with State requirements.

## **ATTACHMENT(S)**

Resolution