

MOTION made by Council Member Dandalides, Seconded by President Rutt, to direct the Village Manager to investigate opportunities within the administration structure to more actively pursue grant funding to help the Village offset the \$28.8 million funding required for the Capital Improvement Plan and come back to Council with a recommendation at the November 10, 2025 Council Meeting.

VOTING YEA: Rutt, Ford, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr, Papacek

VOTING NAY: None

ABSENT: Moshier

MOTION: Carried

J. Request from Council Member Dandalides dated from October 22, 2025 regarding the TIF and 75/25 split

Council Member Dandalides presented an overview of the DDA's TIF history and revenues, noting that property value growth has exceeded projections since the 2019 amendment. He explained the 2022 "75/25" agreement, under which 75% of new TIF revenue growth is reserved for Village infrastructure and 25% remains with the DDA, estimating about \$10 million in infrastructure funding by 2039. He also reviewed the potential impact of adjusting DDA boundaries and recommended joint discussions between the Village and DDA to clarify responsibilities, eliminate overlaps, and align funding priorities.

MOTION made by President Rutt, Seconded by Council Member Comparoni Jr, to receive and file Council Member Dandalides' presentation.

VOTING YEA: Rutt, Ford, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr, Papacek

VOTING NAY: None

ABSENT: Moshier

MOTION: Carried

9. Public Hearings

None.

10. Other Items

A. Proposals for Municipal Legal Services

Council Member Dandalides supported creating an ad hoc committee to review legal service proposals in detail and volunteered to serve. Council Member Lamb opposed forming another committee, saying he had reviewed the proposals himself and preferred selecting the lowest bidder based on cost and experience. Council Member Comparoni disagreed and supported forming the committee to ensure the most qualified firm is chosen. President Rutt agreed that a more thorough review of the legal service proposals is needed, noting that several firms had similar pricing. She supported evaluating their qualifications, experience, and services through a structured review and interview process.

MOTION made by President Rutt, Seconded by President Pro Tem Ford, to establish an Ad Hoc Legal Services Review Committee consisting of three (3) Council members, the Village Manager,

and the Chief of Police to establish the criteria for rating legal services firms; reviewing the proposals received on October 22, 2025, and rating each; preparing interview questions and interviewing firms and rating each firm's interview presentation; and formulating a recommendation to Council on selection of the most qualified firm no later than the first regular meeting of the Village Council in December 2025.

VOTING YEA: Rutt, Ford, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr, Papacek

VOTING NAY: None

ABSENT: Moshier

MOTION: Carried

Council Member Lamb moved to form a committee consisting of himself, Council Members Dandalides, and Comparoni Jr to review legal service proposals. President Rutt expressed interest in serving but raised concern about potential bias among committee members based on prior comments regarding the current attorney. Council Member Lamb clarified that his past criticism of the existing firm was based on performance and cost, not personal bias. Council Member Papacek supported forming the committee and emphasized cost as an important factor in evaluating firms.

MOTION made Council Member Lamb, Seconded by Council Member Comparoni Jr, to appoint Council Member Dandalides, Council Member Comparoni Jr, and Council Member Papacek to serve on the Ad Hoc Legal Services Review Committee.

VOTING YEA: Ford, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr, Papacek

VOTING NAY: Rutt

ABSENT: Moshier

MOTION: Carried

B. Private Road Winter Maintenance Agreements

President Rutt disclosed that she lives on Converse Court, which is affected by the issue, and confirmed her support for the homeowners' association paying for its own snow plowing as a private road. She also noted her signature appears on the related document as the witness to the association's treasurer.

MOTION made by President Rutt, Seconded by President Pro Tem Ford, to approve the 2025-26 Agreement for Winter Maintenance Services Between the Village of Lake Orion and Converse Court Homeowners' Association in the total estimated amount of \$546.06 and to authorize the Village Manager to execute the agreement on behalf of the Village.

VOTING YEA: Rutt, Ford, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr, Papacek

VOTING NAY: None

ABSENT: Moshier

MOTION: Carried

MOTION made by President Pro Tem Ford, Seconded by President Rutt, to approve the 2025-26 Agreement for Winter Maintenance Services Between the Village of Lake Orion and Newton Court Homeowners' Association in the total estimated amount of \$524.49 and to authorize the Village Manager to execute the agreement on behalf of the Village.

VOTING YEA: Rutt, Ford, Lamb, Dandalides, Comparoni Jr, Papacek