



VILLAGE OF
BURR RIDGE
A VERY SPECIAL PLACE

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TO: Mayor, Trustees, Village Attorneys and Village Clerk
FROM: Village Administrator Steve Stricker and Staff
DATE: May 13, 2016
SUBJECT: Administration Weekly Memo

Sprinkling Restrictions Begin – Sunday, May 15

Please be reminded that the annual Sprinkling Restrictions go into effect on May 15 and remain in effect until September 15. Sprinkling north of 83rd Street is permitted Monday, Thursday and Saturday from midnight to Noon and 6:00 p.m. to midnight. Sprinkling south of 83rd Street is permitted Tuesday, Friday and Sunday during the same hours. **Sprinkling is not permitted at all on Wednesdays nor on any day between Noon and 6:00 p.m.** Residents on well systems are not subject to these restrictions and should notify the Police Department at (630) 323-8181.

Public Works Union Negotiations – Monday, May 16, 7:00 p.m.

The first Public Works Union Negotiations meeting is scheduled on Monday, May 16, at 7:00 p.m. in the Village Hall Conference Room.

Plan Commission Meeting – Monday, May 16, 7:30 p.m.

The next Plan Commission meeting is on Monday, May 16, at 7:30 p.m. Attached is the agenda for this meeting. The full agenda packet has been uploaded to Share Point.

EDC Meeting – Tuesday, May 17, 7:00 p.m.

The next Economic Development Committee meeting is on Tuesday, May 17, at 7:00 p.m. Attached is the agenda for this meeting. The full agenda packet has been uploaded to Share Point.

IDOT Public Hearing re I-55 Improvement Project – Tuesday, May 17, 4:00 p.m.

The Illinois Department of Transportation is holding a public hearing concerning the proposed improvement of I-55 from I-355 to I-90/94 in DuPage and Cook Counties. The hearing will be held on Tuesday, May 17, from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m., at the Holiday Inn Countryside

Conference Center, 6201 Joliet Road, Countryside. Exhibits will be on display and an audio-visual presentation will be shown continuously during the hearing. Written comments can be submitted at the hearing, mailed after the hearing or submitted to the project web site at www.i55managedlaneproject.org.

Restaurant Marketing Committee Meeting – Thursday, May 19, 9:00 a.m.

The next Restaurant Marketing Committee meeting is scheduled on Thursday, May 19, at 9:00 a.m. Attached is the agenda for this meeting.

Hotel Marketing Committee Meeting – Thursday, May 19, 2:00 p.m.

The next Hotel Marketing Committee meeting is scheduled on Thursday, May 19, at 2:00 p.m. Attached is the agenda for this meeting.

DMMC Annual Recognition Dinner – Friday, May 20, 5:30 p.m.

The DuPage Mayors and Managers' Annual Dinner and Recognition Ceremony is scheduled for Friday, May 20, at 5:30 p.m.

Armed Forces Day Celebration – Saturday, May 21

Please be informed that the Burr Ridge Veterans Memorial Committee is holding its annual Armed Forces Day Celebration on Saturday, May 21, 10:00 a.m. at the Memorial site in front of the Village Hall.

Scavenger Franchise Sub-Committee Meeting – Monday, May 23, 6:00 p.m.

The next meeting of the Scavenger Franchise Agreement Sub-Committee is scheduled on Monday, May 23, prior to the Village Board meeting at 6:00 p.m. Attached is the agenda for this meeting. The full agenda packet will be uploaded to Share Point.

Veterans Memorial Committee Meeting – Wednesday, May 25, 4:00 p.m.

The next Veterans Memorial Committee is scheduled on Wednesday, May 25, at 4:00 p.m.

Village Hall Closed for Memorial Day Holiday – Monday, May 30

Please be reminded that the Village Hall will be closed on Monday, May 30, in observance of the Memorial Day holiday.

German Church Road Closure and Detour begins Monday

Westbound German Church Road will be closed near County Line Road beginning Monday, May 16th. The closure should be expected until mid-June while constructing a sidewalk on the north side of German Church Road near Greystone Court. A detour will be posted to use Wolf Road and 79th Street. Eastbound traffic from County Line Road will not be affected. A

message board has been placed at Wolf Road and all other signs will indicate "ROAD CLOSED LOCAL TRAFFIC ONLY".

Westbound traffic will be prohibited at Greystone Court in Burr Ridge, approximately ¼ mile east of County Line Road, so that residents and businesses in Steepleside Drive, Arrowhead Farm Drive, and Greystone Court will have full access to their neighborhoods. Traffic should exit these neighborhoods in the eastbound direction. Emergency services, schools, and Willow Springs have already been notified.

Road Program Update

Despite rainy weather this week, work on the 2016 Road Program Resurfacing Contract continued, and asphalt resurfacing was completed in Oak Hill subdivision, Polo Ridge Court, and Clubside Court. Weather permitting, the remainder of street resurfacing will be finished on Monday, May 16, on Andrew Court and Chasemoor Drive, well ahead of the June 1st deadline. The Chasemoor Drive one-way restriction and detour will be removed after paving is completed. Any questions can be directed to the Public Works Department Project Engineer at 630-323-4733 x.6010.

Police Chief John Madden to Attend FBI National Academy

As you know, Chief John Madden has been invited to attend the 265th Session of the FBI National Academy to be held from July 11 through September 16, 2016. Attached please find a letter from Special Agent in Charge Michael J. Anderson officially inviting the Police Chief to the prestigious training program.

DMMC Legislative Update

Attached please find the DuPage Mayors and Managers Conference Legislative Update dated May 10, 2016.

IML Statehouse Briefing

Attached please find the Illinois Municipal League Statehouse Briefing dated May 9, 2016.

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**REGULAR MEETING
VILLAGE OF BURR RIDGE
PLAN COMMISSION**

**May 16, 2016
7:30 P.M.**

I. ROLL CALL

Greg Trzuppek, Chairman

**Mike Stratis
Dehn Grunsten
Robert Grela**

**Luisa Hoch
Greg Scott
Mary Praxmarer
Jim Broline, Alternate**

II. APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETING MINUTES

A. May 2, 2016 Plan Commission Regular Meeting

III. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. V-02-2016: 638 Gregford Road (Bryant); Fence Variation and Findings of Fact

Requests variations from Section IV.J of the Burr Ridge Zoning Ordinance to permit a seven-foot tall, solid wood fence located in an interior side yard and a front yard rather than the requirement that fences not exceed five feet in height, be at least 50% open, and be located only in the rear yard.

B. Z-07-2016: 1400 Burr Ridge Parkway and 11650 Bridewell Drive (David Weekley Homes); Rezoning, Text Amendment or Variation, Planned Unit Development, and Findings of Fact

Request rezoning from the O-2 Office and Hotel District to the R-5 Planned Residence District with a variation from or an amendment to Section VI.H.4.b(6) to permit a Planned Unit Development on 22.5 acres rather than the required minimum of 40 acres; all of which is to accommodate the proposed development of 75 single-family homes with private streets and with floor areas ranging from approximately 2,100 square feet to 3,400 square feet.

IV. CORRESPONDENCE

A. Board Report – May 9, 2016

V. OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

- A. PC-03-2016: Amendment to the Comprehensive Plan – Burr Ridge Park Sub-Area**
- B. Z-05-2016: 10S371 Madison Street (Valincius); Adoption of Findings of Fact**

VI. FUTURE SCHEDULED MEETINGS

- A. June 6, 2016:** The filing deadline for this meeting is May 16, 2016
- B. June 20, 2016:** The filing deadline for this meeting is May 30, 2016

VII. ADJOURNMENT

PLEASE NOTE: All Plan Commission recommendations are advisory and are submitted to the Mayor and Board of Trustees for review and final action. Any item being voted on at this Plan Commission meeting will be forwarded to the Mayor and Board of Trustees for consideration at their May 23, 2016 Regular Meeting beginning at 7:00 P.M. Commissioner Broline is the scheduled Plan Commission representative for the May 23, 2016 Board meeting.

AGENDA
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
Tuesday, May 17, 2016
7:00 p.m.
Burr Ridge Village Hall
Conference Room

DISTRIBUTION:

Mayor Mickey Straub,
Chairperson
Trustee Tony Schiappa
Trustee Paula Murphy
Sheryl Kern
Zachary Mottl
Bhagwan Sharma
Steve Stricker
Doug Pollock
Janet Kowal

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. ROLL CALL**
- 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
- January 19, 2016
- 4. APPROVAL OF EDC BREAKFAST MEETING MINUTES**
- February 18, 2016
- 5. REVIEW OF PROPOSED ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN**
- 6. REVIEW OF DRAFT BUSINESS APPRECIATION AWARD CRITERIA**
- 7. REVIEW OF BUSINESS SURVEY RESULTS**
- 8. DISCUSSION REGARDING NEW BURR RIDGE MOBILE APP**
- 9. VILLAGE CENTER UPDATE**
- 10. NEW DEVELOPMENT UPDATE**
- 11. DISCUSSION REGARDING FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**
- 12. ADJOURNMENT**

AGENDA
RESTAURANT MARKETING SUBCOMMITTEE

Thursday, May 19, 2016

9:00 a.m.

Burr Ridge Village Hall

Conference Room

7660 County Line Road

Burr Ridge, IL

DISTRIBUTION:

Rob Pesci,
Cooper's Hawk
Roxanne Scavone
Cooper's Hawk
Steve Green,
Ciazza-Marriott Hotel
Lynn Falco,
Falco's Pizza
Kirsten Jepsen,
Kirsten's Danish Bakery
Victoria Alanis,
Wok N Fire
Becky Fleck,
Topaz Café
Steven Zambrzycki,
Eddie Merlot's
Steve Stricker,
Village of Burr Ridge
Janet Kowal
Village of Burr Ridge

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. ROLL CALL**
- 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
 - **December 10, 2014**
 - **June 17, 2015 (No Quorum; Meeting Notes only)**
- 4. REVIEW OF FY 16-17 RESTAURANT COMMITTEE MARKETING BUDGET**
- 5. DISCUSSION REGARDING PROPOSED TAX LEVY REFERENDUM FOR INFRASTRUCTURE**
- 6. DISCUSSION REGARDING NEW BURR RIDGE MOBILE APP**
- 7. REVIEW OF FY 16-17 RESTAURANT COMMITTEE MARKETING PLAN**
- 8. DISCUSSION REGARDING 2016 CONCERT SCHEDULE/CONCERT NIGHT SPECIALS**
- 9. DISCUSSION REGARDING 2016 RESTAURANT WEEK PROGRAM**
- 10. OTHER BUSINESS**
- 11. ADJOURNMENT**

AGENDA
HOTEL MARKETING SUBCOMMITTEE
Thursday, May 19, 2016
2:00 p.m.
Burr Ridge Village Hall
Conference Room
7660 S. County Line Road
Burr Ridge, IL

DISTRIBUTION:

Patty Connolly,
Marriott SW at Burr Ridge
Vicki Kroll,
Spring Hill Suites
Sanjay Sukhramani/
Russell Smith,
Crowne Plaza
Veronica Tabb,
Extended Stay
Phil Yaeger,
Boost Communications
Steve Stricker,
Village of Burr Ridge
Janet Kowal
Village of Burr Ridge

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **ROLL CALL**
3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
 - **January 12, 2016**
4. **REVIEW OF HOTEL/MOTEL TAX FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS THROUGH MARCH 31, 2016**
5. **DISCUSSION REGARDING PROPOSED TAX LEVY REFERENDUM FOR INFRASTRUCTURE**
6. **REVIEW OF FY 16-17 HOTEL/MOTEL TAX FUND BUDGET**
7. **DISCUSSION REGARDING NEW HAMPTON INN HOTEL IN BURR RIDGE**
8. **DISCUSSION REGARDING NEW BURR RIDGE MOBILE APP**
9. **DISCUSSION REGARDING 2016 CONCERT SCHEDULE**
10. **DISCUSSION CONCERNING FY 16-17 HOTEL MARKETING PLAN**
11. **OTHER BUSINESS**
12. **ADJOURNMENT**

DISTRIBUTION:

Trustee Guy Franzese -Chairperson
Trustee Paula Murphy
Trustee Tony Schiappa
Village Administrator Steve Stricker
Public Works Director David Preissig

AGENDA

**SCAVENGER FRANCHISE AGREEMENT
SUB-COMMITTEE**

**Monday, May 23, 2016
6:00 p.m.
(Prior to Village Board Meeting)**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. ROLL CALL**
- 3. APPROVAL OF MAY 9, 2016, MINUTES**
- 4. DISCUSSION WITH REPUBLIC SERVICES REGARDING POSSIBLE
REFUSE COLLECTION PROGRAMS/IDEAS FOR BURR RIDGE
- Richard Van Der Molen**
- 5. NEXT STEPS**
- 6. ADJOURNMENT**



U.S. Department of Justice

Federal Bureau of Investigation

2111 Roosevelt Road
Chicago, Illinois 60608
April 26, 2016

Administrator Steven S. Stricker
Burr Ridge Police Department
7700 County Line Road
Burr Ridge, IL 60527

RE: Chief John Madden
265th Session, FBI National Academy
July 11 2016 – September 16, 2016

Dear Administrator Stricker:

I am pleased to extend an invitation to Chief Madden to attend the 265th Session of the FBI National Academy. We look forward to having him in attendance. If circumstances have arisen, which would preclude him from attending this session, please contact Special Agent Dale Shelton, Training Coordinator, at telephone number (312) 829-8913 as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Michael J. Anderson
Special Agent in Charge

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

May 10, 2016

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY SCHEDULE

Both chambers convened in Springfield today. Friday is the second committee deadline, when House bills must advance out of Senate committees and Senate bills out of House committees, and a number of committee hearings are scheduled for the week. At this point in time, the General Assembly is still expected to adjourn on May 31.

DMMC SPRINGFIELD DRIVE DOWN

Thank you to all who attended DMMC's 2016 Springfield Drive Down. Representatives from 17 member municipalities, including Addison, Aurora, Bensenville, Bloomingdale, Burr Ridge, Hanover Park, Itasca, Lisle, Lombard, Naperville, Roselle, Schaumburg, Villa Park, Warrenville, Wayne, Wood Dale, and Woodridge, spent two days lobbying legislators at the Capitol. Highlights of the Springfield Drive Down included a number of joint events with other councils of governments, including a reception and dinner with the Metro West Council of Government, breakfast with the Lake County Municipal League, and lunch with the Southwest Conference of Mayors. DMMC also held a joint press conference featuring Gayle Smolinski (Mayor of Roselle and President of DMMC), David Brummel (Mayor of Warrenville and Vice President of DMMC), Gerald Bennett (Mayor of Palos Hills and President of SWCG), Matt Brolley (Mayor of Montgomery and President of MWCG), Joe Mancino (Mayor of Hawthorn Woods and President of LCML), and Senator Tom Cullerton.

A very sincere thank you to Governor Bruce Rauner, Senate President John Cullerton, Senate Republican Leader Christine Radogno, House Republican Leader Jim Durkin, Senators Pam Althoff, Michael Connelly, Tom Cullerton, Don Harmon, Pat McGuire, Michael Noland, Chris Nybo, and Jim Oberweis, and Representatives Steve Andersson, Patti Bellock, Peter Breen, Linda Chapa LaVia, Deb Conroy, Mary Flowers, Stephanie Kifowit, Anna Moeller, Michelle Mussman, Ron Sandack, Grant Wehrli, Keith Wheeler, and Christine Winger for taking time out of their busy schedules to meet with members and/or join DMMC for our Springfield Reception and Dinner. Special thanks and our gratitude to Lieutenant Governor Evelyn Sanguinetti and IML Executive Director Brad Cole for speaking at DMMC's events.

LEGISLATION

The Conference continues to monitor bills that are relevant to municipalities. The Legislative Committee will be asked to recommend positions at its upcoming meetings on bills that could impact municipalities and their residents. The Board of Directors and full membership will then consider these recommendations at their respective meetings. If you have any questions about bills or legislative activity, please contact Executive Director Mark Baloga at (630) 571-0480, ext. 223 or mbaloga@dmmc-

cog.org. You may also contact Policy Analyst Kate Buggy at (630) 571-0480, ext. 225 or kbuggy@dmmc-cog.org.

[HB 1380 \(Rep. Phelps, D-Harrisburg\) - Public Labor - Attorney Fees](#)

HB 1380 requires a party to a collective bargaining agreement who fails to comply with an arbitration award in a timely manner or fails to submit a grievance dispute to pay to the prevailing party all reasonable court costs including attorneys' fees. HB 1380 was amended and approved by the House (74-30-0). However, the amendments do not address all of DMMC's concerns with the original bill. HB 1380 was scheduled for a hearing in the Labor Committee, however, the Committee meeting was cancelled.

DMMC Opposes

[HB 3760 \(Rep. Franks, D-Woodstock\) - Local Government - Disclose Incentives](#)

As originally drafted, HB 3760 provides that each unit of local government must report the annual value of any tax incentive granted by the unit of local government as lost revenue on its annual financial report. An amendment to the bill provides that the annual value of any tax incentive granted by the unit of local government must instead be reported as community investment revenue. HB 3760 as amended is scheduled for a hearing in the Revenue Committee on May 11.

DMMC opposes HB 3760 as originally drafted and the DMMC Board of Directors recommends opposing the amended version of HB 3760

[To file a witness slip to indicate your position, click here.](#)

[HB 4379 \(Rep. McSweeney, R-Cary\) - Local Government Travel Expenses](#)

HB 4379 provides that non-home rule units of local government, school districts, and community college districts must, by resolution or ordinance, regulate travel, meal, and lodging expenses of officers and employees. HB 4379 also requires the expenses of (i) any officer or employee that exceeds the maximum allowed, or (ii) any member of the governing board or corporate authorities, to be approved by roll call vote at an open meeting of the corporate authorities of a unit of local government or governing board of a school district. HB 4379 was approved by the Local Government Committee and is currently on 2nd Reading in the Senate.

DMMC Opposes

[HB 4501 \(Rep. Yingling, D-Grayslake\) - Local Government Reduction](#)

HB 4501 expands the Local Government Reduction and Efficiency Division of the Counties Code, which currently applies only to DuPage County, to all counties. The Act currently provides a process for the county board to dissolve any unit of local government located entirely within one county to which the county board chairman appoints a majority of its governing board with the advice and consent of the county board. The Act excludes the dissolution of a fire protection district that directly employs any regular full-time employees or a special district organized under the Water Commission Act of 1985. HB 4501 is scheduled for a hearing in the Local Government Committee on May 11.

DMMC Supports

[To file a witness slip to indicate your position, click here.](#)

[HB 4715 \(Rep. Bryant, R-Mt. Vernon; Sen. Radogno, R-Lemont\) - FOIA Penalties](#)

HB 4715 increases the maximum penalty that a court may impose on a public body for failing to comply with FOIA to \$10,000 and requires an additional penalty of up to \$1000 each day after 30 days of noncompliance. HB 4715 is scheduled for a hearing in the Senate Executive Committee on May 11.

The DMMC Board of Directors recommends opposing HB 4715

[To file a witness slip to indicate your position, click here.](#)

[HB 5522 \(Rep. Ives, R-Wheaton\) - Open Meetings - Posting Records](#)

HB 5522 requires a unit of local government or school district with an operating budget of at least \$1 million to maintain a website and post certain information to the website. The bill also permits a resident to file a lawsuit to compel compliance with the posting requirements. HB 5522 was approved by the House (90-13-00) and is currently in the Senate Assignments Committee awaiting assignment to a substantive committee.

DMMC Opposes

[SB 2815 \(Sen. Harmon, D-Oak Park\) - Motor Fuel - Reporting Required](#)

SB 2815 permits a municipality, county, or road district to submit a copy of its approved road budget showing expenses exceeding the motor fuel tax funds received in order to satisfy all documentation and reporting requirements relating to the motor fuel tax funds. SB 2815 is currently on 3rd Reading in the Senate and has received a deadline extension of May 13.

DMMC Supports

[SB 2894 \(Sen. Clayborne, Jr., D-East St. Louis\) - IMRF Retro Survivor Benefits](#)

SB 2894 removes the one-year limit on backdating a survivor benefit. The bill also permits a person who was previously limited to one year to reapply for annuity payments for the period denied due to the one-year limitation. SB 2894 is scheduled for a hearing in the House Personnel and Pensions Committee on May 11.

DMMC Opposes

[To file a witness slip to indicate your position, click here.](#)

[SB 2896 \(Sen. Althoff, R-McHenry\) - IMRF Return to Work Violations](#)

SB 2896 provides that an employer who fails to notify the IMRF Board to suspend the annuity of a retiree who returns to service as a participating employee may be required to reimburse IMRF for an amount up to the total of any annuity payments made after the date the payments should have been suspended. SB 2896 is currently on 3rd Reading in the Senate and has received a deadline extension of May 13.

DMMC Opposes

[SB 3181 \(Sen. Oberweis, R-North Aurora\) - Local Government Notices and Records](#)

SB 3181 requires the Illinois Transparency and Accountability Portal webmaster to compile and update notices and digital public records from all school districts and units of local government without websites. SB 3181 also provides that a school district or unit of local government may satisfy requirements to publish notices, agendas, or records in a newspaper by instead publishing that information to its website or the Portal. SB 3181 is scheduled for a hearing in the Senate Local Government Committee on May 11.

DMMC Supports

[To file a witness slip to indicate your position, click here.](#)

For your DuPage legislator's contact information, follow the link below.

[Senator Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant \(D-49, Plainfield\)](#)

[Senator Jacqueline Collins \(D-16, Chicago\)](#)

[Senator Michael Connelly \(R-21, Wheaton\)](#)

[Senator Thomas E. Cullerton \(D-23, Villa Park\)](#)

[Senator Don Harmon \(D-39, Oak Park\)](#)

[Senator Linda Holmes \(D-42, Aurora\)](#)

[Senator Karen McConnaughay \(R-33, West Dundee\)](#)

[Senator Pat McGuire \(D-43, Joliet\)](#)

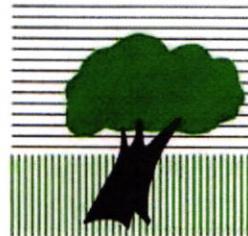
[Senator Laura Murphy \(D-28, Park Ridge\)](#)

Senator Matt Murphy (R-27, Palatine)
Senator Michael Noland (D-22, Elgin)
Senator Chris Nybo (R-24, Lombard)
Senator Jim Oberweis (R-25, North Aurora)
Senate Republican Leader Christine Radogno (R-41, Lemont)
Representative Steven Andersson (R-65, Geneva)
Representative Mark Batinick (R-97, Plainfield)
Representative Patti Bellock (R-47, Westmont)
Representative Peter Breen (R-48, Lombard)
Representative Linda Chapa LaVia (D-83, Aurora)
Representative Deborah Conroy (D-46, Villa Park)
Representative Fred Crespo (D-44, Streamwood)
House Republican Leader Jim Durkin (R-82, Western Springs)
Representative Mary Flowers (D-31, Chicago)
Representative Mike Fortner (R-49, West Chicago)
Representative Jeanne Ives (R-42, Wheaton)
Representative Stephanie Kifowit (D-84, Aurora)
Representative Natalie Manley (D-98, Joliet)
Representative Emily McAsey (D-85, Romeoville)
Representative Thomas Morrison (R-54, Palatine)
Representative Martin J. Moylan (D-55, Des Plaines)
Representative Michelle Mussman (D-56, Schaumburg)
Representative Ron Sandack (R-81, Downers Grove)
Representative Grant Wehrli (R-41, Naperville)
Representative Keith Wheeler (R-50, North Aurora)
Representative Kathleen Willis (D-77, Northlake)
Representative Christine Winger (R-45, Bloomingdale)

ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

Founded June 19, 1962, the DuPage Mayors and Managers Conference is a council of municipal governments in DuPage County, Illinois. Each member municipality is represented by its mayor and manager as voting delegates. The Conference is a not-for-profit organization supported by membership dues and grants.

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Illinois Municipal League Statehouse Briefing

Insider information from the Illinois Municipal League

May 9, 2016

The House and Senate were in session from Tuesday, May 3 through Thursday, May 5 following a one-week break for the Passover holiday. Debates over tax policy, potential constitutional amendments and school funding dominated the week. Also of consequence was the presence of hundreds of local officials at the Statehouse as part of IML's Lobby Day activities.

The prospect of placing several constitutional amendments on the November ballot looked possible over the past few weeks. Only one such amendment survived votes in the House and Senate by the conclusion of last week.

[HJRCA 36](#) (Rep. Phelps, D-Harrisburg/Sen. Haine, D-Alton) is an initiative supported by business, organized labor and the IML to create a "lockbox" to prevent transportation infrastructure funds from being swept for other spending purposes. It has been estimated that over \$6.4 billion in road fund revenue has been swept since 2003. Being the rare issue that garners support from business and labor, HJRCA 36 was quickly approved by both chambers with commanding bipartisan support and will be on the November ballot. IML intends to publish a summary of the proposed amendment after further review of the lengthy legislative intent read into the record prior to Senate passage.

Several other proposed constitutional amendments did not fare as well. Initiatives to allow voters to consider a progressive tax system, legislative redistricting, prioritizing education funding, term limits, judicial retention changes and abolishing the Office of the Lieutenant Governor failed to advance. Legislative redistricting may yet be on the November ballot as a result of a citizen initiative led by the Independent Maps campaign.

Unfortunately, a constitutional amendment pursued by IML to expand home rule eligibility, HJRCA 38 (Rep. Smiddy, D-Moline), was not advanced. Despite frequent conversations with legislative leaders to build support for the initiative, the prospect of there being several possible ballot questions to amend the Illinois Constitution worked against our proposed constitutional amendment. Per the Illinois Constitution, no more than three articles of the Constitution can be up for amendment during an election. Within the past few weeks it appeared that several amendments could possibly be in play. This resulted in an effort to limit what might move forward. The deadline for passing a proposed constitutional amendment through both chambers has now passed. IML intends to continue pursuit of home rule eligibility expansion in the future.

A legislative initiative to reform the school funding formula was slated for a Senate vote last week until being pulled from consideration. The legislation, [SB 231](#) (Sen. Manar, D-Bunker Hill), would predicate funding on financial need rather than enrollment. A district-by-district financial impact analysis released by the State Board of Education last week resulted in the sponsor opting to delay a vote on the measure while the numbers are further analyzed. The data suggested that some school districts would lose revenue as a result of the change. Supporters of SB 231 contend that the data does not reflect the most recent amendment.

The Senate did approve [SB 580](#) (Sen. J. Cullerton, D-Chicago) to eliminate the requirement that funds transferred, as authorized for cash flow borrowing during fiscal year 2015, must be repaid within 18 months. This legislation could make some revenue available as part of a hoped-for resolution to the budget impasse. The bill will next be considered by the House.

The General Assembly will return to Springfield on Tuesday, May 10. The next key deadline is May 13. This is the date for moving bills out of substantive committees in each chamber. Of course, bills can receive deadline extensions for later consideration.

IML Hosts Successful Lobby Day Events

The Illinois Municipal League (IML) was pleased to host another vibrant and engaging Lobby Day on May 4, 2016. Connecting municipal officials with the legislative process during Lobby Day is another service provided by IML to provide value and opportunity to our members.

The more than 200 local officials registered for the Wednesday morning legislative briefing heard informative presentations by several guest speakers and received informational materials about the IML's legislative agenda and key issues.

Executive Director Brad Cole welcomed attendees to the event and introduced the guest speakers. Congressman Darin LaHood, Lieutenant Governor Evelyn Sanguinetti, Comptroller Leslie Munger and Department of Commerce and Economic Development (DCEO) Acting Director Sean McCarthy discussed issues including the state and federal budgets, economic development, local government issues and the problems confronting local governments as a result of state mandates. Attendees were also briefed by IML staff about key issues of importance to municipalities.

Following the legislative briefing, attendees headed to the Statehouse to discuss critical municipal needs with their legislators. Several IML committees met during the afternoon to resolve pending IML business. That evening, Lobby Day attendees and legislators enjoyed the IML's legislative reception at the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Museum. The IML extends sincere appreciation to the dozens of legislators and state officials who participated in our Lobby Day events, and would particularly like to thank AT&T and ComEd for their generous sponsorships.

IML Urging General Assembly to Release Critical FY2017 Local Government Revenues

With less than a month remaining until the General Assembly is scheduled to adjourn, IML is working closely with legislative leadership to obtain passage of legislation providing spending authority for critical local funds (MFT, casino/video gaming, Use Tax, 9-1-1 revenues). It is imperative that the state release these funds to avoid a repeat of last year's unnecessary delay that resulted in local pass-through money being held by the state until appropriation authority was signed into law in December 2015. IML asks our members to contact their legislators to urge support for the release of this money. The IML legislative initiative to provide for the necessary appropriation authority is [SB 3019](#) (T. Cullerton, D-Villa Park). This bill is presently in the Senate Appropriations I Committee. We have published a [position paper](#) on the issue.

Small Wireless Facilities Deployment Act

Our members should be aware of an issue being discussed at the Statehouse that will affect municipal control over the placement of internet signal relay devices.

[SB 2785](#) (Sen. Link, D-Gurnee) is an initiative of Verizon to prohibit local governments from regulating the collocation of small wireless facilities or small facility networks. These small wireless facilities and small facility networks would become a permitted use in all zoning districts. IML opposes the bill in its current form. The legislation is presently on the Senate floor and has received a deadline extension.

Earlier this spring, IML staff met with Verizon executives to discuss the issue. It was indicated that there probably would not be an attempt to move the bill this year because the issue requires negotiation with local governments and other internet carriers. Verizon is presently negotiating with the City of Chicago concerning the placement of the internet relay devices. Upon reaching an agreement with Chicago, Verizon intends to pursue negotiations for rules and regulations regarding the placement of the devices in other municipalities.

IML believes that a law establishing these rules and regulations must be broadly acceptable to all regions of the state and intends to ensure that a process is in place to achieve this result.

Legislation Advanced During the Third Reading Deadline Week

A list of IML-tracked bills that advanced during the previous week can be [viewed here](#). We encourage our members to review the bill summaries for a general awareness of the bills that remain viable and of interest to municipalities.

IML Tracked Bills

A list of bills that affect or are of interest to municipalities [is available on our legislative website](#). These bills are searchable by number or by issue category.

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