



**WINNETKA PARK DISTRICT
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
Thursday, June 9, 2022 | 6:00 p.m.
Community Room, 540 Hibbard Rd.
VIA ZOOM VIDEOCONFERENCE PLATFORM****

AGENDA

1. Roll Call
2. Additions or Changes to the Agenda
3. Remarks from Visitors
4. Communications
 - a. Video Recording of Board Meeting
 - b. News Articles*
5. Unfinished Business
 - a. Discussion Regarding the Petition Requesting Removal of Metal Barriers from Elder+Centennial Beach Plan*
 - b. Discussion of Pending IDNR/USACE Breakwater Permit Application/Public Correspondence Related to the Project*
 - c. Stormwater Construction - *update*
 - d. Golf Course Management – *update*
6. New Business
 - a. Proposed Cherry St. Beach Memorandum of Agreement with Village of Winnetka*
 - b. Lake Michigan Rescue Equipment Act*
7. Remarks from Visitors
8. Closed Session

The Board will enter Closed Session to discuss:

 - a. The appointment, employment, compensation, performance, or dismissal of specific employees – 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)
 - b. The purchase or lease of property - 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5)
 - c. The setting of a price for sale or lease of property - 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(6)
9. Return to Open Session
 - a. Consideration of Action, If Any, of Items Discussed in Closed Session
10. Adjournment

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WINNETKA PARK DISTRICT REMARKS FROM VISITORS & PUBLIC COMMENT

At regular Park Board meetings, there is an agenda item called Remarks from Visitors. Remarks may also be solicited at special meetings. Public hearings are specifically designed to seek feedback from the community.

If you have a question or concern and need to address the Board at any of these meetings, please comply with the basic guidelines below.

1. The Board President will chair the meeting.
2. Any resident or visitor wishing to address the Board, an individual Board member or a guest presenter, must direct their questions and comments to the President at the appropriate time or at the President's invitation.
3. The Board will hear a resident's or visitors comments only after the President has recognized the individual to speak.
4. Speakers are asked to state their name for the public record.
5. Speakers will be allowed three minutes and may not yield their time to other speakers.
6. Persons wishing to speak for a second time may do so with the consent of the President, only after all others have had an opportunity to address the Board.
7. Please refrain from comment or question at a Public Hearing until the presentation has been completed.
8. At the discretion of the Chair, you may be asked to submit your question in writing on a 3 x 5 card and you will receive a written response with one week of the hearing.

The President will strive to allow all residents and visitors equal opportunity to address the Board. In general the Board will not comment or respond to issues requiring Board consideration until the issue has been reviewed by the Board/staff.

The Board often has a full business agenda and must complete the work of the Park District at scheduled meetings. Please do not repeat comments or questions that have already been made by others and please do not interrupt commissioners or other speakers.

Updated 1/23/18

Spot Check: Winnetka Spring Virtual Town Hall Wednesday, April 13th. 7:00- 8:30 PM. Zoom In. Here's Why.

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April 4, 2022 / Your Winnetka

It's a Winnetka Tradition.

In 1890, social activist and Winnetka resident Henry Demarist Lloyd help found the Winnetka Town Meeting. With friends in high places, he provided a forum for residents to hear from such legends as Jane Addams and Clarence Darrow.

Chris Rintz, Dawn Livingston, Warren James, Melissa Mitchell and your \$20+K.

Not exactly names destined for beaches, expressways or source material for movies, books and plays, but way more timely.

In 2020, Winnetka's [median property tax was \\$20,740.37](#). No numbers yet for 2021, but you know what you pay.

These are the people who head the taxing bodies you pay it to. These are the Presidents of the [Village](#), [Schools](#), [Parks](#), and [Library](#) Boards respectively.

Once a year, the Caucus Council invites them to the current iteration of Demarist's Town Meeting to tell Village residents what they've accomplished, what's on the docket, and what's on their minds for the rest of the year.

While their names aren't on the check, their stamp is all over the deliverables. They set the agenda for their boards. They prioritize the to-dos. They are accountable.

They or their predecessors have renovated and updated the lakefront, library, and school buildings. Added pots, planters, and pavers to make downtown more like a place people want to be. Worked Cook County to take your stormwater. Plowed streets and collected garbage, kept the parks and parkways looking good. Gave you holiday lighting, 4th of July Parades, and Covid-safe places for your kids.

Wednesday, they'll tell you what's next.

Hopefully, stuff like plans for D36's referendum, the Village President's vision for the Post Office site and that mother-of-all-eyesores, One Winnetka (the Village doesn't

Love the Plan? Hate the Plan? Got a question? Comment?

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The IDNR is giving you until June 2nd to speak up or forever hold your peace..

Here are the people to contact:

Illinois Department of Natural Resources reps:

- [James Casey - IDNR](#)
- [Loren Wobig - IDNR](#)
- [Renee Snow - IDNR](#)
- [Ania Bayers - IDNR](#)

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[Elder and Centennial Park and Beach Project Presentation](#)

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A rendering of the proposed beachfront reimagining that combines Elder and Centennial beaches. | IMAGE PROVIDED BY WINNETKA PARK DISTRICT

Winnetka, News

Residents give feedback on Winnetka beachfront plans — and can again on Wednesday, May 11

By Peter Kaspari | 11:30 p.m. May 8, 2022





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As the Winnetka Park District continues to develop plans to refurbish Elder Beach and Centennial Beach, members of the public had a chance to ask questions of public officials and see the plans during an open house over the weekend.

The open house on Saturday, May 7, at the Winnetka Park District headquarters was intended to “inform, answer, re-educate” the public on the plans to update the beach, according to Costa Kutulas, director of parks and maintenance for the Park District.

Residents will have a second chance to provide feedback on the proposal on Wednesday, May 11, at 7 p.m., for those who may not have been able to attend Saturday morning’s event.

CLICK HERE TO VIEW PLANS AND DOCUMENTS RELATED TO THE ELDER-CENTENNIAL RENOVATIONS

A component of the Winnetka Waterfront 2030 Plan, the idea to improve the beach has been in the works for over a decade, starting with the

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Lakefront Master Planning process in 2011, Kutulas said.

The plan accelerated in 2020 when the property between the two Winnetka beaches became available and a unique, multi-million-dollar land swap arrangement was put in motion that is set to give the park district about 1,000 feet of continuous public beach and eight acres of united parkland.

The beachfront renovations are in the permitting stage, which includes gaining proper approvals from multiple agencies, including the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and Illinois Department of Natural Resources.

Highlights of the proposal include repurposing Centennial Beach by converting it from a dog beach to a swimming beach and morphing Elder Beach, which is currently used for swimming, into recreational beachfront, enabling nonmotorized water sports, such as kayaking and paddle boarding.

Additionally, breakwaters will curve in on both ends of the perimeters of the combined beach, and a T-shaped pier will split the beaches and

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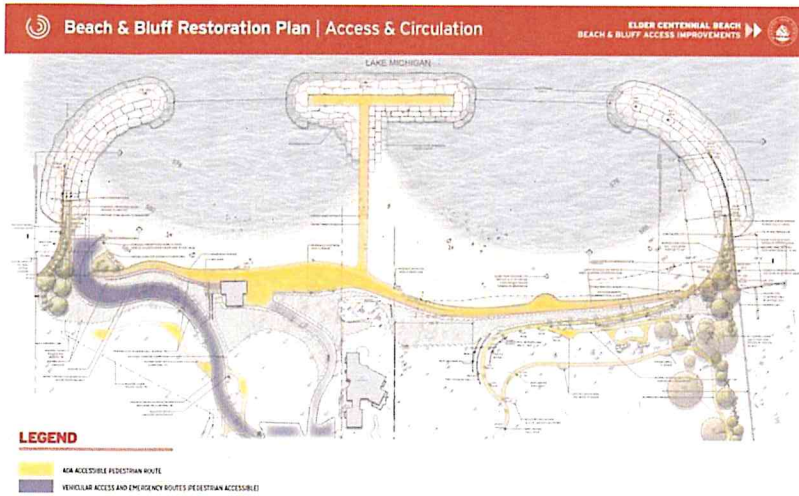
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extend into the water, ending in a pedestrian “island.”



An aerial of the planned improvements to Winnetka's lakefront.

Kutulas said the district also plans on improving the breakwater and making it more environmentally friendly. A factor of this is building what he referred to as “planter pockets,” which will support new tree growth.

“In doing so, I think we’re creating a wonderful view and vista for the community, a safer environment versus the harsh stone, heavy stone you might feel on the beach,” he said.

A home exists on the property pending sale to the district, and, Kutulas said, it will be utilized in the beach improvements; though what that will look like has yet to be determined.

A planned boardwalk, which Kutulas said will create a “two-tier effect” for the beaches, will also help unify the beaches.

“The pier’s going to be a nice feature,” he said. “There’s a current pier out there now that just goes straight out. This pier’s going to be like a T-concept where it’s going to go out and be wider at the end.”

The plans also call for ADA-accessibility to the beach.

Kutulas also said that none of the current proposals are final and much work is yet to be done before renovations begin.



A rendering of the proposed boardwalk and swimming beach planned for Centennial Beach.

As members of the public observed the design plans and informational posters, park officials

were on hand to answer any questions.

Jessa Fuller, who said her family “is a big user of Winnetka beaches,” is interested to see what will be done with the Sheridan Road property, and said there’s a lot of directions she thinks the park district could go when deciding what to do.

“For example, (they could) make the house property a restaurant,” she said. “Currently I’m not sure how I would feel.”

She also complimented the designs of the project.

Another resident, Elisha Gray, said he likes the plans to connect the two beaches.

“I think it’s a good idea to have a continuous beach at Elder-Centennial,” he said.

While the combined beach has generally been met with support by the public, certain details of the renovations have drawn criticism.

Resident John Root said one of his concerns is the location of the planter pockets. He believes the plantlife in that area will obstruct views of the lakefront.

“So, you’re going to have this sort of vegetation wall with louvers behind it that will block your view up and down the beach,” Root said. “I’m concerned about that.”

He added that he would also like to know what the park district will do about bacteria levels.

Addressing Root’s concerns, Kutulas said that over the past several years the district has completed more frequent water-quality testing, with test results produced within 24 hours. The district, however, has not completed testing in 2022.

He said that many of the issues that have caused beach closures, particularly at Elder Beach, have been corrected, and the plan calls for adding two new water structures as well.

One common concern among the public is the erasure of the dog beach, as previously reported by The Record. Gray was one of those residents who had questions about opportunities for dog recreation.

“I’m a bit confused about what’s being proposed or discussed regarding the dog beach and park,” he said as he examined a poster discussing the

dog beach. “There are three (options) it looks like. Are they options, or exclusive or inclusive?”

Kutulas said the district has established a committee to examine what alternative opportunities for dog recreation there may be.

The committee is currently looking at three options: 1.) to allow dogs on either Elder or Centennial beach during off-season months; 2.) to allow dogs at the Tower Road Beach, either year-round or in-season; and 3.) looking at an off-beach option for dogs in the community.

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A rendering of the proposed Elder-Centennial combined beachfront in Winnetka. | IMAGE FROM TESKA ASSOCIATES

Winnetka, News

Winnetka residents rip limited beach access and views in park district's Centennial-Elder overhaul

By Peter Kaspari | 11:48 a.m. May 27, 2022



The Winnetka Park District Board of Commissioners got an earful from residents Thursday evening, when nearly every speaker shared negative feedback on



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proposed plans to reimagine Elder Beach and Centennial beaches.

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More than 50 people packed the park district's community room on Thursday, May 26, with about 20 of them offering public comments primarily against specific parts of the plan, which has been in development on and off for the past eight years.

A majority of the concerns centered on a louvered — or slatted — steel wall that is planned to encircle the combined beach, including the property at 261 Sheridan Road, which the park district is obtaining through a unique property exchange agreement made on Oct. 10, 2020, according to park district documents.

In speaking to the board, many of the residents referred to the proposed barrier as 13 feet high, which is the height of the wall at certain points as it rises and falls with sand and structure levels.

Longtime Winnetka resident Katie Stevens, who is a neighbor to the 261 Sheridan Road home, made an impassioned plea to the board to not approve plans that call for the construction of the wall, even though she said she's "fought" for years for the village to obtain the property.

"I feel you need to set an example," she said. "I am begging you all, please do not build a wall into the lake."

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The plan calls for a beach-to-lake breakwater on each side of the facility.

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Because of the fence and breakwater, which would extend onto the beach, access to the 1,000 feet of public beachfront will only be possible through the park's entrance off Sheridan Road. Pedestrians would not be able to walk across the beach at the waterfront.

Stevens said it was "selfish" that a few people could decide what to do with a lake that is meant for the entire community, and said that Winnetka residents are not allowed to build a 13-foot fence on their property. She questioned why it was OK for the park district to do so.

She suggested other ideas that would not block waterline access or beach views.

Alan Welch said he didn't think the public has had enough time to comment on the plans and the applications to the Illinois Department of Natural Resources and Army Corps of Engineers, and asked for more time.

“I think the time period should be extended or the application should be withdrawn until there’s proper notice given to the people of Winnetka,” he said.

Another resident, Jim Rowe, said he believes the Winnetka 2030 plan, which includes the improvement of Elder and Centennial beaches, is a good plan, but he wondered if the purchase of the Sheridan Road house was necessary.

He shared documents that showed plans without the purchase of the home and addition of the fence and said it was “really quite attractive.”

“It doesn’t put up cages that block off the beach,” he said, adding the agreement to obtain the home “radically changed the approach” to the proposed changes.

“While the 2030 plan is elegant, I think the suggestion of the steel louver fence is grotesque,” Rowe said.

In addition to public comments, a petition with 512 resident signatures, as of the time of the meeting, that asked the board to not move forward with the wall was presented.

Following the meeting, *The Record* spoke to Costa Kutulas, director of parks and maintenance, who clarified that the wall in question is not 13 feet, but rather that the louver wall is about 6 and 1/2 feet on

the western end and runs out 184 feet, eventually tapering off to about 18 inches.

“And that is an undulating wall, kind of a wave motion (that has been) proposed to be constructed per the permit that was identified over a year ago” and has been in the proposal ever since that point, Kutulas said.

He believes the 13-foot number comes from the elevation on the south side of the wall, which will be on residential property. Kutulas said the wall is taller on the neighbor’s side because of the change in sand levels.

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Jim Rowe, Winnetka resident on the park district’s beachfront plans

During the meeting, Park Board President Warren James thanked everyone for their comments and assured the residents that all of their comments were heard.

Addressing concerns that there hasn't been enough time for public comment, James said the Illinois Department of Natural Resources has extended the time to provide feedback on the application to Thursday, June 2, meaning residents still have a week to share their thoughts.

James said that the plans are in the development stage and have not yet been board approved.

The next steps, according to James, are for the IDNR to provide feedback based on the comments they received, which he is certain will happen and could lead to modifications of the plans. And he said there's also no guarantee the application will be approved.

During the meeting, Commissioner Colleen Root motioned to pull the application, citing concerns that the public may not have had sufficient time to comment, but the motion failed after it did not receive a second.

James said this plan has been in the works for eight years and that there have been dozens of opportunities for the public to comment, including earlier in May when open houses were held on May 7 and 11.

"This issue has not gone unnoticed," he said regarding concerns about the wall.

“It’s not too late,” James added regarding feedback.

“Your comments are being registered.”

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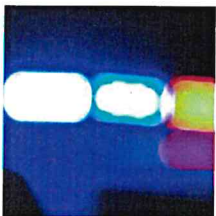
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May 29, 2022 / Your Winnetka

On Thursday, May 26th, the Winnetka Park District held a public meeting. Topic: The addition of a steel wall/structure to the proposed Elder/Centennial Beach. Packed house. Inside voices. All but two opposed to the recent changes to the Winnetka Park District's Waterfront 2030 Master Plan.

The original Plan, approved in 2016 after lengthy discussions and community input, called for combining two beaches - Centennial and Elder.

Best case, acquire the property between the two beaches, land swap, style. Trade that property for the WPD's land on the south side of the beach. Quid pro perfect.

Until it wasn't.

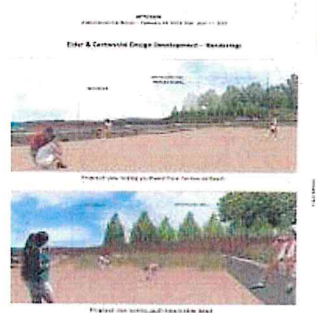
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Rock meet hard place. Somewhere during the negotiations, the issue of a wall came up. Steel, louvers, landscaping, high-fives. The WPD held a couple of open houses to show and tell what it thought was an updated and improved Plan.

Problem was, a lot of residents thought it wasn't an improvement, high-fives or not.

In an online minute, a firestorm of opposition. A [change.org petition](#) netted more than 500 sigs in its first 24 hours. By the time of the meeting, more than 600 had logged in and read into the record. The WPD was put on notice.

Beautiful Drawings vs the Big Picture



According to Warren James, Winnetka Parks Board President, years of work and due diligence had gone into the plan and several portions of the project are complete or well underway.

Believing it, but not buying it. Citing the Illinois Public Trust Doctrine ([landmarked here](#)), among other points, Thursday night's attendees, including a 17-year veteran of the Winnetka Park Board, a former Winnetka Village Trustee, and a prominent Northwestern University Civil and Environmental Engineering Professor, echoed the public comments:

- Bad precedent. Does a single resident get to wall off his property beyond the beach, into the water? No other home along the beachfront has been granted such an exception.
- Winnetka's beaches aren't for sale. They belong to the public, regardless of the opportunity to connect the beaches.
- Short-sighted solution. The steel wall would block the public views from both the north and south.
- Public vs private interests. The Park Board, as a representative of the taxpayers, needs to balance the public interest over the interests of one individual.
- Short-term solution vs long-term benefit. For more than 100 years, it's been two parks, two beaches. The chance to connect them is nice, but at what cost? If the deal for the land swap doesn't go through, we can live with it for another 100.

When one of the Board called a motion to stick in the clutch and revisit the Plan, no one seconded. So now it's your turn.

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June 2, 2022

Dear Neighbors,

Many of you have shared your concerns regarding the project proposed by the Winnetka Park District at Elder and Centennial Parks. As part of their application to the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR), the Park District included a request to build a privacy screen at the southern terminus of the newly configured public beach. The Village, along with other State and Federal officials, provided letters of general support, which were included in the Winnetka Park District submittal to IDNR. I would like to take the opportunity to provide clarity on the Village's position on these matters.

The Village has long supported the connection of Elder and Centennial. This goal was included in the 2020 Comprehensive Plan (published in 1999) and will most likely be reflected in the 2040 update which is currently being developed by our Plan Commission. The letter of support did not require Village Council action, as it is stating support for a vision that has been promoted broadly over the past few decades, and is contained within the Village's primary policy document – the Comprehensive Plan.

It is common practice for taxing agencies to seek support letters for applications and petitions from other governmental agencies. Typically, the requesting agency will create a template outlining the project goals, which is modified by each responder. This case was no different. Since these letters are more general in nature, they usually don't include a vigorous review of all the components, as those items are trusted to the elected officials that are charged with making those decisions. If you review the letters of support, they make no mention of any sort of "wall," but express support conceptually for the overall vision of the plan. I do not believe that any of the agencies who provided such letters contemplated ceding to the demands of a private property owner seeking unfair advantage – I know the Village did not.

I trust the process we are now navigating, and ask that you do, too. The Winnetka Park District is fortunate to have thoughtful Commissioners who have spent much time planning this project. Members of our community are making

disagreement is foremost when having these discussions, and I am hoping that we can allow the process to work. As long as we conduct these conversations in a fact-based, non-confrontational manner, we will get to the right place.

It is unfortunate that a single property owner has chosen to promote a change in the plan beyond what was agreed upon. As originally crafted, the property swap is an outstanding opportunity to help realize a vision promoted for decades. It is easy to vilify someone for asking for more, but it is hoped that the current dialogue will help this new resident understand the passion and concern regarding the Public Trust Doctrine, and Winnetka Park District can move forward with a plan that reflects the desires of the community.

I know the Park District Board did not seek this out, but now the issue is firmly in their purview to resolve. They are volunteers, neighbors, and friends, just like you, and are trying to do the right thing. Share your thoughts kindly and support them as they work to find the best answer for the entire community and bring about a positive change on our lakefront.

Sincerely,

Chris Rintz
Village President

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Have you heard about "The Wall"?
Let the Winnetka Park District
& the Village of Winnetka know what you
think about this recent change to the
original master lakefront plan.
Two chances to speak up this week:
Tuesday, June 7 - 7pm at Village Hall
Thursday, June 9 - 6pm at the Winnetka
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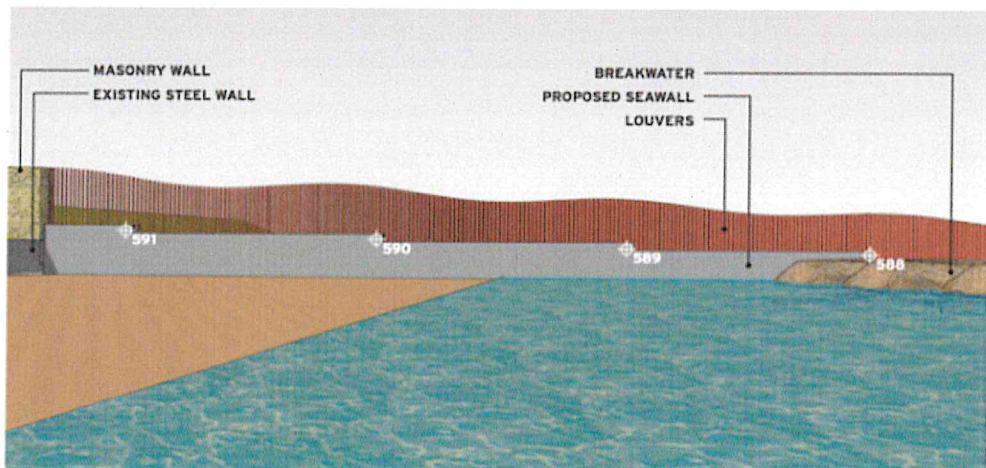
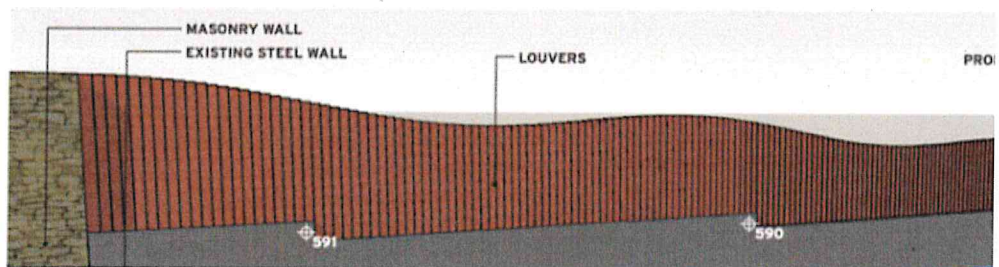
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We were told the IDNR has extended their deadline for public comment until June 10th.

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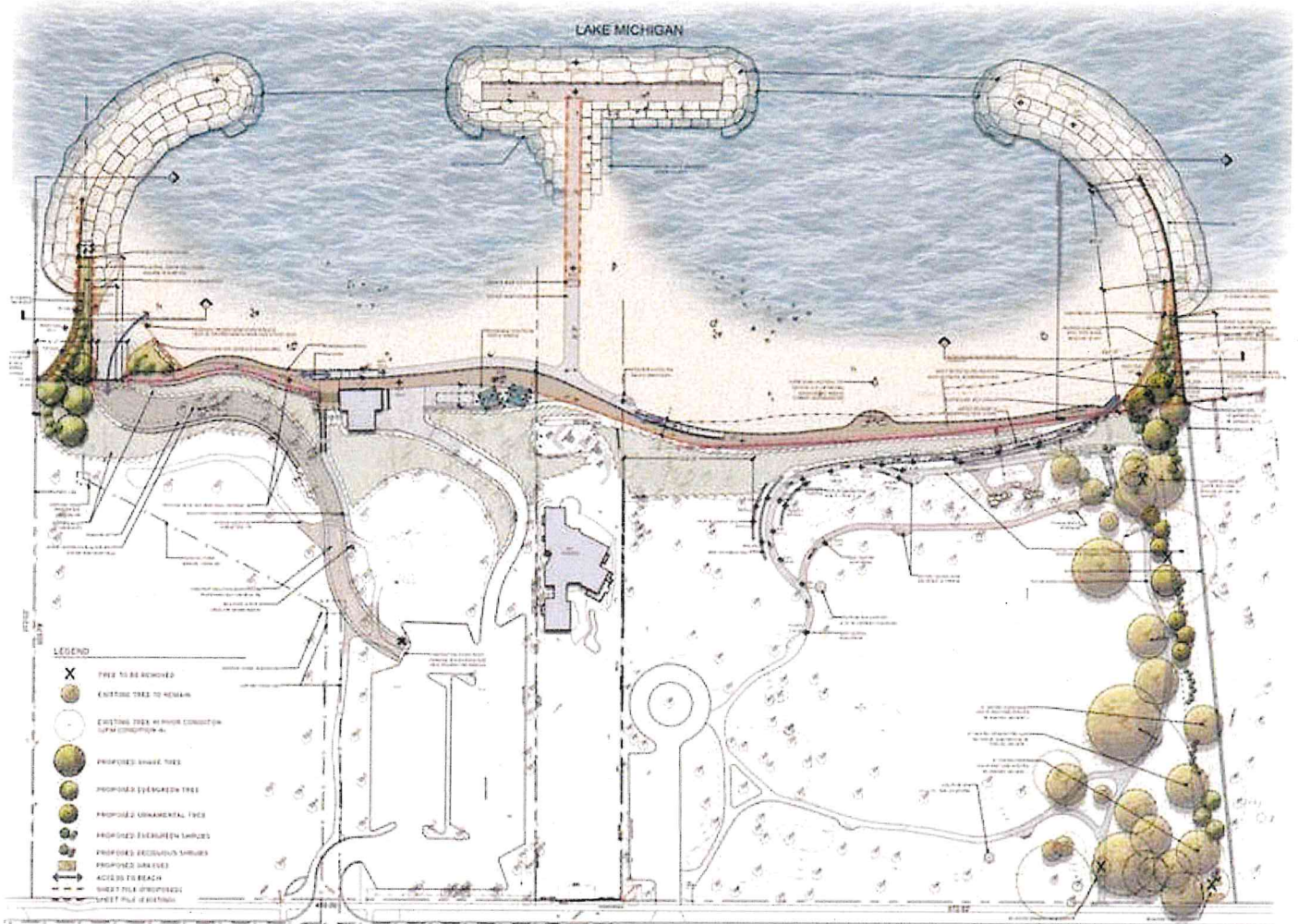
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By Alex Hulvalchick
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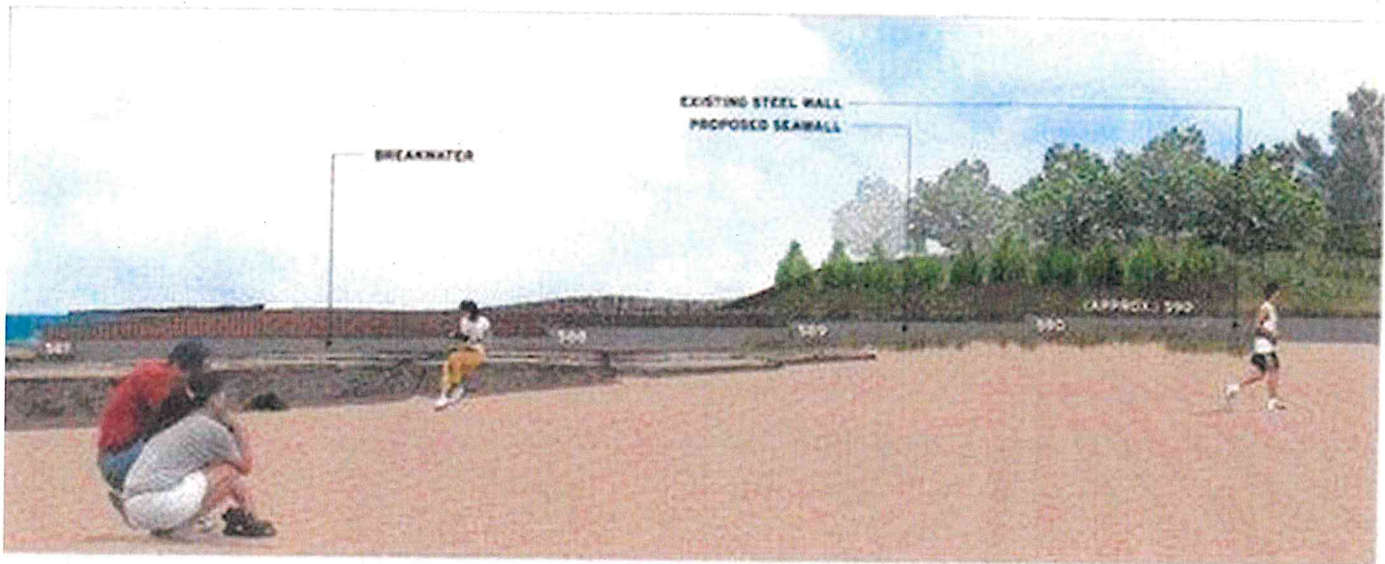
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“It is unfortunate that a single property owner has chosen to promote a change in the plan beyond what was agreed upon. As originally crafted, the property swap is an outstanding opportunity to help realize a vision promoted for decades,” he said in a news release issued Friday. “I know the Park District Board did not seek this out, but now the issue is firmly in their purview to resolve. They are volunteers, neighbors, and friends, just like you, and are trying to do the right thing.”

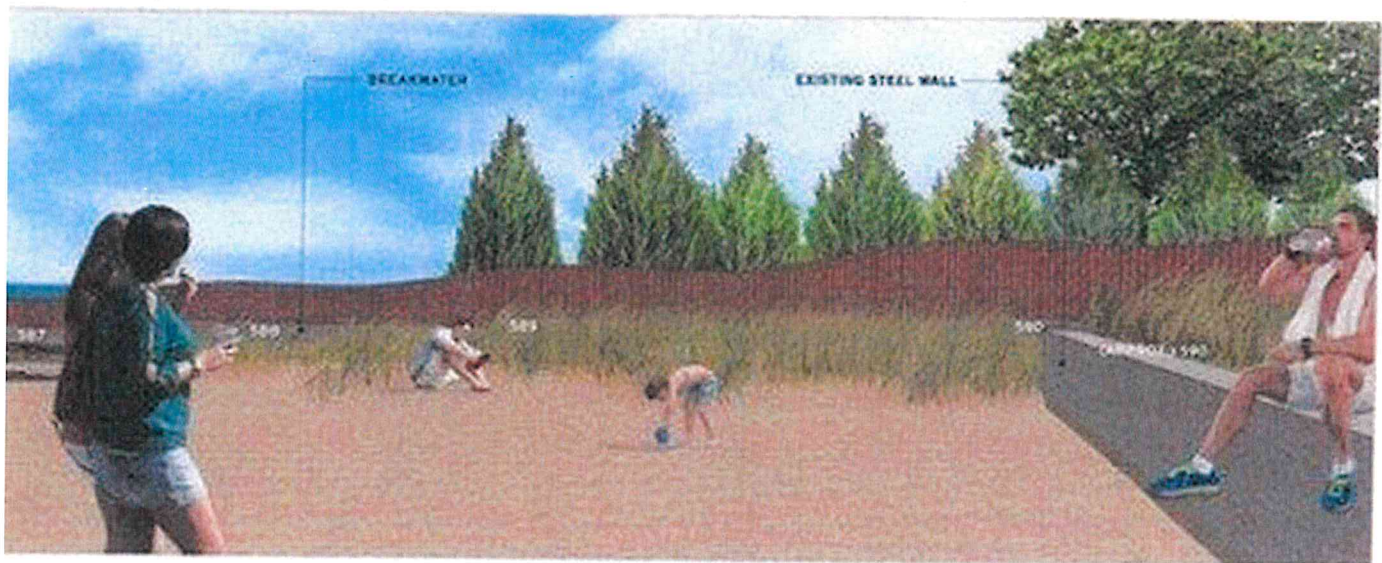


Rintz did not return calls seeking comment. His news release did not name the property owner referenced and encouraged residents to trust the approval process.

Opponents of the Elder Lane and Centennial Park renovation plan spoke out during a recent park board meeting, noting the blocked views of Lake Michigan and possibility of additional homeowners petitioning to include walls on their property. They said the obstruction would prevent beachgoers from walking along the shore while in the water. Others lamented that the design could have used more natural materials such as stones.



Proposed view looking southwest from Centennial Beach



Proposed view looking south toward Elder Beach

Renderings provided in the project presentation for Elder Lane and Centennial beaches and parks show the proposed steel slated walls. - Original Credit: Handout (Village of Winnetka / HANDOUT)

“I think the park district should be setting a good example for stewardship of our gorgeous shoreline,” said Laurie Petersen. “Not doing something that I honestly think could become a national example for what not to do on a natural shoreline.”

Katie Stevens, who said she lives two doors north of the proposed wall, said she sees potential personal benefits from construction of the wall but is strongly opposed to it.

“I feel you need to set the example. I am begging you all please don’t build a wall into the lake,” said Stevens. “Each of you know in your hearts what is right.”

A petition with 512 signatures expressing opposition to the barrier was presented to the board as well.

The renovation plan calls for making a contiguous waterfront for Elder Lane and Centennial parks and³⁴ beaches, which is currently split by a section of private property. The private property, which includes two homes and 2.05 acres of land, was [purchased in Oct. 2020 for \\$14.4 million](#) with a land swap approved by the Winnetka Park District.

In the agreement, the park district would receive the land in exchange for a 0.67 acre property at the south end of Centennial Park which was then to be combined with a 1.38 acre property just south of park limits.

The wall, according to the [project presentation](#), would be composed of steel plates ranging from 1.25 to 6.5 feet tall with the plates extending onto the breakwaters proposed on each end of the beach. It is designed to help dissipate waves to protect the shoreline from erosion. Along with the two side breakwaters, another will be centered on the beach extending into the water and forming a T shape with a boardwalk for access.

Park board member Colleen Root made a motion to deny the application, but did not get enough support to call for a vote.

“I will disagree with council on this part,” Root said during the meeting. “There are ways to address safety that do not require the extent and the expense of this current plan.

Root did not return calls for further comment.

Winnetka Park District Board of Commissioners President Warren James said the steel barrier has been included in the plans for a year and residents have had ample opportunity to bring concerns to the board. He said the Illinois Department of Natural Resources has extended the comment period until June 2 but said emotional appeals won’t hold as much weight with them as factual concerns.

“This plan is the culmination of a great deal of thought. Have there been compromises along the way? Yeah, there have been but all along the focus has been on serving the greater good of the community,” said James.

“This is part of the process.”



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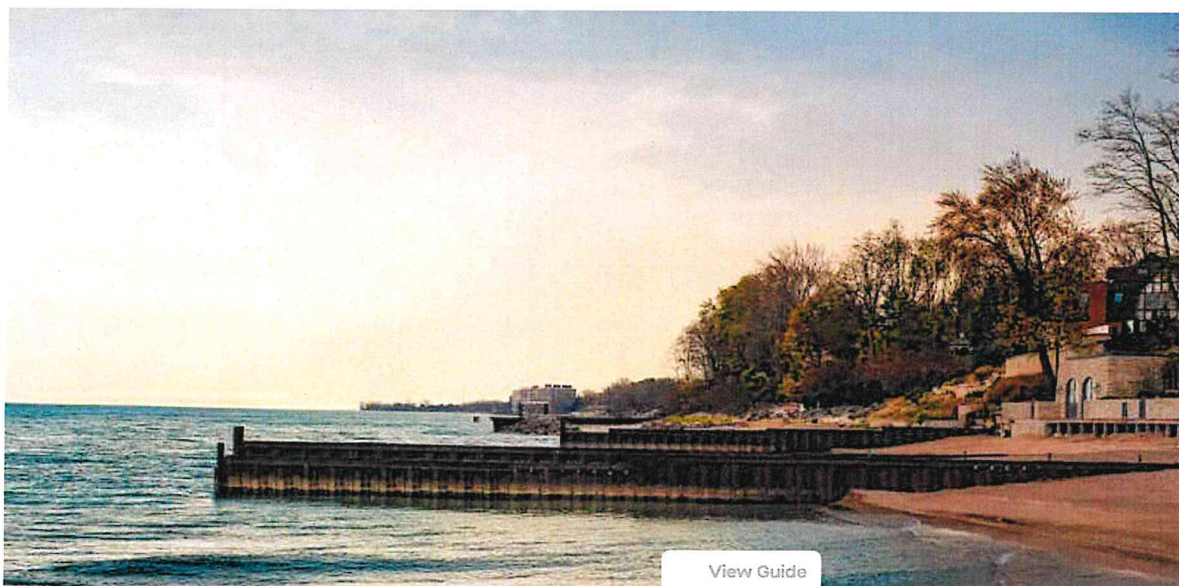
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The Village has long supported the connection of Elder and Centennial. This goal was included in the 2020 Comprehensive Plan (published in 1999) and will most likely be reflected in the 2040 update which is currently being developed by our Plan Commission. The letter of support did not require Village Council action, as it is stating support for a vision that has been promoted broadly over the past few decades, and is contained within the Village's primary policy document – the Comprehensive Plan.

It is common practice for taxing agencies to seek support letters for applications and petitions from other governmental agencies. Typically, the requesting agency will create a template outlining the project goals, which is modified by each responder. This case was no different. Since these letters are more general in nature, they usually don't include a vigorous review of all the components, as those items are trusted to the elected officials that are charged with making those decisions. If you review the letters of support, they make no mention of any sort of "wall," but express support conceptually for the overall vision of the plan. I do not believe that any of the agencies who provided such letters contemplated ceding to the demands of a private property owner seeking unfair advantage – I know the Village did not.

I trust the process we are now navigating, and ask that you do, too. The Winnetka Park District is fortunate to have thoughtful Commissioners who have spent much time planning this project. Members of our com-



discussions, and I am hoping that we can allow the process to work. As long as we conduct these conversations in a fact-based, non-confrontational manner, we will get to the right place.

It is unfortunate that a single property owner has chosen to promote a change in the plan beyond what was agreed upon. As originally crafted, the property swap is an outstanding opportunity to help realize a vision promoted for decades. It is easy to vilify someone for asking for more, but it is hoped that the current dialogue will help this new resident understand the passion and concern regarding the Public Trust Doctrine, and Winnetka Park District can move forward with a plan that reflects the desires of the community.

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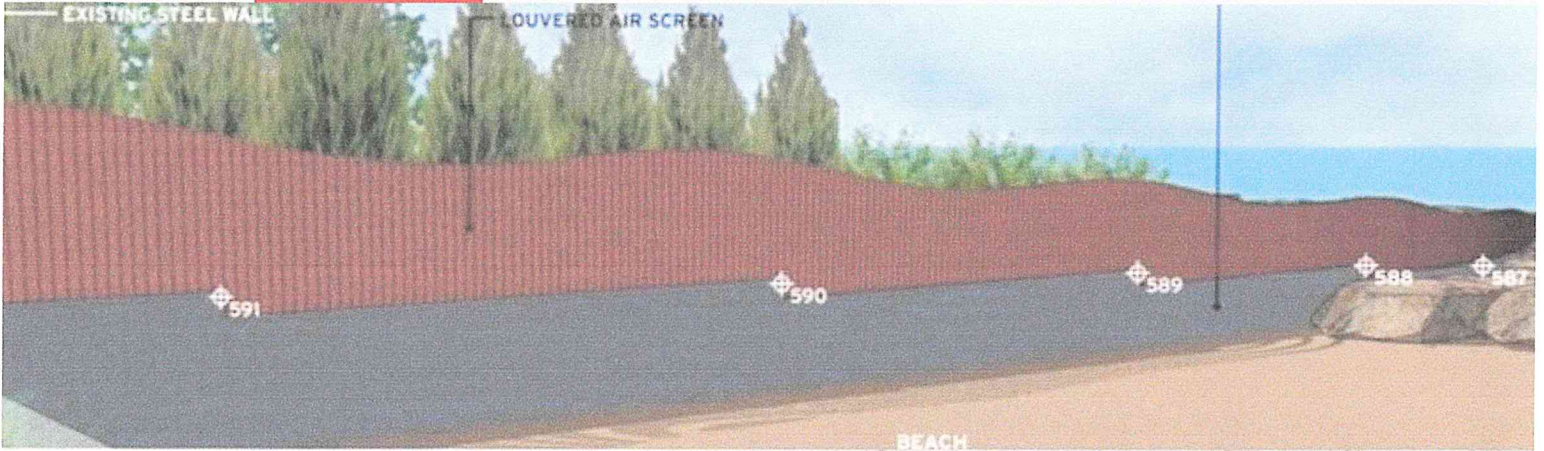




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- **Help stop construction of the massive proposed metal border walls blocking shoreline access & views at Elder-Centennial beach in Winnetka, IL!**

To: Winnetka Park District

Illinois Dept of Natural Resources (IDNR)

US Army Corps of Engineers (USCAE)

Thank you for taking the time to read this.

We, concerned citizens, residents, and taxpayers request that the proposed metal barriers at Elder-Centennial Beach in Winnetka, IL be removed from the plan that has been submitted to the IDNR and USCAE.

The plan sent for approval has SIGNIFICANT material deviations from the resident approved 2030 Lakefront plan.

Most notably, *two very tall (at some places 13' above water elevation) metal barrier / border fences were added to the design.*

These walls are proposed as fencing to sit atop large rocks and BLOCK the both shoreline view and shoreline access (protected by the Illinois public trust doctrine) for patrons of the beach.

We are also concerned that a steel fenced in / walled off beach sets a dangerous precedent that could lead to many more walled in enclaves **destroying the**

continuous shoreline and lakefront.

These fences / walls do not blend with nature and we imagine future generations wondering what the people of the 2020's were thinking.

Water, sand, rocks, are all elements of nature. A man-made steel fence anchored to rocks, towering above the height of people and extending into the water is anti-nature and seems environmentally unfriendly.

We believe the permitters could be built to embrace continuous shoreline access and views, similar to the just completed renovation at Lloyd beach also in Winnetka.

There, they have no steel wall, simply rocks with stone quarry steps allowing continuous access along the shoreline.

Note: Denying access to walking along the water's edge is typically a violation of the Illinois Public Trust Doctrine.

It's also concerning that no residents we spoke with were notified of workshops to develop the modified beach plan and it seems as though the Park district is using taxpayer money to further a special interest. At this time, the residents are also unaware of the cost estimate / source of funds for the project.

We would like residents and the Park District to TOGETHER create / review all plans (and modifications) for Elder-Centennial, always being mindful of the Illinois Public Trust Doctrine and our beautiful natural shoreline.

Just a quick note: please don't donate to change . org unless you want to support them (we are not receiving any of the money) - thank you to everyone who has shared and helped, we are incredibly grateful!

Some of the many thoughtful comments collected from residents:

“The louvered steel fence / wall on top of the breakwater is an unproven design that walls in the beach and obliterates the current panoramic view both north and south.”

“The top of the steel wall is over 13 feet higher than sand elevation near the water which obstructs the view of the shoreline and impedes the ability to freely walk the beach. The tree plantings will be even taller, as high as 20 feet.”

“Shoreline erosion protection and bluff preservation can be accomplished without the downsides of the current design”

“Please consider revising the plan, removing the steel wall that was not approved by taxpaying residents and allowing for passage between the beach similar to what the village provided at newly completed Lloyd beach.”

Thank you again for your time and consideration of this important matter - please consider adding your comments to the petition!

This petition will be sent to and further comments can be directed to:

US Army Corps of Engineer

Reference Centennial/ Elder Lane Beaches, Winnetka, IL

Must be received by June 2, 2022

Commenters must provide their name, mailing address, and email address

If you have any questions, you can contact the Project Manager, Mr. Soren Hall by telephone at [\(312\) 846-5532](tel:3128465532)

Comments By Email: Soren.G.Hall@usace.army.mil

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| Ruth Jennings | Winnetka | IL | 60093 | US | 2022-05-26 |
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| Marie Kipp | Winnetka | IL | | US | 2022-05-26 |
| robert turf | Cicero | IL | 60804 | US | 2022-05-26 |
| Joe Behles | Evanston | IL | 60201 | US | 2022-05-26 |
| Betsy Womack | Winnetka | IL | 60092 | US | 2022-05-26 |
| Hallie Palomares | Los Angeles | CA | 90040 | US | 2022-05-26 |
| Abby OBrien | Winnetka | IL | 60093 | US | 2022-05-26 |
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| Aileen McAnally | Winnetka | IL | 60093 | US | 2022-05-26 |
| Todd Kipp | Winnetka, Ill | IL | 60093 | US | 2022-05-26 |
| Grace Flatt | Winnetka | IL | | US | 2022-05-26 |
| Craig Finlayson | Chicago | IL | 60093 | US | 2022-05-26 |
| Cynthia Cata | Winnetka | IL | 60093 | US | 2022-05-26 |
| George Harmon | Winnetka | IL | 60093 | US | 2022-05-26 |
| Brian Chaplin | Winnetka | IL | 60093 | US | 2022-05-26 |
| Amy Boehm | Indianapolis | IN | 46256 | US | 2022-05-26 |
| Margaret Herrmann | Essex Juncti | VT | 5452 | US | 2022-05-26 |
| Madison Smith | Highland Pa | IL | 60035 | US | 2022-05-26 |
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| Mark Josephson | Highland Pa | IL | 60035 | US | 2022-05-26 |

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| Suruchi Bhosale | Parker | CO | 80134 | US | 2022-05-26 |
| Sylvan Maher | Winnetka | IL | 60093 | US | 2022-05-26 |
| Elizabeth Pusateri | Winnetka | IL | 60093 | US | 2022-05-26 |
| Diane King | Kenilworth | IL | 60043 | US | 2022-05-26 |
| Anja Hummel | Winnetka | IL | 60093 | US | 2022-05-26 |
| Allison Burke | Winnetka | IL | 60093 | US | 2022-05-26 |
| Melissa Iserloth | Winnetka | IL | 60093 | US | 2022-05-26 |
| Alex Coasby | Wilmette | IL | 60091 | US | 2022-05-26 |
| Jennifer Healy | Chicago | IL | 60629 | US | 2022-05-26 |
| Kathleen L. McGarry | Oconomowoc | WI | 53066 | US | 2022-05-26 |
| Holly Miller | Highland Park | IL | 60035 | US | 2022-05-26 |
| Mary Conte | Evanston | IL | 60201 | US | 2022-05-26 |
| David Anderson | San Diego | CA | 92109 | US | 2022-05-26 |
| Tim King | El Dorado Hills | CA | 95762 | US | 2022-05-26 |
| john doe | Chicago | IL | 60610 | US | 2022-05-26 |
| Sarah Balan | Northfield | IL | 600093 | US | 2022-05-26 |
| Sarah Helmink | Winnetka | IL | 60093 | US | 2022-05-26 |
| Molly Donovan | Winnetka | IL | 60093 | US | 2022-05-26 |
| Lisa Sprovieri | NAPERVILLE | IL | 60565 | US | 2022-05-26 |
| Linda Welch | Highland Park | IL | 60035 | US | 2022-05-26 |
| Eric Bunselmeyer | Winnetka | IL | 60093 | US | 2022-05-26 |
| Deborah Alani | Deerfield | IL | 60015 | US | 2022-05-26 |
| Aimee McMahon | Evanston | IL | 60201 | US | 2022-05-26 |
| Hilary Achauer | San Diego | CA | 92109 | US | 2022-05-26 |

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| Cynthia Monnig | Winnetka | IL | 60093 | US | 2022-05-25 | "This fence is wrong!" |
| Chris Macey | Winnetka | IL | 60093 | US | 2022-05-25 | "I fully support this petition and at some point the community might want to consider Attorney General involvement to promote transparency about the land swap and motivation behind this radical design. Taxpayer money st |
| Justine Hourihane | Winnetka | IL | 60093 | US | 2022-05-25 | "This wall obstructs panoramic views of our lakefront. Permitting construction of this wall to go forward sets the wrong precedent." |
| Carl Lane | Winnetka | IL | 60093 | US | 2022-05-25 | "I think the steel wall is just simply ridiculous. Not sure how the park district or village would think it is a good idea." |
| Rebecca Ferguson | Winnetka | IL | 60093 | US | 2022-05-25 | "We live near this beach and I'm very concerned about the tall walls closing it in and changing the entire feel. A panoramic view is so important to feeling you're one with nature! We love to look down the shoreline. Also in ad |
| Hilary Fedorinchik | Winnetka | IL | 60093 | US | 2022-05-25 | "I do not want a fence on the beach. It's a terrible precedent." |
| Patrick Heraty | Winnetka | IL | 60093 | US | 2022-05-25 | "Build Sandcastles, Not Walls!" |
| Caroline Betsill | Winnetka | IL | 60093 | US | 2022-05-25 | "I would rather the beach development not go ahead if it means building this awful wall. This smacks of the worst kind of entitled behavior from the homeowner. No-one should be allowed to build a barrier like this on the sho |
| Sarah Chalcraft | | | | US | 2022-05-25 | "As a resident of Winnetka we have a legal right to access the public shoreline." |
| Colette Quackenbush | Winnetka | IL | 60093 | US | 2022-05-25 | "How was this project decided upon (taxpayer funded) ?Who does it benefit (pressured by land swap) ? and why is this enormous steel barricade wall being proposed on our Winnetka beaches? This blights the shoreline by |
| Mirrah Plawer-Volmerding | Chicago | IL | 60625 | US | 2022-05-25 | "I frequently run along Sheridan road and the shoreline. Anything that impedes the view will disrupt the ability of the public to enjoy the lakefront!" |
| Laura Lippert | Greenwood | IN | 46143 | US | 2022-05-28 | "One of my favorite little girls loves to walk this beach" |
| Ann Mac | Hinsdale | IL | 60521 | US | 2022-05-26 | "No wall! Easy access for all!" |
| D Beck | Winnetka | IL | 60093 | US | 2022-05-26 | "It would be nice to walk a length of beach like you can in Hawaii, CA or FL." |
| Beth Mulhern | Winnetka | IL | 60093 | US | 2022-05-26 | "The Village should not allowed to make significant changes without resident support and a large metal barrier fence dramatically changes the waterfront feel and ruins the beauty of the lakefront. Walls weren't incorporated i |
| Kendra Wallace | Winnetka | IL | 60093 | US | 2022-05-26 | "This is ridiculous and a sign of an idiot on a me Plan with too much money!" |
| Charia Provencio | Stevenson Ranch | CA | 91381 | US | 2022-05-26 | "There has to be a better way to build a sea wall then this. Please don't put up this proposed wall that blocks the gorgeous view and limits accessibility to some areas. Thank you." |
| Lauren Lewis | Winnetka | IL | 60093 | US | 2022-05-26 | "I think Winnetka's beaches are one of our town's best features! This wall does not fit in with the aesthetic of our beautiful beaches." |
| Ruth Jennings | Winnetka | IL | 60093 | US | 2022-05-26 | "Inappropriate use of public land" |
| Lilly Avril | Winnetka | IL | 60093 | US | 2022-05-26 | "literally why would we do this..." |
| Grace Flatt | Winnetka | IL | | US | 2022-05-26 | "I do not support large metal barriers to block shoreline access and views. I also do not support moving forward with any plans that were not approved by resident taxpayers." |
| Cynthia Cata | Winnetka | IL | 60093 | US | 2022-05-26 | "This wall sets a dangerous precedence for other properties to do the same." |
| Linda Welch | Highland Park | IL | 60035 | US | 2022-05-26 | "The beach belongs to all of us" |

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

I. Parties

The Village of Winnetka (“Village”) and the Winnetka Park District (“Park District”), collectively referred to as the “Parties” or individually as “Party.”

II. Purpose

- A. Pursuant to Article 7, Section 10 of the Illinois Constitution and the Intergovernmental Cooperation Act, 5 ILCS 220/1 et seq., the Park District and the Village agree to the terms and conditions set forth in this Memorandum of Agreement (“MOA” or “Agreement”) for the benefit of their respective constituents.
- B. The Park District agrees to provide certain services for the benefit of the Village in exchange for compensation to be paid by the Village to the Park District and other good and valuable consideration pursuant to the terms and conditions of this Agreement. The Village agrees to pay the Park District compensation in exchange for the services described below, pursuant to the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

III. Beach Attendant Services and Costs

- A. Park District will provide an employee to serve as a beach attendant (“Beach Attendant”) assigned to the Cherry Street Beach (“Property”) pursuant to the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement. The Park District shall be responsible to pay the Beach Attendants’ salary, benefits, workers’ compensation, and unemployment compensation, as applicable.
- B. The Beach Attendant services shall consist of the following: (i) verbally direct visitors to remain on public property including the public access area; (ii) verbally direct visitors not to enter private property adjacent to the Property; (iii) verbally direct visitors not to enter Lake Michigan; and (iv) observe behavior, attempt to verbally direct individuals from engaging in any unsafe or unlawful behavior, and report same to the Village’s Police Department (collectively, “Services”).
- C. Village acknowledges that neither the Beach Attendant nor the Park District shall provide any enforcement, security, or protection services. Park District shall not be liable or responsible to the Village for any personal injury, death or property damage occurring at the Property except to the extent caused by the Park District’s gross negligence or intentional misconduct. To the fullest extent permitted by the laws of the State of Illinois, Village hereby forever waives, relinquishes and discharges the Park District, and its park commissioners, officers, employees, volunteers, attorneys and agents from any and all claims of every nature whatsoever, which Village may have at any time against District, its Park Board, officers, employees, volunteers and/or agents, including without limitation claims for personal injury or property damage sustained or incurred by the Village or any person claiming by, through or under Village, relating directly or indirectly to any activity occurring on the Property, except to the extent caused by the Park District’s gross negligence or intentional misconduct.

- D. A Beach Attendant will be scheduled to be on duty at the Property from 10:45 a.m. to 8:45 p.m. seven (7) days per week during the Term. The Village will compensate the Park District for Beach Attendant Services as described below for the period 10:30 a.m. through and including 9:00 p.m., seven (7) days per week during the Term pursuant to the following:
1. The morning Beach Attendant will check-in at Tower Road Beach and report to the Property not later than 10:45 a.m.
 2. Beach Attendant coverage at the Property will end at 8:45 p.m. and Beach Attendant will check out at Tower Road Beach at 9:00 p.m.
 3. The overall Beach Attendant coverage for a given day including clock-in and clock-out time is 10:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., or 10.5 hours.
 4. The blended hourly rate for a Beach Attendant is \$13.50.
 5. The daily cost for Beach Attendant service is \$13.50/hour x 10.5 hours per day, or \$141.75.
 6. The Park District will staff the Property when the Park District beaches are opened, beginning the morning of Saturday, June 4 and ending the evening of Monday, September 5, or 94 days.
 7. $94 \text{ days} \times \$141.75 = \$13,342.50$. The Park District will invoice the Village of Winnetka monthly for the Services based on hours worked at the rates referenced above.
 8. The Village will pay the Park District an additional administrative fee of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) as and for the Services.
 9. The Beach Attendant will not provide lifeguard services or first aid as swimming is prohibited at the Property by Village ordinance.

IV. Indemnification and Insurance

- A. To the extent permitted by law, the Village shall indemnify and hold harmless the Park District and its officers, officials, employees, volunteers and agents (“Park District Indemnitees”) from and against all claims, damages, losses and expenses, including but not limited to legal fees (attorney’s and paralegals’ fees and court costs) (collectively, the “Losses”), arising from or in any way connected with (i) any act, omission, wrongful act or negligence of the Village, its elected or appointed officials, officers, agents, employees, volunteers, contractors or subcontractors related to this Agreement, the Property, or the Services; (iii) any accident, injury or damage whatsoever occurring in or at the Property. The Village’s duty to indemnify and hold harmless the Park District Indemnitees pursuant to this paragraph does not apply to the extent the Losses were caused by the gross negligence or intentional misconduct of the Park District Indemnitees. Such obligation shall not be construed to negate, abridge, or otherwise reduce any other right or obligation of indemnity which would otherwise exist as to any party or person described in this Paragraph. The Village shall similarly protect, indemnify, and hold and save harmless the Park District Indemnitees against and from any and all claims, costs, causes, actions and expenses including but not limited to legal fees, incurred by reason of the Village’s breach of any of its obligations under, or the Village’s default of, any provision of the Agreement.
- B. To the extent permitted by law, the Park District shall indemnify and hold harmless the Village and its officers, officials, employees, volunteers and agents (“Village Indemnitees”) from and against all claims, damages, losses and expenses, including but not limited to legal

fees (attorney's and paralegals' fees and court costs), arising from or in any way connected with any intentional wrongful act or omission, or gross negligence of the Park District, its elected or appointed officials, officers, agents, employees, volunteers, contractors or subcontractors related to this Agreement, the Property or the Services, except to the extent caused by the negligence or intentional wrongful act or omission of the Village Indemnitees. Such obligation shall not be construed to negate, abridge, or otherwise reduce any other right or obligation of indemnity which would otherwise exist as to any party or person described in this Paragraph. The Park District shall similarly protect, indemnify and hold and save harmless the Village Indemnitees against and from any and all claims, costs, causes, actions and expenses including but not limited to legal fees, incurred by reason of the Park District's breach of any of its obligations under, or the Park District's default of, any provision of the Agreement.

- C. The obligation on the part of either Party to defend, hold harmless and indemnify the other Party shall survive the expiration or termination of this Agreement for any reason, but only for claims that have accrued prior to termination of this Agreement.
- D. The Village shall require any contractor entering into an agreement after the commencement date of this Agreement, who performs any work or provides any services at the Property, to defend, hold harmless and indemnify the Park District to the same extent as required of the Village, and the Village shall include in all such contracts a statement expressly declaring the Park District to be a third-party beneficiary of the contract with respect to the indemnification provision.
- E. The Village shall procure and maintain during the term of this Agreement a policy of General Liability Insurance providing coverage for bodily injury and property damage claims arising on the Property. The policy shall (a) provide "occurrence" based coverage; (b) be issued by a company authorized to transact business in this State under the Illinois Insurance Code; (c) include an endorsement naming the Park District Indemnitees as an additional insured; (d) include contractual liability coverage; (e) apply as primary insurance with respect to any other insurance or self-insurance afforded to Park District; (f) properly acknowledge any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the Park District shall be excess of the Village's insurance and shall not contribute to it; The Village shall provide evidence of said insurance coverage upon request by the Park District, by furnishing the Park District with a Certificate of Insurance and, if requested, a certified copy of the policy issued by the insurer and all endorsements. With respect to the Village's obligations pursuant to this provision, such certificates and policies shall be provided through the Village's self-insurance risk pool, which the Park District hereby finds acceptable. Unless otherwise agreed to in writing between the Village and Park District, the General Liability policy shall have limits of not less than \$5,000,000 per occurrence bodily injury/property damage combined single limit and \$10,000,000 aggregate bodily injury/property damage combined single limit.

V. Security Services

- A. The Park District is presently under contract with Seldin Security Services, Inc. ("Seldin") to patrol the Park District's beaches and related parks 8:30 p.m. to 2:00 a.m., beginning Friday, May 27 through Monday, September 5. The Park District has requested that Seldin lock the Property's public access gate at not later than 9:00 p.m. daily. The Park District has

directed Seldin to continue to lock the gate at the Property through termination date of the Park District's agreement with Seldin.

- B. Seldin shall not have any responsibilities towards the Village with regard to the Property except as specified within the revised executed agreement between the Park District and Seldin.
- C. Neither the Park District nor the Beach Attendant shall be required to enforce any laws, regulations, rules, or ordinances on the Property, and neither the Park District nor the Beach Attendant shall be liable for any personal injuries, death or property damage that may occur on the Property during the Term of this Agreement, except to the extent caused by the gross negligence or willful misconduct of the Park District.
- D. All costs for retaining Seldin shall be paid by the Park District. The Park District shall have no liability to the Village or any third party for any act or omission of Seldin in the performance of the services it will provide pursuant to the terms of this Agreement or pursuant to the terms of the agreement between Seldin and the Park District.

VI. Term of Agreement

This Agreement shall be effective for the period of May 27, 2022 through September 5, 2022 ("Term"), which Term may be extended by the mutual agreement of the Parties.

[SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS]

VILLAGE OF WINNETKA

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Date: _____

WINNETKA PARK DISTRICT

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AN ACT concerning water safety.

**Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,
represented in the General Assembly:**

Section 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the Lake Michigan Rescue Equipment Act.

Section 5. Definitions. As used in this Act:

"Drop-off" means an area of a lake's shoreline that is intended to facilitate direct public access to the water.

"High-incident drowning area" means an area within 100 feet of a pier or drop-off where more than one fatal drowning incident has occurred in the span of 5 years.

"Pier" means a man-made, raised structure (such as a breakwater) extending into navigable water for use as a landing place or promenade or to protect or form a harbor.

"Public rescue equipment" includes a range of water rescue devices available for public use in case of emergency, such as ring life buoys, throw bags, rescue tubes, and rescue poles.

Section 10. Public rescue equipment on piers and drop-offs.

(a) The owner of a pier or drop-off on Lake Michigan shall install public rescue equipment, including, at a minimum, ring life buoys, on each of the owner's piers or drop-offs along the Lake Michigan coast. The ring life buoy must not be permanently secured in any way to the station, rack, or pier. Each ring life buoy must be stowed inside a station to protect it from constant weather exposure. The station must be a bright orange or yellow color for high visibility and to allow for quick access to the ring.

To reduce vandalism and theft, the station shall have signage that warns lakefront patrons that tampering with or misuse of public rescue equipment is strictly prohibited.

(b) The owner of the pier or drop-off on Lake Michigan shall oversee the installation and maintenance of the public rescue equipment. The State or unit of local government owning a pier or drop-off shall also provide public education regarding public rescue equipment.

Section 15. Ring life buoy requirements. Ring life buoys installed under Section 10 must meet the following:

(1) The ring life buoy shall meet the requirements of 46 CFR Part 160 Subpart 160.050 or 46 CFR Part 160 Subpart 160.150 for SOLAS-approved equipment or successor standards issued by the United States Coast Guard.

(2) There shall be attached to each ring life buoy a buoyant line of at least 100 feet in length with a breaking strength of at least 5 kilonewtons. The end of the line must not be secured to the shore.

(3) Each ring life buoy shall be marked with type II retroreflective material meeting the requirements of 46 CFR Part 160, Subpart 164.018.

(4) Each ring life buoy shall be placed at a distance not to exceed 200 feet from the shoreline of the lake and be available for emergency rescue operations.

(5) Each pier shall have a ring life buoy installed with appropriate signage.

Section 20. Tracking, reporting, and analyzing drownings. Each unit of local government owning a pier or drop-off on Lake Michigan shall track and, at a minimum of twice per year, publish on the unit's website a report on lakefront drownings of which the unit is aware that have occurred within 100 feet of the unit's piers and drop-offs. The report shall include, at a minimum, a description of access to and use of public rescue equipment, location, temperature, time of day, conditions, demographics, and type of entry into the water. If there have been drownings during the reporting period, each unit of local government must also publish a water safety plan on the unit's website.

Section 25. High-incident drowning area plans. Within one year after an owner's property becoming a high-incident drowning area, the owner shall update and disseminate a water safety plan as well as upgrade installed safety equipment as needed, which may include, but is not limited to, installing equipment that automatically contacts 9-1-1 or other safety improvements.

Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect one year after becoming law.

Effective Date: 6/2/2023