

VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE
REPORT FOR THE VILLAGE COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 13, 2013 AGENDA

SUBJECT:	TYPE:	SUBMITTED BY:
Ogden Avenue Site Improvement Strategy (OASIS) Program	Resolution ✓ Ordinance Motion Discussion Only	Tom Dabareiner, AICP Community Development Director

SYNOPSIS

An ordinance has been prepared to repeal the OASIS program.

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT

The Strategic Goals for 2011-2018 included *Strong, Diverse Local Economy*.

FISCAL IMPACT

The FY13 budget includes \$250,000 in the Ogden Avenue TIF Fund for the OASIS program. The projects underway total \$186,775 and would not be affected by this action.

RECOMMENDATION

Approval on the August 20, 2013 Active Agenda.

BACKGROUND

In September 2010 in response to the requests of the property and businesses owners in the Ogden TIF district, the Village Council adopted the OASIS matching grant program to enhance the Ogden Avenue corridor. Since then, the Village Council has awarded approximately \$600,000 in grants to fund improvements to private properties within the Ogden Avenue TIF. The estimated private investment for the projects in progress or completed is \$1.3 million.

During the review and consideration of the grant application for 522 Ogden and 946 Ogden, in February 2013, the Village Council directed staff to investigate modifications to the program. At the July 23, 2013 Long-Range Planning meeting, the Council discussed repealing the program.

The OASIS program is a structured grant program intended to further the vision of the Village for Ogden Avenue with the following intended goals:

- Provide more attractive sites
- Improve traffic circulation for vehicles and pedestrians (on private property as well as the street)
- Improve existing building appearance
- Improve signage and reduce visual clutter

After three years of OASIS grants, 17 properties have been improvement or are being improved, furthering the goals of the program. The same goals can be achieved without the structured grant program. With the assistance of the Economic Development Corporation (EDC), the Village may continue to authorize redevelopment agreements that facilitate funding for property improvements. The benefit of this change is that it reduces restrictions on funding limits, timing and use requirements. Potential new agreements would be reviewed by staff and approved by the Village Council to ensure they are consistent

with the goals and objectives of the Ogden Avenue corridor and are a financially prudent use of the TIF increment.

The previous OASIS grant awards are noted in the table below.

Approved OASIS Grants 2010-2013

Business	Address	Award Amount	Actual Grant Payment	Status
DG Animal Hospital	631-635 Ogden	\$48,737.00	\$48,737.00	Paid
Bill Kay Nissan	1601 Ogden	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00	Paid
Helmut and Vito's	1430 Ogden	\$3,350.00	\$3,350.00	Paid
Merlin	1711 Ogden	\$6,589.00	\$6,589.00	Paid
Prestige Liquors Skuddlebutts	739 Ogden	\$29,234.38	\$0	Expired
Shopping Center	436-440 Ogden	\$2,105.75	\$2,105.75	Paid
United Limo	432 Ogden	\$12,700.00	\$6,306.49	Paid
Phillips Flowers	1512 Ogden	\$4,409.00	\$4,409.00	Paid
A-Len Radiators Door & Window	333 Ogden & 4305 Fairview	\$93,750.00	\$93,750.00	Paid
Superstore	1740 Ogden	\$8,500.00	\$8,500.00	Paid
Mr. Trim	946 Ogden	\$34,250.50	\$0	Expired
Apartment Building	1614 Ogden	\$10,000.00	\$0	Expired
Apartment Building	1602 Ogden	\$10,000.00	\$0	Expired
Auto Zone Shopping Center	237-245 Ogden	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00	Paid
Jay's Plumbing	1509 Ogden	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00	Paid
Mr. Submarine	1322 Ogden	\$48,621.88	\$48,621.88	Paid
	1530-1552			
Shopping Center	Ogden	\$6,942.50	\$0	Expired
Midwest Auto Body Soccer 2000/Radio Shack	534 Ogden	\$14,952.14	\$14,592.14	Paid
Firestone	222-224 Ogden	\$22,395.00	\$0	Expired
Shopping Center	845 Ogden	\$10,232.49	\$10,232.49	Processing Payment
Dunkin Donuts	406-414 Ogden	\$3,423.90	\$3,423.90	Paid
Mr. Trim	522 Ogden	\$100,000.00	-	Work in Progress
	946 Ogden	\$86,775.00	-	Work in Progress
Totals		\$607,968.54	\$301,617.65	

ATTACHMENTS

Ordinance

ORDINANCE NO. _____

**AN ORDINANCE REPEALING THE OGDEN AVENUE
SITE IMPROVEMENT STRATEGY PROGRAM (OASIS)**

WHEREAS, the Village Council has, on September 14, 2010, adopted Ordinance 5150 entitled “An Ordinance Adopting an Ogden Avenue Site Improvement Strategy Program”, which provided financial assistance to property and business owners to make improvements to their properties/businesses along Ogden Avenue; and,

WHEREAS, the Village Council, on August 21, 2012, adopted Ordinance 5277 entitled “An Ordinance Adopting an Amendment to the Ogden Avenue Site Improvement Strategy Program”; and,

WHEREAS, the Village Council has determined that it is no longer in the best interests of the Village to continue the Ogden Avenue Site Improvement Strategy Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Village of Downers Grove, in DuPage County, Illinois, as follows:

SECTION 1. That the provisions of the preamble are incorporated into and made a part of this Ordinance.

SECTION 2. Ordinance 5150 entitled “An Ordinance Adopting an Ogden Avenue Site Improvement Strategy Program” and Ordinance 5277 entitled “An Ordinance Adopting an Amendment to the Ogden Avenue Site Improvement Strategy Program” are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3. That this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication in the manner provided by law.

Mayor

Passed:

Published:

Attest: _____

Village Clerk