

ITEM REP 2015-6248

VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE
Report for the Village Council Meeting
5/19/2015

SUBJECT:	SUBMITTED BY:
Status of High Priority Action Item: Facilities Sustainability Plan	Michael Baker Deputy Village Manager

SYNOPSIS

The Village Council requested an update of this project at the upcoming Council Meeting

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT

The Strategic Goals for 2011-2018 include *Top Quality Infrastructure. Complete Facilities Sustainability Plan and Implementation* is a High-Priority Action Item for 2014-2015.

FISCAL IMPACT

N/A

RECOMMENDATION

N/A

BACKGROUND

The following summary paragraph appears on the Village's Facilities Planning webpage - <http://www.downers.us/govt/village-managers-office/facilities-planning> (along with additional background and historical information):

The Village owns and operates seven major buildings that must be properly maintained. Five buildings are in a maintainable condition of Excellent, Good or Fair. The Police Station and Village Hall are in Below Average condition and do not provide modern work spaces that allow for efficient and effective interactions among employees and customers. Both facilities have outdated major building systems that will require significant investment to replace.

The only recent activity related to this project includes the following:

1. On March 10, 2015, the following top story was posted to the Village website:

Facilities Planning on Hold Due to Potential Loss of State Shared Revenues

Given the uncertainty regarding the proposed state budget, which calls for substantial reductions in revenue shared with municipalities and may include a property tax freeze, the Village will not be

proceeding with its facilities planning efforts at this time. The proposed information release and resident survey will not be completed as originally planned and scheduled.

It is likely that this topic of planning for future facility needs will be addressed again by the Village Council during the summer as part of the Village's Long Range Planning process.

2. The official results of the April 7 petition-initiated referendum question were as follows:

Shall the Village of Downers Grove spend \$46 million dollars, or more, to construct a new Village Hall, Police Station, and Fire Station?

Vote for ONE	Prec Cntd 57	Rg Voters 33,977	Ballots Cntd 8,966	26.39 %	Votes
Yes					1,099 12.40 %
No					7,763 87.60 %