

Manager's Report for October 28, 2016 General Information and Responses to Mayor & Commissioner Requests

Places to be this Week...

Village Council Meeting - The next Village Council meeting will be held on November 1 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at Village Hall.

Future Calendar Reminders...

Election Day - There will be no Village Council Meeting on Tuesday, November 8.

Village Council Meeting - The Village Council meeting will be held on November 15 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at Village Hall.

Proclamations

Grove Foundation Day - November 1, 2016

SWYoutility Public Engagement Effort - With the November 8 election day right around the corner and early voting well under way, the Village's 60-day stormwater utility public engagement effort is nearing completion. The ballot includes advisory referenda questions concerning revenue sources to pay for stormwater related expenses.

The key component of the two-phase effort, the <u>stormwater calculator map</u>, an interactive tool that shows what each property would pay in 2017 if revenues for stormwater costs are generated using fess or property taxes, has been used by over **4,700 residents** since its launch in early October. Village staff has responded to hundreds and calls and emails inquring about the financial impacts of retaining the fee-based system, switching to a property tax based system or using a combination of both.

The success of this initiative is driven by the extensive public outreach consisting of:

- Publication of 20 short-form informational videos
- Two Hometown Times Newsletter publications
- Dedicated webpage
- Daily posts on a variety of social media platforms
- Articles published by Triblocal, Downers Grove Suburban Life, The Bugle, and Patch

In November or December of 2016, the Village Council will determine how the community will pay for the \$3.9 million cost of owning and operating the stormwater management system.