

**VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE**  
**Report for the Village Council Meeting**  
**6/13/2017**

<b>SUBJECT:</b>	<b>SUBMITTED BY:</b>
Transferring Jurisdiction of Hobson Road West of Belmont Road from DuPage County to the Village	Nan Newlon Director of Public Works

**SYNOPSIS**

Two resolutions and an ordinance have been prepared authorizing execution of a Local Agency Agreement and an Intergovernmental Agreement ("IGA") between the Village of Downers Grove and DuPage County to allow the transfer of a designated section of Hobson Road from DuPage County to the Village. The IGA also transfers responsibility for snow and ice removal for Finley Road north of Butterfield Road from the Village to the County.

**STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT**

The goals for 2015-2017 include *Exceptional Municipal Services*.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

NA

**UPDATE & RECOMMENDATION**

This item was discussed at the June 6, 2017 Village Council meeting. At the meeting, Council inquired why Hobson Road was proposed as a Jurisdictional Transfer rather than an Intergovernmental Agreement addressing snow plowing for the areas of Hobson and Finley Road north of Butterfield Road. Staff has prepared a report to address these questions. The report is attached.

Staff recommends approval at the June 13, 2017 Village Council meeting.

**BACKGROUND**

DuPage County currently has jurisdiction of approximately 1340 feet of Hobson Road west of Belmont Road. This is a local, two-lane road that had east-west continuity before the construction of I-355. With the construction of I-355 several rights-of-way were vacated, or transferred to local jurisdictions; however, this section continued to be maintained by DuPage County. See the attached Location Map. Hobson Road to the west of this section is maintained by the Village of Woodridge.

DuPage County requested a transfer of jurisdiction of this roadway section to the Village. The trucks the County use for winter operations are not compatible with smaller roads and create inefficiencies with turning and clearing intersections. The Village maintains the adjacent streets within what is referred to as the "Hobson Triangle" and maintaining this road would not reduce service in this area.

Similarly, the Village has jurisdiction of approximately 1600 feet of Finley Road north of Butterfield Road. DuPage County has jurisdiction of Finley Road to the south and the Village of Lombard has jurisdiction to the north. This snow route, Route 1, is one of the Village's most challenging routes because of its size and mix of roadway types. This transfer of winter operations to the County would improve the Village's efficiency and performance. The Village would retain jurisdiction of this section of Finley Road, maintain the road and grant permits for access.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

Resolution – Local Agency Agreement  
Resolution – Intergovernmental Agreement  
Ordinance  
Location Map  
Staff report

# VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE COUNCIL ACTION SUMMARY

**INITIATED:** Public Works **DATE:** June 13, 2017  
(Name)

**RECOMMENDATION FROM:** \_\_\_\_\_ **FILE REF:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Board or Department)

**NATURE OF ACTION:**

**STEPS NEEDED TO IMPLEMENT ACTION:**

- Ordinance
- Resolution
- Motion
- Other

Motion to Adopt "AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE JURISDICTIONAL TRANSFER OF A PORTION OF HOBSON ROAD/CH 41 TO THE VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE MUNICIPAL STREET SYSTEM ", as presented.



**SUMMARY OF ITEM:**

Adoption of this ordinance shall transfer a portion of Hobson Road/CH 41 to the Village of Downers Grove municipal street system.

**RECORD OF ACTION TAKEN:**

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**ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE JURISDICTIONAL TRANSFER  
OF A PORTION OF HOBSON ROAD/CH 41 TO THE  
VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE MUNICIPAL STREET SYSTEM**

WHEREAS, the Village of Downers Grove (the "Village") and the County of DuPage (the "County") have entered into an agreement for transfer of Hobson Road/CH 41 from the west edge of pavement of Belmont Road SAU 3567A westerly to the west edge of pavement of Janes Avenue MUN 2520B from the DuPage County Highway System jurisdiction to the Downers Grove Municipal Street System jurisdiction.

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

1. That Hobson Road/CH 41 from the west edge of pavement of Belmont Road SAU 3567A westerly to the west edge of pavement of Janes Avenue MUN 2520B is hereby added to the Downers Grove Municipal Street System.
2. That the Village Clerk for the Village of Downers Grove is directed to file a certified copy of this Ordinance with Anthony J. Quigley, P.E., IDOT Regional Engineer's Office, 201 West Center Court, Schaumburg, Illinois 60196.
3. That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.
4. That this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication in the manner provided by law.

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Mayor

Passed:

Published:

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

Village Clerk

# LOCATION MAP

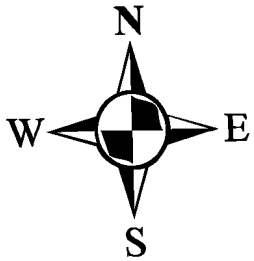


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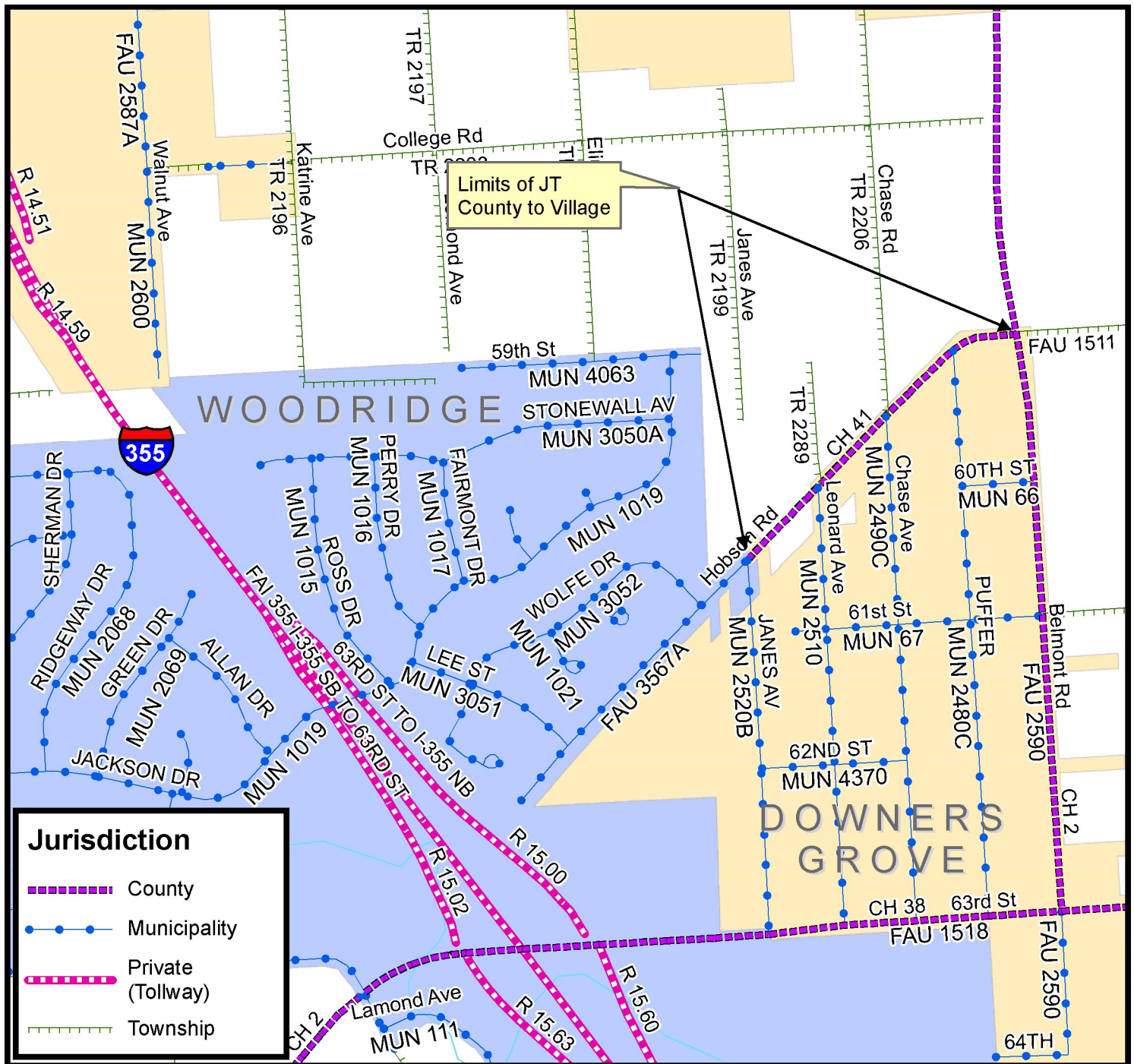
## Jurisdictional Transfer

DUPAGE COUNTY  
TO  
VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE

DuPage



Hobson Road / CH 41 (FAU 3567A)  
from west edge of pavement Belmont Rd (FAU 2590)  
westerly to the west edge of pavement of Janes Ave  
(MUN 2520B), in its entirety



**Jurisdiction**

- County
- Municipality
- Private (Tollway)
- Township

*Why is the Hobson Road issue proposed to be addressed by a Jurisdictional Transfer (transfer of ownership of the road) rather than an Intergovernmental Agreement addressing snow plowing responsibilities for Hobson Road and Finely Road north of Butterfield?*

Staff recommends transferring jurisdiction of Hobson Road to:

- Improve road maintenance service levels (snow & ice control, pothole patching, tree trimming, ditch maintenance) on Hobson Road
- Improve snow and ice control operations on Finley Road
- Maintain permitting and operational control of Finley Road

Hobson Road is in good condition. Maintenance activities are likely to include minor patching and resurfacing on a 16-20 year cycle.

#### Improve Hobson Road Maintenance Service Levels

Currently the roadway jurisdictions in this residential area include DuPage County, township, and the Villages of Downers Grove and Woodridge. When responding to issues such as pothole patching, right of way tree trimming, snow clearing and drainage ditches it can be difficult what is the appropriate agency to respond and who to direct callers to. This sometimes results in delays.. This transfer would remove the County from the mix and reduce the number of entities involved.

#### Improve Snow & Ice Control Operations for Finley Road

Finley Road is a five-lane road, this section is disconnected from other, similar roads in this route, and requires a significant amount of extra driving to position a truck to keep this route clear. This takes time away from other areas in this route and delays operations.

#### Maintain Permitting and Operational Control of Finely Road

Staff considered asking the County to take jurisdiction of the Finely roadway segment. Under this scenario, DuPage County would have access and permitting control. This segment of Finely Road serves several Downers Grove commercial areas. Staff recommends maintaining control of access and permitting authority to better serve the properties in this area. This segment of Finley Road is currently being resurfaced with Federal funding assistance.

#### Condition of Hobson Road

Lastly, this segment of Hobson Road is in good condition and will not require significant maintenance in the near future. This segment was designed for heavier traffic volumes than what it currently carries, and will perform with minor patching and resurfacing on a 16 to 20 year cycle.