

VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE
Report for the Village
3/5/2019

SUBJECT:	SUBMITTED BY:
Dedication of Public Building	Mike Baker Deputy Village Manager

SYNOPSIS

A resolution has been prepared rededicating the Main Street Plaza as Linda Kunze Plaza.

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT

The goals for 2017-2019 include *Strong, Diverse Local Economy*

FISCAL IMPACT

N/A

RECOMMENDATION

Approval on the April 9, 2019 Consent Agenda.

BACKGROUND

In September 2018, Downtown Management Corporation Executive Director Linda Kunze passed away. She held this important leadership position for nearly 20 years and, during that time, contributed substantially to the revitalization of the Downtown area. The Village determined that a fitting tribute to Linda's legacy would include the renaming and dedication of the Main Street Plaza in her honor. A ceremony formally dedicating the plaza has been set for Saturday, May 11, 2019 at 10:30 a.m. Village staff is working with the Kunze family and the Downtown Management Corporation to plan the event.

The Village has an established Council policy for the renaming of public buildings and facilities that includes the following provisions:

- A proposal to name a building, room, and/or facility owned by the Village may be acted upon no sooner than thirty (30) calendar days after having been placed on public file and on the Village Council agenda for a date certain for action.
- An extraordinary majority vote of the Village Council shall be required to name a building, room, and/or facility owned by the Village.
- Buildings, rooms, and/or facilities owned by the Village may be named for individuals who have made exceptional contributions to the community by having met one or more of the specific criteria:
 1. The individual must have made a contribution to the community which resulted in the improved well-being of the people of Downers Grove.
 2. The individual must have been actively involved in Downers Grove community affairs for no less than (3) three years.
 3. The contribution by the individual must be of an exceptional quality and/or significance.
 4. The efforts of the individual must have made a significant and major contribution in assisting the Village of Downers Grove to achieve its community goals and objectives.

ATTACHMENTS

Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. _____**A RESOLUTION REDEDICATING
THE MAIN STREET TRAIN STATION PLAZA
AS THE LINDA KUNZE PLAZA**

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 95-16 establishes a Village-wide policy for the naming of public buildings and facilities; and,

WHEREAS, Resolution 95-16 provides that buildings, rooms and/or facilities owned by the Village of Downers Grove may be named for individuals who have made exceptional contributions to the community and sets forth specific criteria; and,

WHEREAS, Linda Kunze, served as the Executive Director of the Downers Grove Downtown Management Corporation for almost 20 years; and,

WHEREAS, Linda Kunze made major contributions in assisting the Village of Downers Grove to achieve its community goals and objectives by contributing to the redevelopment of the Downtown Business District; and,

WHEREAS, Linda Kunze made significant contributions to the Village as the Downtown Management Corporation Executive Director, which resulted in the improved well being of the entire community of Downers Grove by planning and overseeing special events including Summer Nights Classic Car Shows, Downtown Downers Grove Fine Arts Festival and Girls Day out, and;

WHEREAS, Linda Kunze passed away on September 25, 2018.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Village Council of the Village of Downers Grove in honor of Linda Kunze's contributions to the Village of Downers Grove, hereby rededicates the Main Street Train Station Plaza as "Linda Kunze Plaza".

That all resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict with the provisions of this Resolution are hereby repealed.

That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage as provided by law.

Mayor

Passed:

Attest: _____
Village Clerk