

**VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE**  
**Report for the Village Council Meeting**  
**2/18/2025**

<b>SUBJECT:</b>	<b>SUBMITTED BY:</b>
Library Board Joint Ad Hoc Committee	Enza Petrarca Village Attorney

**SYNOPSIS**

A Resolution has been prepared Establishing a Joint Ad Hoc Committee of the Downers Grove Village Council and the Downers Grove Library Board of Trustees.

**STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT**

The strategic goals for 2023-2025 include *Exceptional Municipal Services*.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

N/A

**RECOMMENDATION**

Action at the discretion of the Village Council.

**BACKGROUND**

The Village Council (VC) and Library Board of Trustees (LBOT) held a joining meetings on January 2, 2025 and February 3, 2025 to explore a framework for discussions between the VC and LBOT, to explore potential alternative approaches for selecting LBOT trustees and the attributes of such alternatives. At those meetings the VC and LBOT agreed to establish a Joint Ad Hoc Committee to further explore potential alternative selections processes. The proposed resolution establishes the Joint Ad Committee and appoints members thereto.

**ATTACHMENTS**

Resolution

**VILLAGE OF DOWNERS GROVE**  
**COUNCIL ACTION SUMMARY**

**INITIATED:** Village Attorney **DATE:** February 18, 2025  
(Name)

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

**NATURE OF ACTION:**

- ☐ Ordinance
- ☒ Resolution
- ☐ Motion
- ☐ Other

**STEPS NEEDED TO IMPLEMENT ACTION:**

Motion to Adopt "A RESOLUTION  
ESTABLISHING A JOINT AD HOC COMMITTEE  
OF THE DOWNERS GROVE VILLAGE COUNCIL  
AND THE DOWNERS GROVE LIBRARY BOARD  
OF TRUSTEES", as presented.



**SUMMARY OF ITEM:**

Adoption of this resolution shall establish a Joint Ad Hoc Committee of the Downers Grove Village Council and the Downers Grove Library Board of Trusees.

**RECORD OF ACTION TAKEN:**

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**A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A JOINT  
AD HOC COMMITTEE OF THE DOWNERS GROVE VILLAGE COUNCIL  
AND THE DOWNERS GROVE LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**WHEREAS**, the Village Council of the Village of Downers Grove (“Village Council”) and the Downers Grove Library Board of Trustees (“LBOT”) have held two joint meetings on January 2, 2025 and February 3, 2025 to discuss a framework for consideration of alternative Library Board of Trustees member selection processes; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village Council and LBOT have determined that it is in the best interest of the Village, the Library and Downers Grove residents to review and research alternative Library Board of Trustees member selection processes; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village Council and the LBOT have determined that it is necessary and desirable to establish a Joint Ad Hoc Committee to review and research alternative Library Board of Trustees member selection processes.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY** the Village Council of the Village of Downers Grove as follows:

**SECTION 1. Joint Ad Hoc Committee of the Downers Grove Village Council and the Downers Grove Library Board of Trustees, established.**

- (a) The Joint Ad Hoc Committee of the Downers Grove Village Council and the Downers Grove Library Board of Trustees (hereinafter referred to as the “Committee”) is hereby created. The Committee shall automatically dissolve October 31, 2025, unless otherwise extended by the Village Council.
- (b) The Committee shall consist of four (4) members, including the chairperson. The Mayor shall appoint the members of the Committee, as well as the chairperson, subject to confirmation by the Village Council. All members shall be appointed for the term of the Committee, unless otherwise removed.

**SECTION 2. Conduct of Meetings; records.**

- (a) All meetings of the Committee shall be open to the public and conform to the Illinois Open Meetings Act.
- (b) The Committee shall keep written records of all of its meetings and proceedings. Copies of all minutes shall be forwarded to the Village Clerk.

**SECTION 3. Powers and Duties.**

The general purpose and duty of the Committee shall be to:

- 1. Review and research alternative methods for the selection of Library Board of Trustees members;
- 2. Seek and consider appropriate expert information;

3. Submit to the Village Council and the LBOT, no later than September 30, 2025, a report summarizing the attributes of: (1) an elected library board selection process; (2) an appointed library board selection process; and, (3) any other alternative selection process;
4. Hold regular meetings to discuss and consider accomplishing the above-mentioned items;
5. Perform any additional duties and tasks as the Village Council may from time to time direct.

**SECTION 4. Appointment.**

- (a) Mayor Barnett has made the following appointments to the Committee;
  - 1) Martin T. Tully, Chairperson;
  - 2) Leslie Sadowski-Fugitt;
  - 3) Barnali Khuntia;
  - 4) Nathan Williams
- (b) The Village Council of the Village of Downers Grove does hereby confirm the aforementioned appointments.

**SECTION 5. General Provisions.**

- (a) All resolutions or parts of resolutions in conflict with the provisions of this Resolution are hereby repealed.
- (b) This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication.

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Mayor

Passed:

Published:

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Village Clerk