

Responses to Village Council Questions

May 20, 2025

First Reading: [MOT 2025-10789](#) D. Motion: Issue RFP for Solid Waste Collection and Disposal Services

1. *Does the draft RFP consider and/or encourage respondents to propose a system similar to the one employed in Wheaton, which is described below? The program uses garbage and recycling carts that are picked up and electronically scanned by LRS's trucks. You are charged each time your garbage and recycling carts are picked up and scanned, so you only pay for the amount of waste you produce.*

Yes, respondents are provided the option of proposing a similar program to the one employed by Wheaton which is described in section 7.2.1 on page 13 of the RFP or page 30 of the agenda item. This provides respondents the ability to propose a program utilizing RFID chips where customers are only charged when their bin is scanned. Respondents are also able to offer any alternatives or deviations that match the Village specifications, provided the alternative program offered meets or exceeds the minimum specifications provided in the RFP.

First Reading: [MOT 2025-10783](#) A. Motion: Approve a Contract with Chicagoland Paving of Lake Zurich, Illinois for the Jefferson Avenue Reconstruction / Thornwood Intersection Improvements Project

1. *Did staff explore constructing the SUP on the north side of the Jefferson ROW? Why was the south side selected as the preferred location?*

Yes, both sides of Jefferson were considered in the preliminary design process. Both the north and south sides have 13 trees within the ROW. The north side has existing utility poles and fire hydrants, which most would have to be relocated to accommodate a shared use path. Additionally, the parkway slopes east of Hillcrest on the north side of Jefferson are relatively steep. If a shared use path were to be installed in that section, it would have required lowering the path elevation and acquiring easements from the six houses to adjust the driveway pavement. Lowering the path may have also caused potential conflicts with the existing gas main on the north side. Considering the overall project costs and impacts, the south side was found to be more feasible from a design perspective for a shared use path.

2. *What are the species of the linden trees that will be removed?*

The 4 trees to be removed are one 33" white poplar, 2 little leaf lindens, 30" & 14", and 1 24" American linden.

3. *When was the sidewalk along the south side of Jefferson constructed? Was it constructed prior to the 2001 Southern DuPage Bicycle Feasibility Study?*

Historical aerial photos indicate the sidewalks on both sides of Jefferson were built between 1956 - 1978.

4. *Is Grade School District 58 aware of the proposed shared use path? Do they have any concerns?*

Over the past several weeks, staff has been in contact with D58 Superintendent Russell about the proposed shared use path. D58 indicated that a wider sidewalk/shared use path may help alleviate existing congestion at pick-up and drop-off periods. He also noted that D58 wants to make sure that high speed cyclists are not riding on the path when it's occupied by slow moving or standing pedestrians, especially during pick-up and drop-off periods. D58 has requested the installation of signs at the east and west edges of the path indicating the presence of school aged children. Village staff recommends that this signage be installed as part of the project.

Finally, D58 will perform snow and ice control on the shared use path adjacent to Hillcrest School as they currently do with the existing sidewalk.