

Village of La Grange Park
Commercial Revitalization Committee
August 22, 2023
6:00 p.m.

A meeting of the Commercial Revitalization Committee was scheduled to be held at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 22, 2023, in the Board Room of the La Grange Park Municipal Building.

Convene Meeting

The meeting of the Commercial Revitalization Committee was called to order at 6:02 p.m. on Tuesday, August 22, 2023. Village Clerk Kooi called the roll.

Members in attendance were:

Committee Members: Jermaine Stewart, Chairman
Jamie Zaura
Joseph Caputo

Others in Attendance: Maggie Jarr, Deputy Village Manager
Meghan Kooi, Village Clerk
Rick Radde, Director of Public Works
Julia Cedillo, Village Manager
Dean Maggos, Director of Fire & Emergency Manag.
Tim Contois, Police Chief
Kryz Kociolek, Director of Building and Inspections
Michael Sheehan, Village Trustee
James Discipio, Village President
Larry Noller, Finance Director
Mark Lucas, Village Engineer
Derek Rockwell, Senior Planner/Project Coordinator

Public Comment

There was none.

Approval of Minutes – July 11, 2023

Trustee Stewart moved to approve the July 11, 2023, CRC meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Trustee Zaura and passed unanimously by voice vote.

Village Market Streetscape Improvement Plan – Update & Discussion

Village Engineer Mark Lucas presented an update on the Village Market Streetscape Improvement Plan. The presentation included recommendations focused on the La Grange Road corridor to reduce the speed of traffic, improve aesthetics, improve pedestrian/cyclist accessibility, and improve emergency vehicle access in this area. The presentation further reviewed design and engineering concepts for the intersections at Homestead Road, Woodlawn Avenue, Oak Avenue, and Harding Avenue. For the intersection at Homestead Road, recommended improvements include installing high-visibility continental crosswalks on the east and south sides, a pedestrian refuge island on the south side, and a planted median where there is currently a painted median on the south side. For the intersection at Woodlawn Avenue, CRC members were supportive of pursuing a full traffic signal or EVP signal. CRC members also discussed potential engineering concepts for the intersections at Oak Avenue and Harding Avenue.

Development Advisory Services - Presentation

Fran Lefor Rood of SB Friedman Development Advisors, LLC provided a presentation regarding proposed development advisory services for the properties located at 1119 and 1123 N. La Grange Road. The purpose of the study is to identify retail opportunities, demonstrate site capacity and redevelopment options, and provide information to guide next steps with landowners and potential tenants for these commercial sites. As part of the proposed scope of services, SB Friedman would evaluate the retail market potential, identify site constraints and

capacity, prepare site capacity concept plans, uncover feasibility challenges and prepare Business District revenue projections, and summarize rehabilitation and redevelopment options.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the CRC will be held on Tuesday, October 10, 2023, before the Work Session Meeting.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Meghan M. Kooi', written in a cursive style.

Meghan M. Kooi
Village Clerk