



WHERE HISTORY & PROGRESS MEET

NOTICE

PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

**Monday, October 28, 2019
7:00 P.M. – Council Chambers**

AGENDA

1. Call to Order, Roll Call, and Establishment of a Quorum
2. Approval of Minutes
 - A. Public Affairs Committee of September 23, 2019
3. Public Participation / Presentations
4. Items for Consent
 - A. Ordinance No. 19-O-0033 – An Ordinance Revising Certain Fees Associated with the Rental Registration Program
5. Items for Discussion
6. Unfinished Business
7. New Business
8. Reports from Staff
 - A. West Chicago Police Department Monthly Report
9. Adjournment

MINUTES

PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Monday September 23, 2019 7:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order, Roll Call, and Establishment of a Quorum.

Chairman Chassee called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Roll Call found Brown, Hallett, Birch Ferguson and Short.

Alderman Swiatek was not in attendance.

2. Approval of Minutes.

A. Public Affairs Committee Minutes of August 26, 2019. Alderman Birch Ferguson made a motion, seconded by Alderman Brown to approve the minutes of the Public Affairs Committee meeting. Voting Aye: Chairman Chassee, Alderman Brown, Hallett, Birch Ferguson and Short. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

3. Public Participation / Presentations.

A. Sara Phalen – Prairie Path Bike Trail Historical Signs. Ms. Phalen distributed a hand out with detail information on the signage which will be added to the minutes. Alderman Birch Ferguson made a motion, seconded by Alderman Brown to move forward with this project and return to Committee with agreements,

4. Items for Consent.

A. Resolution No. 19-R-0044 – A Resolution approving an Intergovernmental with the Board of Education of West Chicago School District No. 33. Alderman Brown made a motion, seconded by Alderman Birch Ferguson. Voting Aye: Chairman Chassee, Alderman Brown, Hallett, Birch Ferguson and Short. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

5. Items for Discussion.

6. Unfinished Business.

7. New Business.

8. Reports from Staff.

A. West Chicago Police Department Monthly Report.

9. **Adjournment.** Alderman Birch Ferguson made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Alderman Brown. The motion was approved by voice vote, and the meeting adjourned at approximately 7:20pm.

Respectfully submitted,

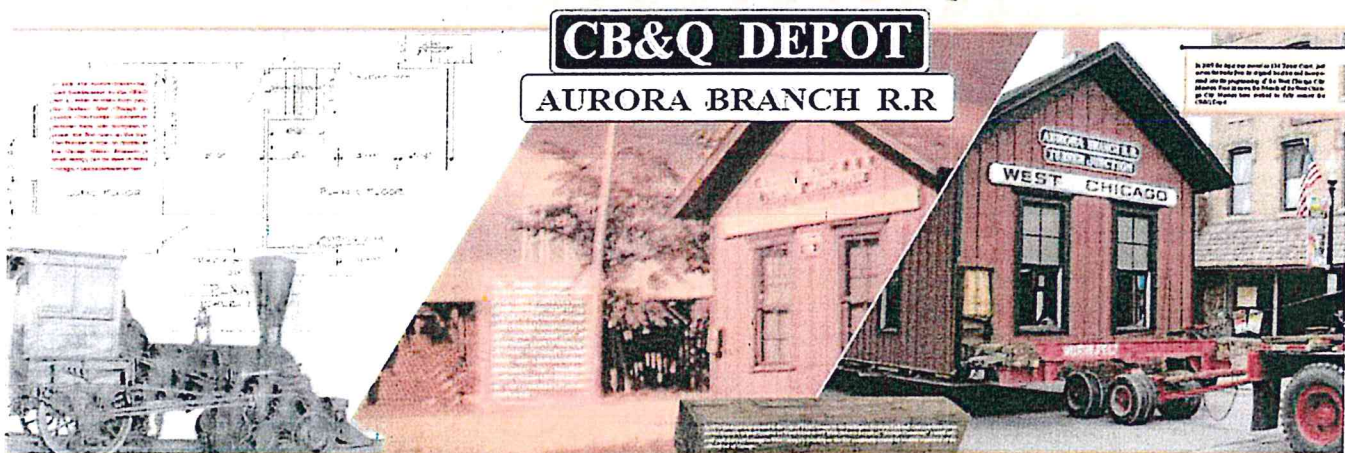
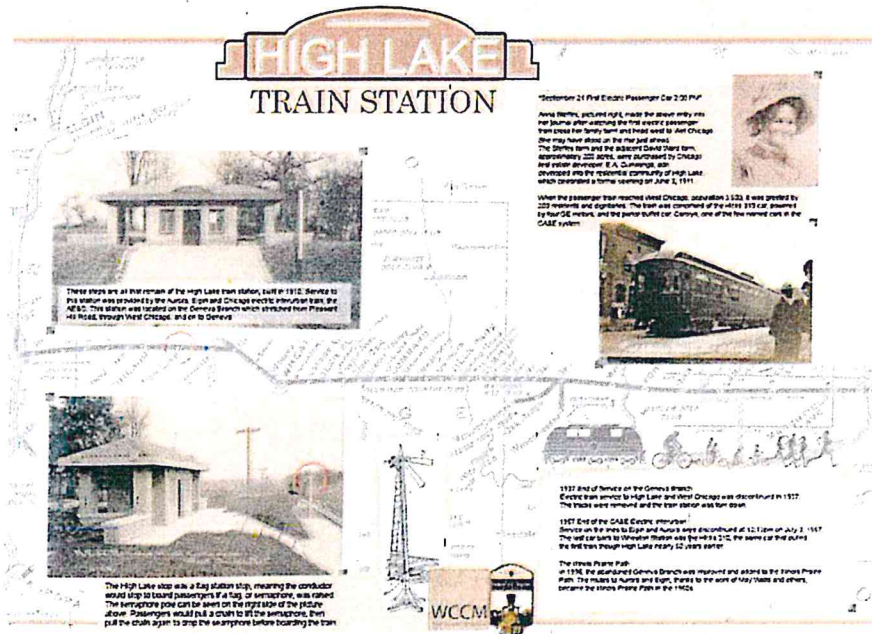
Yahaira Bautista

Administrative Assistant to Chief of Police
West Chicago Police Department

The West Chicago City Museum and the Friends of the West Chicago City Museum are looking to place seven wayside informational reading rail signs across a historic "rail trail" and in other high traffic historic locations, see map. Not all locations are on City property as reflected on the attached map. Each sign would include historic images and brief history and point people to the City Museum for further information. We feel these signs will greatly enhance information available to those passing by on the Prairie Path and help spur historic exploration of our community. The design mockup of two of the signs are below for your reference.

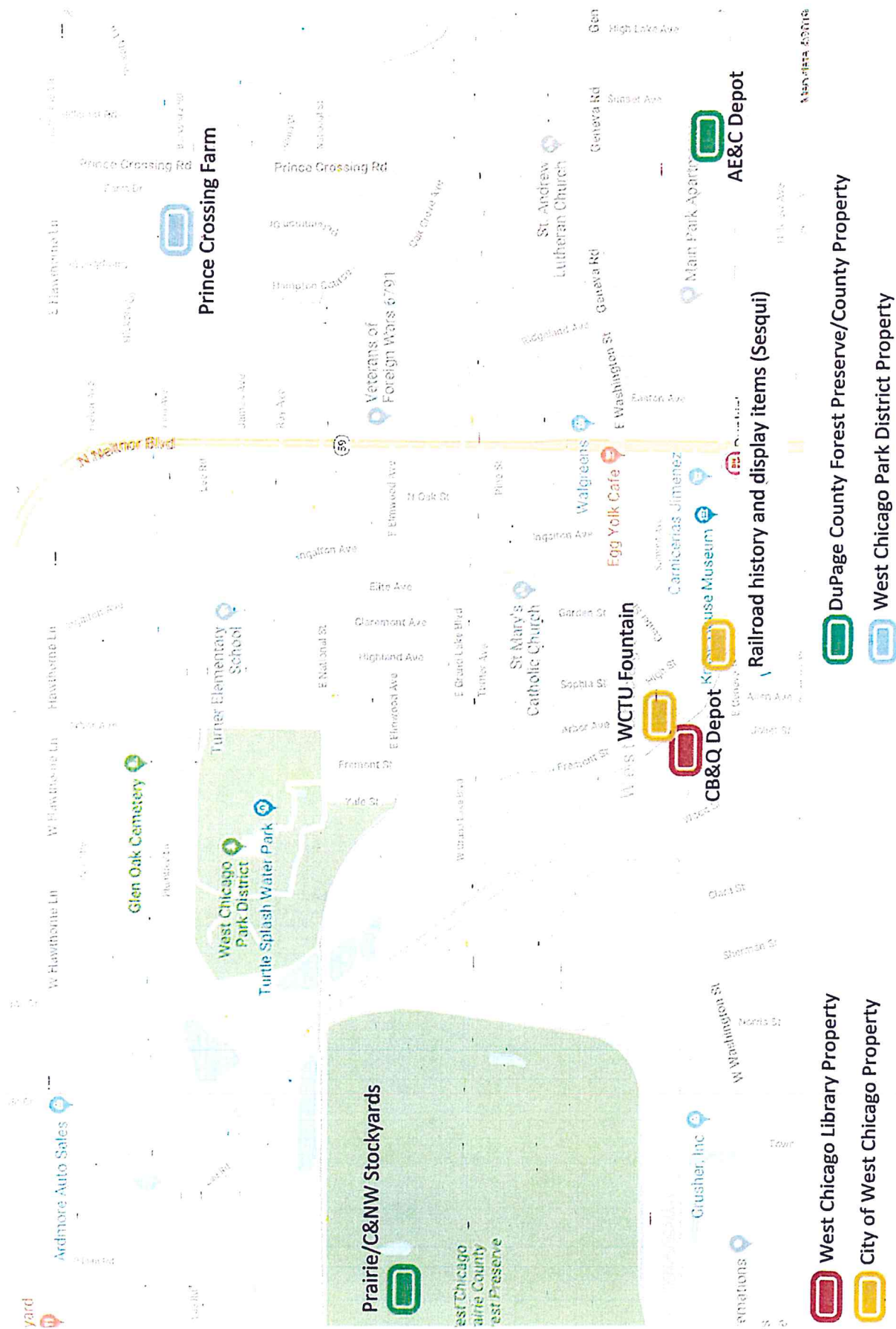
All costs of the signs, installation and maintenance would be covered by the City Museum and the Friends of the Museum. A layout showing the placement of the first two signs to be placed on Library property behind the Museum, next to the CB&Q Depot is also attached, as well as specs on the actual signs.

As the map reflects, not all locations are on City property. The City Museum is seeking direction from the Public Affairs Committee on placing these signs in the suggested locations. If there is agreement from the Committee, the City Museum would finalize agreements with the landowners.





West Chicago Historic Landmarks & Rail Trail Wayside Interpretative Signage



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Freestanding - Interpretive
(35" W. X 23" H. Visual Opening)

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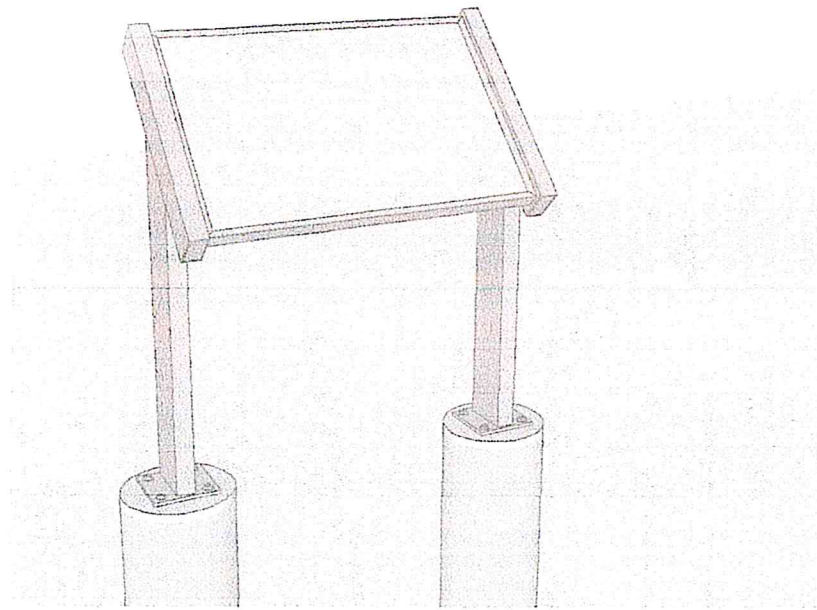
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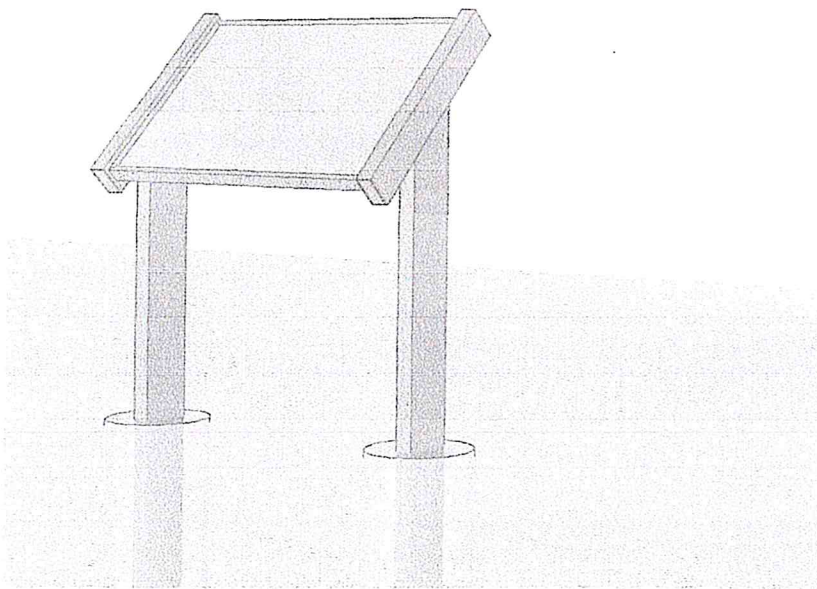
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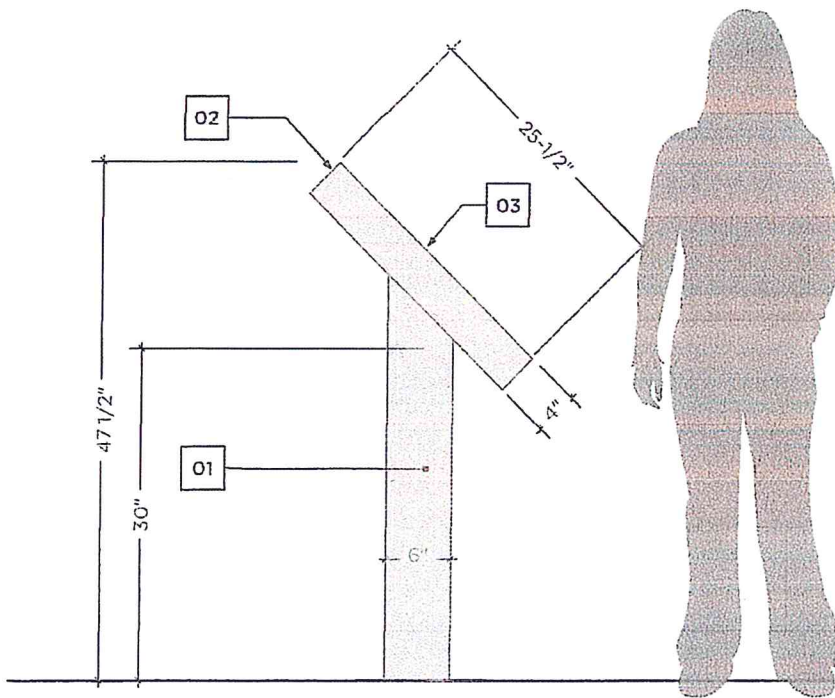
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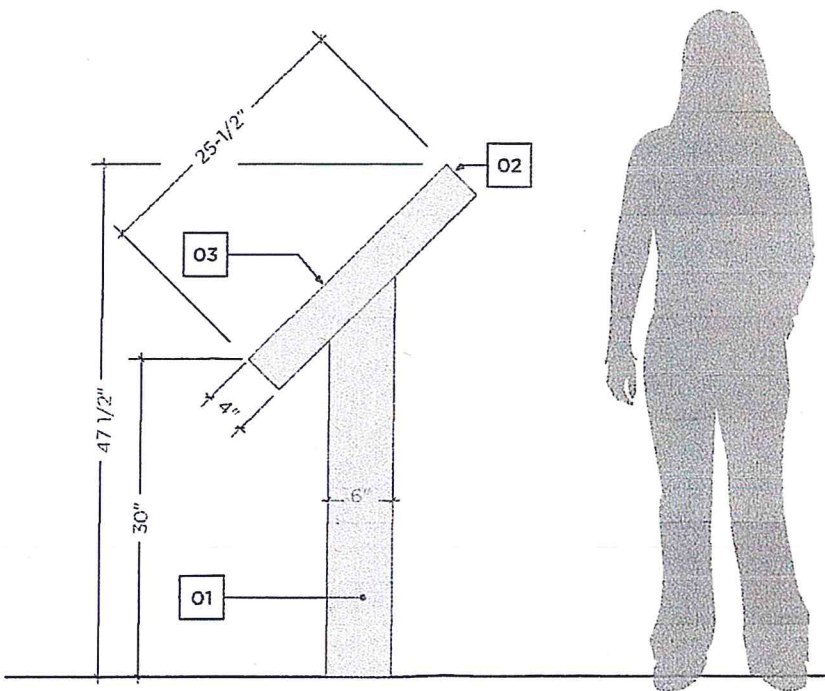
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1 3/4" d Extruded Aluminum
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w/ Tamper-Resistant Fasteners
Powder Coat Finish
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- 03** NPS3624HRS (Single-Sided)
Standard - Rectangular Panel
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B Sign Elevation - Side View (Left)
scale: 3/4" = 1'-0"



A Sign Elevation - Side View (Right)
scale: 3/4" = 1'-0"

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Project: Historic Waysides

Quantity	Description	Unit Price	Extended Price
3	36"w x 24"h x .090 Fiberglass Embedded (FE) Panels. All different. Single-faced. Matte finish. Square cut. No holes.	\$285.00	\$855.00
3	Aluminum Low Profile Traditional "T" Exhibit Bases for 36"w x 24"h Panels. Visual area will be 35"w x 23"h. Includes (2) 2" x 6" x 57" "T" style posts. Powder coated black with a textured finish.	\$548.00	\$1,644.00

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Estimated Freight to 60185: \$128.00
Total Amount: \$2,627.00

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CITY OF WEST CHICAGO

PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

ITEM TITLE:

An Ordinance Revising Certain Fees Associated with the Rental Registration Program

Ordinance 19-O-0033

AGENDA ITEM NUMBER: 4. A.

FILE NUMBER: _____

COMMITTEE AGENDA DATE: Oct. 28, 2019

COUNCIL AGENDA DATE: _____

STAFF REVIEW: Tom Dabareiner AICP

SIGNATURE _____

APPROVED BY CITY ADMINISTRATOR: Michael Guttman

SIGNATURE _____

ITEM SUMMARY:

City Staff reviewed the City's fees and procedures related to the Rental Registration Program. Based on this analysis, recommended changes to the Municipal Code, Appendix G-Fee Schedule are summarized below.

- **Reduce the base rental license fee to \$265**, down from the current rate of \$350. Prior to the current rate, the base fee of \$240 had not changed since 2013. The proposed rate of \$265 represents an adjustment for inflation during this period projected into 2020, which is about the actual increase in contractual costs with the inspection company during the same period. Multi-unit apartments would continue to pay an additional \$40 per unit atop the base fee, an amount equal to the 2013 amount of \$35 plus inflation rounded up to the nearest \$5 increment, which has been past practice.
- **Charge for the first re-inspection**. Under the current program the first re-inspection comes at no charge. So far this year, about half of all rental properties failed their first inspection. As proposed, in the future these properties would be invoiced for the required re-inspection. The proposed rate per unit is \$40, which represents the average amount of expense to the City for a rental unit re-inspection. It would become the practice to ticket landlords who fail the second inspection.
- **Provide a conditional 10% discount** of the base license fee if paid prior to December 1 each year and when there are no outstanding fines or fees owed the City. City Staff spends significant administrative time preparing for and following up on late rental registration payments—those that arrive after January 1—and time spent collecting other past due information. Instead, when paid early without any past due amounts, a discount would be provided which lowers the base rental fee payment to \$238.50. Staff estimates about 30% of landlords may take advantage of this discount.

While researching other communities' rental programs, Staff found there are myriad approaches. Some have lower fees. Without knowing their specific expenses to be recouped and the full scope of their programs, or if they intentionally subsidize their programs, it is difficult to make comparisons. Also, some communities reduce the number of units inspected annually or reward a building that passes inspection on the first attempt with a "pass" which eliminates the following year's in-

spection. Staff is concerned this would be administratively challenging to track. Furthermore, it would result in some rental buildings going 23 months or more while carrying potential problems. In fact, some individual apartment units could go as long as eight years without any inspection if inspections of the apartment building were eliminated every other year. The one constant of successful rental programs: cities with comprehensive and regular inspections have fundamentally safer and healthier rental accommodations.

In addition, Staff considered information we received from a landlord concerned about last year's increase in fees. A copy is attached. He referenced two documents which Staff has reviewed. Both advocate moving to a performance-based regulatory system in which fees and the number of inspections vary based on the documented performance and responsiveness of a particular landlord. For example, a problem-free property might be rewarded with no annual fee and no inspections but a problem-riddled property with an unresponsive landlord might see rapidly increasing fees for each inspection and a need for inspections every six months. The approach recognizes that fees can vary widely depending on the business model in place in the community. While few would disagree with the spirit of the performance-based approach, the details and systems needed to track and monitor landlord performance would tax current workloads and staffing. Nevertheless, Staff believes the City's proposed changes—in addition to lowering the base fee—take positive steps to reduce fees for conscientious landlords and increase the disincentives for those landlords who allow repairs to lag.

Staff is prepared to implement the proposed changes starting with the 2020 Fiscal Year. With City Council support for these changes, the revised program could be initiated November 5, 2019 when license renewal notices are mailed.

ACTIONS PROPOSED:

Consider the proposed program and fee changes to the City's Rental Registration Program and recommend the Ordinance.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

Pc: Ordinance 19-O-0033
Copy of text from Tom Masterson

ORDINANCE NO. 19-O-0033

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE
CITY OF WEST CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, SPECIFICALLY,
SECTION 9, ARTICLE XV – LICENSING OF RESIDENTIAL RENTAL PROPERTIES,
AND,
APPENDIX G – FEE SCHEDULE.**

WHEREAS, the City of West Chicago has the power to prescribe the strength and manner of constructing buildings, to prevent fire hazards, to inspect buildings and various other powers to protect the health, safety and welfare of its residents; and,

WHEREAS, maintenance of rental property in compliance with the minimum regulations designed to ensure that such property is safe, sanitary and fit for occupation and use is essential to the protection of the health, safety and welfare of the residents of the City of West Chicago; and,

WHEREAS, a disproportionate amount of property maintenance violations in the City of West Chicago are found in rental properties including; and,

WHEREAS, the City of West Chicago is a home rule unit under subsection (a) of Section 6 of Article VII of the Illinois Constitution of 1970; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of West Chicago has determined that it is reasonable and in the best interest for the City to establish regulations and licensing of rental to help maintain minimum standards of health, safety and welfare of its residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of West Chicago, DuPage County, Illinois, in regular session assembled, as follows:

Section 1. That **Appendix G, Sec. 2.1 Annual License and Related Fees** of the Code of Ordinances of the City of West Chicago is hereby modified as indicated below:

“Residential rental property base license (annual)

Single-family, two-flats and townhomes (per building)..... ~~\$350~~-265.00

Condominium units (per unit)..... ~~\$350~~-265.00

Multi-family buildings

Per building..... ~~\$350~~-265.00

Per unit (added to per building fee)..... \$40.00

Rental re-inspection fee (each re-inspection ~~starting with the second~~)..... ~~\$125~~ 40.00”

Section 2. That Chapter 9, Article XI, Sec. 9-305(a) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of West Chicago is hereby modified by adding the following new language inserted at the end of the paragraph:

“However, said base license fee may be reduced by 10% provided the license fee as described above is paid in full prior to December 1st, and no other additional fees, costs, fines or charges exist.”

PASSED this _____ day of November 2019.

Alderman J. Beifuss _____
Alderman J. Sheahan _____
Alderman A. Hallett _____
Alderman M. Birch-Ferguson _____
Alderman K. Swiatek _____
Alderman R. Stout _____
Alderman N. Ligino-Kubinski _____

Alderman L. Chassee _____
Alderman H. Brown _____
Alderman M. Ferguson _____
Alderman S. Dimas _____
Alderman M. Garling _____
Alderman J. Short _____

APPROVED as to form: _____
City Attorney

APPROVED this _____ day of November 2019.

Mayor Ruben Pineda

ATTEST:

City Clerk Nancy M. Smith

PUBLISHED: _____

Good evening my name is Tom Masterson. Thank you affording me the opportunity to speak tonight. I am here to speak about the Rental License and inspections. At the July meeting I mentioned the Rental license fee for my 4 unit apartment building at 705-711 East Main had gone from \$380 to \$510. Many municipalities are following the recommendations in "Raising the Bar" and "Drafting Rental Ordinances in Illinois Municipalities" by Center for Community Progress of rewarding good properties with fewer inspections and less fees and focusing on problem properties. Addison is an example, the annual fee is \$350 and if you pass your inspection the fee and inspection are waived the next year.

At the July meeting staff mentioned West Chicago's Rental License program was modeled after Woodridge's program. I believe that was about 10 years ago. Undoubtedly both programs have gone through changes over the past 10 years. I called Woodridge and was informed their annual fee for a 4 unit apartment building was \$32 per unit to cover expenses or \$128 per year versus \$510. Also they would only inspect one unit per year for a 4 unit apartment building.

So this made me so wonder how much West Chicago was charged for the 30 to 40 inspection of my building. I called the City and asked some questions and asked for information. I was a told I needed to do a FOIA request to get information, so I did.

I received a copy of the 2015 to 2018 and 2019 to 2022 contracts with B & F. There is no detail on the cost for a particular inspection. B & F received or will receive \$345,000 per year for 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019 for doing a list of inspections for the City.

Data below is from the two contracts

Building and Property Maintenance Code Inspections per year		
	2015-2018	2019
Rental Inspections.	800-900	1,250
Change of Occupancy Inspections	325-375	600
Service Calls	700-900	800
Over occupancy Inspections.	25-50	40
Court appearances	Monthly	Monthly
Inspections for festivals	Varies	Varies
City wide inspections	Every 2 weeks	Every 2 weeks
Annual fee to City per year	\$345,000	\$345,000

It does appear to me the City is getting more inspections in 2019 than 2018 and the annual fee is the same, \$345,000. This would mean the unit cost per inspection is less in 2019 than 2018. I would then expect my fee to decrease or at least stay the same, but my fee increased by 35%.

The City received \$194,000 in Rental License fees in 2018. There were 922 rental inspections in 2018. It would be interesting to know the total dollar amount of fees the City collected for all the above categories and the actual number of inspections for each category for 2018. But my goal isn't to ask endless questions and create work for staff, but a lack of detail does lead to questions.

Per staff the pass rate for Rental inspections is 57% on the first inspection. In 2018 there were 922 rental inspections so 525 of 922 passed and 397 failed and received a free re-inspection. Is a 43% failure rate acceptable? What is the failure rate for construction inspections? The City charges \$75 for Construction re-inspections of which \$55 goes to B & F.

So the City covers the expense of paperwork, scheduling and invoicing associated with a re-inspection for \$20. B & F does a construction re-inspection for \$55. Would my 30 minute inspection be much more? If this is even close why is it \$510 to send a computer generated letter, invoice and license, deposit my check and do a 30-40 minute inspection? Maybe Woodridge has it correct at \$128 to cover expenses. When setting fees should Section 8, "Fees" in "Drafting Rental Regulations Ordinances in Illinois Municipalities" by the Center for Community Progress be considered? Copy attached

My fee increased by 35% when B & F annual fee to the City stayed the same.

In 4 years I will have paid \$2,040 to West Chicago for a Rental License for a 4 unit apartment building. In the same 4 years I will have paid \$750 to Addison for the same 4 unit apartment building and if I owned the same 4 unit building in Woodridge I would have paid \$512. I hope West Chicago can revise the rental license fees and inspection schedule to come in line with the recommendations of the Center for Community Progress and other municipalities, less fees and inspections for good properties and focus on problem properties.

Thank you for your time and efforts.

Tom Masterson



DRAFTING RENTAL REGULATION ORDINANCES IN ILLINOIS MUNICIPALITIES A Short Guide for Local Officials

Alan Mallach



October 2015
www.communityprogress.net

problems.²⁵

- A designated police officer as an ongoing liaison with landlords, to assist with specific problems or concerns related to criminal activity.
- Regular forums between key municipal officials and landlords.
- Fast-track approval of permits for property improvements.
- Free advertising of available rentals on the municipal web site and in local newspapers, particularly free weekly merchandising papers.
- Discounts for good landlords on goods and services at local merchants or from local contractors.
- Free or low-cost equipment such as smoke or carbon monoxide detectors, security locks, etc., which the municipality may be able to obtain in bulk at low cost.
- Preferential access to purchasing municipally-owned properties

These incentives, as well as others, are described in greater detail in *Raising the Bar*.²⁶

- Specific incentives tied to improved performance from one year to the next; i.e., if a landlord moves up from Category III or Category I or II.

One way a municipality can provide incentives for improvement is by holding fines that are collected during the year for code and other violations in escrow pending the outcome of the following year's performance evaluation. The ordinance can provide that:

- For any property that moves up *two* categories (from IV to II or from III to I) in the year, the entire amount of the fine is rebated to the owner;
- For any property that moves up *one* category, half of the fine is rebated to the owner, with the other half retained by the municipality.

We recommend that municipal officials think carefully and creatively about the ways in which they can build incentives into the performance-based system, bearing in mind, however, that any incentive must bear a rational relationship to the goal of the ordinance, and be structured so that its application is fair and non-discriminatory.

§8 Fees

Any fees imposed under a rental licensing program should be designed to cover the cost of the licensing program and no more. While home rule municipalities in Illinois have broad powers, Article VII, §6(e) of the state constitution specifically bars "licens[ing] for revenue" which can only be done pursuant to specific authority granted by the General Assembly. A "license for

²⁵ The municipality may be able to recruit a small group of people, including property managers, lawyers, and the like, who agree to be available for a modest amount of time for this program.

²⁶ See pages 17-21.

revenue” has been defined by the courts²⁷ as “an attempt by the governmental unit, which does not have the power to tax, to use its police power to raise revenue.”²⁸

Over and above the legal constraints affecting fees, it is important to remember that in setting licensing fees that the goal of the licensing system is to motivate compliance and responsible landlord behavior. As a general policy, *fees should be set as low as possible consistent with sound fiscal management*. The best case, from a compliance standpoint, is if the municipality has both the existing personnel and fiscal capacity to set the fee at a minimal level, and cover the cost of licensing inspections from general fund revenues. Since that may not be realistic, the fee should be set so that it is adequate to cover the cost of inspections and the administrative costs of the program.

Table 3 shows representative rental licensing fees for a number of municipalities in the Chicago Metropolitan Area. As the table shows, fees vary widely from municipality to municipality, particularly with respect to multifamily properties. There can be many reasons for differences in fees from one municipality to the next.

TABLE 3: REPRESENTATIVE RENTAL LICENSING FEES IN CHICAGO METROPOLITAN AREA

MUNICIPALITY	FEE SCHEDULE PROVISIONS	TOTAL FEE – SINGLE FAMILY HOUSE	TOTAL FEE: 10 UNIT MULTIFAMILY BUILDING
Addison	\$50/dwelling plus \$50 for each building with 1 to 5 units and \$75 for each building with 6 to 11 units	\$100	\$575
Aurora	\$70 for single family unit \$214 for 6-10 units ²⁹	\$ 70	\$214
Batavia	\$100 for buildings of 6 to 50 units	NOT SUBJECT TO LICENSING	\$100
Des Plaines	\$50 for SF detached unit \$100 for SF attached unit \$20 per unit for apartment or multi-unit building	\$50 or \$100	\$200
Elgin	1-5 units \$71 6-10 units \$107	\$ 71	\$107
Schaumburg	Single family house \$100	\$100	\$330

²⁷ *Forsberg v. City of Chicago*, 151 Ill. App. 3d 354, 365 (1st Dist. 1986) (citing *Paper Supply Co. v. Chicago*, 57 Ill. 2d 553 (1974)).

²⁸ Although we are not aware of any clear precedent or ruling in Illinois on the matter, it is likely that if a home rule municipality conducted a study which clearly established that rental housing units imposed a disproportionate impact on municipal costs in such areas as police, fire and inspections, the municipality could impose a fee on rental housing, either through the licensing process or separately, to cover those additional costs. A possible model for such an approach exists in a Utah statute discussed in *Raising the Bar*, page 20.

²⁹ These fees are effective Sept. 1, 2015. They will increase to \$90 and \$300 respectively on Sept. 1, 2016.

WEST CHICAGO POLICE DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REPORT



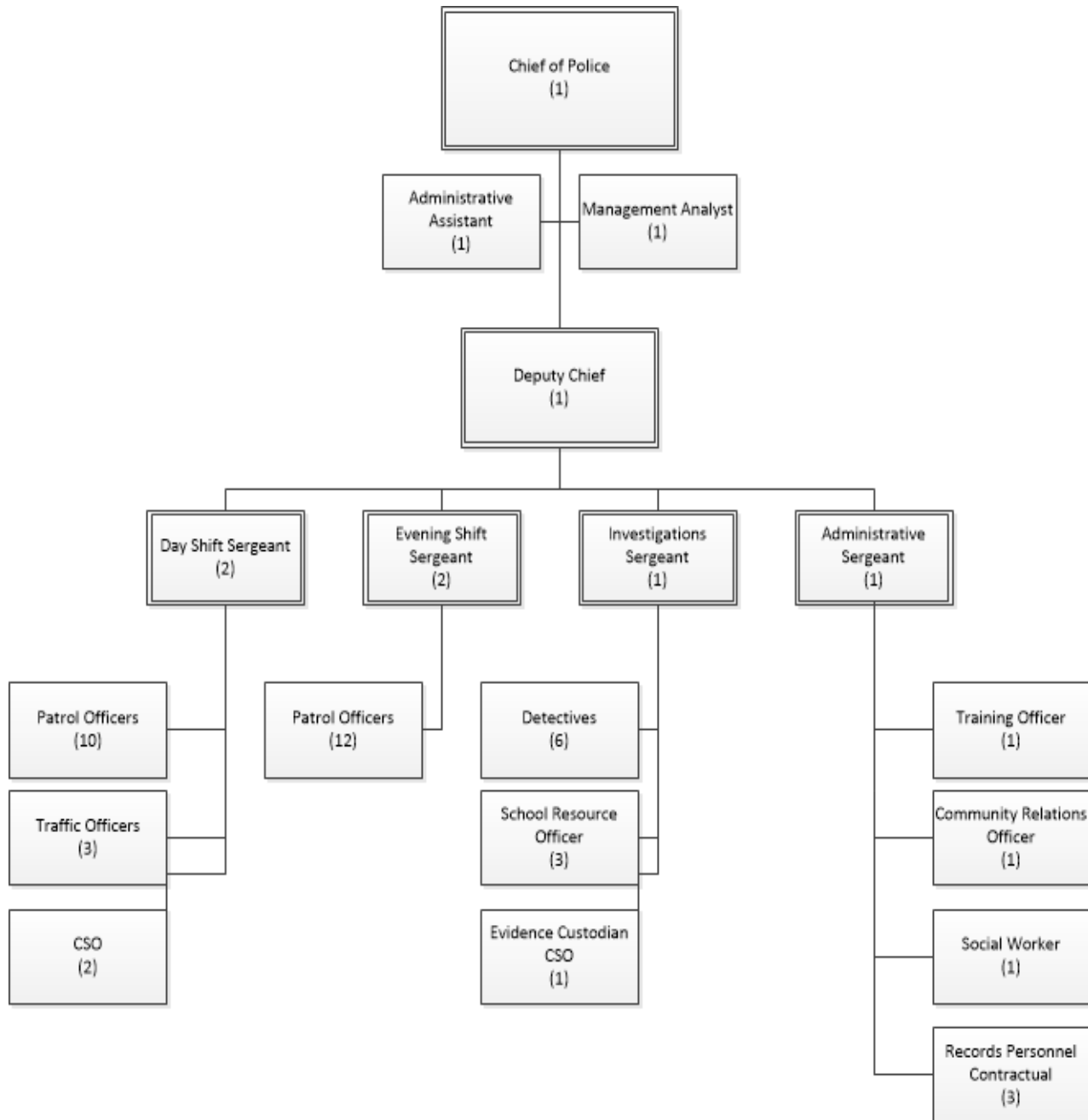
SEPTEMBER 2019

Michael Uplegger, Chief of Police

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Organizational Chart



Department Overview

The Mission of the West Chicago Police Department is to Protect Life and Liberty Provide Quality Police Services, and Forge Community Partnerships with Integrity and Professionalism.

There are three divisions in the Police Department: Office of the Chief of Police, Support Services Division and Operations Division.

The Office of the Chief of Police's primary responsibility is to provide general management direction and control for the Department. The Office of the Chief of Police consists of the Management Analyst, and the Administrative Assistant.

The Support Services Division consists of Evidence/Property Training Officer, Community Relations, Vehicle and Building Maintenance, Records and Social Services.

The Operations Division consists of Uniformed Patrol, Traffic Safety Unit, the Investigations Unit, School Resource Officers and Community Service Officers.

Personnel

On September 3rd, Officer Diveley completed his last day with the West Chicago Police Department. The Department wishes him well in his future endeavors.



On September 3rd, the Department held Coffee with a Cop at the Dunkin located at 330 S. Neltnor Blvd. On hand to meet with citizens were Chief Uplegger, Administrative Assistant Bautista, Deputy Chief Calabrese, Sergeants Samuel and Shackelford, Officers Nielsen, Rosenwinkel, Bertany, Gelsomino and Reavley, as well as Detective Bowers.

On September 10th, the first session of the Police Explorer program took place. Chief Uplegger and Officer Nielsen welcomed the 12 participants to the program. The participants were provided with an overview of the program and given a tour of the station. The Explorer's is a program for young men and woman ages 14 (and completed eighth grade) through 20 who have an interest in law enforcement. They learn what it takes to be a police officer, receive specialized training, attend monthly meetings, and get hands on experience with law enforcement. It gives them a look into the criminal justice world. It also helps build their self-confidence, develop leadership skills, enhance their problems solving skills, serve their community and more. Meetings occur the second Tuesday of every month.



Personnel

On September 25th, the Citizens' Police Academy met for the first of eight sessions. Participants learned about the Department's structure, how to become a police officer and toured the Station. The Citizens' Police Academy is open to those who live and/or work in West Chicago. It is designed to give the participants a behind the scenes look at the criminal justice system and offer insight into everyday police work. This occurs through nine weekly classes where participants learn in a classroom setting followed by the opportunity to participate in hands on situations.

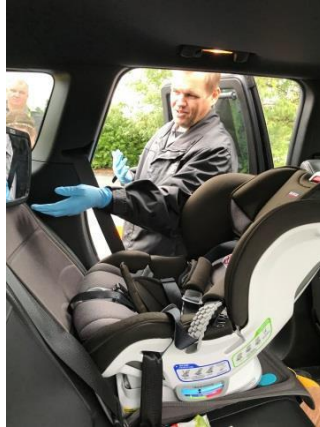


On September 27th, Deputy Chief Julio Calabrese and Community Service Officer Lisa Eichinger completed their last day of work. The Department wishes them both well in their future endeavors.



Personnel

On September 28th, the Department held a Child Safety Seat event at Reed-Keppler Park. Officers explained child safety seat laws as well as inspected and installed child safety seats. Staff participating included Officers Nielsen, Perry, Jones and Schoonhoven as well as CSO Sollis and former CSO Garcia. Seven seats were checked despite the rainy weather.



September 29th was the first day in the new position for Deputy Chief Shackelford.

At the September 27th Department meeting, officers Kowalik, Berg, Levato, Calabrese, Cummings and Jones received recognition from the Alliance Against Intoxicated Motorists for impaired driving arrest milestones.

In August and November of 2018, the Department investigated two homicides. The efforts were successful in quickly identifying and arresting suspects in each case. Currently the offenders await trial in the DuPage County Jail. At the September 27th Department meeting, Detectives Herbert, Bowers and Peterson, Sergeant Cargola and Community Service Officer Eichinger were presented with Meritorious Conduct awards for their part in these investigations. Officers Bertany, Gelsomino, Jones, Kowalik, Mielke, Reyes, Richards, Winton, Fuller, Levato, Moos, Nielsen Potapczak, Reavley and Smurawski, Sergeant Shackelford and Community Service Officer Sollis all received Letters of Commendation.

Criminal Activities

Criminal Damage to Motor Vehicle:

Person(s) unknown damaged a vehicle in the 2700 block of Bainbridge Blvd. The left rear tire had been punctured by a nail. Upon closer examination, multiple nails and spikes were found in the victim's driveway matching the nail in the tire.

Person(s) unknown damaged a vehicle in the 100 block of E. Pomeroy St. The paint on the doors on both sides of the car had been scratched. Additionally, the passenger side mirror was missing.

Person(s) unknown damaged a vehicle in the 800 block of Burr Oaks Dr. The windshield was broken by unknown means.

Person(s) unknown damaged a vehicle in the 300 block of S. Wilson Ave. The paint on both sides of the car had been scratched.

On two separate occasions, person(s) unknown damaged a vehicle in the 1200 block of Kings Cross. In both instances, the rear window of the car had been broken possibly by BBs or pellets.

Person(s) known intentionally drove a vehicle into a parked moped at Gary School located at 130 E. Forest Ave. Investigation is ongoing.

Person(s) unknown damaged a vehicle in the 800 block of Main St. The owner began driving the vehicle and heard the tire making an odd noise and pulled off the road. Upon inspecting the tire, the driver observed that the sidewall of the tire had been cut.

Criminal Defacement:

Person(s) unknown drew non-gang related graffiti with red marker on an electric box and two lamp posts in the 200 block of George St.

Person(s) unknown used a marker to draw non-gang related graffiti on a sign near Parker Ave. and Geneva St.

Person(s) unknown used a marker to draw gang-related graffiti on the rear of a Stop sign at the southeast corner of Brown St. and Elizabeth St.

Person(s) unknown painted gang-related graffiti on the back of a Stop sign at the southeast corner of Forest Ave. and Elizabeth St.

Person(s) unknown used marker to draw gang-related graffiti on the back of a Stop sign at the southeast corner of Brown St. and Bishop St.

Person(s) unknown spray painted gang-related graffiti on a utility pole in the 900 block of Gates St.

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Person(s) unknown spray painted gang-related graffiti on concrete barriers east of Neltor Blvd. on Gary's Mill Rd.

Person(s) unknown spray painted gang-related graffiti on the north side of a business in the 600 block of Joliet St.

Person(s) unknown used marker to draw non-gang related graffiti on three No Parking signs in the 30W300 block of Brown St.

Person(s) unknown spray painted gang-related graffiti on a garage door in the alley of the 100 block of E. Brown St.

Person(s) unknown spray painted gang-related graffiti on a fence in the alley of the 100 block of E. Pomeroy St.

Retail Theft:

A known person attempted to steal seven bottles of liquor from the Jewel Osco grocery store located at 177 E. Roosevelt Rd. The suspect concealed the alcohol, valued at \$168.40, in a shopping cart under a purse and newspaper ads. The individual paid for another item and attempted to leave the store when she was confronted by store security. Store management advised the subject has stolen items in the past. The suspect admitted to attempting to steal the liquor. The offender was issued a local Ordinance citation for Retail Theft, a Criminal Trespass Letter and released.

A known person paid \$217.26 for items valued at \$828.14 at Menards located at 220 W. North Ave. The subject is suspected of committing the same offense at the Menards in Batavia. Investigation is ongoing.

Theft Under \$500.00:

Person(s) unknown removed an unsecured bicycle from in front of a store in the 900 block of N. Neltor Blvd. Loss is estimated at \$100.00.

Person(s) unknown removed a laptop computer from the garage of a residence in the 2300 block of Elm Rd. The owner left a package containing a laptop in the open garage and when he returned, the package containing the laptop was missing. Loss is estimated at \$500.00.

Theft Over \$500.00:

Person(s) unknown removed \$2,000.00 from a residence in the 800 block of Lyman St.

Person(s) unknown removed a shopping cart full of alcohol from the Jewel Osco grocery store located at 177 E. Roosevelt Rd. A female suspect entered a backroom of the store a number of times obtaining sets of keys. On the last trip to the backroom, the suspect obtained keys, turned off the alarm and propped open a receiving door. The female pushed the shopping cart full of alcohol outside via the receiving door, locked the door and reset the alarm. The female suspect and a second suspect loaded the alcohol into a waiting car and left the scene. Loss is \$5,192.95. Investigation is ongoing.

Person(s) unknown removed a small, white bag containing a gold bracelet and diamond ring from a drawer in the bedroom of a residence in the 700 block of Pioneer Ct. The ring is valued at \$9,500.00. Investigation is ongoing.

Person(s) unknown removed two commercial grade lawn mowers from a storage lot off of Pearl Rd. The mowers were left unsecured next to a trailer. Loss is estimated at \$2,000.00.

Burglary to Motor Vehicle:

Person(s) unknown entered two unsecured vehicles in the 900 block of Wild Ginger Tr. and removed a phone charger from one vehicle and a wallet clip containing a driver's license, two debit cards and two credit cards from the second car. It was later learned one of the debit cards was used in Hanover Park to withdraw \$400.00. Investigation is ongoing.

Person(s) unknown entered a unsecured vehicle in the 900 block of Jacob Ct. and removed a driver's license, debit card and \$45.00 in cash. The debit card has been used multiple times at a Walmart in Streamwood. Investigation is ongoing.

Person(s) unknown entered a vehicle in the 800 block of Parkside Ave. and removed a wallet containing a driver's license and \$15.00. It is unknown if the car was locked.

Person(s) unknown cut the lock off a trailer in the 100 block of Pearl Rd. and removed a trimmer and a backpack blower. Loss is estimated at \$550.00.

Person(s) unknown entered onto the property of a business in the 200 block of E. Roosevelt Rd. and entered five trailers. Entry was made by cutting the locks off of the trailer's rear doors. At the time of the initial report miscellaneous hand tools and a couple of wheel barrows are known to be missing.

Person(s) unknown entered an unsecured vehicle in the 100 block of W. Washington St. and removed a cell phone. Loss is estimated at \$600.00.

Identity Theft:

Person(s) unknown used the victim's name and social security number to open an account with Com Ed. The victim received a letter from a collection agency about an unpaid \$159.00 Com Ed bill. A representative from Com Ed advised someone had opened an account in Steger, IL using the victim's information.

Aggravated Battery:

Person(s) unknown struck the victim in the head with a pipe or tire iron in the area of Ridgeland Ave and Washington St. The victim was walking southbound on Ridgeland when the offender and victim started to fight. The suspect then fled northbound. The victim was transported to Central DuPage Hospital. Investigation is ongoing.

Aggravated Discharge of a Firearm:

Person(s) unknown shot a gun at a house in the 300 block of Dayton Ave. Two bullet holes were found in the front of a residence and a spent bullet was recovered in a cabinet in the house. Investigation is ongoing.

Fraud:

Person(s) unknown sent a text to a victim advising her she was eligible to become a secret shopper. The victim was instructed to purchase over \$2,100.00 in money orders and mail them to a specified address. The victim did as instructed and has not heard back from the company. Investigation is ongoing.

Person(s) unknown passed fraudulent checks at Menards located at 220 W. North Ave. Investigation is ongoing.

Person(s) unknown accessed the victim's bank account. The victim reports that a \$328.00 Zelle payment was made from the bank account. The victim did not authorize this and does not know the subject to whom the payment was made. Investigation is ongoing.

Monthly Performance

Activities	Jun 2019	July 2019	Aug 2019	Sep 2019	YTD 2019	YTD 2018	Total 2018
Traffic Stops	636	686	638	513	6,149	7,009	9,875
Traffic Citations	462	408	409	278	3,772	4,188	5,928
Traffic Warnings	302	358	348	289	3,368	4,016	5,578
Parking Citations	90	132	155	191	1,871	2,244	3,094
Traffic Crashes	70	72	82	70	622	680	930
Incident Reports	251	270	240	287	2,380	2,642	3,396

Officer Activities

On August 7th, officers responded to the area of Joliet St. and Wilson St. for a Hit and Run crash. One vehicle had reportedly run another car off the road and then fled the scene. Suspect information was developed and Detectives Flanigan and Calabrese located the unoccupied suspect vehicle at an address in Winfield. On September 13th, the suspect was arrested on an unrelated offense, and interviewed. The suspect stated he did not know anything about the crash. The DuPage State's Attorney's Office approved charges of Aggravated Assault and Leaving the Scene of an Accident Involving Personal Injury against the suspect. The suspect was fingerprinted, photographed and transported to the DuPage County Jail.

On September 9th, Officer Winton responded to a residence in the 900 block of Jeri Ln. for a reported burglary to motor vehicle. It was learned that the unsecured vehicle had been entered and items were removed from the car, including a handgun. Later on the same date, Detective Peterson was notified by an investigator with the DuPage County Sheriff's Office that they had a suspect in custody on a matter unrelated to the Jeri Ln. case who was in possession of credit cards that did not belong to him as well a handgun. Detectives Herbert and Peterson interviewed the subject at the DuPage County Jail. The subject admitted to entering a number of vehicles in the 800 and 900 block of Jeri Ln, taking a number of credit cards and the handgun from unlocked cars. The DuPage County State's Attorney's Office approved two counts of Burglary from Motor Vehicle and one count of Possession of a Stolen Handgun.

On September 11th, Detective Peterson was contacted by a Detective Sergeant with the Michigan State Police who requested our assistance in locating and arresting an individual in relation to a case they were working. The suspect in its case was believed to live in West Chicago. Detectives Herbert and Bowers and Sergeant Cargola assisted in attempts to locate the suspect. The suspect was not found at a residence where he had been staying, but was located and placed under arrest at his place of employment in Addison. The DuPage County State's Attorney's Office approved a charge of Fugitive from Justice allowing the offender to be held until the Michigan State Police could arrange extradition. The suspect was transported to the DuPage County Jail and awaits extradition to Michigan.

On September 13th, Officers Berg, Rigler and Schoonhoven responded to the 300 block of E. Stimmel St. for a report of shots fired. Two offenders were seen fleeing the area. Detectives Calabrese and Flanigan located and detained a suspect after a foot pursuit. The suspect was transported to the Station where he declined to provide information. The DuPage County State's Attorney's Office approved charges of three counts of Aggravated Discharge of a Firearm and one count of Unlawful Possession of a Weapon by a Street Gang Member. The suspect was fingerprinted, photographed and transported to the DuPage County Jail.