

**League of Women Voters
Observers Report**

Board meeting attended: Downers Grove Village Council

Date and Location of meeting: August 1, 2017, Council Chambers, 801 Burlington Ave.

Meeting started: 7:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned: 7:45 p.m.

League Observer(s): Emily Teising

Board Members/Trustees present (P) not present (NP) tardy (T):

Mayor Martin Tully	NP
Bob Barnett	NP
Margaret Earl	P
Greg Hose	P
Nicole Walus	P
William Waldack	P
Bill White	P Mayor pro tempore

Estimated Number Attending (excluding Board and Staff): 10 (including representatives for Meadowbrook Shopping Center)

Meetings are Streamed and Archived at:

<https://www.youtube.com/user/VillageDownersGrove>

Agenda can be found at: [Agenda August 1, 2017](#)

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Rich Kulovany, representing Friends of the Edwards House, announced they received 2017 Project of the Year (Advocacy), Richard H. Driehaus Foundation Preservation Award, Landmarks Illinois. Thanked mayor, staff, and other organizations and individuals supporting efforts to landmark historical buildings in Downers Grove.

Amelia (), 4237 Lindley St., Downers Grove, adjacent to Speedway gas station on Ogden. Concerned about deferred maintenance projects and general failure to maintain fencing and clean dumpsters. Mayor Pro Tem White said he appreciates the resident bringing these issues forward, staff took her information for follow up.

CONSENT AGENDA

Item G, Resolution to authorize a first amendment to the intergovernmental agreement with DuPage County for improvements along CH 35/555th street from Dunham Road to Clarendon Hills Road was removed. Otherwise all approved unanimously. See above agenda link.

FIRST READING

Four items relating to the construction of a Walgreens store at 2001 63rd Street, on the northeast corner of the property. The property is near the intersection of Belmont and 63rd Street.

The attorney for the applicant, FL Cedar LLC, introduced the owner of Meadowbrook Shopping Center. The current owner purchased the shopping center approximately four years ago and made significant investment in the buildings and parking lot.

M. Earl expressed two items of concern: possible distraction of drivers by headlights from the drive-through, and the quality of the building materials.

W. Waldack also expressed concern about ensuring maintenance of the new building and using appropriate building materials.

The applicants responded to these concerns and agreed to provide further details before the matter moves forward.

Comments/Concerns:

General Features

	Yes	No	Comments
Did the meeting start on time?	x		
Were members attentive and prepared?	x		
Were members courteous to each other?	x		
Were members attentive to the publics' comments?	x		
Was the facility adequate?	x		
Could the audience see and hear?	x		
Were visual aids easily visible to the audience	x		

Were the meeting facilities handicapped accessible	x		
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FOIA (Complete once, unless information changes.)

Illinois Open Meetings Act requirements

	Yes	No	Comments
Was the agenda posted 48 hours before the meeting? If yes, note where	x		
Did the agenda items clearly describe what was to be discussed?	x		
Were background materials made available to the public?	x		
Was there adequate discussion of the issues?	x		
Was there a closed session before, during or after the meeting?		x	
If there was a closed meeting, was any action taken after the closed session? If so, what action?		x	

Date Submitted: August 2, 2017

By: Emily Teising