

LINCOLNWOOD CONNECTIONS



November/December 2022

Village of Lincolnwood

46th Annual Turkey Trot - Nov. 20



THE PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT is delighted to be hosting the 46th Annual Lincolnwood Turkey Trot! The Trot will be held on Sunday, November 20 at Proesel Park. This race event also features a popular 5K Fitness Walk and a children's Drumstick Dash. This CARA Certified, chip-timed 5K and 10K race is perfect for novice and experienced runners alike with a flat and fast course.

Register Now and Save!

The earlier runners and walkers register, the lower the entry fee will be, so do not wait! Register online at www.lincolnwoodil.org/turkeytrotsignup.

Volunteer for Turkey Trot

Volunteering for the Lincolnwood Turkey Trot is a terrific way to give back to the community and participate in all the fun. Volunteers can choose between assisting with gear check, water stations, or serving as a course marshal. For more information on volunteering and to register, contact Nicole Interrante, Recreation Supervisor, at 847-745-4729 or ninterrante@lwd.org.



Become a Sponsoring Partner

This long-standing event highlights the Village's great community and its businesses. The yearly success of the Lincolnwood Turkey Trot would not be possible without the support of community sponsors. Sponsorship opportunities are available at several levels with in-kind donations also welcome. Those interested in sponsorship can contact Colleen Broderick, Recreation Supervisor, at 847-745-4723 or cbroderick@lwd.org.

CONNECT TO THE LATEST TURKEY TROT NEWS

Keep up to date with all things Turkey Trot at Lincolnwood Parks & Recreation on Facebook, Twitter (@lincolnwoodpks), and Instagram (@LincolnwoodParks).

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President's Message

My fellow residents,

While we still have a lot of work to be done before we are into 2023, I'd like to highlight some of the major agenda items that the Village Board has considered or approved so far this year.



First, and perhaps most importantly, we adopted an all new Strategic Plan which provides a comprehensive guide for the Village Board and Staff on short and long term goals and objectives, and lays out methods and timelines to achieve them. This planning document is essential in the efficient and effective operation of the Village for overall improved quality of life for all of our residents.

The plan and incentive agreement for the Hotel component of District 1860 have been approved and we are anticipating a construction of a dual branded Marriott to start by Spring of 2023. The District 1860 construction continues to move at a great pace and they remain on schedule for an opening of the Amazon Fresh grocery store by mid 2023 while they work to complete the main mixed-use building.

Dunkin' Donuts will be relocating from their longstanding location on the 3900 block of Touhy to a new site located on the 4000 block of Touhy. Their initial application proposed relocating to the former Long John Silver's site, but the Village Board's thoughtful deliberation led to the denial of their initial proposal. We look forward to the continued success of this business at their new location.

With the support of the Village Board, I created an ad-hoc committee composed of members of multiple Boards and Commissions, Village Staff, and planning consultant Houseal Lavigne to prepare a concept plan for the redevelopment of the Lincolnwood Town Center and surrounding Commercial/Industrial area. The approved plan shows multiple concepts with a mix of uses and as much as 3 million square feet of new development. The plan is currently being used by the property owner to market the site to a developer that will transform the site to a thriving and active part of our community in the coming years.

We have prepared plans and used them to vigorously seek funding opportunities which have yielded grants, loans, and other funds which will bring forth future improvements such as the reconstruction of Flowers Park (Spring '23), the installation of protected bike lanes on Pratt (Summer '23), and an eventually a pedestrian bridge across the North Shore

Channel (planning documents Summer '23). The long awaited Devon Avenue streetscape improvements (delayed due to sewer construction under the roadway) are going out to bid with construction set to start in 2024.

Village-wide, we have adopted the Service First philosophy which is the cornerstone of this administration. Employing a defined program, notably used by the Walt Disney company, we are focused on providing high quality service to all residents and businesses in Lincolnwood. From a pleasant greeting at our service counters or a quick reply to an email, to solving a complicated construction problem, our entire organization is aimed at customer satisfaction.

We commissioned a study of our Community Development Department with a focus on the permit and inspection process. From the study, we identified areas for improvement and are implementing changes in staffing, policy, and software. This will allow us to review more plans and issue permits more quickly while also improving the inspection process.

This year, we also expanded and clarified our variation process allowing for greater ease in obtaining code variations for minor items like patios, fences, and garages. We improved code language relative to short-term rental to minimize the likelihood of nuisance while still allowing the availability of these rentals, on a limited basis, for the benefit of the community. We discussed additional standards allowing for the assemblage of properties to promote development of vacant and underutilized sites. We also approved a sidewalk snow clearing program for major streets throughout the Village which will begin this snow season.

The Park and Recreation Master Plan is being prepared and when complete, it will lay out plans for our facilities and programs for years to come. Our Plan Commission will be considering changes in the Zoning Code including multi-family residential, new business uses such as ghost kitchens and delivery-only users, and other code changes to promote uses such as solar panels and vehicle charging stations. Our budget process is underway for the coming fiscal year and we remain confident in the strength of our existing tax base while looking forward to new sales tax revenues from the Amazon Fresh grocery store and Cannabis uses.

The Village Board and Staff are always looking for ways to make Lincolnwood better. Please feel free to reach out to me or any member of the Board of Staff with questions, comments, or concerns.

On behalf of the entire Village Board I want to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and a joyous, safe and healthy Holiday Season with their loved ones.

Sincerely,

Mayor Jesal Patel

"There's nothing gooder than a Lincolnwooder."

- Paul Gordon

Village News

Water Bill Payment Update

Please be advised the Village's address for remitting water bill payments has changed. For future water bill payments, please mail them to the new lockbox remittance address:

Village of Lincolnwood
P.O. Box 1161
Indianapolis, IN 46206-1161.

Please update the new remittance address at your bank institution if your water payment is set automatically. Payments can also be paid online or dropped off at the Village Hall. Additional questions can be directed to the Finance Department at 847-673-1540.

Small Wireless Facilities

Since 2018, the State of Illinois has allowed for the construction of small wireless facilities (SWF) in the public right-of-way. The public right-of-way is typically 33 feet from the center of a roadway towards a resident's property. The service area covered by a SWF is within 500 to 1,000 feet of the equipment. State Law provides specific guidance to approve this equipment and the Village routinely works with telecommunications equipment on existing poles, however, telecommunications companies may opt to install a new utility pole with adjoining SWF equipment. If you have any questions, contact Assistant Village Manager Charles Meyer at cmeyer@lwd.org or 847-745-4715.



Rescue Rangers

The Village is seeking volunteers for the Rescue Rangers program. This is a great opportunity to get involved in the community and provide help for those in need. The Rescue Rangers program is a resource for

seniors and residents with disabilities who lack the physical or financial ability to complete daily tasks such as shoveling snow, walking pets, or bringing out and returning garbage bins. Rescue Rangers is intended for local middle and high school students who have signed up to earn approximately \$10 per hour (the exact amount is negotiated between the resident and student).

If you are a local student interested in becoming a Rescue Ranger or if you are interested in hiring a Rescue Ranger, email Executive Secretary Carrie Dick at cdick@lwd.org or call 847-745-4717.



Village Budget Receives Award

The Village received the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award from the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) for the current Fiscal Year 2023. This award is the highest form of recognition in governmental budgeting and represents a significant achievement. To receive the budget award, the Village had to satisfy nationally recognized guidelines for effective budget presentation. These guidelines are designed to assess how well an entity's budget serves as: a policy document; a financial plan; an operations guide; and a communications device. This is the 17th year that the Village has received this award.



Motor Vehicle Theft & Burglary

Motor vehicle theft and burglary to motor vehicles are crimes of opportunity that can be prevented. In Lincolnwood, over 90% of motor vehicle thefts and burglary to motor vehicles involve unlocked cars, many with personal items, keys, or key fobs in plain view. The best way to prevent these crimes is to:

- Never leave personal items in plain view
- Secure all personal items in your trunk or residence
- Always keep car doors locked with the windows rolled up when parked, even on your own driveway
- Never leave keys or key fobs in your car

The Lincolnwood Police Department encourages residents to be vigilant and report any suspicious activity or persons by immediately calling 9-1-1.

Prevent vehicle theft:



LOCK CARS and WINDOWS,

park in well-lit areas, hide valuables,

DO NOT leave keys in car,



and **NEVER** leave your vehicle while it's running.



PSA: Portable Space Heaters

According to the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), half of all home heating fires occur in December, January and February. More than 65,000 home fires are



attributed to heating equipment each year. These fires result in hundreds of deaths, thousands of injuries and millions of dollars in property damage.

Unfortunately, space heaters can pose significant fire and electric shock hazards if not used properly. Fire and electrical hazards can be caused by space heaters without adequate safety features, space heaters placed near combustibles, or space heaters that are improperly plugged in.

Here are some tips for keeping your home safe and warm when it's cold outside:

- » Inspect heaters for cracked or broken plugs or loose connections before each use. If frayed, worn or

damaged, do not use the heater.

- » Never leave a space heater unattended. Turn it off when you're leaving a room or going to sleep, and don't let pets or children play too close to a space heater.
- » Space heaters are only meant to provide supplemental heat and should never be used to warm bedding, cook food, dry clothing or thaw pipes.
- » Install smoke alarms on every floor of your home and outside all sleeping areas and test them once a month.
- » Proper placement of space heaters is critical. Heaters must be kept at least three feet away from anything that can burn, including papers, clothing and rugs.
- » Plug space heaters directly into a wall outlet. Do not use an extension cord or power strip, which could overheat and result in a fire. Do not plug any other electrical devices into the same outlet as the heater.
- » Place space heaters on level, flat surfaces. Never place heaters on cabinets, tables, furniture, or carpet, which can overheat and start a fire.

Parks and Recreation News

Lincolnwood Lights

Join us for the 9th Annual Village of Lincolnwood holiday tree lighting celebration at Village Hall Promenade on Thursday, December 1 from 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm. Enjoy hot chocolate, stories and music!

Gingerbread House Decorating

Decorate your very own pre-built house with frosting and embellish with a selection of candy and goodies. All supplies are included. The event will be held at the Community Center on Friday, December 2 from 4:30 pm to 5:30 pm. The cost is \$28 for residents. Online registration is available at www.lincolnwoodil.org/parksandrecsignup.

Breakfast and Lunch with Santa

Join Santa for his annual visit to the Village of Lincolnwood. Santa will be stopping by the Community Center to enjoy breakfast and lunch, visit and take pictures with the children. Register early as spaces fill up quickly. All adults and children in attendance must register for this event. Breakfast will be held from 10:00 am to 11:30 am and lunch will be held from 12:00 pm to 1:30 pm on Saturday, December 3. Online registration is available at www.lincolnwoodil.org/parksandrecsignup.



Holiday House Decorating Contest

Show your holiday spirit and possibly win a prize. We are looking for some of the most festive and creative houses in Lincolnwood. Houses entered will be voted on in the categories of Most Original, Best Theme and Best Use of Lights. Winning houses will receive a prize. Participating houses must have their lights turned on beginning at 5:00 pm on Wednesday, December 14. The event is free but you must register to participate. Online registration is available at www.lincolnwoodil.org/parksandrecsignup.

Noon Year's Eve

Join us at the Community Center as we ring in the new year! Enjoy DJ music, noise makers, party favors and more. Party begins at 10:15am with a performance by Miss Jamie's Farm. She will be performing fun songs and dancing. The party will continue at 11:00 am with the DJ and end with a big balloon drop at 12:00 noon. All children must be accompanied by an adult. The cost is \$4 per person and will be held on Friday, December 30. Online registration is available at www.lincolnwoodil.org/parksandrecsignup.



Public Works Reminders

Fall Leaves Collection Tips

Each autumn, large piles of leaves are found in public streets throughout the Village. The Public Works Department requests that residents assist Village crews by not raking leaves into the



street to reduce the possibility of clogging storm drains. Yard waste such as leaves can be disposed of by collecting them in brown yard waste bags. Sticks and branches should be bundled together, not exceeding four feet in length, no branch should be larger than four inches in diameter, and the bundle cannot weigh more than 50 pounds. Yard waste should be set out with your refuse and recycling on Mondays.

Garbage, Recycling and Yard Waste

As a reminder, the Village's waste hauler, Groot, picks up refuse and recycling on Mondays. If a pickup is missed, residents must call the Public Works Department before 12:00 pm on Tuesday at 847-675-0888.

The last yard waste collection of the year will be on Monday, November 28 and will resume next spring.

Acceptable Recycling Materials



Groot collects recycling in conjunction with garbage collection on Mondays. The following items are recyclable: newspapers, magazines, paper bags, cardboard, paperboard (tissue

boxes, cereal boxes, etc.), plastic food/beverage containers, milk/juice bottles, soap/detergent bottles, metal food/beverage cans, and glass food/beverage bottles.

The following items are NOT recyclable: wire hangers, lightbulbs, mirrors, window glass, ceramics, soiled cardboard or paper (such as pizza boxes, napkins, etc.), batteries, Styrofoam, wood, plastic wrap, diapers and electronics. It is important that recyclable materials are properly sorted from non-recyclable materials to reduce the likelihood of the recyclable materials becoming contaminated and unusable.

For more information on what can and cannot be recycled, or on composting, please visit the Refuse, Recycling & Yard Waste page under the Community tab on Village Website at www.lincolnwoodil.org.

Snow Plowing and Alternate Side Parking

The Public Works Department asks all residents to assist the Department in snow removal by parking vehicles in driveways or garages and refraining from blowing snow into the street. Plowing operations begin when snow accumulates more than two inches and freezing temperatures indicate that no melting will occur. Parking is always prohibited along Pratt Avenue when two inches or more of snow accumulates.

The Village has an Alternate Side Parking Program to assist with snow removal. When there are two inches of snow or more on even-numbered days of the month, motor vehicles may only be parked on the side of the street with even-numbered addresses. On odd-numbered days of the month, motor vehicles may only be parked on the side of the street with odd-numbered addresses. Alternate Side parking is in effect from 8:30 am to 3:30 pm Monday to Friday. When alternate side parking is in effect a notice is posted on the Village's website.



Holiday Light Recycling

Beginning on Monday, November 7 the Village will again offer a free holiday light recycling program in conjunction with the Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County and Elgin Recycling. Accepted items will include: mini-lights, C7 lights, C9 lights, rope lights, LED lights, and expansion cords. The Village will not be accepting garland, live greens, wreaths or other non-recyclables.



Containers will be available at the Public Works Department located at 7001 N. Lawndale Avenue Monday through Friday between 8:30 am and 4:30 pm The program will end on Tuesday, January 31, 2023.

BUSINESS CONNECTIONS



Small Business Saturday - November 26

Saturday, November 26, is Small Business Saturday – a day to celebrate and support small businesses and all they do for their communities. This year, we know that small businesses need our support now more than ever as they navigate, retool and pivot from the effects of the coronavirus pandemic. Please join the Small Business Administration (SBA) and organizations across the country in supporting your local small businesses by shopping at a small business.

Founded by American Express in 2010 and officially cosponsored by SBA since 2011, Small Business Saturday has become an important part of small businesses' busiest shopping season. Historically, reported projected spending among U.S. consumers who shopped at independent retailers and restaurants on Small Business Saturday reached an estimated \$19.8 billion according to the 2020 Small Business Saturday Consumer Insights Survey commissioned by American Express. The survey also found that 97% of shoppers recognized the positive impact they can make by shopping small and 85% of them reported they also encouraged friends and family to Shop Small® as well.



The highly successful team of SBA, Women Impacting Public Policy (WIPP), and American Express will be kicking off the 2022 holiday season by encouraging consumers to support our nation's nearly 32 million independent businesses this Small Business Saturday and all holiday season long.

District 1860 Construction Update

Construction began in the Fall of 2021 and has been steadily progressing. The upper four residential floors of the mixed-use building, which will have ground floor retail/restaurants and 299 residential units above, are being constructed in three phases. Framing on the first phase, closest to the intersection of Touhy and Lincoln, has been completed and the second phase framing will be completed shortly. Additional work on the mixed-use building includes underground and Mechanical, Electrical, and Plumbing (MEP), installation of MEP within residential units, elevator installation, interior masonry walls, exterior façade work and window installation, exterior face brick installation, Gypcrete topping and drywall installation within residential units.

Work on the Amazon Fresh building, a 38,015 square foot grocery store, continues with trim work, façade work and storefront installation, elevator and escalator installation and painting of the exterior. The shared surface parking lot has been installed along with installation of curb and sidewalk, underground electric and underground foundations.

Offsite work includes sidewalk, curb and gutter removal and installation on Touhy Avenue and which requires partial lane closures.

Sign up to Receive Project Updates by email at www.lincolnwoodil.org/district1860.



Development Updates

3477 W. Touhy Avenue

On June 21, 2022, the Village Board approved a Text Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance and a Special Use Permit with conditions to allow a Cannabis Craft Grower at 3477 W. Touhy Avenue, currently Bee-Zee Collision and Service Center. The rear 19,272 square feet of the approximately 24,500 square-foot building will be occupied by the Cannabis Craft Grower operation. The applicant expects to submit a building permit application once the plans are approved by the Illinois Department of Agriculture. The applicant also voluntarily entered a donation agreement to donate 3% of the gross revenue earned from the Craft Grower operations to the Village.

4010 W. Touhy Avenue

On September 20, 2022, the Village Board approved Special Use Permits, a Special Fence, and Variations to permit the construction of a Dunkin' Donuts drive-through facility at 4010 W. Touhy Avenue. The former bank drive-through has more recently been operated as a COVID-19 testing facility. The approval will allow the existing family-owned Dunkin' Donuts at 3910 W. Touhy Avenue to move to a location which will expand its customer-base to include drive-through traffic. The project will retain the southernmost portion of the existing building, while removing the rear portion to increase vehicular circulation. A patio is planned to allow for outdoor customer dining.



4656 W. Touhy Avenue

GRI Holdings has submitted for building permits and begun interior demolition of the building at 4656 W. Touhy Avenue to operate a Cannabis Dispensary. Following litigation at the State level, GRI was issued a conditional license in July and hopes to be operational prior to Thanksgiving. The Village has a 3% tax on Cannabis sales.

New Businesses

Embassy Studio and Med Spa

6455 N. Cicero

Chicago's Premier & Complete Hair Replacement Salon since 1975, Embassy Studio & Med Spa has placed the highest priority on quality and service. They extend every courtesy and accommodation to our clients to ensure a pleasant experience.

Independent Primerica

7301 N. Lincoln

Primerica is a financial services company serving the middle-income market in the U.S., Canada, Puerto Rico and Guam. Financial solutions include term life insurance, investments, auto and home insurance, pre-paid legal protection and identify theft.

Reliable Movers

7080 N. McCormick

Reliable Movers is a dependable provider of moving services.

Lincolnwood Chiropractic Health Center

6919 N. Lincoln

Lincolnwood Chiropractic Health Center has been working with patients to provide the best chiropractic care for patients in the Lincolnwood area.

PT Solutions

6699 N. Lincoln

PT Solutions starts with a true love of physical therapy and fuses that passion with science and training to create an unmatched standard of care for patients.

Rong Tian Sushi

3900 W. Touhy

Rong Tian Sushi serves fresh sushi at an affordable price. Come on in and enjoy their tasty Japanese and Chinese dishes, or order to-go or carryout.

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Board and Commission Meetings

Village Board: 1st, 3rd Tuesday of the Month
Plan Commission: 1st Wednesday of the Month
Park and Recreation Board: 2nd Tuesday of the Month
Zoning Board of Appeals: 3rd Wednesday of the Month
Economic Development Commission: 4th Wednesday of the Month
Traffic Commission: 4th Thursday of the Month
Environmental Commission: 4th Monday of the Month, every other Month

Village Board meetings are held in the Council Chambers in Village Hall at 7:30 pm. Please check the Agendas & Minutes page under the Village Government tab on the Village's website at www.lincolnwoodil.org for our most up to date Board and Commission meeting schedule, agendas and minutes. To receive meeting agendas, send an e-mail to subscribe@lwd.org. All meetings listed above will be broadcast live on Comcast Channel 6, RCN Channel 49, AT&T U-Verse Channel 99. Live meetings are also available at www.lincolnwoodil.org/mediacenter, where you can also find them on-demand one week following the scheduled meeting. Every public meeting includes a "Public Comments" section in which the public can speak on a topic.

Village Hall Closings

Village Hall will be closed in observance of the following holidays:

Thanksgiving - November 24
Day After Thanksgiving - November 25
Christmas Eve Observance - December 23
Christmas Day Observance - December 26

Stay Connected

Do you know of all of the ways that you can stay in touch with the Village?

- » Download our App – Visit the Apple Store or Google Play and search "Lincolnwood"
- » Subscribe to Our Bi-Weekly E-Newsletter – Visit www.lincolnwoodil.org/getlincolnwoodlocal
- » Register for our Reverse 9-1-1 Program – Visit <https://lincolnwoodil.org/reverse911>
- » Subscribe to receive our Construction Updates - www.lincolnwoodil.org/getconstructionupdates
- » Follow us on your favorite social media platform by searching for "Lincolnwood"

Keep in Touch

Have questions about a Village service? Contact us at one of the numbers below or follow us on social media.

Village Hall	(847) 673-1540
Public Works	(847) 675-0888
Community Development	(847) 673-7402
Parks and Recreation	(847) 677-9740
Police Non-Emergency	(847) 673-2167
Fire Non-Emergency	(847) 673-1545
Groot	(800) 244-1977