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The Comprehensive Plan is intended to guide the long range development policy of the Village. This informational update summarizes efforts by the Village toward implementation of the stated goals of the Plan. Also included at the end is a summary of key specific projects that have advanced since adoption of the Plan.

Corresponding 2008-2009 Village Board Goals are noted where appropriate (ST=Short Term, LT=Long Term).

Goal 1 - Maintain Strong and Healthy Neighborhoods

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

LT #4 Cooperated with Forest Preserve for new pedestrian/bike path in Paul Douglas Forest Preserve. Worked with Huntington Woods Corporate Center to provide paths to tie into forest Preserve paths. IDNR grant applied for to expand path connections, with partial funding from the developer.

PUBLIC WORKS

Pursuing several grants/loans for infrastructure improvements under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

VILLAGE WIDE

Monitoring and pursuing American Recovery and Reinvestment Act grants through various agencies, for various purposes.

Incorporated new and improved public meeting space into design for Village Hall Remodeling, new Fire Station 24, and new Police Department Building and Site



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Goal 2 - Maintain a High Quality of Life

Improve access to Village amenities through better communication with the public:

- ST #4 New Village website activated in 2008
- ST #4 Two Community Electronic Message signs approved and installed

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

LT #4 Draft of Comprehensive Bike Plan approved - final plan being developed

Expansion of Residential Property Maintenance Program (evening & weekend inspections, Clean Sweep Day)

Commercial Property Maintenance Program was expanded to include additional properties

LT #4 Obtained CMAQ funding for bike path/sidewalk on Higgins Road LT #5

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

- ST #1 Improve Public Facilities Village Hall renovations, new Police Department Building, new Fire Station 24, Beacon Pointe Water Tower
- ST #2 Village Partnership on Sports Council to enhance use of sports facilities



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Goal 3 - Enhance and Update the Retail Environment

ST #9 LT #3	Worked with Hoffman Plaza & Jewel on Renovations completed Oct. 2008
LT #3	Working with other property owners in Roselle Road BID on improvements
ST #2	Attend ICSC (National & Chicago)
LT #7	Working with Barrington Square Mall owners and Land Use Committee on redevelopment strategy
ST #2	Working with Fountain Crossing tenants on ingress, lighting, and signage issues
ST #2	Explore Hoffman! and Visit Hoffman! Guides
	Ongoing Commercial Property Maintenance and Improvement Program
ST #2	Working with existing and potential businesses to obtain better signage for Prairie Stone Entertainment District



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Goal 4 - Ensure Quality Housing is Accessible

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

Approved zoning and concept plan for Plum Farms Development with attached- and multi-family units

Poplar Creek Village Senior Housing multi-family project

CDBG funding - North West Housing Partnership rehabilitation program

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Evaluated possible grant under the Economic and Housing Recovery Act of 2008

Monitoring and evaluating other grant opportunities for housing assistance



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Goal 5 - Provide Transit Alternatives

GENERAL GOVERNMENT/DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

ST #5 STAR Line - Task Force, Input on CN acquisition process LT #5

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

Funded, created and implemented a Taxi Discount Program – recently modified to now include airport trips

LT #4 Comprehensive Bike Plan development underway

Administer HOT Line Shuttle service, Pace Route 557

Funding for share of Pace Route 554

Working with Pace and other communities on future Golf Road corridor transit service

- LT #4 With new developments, require sidewalk and/or path connections where appropriate
- LT #4 Applied for CMAQ grants for bike path connections on Huntington ROW between Higgins and Golf
- LT #4 Applied for CMAQ grants for bike path connection under Tollway and Hoffman Boulevard bridges to connect Prairie Stone and Shoe Factory Road paths
- ST #5 Investigating and potentially implementing components of Village's Transit Plan Encouraging use of Pace rideshare.com (carpool/vanpool) – made presentations to local businesses



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Goal 6 - Províde Additional Civic Space

POLICE

ST #1 Incorporate indoor community space and outdoor event space in new Police Department Building project

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

ST #1 Enhancements to the Village Hall public meet space rooms

FIRE

ST #1 Incorporated community meeting space in the new Fire Station 24

- LT #3 Reviewing opportunities in Roselle Road BID for community focal points
- ST #2 Working on plans for the Prairie Stone Streetscape project includes focal points and various amenities
- ST #2 Working with Beacon Pointe Phase 2 owner to include community based focal points in possible new neighborhood retail/mixed-use center
- ST #5 Evaluate options for community space within TOD development at STAR Line stations



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Goal 7 - Preserve Village History

VILLAGE WIDE

ST #7 Various 50th Anniversary Activities

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

ST #7 Village Historian

ST #7 Consultant hired to write Village's history

ST #7 Oral History

ST #7 Sunderlage Farmhouse renovations

ST #7 Consideration of "honorary" street name signs

ST #7 Historical Sites Commission established and supported

The 2007 Comprehensive Plan included discussion about preservation of several locally historic structures, including the Lindberg Schoolhouse on Shoe Factory Road. After several lengthy deliberations at public meetings, and after considering numerous perspectives and facts, the Village Board voted to approve a request by the owner of the Lindberg School to allow demolition of the building. A commitment to provide a donation of \$100,000 was secured to be used for historic related purposes as compensation for elimination of the building. The Village continues to value locally historic structures, however it is recognized that there are situations where preservation may not be an option.



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Goal 8 - Encourage New Mixed Use Development

ST #2	Plum Farms development proposal concept plan approved Dec 2008
ST #2	Ongoing support for Prairie Stone Entertainment District
ST #2	Consideration of Beacon Pointe Phase 2 proposal
ST #2	Considering mixed-use developments on other non-typical sites that would require a change in zoning
	DEVELOPMENT SERVICES & GENERAL GOVERNMENT
LT #5 ST #5	STAR Line TOD planning
LT #5 ST #5	Discussions/agreement with Huntington Woods developer for possible station location/TOD project



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Goal 9 - Support Community Resource Centers

LT #2 Support for Community Resource Center at Bode/Salem Apartments ST #4

POLICE

ST #1 New Police Station to include a second Community Resource Center ST #4 LT #2



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Goal 10 - Maintain a Strong Office Market

- ST #2 Economic Development Division continues to monitor office market and work with real estate representatives on possible office developments
- ST #2 Approvals for Huntington Woods Corporate Center (Mori Seiki, Big Kaiser)
- ST #2 Prairie Stone Business Park working with developers on infill office sites (JCL Bioassay, Serta, Liberty Mutual, AMCOL)
- ST #2 Continuing retention efforts to keep existing businesses in the Village (High Voltage)



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Goal 11 - Ensure Environmental Sustainability

LT #1 Green Initiatives Commission Created

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

- ST #1 Village buildings (Police Department, Fire Station 24) LEED certification LT #1
- LT #1 New recycling program implemented in fall 2008 led to a 10% increase in recycled materials in the first months

DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

- LT #4 Coordinate with Cook County Forest Preserve on various projects, including path connections and new paths
- LT #1 AMCOL approval with LEED certification
- LT #1 Reviewing development codes and proposing amendments to encourage environmental sustainability
- LT #1 Transit, pedestrian/bike programs, hybrid vehicle purchase

LT #4

- LT #1 Applied for CMAQ grants to retrofit several diesel vehicles
- LT #1 As part of recent street reconstruction projects, evaluated ways to reduce pavement width in replace with green space in appropriate locations

OTHER SIGNIFICANT INITIATIVES

Comprehensive Bike Plan Technology Updates Community Message Signs