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AGENDA SPECIAL GENERAL ADMINISTRATION & PERSONNEL COMMITTEE Village of Hoffman Estates June 21, 2021

7:00 p.m. - Helen Wozniak Council Chambers

Members: Karen Arnet, Chairman

Karen Mills, Vice-Chairman

Gary Stanton, Trustee
Anna Newell, Trustee
Gary Pilafas, Trustee
Michael Gaeta, Trustee
Mayor William McLeod

I. Roll Call

NEW BUSINESS

1. Lot 2 in Laufenberger Subdivision.

II. Adjournment

COMMITTEE AGENDA ITEM VILLAGE OF HOFFMAN ESTATES

Lot 2 in Laufenberger Subdivision SUBJECT:

June 21, 2021 MEETING DATE:

COMMITTEE: General Administration & Personnel

Arthur L. Janura, Corporation Counsel FROM:

To acquire ownership of 20 acres (Lot 2) in Laufenberger **PURPOSE:**

Subdivision in accordance with existing Annexation Agreements.

In 1999, the Village annexed land north of Shoe Factory Road and BACKGROUND:

west of Beverly Road. The annexation was called University Place and the accompanying Annexation Agreement required the developer to donate land to Northern Illinois University (NIU) for the creation of a branch campus in the Village of Hoffman Estates. One of the conditions of approval contained in the University Place Annexation Agreement required an educational institution to be built on the 20 acres donated land within 10 years. If not, the

property was to be transferred to the Village.

In 2005, some of the originally donated 20 acres of land was swapped for other land in the University Place and Laufenberger Subdivision. Both the Laufenberger Annexation Agreement and an Amendment to the University Place Annexation Agreement approved this swap and were signed by the NIU Foundation.

To date, nothing has been built on the subject property and the Village has demanded the property be transferred to the Village. NIU Foundation, the present owner of the property, has refused to abide by this provision of the Annexation Agreement and the

Village's demand.

DISCUSSION: The Village Legal Department has reviewed all the relevant

> development documents and the existing applicable law and believes the Village is entitled to ownership of the NIU Foundation property. Outside counsel has been consulted and has a similar

opinion.

RECOMMENDATION: Corporation Counsel recommends the Village proceed to enforce its

ownership rights in Lot 2 of Laufenberger Subdivision and take all

necessary and appropriate actions related thereto.