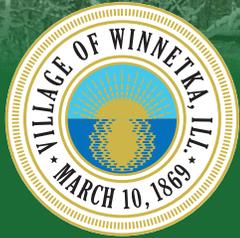


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# THE WINNETKA REPORT

## Usher in the Holidays with Local Events

### *Holiday Tree Lighting*

*Friday, December 4 at 5:45 PM*

Please join local merchants, Village officials, and Winnetka residents for the Winnetka Holiday Tree lighting. There is no place like Winnetka for the holidays! Usher in the holiday season, Friday, December 4, at 5:45 PM at the annual Winnetka Tree Lighting at Station Park, 754 Elm Street (across the street from Village Hall). There will be visitors from the North Pole and festive carolers in Victorian costumes leading the singing, as well as hot cocoa after the lighting ceremony. The switch will be flipped at 6:00 PM.



*Carolers add to the holiday festivities*

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## Rising Project Costs Prompt Alternative Evaluation

Structural and overland flooding in Winnetka keeps stormwater solutions the top priority for the Village Council. While early studies considered 10-year levels of protection, the significant and widespread flooding experienced in recent years prompted a shift to design improvements for 100-year level events. After a range of approaches and infrastructure were considered, in 2012, a large diameter stormwater tunnel was recommended as the most cost effective approach to provide relief in five drainage areas.

Original conceptual design of the tunnel improvement had a cost estimate of \$34.5 million. As project design and engineering advanced — ultimately developed to the 30% design stage as the Willow Road Stormwater Tunnel and Area Drainage Improvements (STADI) project — cost estimates were revised. In April, 2015 an updated cost was presented as \$58.5 million, which prompted an independent cost evaluation. In September, engineers revised the cost estimate again — this time to \$81.3 million. The Village Council elected to suspend further work on the STADI project, finding that it was no longer a cost-effective solution for Winnetka's flooding problems.

In light of rising STADI project costs, in July the Village issued a Request for Proposals seeking firms to evaluate previously studied and new alternatives for western and southern areas of Winnetka. Therefore, within just weeks of suspending the STADI project, the Council engaged Strand Associates, a firm whose qualifications and approach matched the Village's stormwater management and solutions goals. Strand is tasked with identifying and analyzing a series of

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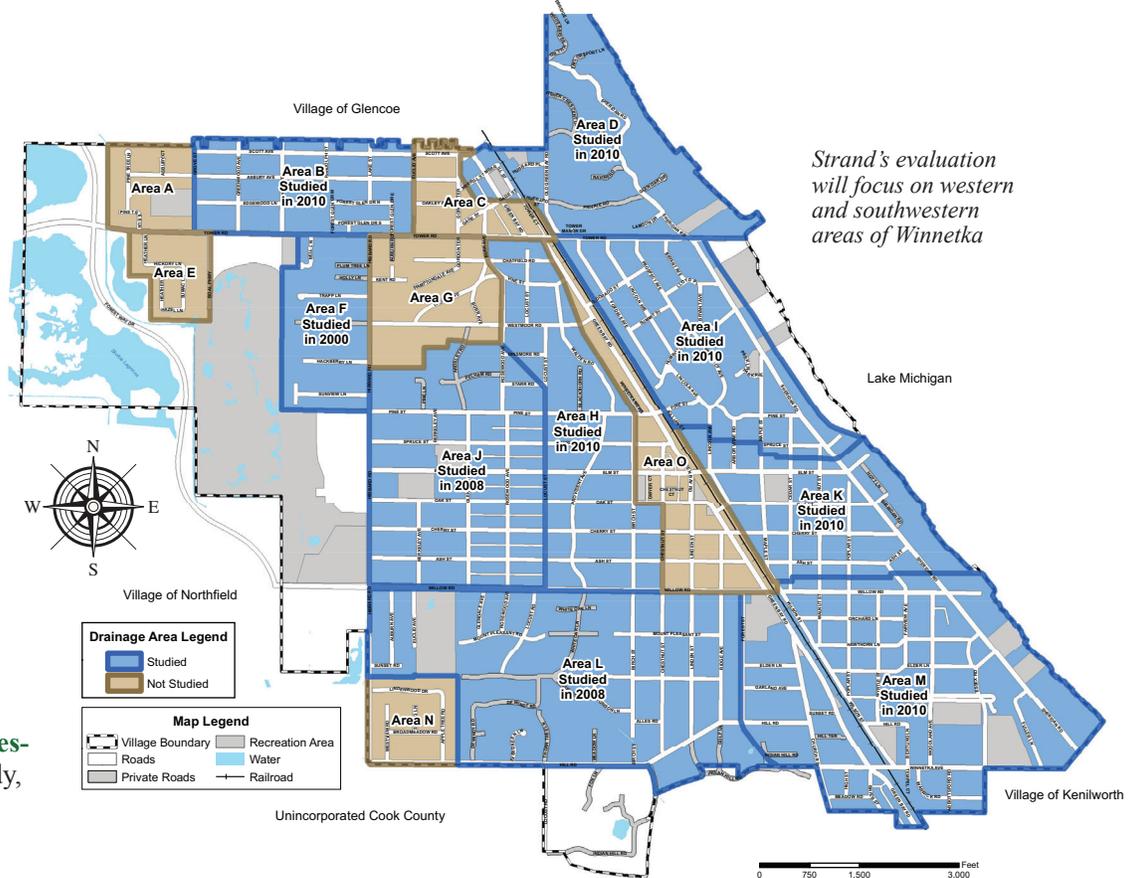
## Rising Project Costs Prompt Alternative Evaluation

creative, holistic, technically sound, sustainable, feasible and cost-effective improvements — focusing on flood risk reduction for areas of southern and western Winnetka, up to a 100-year event, including Areas L, J, G, and H, as shown on the map below.

Importantly, Strand's project team has demonstrated success in finding creative stormwater solutions. They have the appropriate modeling expertise to use Winnetka's baseline data and will also employ a Sustainable Watershed Evaluation approach that includes traditional and emerging technologies to address stormwater solutions in a cost-effective and sustainable manner. Strand will review, update, and verify existing conditions; evaluate feasibility and cost of previously examined non-STADI improvements; and identify and develop new alternatives.

An essential project element will be a robust public participation process. Input will be gathered early in Strand's project schedule and thorough education and dialogue sessions will continue throughout. Ultimately, Strand will help the Village ensure consensus is developed around the final proposed alternatives.

Critically, Strand has already begun their background and data collection work. The project schedule calls for completion in April, 2016. The Village has established a dedicated webpage for stakeholders to stay up-to-date on the Strand Stormwater Management Alternatives Evaluation; please visit [villageofwinnetka.org/residents/stormwater-alternatives-evaluation](http://villageofwinnetka.org/residents/stormwater-alternatives-evaluation). If you have not already, please subscribe to the Village's electronic weekly newsletter, E-Winnetka, for information and reminders of upcoming participation opportunities.



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## Usher in the Holidays with Local Events

*Chamber Red Invitation Holiday Sale  
Sunday, December 6*

The Red Invitation Sunday Holiday Sale will be on Sunday, December 6. Winnetka shops will open their doors and offer many wonderful gift choices for the holiday season, along with specials, personalized service, refreshments, and discounts. Look for the Red Invitation in the mail for sale details about this much anticipated weekend, or visit the Chamber's website ([winnetkanorthfieldchamber.com](http://winnetkanorthfieldchamber.com)). Shop locally and save time and money!

After shopping, sit back, relax and treat yourself to dinner in one of Winnetka's many delightful restaurants. The Village of Winnetka is convenient for shopping and dining, with a variety of choices throughout the village and plenty of free parking. No need to travel! Start your holiday shopping... and **Buy Close By** this holiday season!

## Take Advantage of Year-Round Light Recycling

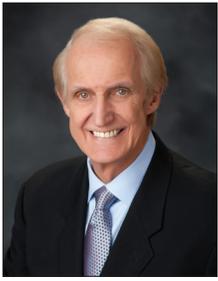
As you decorate for the holidays, you may discover that some old lights and extension cords don't work. Recycle them with the Village's year-round light recycling program! All types of holiday lights and cords are accepted for recycling at the Public Works Yards, 1390 Willow Road, weekdays from 8:30 AM – 5:00 PM.



*Light strands for recycling*

**The Village cannot accept garland, live greens, wreaths, or other non-recyclables.**

If you have questions about the program, please call 847-716-3568.



## A Message from E. Gene Greable, the Village President

Another busy year is coming to a close in Winnetka, and much has been achieved. Your Village Council and Staff have worked hard to complete projects that benefit our community and enhance the overall quality of life in Winnetka.

The Village continues to work on the strategic goal of reducing the severity of flooding in Winnetka. The significant Northwest Winnetka stormwater improvement project will be completed by the end of 2015. The Metropolitan Water Reclamation District (MWRD) is funding \$2,000,000 of this project, which reduces the total net cost estimate for the project to \$4.8 million. This brings the number of completed stormwater improvement projects to six, totaling \$10.6 million invested to-date. The others are: Winnetka Avenue Pump Station Improvements, and two Northeast Winnetka Stormwater Projects (Lloyd Outlet & Tower Foxdale), finished in 2014; and the Ash Street Pump Station Improvement Project and Sanitary Sewer Improvement Project (sewer and manhole lining), both completed this year.

In September, after a review of the Stormwater Tunnel and Area Drainage Improvements project revealed a revised cost estimate of \$81.3 million, the Council suspended work in this area, switching emphasis to the identification of alternate stormwater projects for western and southwestern Winnetka. The Council engaged the professional engineering firm of Strand Associates to complete a thorough evaluation of stormwater solutions, including validation of previous studies and development of creative solutions for these areas. The project is expected to be completed in April 2016. Turn to the cover for more information on this topic of vital importance. To view in-depth material on stormwater issues, visit our dedicated stormwater website: [winnetkastormwaterplan.com](http://winnetkastormwaterplan.com).

Over the summer, the Council embarked on a Downtown Master Plan (DMP) process with the engagement of Teska Associates, a professional land use planning firm. The DMP will be used as a roadmap to bring vitality and diversity to Winnetka's three commercial districts, and is scheduled to be completed summer of 2016. An 11-member Steering Committee was appointed to oversee the process, and numerous Working Groups comprised of 60-70 community stakeholders will provide valuable input. Extensive public involvement will be a part of this process, to hear your ideas and ensure community support. Please see the special insert for more details.

In October, the Council held special budget meetings to review the property tax levy and examine the operational budgets of each department, including discussions about significant short and long-term capital projects and strategic initiatives. The Village's 2016 budget once again contains no property tax increase, yet maintains all core services. The result of these meetings is a financially sound budget to guide us in 2016 and into the future. The Council anticipates adopting the Budget and tax levy in early December. Check the Village's website, [villageofwinnetka.org](http://villageofwinnetka.org) or subscribe to E-Winnetka to keep informed.

For more on recent Council actions, read page 3. As we approach the holiday season and prepare for a new year, let us celebrate our community — for it is our residents, providing thoughtful input on the issues that are important to all — who make Winnetka a great place to live and raise a family.

I encourage you to stay engaged and informed about significant initiatives in 2016 and beyond. At the end of the day, it is community engagement with the process that counts. It is my privilege to serve you.

E. Gene Greable  
Village President

## Council Action Summary

Below is a summary of key actions recently taken by the Village Council. To learn more about agenda items, visit the Village website: [villageofwinnetka.org](http://villageofwinnetka.org).



2015/16 Winnetka Village Council

**August 18, 2015:** The Council approved an annual request to plant American flags on the Village Green in remembrance of those lost in the 9/11 attacks. The Council also approved a request to vacate a portion of an alley right-of-way behind Fairview Avenue.

**September 1, 2015:** The Council discussed an independent cost estimate review of the Willow Road Stormwater Tunnel and Area Drainage Improvements project (STADI) and suspended further work on this project. The Council instead chose to conduct an exploration of alternative approaches to relieve flooding. Next, the Downtown Master Plan Steering Committee was appointed. Also at this meeting, a Special Use Permit was approved to allow a yoga and fitness studio to operate at 549 Lincoln Avenue, which is located in the C-2 Retail Overlay District.

**September 8, 2015:** The Council heard the annual reports of the Village's various advisory boards and commissions. The Chair of each board/commission reviewed the past year in light of policy issues worked on and significant accomplishments.

**October 6, 2015:** The Council approved an agreement with Strand Associates for stormwater engineering services. The project scope includes re-evaluating previous studies for west and southwestern Winnetka, and also identifying and developing possible new stormwater improvements for the area. Public contribution and participation are an integral part of Strand's approach.

**October 20, 2015:** The Council awarded a contract for Phase I engineering of the Oak/Cherry Street bridge rehabilitation project. This project qualifies for partial Federal funding, including costs for design and construction. Due to the complexity of the project, the Village anticipates reconstructing the Oak Street bridge in 2017, and the Cherry Street bridge in 2018.

## Board and Commission

Thank You

*The many elected and appointed volunteers who donate their time and energy to making Winnetka a great place to live and work deserve a special "THANK YOU!"*



Winnetka's historic Village Hall

By serving on Village boards, commissions and committees, your fellow Winnetkans help to ensure that our community's charm and beauty are preserved. The residents of Winnetka owe them a debt of gratitude for their willingness to give so generously of their time and energy.

### Village President

E. Gene Greable

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Marilyn Prodromos, Council Rep.  
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Laura Good  
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Brian Wolfe

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Caryn Rosen Adelman, EFC Rep.  
John Thomas, Park Board Rep.

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Mary Hickey  
Thomas Kehoe  
Kathleen Kumer  
Carl Lane  
Mark Naumann

### Police Pension Board

Paula Horn  
John O'Malley

### Fire Pension Board

Mark Fuller  
John Sobel

## Winnetka Welcomes New Businesses

**Susan Kroeger Auction  
European Antique Sale**  
895 Green Bay Road

**Londo Mondo Expansion**  
556-558 Green Bay Road

**Fields Maserati**  
80 Green Bay Road

**The Cashmere Sale**  
574 Lincoln Avenue

**Le Chic Boutique**  
950 Green Bay Road

**Opening Soon  
Rib and Stitch Yarn**  
1060 Gage Street

**Stacked & Folded**  
551 Lincoln Avenue

## Clean-up After Storms Safely and Efficiently

One of the joys of winter is the beauty and quiet that settles over the community after a snowfall. As wonderful as this time can be, the enjoyment eventually turns to work as clean-up begins. These guidelines will make the clean-up process after a snowstorm easier, safer, and more efficient.

- After it snows, the streets are cleared first. Later, Village crews return to remove piles of snow. Equipment operators cannot see children playing or hiding in piles of snow adjacent to the road. Please make sure your children know they should not play in snow piles adjacent to roads and parking lots.
- It's frustrating when a snowplow comes by just as you've cleared the last snow from your driveway. To help minimize the amount of snow that may be swept across your driveway, pile the shoveled snow on the "downstream" side of the driveway, so when the plow comes by, your pile will tend to be plowed into the parkway, and not back onto your driveway. Since conditions vary, this may not eliminate snow in the driveway, but should reduce it.
- Village Code prohibits private snow removal services from piling snow in the street. If you use a private plow service, please inform them of this regulation.
- Please do not deposit Christmas trees and recyclable items in the roadway after a snowfall, as they may be struck by plow trucks, damaging the equipment, and also create safety hazards for motorists.
- Avoid parking on Village streets during a snow emergency, which exists whenever two inches or more of new snow accumulates within a 24 hour period; or when two inches of snow remains on the road. Vehicles parked on streets during a snow emergency will be fined and may be towed at the owner's expense.
- When shoveling snow, wear appropriate clothing, including boots with non-slip soles — and do not over-exert yourself. Shoveling wet, heavy snow is a strenuous activity — assess your physical capabilities before attempting to clear large snow accumulations.



*Make sure your children do not play in piles of snow near roads or parking lots*

## Christmas Tree Pickup

Christmas trees will be picked up from the curbside for shredding, chipping, and composting from January 4 through January 19, 2016. After January 19, a \$2 refuse sticker will be required to ensure pickup.

Please remove everything from trees, including plastic bags or wraps, ornaments, tinsel, wires, and the stand, as these will clog and damage the shredder.



## 2016 Licenses and Parking Permits Expire December 31

The 2016 Village vehicle licenses are on sale now at the Cashier's Counter at Village Hall, 510 Green Bay Road. The counter is open weekdays from 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM. The deadline to purchase permits is December 31, 2015.



*Be sure to attach a Village dog license to your dog's collar*

The Village vehicle license is required to be affixed to the lower right-hand corner (passenger's side) of the windshield, where it is easily visible from outside the vehicle. The 2016 Village vehicle license is valid upon purchase and can be adhered to windshields right away before the weather turns cold.

All dogs over the age of six months must be licensed, and a current Village license is required to be attached to their collar or harness. A current, original rabies vaccination certificate must be submitted with the license application; the certificate will be returned when the license is issued. Dog license fees are \$10 for males and spayed females and \$15 for unspayed females. Documentation that the dog has been spayed is required.

Commuter parking permits enable commuters who drive to the train stations to park in Village lots. Those interested in a permit must complete a commuter application. Daily Train User Parking Permits can only be purchased in person at Village Hall. Parking is designated in lots around the three train stations (Indian Hill, Elm Street, and Hubbard Woods). For detail on permits, applications, and parking maps, visit: [villageofwinnetka.org/departments/finance/parking-permits](http://villageofwinnetka.org/departments/finance/parking-permits).

## Holiday Refuse / Recycling Schedule

**Christmas Day (Friday Holiday)**  
**Week of December 21 - 25, 2015**

Monday & Tuesday collections will be as usual  
Thursday collections will be Wednesday  
Friday collections will be Thursday

**New Year's Day (Friday Holiday)**  
**Week of December 28, 2015 - January 1, 2016**

Monday & Tuesday collections will be as usual  
Thursday collections will be Wednesday  
Friday collections will be Thursday



*Remember the holiday collection schedules*

# Be Aware of Ice and Snow Control Operations

Public Works is committed to providing the maximum level of service possible. Our team is primed and ready, and your safety and convenience are our number one priority during snow events this upcoming winter.

In order to maximize our resources, we assign the snow plow routes such that priority is given to the main streets such as Hibbard Road, Tower Road, Willow Road, Green Bay Road, Elm Street, etc. These routes receive much of the traffic within the Village and must be kept clear as primary emergency access routes. Residential access streets are addressed next, followed by cul-de-sacs and alleys. Sidewalks are plowed as well throughout the Village, with areas of high-pedestrian traffic receiving first priority.

The Village uses salt and plowing in combination on main streets, but we have a limited salt use policy in residential areas, which reduces costs and limits salt damage to the environment. Salt is generally less effective at very low temperatures, so a combination of salt, and liquid calcium chloride or salt brine may be used during periods to maintain traction. The Village also uses

an emerging technology known as anti-icing, in which liquid salt brine is applied to streets in advance of anticipated snow events.

Safety is our number one concern. We follow numerous precautions to protect the motoring public as well as our drivers during plowing operations. All of our plow trucks are equipped with lights, strobes, and backup warning devices and our drivers are seasoned and well trained. You can help us to provide safe and efficient services by being alert to the presence of snow



*Be alert to the presence of snow plows*

plows, and by not following them too closely.

To share a concern, report a problem or address a question contact the Public Works Department at (847) 716-3568.

## Support the Chamber Holiday Lighting Fund

Each holiday season, the Village lights Winnetka's business districts with decorative lights. To help support this annual project, the Winnetka-Northfield Chamber of Commerce offers products for sale.



*Winnetka themed t-shirt*

This year the Chamber once again has two wonderful items to choose from: a t-shirt with the theme "Winnetka, the Heart of the North Shore," and a series of commemorative porcelain plates illustrated by local artist Kaylyn Shelby.

The 100% cotton t-shirt is gray with a blue vintage drawing of a Winnetka streetscape, for a donation of only \$10! Shipping is available in the continental United States for \$7 per shirt.

The 6-inch, lead-free plates are dishwasher safe and are available separately or as a set. Choose from illustrations of Village Hall and Moffat Mall; the Schmidt Burnham Log House; the Hubbard Woods Gazebo; and New Trier High School. Boxed for gift-giving or mailing, a single plate is available for a donation of \$20, or a set for a donation of \$75.

Plates and order forms for the t-shirts are available at the Chamber's office, 841 Spruce Street. All proceeds benefit the Winnetka Lighting Fund, and a portion of your donation is tax-deductible. What a great way to support the Village, and at the same time share lovely gifts with friends, family or neighbors — or treat yourself! For more information, contact the Chamber at 847-446-4451; or [wcc@winnetkanorthfieldchamber.com](mailto:wcc@winnetkanorthfieldchamber.com).

## Winnetka Preservation Awards

The Winnetka Landmark Preservation Commission recently awarded Preservation Awards to seven Winnetka properties. The awards presentation took place at the October 20 Village Council meeting. The Preservation Awards program seeks to honor construction projects in the village that help preserve the history and character of Winnetka. The program has three categories of awards: Restoration, Rehabilitation, and new Construction.

The following properties were presented with awards:

**1045 Sheridan Road** (Restoration)  
Owners: Bob Scales and Mary Keefe

**965 Spruce Street** (Restoration)  
Owners: Jim and Jill Vent

**577 Ash Street** (Rehabilitation)  
Owners: Chris Barbin and Lori Csaszar

**510 Poplar Street** (Rehabilitation)  
Owners: Ethan and Christine Holland

**827 Prospect Avenue** (Rehabilitation)  
Owners: Eric and Emily Walker

**1000 Vernon Avenue** (Rehabilitation)  
Owners: Pete and Jenny Rosenstein

**627 Sheridan Road** (New Construction)  
Owners: Clyde McGregor and LeAnn Pope



*965 Spruce Street*



*1000 Vernon Avenue*

### Congratulations to all the award recipients!

The Winnetka Landmark Preservation Commission will start accepting nominations for next year's awards program beginning in March 2016.

# Fire Department Tips for Holiday Safety

The holiday season can be a joyous and lively time in Winnetka, with a wide range of activities for our residents and their families. However, it can also be a time of significantly increased fire risk. According to the National Fire Protection Association, home fires occur in winter more than any other season throughout the year; and half of them occur between the months of December and February. In an effort to ensure safety for all families, the Fire Department urges residents to consider taking the following precautions.

While cooking, please be aware of your surroundings. Whenever possible, stay in the kitchen and preparation area; if you do need to leave, turn the stove off. In the event of a pan fire, slide a lid on the pan and immediately turn the stove off. Finally, consider creating a child-free zone of at least 3-feet in areas where hot items are being prepared.



*Unattended candles are a major cause of home fires*

During the colder months, many find comfort in using candles for warmth and display. After burning candles, don't forget to extinguish them fully before leaving the room or going to bed. Or, use flameless candles to achieve the intended

effect without the hazard. Finally, practice safety by creating a buffer zone of at least 12 inches between lit candles and flammable materials.

Each year on average, Fire Departments respond to over 200 home fires caused by Christmas tree displays. Take the following steps to greatly reduce the fire risk in your home:

**Tree Selection:** If choosing a fresh tree, check to make sure needles do not fall off when touched. Artificial trees should be certified fire retardant by the manufacturer.

**Tree placement:** Place the tree at least three feet away from any heat source; keep all exit ways clear; and water live trees daily to promote longevity and reduce the risk of fire.

**Tree Decorations:** Never use lit candles on your tree; avoid using frayed or brittle electrical cords; never place an electrical cord under a rug or carpet; and always turn electrical components off before going to bed.

## Shop Small Business Saturday: November 28



Shop, Dine, and Discover locally in Winnetka this season. Patronize your local merchants, dining establishments, and other businesses for your unique holiday needs.

# A Message from the Police Chief



## Winter Parking Restrictions

### Daytime Parking:

A "Snow Emergency" is declared by the Village when two or more inches of snow falls within a 24-hour period. All parking on residential streets is prohibited until the street is cleared of snow. Business Districts will have temporary signs posted before enforcement activity, but residential areas will not.

### Overnight Street Parking:

No overnight parking permission will be granted during a Snow Emergency.

### Village Parking Lots:

Village parking lots are marked with signs restricting overnight parking following a snow event. Each lot prohibits parking on either ODD or EVEN dates after 3 inches of snow. The Odd/Even refers to the date after midnight, as these restrictions are from 12:00 Midnight to 6:00 AM. This practice allows for the lots to be cleared while always leaving half the lots available at all times.

Watch where you park when snow is forecast or already falling. Vehicles in violation of the parking restrictions will be ticketed and may be towed.

## Last Day for Leaf Collection: November 30

The Village's annual curbside leaf collection program will end on Monday, November 30. Under this program, residents may rake their leaves to the parkway just inside the edge of the curb for collection by the Village.

**Please do not rake leaves into the streets.** This creates a hazard, as leaves become slippery when wet. In addition, leaves piled in the street may clog storm sewers, leading to flooding.

**All leaves must be placed by 7:00 AM on the final day of collection.**





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### Village Telephone Numbers

<b>Police/Fire/Paramedics Emergency</b>	<b>911</b>
Police (Non-Emergency)	847-501-6034
Fire (Non-Emergency)	847-501-6029
Electric or Water Outages	847-501-2531
Refuse and Recycling Collection	847-716-3568
Manager/Finance Department	847-501-6000
Public Works Department	847-716-3568
Water & Electric Department	847-716-3558
Water & Electric Billing Services	847-446-9550
Community Development Department	847-716-3576

### Winnetka Village Council

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### Upcoming Village Council Meetings

- December 1 - Regular Meeting
- December 8 - Study Session
- December 15 - Regular Meeting
- January 5 - Regular Meeting
- January 12 - Study Session
- January 19 - Regular Meeting
- February 2 - Regular Meeting
- February 9 - Study Session
- February 16 - Regular Meeting

#### Meetings start at 7 PM at Village Hall, 510 Green Bay Road

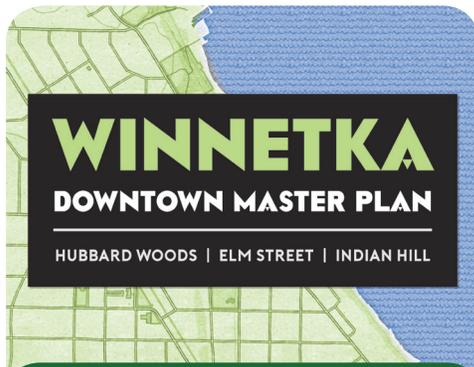
All agenda materials are available at the Reference Desk at the Winnetka Library, in the Manager's Office at Village Hall (2nd floor), or on the Village's website: [villageofwinnetka.org](http://villageofwinnetka.org) (click on the "Meetings & Agendas" button).

Meetings are televised on Comcast Channel 10 and AT&T Uverse Channel 99 every night at 7 PM. Webcasts of the meeting may also be viewed on the Village's web site: [villageofwinnetka.org](http://villageofwinnetka.org) (click "Watch Council Meetings Online").



[villageofwinnetka.org](http://villageofwinnetka.org)

**Village Hall will be closed for the Christmas and New Year holidays on Friday, December 25, 2015 and Friday, January 1, 2016.**



## TO-DO CHECKLIST

Show your care, get involved.

- Visit the website
- Click "Follow"
- View Project News
- Check Calendar
- Attend a workshop

## QUESTIONS

Send us your ideas via the website.

- What is the future of each business district?
- What are the issues, opportunities, assets and needs of each district?
- What about branding and Village identity, wayfinding and signage?
- What do you think about Downtown? Are east and west Elm two districts or one? Why?
- What is the future of Hubbard Woods? Is it a Design District? What about parking?
- How can Indian Hill be improved? Consider signage, safety, parking, commuters and New Trier High School.

## HEY WINNETKA!

The time has come to make our Village the best yet and we need your help. Get involved with the Winnetka Downtown Master Plan effort today. Visit the project website to share ideas and learn more: [WinnetkaDowntownPlan.com](http://WinnetkaDowntownPlan.com).

Much has been done already relative to prior planning efforts (the 2020 Comprehensive Plan, Design Guidelines, Urban Land Institute process, etc.). Now comes the time to connect

past actions and findings as we look towards the future. The Winnetka Downtown Master Plan will evaluate and consider improvements to the primary business districts - Downtown Elm Street, Hubbard Woods and Indian Hill - and work is already underway!

The Existing Conditions Report (available on the project website) lays out initial findings, Village-wide demographics and the major attributes unique to each district; specifically: land use, zoning, transportation, urban design and market conditions.

*What is the future of Hubbard Woods? Is it a Design District? What about parking?*



Sidewalk along Green Bay Road in Hubbard Woods.

*What do you think about Downtown? Are east and west Elm two districts or one? Why?*



Parking in the Elm Street District.

## PROJECT TIMELINE

Where we are, where we're headed.

NOV	Market Findings
DEC	Visioning & Village Identity
2016	
JAN	Parking & Circulation
FEB	Workshop #1 Redevelopment Sites
MAR	Workshop #2 Redevelopment Sites
APR	Infrastructure / Design
MAY	Land Use & Regulatory Process
JUN	Draft Plan Review #1
JUG	Draft Plan Review #2
AUG	Final Plan Review
SEP	Plan Adoption

## GET INVOLVED

We understand finding “time” can be tough — work, kids, vacation, holidays — we get it. That’s why we’ve provided a variety of ways to share feedback and get involved in Winnetka’s Downtown Master Plan. Check the list below and calendar at left to figure out what works best given your schedule — let the adventure begin!

*How can Indian Hill be improved? Consider signage, safety, parking, commuters and New Trier High School.*



Intersection at Green Bay Road and Winnetka Avenue.

### Project Website

Visit [WinnetkaDowntownPlan.com](http://WinnetkaDowntownPlan.com) to get started. Click the “follow” button to receive notifications via email when new items and upcoming meetings are posted.

### Share Feedback / Upload Photos

Visit the ‘Idea Zone’ on the project website to submit ideas and comments about each business district. You can also upload photos to better tell your story.

### Walking Tour

Take a guided walking tour of each of the Downtown Business Districts – Elm Street, Hubbard Woods and Indian Hill. Visit the ‘Reading Materials / Documents’ page on the project website to view and print the walking guide, questions and worksheet for each district.

### Idea Chalkboards

Fill in the blank! Visit the Idea Chalkboards stationed in Hubbard Woods (on the east side of Green Bay just north of Gage Street) and Downtown (on the west side of Chestnut just south of the Elm intersection) to write down what you’d love to see in each of the districts — take a selfie of you and your comment and submit it via the ‘Idea Zone’. Village Staff are recording these comments daily. Check the news page of the project website to view weekly summaries.

### Meetings + Workshops

Attend an upcoming meeting or workshop! The timeline, shown at left, gives you a general overview of the topics that will be discussed and when. Please refer to the project website for further details and updates.



Kids shared their ideas at the Halloween on Ice event, held October 24.



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