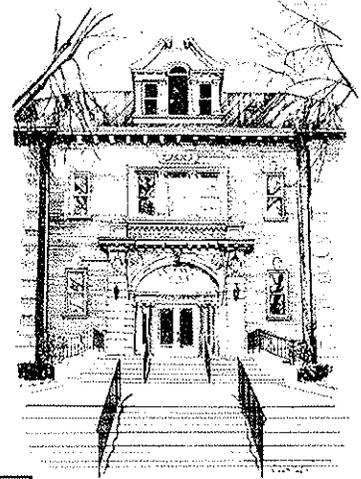


Village of La Grange



VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2011

7:30 p.m.

Village Hall Auditorium

53 S. La Grange Road

La Grange, IL 60525

Elizabeth M. Asperger
Village President

Robert N. Milne
Village Clerk

VILLAGE OF LA GRANGE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING

Village Hall Auditorium
53 South La Grange Road
La Grange, IL 60525

AGENDA

Monday, February 14, 2011 – 7:30 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

*President Elizabeth Asperger
Trustee Bill Holder
Trustee Mike Horvath
Trustee Mark Kuchler
Trustee Mark Langan
Trustee Tom Livingston
Trustee James Palermo*

2. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

This is an opportunity for the Village President to report on matters of interest or concern to the Village.

A. Employee Recognition – Police Sergeant Marge Kielczynski, 30 Years of Service

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS

This is the opportunity for members of the audience to speak about matters that are included on this Agenda.

4. OMNIBUS AGENDA AND VOTE

Matters on the Omnibus Agenda will be considered by a single motion and vote because they already have been considered fully by the Board at a previous meeting or have been determined to be of a routine nature. Any member of the Board of Trustees may request that an item be moved from the Omnibus Agenda to Current Business for separate consideration.

A. Ordinance – Creating an Additional Class A-1 Liquor License, Knead Marketplace, Inc. d/b/a Back Alley Burger, 13 S. La Grange Road

B. Minutes of the Village of La Grange Board of Trustees Regular Meeting Monday, January 10, 2011

C. Minutes of the Village of La Grange Board of Trustees Special Meeting Tuesday, January 25, 2011

- D. Minutes of the Village of La Grange Board of Trustees Special Meeting – Traffic and Pedestrian Safety Workshop Tuesday, January 25, 2011
 - E. Minutes of the Village of La Grange Board of Trustees Special Meeting – Sewer Improvement Workshop Monday, January 31, 2011
 - F. Consolidated Voucher 110214
5. CURRENT BUSINESS
This agenda item includes consideration of matters being presented to the Board of Trustees for action.
- A. Ordinance – Zoning Code Amendments – Miscellaneous Residential Amendments: *Referred to Trustee Kuchler*
 - B. Ordinance –Amendment to the Village Code Increasing the Vehicle License Fee: *Referred to Trustee Holder*
6. MANAGER’S REPORT
This is an opportunity for the Village Manager to report on behalf of the Village Staff about matters of interest to the Village.
- A. Status Report – Review of the Village’s Operations Plan
7. PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING MATTERS NOT ON AGENDA
This is an opportunity for members of the audience to speak about Village related matters that are not listed on this Agenda.
8. EXECUTIVE SESSION
The Board of Trustees may decide, by a roll call vote, to convene in executive session if there are matters to discuss confidentially, in accordance with the Open Meetings Act.
9. TRUSTEE COMMENTS
The Board of Trustees may wish to comment on any matters.
10. ADJOURNMENT

The Village of La Grange is subject to the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Individuals with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who require certain accommodations so that they can observe and/or participate in this meeting, or who have questions, regarding the accessibility of the meeting or the Village’s facilities, should contact the Village’s ADA Coordinator at (708) 579-2315 promptly to allow the Village to make reasonable accommodations for those persons.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

VILLAGE OF LA GRANGE
Police Department

BOARD REPORT

TO: Village President, Village Clerk,
Board of Trustees and Village Attorney

FROM: Robert J. Pilipiszyn, Village Manager and
Michael A. Holub, Chief of Police

DATE: February 14, 2011

RE: **EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION – POLICE SERGEANT**
MARGE KIELCZYNSKI, 30 YEARS OF SERVICE

Sgt. Marge Kielczynski has reached a career a milestone with the Village. On January 16, 2011, she completed 30 years of service.

Marge Kielczynski began her police career in Mount Prospect, Illinois and later joined the La Grange Police Department on January 16, 1981. Most recently, Sgt. Kielczynski has headed up our Judicial Advisory Grant Project by coordinating enforcement details making La Grange a safer place to live and work. Some of the tasks included in that are the program development, budget submission, pricing and purchasing of services and commodities, reporting, and scheduling of personnel and events.

Throughout her career, Sgt. Kielczynski has received numerous letter of commendation. She has been awarded 2 Meritorious Service Medals, a Unit Citation, and the Good Conduct Medal. As a testament to her continuing education, in 2008 Marge completed her Master of Science Degree from Benedictine University.

Marge is quite well known in the Village for her networking and her interaction with various community groups. She is a Patrol Sergeant, presently assigned to the midnight shift, and her knowledge of the Village and familiarity with residents is something that she has been able to share with her subordinates. Her efforts to motivate others does not stop there, however, and she will always find the time to counsel others on police matters, including the proper handing of assignments, truck enforcement, and so forth.

Please join us in recognizing Sgt. Marge Kielczynski for her 30 years of dedicated service to the Village of La Grange.

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OMNIBUS VOTE

VILLAGE OF LA GRANGE
Administrative Offices

BOARD REPORT

TO: Village President, Village Clerk,
Village Board of Trustees and Village Attorney

FROM: Robert J. Pilipiszyn, Village Manager
Andrianna Peterson, Assistant Village Manager

DATE: February 14, 2011

RE: **ORDINANCE - CREATING AN ADDITIONAL CLASS A-1 LIQUOR LICENSE,
KNEAD MARKETPLACE, INC. D/B/A BACK ALLEY BURGER, 13 S. LA
GRANGE ROAD**

The Village recently received an application for a Class A-1 liquor license from Knead Marketplace, Inc. d/b/a Back Alley Burger, located at 13 S. La Grange Road. A Class A-1 Restaurant License authorizes the licensee to sell at retail, and serve, beer and wine only for consumption on the premises where sold, where food also is sold for consumption; and allows customers to carry in their own beer and wine to be consumed within the licensed premises, but only in conjunction with the service of a meal. It should be noted that the owners of Back Alley Burger currently hold a Class H "Bring Your Own" License for their location but have decided to apply for a Class A-1 Restaurant License as a result of customer feedback.

An establishment that holds a Class A-1 Restaurant License must secure, maintain, and provide evidence to the Village that it has insurance coverage. A background check and proof of sellers and servers training is also required.

On Tuesday, January 25, 2011, the Liquor Commission met to review the application submitted by Back Alley Burger. Prior to that meeting, the Village had conducted a background investigation which did not produce any information which would preclude the issuance of a liquor license. Knead Marketplace was the first business to receive a bring-your-own license classification and did not have any incidences of concern to the Commission since receiving the license in October 2009. It was the recommendation of the Liquor Commission that (a) that the Village Board of Trustees create a new Class A-1 Restaurant License and (b) that the Liquor Commissioner issue that license to Back Alley Burger located at 13 South La Grange Road. (A copy of the minutes from that meeting is attached for your reference.)

Attached for your consideration is a proposed ordinance creating an additional Class A-1 restaurant license. Also attached for your information is the list of current liquor license holders by classification. If the ordinance is approved, the Liquor Commissioner will issue the Class A-1 Restaurant License to Back Alley Burger.

We recommend that the proposed ordinance be approved.

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VILLAGE OF LA GRANGE

ORDINANCE NO. O-11- ____

AN ORDINANCE CREATING AN ADDITIONAL CLASS A-1 RESTAURANT LICENSE

WHEREAS, Chapter 111 of the La Grange Code of Ordinances provides for a category of liquor license known as A Class A-1 Restaurant License; and

WHEREAS, A Class A-1 Restaurant License authorizes the licensee to (a) sell at retail, and serve, beer and wine only for consumption on the premises where sold, where food also is sold for consumption, and to allow customers to carry their own beer and wine into to be consumed within the licensed premises, but only in conjunction with the service of a meal; and

WHEREAS, the Village received an application for a Class A-1 restaurant license from Knead Marketplace, Inc. d/b/a Back Alley Burger, for the Back Alley Burger restaurant at 13 S. La Grange Road; and

WHEREAS, the La Grange Liquor Commission has recommended creation of a new Class A-1 Restaurant License, and the La Grange Liquor Commissioner has indicated her intention to grant a Class A-1 Restaurant License for the Back Alley Burger restaurant if the Board of Trustees creates that license; and

WHEREAS, the President and the Board of Trustees have determined that it is in the best interests of the Village that a new Class A-1 Restaurant License be created for the Back Alley Burger restaurant;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of La Grange, Cook County and State of Illinois, as follows:

Section 1. Recitals. The foregoing recitals are incorporated into this Ordinance as findings of the President and Board of Trustees.

Section 2. Creation of a New Class A-1 Restaurant License. The President and Board of Trustees, pursuant to their authority under State law and Section 111.16 of the La Grange Code of Ordinances, hereby increases the number of Class A-1 Restaurant Licenses by one additional license. That new license will be added to the record of issued and/or current licenses which is kept in the office of the Village Clerk.

Section 3. Effective Date. This Ordinance will be in full and force and effect from and after its passage, approval, and publication in pamphlet form in the manner provided by law.

PASSED this ____ day of February 2011.

AYES: _____

NAYS: _____

ABSENT: _____

APPROVED this ____ day of February 2011.

Elizabeth M. Asperger, Village President

ATTEST: _____
Robert N. Milne, Village Clerk

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LA GRANGE LIQUOR COMMISSION
SPECIAL MEETING

53 South La Grange Road
First Floor Conference Room
La Grange, IL 60525

Tuesday, January 25, 2011 – 6:45 p.m.

MINUTES

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

A meeting of the La Grange Liquor Commission was convened at 6:47 p.m. by Liquor Commissioner Elizabeth Asperger. Present and constituting a quorum were:

Present: Liquor Commissioner Elizabeth Asperger, Commissioner Mark Kuchler and Commissioner Mark Langan

Absent: None

Also Present: Assistant Village Manager Andrianna Peterson
Village Attorney Mark Burkland

2. Approval of the Minutes from the Liquor Commission meeting on November 8, 2010.

It was moved by Commissioner Langan and seconded by Commissioner Kuchler to approve the minutes of November 8, 2010, as submitted. The motion carried on a voice vote.

3. Liquor License Request / Liquor License Applicant

Knead Marketplace, Inc. d/b/a Back Alley Burger

Commissioner Asperger indicated that Chris Spagnola and Mary Libsch, and Kevin Allodi currently hold a Class H "Bring Your Own" Liquor License for their location at 13 South La Grange Road and have decided to apply for a Class A-1 restaurant license as a result of feedback from customers.

Commissioner Langan asked the applicants if their staff is the required legal age to sell beer and wine. Mr. Spagnola responded that all employees would receive TIPS training and schedules would be adjusted so that staff under the legal age of 21 would not engage in the sale of alcohol.

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Commissioner Kuchler inquired if there is a demand for beer and wine by the glass. Mr. Spagnola responded that the new Class A-1 will give customers the option of bringing their own or purchasing beer and wine.

Commissioner Asperger noted that liquor control is taken very seriously and the sale of liquor in La Grange is a privilege.

It was moved by Commissioner Langan and seconded by Commissioner Kuchler that the Liquor Commission recommend: (a) that the Village Board of Trustees create a new Class A-1 Liquor License and (b) that the Liquor Commissioner issue that license to Back Alley Burger located at 13 South La Grange Road.

Commissioner Asperger stated that the recommendation would be made to the Village Board at their next regularly scheduled meeting on February 14, 2011.

4. Other Business – Discussion regarding possible amendments to the Liquor Code

Commissioners discussed the proposed amendments to the Liquor Code and concurred that the amendments as presented were necessary and should be recommended to the Village Board for consideration and approval.

5. Adjournment

It was moved by Commissioner Langan and seconded by Commissioner Kuchler that the meeting of the Liquor Commission be adjourned. The motion carried on a voice vote and the meeting was adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

Submitted by:
Andrianna Peterson
Assistant Village Manager

Date Approved:

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LIQUOR LICENSE HOLDERS - 2011-12

NEW CLASS (#O-09-22) Approved 08/10/09

<u>Class A-1 (\$500)</u>	<u>Restaurant License serving beer and wine only, providing that more than 60% of the revenue is from the sale of food; allows consumption of bring-your-own.</u>
Antonino's	701 West Hillgrove Avenue
Grapevine	9 West Hillgrove Avenue
Lucca's Pizzeria	108 West Burlington Avenue
Noodles & Company	1 East Burlington Avenue
Q Barbeque	70 S. La Grange Road
Sushi House	120 B West Calendar
Yau's Place	110 W. Burlington
<u>Class A-2 (\$2,000)</u>	<u>Restaurant License selling a full-line of alcoholic beverages and includes a lounge or bar area, providing that more than 60% of the revenue is from the sale of food; allows consumption of bring-your-own.</u>
Al's Char House	32 South La Grange Road
Aurelio's Pizza	11 W. Calendar Avenue
Bacino's	36 South La Grange Road
Casa Margarita	32 South La Grange Road
Chequers	100 West Burlington Avenue
Francesca's	75 South La Grange Road
Magic Wok	23 West Harris Avenue
Marconi's	15 Calendar Court
Nicksons	30 S. La Grange Road
Palmer Place	56 South La Grange Road
Santiago's Mexican Cocina	22 W. Calendar Avenue
Thipi Thai	25 West Calendar Avenue
Toscana's Grill	88 South La Grange Road
<u>Class A-3 (\$1,250)</u>	<u>Restaurant License selling a full-line of alcoholic beverages but includes only a service bar, providing that more than 60% of the revenue is from the sale of food; allows consumption of bring-your-own.</u>
Chipotle Mexican Grill, Inc.	1 South La Grange Road
El Picante Mexican Grill, Inc.	50A South La Grange Road
Kama	8 W. Burlington Avenue
Prasino	93 South La Grange Road
<u>Class B (\$500)</u>	<u>General retail sales of beer and wine incidental to other sales.</u>
DeVries Super Market	806 Arlington
Grapevine	9 West Hillgrove Avenue
7-Eleven	6 East 47th Street
7-Eleven	201 West Hillgrove Avenue
Trader Joe's	25 N. La Grange Road
Walgreens	2 N. La Grange Road
<u>Class C-1 (\$1,000)</u>	<u>Food boutique allows sales of wine in its original package & sales of wine by the glass; providing that more than 50% of the revenue is from the sale of goods other than liquor.</u>
	None
<u>Class C-2 (\$1,000)</u>	<u>Wine boutique allows sales of wine and beer in its original package & sales of wine by the glass.</u>
Bin 19 LLC	19 S. La Grange Road

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MINUTES

VILLAGE OF LA GRANGE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING
Village Hall Auditorium
53 South La Grange Road
La Grange, IL 60525

Monday, January 10, 2011 - 7:30 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The Board of Trustees of the Village of La Grange regular meeting was called to order at 7:32 p.m. by President Asperger. On roll call, as read by Administrative Secretary Ellie Elder, the following were present:

PRESENT: Trustees Holder, Horvath, Kuchler, Langan, Livingston, and Palermo

ABSENT: Village Clerk Milne

OTHERS: Village Manager Robert Pilipiszyn
Assistant Village Manager Andrianna Peterson
Village Attorney Mark Burkland
Finance Director Lou Cipparrone
Community Development Director Patrick Benjamin
Assistant Community Development Director and Planner Angela Mesaros
Public Works Director Ryan Gillingham
Fire Chief William Bryzgalski
Police Chief Mike Holub

2. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Asperger reflected on support for local businesses during the holiday season and the New Year.

Announcing that the next regularly scheduled Village Board meeting on Monday, January 24, 2011 would be canceled, President Asperger noted that there would be special Village Board meeting workshops on Tuesday, January 25 regarding traffic; Monday, January 31 regarding sewer infrastructure; and Monday, February 7 regarding capital projects. These workshops are in preparation for the upcoming budget process. Adding that Saturday, March 12 is the scheduled budget workshop, President Asperger encouraged the public to attend any and all of the workshops. The public hearing and final budget approval would take place on Monday, April 11.

Lastly, President Asperger noted that the La Grange Police Department is warning homeowners to be on guard against 'ruse burglaries' also known as "gypsy scams,"

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which occur when a group of individuals target a residence usually owned by an elderly person. President Asperger reminded residents not to allow strangers access to their home and call 911 to report any suspicious behavior.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS

Joan Hoigard, 345 S. 6th Avenue expressed several concerns related to item 5A under current business. President Asperger noted that her concerns would be discussed when this item is presented.

Kurt Hoigard, 345 S. 6th Avenue expressed concerns related to item 5A and does not believe it should be voted on at this time.

Greg O'Connor, 315 S. Catherine expressed concerns related to item 5A regarding storage containers.

4. OMNIBUS AGENDA AND VOTE

- A. Resolution (#R-11-01) – Participation in the Northern Illinois Municipal Electrical Cooperative (NIMEC) for the Purchase of Electricity for Village Facilities
- B. (Moved to Current Business for further discussion.)
- C. Minutes of the Village of La Grange Board of Trustees Regular Meeting Monday, December 13, 2010
- D. Consolidated Voucher 101227 – (\$702,745.51)
- E. Consolidated Voucher 110110 – (\$1,075,389.30)

It was moved by Trustee Langan to approve items A, B, C, D, and E of the Omnibus Agenda, seconded by Trustee Holder.

Trustee Palermo requested item 4-B be removed from the Omnibus Agenda and placed under Current Business for further discussion.

It was moved by Trustee Langan to amend the motion to approve items A, C, D, and E of the Omnibus Agenda, seconded by Trustee Holder.

Approved by roll call vote.

Ayes: Trustees Holder, Horvath, Kuchler, Langan, Livingston and Palermo
Nays: None
Absent: None

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5. CURRENT BUSINESS

4-B Award of Contract – Two Year Extension / Tree Removal Program (Removed from Omnibus for further discussion.)

Trustee Palermo explained the process by which the Village removes public parkway trees that are diseased, dead or become a safety concern to the public. Trustee Palermo noted that in 2009 a competitive bidding process was conducted and in April of 2009 the Village Board approved a two-year contract with D. Ryan Tree & Landscaping for tree removal. Trustee Palermo added that the contract ended on December 31, 2010. D. Ryan Tree & Landscaping has offered to extend their 2009 pricing until April 30, 2013.

Explaining staff's reasons for recommending approval of the new two-year contract, Trustee Palermo noted that D. Ryan Tree & Landscaping pricing was low in comparison to other bidders; they are familiar with the Village's tree removal standards and expectations; and they have performed in a timely manner.

It was moved by Trustee Palermo to waive the competitive bidding process and enter into a new two-year contract through April 30, 2013 with D. Ryan Tree & Landscaping for the tree removal program, seconded by Trustee Langan.

Trustee Palermo questioned whether another tree removal vendor may be more cost effective. Public Works Director Ryan Gillingham responded that in 2009 other bidders were considered, however D. Ryan was comparably lower in price and they have agreed to lock in the 2009 prices and it is assumed that current prices would exceed the 2009 ones.

Trustee Palermo felt that it would be wise for the Village to seek new bids for the tree removal program as fees may have changed. Trustee Palermo was interested in seeing if there may be a savings.

Trustee Horvath agreed that data used two years ago may have changed and pricing for tree removal should be current.

Trustee Livingston believed that these were good questions, however indicated support for the renewal with D. Ryan based on staff's recommendations.

Approved by a four to two roll call vote.

Ayes: Trustees Holder, Kuchler, Langan, and Livingston
Nays: Trustees Horvath and Palermo
Absent: None

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A. Ordinance – Zoning Code Amendments – Miscellaneous Residential Amendments: Referred to Trustee Kuchler

Prior to introducing this item, Trustee Kuchler requested clarification from Village Attorney Burkland if any inconsistencies on the Board Report may affect the proposed ordinance. Attorney Burkland responded that the ordinance is correct as presented.

Trustee Kuchler indicated that the review of single family districts began in 2006 and the current phase includes standards for required yards, accessory uses and structures, signs, sight distances, and definitions. Trustee Kuchler noted that the report presents recommendations from staff and the Plan Commission regarding amendments to allowable encroachments within required yards; amendments to the accessory structures in the single family districts; provision for driveway clear sight area; amendments to residential real estate signs; and amendments to the definitions.

Trustee Kuchler noted that staff recommendations were based on examining current residential zoning regulations in other municipalities as well as comments from the public, Village Trustees, Commissioners, department heads, and code enforcement staff.

Trustee Kuchler stated that public hearings were held on September 14 and November 9, 2010 at which time the Plan Commission considered all proposed amendments. After substantial deliberation and suggested modifications, the Plan Commission unanimously recommended that the amendments be submitted for Board approval.

Trustee Kuchler detailed each of the amendments which encompassed additions and revisions to the specified structures and uses in required yards; accessory uses and structures; buffers and landscaping; residential real estate signs; and additions to the list of definitions. Trustee Kuchler noted that the entire document with photos is posted on the Village website.

It was moved by Trustee Kuchler to approve an Ordinance Amending Various Sections of the La Grange Zoning Code related to Required Yards, Accessory Structures, Signs and Definitions for Single Family Residential Districts; seconded by Trustee Langan.

Considerable discussion ensued amongst the Village Board, Village Attorney and departmental staff relating to decorative columns; gazebos; pergola; seat walls; arbors; outdoor kitchens; and storage units. Some of the Board felt that it would be beneficial to table the item to allow more time for review.

After much debate President Asperger noted that if the Village Board chooses to table this item, staff will require a direction as to what revisions and or changes

the Board is seeking. President Asperger reflected on the Board's thought process and confirmed the two main issues being (1) no setback from front lot line for pillars and or columns, as long as they do not impose on clear line of sight restrictions; (2) proposed regulations of storage units or PODS to also include a provision that allows the Village Manager discretion to extend the time period.

President Asperger summarized by stating that the process to amend the zoning code has been on-going for several years and residents trust the Village Board to work hard on their behalf. Adding that the members of the Plan Commission diligently pursue all venues before submitting their recommendations, President Asperger concurred with the Village Board that this item would be placed on the next regular Village Board meeting to be held on February 14, 2011.

President Asperger conferred with Village Attorney Burkland if a motion was required to continue this item at a future meeting and was advised that it was not.

6. MANAGER'S REPORT

None

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING MATTERS NOT ON AGENDA

None.

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION

9. TRUSTEE COMMENTS

Trustee Horvath noted his favor of televising Plan Commission meetings and the upcoming Budget meeting.

Due to a conflict in scheduling, Trustee Livingston noted his inability to attend the January 25 Special Village Board Meeting Traffic Workshop.

10. ADJOURNMENT

At 9:50 p.m. it was moved by Trustee Langan to adjourn, seconded by Trustee Kuchler. Motion approved by voice vote.

Elizabeth M. Asperger, Village President

ATTEST:

Robert N. Milne, Village Clerk

Approved Date:

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MINUTES

VILLAGE OF LA GRANGE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING
Village Hall Auditorium
53 South La Grange Road
La Grange, IL 60525

Monday, January 25, 2011 - 7:30 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The Board of Trustees of the Village of La Grange regular meeting was called to order at 7:33 p.m. by President Asperger. On roll call, as read by Administrative Secretary Ellie Elder, the following were present:

PRESENT: Trustees Holder, Horvath, Kuchler, Langan, and Palermo

ABSENT: Trustee Livingston
Village Clerk Milne

OTHERS: Village Manager Robert Pilipiszyn
Assistant Village Manager Andrianna Peterson
Village Attorney Mark Burkland
Finance Director Lou Cipparrone
Community Development Director Patrick Benjamin
Public Works Director Ryan Gillingham
Fire Chief William Bryzgalski
Police Chief Mike Holub

2. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Asperger noted that earlier this evening the Liquor Commission met to consider a request for a Class A-1 liquor license for Back Alley Burger which will be recommended for approval to the Village Board at their next regularly scheduled meeting on February 14.

President Asperger indicated that based on Trustee discussion at the January 10 Village Board meeting, additional information and revisions of the proposed zoning code amendments would be available on the Village website; the library; and at the Village Hall on or about February 1 and would thereafter be presented to the Board for consideration on February 14.

Announcing upcoming special Village Board meeting workshops on Monday, January 31 regarding sewer infrastructure and on Monday, February 7 regarding capital projects,

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President Asperger encouraged public participation in preparation for the upcoming budget process.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS

None

4. OMNIBUS AGENDA AND VOTE

A. Resolutions (#R-11-02; #R-11-03; and #R-11-04) – Support for Grant Application to the State of Illinois for CDBG Disaster Recovery “IKE” Program for the Maple Avenue Relief Sewer Project

B. Consolidated Voucher 110124 – (\$828,245.92)

It was moved by Trustee Langan to approve items A and B of the Omnibus Agenda, seconded by Trustee Holder.

Approved by roll call vote.

Ayes: Trustees Holder, Horvath, Kuchler, Langan, and Palermo

Nays: None

Absent: Trustee Livingston

5. CURRENT BUSINESS

None

6. MANAGER’S REPORT

None

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING MATTERS NOT ON AGENDA

None.

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION

9. TRUSTEE COMMENTS

None

10. ADJOURNMENT

At 7:40 p.m. it was moved by Trustee Langan to adjourn, seconded by Trustee Holder. Motion approved by voice vote.

Elizabeth M. Asperger, Village President

ATTEST:

Robert N. Milne, Village Clerk

Approved Date:

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MINUTES
VILLAGE OF LA GRANGE
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Village Hall Auditorium
53 South La Grange Road
La Grange, IL 60525

Tuesday, January 25, 2011
(immediately following the regular Village Board meeting)

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The Board of Trustees of the Village of La Grange special meeting was called to order at 7:41 p.m. by President Asperger.

PRESENT: Trustees Holder, Horvath, Kuchler, Langan and Palermo with President Asperger presiding.

ABSENT: Clerk Milne and Trustee Livingston

OTHERS: Village Manager Robert Pilipiszyn
Village Attorney Mark Burkland
Assistant Village Manager Andrianna Peterson
Finance Director Lou Cipparrone
Community Development Director Patrick Benjamin
Police Chief Mike Holub
Fire Chief Bill Bryzgalski
KLOA Principal Eric Russell
KLOA Principal Luay Aboona

2. TRAFFIC AND PEDESTRIAN SAFETY WORKSHOP

President Asperger presented an overview of traffic and pedestrian safety as one of the Village Board's strategic priorities throughout the Village. Particular emphasis has been given to the 47th Street corridor for initial discussion and consideration with the Village Board, consultants and staff. President Asperger requested Village Manager Robert Pilipiszyn to provide a background summary.

Mr. Pilipiszyn introduced tonight's agenda on traffic and pedestrian safety and provided background information which consisted of how the 47th Street lane reduction proposal was conceived, and how observations made by KLOA during a speed study in 2009 indicated that the concept had some merit.

Mr. Pilipiszyn noted this evening's workshop would consist of presentations on several feasibility studies for the 47th Street corridor conducted by Koenig, Lindgren, O'Hara, Aboona, Inc. (KLOA) the consultants engaged by the Village to further evaluate traffic calming opportunities within the corridor. Mr. Pilipiszyn identified the studies to be presented as being a traffic engineering study to determine the feasibility to re-configure 47th Street from a four-lane cross-section to a three-lane cross-section; a traffic origination and destination study to ascertain the utilization characteristics of 47th Street as a regional transportation arterial, a local east-west arterial or combination of both; and a traffic engineering study to determine feasibility to signalize the intersection of 47th Street and East Avenue.

Mr. Pilipiszyn requested Public Works Director Ryan Gillingham to provide the framework for the presentation. Mr. Gillingham thanked the Board for the opportunity to present these studies and explained that after the presentation staff and consultant opinions and recommendations would be made for discussion and direction from the Board.

Mr. Gillingham introduced Mr. Eric Russell and Mr. Luay Aboona Principals of KLOA who would present their findings to enhance pedestrian safety and control traffic. Mr. Gillingham noted that any changes to the 47th Street corridor would need coordination with the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT).

Mr. Russell proceeded with a power point presentation which detailed several methods used by the consultants to identify the primary users of 47th Street for the purpose of a possible redesign to narrow the roadway. Mr. Russell noted both advantages and disadvantages of lane reductions and preliminary cost estimates. In addition, several methods were utilized to observe speeds and volume of traffic along this corridor which were identified in the consultant's analysis.

Mr. Aboona continued with that portion of the presentation which provided the Board with a study to evaluate the feasibility of installing traffic signals at the intersection of 47th Street and East Avenue. Although it is assumed that the Chicago Region Environmental and Transportation Efficiency Program (CREATE) has projected reconfiguring the area, Mr. Aboona explained that it is not foreseeable in the near future due to funding constraints.

At this point of the meeting, President Asperger opened discussion to the Board. The Board initiated numerous questions related to the presentation on the feasibility studies for the reconfiguration of the 47th Street corridor and traffic signalization at 47th Street and East Avenue. Mr. Gillingham and consultants from KLOA responded to their inquiries.

President Asperger requested thoughts from the Trustees on the recommendations to signalize the intersection of 47th Street and East Avenue. Considerable discussion and debate ensued among the Village Board including: concerns that more efficient traffic flow will

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increase traffic, thereby increase congestion, leading to cut-through traffic on adjacent side streets; the traffic signal will aid area residents making cross or turning movements within the corridor by creating gaps in traffic; traffic congestion will still be a problem because of the railroad crossing; and the need to talk to neighboring communities. At the conclusion of the discussion, it was the consensus of the Village Board to continue to pursue the signalization of the intersection of 47th Street and East Avenue by providing copies of the KLOA study to IDOT and to neighboring communities as a first step in the process.

President Asperger requested Trustee thoughts on the proposal to re-configure 47th Street from 4-lanes to 3-lanes. Considerable discussion and debate ensued among the Village Board including: concerns with cut-through traffic on adjacent side streets; concerns with the estimated cost of the “demonstration” improvements; questions whether the re-configuration will improve pedestrian safety; questions whether the re-configuration will improve the quality of life for residents; and desire for increased traffic enforcement. At the conclusion of the discussion, it was the consensus of the Village Board to table additional discussion regarding the re-configuration of 47th Street, but continue to invite the public to provide input regarding the proposal.

Although the hour was late, President Asperger requested the Board’s indulgence in allowing the audience to voice their questions and concerns. Numerous residents inquired about the proposed traffic alterations and pedestrian safety measures presented and possible effects. Mr. Gillingham and the consultants responded to their inquiries.

Residents also inquired about pedestrian flashing red light signalization on 47th Street at 9th Avenue and were informed that federal and state standards would prohibit the use of a red flashing light at this location. Residents also identified the need for more stringent traffic enforcement.

This led to a discussion about the effectiveness of the pedestrian crossing at 47th Street and 9th Avenue. Some members of the Village Board expressed frustration with the conflict between federal traffic standards which prohibit flashing red beacons, yet a new state law which requires motorists to stop for pedestrians in a crosswalk. This led to a discussion that additional enhanced pedestrian crossings within the Village, such as at 47th Street and Waiola Avenue, may have an alerting effect, increase awareness and thus calm traffic; it is also viewed as a more cost-effective alternative to a re-configuration of 47th Street. Some Trustees were not as confident that additional enhanced pedestrian crossings would increase safety. They also expressed a desire to see more compliance / traffic enforcement at the crosswalk. It was the consensus of the Village Board to continue to pursue an enhanced pedestrian crossing at 47th Street and Waiola Avenue as well as at La Grange Road and 52nd Street, by inviting additional public input and discussing the project further in conjunction with the Capital Projects Workshop in February and the Budget Workshop in March.

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President Asperger summarized the consensus direction provided to staff by the Village Board and indicated that the Board would table the two remaining items (proposal to conduct a stop sign study and policy governing the use of on-street pedestrian crossing signage) for further discussion at the Capital Projects Workshop to be conducted on February 7, 2011.

3. ADJOURNMENT

At 11:00 p.m. it was moved by Trustee Langan to adjourn, seconded by Trustee Kuchler. Motion approved by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,
Catherine Benjamin
Executive Secretary

Approved:

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MINUTES
VILLAGE OF LA GRANGE
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Village Hall Auditorium
53 South La Grange Road
La Grange, IL 60525

Monday, January 31, 2011
7:30 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The Board of Trustees of the Village of La Grange special meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by President Asperger. On roll call, as read by Administrative Secretary Ellie Elder, the following were:

PRESENT: Trustees Holder, Horvath, Kuchler, Livingston and Palermo with President Asperger presiding.

ABSENT: Clerk Milne and Trustee Langan

OTHERS: Village Manager Robert Pilipiszyn
Finance Director Lou Cipparrone
Public Works Director Ryan Gillingham
Assistant Public Works Director Mike Bojovic
Village Engineer Tom Heuer
Fire Chief Bill Bryzgalski

2. SEWER IMPROVEMENT WORKSHOP

President Asperger indicated that this workshop has been scheduled to strategically evaluate possible improvements to the Village's sewer system. As part of the Village's long range planning for capital improvements, several studies have been prepared to address flooding issues which resulted from significant rain events in the last several years. President Asperger noted the objective of this evening's workshop was to provide direction to Village staff for sewer improvements on this strategic priority. She requested Public Works Director Ryan Gillingham to elaborate on potential improvements to the Village's sewer system.

Mr. Gillingham provided a synopsis of the presentations to be discussed which include the Maple Avenue Relief Sewer; the Ogden Avenue Relief Sewer; the drainage basin south of 47th Street; along with neighborhood projects for Poplar Place; Elm Avenue and Sunset Avenue; and the Mason Woods Subdivision. Mr. Gillingham requested Village Engineer Tom Heuer to present findings on each of the areas for potential sewer improvements.

Mr. Heuer annotated a power point presentation for each of the areas noted by Public Works Director Ryan Gillingham. Presenting detailed diagrams of the Village's streets and historical data on the Village's sewer system, Mr. Heuer identified various drainage districts, and explained the difference and interrelationship between storm sewers, sanitary sewers,

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combination sewers, relief sewers and the Deep Tunnel System. Providing possible drainage solutions on each topic, Mr. Heuer identified recommendations and provided preliminary cost estimates.

Public Works Director Ryan Gillingham summarized recommendations for each of the projects:

1. Maple Avenue Relief Sewer (MARS) – Recommendation is to continue with the project prior to the other sewer relief projects. Based on the ratio of cost to properties and area served by the improvements, this area has been viewed by staff and consultants as the most problematic area for flooding concerns.
2. Ogden Avenue Relief Sewer (OARS) – Recommendation is to initiate the design and construction for the first stage of the project from Gordon Park to La Grange Road in conjunction with the redevelopment of the former YMCA and to coordinate with the Illinois Department of Transportation as Ogden Avenue is a state road.
3. South of 47th Street Drainage Study – The report has yet to be completed; it will be forwarded to the Village Board as soon as it is received and staff has had the opportunity to review it.
4. Poplar Place Drainage Improvements – Recommendation is to correct a poorly planned sewer system previously built to serve the neighborhood. Staff to analyze further to determine if a more cost-effective solution is feasible.
5. Sunset and Elm Intersection Drainage Improvements – Recommendation is to allocate resources towards MARS as the more cost effective solution to address this localized drainage issue.
6. Mason Woods Area Sewer Project – Recommendation is to repair the failing sewer pipe with sewer lining.

Mr. Gillingham added that although the proposed projects will help to alleviate flooding, residents should be encouraged to utilize private flood control measures as well.

President Asperger noted the difficult task before the Board, as these are complex and very expensive projects. At this point of the meeting, President Asperger opened discussion to the Board. Considerable debate and discussion ensued amongst the Village Board of Trustees including: explore opportunities for cooperation with multiple governmental jurisdictions and other stakeholders for the drainage area South of 47th Street; working with the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District; measures used for determining design capacities; applying for funding through available grants; and consideration to budget items for capital project improvements.

Trustee inquiries to Finance Director Lou Cipparrone identified that currently 20% of amounts collected from water and sewer billing are applied to sewers. Village Manager

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Robert Pilipiszyn explained that although the Village aggressively applies for grant funding, sewer infrastructure is a localized expenditure.

President Asperger thanked the Board for their thoughtful discussion and comments. It was the consensus of the Village Board to support staff recommendations. At this point in the meeting, President Asperger opened the discussion to the audience.

Numerous residents inquired about the proposed sewer relief projects and possible effects on their immediate residence. Mr. Gillingham and Mr. Heuer responded to their inquiries. Residents also inquired about involvement with neighboring communities and President Asperger explained that the Village is in the preliminary stages of scheduling meetings with surrounding municipalities to review drainage issues.

President Asperger assured the audience that all of the possibilities are being considered and the Village has and will continue to look at options for solutions to the flooding issues caused by the severe storm events which occurred in July of 2010.

3. ADJOURNMENT

President Asperger requested a motion to adjourn. At 10:09 p.m. it was moved by Trustee Kuchler to adjourn, seconded by Trustee Palermo. Motion approved by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,
Ellie Elder
Administrative Secretary

Approved:

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VILLAGE OF LA GRANGE

Disbursement Approval by Fund

February 14, 2011

Consolidated Voucher 110214

<u>Fund No.</u>	<u>Fund Name</u>	<u>02/14/11 Voucher</u>	<u>02/04/11 Payroll</u>	<u>Total</u>
01	General	227,326.01	276,966.70	504,292.71
21	Motor Fuel Tax			0.00
22	Foreign Fire Insurance Tax	97.02		97.02
24	ETSB	3,204.50		3,204.50
40	Capital Projects	4,238.15		4,238.15
50	Water	167,017.17	39,530.41	206,547.58
51	Parking	9,001.45	23,430.25	32,431.70
60	Equipment Replacement			0.00
70	Police Pension			0.00
75	Firefighters' Pension			0.00
80	Sewer	1,953.65	9,768.40	11,722.05
90	Debt Service			0.00
91	SSA 4A Debt Service			0.00
93	SAA 269			0.00
94	SAA 270			0.00
		<u>412,837.95</u>	<u>349,695.76</u>	<u>762,533.71</u>

We the undersigned Manager and Clerk of the Village of La Grange hereby certify that, to the best of our knowledge and belief, the foregoing items are true and proper charges against the Village and hereby approve their payment.

Village Manager

Village Clerk

President

Trustee

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CURRENT BUSINESS

VILLAGE OF LA GRANGE
Community Development Department

BOARD REPORT

TO: Village President, Village Clerk,
Board of Trustees, and Village Attorney

FROM: Robert J. Pilipiszyn, Village Manager
Patrick D. Benjamin, Director of Community Development
Angela M. Mesaros, Assistant Director of Community Development

DATE: February 14, 2011

RE: **ORDINANCE – ZONING CODE AMENDMENTS – MISCELLANEOUS
RESIDENTIAL AMENDMENTS**

This report will provide clarification, additional information, and revised ordinance language based on Village Board discussion of the proposed amendments presented at the January 10th meeting. Some discussion at the meeting involved the purpose of specific ordinance language. Some of amendments serve to address encroachments into required yards, accessory structures and uses in residential districts that exist with no specific standards in place to authorize or regulate. The language also addresses new trends in residential districts, while other amendments seek to clarify existing zoning regulations.

The following paragraphs address the specific revisions to the amendments.

1. *Decorative columns and pillars* – Currently, the zoning regulations do not address columns and pillars in front yards. At the public hearing, several options for standards were discussed related to the placement of columns and pillars on residential properties. At the request of the Plan Commission, the language was revised to include a setback from the front lot line based on concerns about safety hazards and sight lines in front yards along driveways. At the same time, Commissioners agreed that no limitations would be necessary in back yards because no safety issues were raised. Therefore, the current standards of 15 feet height and three feet setback from the property lines would remain.

After discussions at the Village Board meeting and based on the new standard for clear sight lines, we recommend that it would be appropriate to allow columns and pillars with no setback from the front lot line, as long as they are subject to the clear sight area restrictions. This is consistent with the original Staff Report. This change is reflected in the attached ordinance.

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2. Temporary Storage Containers – As the Board discussed, it may be appropriate to allow exceptions to the proposed time limitation for temporary portable storage containers (like PODs containers) under certain extraordinary circumstances, such as a fire, flood, or similar event or during construction work when access is required to items stored in the container. These circumstances could be distinguished from the temporary storage of personal belongings in the event of a move or other temporary situations. Therefore, Staff and the Village Attorney have revised the ordinance language to include a provision for the Village Manager to allow extended storage time. This too is consistent with the recommendations in the original Staff Report.

In addition, Staff has revised the required setback from a side lot line to allow the containers to be placed close to lot lines if they are on a driveway or other surfaced area. This change reflects the fact that there is little space for a temporary storage container on a 50-foot-wide lot that has a driveway leading to garages.

3. Solar Panels – The Zoning Code currently does not regulate solar panels. Staff's research revealed that in many communities, solar panels and other energy collecting devices are regulated extensively. The proposed placement restrictions for solar panels apply only to front lot lines and not to the front of the house facing the street. Panels are limited from facing the defined "front lot line." The "front lot line" on a corner lot is defined as the shorter of the two lot lines that abut the streets. (The longer lot line is called the "corner side lot line.") Panels would not be restricted from facing the corner side lot lines.

Approximately 100 of the single-family properties (about 5,000) in the Village have front lot lines facing south. It may be appropriate to create an exception to the front lot line limitation allowing those south-facing houses to have solar panels facing the front lot line. The concern with that would be that the owners of the north-facing houses across that street then would look directly at any solar panels that are installed. We have prepared language to create the exception if the Board determines it is appropriate to add it into the ordinance.

In addition, we thought it might be useful, based on Village Board discussion, to clarify the following items for which the amendments themselves have not changed:

- Seat walls – Seat walls are not currently addressed in the Zoning Code. Therefore, they are technically not permitted within required front yards. Staff has received requests in the recent past to locate a seat wall within the required front yard as part of a patio area. The purpose of this amendment is to allow these requests with some limitations. The requirement of five feet from side yards provides a reasonable setback for the activity areas without inhibiting neighboring properties. The thought was that there would be no need or purpose for optional recreational uses to encroach into the side yards. Side yards were designated to be clear of all structures above the ground, with the exception of

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necessary structures such as window wells. With the first phase of residential amendments, the Village tightened regulations for side yards due concerns raised by the public about the potential impact on neighboring properties. This proposed regulation would be less restrictive than the current 20-foot setback required from all lot lines for any outdoor activity area.

- Commercial identification signs – Commercial identification signs are currently strictly limited to a maximum size of one square foot on a vehicle located in a “parking area” in a residential district. A “parking area” is defined in the Code as unenclosed, which would not include a garage. Therefore, commercial vehicles are permitted within garages. The purpose of this regulation is to limit commercial advertisements on vehicles within residential districts, to protect the residential character of neighborhoods. Staff believes the one-square-foot limitation on the commercial markings is outdated and too restrictive. Staff proposed an increase of that limitation to two square feet. This recommendation increases the allowable size of permissible signs in order to allow contractors, retailers, etc. to display painted or magnetic door signs a more reasonable size of 12” by 24” (two square feet), which is not currently permitted.

In addition, in response to suggestions by the Village Board, we have posted this document on the website on February 1 along with an email blast to website subscribers. In addition, we will modify our process for any future review of zoning amendments that involve residential properties with a two week advanced period for review by interested parties. This process will also include a website posting and email blast to subscribers, and notice to media to announce that proposed the amendments are available for review.

We recommend approval of the attached ordinance that was revised pursuant to the discussion of the Village Board at your January 10, 2011 meeting. We have attached two versions of the ordinance exhibits: (1) redlined version that highlights the originally proposed amendments in blue and the changes subsequently made based on Village Board discussion in red and (2) the final version of the ordinance.

VILLAGE OF LA GRANGE
Community Development Department

BOARD REPORT

TO: Village President, Village Clerk,
Board of Trustees, and Village Attorney

FROM: Robert J. Pilipiszyn, Village Manager
Patrick D. Benjamin, Director of Community Development
Angela M. Mesaros, Assistant Director, Community Development

DATE: January 10, 2011

RE: **ORDINANCE – ZONING CODE AMENDMENTS – MISCELLANEOUS
RESIDENTIAL AMENDMENTS**

In order to complete our review of the single family districts begun in 2006, Staff has undertaken an examination of the zoning regulations throughout the Code related to single-family residential districts in order to complete the residential review. This current phase of review includes standards for required yards, accessory uses and structures, signs, sight distances, and definitions.

This current evaluation is part of the Village's comprehensive, phased review of the Zoning Code, which was last comprehensively amended in 1991. Most recently, the Village has amended its use lists in the commercial, industrial and office districts. Specifically, the amendments under consideration are a follow-up to amendments to the residential bulk, yard and space regulations, new standards for lot coverage, creation of a process for minor relief from zoning in the single family districts, and design standards for two unit buildings.

This Report presents the recommendations of the Staff and the Plan Commission regarding (A) amendments to allowable encroachments within required yards, (B) amendments to the accessory structures in the single family districts, (C) a new provision for driveway clear sight area, (D) amendments to residential real estate signs, and (E) amendments to the definitions, including both new and revised zoning definitions.

In formulating these recommendations, Staff examined current residential zoning regulations in other municipalities in our region as well as best practices identified by the American Planning Association. We also solicited comments from the public, Village Trustees, Commissioners, department heads, and inspectional/code enforcement staff.

At public hearings on September 14 and November 9, the Plan Commission considered all proposed amendments. After substantial deliberation and suggested modifications, the Plan Commission unanimously recommended that the Board of Trustees approve the following recommended amendments:

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Additions and Revisions to the Specified Structures and Uses in Required Yards (Subsection 3-110G):

This Subsection of the Zoning Code, “Specified Structures and Uses in Required Yards,” lists structures and uses that are permitted within required yards in the single-family districts. At times, staff receives requests for construction of structures that are not currently listed in our Code. The proposed regulations include several items that have become popular since the Code was adopted in 1991. The recommendation is to add the following structures to this list:

1. Accessibility ramps – This recommendation includes language providing that accessibility ramps be permitted within all required yards as well as a reference to federal and State accessibility laws.
2. Gazebos and pergolas – Gazebos and pergolas currently are not specifically regulated; this would limit these structures to rear yards only. They would also be subject to limitations that are established within the accessory uses and structures subsection discussed in further detail in the next section of this report. (See attached Illustration A: Gazebo & Illustration B: Pergola)
3. Landscape plant materials – This item allows landscaping plants within all yards but further restricts the height to three feet maximum within a clear sight area defined in our Code along driveways and corner lots. The specific limitations are discussed in further detail in below.
4. Outdoor Kitchens – As people are spending more time in their backyards, Staff has received more requests for cooking and preparation facilities. Outdoor kitchens as proposed would be permitted only in rear yards. Based on public comments and Commissioner analysis, the proposed ordinance would require that these facilities be a minimum of 20% of lot width (10 feet on a typical 50-foot wide lot) from the side lot lines and limited to ten feet from the rear lot line.
5. Patios – Currently, patios at grade would be permitted in any location on the lot with no required setbacks. The recommendation is to limit patios to encroach only seven feet into the front and corner side yards, but not closer than twenty feet to the front lot line with a cross reference for the Village’s grading and drainage ordinance.
6. Seat Walls – Seat walls would be permitted at a maximum height of twenty-two inches to be located within any yard, but not within 20 feet of the front lot line and minimum five feet from any other lot line. (See attached Illustration C: Seat Wall)
7. Temporary Storage Containers – Portable storage containers are used for temporary storage and moving – empty containers are delivered, packed by the resident, and picked up whenever the resident calls, then taken to a storage center. Discussion among Commissioners focused on the length of time necessary to pack up belongings and the proper location on the property for storage containers. The Plan Commission has

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recommended that such structures would be permitted only ten consecutive days at a time and limited further to thirty days a year. In addition, they can be placed not closer than five feet from the front lot line and three feet from any other lot line.

The following structures are currently listed as permitted within particular required yards in our single-family districts, but that we feel they should be revised/ updated based on permit requests and trends:

1. Arbors and trellises – These structures are currently permitted within all yards except front yards. Based on requests for building permits and location of existing trellises, the recommendation is to allow these structures within front yards but with limitations, the maximum length of six feet in front and corner side yards and not closer than five feet to any side lot line. (See attached Illustration D: Arbor)
2. Decorative columns and pillars – Currently, we allow statuary and ornamental light standards but the Code does not address decorative columns and bases, which have become more popular in recent years. The recommendation is to specifically identify and allow these structures in all yards with further restrictions in front and corner side yards: only four feet in height and to five feet minimum setback from the side lot lines. Within the rear yard, the height limitation of fifteen feet and setback of three feet from property lines as currently stated in the Code would still apply. (See attached Illustration E Decorative Columns)
3. Flagpoles – The current height limitation is fifteen feet. The recommendation is to amend the height restriction to twenty feet or less, which is consistent with other communities' height limitations and industry standards.
4. Mechanical equipment – Currently the Village limits the location of heating and air conditioning units to only the rear yard but does not specifically regulate emergency electrical generators. We have seen an increase in the installation of such generators due to increased power outages from recent storms. Staff effectively treats generators in the same manner as heating and air conditioning units. However, the recommendation is that these be included within a general category of mechanical equipment and that the regulations not change from the current limitation to the rear yards only, minimum distance of at least 10% of the lot width with screening with plant material on all sides visible from the public right of way and subject to noise control standards established in the Code of Ordinances.
5. Outside Stairways - Currently, the Code allows the stairway at the front entrance of a house to extend three feet into the required yard. Based on discussion with inspectional staff and requests from homeowners, this recommendation is to allow for four feet when steps are necessary for access to the house. This would be in keeping with our building code, which requires a four foot landing.

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Accessory Uses and Structures (Section 9-101):

The Plan Commission has made the following recommendations to this Section of the Code after comparison to similar municipal codes and review of current practices in La Grange. In addition to alphabetizing the entire section to make it more user-friendly and easier to find the specific accessory uses and structures, the following are recommended new items as well as a revision to one item.

1. Gazebos – With the addition of gazebos to the list of permitted structures in required yards, this Section needs to be amended to include limits on size and height. The recommendation is that gazebos be limited in size according to lot size as follows: (1) 120 square feet maximum on smaller lots, 6,500 square feet or less in total lot area; (2) On lots 6,501 – 10,000 square feet in total area 144 square feet; and (3) limited to 250 square feet on the largest lots, which are greater than 10,000 square feet. This is consistent with our current regulations for sizes of detached garages. The amendments also include limiting height to twelve feet maximum, which is smaller than the accessory structure limitation of fifteen feet as currently regulated. Measurement would include a copula or similar structure. In addition, no more than one gazebo could be located on any one property and the surface of each gazebo should be at least 50% open.
2. Outdoor Kitchens – As mentioned previously, outdoor kitchens and living spaces are becoming increasingly popular. The recommendation is to limit the height and setback of these structures to establish a setback that is 20% of the lot width for side lot lines and limited to ten feet from rear lot lines, a maximum height of eight feet for kitchen structures with a chimney not exceeding the existing limitation of fifteen feet overall height. Although Commissioners voted unanimously to recommend this height limitation, there was much discussion of the limitation of fifteen feet proposed for chimneys and concern about smoke blowing towards neighbors' houses. (See attached Illustration F: Outdoor Kitchen)
3. Solar Energy Systems – With new technology and reliance on alternative energy, we have seen increasing number of requests for solar panels on roofs. The Code does not address these systems. The recommendation is to allow building mounted solar panels and collectors located in such a manner as to not reflect light into abutting residential lots, and limit height to not above the peak of the roof. In addition, they may not be mounted so that they face or are within a sixty degree angle of the front lot line.
4. Commercial Identification of vehicles – Based on industry standards and experience of Code Enforcement staff, the current one square foot limitation on any identification sign on a vehicle in a parking area or lot may be too restrictive based on industry standards. Therefore, the suggestion is to increase the allowable commercial exterior markings from one square foot to two square feet and permit an identification sign on the side of a car up to two square feet in area.

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Buffers and Landscaping (Section 9-104):

Driveway Clear Sight Area – The Village’s current ordinance for intersection sight lines, does not establish a clear sight area as vehicles pull out of driveways on interior lots. Therefore, we recommend language that limits plantings and other structures to less than three feet in height within five feet of the driveway intersection of the sidewalk to provide clear sight for vehicles backing out of driveways.

Residential Real Estate Signs (Section 11-106):

Since the adoption of the Code in 1991, state laws have changed and now allow real estate agents to place additional information on their real estate signs, such as e-mail and website addresses. Our current limitation is maximum four square feet. However, after reviewing several municipal codes and speaking with agents and brokers about industry standards, we have recommended that the size be increased to six square feet, also allowing riders up to two square feet. In addition, the current limitation of not closer to the sidewalk than ten feet, would be changed to the more practical reference to the driveway clear sight area standard.

Additions to the list of Definitions (Section 16-102):

The following definitions have been recommended as additions to the Code for clarification of terms consistent with the recommended regulations (see attached Exhibit D of the Ordinance for further details):

1. *Accessibility Ramp*
2. *Arbor*
3. *Bay Window*
4. *Dormer Window*
5. *Driveway Clear Sight Area*
6. *Eave*
7. *Entry Sidewalk*
8. *Gable*
9. *Gazebo*
10. *Gutter*
11. *Height*
12. *Lot, Reversed Corner*
13. *Outdoor Kitchen*
14. *Patio*

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15. Pergola
16. Public Utility Station
17. Seat Wall
18. Solar Energy System
19. Solar Panel
20. Solar Thermal Collector
21. Statue
22. Temporary Storage Container

Staff concurs with the Plan Commission's findings that the proposed amendments are logical and appropriate and promote the best interests of the Village and its residents and guests.

Staff recommends approval of "An Ordinance Amending Various Sections of the La Grange Zoning Code Related to Required Yards, Accessory Structures, Signs and Definitions for Single Family Residential Districts," in the form attached to this Report.

ILLUSTRATION A GAZEBOS

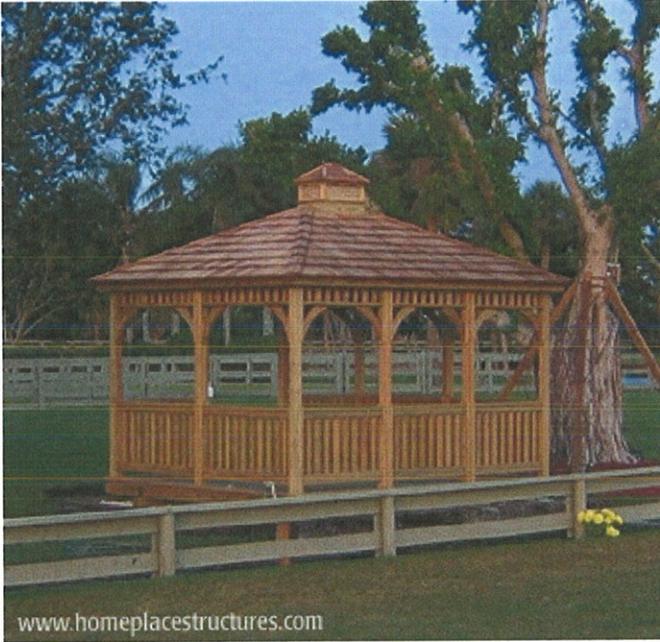


ILLUSTRATION B PERGOLA



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ILLUSTRATION C SEAT WALL



ILLUSTRATION D ARBOR



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ILLUSTRATION E: DECORATIVE COLUMNS



ILLUSTRATION F: OUTDOOR KITCHEN



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VILLAGE OF LA GRANGE

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING VARIOUS SECTIONS
OF THE LA GRANGE ZONING CODE
RELATED TO REQUIRED YARDS, ACCESSORY STRUCTURES, SIGNS,
AND DEFINITIONS FOR THE SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS

WHEREAS, the Village recently has undertaken a review of various provisions of the La Grange Zoning Code, and the President and the Board of Trustees have enacted amendments to the La Grange Zoning Map and to regulations affecting the commercial zoning districts ; and

WHEREAS, the Village staff recently completed a broad review of provisions in Articles III, IX, XI, and XVI of the Zoning Code related to the single family residential districts, and the staff has made recommendations for amendments to the regulations affecting encroachments in required yards and various other regulations governing the single family residential districts; and

WHEREAS, the La Grange Plan Commission conducted public hearing sessions on September 14 and November 9, 2010, to consider all of the proposed amendments, pursuant to proper public notice thereof; and

WHEREAS, at the public hearing, the Plan Commission considered all of the facts and circumstances related to the proposed amendments; and

WHEREAS, after the conclusion of the public hearing, the Plan Commission determined that the proposed amendments, as they were adjusted during the Plan Commission's deliberations, meet the standards stated in the Zoning Code for amendments of general applicability, and the Plan Commission unanimously recommended that the Board of Trustees approve those amendments; and

WHEREAS, at its meetings on January 10 and February 14, 2011, the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of La Grange thoroughly discussed and considered the proposed amendments, the findings and recommendations of the Plan Commission, and how the proposed amendments relate to, and will affect, the Village's single family residential districts, and the President and Board of Trustees have determined that the proposed amendments in the form included in this Ordinance satisfy the standards applicable to them in Section 14-605 of the Zoning Code; and

WHEREAS, the President and Board of Trustees have determined further that it is (a) consistent with the purposes of the Zoning Code as provided in Section 1-102 of the Zoning Code, (b) for the benefit and protection of the public health, safety, and welfare, and (c) appropriate and in the best interests of the Village and its residents to amend regulations related to single family dwellings as provided in this Ordinance;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of La Grange, Cook County and State of Illinois, as follows:

Section 1. Recitals. The foregoing recitals are incorporated into this Ordinance as findings of the President and Board of Trustees.

Section 2. Amendment of Zoning Code Section 3-110 Relating to Structures and Uses in Residential Districts. The Board of Trustees, pursuant to the authority vested in it by State law and Article XIV, Part VI of the La Grange Zoning Code, hereby amends the regulations governing specified structures and uses in required yards of the Single Family Residential Districts of the Zoning Code as set forth in Exhibit A attached to this Ordinance and by this reference incorporated into this Ordinance.

Section 3. Amendment of Zoning Code Subsection 9-101C Relating to Accessory Structures. The Board of Trustees, pursuant to the authority vested in it by State law and Article XIV, Part VI of the La Grange Zoning Code, hereby amends the regulations applicable to accessory structures and uses in the Single Family Residential Districts of the Zoning Code as set forth in Exhibit B attached to this Ordinance and by this reference incorporated into this Ordinance.

Section 4. Amendment of Zoning Code Section 9-104 Relating to Landscaping. The Board of Trustees, pursuant to the authority vested in it by State law and Article XIV, Part VI of the La Grange Zoning Code, hereby amends Section 9-104, titled "Buffers and Landscaping," of the La Grange Zoning Code by adding thereto a new Subsection L as follows:

- L. Driveway Clear Sight Areas. Any other provision of this Code to the contrary notwithstanding, nothing may be erected, placed, planted, allowed to grow, or maintained on any lot in any residential district above a height of three feet above grade within the area of a driveway clear sight area as defined in Section 16-102D of this Code.

Section 5. Amendment of Zoning Code Subsection 11-106M Relating to Residential Real Estate Signs. The Board of Trustees, pursuant to the authority vested in it by State law and Article XIV, Part VI of the La Grange Zoning Code, hereby amends the regulations applicable to residential real estate signs in Subsection 11-106M of the Zoning Code as set forth in Exhibit C attached to this Ordinance and by this reference incorporated into this Ordinance.

Section 6. Amendment of Zoning Code Article XVI Relating to Definitions. The Board of Trustees, pursuant to the authority vested in it by State law and Article XIV, Part VII of the La Grange Zoning Code, hereby amends Section 16-102, titled "Definitions," of the Zoning Code as set forth in Exhibit D attached to this Ordinance and by this reference incorporated into this Ordinance.

Section 7. Effective Date. This Ordinance will be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval, and publication in pamphlet form in the manner provided by law.

PASSED this ____ day of _____ 2011.

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

APPROVED this ____ day of _____ 2011.

Elizabeth Asperger, Village President

ATTEST:

Robert Milne, Village Clerk

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[Note related to all exhibits: Changes in blue are the originally proposed amendments presented to the Board of Trustees at its January 10, 2011, meeting. Changes in red have been made subsequently based on direction given by the Board of Trustees at the January 10 meeting.]

EXHIBIT A

TO ORDINANCE NO. _____

AMENDMENTS TO SUBSECTION 3-110G

G. Exceptions and Explanatory Notes.

1. Height Limitation for Accessory Structures. No accessory structure shall exceed 15 feet in height, measured in accordance with the definition of height in Subsection 16-102H of this Code, or 19 feet in maximum height provided, however, that (i) flagpoles may extend to a height of 10 feet above the highest point of the roof of the principal structure and (ii) the height of any antenna with a surface area in excess of 10 square feet shall be governed by subsection 9-101C of this Code.
2. Nonconforming Lots. See Section 12-105 of this Code for lot requirements with respect to nonconforming lots of record.
3. Visibility Across Corners. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Code to the contrary, nothing shall be erected, placed, planted, allowed to grow, or maintained on any corner lot in any residential district in violation of the standards established in Chapter ~~154~~155 of the La Grange ~~Municipal Code~~ Code of Ordinances.
4. Special Setbacks for Signs. Special setbacks established for some signs in Article XI of this Code shall control over the yard and setback requirements established in the table.
5. Specified Structures and Uses in Required Yards. The following structures and uses, except as limited below, may be located in any required yard:
 - (a) Accessibility ramps, compliant with applicable federal and State accessibility laws; and
 - (b) Arbors and trellises having a height of 10 feet or less, ~~but not in any front yard, but, if located within a front or corner side yard, (i) with no horizontal element exceeding six~~6 feet in length and (ii) located at least five feet from front and side lot lines; and

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- (c) Awnings, canopies, eaves, and gutters projecting not more than three feet from an exterior wall of any principal structure and not more than one foot from an exterior wall of any accessory structure, but in no event closer than three feet from any lot line; and
- (d) Bay windows and balconies projecting not more than three feet from an exterior wall for a distance not more than 1/3 of the length of such wall in any front or rear yard; provided that such projections shall come entirely within planes drawn from the main corners of the building at an interior angle of 22 ½ degrees with the wall in question; and
- (e) Chimneys, flues, belt courses, leaders, sills, pilasters, lintels, ornamental features, cornices, and the like projecting not more than one and one-half feet from any exterior wall, but in no event closer than three feet from any lot line; and
- (f) Decorative columns, pillars, and bases, but, if located within a front or corner side yard, (i) having a height of four feet or less, (ii) having no horizontal element exceeding two feet in width or diameter, (iii) located at least five feet from front and any interior side lot lines, and (iv) subject to the limitations for clear sight areas in Subsection 9-104L of this Code; and
- (g) Animal exercise areas, but only in rear yards and not closer than three feet from any lot line; and
- (h) Fences, walls and hedges, subject to the limitations of Sections 9-104 and 9-105 of this Code; and
- (i) Flagpoles having a height of 15-20 feet or less; and
- (j) Gazebos and pergolas, but only in rear yards and subject to the limitations of Subsection 9-101C of this Code; and
- (k) Landscape plant materials, but subject to the limitations for clear sight areas in Subsection 9-104L of this Code; and
- ~~(k)~~(l) Heating and air conditioning Mechanical equipment, but only in rear yards, but (i) in no event closer than a distance equal to 10 percent of lot width from any lot line, (ii) screened with plant material or a suitable screening wall of all sides on the equipment that are visible from a public way, and (iii) subject to the noise control standards established in Chapter 97 of the Ia Grange Code of Ordinances; and
- ~~(l)~~(m) Nonmechanical laundry equipment, but only in rear yards; and

- (n) Outdoor kitchens, but only in rear yards, and subject to the limitations of Subsection 9-101C of this Code; and
- ~~(m)~~ (o) Outside stairways projecting from an exterior supporting wall not more than ~~three~~ four feet and having a height of four feet or less, but not in any side yard; and
- ~~(n)~~ (p) Recreational devices, except in front yards; provided however that freestanding basketball standards are not governed by this section; and
- ~~(o)~~ (q) Parking areas, but only in rear yards and subject to the limitations of Paragraph 9-101C4 of this Code; and
- ~~(p)~~ (r) Patios, but (i) extending not more than seven feet into any front or corner side yard, (ii) in no event closer than 20 feet to any front lot line, and (iii) subject to the grading and drainage standards established in Chapter 150 of the La Grange Code of Ordinances; and
- (s) Seat walls, but (i) extending not more than seven feet into any front or corner side yard, and (ii) in no event closer than 20 feet to any front lot line and five feet from any other lot line; and
- ~~(q)~~ (t) Statuary—Statues and ornamental light standards having a height of 10 feet or less; and
- ~~(r)~~ (u) Temporary storage containers, but (i) in no event closer than five feet from any front lot line and ~~no closer than three feet from any other lot line, unless on a driveway or other hard-surfaced area~~ and (ii) for time periods not exceeding 10 consecutive days or 30 days in any calendar year ~~except that the Village Manager may approve in writing an extension for a specific number of days of either time period on written request stating extraordinary circumstances or other good cause for an extension~~; and
- (v) Window wells for at-grade or sub-grade windows, but in no event closer than three feet from any lot line and not including any cover or appurtenances such as fences, blocks, stones or similar features extending higher than 12 inches above grade.

EXHIBIT B

TO ORDINANCE NO. _____

AMENDMENTS TO VARIOUS PARAGRAPHS OF SUBSECTION 9-101C

[Note: The paragraphs of Subsection 9-101C are being reordered into alphabetical order. That change is noted reflected here.]

— . Gazebos. Gazebos must satisfy all of the following conditions:

(a) Size. No gazebo in any single family residential district may exceed the following gross floor area maximums:

(i) Lots 6,500 square feet or less in total lot area: 120 square feet;

(ii) Lots 6,501 to 10,000 square feet in total lot area: 144 square feet;

(iii) Lots greater than 10,000 square feet in total lot area: 250 square feet.

(b) Height. No gazebo may exceed 12 feet in maximum height.

(c) Number Limited. No more than one gazebo may be located on any zoning lot.

(d) Other Standards. Each vertical surface of the gazebo must be at least 50 percent open.

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— . Outdoor Kitchens. Outdoor kitchens must satisfy all of the following conditions:

(a) Height. No outdoor kitchen or any of its structures, including without limitation any awning, canopy, or other covering, may exceed eight feet in height, with the exception of a chimney or flue for a wood burning stove, which in no event may exceed 15 feet in height.

(b) Setback from Lot Lines. Outdoor kitchens may be located no closer than (i) 10 feet from the rear lot line and (ii) a distance equal to 20 percent of the lot width from any side lot line.

(c) Other Standards. Outdoor kitchens must comply with all standards established in Chapter 98 of the La Grange Code of Ordinances.

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— . Off Street Storage of Vehicles in Residential Districts. The following provisions shall govern the off street storage of all vehicles in all residential districts:

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~~(e)~~(e) General Regulations and Standards: The following standards and regulations shall apply to the storage of vehicles in parking lots and parking areas on a lot in a residential district:

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(viii) Commercial Identification Prohibited. No vehicle with any exterior marking in excess of ~~one~~two square foot in area, measured as provided in Subsection 11-105L of this Code, identifying or advertising a commercial enterprise shall be stored in any parking area on any lot in a residential district.

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— . Solar Energy Systems, Building Mounted. Solar panels when mounted on a rooftop must satisfy each of the following conditions:

(a) Each solar panel must be located so it does not reflect light onto abutting residential lots.

(b) A solar panel may not extend above the peak of the roof to which it is attached.

~~(a)~~(C) No solar panel may be mounted facing or within a 60 degree angle of the front lot line, except if the front lot line is the southerly lot line of the zoning lot in which case this limitation does not apply.

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EXHIBIT C

TO ORDINANCE NO. _____

AMENDMENTS TO SUBSECTION 11-106M

M. Real Estate Signs. Such signs shall be limited to one single- or double-faced, non-illuminated sign of the following maximum gross surface areas:

1. Single family residential, individual lots: no more than ~~four~~ six square feet per sign face with attachable riders allowed up to two additional square feet.
2. Single family residential, multi-lot developments: no more than ~~four~~ six square feet per sign face per zoning lot located in the development with attachable riders allowed up to two square feet, up to a maximum of 64 square feet.
3. Other districts: no more than 36 square feet.

Every such sign shall be removed within ~~ten~~ 10 days after the execution of a sales contract or rental lease of the property or the expiration of any conditions precedent therein that might avoid the sale or lease, whichever occurs later, or, for multi-unit developments or structures, within 14 days following the date upon which such development or structure is 90 percent sold or leased. The name, address, and telephone number of the person responsible for such removal shall be clearly marked on the sign. ~~No ground sign shall be closer to any sidewalk or street line than 10 feet~~ Such signs are subject to the limitations within a driveway clear sight area as provided in Subsection 16-102D of this Code.

EXHIBIT D

TO ORDINANCE NO. _____

AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 16-102

16-102 DEFINITIONS

- A. When used in this Code, the following terms shall have the meanings herein ascribed to them:

ACCESSIBILITY RAMP. A ramp or similar structure that provides wheelchair or other handicapped access to a building.

ADJACENT. To lie near, close to, or in the vicinity of. "Adjacent" may mean separated by only a street or alley.

ALTERATION, STRUCTURAL. See Subsection 16-102S of this Section ~~for "Structural Alteration."~~

ARBOR. An open latticework bower used principally as decorative screening or support for climbing vines or flowers or other plants. A trellis.

- B. When used in this Code, the following terms shall have the meanings herein ascribed to them:

BAY WINDOW. A large window or set of windows of one or more stories in height protruding from the outer wall of a house and creating a recessed space within the house.

BUILDING DEPTH. The longest straight line that can be drawn through a structure, from one end to the other end, substantially parallel to the side or corner side lot lines of the lot on which it is located.

BUILDING HEIGHT. See Subsection 16-102H ~~of this Section for "Height."~~

BUILDING, PRINCIPAL. A building in which is conducted the principal use of the lot on which ~~said the~~ building is situated.

BUILDING WIDTH. The longest straight line that can be drawn through a structure, from one side to the other side, parallel to the front lot line.

- C. When used in this Code, the following terms shall have the meanings herein ascribed to them:

CLEAR SIGHT AREA. An area, as provided in Chapter 15~~45~~ of the La Grange ~~Municipal~~ Code of Ordinances, in which the height of structures and vegetation is limited in order to promote visibility at street and driveway intersections.

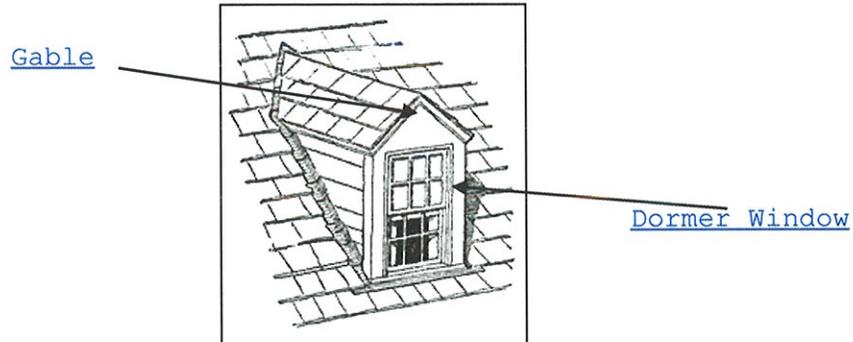
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CLEAR SIGHT AREA, DRIVEWAY. See Subsection 16-102D for "Driveway Clear Site Area."

- D. When used in this Code, the following terms shall have the meanings herein ascribed to them:

DORMER WINDOW. A window set vertically within a small gable projecting from a roofline. See Subsection 16-102G of this Section for "Gable." (See Figure 1: Dormer Window)

FIGURE 1: DORMER WINDOW



DRIVEWAY CLEAR SIGHT AREA. The area defined as anywhere within five feet of any point of intersection of a private driveway with a front, corner side, or rear lot line, within which no plant or other landscaping, or solid fence or other structure of any kind, may exceed three feet in height.

- E. When used in this Code, the following terms shall have the meanings herein ascribed to them:

EAVE. Any part of a roof that extends beyond the building wall, and, for purposes of measuring building height, the lowest edge of a sloping roof regardless of whether it extends beyond the building wall.

ENTRY SIDEWALK. See Subsection 16-102S for "Sidewalk, Entry."

FRONT LOT LINE. See Subsection 16-102L of this Section for "Lot Line, Front."

FRONT YARD. See Subsection 16-102Y of this Section for "Yard, Front."

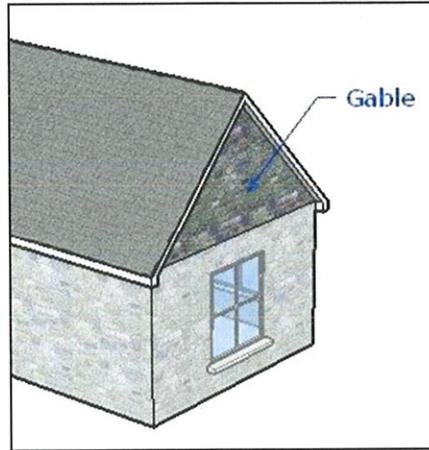
FRONT YARD LINE. See Subsection 16-102Y of this Section for "Yard Line, Front."

- G. When used in this Code, the following terms shall have the meanings herein ascribed to them:

GABLE. A triangular section of wall formed by a roofline with two slopes, extending from the eaves of that roofline to the ridge where the two slopes of the roofline meet. A

gable projecting from a roofline may be miniaturized over a dormer window. See Subsection 16-102D for "Dormer Window." (See Figure 2: Gable)

FIGURE 2: GABLE



GAZEBO. A freestanding roofed accessory structure designed for occasional recreational use, and subject to the limitations of Subsection 9-101C of this Code.

GUTTER. A shallow channel of metal or wood set immediately below or along the eaves of a building to catch and carry off rainwater from the roof.

- H. When used in this Code, the following terms shall have the meanings herein ascribed to them:

HEIGHT. The vertical distance measured from grade at the front of a structure to the highest point of the roof for flat roofs, to the deck line for mansard roofs and to the mean height between eaves and ridge for gable, hip, and gambrel roofs or to the highest point of a structure without a roof. Where a parapet wall, penthouse, mechanical equipment, or any similar structure is located on the roof of a building, building height shall be measured to the highest point of said structure if any part of it extends above the height as measured pursuant to the first sentence of this definition. Chimneys of residential buildings shall be disregarded when determining the height of such buildings. Where a structure faces more than one street, the structure face with the greater height when measured as herein required shall be deemed to be the front of the structure for purposes of measuring structure height. Building height shall be measured on a gable if (a) the width of any one gable exceeds 30 percent of the length of the building side on which the gable is measured, which length shall be measured to the outer edges, or (b) if the combined total roof area of all gables exceeds 30 percent of the total roof area of the building.

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I. When used in this Code, the following terms shall have the meanings herein ascribed to them:

INTERIOR LOT. See Subsection 16-102L ~~of this Section for "Lot, Interior."~~

L. When used in this Code, the following terms shall have the meanings herein ascribed to them:

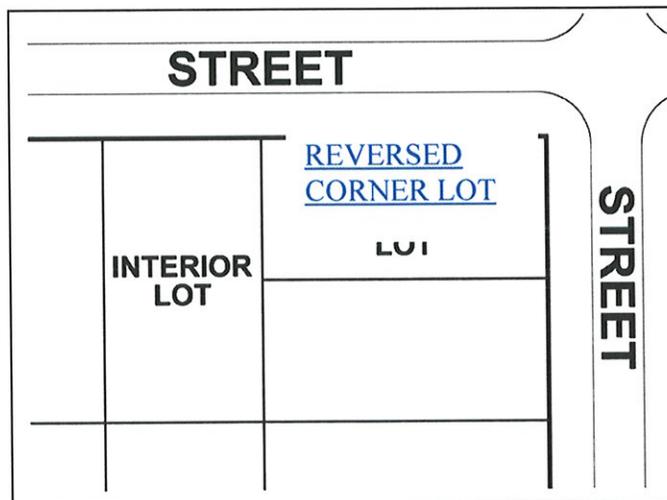
LA GRANGE CODE OF ORDINANCES. The La Grange Code of Ordinances, as amended from time to time. See Subsection 16-102-M for "Municipal Code".

LEGAL NONCONFORMING LOT OF RECORD. See Subsection 16-102N for "Nonconforming Lot of Record, Legal." ~~of this Section.~~

LOT OF RECORD. A lot that is part of a subdivision, the properly approved plat of which has been recorded in the office of the Recorder of Deeds or Registrar of Titles of Cook County, Illinois, or a parcel of land separately described in a recorded deed. See also Subsection 16-102N ~~of this Section for definitions of "Nonconforming Lot of Record" and "Nonconforming Lot of Record, Legal."~~

LOT, REVERSED CORNER. A corner lot the corner side lot line of which is substantially a continuation of the front lot line of the zoning lot abutting the rear lot line of that corner lot. (See Figure 3: Reversed Corner Lot)

FIGURE 3: REVERSED CORNER LOT



M. When used in this Code, the following terms shall have the meanings herein ascribed to them:

MUNICIPAL CODE. The La Grange ~~Municipal Code of 1996, as amended Ordinances.~~

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- O. When used in this Code, the following terms shall have the meanings herein ascribed to them:

OUTDOOR KITCHEN. An outdoor structure or installation accessory to a single family detached dwelling that is designed and intended for preparation and cooking of food, that includes one or more types of cooking fixtures such as a grill, cook top, oven, and fireplace; that may include cabinets or other storage places; that may be partially but not fully enclosed with railings, low walls, screening, or similar elements; and that may be covered or partially covered by a roof, canopy, or trellis-like latticework; and subject to the limitations of Subsection 9-101C of this Code

- P. When used in this Code, the following terms shall have the meanings herein ascribed to them:

PATIO. A level, surfaced area no higher than one foot above grade, without a permanent roof, typically designed and intended for recreational purposes and not as any part of a parking space or driveway.

PERGOLA. An unenclosed wooden structure, open on the sides and top and usually square or rectangular in shape, composed generally of vertical support posts tied together with side rafters at the top of the posts and horizontal rafters across the top at regular intervals.

PUBLIC UTILITY STATION. Buildings, structures, and facilities including generating and switching stations, poles, lines, pipes, pumping stations, repeaters, antennas, transmitters and receivers, and valves, related to furnishing of public utility services to the public such as electricity, gas, telephone, water or sewage service.

- S. When used in this Code, the following terms shall have the meanings herein ascribed to them:

SEAT WALL. A wall on or abutting a deck, patio, or distinct landscape feature, designed for seating and not exceeding 22 inches in height at any point.

SIDEWALK, ENTRY. The sidewalk on private property serving as the principal means of pedestrian access to the lot, typically leading from the sidewalk on adjacent public-right-of way to the front entry of the building on the lot, and typically traversing the front yard or corner side yard.

SIGHT TRIANGLE. See Subsection 16-102C, "Clear ~~Site~~-Sight Area," and Subsection 16-102D "Driveway Clear Sight Area," of this Section.

SINGLE FAMILY ATTACHED DWELLING. See Subsection 16-102D ~~of this Section~~for "Dwellings, Single Family Attached."

SINGLE FAMILY DETACHED DWELLING. See Subsection 16-102D ~~of this Section~~ for "Dwellings, Single Family Attached."

SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEM. A system including solar panels that use the power of the sun to capture, distribute, and/or store energy for on-site consumption of utility power.

SOLAR PANEL. A device, consisting of an array of solar cells, often attached to rooftops and similar locations that converts the energy in sunlight into electrical energy through the process of photovoltaics. The term "solar panel" includes solar thermal collectors. See regulations in Subsection 9-101C of this Code.

STATUE. A three-dimensional form or likeness sculpted, modeled, carved, constructed, or cast in stone, clay, wood, metal, or any similar material.

STRUCTURE, NONCONFORMING. See Subsection 16-102N ~~of this Section~~ for "Structure, Nonconforming."

STRUCTURE, PRINCIPAL. See Subsection 16-102P ~~of this Section~~ for "Structure, Principal."

T. When used in this Code, the following terms shall have the meanings herein ascribed to them:

TEMPORARY SIGN. See Section 11-105 of this Code.

TEMPORARY STORAGE CONTAINER. Any sort of portable self-storage container delivered to a property to store belongings for a limited period of time. Temporary Storage Containers are sometimes known as "PODS" (Portable On-Demand Storage containers).

TEMPORARY USES. See Section 9-103 of this Code.

TRELLIS. See ~~definition subsection 16-102A for~~ "Arbor."

TWO FAMILY DWELLING. See Subsection 16-102D ~~of this Section~~ for "Dwelling, Two Family."

U. When used in this Code, the following terms shall have the meanings herein ascribed to them:

USABLE OPEN SPACE. See Subsection 16-102Q ~~of this Section~~ for "Open Space, Usable."

USE, NONCONFORMING. See Subsection 16-102N ~~of this Section~~ for "Nonconforming, Use."

USE, PERMITTED. A use that appears on the permitted use list of a particular zoning district.

USE, PRINCIPAL. See Subsection 16-102P for "Principal Use." ~~of this Section.~~

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- V. When used in this Code, the following terms shall have the meanings herein ascribed to them:

VEHICLE, RECREATIONAL. See Subsection 16-102R ~~of this Section~~ for Recreational Vehicle."

VILLAGE MANAGER. See Section 31-100 of the La Grange ~~Municipal Code~~ of Ordinances. When used in this Code, the term Village Manager shall refer either to such official or to his or her duly authorized delegate.

- W. When used in this Code, the following terms shall have the meanings herein ascribed to them:

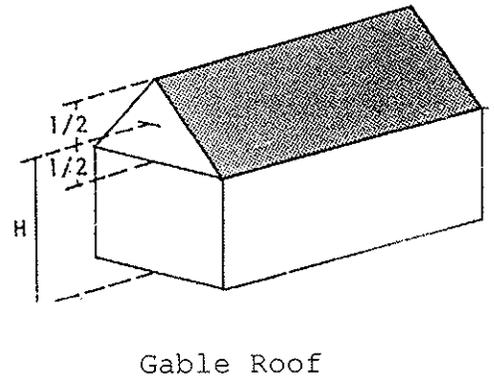
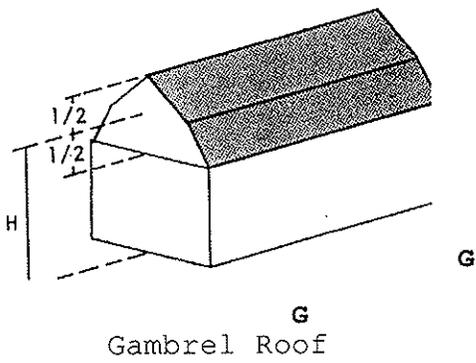
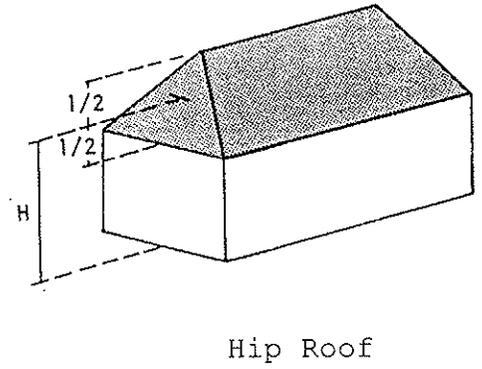
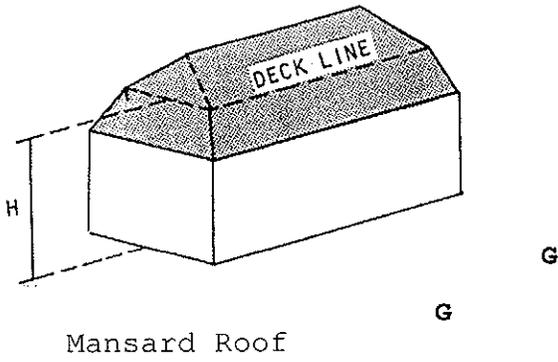
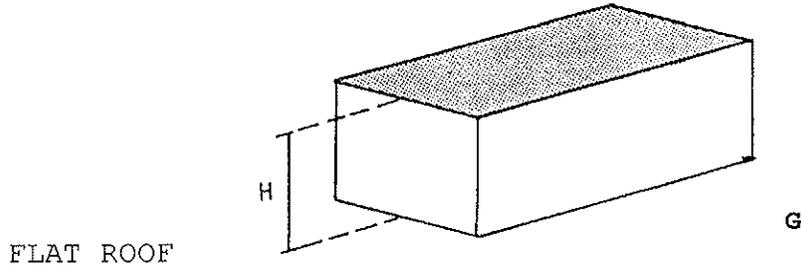
WIDTH OF LOT. See Subsection 16-102L ~~of this Section~~ for "Lot Width."

- Z. When used in this Code, the following terms shall have the meanings herein ascribed to them:

ZONING CLASSIFICATION. See Subsection 16-102C ~~of this Section~~ for "Classification."

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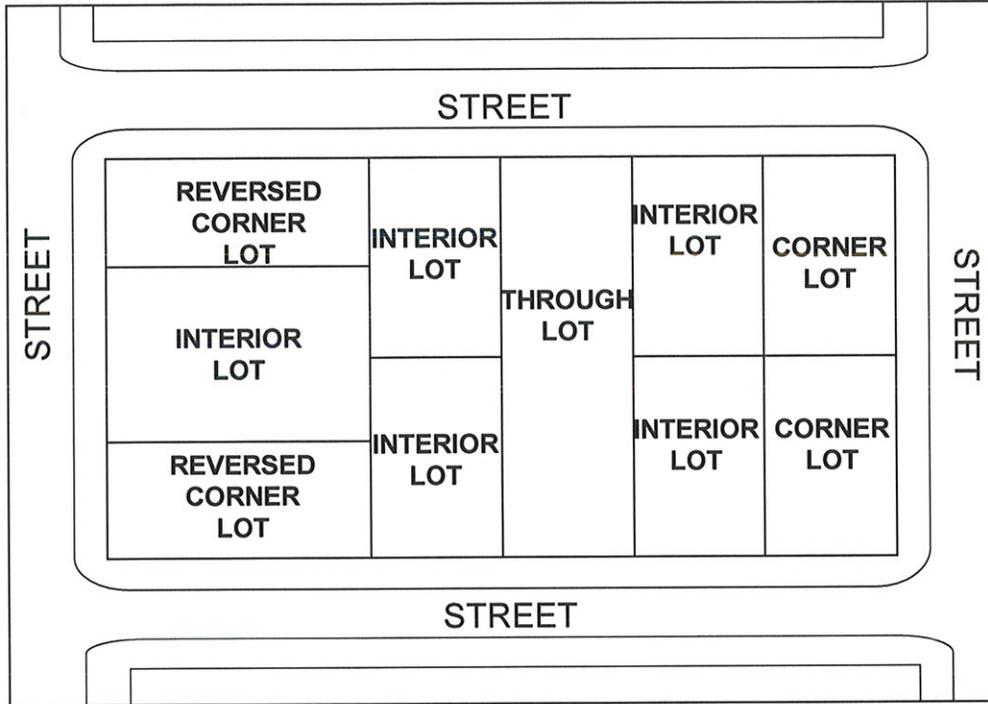
BUILDING HEIGHT



H = Height
G = Grade

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Examples of Lot Types



Corner Lot - A lot abutting upon two or more streets at their intersection or junction or a lot bounded on two sides by a curving street where it is possible to draw two intersecting tangents, one each commencing at each of the two points of intersection of the lot lines and street line, which intersect with each other to form an interior angle of less than [135] degrees.

Reversed Corner Lot - A corner lot the corner side lot line of which is substantially a continuation of the front lot line of the zoning lot abutting the rear lot line of that corner lot.

Interior Lot - A lot other than a corner lot.

Through Lot - A lot having frontages on two non-intersecting streets.

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VILLAGE OF LA GRANGE

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING VARIOUS SECTIONS
OF THE LA GRANGE ZONING CODE
RELATED TO REQUIRED YARDS, ACCESSORY STRUCTURES, SIGNS,
AND DEFINITIONS FOR THE SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS

WHEREAS, the Village recently has undertaken a review of various provisions of the La Grange Zoning Code, and the President and the Board of Trustees have enacted amendments to the La Grange Zoning Map and to regulations affecting the commercial zoning districts ; and

WHEREAS, the Village staff recently completed a broad review of provisions in Articles III, IX, XI, and XVI of the Zoning Code related to the single family residential districts, and the staff has made recommendations for amendments to the regulations affecting encroachments in required yards and various other regulations governing the single family residential districts; and

WHEREAS, the La Grange Plan Commission conducted public hearing sessions on September 14 and November 9, 2010, to consider all of the proposed amendments, pursuant to proper public notice thereof; and

WHEREAS, at the public hearing, the Plan Commission considered all of the facts and circumstances related to the proposed amendments; and

WHEREAS, after the conclusion of the public hearing, the Plan Commission determined that the proposed amendments, as they were adjusted during the Plan Commission's deliberations, meet the standards stated in the Zoning Code for amendments of general applicability, and the Plan Commission unanimously recommended that the Board of Trustees approve those amendments; and

WHEREAS, at its meetings on January 10 and February 14, 2011, the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of La Grange thoroughly discussed and considered the proposed amendments, the findings and recommendations of the Plan Commission, and how the proposed amendments relate to, and will affect, the Village's single family residential districts, and the President and Board of Trustees have determined that the proposed amendments in the form included in this Ordinance satisfy the standards applicable to them in Section 14-605 of the Zoning Code; and

WHEREAS, the President and Board of Trustees have determined further that it is (a) consistent with the purposes of the Zoning Code as provided in Section 1-102 of the Zoning Code, (b) for the benefit and protection of the public health,

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safety, and welfare, and (c) appropriate and in the best interests of the Village and its residents to amend regulations related to single family dwellings as provided in this Ordinance;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of La Grange, Cook County and State of Illinois, as follows:

Section 1. Recitals. The foregoing recitals are incorporated into this Ordinance as findings of the President and Board of Trustees.

Section 2. Amendment of Zoning Code Section 3-110 Relating to Structures and Uses in Residential Districts. The Board of Trustees, pursuant to the authority vested in it by State law and Article XIV, Part VI of the La Grange Zoning Code, hereby amends the regulations governing specified structures and uses in required yards of the Single Family Residential Districts of the Zoning Code as set forth in Exhibit A attached to this Ordinance and by this reference incorporated into this Ordinance.

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Article XIV, Part VII of the La Grange Zoning Code, hereby amends Section 16-102, titled "Definitions," of the Zoning Code as set forth in Exhibit D attached to this Ordinance and by this reference incorporated into this Ordinance.

Section 7. Effective Date. This Ordinance will be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval, and publication in pamphlet form in the manner provided by law.

PASSED this ____ day of _____ 2011.

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

APPROVED this ____ day of _____ 2011.

Elizabeth Asperger, Village President

ATTEST:

Robert Milne, Village Clerk

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EXHIBIT A

TO ORDINANCE NO. _____

AMENDMENTS TO SUBSECTION 3-110G

G. Exceptions and Explanatory Notes.

1. Height Limitation for Accessory Structures. No accessory structure shall exceed 15 feet in height, measured in accordance with the definition of height in Subsection 16-102H of this Code, or 19 feet in maximum height provided, however, that (i) flagpoles may extend to a height of 10 feet above the highest point of the roof of the principal structure and (ii) the height of any antenna with a surface area in excess of 10 square feet shall be governed by subsection 9-101C of this Code.
2. Nonconforming Lots. See Section 12-105 of this Code for lot requirements with respect to nonconforming lots of record.
3. Visibility Across Corners. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Code to the contrary, nothing shall be erected, placed, planted, allowed to grow, or maintained on any corner lot in any residential district in violation of the standards established in Chapter 155 of the La Grange Code of Ordinances.
4. Special Setbacks for Signs. Special setbacks established for some signs in Article XI of this Code shall control over the yard and setback requirements established in the table.
5. Specified Structures and Uses in Required Yards. The following structures and uses, except as limited below, may be located in any required yard:
 - (a) Accessibility ramps, compliant with applicable federal and State accessibility laws; and
 - (b) Arbors and trellises having a height of 10 feet or less, but, if located within a front or corner side yard, (i) with no horizontal element exceeding six feet in length and (ii) located at least five feet from front and side lot lines; and

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- (c) Awnings, canopies, eaves, and gutters projecting not more than three feet from an exterior wall of any principal structure and not more than one foot from an exterior wall of any accessory structure, but in no event closer than three feet from any lot line; and
- (d) Bay windows and balconies projecting not more than three feet from an exterior wall for a distance not more than one-third of the length of such wall in any front or rear yard; provided that such projections shall come entirely within planes drawn from the main corners of the building at an interior angle of 22½ degrees with the wall in question; and
- (e) Chimneys, flues, belt courses, leaders, sills, pilasters, lintels, ornamental features, cornices, and the like projecting not more than one and one-half feet from any exterior wall, but in no event closer than three feet from any lot line; and
- (f) Decorative columns, pillars, and bases, but if located within a front or corner side yard, then (i) having a height of four feet or less, (ii) having no horizontal element exceeding two feet in width or diameter, (iii) located at least five feet from any interior side lot line, and (iv) subject to the limitations for clear sight areas in Subsection 9-104L of this Code; and
- (g) Animal exercise areas, but only in rear yards and not closer than three feet from any lot line; and
- (h) Fences, walls and hedges, subject to the limitations of Sections 9-104 and 9-105 of this Code; and
- (i) Flagpoles having a height of 20 feet or less; and
- (j) Gazebos and pergolas, but only in rear yards and subject to the limitations of Subsection 9-101C of this Code; and
- (k) Landscape plant materials, but subject to the limitations for clear sight areas in Subsection 9-104L of this Code; and
- (l) Mechanical equipment, only in rear yards and (i) in no event closer than a distance equal to 10 percent of lot width from any lot line, (ii) screened with plant material or a suitable screening wall of all sides on the equipment that are visible from a public way, and

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- (iii) subject to the noise control standards in Chapter 97 of the La Grange Code of Ordinances; and
- (m) Non-mechanical laundry equipment, but only in rear yards; and
 - (n) Outdoor kitchens, but only in rear yards and subject to the limitations of Subsection 9-101C of this Code; and
 - (o) Outside stairways projecting from an exterior supporting wall not more than four feet and having a height of four feet or less, but not in any side yard; and
 - (p) Recreational devices, except in front yards and except that freestanding basketball standards are not governed by this section; and
 - (q) Parking areas, but only in rear yards and subject to the limitations of Paragraph 9-101C4 of this Code; and
 - (r) Patios, but (i) extending not more than seven feet into any front or corner side yard, (ii) in no event closer than 20 feet to any front lot line, and (iii) subject to the grading and drainage standards established in Chapter 150 of the La Grange Code of Ordinances; and
 - (s) Seat walls, but (i) extending not more than seven feet into any front or corner side yard and (ii) in no event closer than 20 feet to any front lot line and five feet from any other lot line; and
 - (t) Statues and ornamental light standards having a height of 10 feet or less; and
 - (u) Temporary storage containers, but (i) in no event closer than five feet from any front lot line and no closer than three feet from any other lot line unless on a driveway or other hard-surfaced area and (ii) for time periods not exceeding 10 consecutive days or 30 days in any calendar year except that the Village Manager may approve in writing an extension for a specific number of days of either time period on written request stating extraordinary circumstances or other good cause for an extension; and

- (v) Window wells for at-grade or sub-grade windows, but in no event closer than three feet from any lot line and not including any cover or appurtenances such as fences, blocks, stones or similar features extending higher than 12 inches above grade.

EXHIBIT B

TO ORDINANCE NO. _____

AMENDMENTS TO VARIOUS PARAGRAPHS OF SUBSECTION 9-101C
[paragraph numbering to be added in alphabetical order]

___ . Gazebos. Gazebos must satisfy all of the following conditions:

(a) Size. No gazebo in any single family residential district may exceed the following gross floor area maximums:

(i) Lots 6,500 square feet or less in total lot area: 120 square feet;

(ii) Lots 6,501 to 10,000 square feet in total lot area: 144 square feet;

(iii) Lots greater than 10,000 square feet in total lot area: 250 square feet.

(b) Height. No gazebo may exceed 12 feet in maximum height.

(c) Number Limited. No more than one gazebo may be located on any zoning lot.

(d) Other Standards. Each vertical surface of the gazebo must be at least 50 percent open.

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___ . Outdoor Kitchens. Outdoor kitchens must satisfy all of the following conditions:

(a) Height. No outdoor kitchen or any of its structures, including without limitation any awning, canopy, or other covering, may exceed eight feet in height, with the exception of a chimney or flue for a wood burning stove which in no event may exceed 15 feet in height.

(b) Setback from Lot Lines. Outdoor kitchens may be located no closer than (i) 10 feet from the rear lot line and (ii) a distance equal to 20 percent of the lot width from any side lot line.

(c) Other Standards. Outdoor kitchens must comply with all standards in Chapter 98 of the La Grange Code of Ordinances.

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___ . Off Street Storage of Vehicles in Residential Districts. The following provisions shall govern the off street storage of all vehicles in all residential districts:

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(e) General Regulations and Standards: The following standards and regulations shall apply to the storage of vehicles in parking lots and parking areas on a lot in a residential district:

* * *

(viii) Commercial Identification Prohibited. No vehicle with any exterior marking in excess of two square foot in area, measured as provided in Subsection 11-105L of this Code, identifying or advertising a commercial enterprise shall be stored in any parking area on any lot in a residential district.

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___ . Solar Energy Systems, Building Mounted. Solar panels when mounted on a rooftop must satisfy each of the following conditions:

- (a) Each solar panel must be located so it does not reflect light onto abutting residential lots.
- (b) A solar panel may not extend above the peak of the roof to which it is attached.
- (c) No solar panel may be mounted facing or within a 60-degree angle of the front lot line, except if the front lot line is the southerly lot line of the zoning lot in which case this limitation does not apply.

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EXHIBIT C

TO ORDINANCE NO. _____

AMENDMENTS TO SUBSECTION 11-106M

M. Real Estate Signs. Such signs shall be limited to one single- or double-faced, non-illuminated sign of the following maximum gross surface areas:

1. Single family residential, individual lots: no more than six square feet per sign face with attachable riders allowed up to two additional square feet.
2. Single family residential, multi-lot developments: no more than six square feet per sign face per zoning lot located in the development with attachable riders allowed up to two square feet on each sign, up to a collective maximum of 64 square feet.
3. Other districts: no more than 36 square feet.

Every such sign shall be removed within 10 days after the execution of a sales contract or rental lease of the property or the expiration of any conditions precedent therein that might avoid the sale or lease, whichever occurs later, or, for multi-unit developments or structures, within 14 days following the date upon which such development or structure is 90 percent sold or leased. The name, address, and telephone number of the person responsible for such removal shall be clearly marked on the sign. Such signs are subject to the limitations within a driveway clear sight area as provided in Subsection 16-102D of this Code.

EXHIBIT D

TO ORDINANCE NO. _____

AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 16-102

16-102 DEFINITIONS

- A. When used in this Code, the following terms shall have the meanings herein ascribed to them:

ACCESSIBILITY RAMP. A ramp or similar structure that provides wheelchair or other handicapped access to a building.

ADJACENT. To lie near, close to, or in the vicinity of. "Adjacent" may mean separated by only a street or alley.

ALTERATION, STRUCTURAL. See Subsection 16-102S for "Structural Alteration."

ARBOR. An open latticework bower used principally as decorative screening or support for climbing vines or flowers or other plants. A trellis.

- B. When used in this Code, the following terms shall have the meanings herein ascribed to them:

BAY WINDOW. A large window or set of windows of one or more stories in height protruding from the outer wall of a house and creating a recessed space within the house.

BUILDING DEPTH. The longest straight line that can be drawn through a structure, from one end to the other end, substantially parallel to the side or corner side lot lines of the lot on which it is located.

BUILDING HEIGHT. See Subsection 16-102H for "Height."

BUILDING, PRINCIPAL. A building in which is conducted the principal use of the lot on which the building is situated.

BUILDING WIDTH. The longest straight line that can be drawn through a structure, from one side to the other side, parallel to the front lot line.

- C. When used in this Code, the following terms shall have the meanings herein ascribed to them:

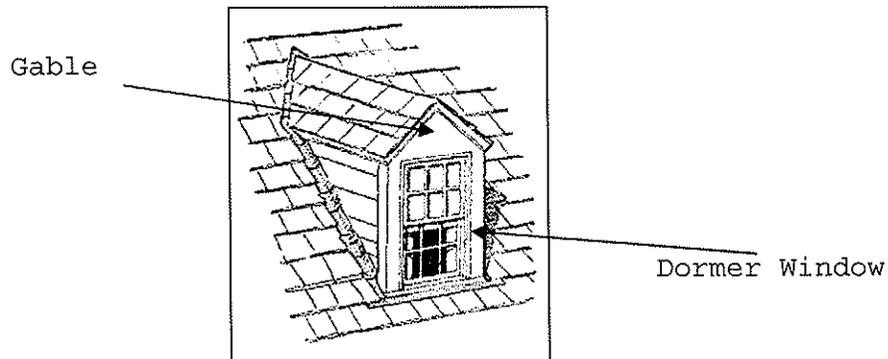
CLEAR SIGHT AREA. An area, as provided in Chapter 155 of the La Grange Code of Ordinances, in which the height of structures and vegetation is limited in order to promote visibility at street and driveway intersections.

CLEAR SIGHT AREA, DRIVEWAY. See Subsection 16-102D for "Driveway Clear Site Area."

- D. When used in this Code, the following terms shall have the meanings herein ascribed to them:

DORMER WINDOW. A window set vertically within a small gable projecting from a roofline. See Subsection 16-102G for "Gable." (See Figure 1: Dormer Window)

FIGURE 1: DORMER WINDOW



DRIVEWAY CLEAR SIGHT AREA. The area defined as anywhere within five feet of any point of intersection of a private driveway with a front, corner side, or rear lot line, within which no plant or other landscaping, or solid fence or other structure of any kind, may exceed three feet in height.

- E. When used in this Code, the following terms shall have the meanings herein ascribed to them:

EAVE. Any part of a roof that extends beyond the building wall and, for purposes of measuring building height, the lowest edge of a sloping roof regardless of whether it extends beyond the building wall.

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ENTRY SIDEWALK. See Subsection 16-102S for "Sidewalk, Entry."

FRONT LOT LINE. See Subsection 16-102L for "Lot Line, Front."

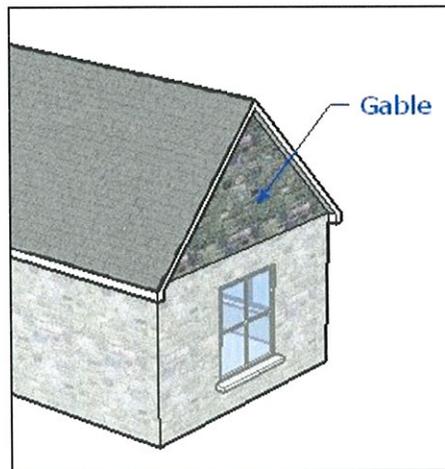
FRONT YARD. See Subsection 16-102Y for "Yard, Front."

FRONT YARD LINE. See Subsection 16-102Y for "Yard Line, Front."

- G. When used in this Code, the following terms shall have the meanings herein ascribed to them:

GABLE. A triangular section of wall formed by a roofline with two slopes, extending from the eaves of that roofline to the ridge where the two slopes of the roofline meet. A gable projecting from a roofline may be miniaturized over a dormer window. See Subsection 16-102D for "Dormer Window." (See Figure 2: Gable)

FIGURE 2: GABLE



GAZEBO. A freestanding roofed accessory structure designed for occasional recreational use and subject to the limitations of Subsection 9-101C of this Code.

GUTTER. A shallow channel of metal or wood set immediately below or along the eaves of a building to catch and carry off rainwater from the roof.

- H. When used in this Code, the following terms shall have the meanings herein ascribed to them:

HEIGHT. The vertical distance measured from grade at the front of a structure to the highest point of the roof for flat roofs, to the deck line for mansard roofs and to the mean height between eaves and ridge for gable, hip, and gambrel roofs or to the highest point of a structure without a roof. Where a parapet wall, penthouse, mechanical equipment, or any similar structure is located on the roof of a building, building height shall be measured to the highest point of said structure if any part of it extends above the height as measured pursuant to the first sentence of this definition. Chimneys of residential buildings shall be disregarded determining the height of such buildings. Where a structure faces more than one street, the structure face with the greater height when measured as herein required shall be deemed to be the front of the structure for purposes of measuring structure height. Building height shall be measured on a gable if (a) the width of any one gable exceeds 30 percent of the length of the building side on which the gable is measured, which length shall be measured to the outer edges, or (b) if the combined total roof area of all gables exceeds 30 percent of the total roof area of the building.

- I. When used in this Code, the following terms shall have the meanings herein ascribed to them:

INTERIOR LOT. See Subsection 16-102L for "Lot, Interior."

- L. When used in this Code, the following terms shall have the meanings herein ascribed to them:

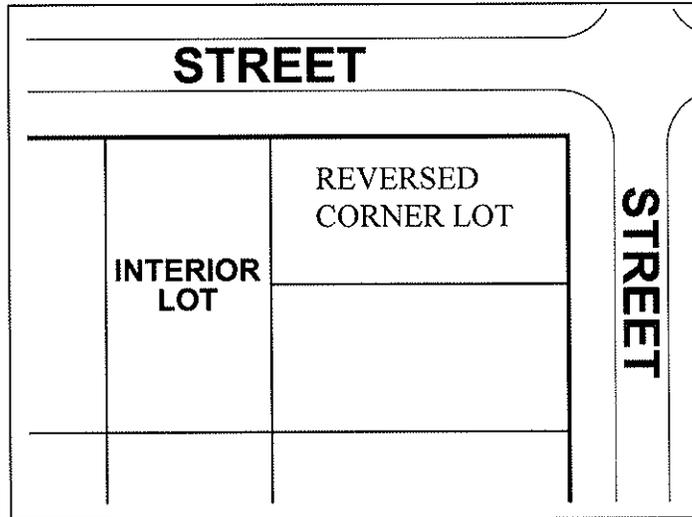
LA GRANGE CODE OF ORDINANCES. The La Grange Code of Ordinances, as amended from time to time. See Subsection 16-102M for "Municipal Code".

LEGAL NONCONFORMING LOT OF RECORD. See Subsection 16-102N for "Nonconforming Lot of Record, Legal."

LOT OF RECORD. A lot that is part of a subdivision, the properly approved plat of which has been recorded in the office of the Recorder of Deeds or Registrar of Titles of Cook County, Illinois, or a parcel of land separately described in a recorded deed. See also Subsection 16-102N for "Nonconforming Lot of Record" and "Nonconforming Lot of Record, Legal."

LOT, REVERSED CORNER. A corner lot the corner side lot line of which is substantially a continuation of the front lot line of the zoning lot abutting the rear lot line of that corner lot. (See Figure 3: Reversed Corner Lot)

FIGURE 3: REVERSED CORNER LOT



- M. When used in this Code, the following terms shall have the meanings herein ascribed to them:

MUNICIPAL CODE. The La Grange Code of Ordinances.

- O. When used in this Code, the following terms shall have the meanings herein ascribed to them:

OUTDOOR KITCHEN. An outdoor structure or installation accessory to a single family detached dwelling that is designed and intended for preparation and cooking of food, that includes one or more types of cooking fixtures such as a grill, cook top, oven, and fireplace; that may include cabinets or other storage places; that may be partially but not fully enclosed with railings, low walls, screening, or similar elements; and that may be covered or partially covered by a roof, canopy, or trellis-like latticework; and subject to the limitations of Subsection 9-101C of this Code

- P. When used in this Code, the following terms shall have the meanings herein ascribed to them:

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PATIO. A level, surfaced area no higher than one foot above grade, without a permanent roof, typically designed and intended for recreational purposes and not as any part of a parking space or driveway.

PERGOLA. An unenclosed wooden structure, open on the sides and top and usually square or rectangular in shape, composed generally of vertical support posts tied together with side rafters at the top of the posts and horizontal rafters across the top at regular intervals.

PUBLIC UTILITY STATION. Buildings, structures, and facilities including generating and switching stations, poles, lines, pipes, pumping stations, repeaters, antennas, transmitters and receivers, and valves, related to furnishing of public utility services to the public such as electricity, gas, telephone, water or sewage service.

- S. When used in this Code, the following terms shall have the meanings herein ascribed to them:

SEAT WALL. A wall on or abutting a deck, patio, or distinct landscape feature, designed for seating and not exceeding 22 inches in height at any point.

SIDEWALK, ENTRY. The sidewalk on private property serving as the principal means of pedestrian access to the lot, typically leading from the sidewalk on adjacent public-right-of way to the front entry of the building on the lot, and typically traversing the front yard or corner side yard.

SIGHT TRIANGLE. See Subsection 16-102C for "Clear Sight Area" and Subsection 16-102D for "Driveway Clear Sight Area,".

SINGLE FAMILY ATTACHED DWELLING. See Subsection 16-102D for "Dwellings, Single Family Attached."

SINGLE FAMILY DETACHED DWELLING. See Subsection 16-102D for "Dwellings, Single Family Attached."

SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEM. A system including solar panels that use the power of the sun to capture, distribute, and/or store energy for on-site consumption of utility power.

SOLAR PANEL. A device composed of an array of solar cells and often attached to rooftops and similar locations that converts the energy in sunlight into electrical energy

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through the process of photovoltaics. The term "solar panel" includes solar thermal collectors. See regulations in Subsection 9-101C of this Code.

STATUE. A three-dimensional form or likeness sculpted, modeled, carved, constructed, or cast in stone, clay, wood, metal, or any similar material.

STRUCTURE, NONCONFORMING. See Subsection 16-102N for "Structure, Nonconforming."

STRUCTURE, PRINCIPAL. See Subsection 16-102P for "Structure, Principal."

- T. When used in this Code, the following terms shall have the meanings herein ascribed to them:

TEMPORARY SIGN. See Section 11-105 of this Code.

TEMPORARY STORAGE CONTAINER. Any sort of portable self-storage container delivered to a property to store belongings for a limited period of time. Temporary storage containers are sometimes known as "PODS" (portable on-demand storage containers).

TEMPORARY USES. See Section 9-103 of this Code.

TRELLIS. See Subsection 16-102A for "Arbor."

TWO FAMILY DWELLING. See Subsection 16-102D for "Dwelling, Two Family."

- U. When used in this Code, the following terms shall have the meanings herein ascribed to them:

USABLE OPEN SPACE. See Subsection 16-1020 for "Open Space, Usable."

USE, NONCONFORMING. See Subsection 16-102N for "Nonconforming, Use."

USE, PERMITTED. A use that appears on the permitted use list of a particular zoning district.

USE, PRINCIPAL. See Subsection 16-102P for "Principal Use."

- V. When used in this Code, the following terms shall have the meanings herein ascribed to them:

VEHICLE, RECREATIONAL. See Subsection 16-102R for Recreational Vehicle."

VILLAGE MANAGER. See Section 31-100 of the La Grange Code of Ordinances. When used in this Code, the term Village Manager shall refer either to such official or to his or her duly authorized delegate.

W. When used in this Code, the following terms shall have the meanings herein ascribed to them:

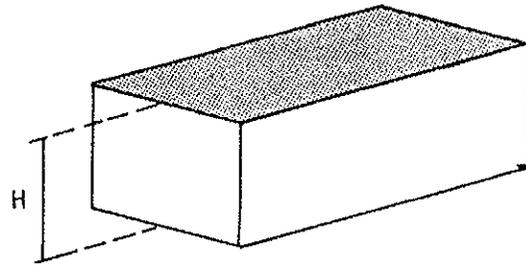
WIDTH OF LOT. See Subsection 16-102L for "Lot Width."

Z. When used in this Code, the following terms shall have the meanings herein ascribed to them:

ZONING CLASSIFICATION. See Subsection 16-102C for "Classification."

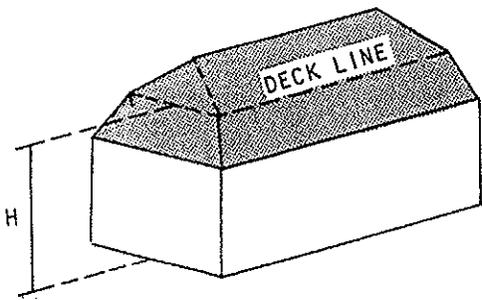
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BUILDING HEIGHT



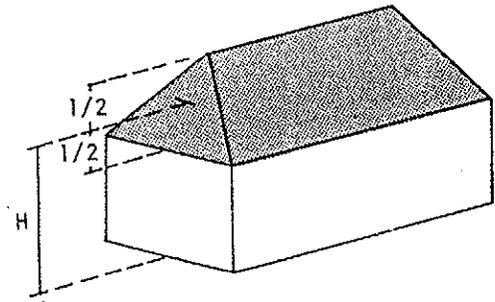
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FLAT ROOF



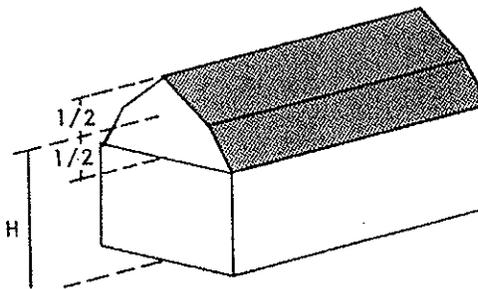
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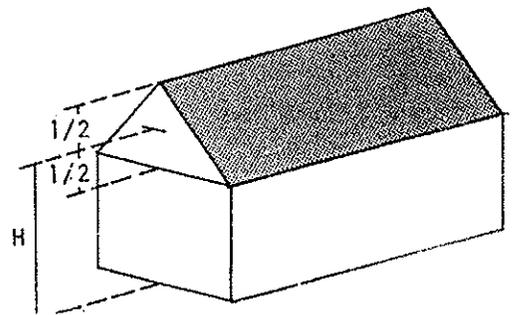
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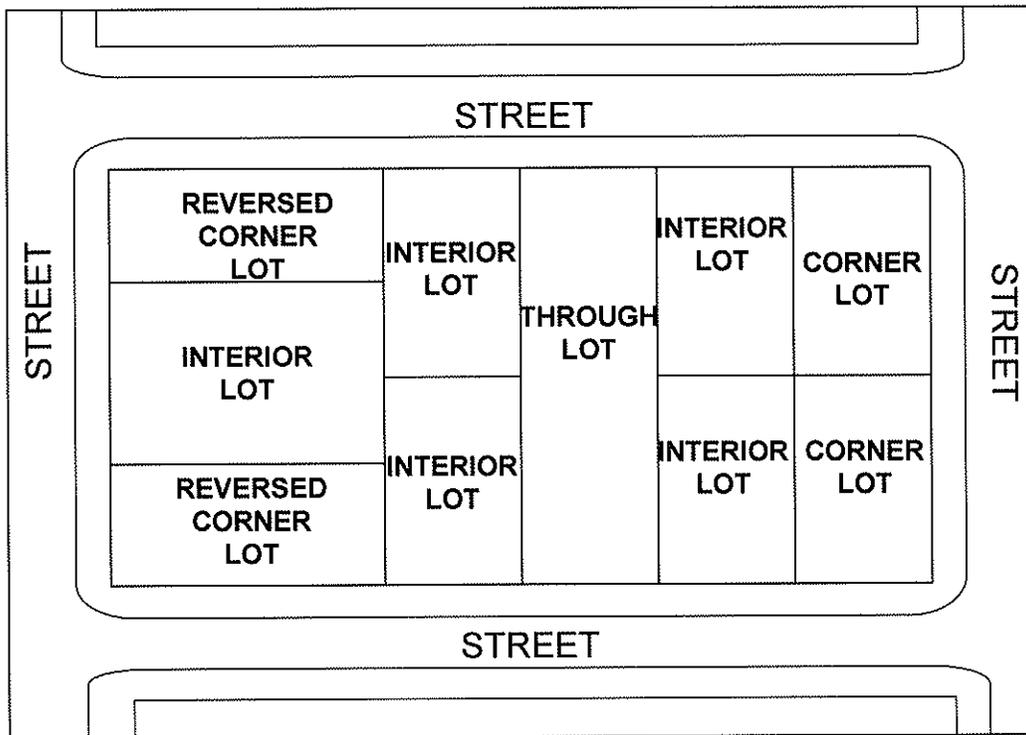
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Gable Roof

H = Height
G = Grade

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Examples of Lot Types



Corner Lot - A lot abutting upon two or more streets at their intersection or junction or a lot bounded on two sides by a curving street where it is possible to draw two intersecting tangents, one each commencing at each of the two points of intersection of the lot lines and street line, which intersect with each other to form an interior angle of less than [135] degrees.

Reversed Corner Lot - A corner lot the corner side lot line of which is substantially a continuation of the front lot line of the zoning lot abutting the rear lot line of that corner lot.

Interior Lot - A lot other than a corner lot.

Through Lot - A lot having frontages on two non-intersecting streets.

VILLAGE OF LA GRANGE
Finance Department

BOARD REPORT

TO: Village President, Board of Trustees, Village Clerk and Village Attorney

FROM: Robert J. Pilipiszyn, Village Manager,
Lou Cipparrone, Finance Director

DATE: February 10, 2011

RE: **ORDINANCE - AMENDMENT TO THE VILLAGE CODE INCREASING THE VEHICLE LICENSE FEE**

Village ordinance 79.10 (A) regulates license fees to be paid annually by residents for various classes of vehicles. The FY 2010-11 operating budget includes an increase in the vehicle sticker fee for a passenger car from \$20 to \$30 to assist funding of increasing expenditures relating to the maintenance and repair of Village streets. The vehicle license fees for senior citizens, handicapped individuals and disabled veterans remains at \$5, with a limit of one discounted fee per family. Village vehicle sticker fees have not been increased for over 20 years (FY 1986-87). These additional funds will be utilized to help offset labor and material expenditures incurred by the Village for street patching and crack filling, street cleaning and sweeping, snow plowing and local traffic enforcement.

We would like to bring to the attention of the Village Board and the public, that late fees are also being increased indirectly because they are a percentage of the vehicle license fee. The ordinance states that if a vehicle license is purchased after April 30th and prior to May 31st, there shall be a penalty fee equal to 50 percent of the normal license fee, and if a vehicle license is purchased after May 31st, there shall be a penalty fee equal to the normal license fee. Consequently, with the increase in the annual vehicle license fee, the cost of a vehicle sticker for a passenger car, purchased after April 30th including the penalty increases from \$30 to \$45 and the cost if purchased after May 31st, including the penalty increases from \$30 to \$60.

As a new service enhancement, residents will be able to purchase vehicle and animal licenses online starting March 1, 2011. Residents can visit the Village's website at www.villageoflagrange.com to utilize this free service. Additional information and details will be available online and also included with the vehicle license applications and renewal letter.

We recommend approval of the attached ordinance amending the fee schedule for various classes of licenses for vehicles registered or housed at a La Grange address.

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VILLAGE OF LA GRANGE

ORDINANCE NO. O-11-_____

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING
SECTION 79.10 OF THE LA GRANGE CODE OF ORDINANCES
RELATED TO VEHICLE LICENSE FEES

WHEREAS, the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of La Grange have determined that it is appropriate and in the best interests of the Village and its residents to amend Section 79.10 of the La Grange Code of Ordinances in the manner provided in this Ordinance to adjust the schedule of fees applicable to vehicles:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of La Grange, Cook County and State of Illinois, as follows:

Section 1. Recital. The foregoing recital is hereby incorporated into this Ordinance as a finding of the President and Board of Trustees.

Section 2. Amendment of Code of Ordinances Subsection 79.10(A). Subsection (A), titled "Fee Schedule," of Section 79.10, titled "Fees; Expiration; Allocation Of Revenues; Late Purchases," of the La Grange Code of Ordinances, is hereby amended in its entirety so that said Subsection 79.10(A) will hereafter read as follows:

(A) Fee Schedule. The annual fees applicable to licenses for the various classes of vehicles are as follows:

Group 1. Vehicles that are designed and used for carrying of not more than nine individuals and that are used primarily by their owners:

Vehicle.....\$30.00
except that the fee is discounted to \$5.00 for one vehicle per owner more than 65 years of age, with a limit of one discounted fee per family.

Group 2. Motor trucks and motor-driven commercial vehicles, classified according to gross weight, including weight of vehicle and weight of maximum load as follows:

Class A & B	Gross weight 8,000 pounds and less.....	\$50.00
Class C & D	Gross weight more than 8,000 pounds and not more than 12,000 pounds.....	\$70.00
Class E & F	Gross weight more than 12,000 pounds and not more than 16,000 pounds.....	\$80.00
Class G - J	Gross weight more than 16,000 pounds and not more than 28,000 pounds.....	\$90.00
Class K - P	Gross weight more than 28,000 pounds and not more than 45,000 pounds.....	\$100.00
Class R - Z	Gross weight more than 45,000 pounds.....	\$110.00

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Group 3. Various passenger buses, school buses, and recreational vehicles as follows:

Class A - Passenger buses.....\$70.00
Class B - School buses.....\$20.00
Class C - Recreational vehicles.....\$40.00

Group 4. Vehicles that are propelled by foot or self-propelled vehicles of less than four wheels:

Motorcycles, motor bicycle, or motor tricycle.....\$20.00

Vehicles registered to handicapped, disabled veterans of foreign wars, and prisoners of war. The annual fee is discounted to \$5.00 for a license issued to a handicapped person, disabled veteran of foreign wars, or a prisoner of war who has received a State of Illinois handicapped, disabled veteran of foreign wars, or prisoner of war license plate and who has shown that the subject vehicle is registered in the name of that person. The discounted fee is limited to one vehicle per handicapped person, disabled veteran, or prisoner of war.

Section 3. Effective Date. This Ordinance will be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval and publication in pamphlet form in the manner provided by law.

PASSED this ____ day of February 2011.

AYES: _____

NAYS: _____

ABSENT: _____

APPROVED this ____ day of February 2011.

Elizabeth M. Asperger, Village President

ATTEST:

Robert N. Milne, Village Clerk

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