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VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MONDAY, March 11, 2024, 7:00 P.M.
Franklin Village Hall, Broughton House
32325 Franklin Road, Franklin, Michigan 48025

- I. CALL TO ORDER**
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- III. ROLL CALL**
- IV. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**
- V. MINUTES**
 - A. Regular Meeting of February 12, 2024
- VI. PUBLIC REQUESTS AND COMMENTS**
- VII. REPORTS OF VILLAGE OFFICERS AND AGENTS**
 - A. Police Report
 - a. Consider Bid for Lease of Police Vehicle
 - b. Consider Bid for Sale of Police Vehicle
 - B. Fire Report
 - C. Treasurer Report
- VIII. SUBMISSION OF CURRENT BILLS**
- IX. SPECIAL REPORTS**
 - A. President's Report
 - B. Council Report
 - C. Administrator Report
 - D. Planning Commission Report
 - E. Main Street Franklin Report
 - 1. Plaque Presentation for Lisa Dunn
 - 2. Genisys Grant Presentation for Wanda McGlown – Paw Boutique
 - F. Committee on Pathways Report
- X. OLD BUSINESS**
 - A. Consider First Reading of Outdoor Lighting Ordinance.
 - B. Consider Golf Cart Ordinance.
 - C. Consider the Master Plan's Goals and Objectives.
- XI. CONSENT AGENDA - These items are considered and approved under one motion unless removed for separate action at the request of the Council.**
 - A. Consider Civic Event Permit Application for Bicentennial Birthday Party on July 13th.
 - B. Consider Civic Event Permit Application for Oktoberfest on October 4th.
- XII. NEW BUSINESS**
 - A. Consider Proclamation for Arbor Day 2024.
 - B. Consider Resolution for West Nile Fund Program 2024.
 - C. Consider putting 32350 Franklin Road on notice of the Village's intent to Terminate and Revoke the License (Permit) to Use Public Right-Of-Way.
 - D. Consider Excess Signage on Franklin Road.
 - E. Consider Village Wide Street Sign Replacement.
 - F. Consider New Map of the Village.
- XIII. ADJOURNMENT**

Posted: March 7, 2024

Dana Hughes | Village Clerk

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**VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, February 12, 2024, at 7:00 PM
Franklin Village Hall, Broughton House
32325 Franklin Road, Franklin, Michigan 48025**

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Bill Lamott, at 7:00 P.M.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Kathy Erlich, David Goldberg, Mark Hanke, Pam Hansen, David Sahli, Mike Seltzer, and Bill Lamott

Absent: None

Present: Tony Averbuch, Fire Chief; Dan Roberts, Police Chief, Village Administrator; Peter Gojcaj, Village Attorney, Lance Vainik, Village Treasurer, and Dana Hughes, Village Clerk

III. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion by Hanke, seconded by Seltzer to adopt the Agenda as presented.

AYES: Erlich, Goldberg, Hanke, Hansen, Sahli, Seltzer and Lamott

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

IV. MINUTES

A. Regular Meeting of January 8, 2024

Motion by Lamott seconded by All to adopt the Minutes for the Regular Meeting of January 8, 2024, with corrections.

AYES: Erlich, Goldberg, Hanke, Hansen, Sahli, Seltzer and Lamott

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

V. PUBLIC REQUESTS AND COMMENTS

Public Comments were opened by President Bill Lamott at 7:06 PM.

Ankita Vyas, 24501 Franklin Park Drive

- She reported issues with trash, water, and dog waste not being properly disposed of in her home.

Discussion included educating the residents on responsible dog ownership.

Jeremy Phillips, Franklin Baseball and Softball League

- He introduced the Franklin Baseball and Softball League to the Village Council and residents. He highlighted its 65-year history and efforts to revamp and maintain the fields while engaging with the community.

Hanke and Sahli expressed an interest in partnering with the league, with ideas for events and communication. Erlich added that the FCA would like to be communication too. Lamott added that the league's opening day coincides with the beginning of the Village Bicentennial Celebration stuff, so there are things that we can all do together to celebrate our history.

Public Comments were closed by President Bill Lamott at 7:12 PM.

VI. REPORTS OF VILLAGE OFFICERS AND AGENTS

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A. Police Report

Dan Roberts

- Dan Roberts, Police Chief reviewed with Village Council his submitted report.
- Roberts stated they have begun working on their budget, for the next fiscal year. They have been contacting all the insurance carriers, health care, and liability. He wanted the Council to know there would be a 5 to 7% increase, especially in healthcare is anticipated across the board.
- Roberts stated that if the council would like to receive a written submission for each line item, he would send it to them.

Discussion:

- Hansen asked Roberts for his preliminary budget numbers, so they can be reviewed in the future upcoming finance committee meeting.

B. Fire Report

Tony Averbuch

- Tony Averbuch, Fire Chief reviewed with Village Council his submitted report.
- Averbuch explained that the fire department is working on their budget.
- Averbuch stated the Fire department wants a meeting with a few Council members to discuss the budget.
- Averbuch discussed a potential plan for a prescribed burn to remove an invasive species of vegetation from the properties in the Village. He also explained that the contractor is fully insured and will inform the neighbors of the prescribed burn through mailings and signage.

Discussion:

- The manhole fire in Southfield, Michigan was caused by Detroit Edison's repair work, leading to power outages and fire alarms in the Village.

- Hanke asked about the procedures DTE should have followed to prevent the power outage and fire that caused the accident, and Averbuch assumed it was an infrastructure issue due to an underground fire on a high-voltage transmission line.
- Averbuch also highlighted the importance of testing your generator for carbon monoxide emissions.

Lance Vainik, Village Treasurer

- Lance Vainik, Village Treasurer reviewed with the Village Council his treasurer's report.
- He reported that the Village has sufficient funds to meet its current and anticipated obligations.
- There was a large entry of \$47,919 for a 2023 Ford Explorer utility vehicle paid to Gorno Ford for the Police department.

VII. SUBMISSION OF CURRENT BILLS

Totals: 2-11-2024	
CATEGORY	SUB TOTALS
General	\$ 43,229.18
Major Streets	\$ 12,610.81
Local Streets	\$ 11,428.67
Police	\$ 137,695.40
Garbage and Rubbish	\$ 30,164.98
Building Dept.	\$ 17,646.14
Library	\$ -
Street Project	\$ -
Road Millage	\$ -
Sewer Fund	\$ -
Tax Collection	\$ -
Wastewater	\$ 15,382.86
TOTALS	\$ 268,158.04

Discussion:

- Hansen had a question regarding short term investments, and what is the Village doing with them. Vainik stated he would provide an update.

It was moved by Seltzer, seconded by Hanke to approve the submitted bills.

AYES: Erlich, Goldberg, Hanke, Hansen, Sahli, Seltzer and Lamott

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

VIII. PRESENTATIONS

A. Audited Financial Report

Rana M. Emmons, PSLZ PLLC

- Emmons explained that the Village received an unmodified audit opinion with no exceptions.
- Property tax values increased 3.82%, with a projected 5% increase next year.
- She explained that the Village's net pension liability increased by \$843,000 this year due to a decline in the stock market, but the Village has already recouped the loss.
- She explained that a \$1.3 million change in public safety expenses was due to a net investment loss in the pension plan, which directly impacted the Public Safety Line.
- She highlighted the importance of the budget process, particularly considering the police chief's concerns about increasing expenses and the need to prioritize spending.
- She mentioned that the Village's pension funding decreased by 15% in 2023, despite receiving a Michigan pension grant.

Discussion:

- Hanke expressed concern about the village losing ground in pension funding, despite making commitments to add additional funding.
- Sahli expressed concern about the long-term financial outlook, with a five-year and 10-year projection being particularly important for planning purposes.

Brittany Koehler, Plante Moran

- Koehler discussed budget amendments with administration and Council, including \$22,000 in revenue and \$62,009 in expenditures, resulting in a decrease in fund balance.

Discussion:

- Budget amendments for police and major streets, with a focus on reallocating funds for streetscapes and anticipating another amendment for ASI and NFV payments were discussed.
- It was also discussed about the potential tax increase for 2024-25, despite earlier projections of stability.
- Headlee reduction and budget concerns were discussed.

RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE FY2023-24 BUDGET

WHEREAS, the Franklin Village Council adopted the FY2023-24 Operating Budget on June 12, 2023, to be effective July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024, and

WHEREAS, the Annual Budget is a financial plan that sets forth, by fund, yearly allocations of financial resources required for the various operations of the Village, in addition to estimating the revenues that will be available to support the Council's funding decisions, and

WHEREAS, revenues and expenditures actually experienced during the fiscal year typically do not match the allocations included in the Annual Budget, and

WHEREAS, budgeting policies, both State and local, require regular examination of the actual revenues and expenses compared to the budget and, to the extent necessary, amendments to the budget shall be made to balance the revenues and expenditures for the remainder of the fiscal year, and

WHEREAS, the FY2023-24 Fiscal Year revenues and expenditures for the first six months have been reviewed and compared against the amounts budgeted, and

WHEREAS, attached to this resolution is a report detailing the recommended adjustments in revenues and expenditures in each of the several operating funds, and

It was moved by Seltzer, seconded by Hanke to approve the Amended FY 2023-24 Budget.

AYES: Erlich, Goldberg, Hanke, Hansen, Sahli, Seltzer, and Lamott

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

IX. SPECIAL REPORTS

A. President's Report

No report.

B. Council Report

- Sahli recognized February is Black History Month, and commended the leadership coming from the black community. He feels that Franklin is still under serving in leadership. He would like to encourage leadership from the black community. He also sought clarification on stormwater grant details.
- Fraser and Sahli discussed the power outage in Franklin, and how DTE Energy provided updates and notifications to the community.
- Sahli suggested that DTE could provide a pre-written template for the community to anticipate power outages.
- Goldberg expressed frustration at DTE's lack of transparency.
- The Council discussed the fire and its aftermath.
- Erlich discussed the village-owned picnic tables, potential funding sources, and the number of tables needed for summer events. She also wanted consideration from Council for possibly helping to fund FCA's welcome book and map, estimating \$6,000 for printing and \$500 for design.
- Hansen would like to revisit an electronic sign for the Village on the next Village Council meeting and would like to include two write-ups from McKenna.

Action Item: Add the electronic sign to the next Village Council meeting.

C. Administrator Report

No report.

D. Planning Commission Report

- Wooters explained the Pickering barn and its next steps will be a collaboration between Main Street and Planning Commission.
- Planning has finalized its committee for the Master Plan Goals and Objectives.

- Planning has continued its discussion on artificial turf regulations. He mentioned that Council asked for some more empirical data with regards to detrimental studies that has been done on artificial turf. He then explained that Planning is waiting on a report from McKenna.
- Planning reviewed and finalized main objectives, including pathways and walkability, community involvement, and improved interactions with other commissions. The list also included the safety concerns on 13 Mile and Franklin Road with crossing and visibility issues.

Discussion:

- Sahli stated that there were additional inquiries regarding a possible golf cart ordinance in the Village. He would like to understand the Planning's decision not to recommend it to the Village Council.
- Wooters stated it was the safety concerns that were raised regarding a proposed ordinance, with the police chief and other officials expressing opposition.
- Lamott suggested the Golf Cart Ordinance be added to the next Village Council meeting with all the documentation the Planning Commission reviewed.

Action Item: Add Golf Cart Ordinance to the next Village Council meeting.

E. Main Street Franklin Report

- Hansen informed the Council about the Main Street organization's work plan and certification deadline.

F. Pathways Subcommittee Report

- Sahli stated the subcommittee met at the Kreger House and is mapping areas of interest and dangerous areas within the community to inform pathway placement and gather more data from residents to formalize the process.
- Sahli will seek to funding timelines and sources for a landlocked community's pathway connection.

X. OLD BUSINESS

A. Consider Second and Final Reading for the Public Institutional Zoning for the Following Properties.

1. Franklin Community Church
2. FCA Properties
3. Huda School
4. Franklin Cemetery
5. Franklin Sledding Hill

Discussion:

- Sahli sought clarification on FCA's position regarding public institutional zoning, as they did not provide feedback after initial discussion.
- Erlich explained that the FCA had a disagreement within their organization regarding Public Institutional Zoning District. Their biggest concern being they rented out their properties to

non-community people for events, which raises questions about conformity with zoning laws.

- Goldberg questioned the legality of holding weddings in a residential area, citing zoning ordinance restrictions on public events.
- Gojcay clarified that the ordinance does not explicitly prohibit weddings.
- Goldberg highlighted the importance of zoning consistency and protection of the FCA's land, emphasizing that the current zoning does not allow for residential use.
- FCA member, Rich Pirrotta discussed the potential issues with the current ordinance and desire to adapt it for permissible uses.
- Gojcay read the relevant portion. It said “public parks and public recreation areas operated by governmental, quasi-governmental and private entities exclusively, exclusively for the use of an enjoyment of the public.”
- Wooters explained that the intent of the public quasi-institutional ordinance update was to enable groups like the FCA and the church to be able to continue to be perform acts like they have in the past, which might not have been allowed under the residential ordinance.

It was moved by Seltzer, seconded by Erlich to approve the Second and Final Reading for the Public Institutional Zoning for the Franklin Community Church, FCA Properties, Huda School, Franklin Cemetery, and Franklin Sledding Hill.

AYES: Goldberg, Hanke, Hansen, Sahli, and Lamott

NAYS: None

ABSTAIN: Erlich and Seltzer

Motion carried.

B. Consider HDSC 2022 Report on Modification to the Historic District.

Discussion:

- Goldberg highlighted properties that need action: 26425 Wellington, Franklin Community Church; 32325 Franklin Road, Kreger House; 32020 Franklin Road and 26475 Scenic Drive. The ordinance now needs to be amended to now reflect them and added to the historic district map. No action has been taken on the FCA Properties; the Village needs some official decision on their inclusion in the Historic District.
- Hansen requested a letter from the FCA board regarding their inclusion in the historic district before acting on the FCA Properties.

1. Franklin Community Church

It was moved by Seltzer, seconded by Erlich to approve adding the Franklin Community Church at 26425 Wellington to the Historic District.

AYES: Erlich, Goldberg, Hanke, Hansen, Sahli, Seltzer, and Lamott

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

2. Kreger House

It was moved by Seltzer, seconded by Erlich to approve adding the Kreger House at 26225 Carol to the Historic District.

AYES: Erlich, Goldberg, Hanke, Hansen, Seltzer, and Lamott

NAYS: Sahli

Motion carried.

3. 26475 Scenic Drive

It was moved by Seltzer, seconded by Erlich to approve adding 26475 Scenic Drive to the Historic District.

AYES: Erlich, Goldberg, Hanke, Hansen, Sahli, Seltzer, and Lamott

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

4. 32020 Franklin Road

It was moved by Seltzer, seconded by Sahli to approve adding 32020 Franklin Road to the Historic District.

AYES: Erlich, Goldberg, Hanke, Hansen, Sahli, Seltzer, and Lamott

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

5. FCA Properties

It was moved by Hansen, seconded by Hanke to request written communication from the FCA Board Officers an explanation as to why they are looking to be excluded from the Historic District.

AYES: Erlich, Goldberg, Hanke, Hansen, Sahli, Seltzer, and Lamott

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

C. Consider Outdoor Lighting Ordinance.

Wooters updated the Outdoor Lighting Ordinance based on feedback from Trustees Sahli, Goldberg, and Hansen.

Discussion:

- Sahli expressed concern about creating unintended consequences of regulating certain types of lighting, such as Cafe lights on residential properties.
- Wooters clarified that temporary lights or ornamental lighting, such as Cafe lights, are excluded from the ordinance and are considered decorative or historical lighting.
- Sahli expressed concern that the ordinance could lead to unintended consequences, such as banning common lighting sources like outdoor TVs.

- Hanke expressed frustration that the proposed ordinance does not address the problem effectively.

It was moved by Seltzer, seconded by Erlich to approve adding the Outdoor Lighting Ordinance to the next Village Council meeting for a First Reading while including the amended wording to Section 1470.05 (b) “it should not exceed five tenths of a foot candle on any other zone at the property line of any other zone property.”

AYES: Erlich, Goldberg, Hanke, Hansen, Sahli, Seltzer, and Lamott

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

C. Consider Pledge of Allegiance.

Discussion:

- Sahli proposed reading the Pledge of Allegiance before meetings to promote unity and public service. He added that the Michigan Municipal League strongly favors municipalities adopting the reading of pledge allegiance to set the tone for the meetings.

It was moved by Sahli, seconded by Hansen to recite the Pledge of Allegiance before every Village Council meetings for anybody who wants to participate.

Roll Call Vote

Erlich	Nay
Goldberg	Aye
Hanke	Nay
Hansen	Aye
Lamott	Nay
Sahli	Aye
Seltzer	Aye

Motion carried.

XI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Consider NEXT Contribution

Discussion:

- Erlich wanted the Council to consider funding community groups.

VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF AN ADVERTISEMENT IN THE “NEXT” “BIG NIGHT OUT” FUNDRAISER PRINTED PROGRAM

WHEREAS, NEXT, a non-profit 501-(c)3, is our version of a Senior Center serving 2,250 50- plus area residents from Birmingham, Bingham Farms, Beverly Hills, Franklin, and the surrounding areas;

WHEREAS, NEXT is currently housed at Midvale School at 2121 Midvale St., Birmingham, Michigan, and;

WHEREAS, the four communities of Birmingham, Bingham Farms, Beverly Hills, and Franklin recently entered into an inter-local agreement pledging continued financial support in addition to the in-kind assistance providing the use of Midvale School by BPS, and;

WHEREAS, local demographic trends are similar to but occurring much earlier than national demographic trends which project double digit increases in the 65 and older population which may result in, for the first time in our history, people 65 and older outnumbering those 17 and younger, and;

WHEREAS, the Franklin Village Board of Trustees wishes to demonstrate the Board's ongoing commitment to and support of NEXT's important services to the older citizens in the Village of Franklin and desires to join with Bingham Farms in demonstrating the commitment of the two villages in this effort.

Now therefore, be it resolved, that the Board of Trustees hereby authorizes the expenditure of \$350.00 for the total purchase of a full-page display ad including the expenditure of \$100.00 to design said advertising with the funds drawn from the Miscellaneous Council Expenses line item of the Village Council FY2023-24 budget. This expenditure covers half the expected costs, which will be shared with the Village of Bingham Farms. The ad will be placed in the NEXT "Big Night Out" event program, which will be held on April 4, 2024, at the Daxton Hotel in Birmingham.

Approved by the Franklin Village Board of Trustees this 12th day of February 2024.

AYES: Erlich, Goldberg, Hanke, Hansen, Sahli, Seltzer, and Lamott

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

B. Consider AMLEGAL Proposed Legal Review of Franklin's Charter & Ordinances.

Lamott stated that American Legal Publishing has a proposal to thoroughly review Franklin's ordinances and clarify changes that need to be made and conflicts. The cost will be \$3,500.00.

Discussion followed.

- Hanke expressed skepticism about the American Legal's ability to complete the review for \$3,500.00, given their previous quote and the amount of work involved.
- Wooters believes that the Planning Commission will prioritize the recommendations from American Legal and present them to the Village Council for approval.

It was moved by Seltzer, seconded by Sahli to approve American Legal Publishing proposal to review the Village of Franklin's Charter and Ordinances at a cost of \$3,500.00.

AYES: Erlich, Goldberg, Hansen, Sahli, Seltzer, and Lamott

NAYS: Hanke

Motion carried.

C. Consider MERS Agreement and Resolution.

Discussion:

- The Council discussed potential move away from current pension plan and authorization of participation in MERS program.
- Rich Parotta warned against rushing into investment decisions without proper review and due diligence, citing potential painful consequences.
- The Council discussed postponing item until next month.

WHEREAS, the Municipal Employees Retirement Act of 1984 (the “Act”), MCL 38.1536(2)(a) (MERS Plan Document (Section 71) authorizes the Municipal Employees’ Retirement Board (the “Board”) to “establish additional programs including but not limited to defined benefit, defined contribution, ancillary benefits, health and welfare benefits, and other postemployment benefit programs,” and on November 8, 2011, the Board adopted the MERS 457 Deferred Compensation Plan.

WHEREAS, this Uniform Resolution has been approved by the Board under the authority of Section 71, and the Board has authorized the MERS 457 Deferred Compensation Plan, which shall not be implemented unless in strict compliance with the terms and conditions of this Resolution.

WHEREAS, the Participating Employer, a participating “municipality” (as defined in the Act; MCL 38.1502b(2); Plan Document Section 2) or participating “court” (circuit, district or probate court as defined in the Act, MCL 38.1502a(4) – (6); Plan Document Section 2) within the State of Michigan has determined that in the interest of attracting and retaining qualified employees, it wishes to offer a deferred compensation plan;

WHEREAS, the Participating Employer has also determined that it wishes to encourage employees’ saving for retirement by offering salary reduction contributions;

WHEREAS, the Participating Employer has reviewed the MERS 457 Supplemental Retirement Program (“Plan”);

WHEREAS, the Participating Employer wishes to participate in the Plan to provide certain benefits to its employees, reduce overall administrative costs, and afford attractive investment opportunities;

WHEREAS, the Participating Employer is an Employer as defined in the Plan;

WHEREAS, concurrent with this Resolution, and as a continuing obligation, this Governing Body has completed and approved, and submitted to MERS and the Board documents necessary for adoption and implementation of the Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body for and on behalf of the Participating Employer is authorized by law to adopt this Resolution approving the Participation Agreement on behalf of the Participating Employer. In the event any alteration of the terms or conditions stated in this Resolution is made or occurs, it is expressly recognized that MERS and the Retirement Board, as sole trustee and fiduciary

of the Plan and its trust reserves, and whose authority is nondelegable, shall have no obligation or duty to continue to administer (or to have administered) the MERS 457 Supplemental Retirement Program for the Participating Employer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Body adopts the MERS 457 Supplemental Retirement Program as provided below.

- I. The Participating Employer adopts the Plan for its Employees.
- II. The Participating Employer hereby adopts the terms of the Participation Agreement, which is attached hereto and made a part of this Resolution. The Participation Agreement sets forth the Employees to be covered by the Plan, the benefits to be provided by the Participating Employer under the Plan, and any conditions imposed by the Participating Employer with respect to, but not inconsistent with, the Plan. The Participating Employer reserves the right to amend its elections under the Participation Agreement, so long as the amendment is not inconsistent with the Plan or the Internal Revenue Code or other applicable law and is approved by the Board.
- III. The Participating Employer shall abide by the terms of the Plan, including amendments to the Plan made by the Board, all investment, administrative, and other service agreements of the Plan and the Trust, and all applicable provisions of the Internal Revenue Code and other applicable law.
- IV. The Participating Employer acknowledges that the Board is only responsible for the Plan and any other plans of the Employer administered by MERS and that the Board has no responsibility for other employee benefit plans maintained by the Employer that are not part of MERS.
- V. The Participating Employer accepts the administrative services to be provided by MERS and any services provided by a Service Manager as delegated by the Board. The Participating Employer acknowledges that fees will be imposed with respect to the services provided and that such fees may be deducted from the Participants' accounts.
- VI. The Participating Employer acknowledges that the Plan contains provisions for involuntary Plan termination.

The Participating Employer acknowledges that all assets held in connection with the Plan, including all contributions to the Plan, all property and rights acquired or purchased with such amounts and all income attributable to such amounts, property or rights shall be held in trust for the exclusive benefit of Participants and their Beneficiaries under the Plan. No part of the assets and income of the Plan shall be used for, or diverted to, purposes other than for the exclusive benefit of Participants and their Beneficiaries and for defraying reasonable expenses of the Plan. All amounts of compensation deferred pursuant to the Plan, all property and rights acquired or purchased with such amounts and all income attributable to such amounts, property or rights held as part of the Plan, shall be transferred to the Board to be held, managed, invested and distributed as part of the Trust Fund in accordance with the provisions of the Plan. All contributions to the Plan must be transferred

by the Participating Employer to the Trust Fund. All benefits under the Plan shall be distributed solely from the Trust Fund pursuant to the Plan.

It was moved by Seltzer, seconded by Hanke to approve the adoption of the MERS 457 plan changing from MissionSquare to MERS including transferring plan assets.

AYES: Erlich, Goldberg, Hanke, Sahli, Seltzer, and Lamott

NAYS: Hansen

Motion carried.

D. Consider Sending Extenet Systems Application to the Planning Commission.

It was moved by Seltzer, seconded by Hanke to approve sending the Extenet Systems new application to the Planning Commission for review.

AYES: Erlich, Goldberg, Hanke, Sahli, Seltzer, and Lamott

NAYS: Hansen

Motion carried.

X. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Lamott, seconded by all to adjourn the meeting.

AYES: Erlich, Goldberg, Hanke, Hansen, Sahli, Seltzer, and Lamott

NAYS: None

Motion carried.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:13 P.M.

William Lamott, President

Dana Hughes, Village Clerk

Total for fund 101 GENERAL	54,718.57
Total for fund 202 MAJOR STREETS	97,062.50
Total for fund 203 LOCAL STREETS	11,812.50
Total for fund 207 POLICE	92,695.89
Total for fund 211 WASTE WATER	26,774.19
Total for fund 226 GARBAGE & RUBBISH	15,073.44
Total for fund 249 BUILDING DEPARTMENT	6,910.99
Total for fund 703 TAX COLLECTION	450.75
TOTAL - ALL FUNDS	305,498.83

CHECK REGISTER FOR VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN

CHECK DATE FROM 02/09/2024 - 03/07/2024

Check Date	Bank	Check	Vendor Name	Description	Amount
Bank GEN GEN FUND CHECKING					
02/15/2024	GEN	35054	ABSOPURE WATER	WATER BOTTLE REPLACEMENT JAN 2024 - PD	59.15
02/15/2024	GEN	35055	ASPHALT SPECIALISTS INC	ESTIMATE #13 - SIDEWALK PROJECT	90,000.00
02/22/2024	GEN	657(E)	ADP	PAYROLL PROCESSING FEE (ADMIN) PPE 02/09/2024	65.94
				PAYROLL PROCESSING FEE (POLICE) PPE 02/09/2024	86.01
					151.95
02/22/2024	GEN	658(E)	BP PRODUCTS NORTH AMERICA	FUEL (POLICE) JAN 2024	1,016.58
02/22/2024	GEN	659(E)	COMCAST	INTERNET KREGER HOUSE FEB 2024	214.47
02/22/2024	GEN	660(E)	COMCAST CABLE	INTERNET VILLAGE HALL FEB 2024	327.02
02/22/2024	GEN	661(E)	FIDELITY SECURITY LIFE INS CO	VISION INSURANCE FEB 2024	287.33
02/22/2024	GEN	662(E)	MERS	EMPLOYEE/EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS JAN 2024	45,444.63
02/22/2024	GEN	664(E)	ADP	PAYROLL PROCESSING FEE (POLICE) PPE 01/26/24	91.69
				PAYROLL PROCESSING FEE (ADMIN) PPE 01/26/24	65.94
					157.63
02/22/2024	GEN	665(E)	PAX8	MS OFFICE 365 MONTHLY LICENSES - FEB 24	484.70
02/22/2024	GEN	666(E)	POINT & PAY	MONTHLY SERVICE FEE - JAN 2024	50.00
02/22/2024	GEN	667(E)	WEX BANK	FUEL (MARATHON) POLICE JAN 2024	162.27
02/22/2024	GEN	668(E)	WEX BANK	FUEL (SPEEDWAY) POLICE JAN 2024	713.58
02/22/2024	GEN	35056	BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF MICHIGAN	EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE MARCH 2024	19,573.53
02/22/2024	GEN	35057	CANFIELD EQUIPMENT SERVICE, INC	REMOVE EQUIP FROM UNIT 9-3 FOR NEW UNIT	1,040.00
				INSTALL EQUIP INTO NEW UNIT 9-3	5,102.75
					6,142.75
02/22/2024	GEN	35058	CCAP AUTO LEASE LTD	LEASE PAYMENT- PD VEHICLE FEB 2024	349.00
02/22/2024	GEN	35059	CENTURYLINK	LONG DISTANCE SERVICE FEB 2024	2.20
02/22/2024	GEN	35060	COMCAST	INTERNET - 02/16/24-03/15/24 POLICE	143.35

02/22/2024	GEN	35061	DANIEL D ROBERTS	REIMBURSEMENT FOR CHIEF'S CONF - D ROBERTS	194.80
02/22/2024	GEN	35062	EGL-SPWF	STORM WATER ANNUAL PERMIT 2024	2,000.00
02/22/2024	GEN	35063	ELECTRONIC TECH SOLUTIONS LLC	MONTHLY IT SUPPORT (ANTIVIRUS, MALWARE, ETC) FEB 24	336.00
				SERVER MAINTENANCE; TROUBLESHOOT INTERNET	200.00
				MOVE EQUIP TO NEW RACK/INSTALL NEW SWITCH	4,000.00
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December 15, 2023

Village Council
Village of Franklin
32325 Franklin Road
Franklin, Michigan 48025

Subject: Outdoor Lighting Regulations

Dear Council Members:

The Planning Commission thoughtfully considered the revisions to the Outdoor Lighting Ordinance that were recommended by Council members. Several of the recommendations are incorporated into the attached revised draft, dated November 21, 2023. In several instances, Council members' comments were in conflict with each other, making it impossible to resolve every concern.

To facilitate review of the revised Ordinance, I have inserted footnotes throughout the Ordinance to explain the reasoning behind each revision. Added text is underlined and text to be deleted is crossed out.

If you have any questions regarding the Ordinance, please feel free to contact me.

Respectfully submitted,

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c: Roger Fraser, Village Administrator
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Stuart Wooters, Planning Commission Chairman



Outdoor Lighting Ordinance

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CHAPTER 1470

Outdoor Lighting

1470.01 FINDINGS

Adequate outdoor lighting is necessary for safety and security. However, improper use of outdoor electric lighting can cause light pollution, disrupting people's enjoyment of their surroundings. Research has shown that some types of lighting can harm human health and disrupt wildlife. Some types of lighting, such as lighting that creates glare, causes visual discomfort and may even reduce visibility. The goals of Chapter 1470 are to set forth regulations that permit essential outdoor lighting that promotes safety and security but discourage use of lighting that is detrimental to the public health, safety, and welfare.

1470.02 PURPOSE¹

The purpose of Chapter 1470 is to provide regulations for outdoor lighting that will:

- (a) Permit the use of outdoor lighting needed for nighttime safety, utility, security, productivity, enjoyment, and commerce.
- (b) Minimize adverse off-site impacts of outdoor lighting, such as light trespass and glare.
- (c) Curtail light pollution, reduce sky glow, and improve the ambience of the nighttime environment.
- (d) Protect the natural environment from the adverse effects of night lighting.
- (e) Conserve energy to the greatest extent possible.
- (f) ~~Promote the use of lighting that is compatible with the architecture of the historic buildings.~~²

1470.03 APPLICABILITY

All outdoor lighting installed after the effective date of this Ordinance shall comply with the requirements set forth herein, except as noted. This includes, but is not limited to, new lighting, replacement lighting (including changing from one type or intensity of bulb or lamp to another), or any other lighting whether attached to a building or structure, pole, the earth, or any other location, including lighting installed by any third party.

1470.04 DEFINITIONS³

Words and phrases used in Chapter 1470 shall have the meanings set forth below.

Bulb (or Lamp): The source of electric light (to be distinguished from the whole assembly, which is called the luminaire). "Lamp" is often used to denote the bulb and its housing.

¹ With the exception of (f), the Planning Commission believes that the purposes set forth in this Section are valid and appropriately convey the intent of the ordinance.

² It is proposed that references to the Historic District and historic architecture be deleted from Chapter 1470 because this topic is dealt with elsewhere in the Village Code.

³ It is proposed that certain definitions in Section 1470.04 be deleted because the words being defined are not used in the ordinance.

Canopy: A covered structure that is open on its sides for vehicular or pedestrian access (e.g., a gas station canopy).

~~**Filtered Fixture:** A light fixture that has a glass, acrylic, or translucent enclosure to filter the light.~~

Fixture: The assembly that holds the lamp in a lighting system. The fixture includes the elements designed to give light output control, such as a reflector (mirror), refractor (lens), ballast, housing, and the attachment parts.

Floodlight: A fixture or lamp designed to flood an area with light.

Footcandle: A unit of measure expressing the quantity of light received on a surface. One footcandle is the illuminance produced by a candle on a surface one-foot square from a distance of one foot. A light meter provides the most reliable means of measuring footcandles.

Fully Shielded Fixture: An outdoor lighting fixture that is shielded or constructed so that light emitted is projected onto the site and away from adjoining properties. The bulb or other light source of a fully shielded fixture is not visible from adjoining properties.

Glare: Visual conditions in which there is excessive contrast or an inappropriate distribution of light sources ~~that disturbs the observer or~~ limits the ability to distinguish details and objects.

~~**High Pressure Sodium (HPS) Lamp:** High intensity discharge lamp where radiation is produced from sodium vapor at relatively high partial pressures (100 torr).~~

~~**Incandescent Lamp:** A lamp that produces light by a filament heated to a high temperature by electric current.~~

Laser Light Source: An intense beam of light, in which all photons share the same wavelength.

~~**LED Light:** A light fixture that uses a light-emitting diode, which is a semi-conductor diode that emits light when conducting electrical current.~~

Light Pollution: Any adverse effect of artificial light including, but not limited to, glare, light trespass, sky glow, energy waste, compromised safety and security, and adverse impacts on the nocturnal environment.

Light Trespass: Light that falls beyond the boundary of the property it is intended to illuminate (also called spill light).

Lighting Uniformity: The human perception of even distribution of light throughout a given area.

~~**Low Pressure Sodium (LPS) Lamp:** A discharge lamp where the light is produced by radiation from sodium vapor at a relatively low partial pressure (about 0.001 torr). A LPS lamp produces monochromatic light.~~

Lumen: A measure of the total quantity of visible light emitted by a source per unit of time.

Luminaire: The complete lighting unit (fixture), consisting of a lamp, or lamps and ballasts (when applicable), together with parts designed to distribute the light (reflector, lens, diffuser), position and protect the lamps, and connect the lamps to a power supply.

Mercury Vapor Lamp: A high-intensity discharge lamp where the light is produced by radiation from mercury vapor.

Metal Halide Lamp: A high-intensity discharge mercury lamp where the light is produced by radiation from metal halide vapors.

Mounting Height: The height of the photometric center of a luminaire above grade level.

Non-Essential Lighting: Outdoor lighting which is not required for safety or security purposes. For example, lighting used to enhance building features is non-essential lighting.

Ornamental Lighting: A luminaire that is used to illuminate streets, driveway entrances, sidewalks, or building entrances, that serves a decorative or historical function as well. Such lighting typically has a historical or decorative appearance, along with the following characteristics:

- It is designed to mount on a pole or structure using an arm, pendant, or vertical component;
- It has an opaque or translucent top and/or sides;
- It has an optical aperture that is either open or enclosed with a flat, sag, or drop lens (see illustrations in Section 1470.11(a)); and
- It is mounted in a fixed position.

Recessed Canopy Fixture: An outdoor lighting fixture recessed into a canopy ceiling so that the bottom of the fixture is flush with the ceiling.

Shielded Directional Luminaire: A luminaire that has an adjustable mounting device that allows it to be aimed in any direction and also has a shield, louver, or baffle to block direct view of the lamp.

Sky Glow: The brightening of the nighttime sky that results from scattering and reflection of artificial light by moisture and dust particles in the atmosphere. Sky glow is caused by light directed or reflected upward or sideways. Sky glow reduces one's ability to view the night sky.

1470.05 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

The requirements in this Section apply to all lighting throughout the Village, except for lighting that is identified as exempt in Section 1470.07.

- (a) Fixture Orientation and Shielding. Unless otherwise noted herein, lighting fixtures shall be focused downward and shall be fully shielded⁴ to prevent glare and sky glow and to minimize light trespass beyond the property it is intended to illuminate. Full cut-off fixtures shall be used to prevent light from projecting above a ninety degree (90°) horizontal plane (see illustration in Section 1470.11(a)).
- (b) Light Trespass at the Property Line. The intensity of light on a site shall not exceed two-tenths (0.2) of a footcandle at any property line that abuts a residentially zoned property and one-half (0.5) of a footcandle at any other zoned property.
- (c) Uplighting. Uplighting of buildings and trees for aesthetic purposes shall be confined to the target surfaces to prevent sky glow.
- (d) Mounting Height. Lighting fixture mounting height shall not exceed twenty-two (22) feet.
- (e) Color Correction. Only fixtures with a Correlated Color Temperature (CCT) equal to or less than 3,000 Kelvin shall be permitted.⁵
- (f) Ornamental Lighting. The orientation, ~~and shielding, and mounting height~~ requirements shall be waived for ornamental lighting, as defined herein. ~~if the Village enforcement official determines that the fixture will comply with the illumination levels specified in this subsection or in Table 1 in Section 1470.06, and will not cause glare.~~⁶

1470.06 NONRESIDENTIAL LIGHTING REQUIREMENTS

The requirements in this Section apply only to nonresidential lighting throughout the Village.

- (a) Illumination Levels. Nonresidential lighting shall comply with the illumination levels specified in the following Table 1.

Table 1: Maximum Illumination Levels⁷

Location	Average Maximum Maintained Footcandles
Infrequently Used Pedestrian Entrances (Rear Entrances)	1.0
Active Pedestrian Entrances (Main Retail/Office Entrances)	5.0
Low Activity Parking Areas (Employee Parking)	3.0
High Activity Parking Areas (Customer Parking)	5.0
Loading Areas	5.0
All Other Areas	1.0

⁴ The Planning Commission believes strongly that the words “shall be fully shielded” are essential, based on in-depth research that included field work in the Village of Franklin. The Planning Commission believes that Section 1470.05(a) concisely sets forth the intended requirements, and there is no need for modification.

⁵ Color correction is an important requirement for LED lighting. The CCT is usually specified for LED lighting on the box in which the fixture is shipped.

⁶ By deleting the second part of the Ornamental Lighting regulation an element of subjectivity in the enforcement of the ordinance will be removed.

⁷ The table now contains information to help define each location. A category “All Other Areas” has been added.

- (b) Uniformity Ratio. In order to attain lighting uniformity, the ratio between average lighting levels to the average maximum lighting levels shall not exceed 4:1.⁸
- (c) Canopy Lights. Light fixtures mounted on the underside of a canopy or similar structure shall be fully recessed into the canopy.

1470.07 EXEMPTIONS

The following outdoor lighting shall be exempt from the regulations in Chapter 1470:

- (a) Fossil Fuel Light. Fossil fuel light produced directly or indirectly from the combustion of natural gas or other utility-type fossil fuels (e.g., gas lamps) is exempt from the regulations in this Chapter.⁹
- (b) Temporary Lighting for Carnivals, Fairs, or Civic Uses. Lighting for temporary carnivals, fairs, or civic uses permitted by the Village Council is exempt from the regulations in this Chapter.
- (c) Construction and Emergency Lighting. Temporary lighting necessary for construction for emergency purposes is exempt from the regulations in this Chapter provided that it is discontinued immediately upon completion of the construction or abatement of the emergency.
- (d) Lighting for Public Monuments. Lighting for public monuments, statuary, or historical markers is exempt from the regulations in this Chapter.
- (e) Flag Lighting. Lighting of flags is exempt from the regulations in this Chapter provided that the flag lighting fixtures produce a maximum light output of 500 lumens, with a narrow beam ranging between 15 and 25 degrees, that is focused directly on the flag.
- (f) Temporary Low Illuminance Seasonal Lighting. Temporary low illuminance lights used for seasonal display (e.g., holiday lights) are exempt from the regulations regarding fixture orientation and shielding, mounting height, and color correction in this Chapter. High intensity lights are prohibited, as stated in Section 1470.08.

1470.08 PROHIBITED LIGHTING

The following outdoor lighting shall be prohibited in the Village of Franklin:

- (a) High Intensity Lights. Laser lights,¹⁰ strobe lights, searchlights, and any other similar lights shall be prohibited for lighting, advertising, or entertaining purposes.

⁸ The purpose of the Uniformity Ratio regulation is to achieve a uniform pattern of light across a surface (such as a parking lot) when there are multiple lighting fixtures. The Uniformity Ratio is a conventional measurement tool that lighting professionals, architects, engineers, and planners use and comprehend, particularly on non-residential (commercial) sites.

⁹ Fossil fuel lights receive an exception because they don't produce much light.

¹⁰ The use of laser lights for seasonal displays has been discussed by the Planning Commission at length. After much debate the Planning Commission decided to include laser lights in the "Prohibited" category.

- (b) Flashing and Moving Lights. Flashing, moving, and intermittent lighting. Nothing in this subsection is intended to prohibit motion-activated lights or lights otherwise exempted by Section 1470.07(f).
- (c) Unshielded Lights. Because of the inability to shield them, barn lights, non-shielded wall packs or floodlights, and other unshielded lights that are not aimed downward are prohibited (see Illustrations in Sections 1470.11(b) and 1470(c)).

1470.09 SIGN LIGHTING

Illuminated signs shall comply with the regulations in Section 1474.14 (the Sign Code).

1470.10 APPROVAL PROCESS

Approval of proposed outdoor lighting shall be required as noted below. ~~In the Historic District, proposed outdoor lighting may also be subject to Historic District Commission review and approval.~~¹¹

- (a) Nonresidential Lighting where Site Plan Review Is Required. Where site plan review is required (e.g., new development, redevelopment, substantial renovation), proposed outdoor lighting shall be subject to site plan review and approval, pursuant to Section 1268.30. The following information shall be included on or with the site plan:
 - (1) Locations of all outdoor lighting fixtures.
 - (2) Photometric grid overlaid on the site plan indicating the level of illumination throughout the site in footcandles.
 - (3) Manufacturer's specification sheet for each type of proposed fixture.
- (b) Nonresidential Lighting where Site Plan Review Is Not Required. Where site plan review is not required (e.g., lighting replacement only—no other proposed improvements), proposed replacement outdoor lighting shall be subject to review by the Building Official or Electrical Inspector. The following information shall be included on or with the application for a permit:
 - (1) Locations of all outdoor lighting fixtures.
 - (2) Manufacturer's specification sheet for each type of proposed fixture.
- (c) Residential Lighting—New Home. Proposed outdoor lighting for a new home shall be subject to review by the Building Official or Electrical Inspector. The following information shall be included on or with the application for a building or electrical permit:
 - (1) Locations of all outdoor lighting fixtures.
 - (2) Manufacturer's specification sheet for each type of proposed fixture.
- (d) Residential Lighting—Existing Home. Where the Building or Electrical Codes require a permit, proposed replacement lighting for an existing home shall be subject to review by the Building Official or Electrical Inspector. The following information shall be included on or with the application for a building or electrical permit:

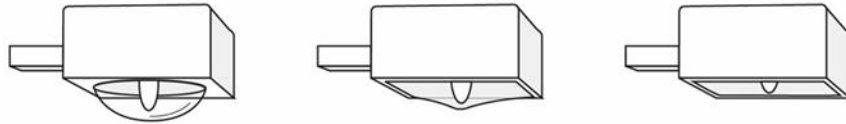
¹¹ See previous footnote concerning deletion of references to the Historic District.

- (1) Locations of proposed replacement outdoor lighting fixtures.
- (2) Manufacturer's specification sheet for each type of proposed fixture.

Where the Building or Electrical Codes do not require a permit, replacement lighting shall nevertheless comply with the regulations in this Chapter.

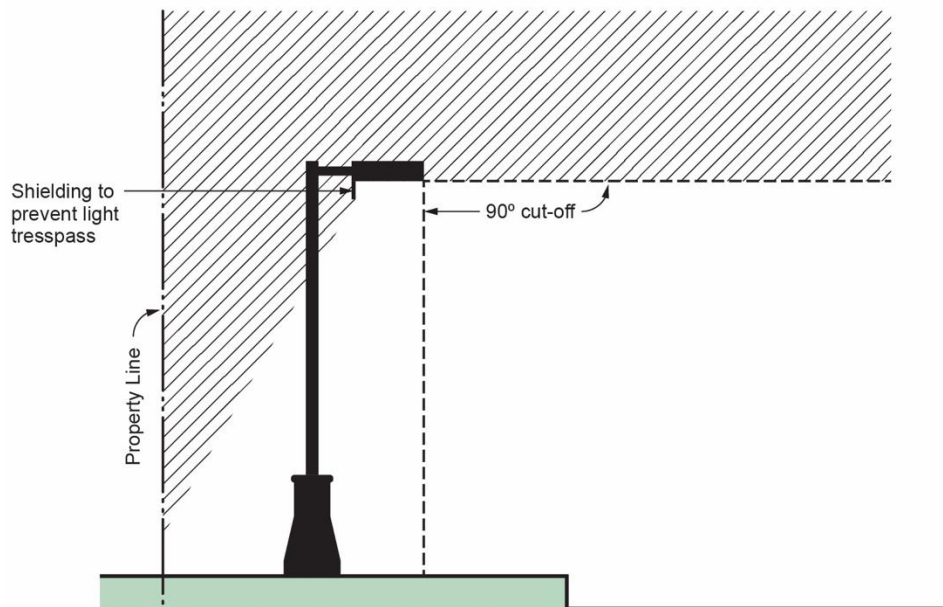
1470.11 ILLUSTRATIONS

- (a) Examples of drop-lens, sag-lens, and flat lens fixtures (see definition of Ornamental Lighting in Section 1470.04). ***(Also delete illustrations.)***¹²



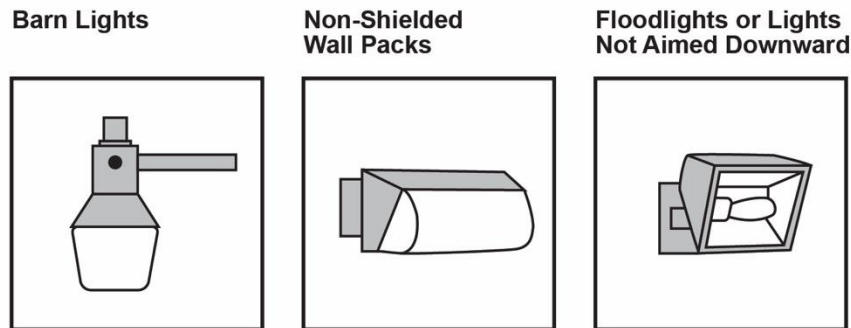
Drop-Lens, Sag-Lens, and Flat Lense Fixtures

- (b) Pursuant to Section 1470.05(a), full cut-off fixtures shall be used to prevent light from projecting above a ninety degree (90°) horizontal plane.

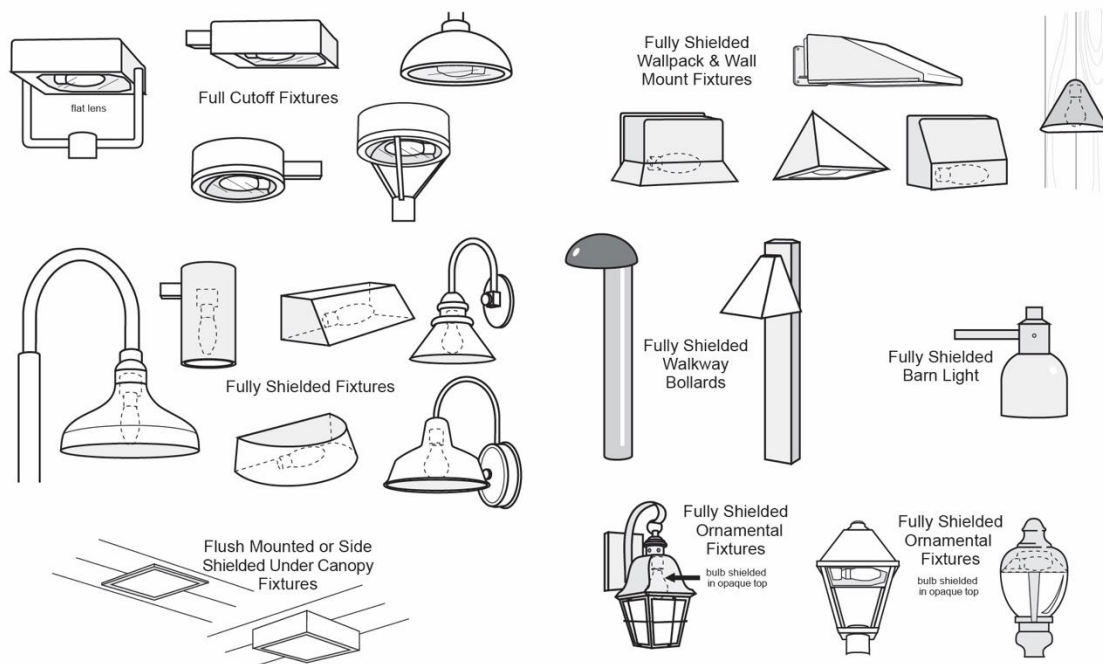


¹² Section 1470.11(a) is being deleted because of revisions/deletions involving the definition of Ornamental Lighting in Section 1470.04.

(c) Pursuant to Section 1470.08(c), the following unshielded lights are prohibited.



(d) Following are a few examples of non-ornamental light fixtures that comply with ordinance requirements.





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MEMORANDUM

TO: Peter Halick, Planning Commission Chairman
FROM: Roger Fraser, Village Administrator
DATE: June 14, 2023
SUBJECT: Golf Carts on Village Streets

Attached to this memorandum is a request prepared by Council Member David Sahli recommending to the Village Council that they consider authorizing the use of golf carts on Village streets. This was an item on the Village Council Meeting Agenda this past week. With no additional discussion, the Council approved David Sahli's suggestion that this item be referred to the Planning Commission for consideration and a recommendation back to the Council.

Feel free to contact me with any questions.

Authorizing Golf Carts on Public Roads

Summary of Proposal: Authorize the operation of a golf carts on roads within the Village.

Michigan Law: The Michigan Vehicle Code Section 657a (MCL 257.657a) provides that villages with fewer than 30,000 people may by resolution allow the operation of golf carts on the streets of that township without registration of the golf cart, subject to the following restrictions:

1. A person must be at least 16 years of age and licensed to operate a motor vehicle;
2. The operator of a golf cart must comply with signal requirements that apply to operation of a motor vehicle;
3. The operator of a golf cart must ride as near to the right of the roadway as practicable;
4. A person operating a golf cart shall not pass between lines of traffic, but may pass on the left of traffic moving in his or her direction in the case of a 2-way street or on the left or right of traffic in the case of a 1-way street, in an unoccupied lane;
5. A golf cart shall not be operated on a sidewalk constructed for the use of pedestrians;
6. A golf cart shall not be operated at a speed exceeding 15 miles per hour or operated on roads with a speed limit greater than 30 miles an hour except to cross that street;
7. A golf care shall not be operated on a street 30 minutes before sunset or 30 minutes after sunrise;
8. A person operating a golf cart must signal turns and stopping either electronically or through arm signals in accordance with MCL 257.648.

Additional non-required considerations are included in the statute.

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Motion:

Direct the Planning Commission to research and propose an ordinance authorizing the operation of gold carts on streets within the Village of Franklin pursuant the Michigan Codified Law 257.657a.



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July 1, 2023

Planning Commission
Village of Franklin
32325 Franklin Road
Franklin, Michigan 48025

Subject: Use of Golf Carts on Village Streets

Dear Commissioners:

At your June meeting, the Planning Commission was directed by the Village Council to investigate whether the Village should permit golf carts to be used on Village streets. In 2014, the Michigan Vehicle Code was amended to allow villages (and other municipalities) that have a population under 30,000 residents to permit operation of golf carts on their streets, provided that the municipality first adopts a resolution to permit such activity.

If the Village were to adopt such a resolution, the operation of golf carts on Village streets would be subject to the requirements in Section 657a of the Michigan Vehicle Code, Public Act 300 of 1949, as amended. Section 657a contains several mandatory requirements, as well as a number of optional requirements, which I list later in this letter.

Based on my research, I am aware of at least 25 municipalities that permit golf carts on their streets in accordance with Section 657a. I contacted five—the City of Albion, Village of Milford, City of Owosso, City of Ludington, and City of North Muskegon—to learn how they addressed the topic of golf carts.

Interestingly, instead of adopting a resolution to permit golf carts on streets, all five communities permit them by ordinance. I believe an ordinance provides for more effective enforcement of regulations than a resolution, which is the primary reason they chose to adopt ordinances.

In addition to the ordinances from the five communities listed above, I reviewed the ordinance adopted by Dunedin, Florida, and the resolution adopted by the Village of Lake Isabella, Michigan.

Upon reading through the resolution and ordinances from Michigan, I observed that the communities added provisions, above and beyond what is included in Section 657a of the Act. These provisions, which I would label as “optional,” are also listed below for your consideration.

MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS FROM SECTION 657a

The following requirements are mandatory and must be included in any resolution or ordinance adopted by the Village Council to allow golf carts on Village streets:

- A person shall not operate a golf cart on any street unless he or she is at least 16 years old and is licensed to operate a motor vehicle.
- The operator of a golf cart shall comply with the signal requirements of Section 648 of the Michigan Vehicle Code that apply to operation of a vehicle.

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- A person operating a golf cart upon a roadway shall ride as near to the right side of the roadway as practicable, exercising due care when passing a standing vehicle or a vehicle proceeding in the same direction.
- A person shall not operate a golf cart on a state trunk line highway (e.g., Telegraph Road/M-24). This does not prohibit a person from crossing a state trunk line highway when operating a golf cart on a street of the Village, using the most direct line of crossing.
- A person operating a golf cart shall not pass between lines of traffic, but may pass on the left of traffic moving in his or her direction in the case of 2-way street or on the left or right of traffic in the case of a 1-way street, in an unoccupied lane.
- A golf cart shall not be operated on a sidewalk constructed for the use of pedestrians.
- A golf cart shall be operated at a speed not to exceed 15 miles per hour and shall not be operated on a state trunk line highway or highway or street with a speed limit of more than 30 miles per hour except to cross that state trunkline highway or highway or street. (Thus, golf cart use would be prohibited on Thirteen Mile Road, Fourteen Mile Road, and Inkster Road in Franklin.)
- A golf cart shall not be operated on a state trunk line highway or streets of the Village during the time period from ½ hour before sunset to ½ hour after sunrise.
- A person operating a golf cart or who is a passenger in a golf cart is not required to wear a crash helmet.
- These regulations do not apply to a police officer in the performance of his or her official duties.
- A golf cart operated on a street in the Village is not required to be registered under the Michigan Vehicle Code for the purposes of Section 3101 of the insurance code of 1956, 1956 PA 218, MCL 500.3101.¹

OPTIONAL REQUIREMENTS FROM SECTION 657a

The following requirements from Section 657a are optional—the Village can include or exclude them:

- The village may require the golf carts and the operators of the golf carts to be recorded on a list maintained by the Village. The Village may not charge for listing golf carts or operators, though.
- Where a usable and designated path for golf carts is provided adjacent to a highway or street, a person operating a golf cart may, by local ordinance, be required to use that path.

¹ MCL—Michigan Compiled Laws



- The Village may, by resolution, designate roads or classifications of roads for use by golf carts. (For example, the Village may wish to permit golf carts on local residential streets only and prohibit their use on Franklin Road.)
- The Village may require a golf cart registered in Franklin to meet any or all of the following vehicle safety requirements of a low-speed vehicle for approval under this resolution/ordinance:
 - At least 2 headlamps that comply with Section 685 of the Michigan Vehicle Code.
 - At least 1 tail lamp that complies with Section 686 of the Michigan Vehicle Code.
 - At least 1 stop lamp and 1 lamp or mechanical signal device that comply with Section 697 and 697b of the Michigan Vehicle Code.
 - At least 1 red reflector on each side of the golf cart as far to the rear as practicable and 1 red reflector on the rear of the golf cart as required for low-speed vehicles by 49 CFR 571.500.²
 - One exterior mirror mounted on the driver's side of the golf cart and either 1 exterior mirror mounted on the passenger side of the golf cart or 1 interior mirror as required for low-speed vehicles by 49 CFR 571.500.
 - Brakes and a parking brake that comply with Section 704 of the Michigan Vehicle Code.
 - A horn that complies with Section 706 of the Michigan Vehicle Code.
 - A windshield that complies with Section 708a of the Michigan Vehicle Code.
 - A manufacturer's identification number permanently affixed to the frame of the golf cart.
 - Safety belts that comply with Section 710a and that are used as required by Section 710e of the Michigan Vehicle Code.
 - The crash helmet requirements that are applicable to low-speed vehicles under Section 658b of the Michigan Vehicle Code.

OPTIONAL PROVISIONS THAT OTHER COMMUNITIES HAVE ADOPTED

The following provisions have been adopted by other communities and are considered optional—the Village can include or exclude them:

- A red reflector shall be mounted on the rear of every golf cart, which shall be visible from a distance of 500 feet when in front of lawful low beams of headlamps of a motor vehicle.
- The operator of a golf cart shall obey all applicable traffic regulations in the Michigan Vehicle Code and Uniform Traffic Code.
- A golf cart shall not be used to carry more persons at one time than the number for which it is designed and equipped.

² CFR—Code of Federal Regulations



- Golf carts shall not be operated on street in a negligent manner, endangering any person or property, or obstructing, hindering, or impeding the lawful course of travel of any motor vehicle or the lawful use by and pedestrian of public streets, sidewalks, paths, trails, or parks.
- Off-road vehicles, such as Gators, all-terrain vehicles (ATVs), multitrack or multi-wheel drive vehicles, dune buggies, or similar vehicles are not considered golf carts.
- Owners shall register their golf carts on an annual basis by making application to the Village Police Department. Such application shall include proof of insurance as a rider to a homeowner's or renter's policy, or in another form of policy selected by the applicant, for coverage of personal injury and property damage resulting from operation of the golf cart. The minimum amount of coverage shall be \$300,000, and the Village shall be named an additional insured. The Police Department shall review each application, grant approval or issue a denial, and provide a list of registered golf carts to the Village Administrator. Each approved golf cart shall be issued a registration decal, which shall be affixed to the front of the golf cart.
- Possession and use of alcohol and illegal drugs when operating a golf cart on Village streets is prohibited.
- The operator of a golf cart shall not allow passengers to ride on any part of the golf cart that is not designed specifically for such purposes, such as the part of the golf cart that is designed to carry golf clubs.
- Golf carts shall not be parked on sidewalks.
- Owners of golf carts who wish to operate them on Village streets shall submit proof of ownership and liability insurance, and a completed Waiver of Liability releasing the Village from any liability that may arise as a result of operation of a golf cart in the Village. These documents must be in the golf cart at all times while in operation on a public street.
- Golf carts shall not be operated within a cemetery.
- Operators of golf carts in nonresidential areas of the Village who wish to park their vehicles shall park in designated vehicle parking areas, which may include on Village streets or in off-street parking lots. (Note: Discussion of parking is necessary. In addition to parking in designated parking areas, would it be acceptable to park golf carts on the Village Green, for example?)

NEXT STEPS

At the June meeting, the Planning Commission expressed a desire for input from the Village Police Chief and Trustee Sahli. After receiving this input, the Planning Commission must decide whether golf carts should, or should not be permitted on Village streets.

If you decide that golf carts should be permitted, then the next step is to review the Optional Requirements from Section 657a and the Optional Provisions that Other Communities Have Adopted to determine which requirements should be enforced in the Village of Franklin.



As a result of this effort, we will have the information needed to draft a resolution or ordinance that can be forwarded to the Village Council for consideration. In addition to the regulations listed in this letter, we would want to include sections dealing with definitions and violations and penalties.

The decision whether to put the regulations in the form of a resolution or an ordinance probably should be left to the Village Attorney and/or Legal Committee.

We look forward to reviewing this information with you on July 19th. In the meantime, if you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Respectfully submitted,

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Christopher J. Doozan, AICP
Community Planning Consultant

c: Roger Fraser, Village Administrator
Dana Hughes, Village Clerk
Peter Halick, Planning Commission Chairman



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February 9, 2024

Planning Commission
Village of Franklin
32325 Franklin Road
Franklin, Michigan 48025

Subject: Master Plan Values and Goals

Dear Planning Commissioners:

Paul Brakeman, Sara Grezlik, Al Ludwig, and I met on February 7th to review the draft Master Plan goals. You may recall that when the draft plan was submitted to Village Council for review, Council members seemed to focus their concerns on the goals in Chapter 1 (too many goals, too many were carryovers from the previous plan, etc.). The Council suggested that the Planning Commission take a second look and consider editing the goals.

After giving it some thought, the committee realized that many of the carryovers probably shouldn't even be called goals. Rather, they are long-term, lasting Community Values that residents and leaders hold in high regard because they reflect the character or essence of the Village. Unlike goals, which should be achievable in five years or so, Community Values may represent something you strive to achieve forever.

The committee sorted through the fourteen "goals" in the original draft Master Plan and concluded that certain similar ones could be combined and that virtually all of them needed to be refined to some degree. The result, which is attached, is a combination of seven Community Values and three Planning Goals, as listed below:

- Community Value 1: Village Character and Identity (created by combining goals 1, 6 and 7)
- Community Value 2: Historic Identity
- Community Value 3: Natural Resource Preservation
- Community Value 4: Balancing Property Owner Rights
- Community Value 5: Village Center
- Community Value 6: Regional Development
- Community Value 7: Village Business
- Planning Goal 1: Community Connectivity and Traffic Safety (created by combining goals 10 and 11)
- Planning Goal 2: Signage
- Planning Goal 3: Technology

As you review the attached document, please do not concern yourself with the format. After final edits are made it will be reformatted to fit in with the rest of the Master Plan document.

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I look forward to reviewing this material with you at an upcoming meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

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COMMUNITY VALUES AND PLANNING GOALS

The 2023 Master Plan Update offers a combination of seven Community Values and three Planning Goals to guide planning efforts in the next several years.

In the context of this Plan, Community Values are defined as attitudes and behaviors toward which residents and leaders of the Village have a long-term, lasting positive emotional regard.

Planning Goals are high level aims toward which Village leaders and residents wish to dedicate effort. Goals are intended to provide general guidance and direction, but they are supposed to be achievable within five years.

Under each Community Value stated on the following pages there are Objectives and Policies that relate to the Community Value. Objectives are statements related to how the Community Value can best be attained. A Policy is a statement of belief, or a principle that will guide behavior. A Policy describes an action that Village officials will take to maintain the integrity of the plan in pursuit of the Community Value.

Under each Planning Goal stated on the following pages there are Objectives and Proposed Actions that relate to the Planning Goal. Objectives provide more specific ideas on how to accomplish the Planning Goals. Proposed Actions are measurable, practical activities that can be undertaken in the short term to help accomplish the Planning Goals.

COMMUNITY VALUES

Community Value 1: Village Character and Identity

Preserve, promote, and enhance the unique rural-like character and identity of the Village, which is so distinct from the intensive development patterns in surrounding communities. Maintain open spaces and the predominance of large lot, single-family residences, with a single downtown Village Center that serves as the gathering place for residents.

OBJECTIVES

- Maintain zoning standards that protect Village character, including zoning regulations to preserve residential neighborhood character and open space.
- Encourage homeowners' associations (HOAs) to enforce deed restrictions that aid in preserving Village character.
- Continue ordinance enforcement efforts.
- Encourage the use of underground utilities where feasible.
- Use zoning to preserve low intensity residential development at the Village periphery.
- Periodically evaluate opportunities for public acquisition of property along the Village periphery and in environmentally sensitive areas, such as wetlands, ravines, and floodplains.

POLICIES

- Encourage creative design and planning for both housing and land development to produce visual harmony without monotony, preserve special physiographic features, and protect vital natural resources.
- Preserve the simple rural atmosphere of Franklin by maintaining and enhancing the rural scenic nature of roads.
- Maintain large residential lots except in the Village Center.
- Encourage the establishment of land conservancies and the donation of land to the Village as a means to augment open space within Franklin.
- Show a preference for detached single-family housing with new residential development.
- Encourage the maintenance and updating of private deed restrictions regarding minimum lot size and area.
- Encourage the provision of landscaped buffers to shield residential properties from adjacent nonresidential development.
- Maintain and, if appropriate, seek opportunities to enhance joint operating agreements with Bingham Farms and other surrounding communities.
- Encourage citizens to participate in volunteer organizations in the Village.
- Encourage diversity, equality, and inclusion in all aspects of Village government.

Community Value 2: Historic Identity

Preserve, promote, and enhance the historic identity of the Village, recognizing that the Historic District is distinctive example of a Nineteenth Century Michigan Village.

OBJECTIVES

- Maintain zoning regulations pertaining to the Historic District to protect historic character.
- Maintain the Historic District designation.
- Ensure continuation of an effective, well-educated Historic District Commission.

- Build Franklin officials' and residents' awareness of the requirements and benefits of a Historic District designation.

POLICIES

- Encourage the preservation of historic structures and spaces in the Village, particularly in the Village Center and the Historic District.
- Promote the use of architectural and landscape materials in the Village Center that emulate the Village's Nineteenth Century historic character.
- Ensure that site development in the Village Center relates to and is compatible with nearby buildings, land uses, and the rural and historic character of the Village.
- Provide residents with information on assistance programs related to preservation and rehabilitation of historic properties.
- Ensure that Franklin officials have knowledge of historic preservation techniques and zoning provisions.

Community Value 3: Natural Resource Preservation

Preserve the natural resources of the Village, including its open spaces, woodlands, wetlands, the Rouge River Valley and floodplain, and visual resources along roads, to prevent damage to the environment or harm to these resources.

OBJECTIVES

- Develop guidelines for property owners to help them manage their properties to protect sensitive natural resources, including the outstanding tree canopy that contributes to the Village's rural character.
- Acquire conservation easements, where possible, to the banks of the Franklin Branch of the Rouge River and to wetlands, including buffers along the edges of wetlands.
- Develop guidelines that promote and regulate acquisition of land for use as public space and for preservation of environmentally sensitive areas.
- Develop a tree management program that ensures there will always be a richly abundant tree canopy throughout the Village, especially along public roads.

POLICIES

- To the extent possible, develop and enforce regulations to ensure that residential development occurs in a harmonious relationship with natural landscape and waterscape. A harmonious relationship is one in which residential development and recreational use fosters the continued biological and physical health of water, plant and animal communities, and appreciation of the beauty people derive from natural landscapes.
- Protect sensitive environmental lands and open spaces by directing development to the more buildable portions of parcels.
- Protect water bodies and drainage ways, flora and fauna, and unique landforms.
- Prohibit development in floodplains and wetlands and avoid disrupting or infringing on environmentally sensitive slopes and woodlands.
- Consider public acquisition of environmentally sensitive lands for open space and passive recreation purposes.
- Use natural drainage systems along roads.
- Implement best management practices for stormwater control, including non-structural and structural methods, to reduce flow into streams, rivers, and wetlands.

Community Value 4: Balancing Property Owner Rights

Preserve and promote the rights of the individual property owner. Balance the rights of the individual landowner and the need to enhance property values with actions necessary to preserve the public good.

OBJECTIVES

- Allow individuality in the design of new construction and renovation that both complements and helps protect the rural character of the Village.
- Adopt or retain zoning regulations that protect Village character, neighborhoods, and property owners.

POLICIES

- Strongly support the interests of homeowners when considering land use and environmental preservation regulations to ensure the preservation of the rural-like character of the Village.
- Enforce Village ordinances to promote and preserve individual property owner rights as well as public interests inherent in preservation of the rural character of the Village.

Community Value 5: Village Center

Enhance and support the economic vitality and attractive appearance of the Village Center, including the commercial district, the residences, and the public facilities.

OBJECTIVES

- Support the vision for the Village Center, including the cohesive image for the Village commercial district put forward by Main Street Franklin, and develop and implement recommendations to achieve the vision.
- Maximize commercial use of property in the Village Center, as opposed to office use.

POLICIES

- Participate in Federal, State and County initiatives to improve the Village Center.
- Require property owners to maintain structures and grounds in attractive condition, consistent with the Village Center objectives and Historic District design guidelines.
- Encourage property and business owners to proactively participate in efforts to improve the commercial vitality of the Village Center.
- Capitalize on the proximity of the Franklin Cider Mill, located just outside the Village, by erecting wayfinding signs to and from the Village Center.
- Develop cooperative activities that involve Village Center businesses and the Franklin Cider Mill to promote economic vitality and placemaking.

Community Value 6: Regional Development

Protect the Village from development that endangers essential services and security of Franklin residents.

OBJECTIVES

- Develop cooperative relationships with adjacent communities so that the Village of Franklin will be a partner in adjacent municipalities' planning efforts affecting lands abutting the Village.
- Encourage adjacent communities to plan and develop lands that abut the Village in ways that are compatible with Village land uses.

POLICIES

- Participate in planning activities with adjacent communities and regional planning bodies.

- Through the Village Council and Planning Commission, monitor and present to the appropriate bodies the Village's position on proposals for development by private and public entities on lands adjacent to the Village.
- Encourage adjacent communities to minimize the expansion of development that places burdens on Village of Franklin services.

Community Value 7: Village Business

Conduct day-to-day Village business through a small, professional staff while relying on volunteer and elected officials for policy decisions.

OBJECTIVES

- Continue to employ a professional Village Administrator, Village Clerk, and small support staff to manage Village operations.
- Maintain the Village website as a means to communicate timely Village information to residents and other interested parties.
- Use the Village website to convey answers to frequently asked questions regarding property development, building improvements, frequently abused codes (e.g., fences, lot coverage), and so forth.

POLICIES

- Use citizen committees and commissions to assist Village officials in carrying out their responsibilities.
- Encourage open communication and discussion of Village policies and proposed actions between Village officials, employees, and citizens.
- Encourage volunteer citizen participation in Village activities.
- Ensure that Village officials, have training in zoning, land use planning, and historic preservation.

PLANNING GOALS

Planning Goal 1: Community Connectivity and Traffic Safety

Accommodate non-motorized travelers throughout the Village to provide safe and convenient connections for pedestrian and bicyclists of all ages. Take measures to improve traffic safety and reduce congestion through enforcement of traffic regulations. Discourage and oppose projects that have as their primary benefit the enhancement of traffic flow at the expense of the environment, pedestrian safety, or quality of life in Franklin.

OBJECTIVES

- Create a connected network of safe routes for pedestrians and bicyclists to move around the Village and gain access to the Village Center.
- Improve roads to be “complete streets” where possible within existing rights-of-way, and when financially feasible.
- Maintain circulation and parking systems that encourage the preservation of the rural character of the Village.
- Develop scenic road corridor plans for roads in the Village, considering traffic calming measures, pedestrian and bicycle safety, and scenic qualities.
- Approve site plans that provide for planting of street trees and other design elements that contribute to Village character, provided that such improvements do not block sight lines for drivers.
- Develop an access loop through the parking areas behind buildings in the Village Center.
- Develop and implement traffic calming strategies to minimize the effects of traffic in the Village.

PROPOSED ACTIONS

- Develop pedestrian ways and bicycle paths connecting major activity points in the Village, utilizing open areas, floodplains, and road rights-of-way.
- Maintain the Village Center as a destination point for community activities.
- Develop paths to connect neighborhoods to each other and to connect neighborhoods to the Village Center.
- Design local roads as country lanes in order to preserve the rural character of the Village and to protect roadside vegetation.
- Make efficient use of existing roads and parking areas before changes are made to increase capacity.

Planning Goal 2: Signage

Limit signs within the Village to those that are informative, contribute to safety, enhance the businesses of the Village, and contribute to and reinforce the rural character, while protecting First Amendment rights.

OBJECTIVES

- Develop a uniform design for street name signs that reflects the historic and rural character of the Village.
- When it is time to replace traffic control signs, consider alternative designs that are more in character with the Village’s heritage, particularly in the Village Center.
- Develop a unified street and public facility sign system that reflects the character of the Village.

- Maintain distinctive entry signs for major road entries into the Village.
- Maintain the sign ordinance based on best practices to ensure signs in the Village of Franklin reflect its rural character and high quality of development.

PROPOSED ACTIONS

- Limit traffic signs to the minimum necessary for safe travel on Village streets.
- Redesign and install street signs throughout the Village to enhance visibility, readability, and wayfinding.

Planning Goal 3: Technology

Facilitate appropriate use of up-to-date technology.

OBJECTIVES

- Because of Village residents' increasing reliance on wireless devices as a means of voice communication and accessing information, develop plans that allow the Village to access the latest in technological advancements while still maintaining the rural character of the Village.
- Encourage the use of unobtrusive means of expanding and improving cellular telephone reception and internet access.
- Recognize the inherent public safety concerns created by an inability to make or receive wireless telephone calls in the Village.

PROPOSED ACTIONS

- Identify suitable locations and install charging stations for electric vehicles.
- If possible, develop a system of free wireless internet access within the Village Center.



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CIVIC EVENTS PERMIT

NAME OF EVENT: BICENTENNIAL BIRTHDAY PARTY

ORGANIZATION: FRANKLIN LIBRARY

APPLICANT: TERESA NATZKE

CONTACT NAME: TERESA NATZKE PHONE # 248-222-254 Email: tnatzke@franklin.lib.mi.us

DATE(S) OF EVENT: JULY 13, 2024

TIME OF EVENT: NOON TO 8:00 PM

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF EVENT & LOCATION (attach separate sheet if needed):

FOOD, GAMES & MUSIC LOCATED ON VILLAGE GREEN BEHIND THE LIBRARY

WHERE WILL PARTICIPANTS PARK? STREET, CHURCH LOT

Are You Requiring Any Street Closure? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Please Attach a Map Showing Proposed Street Closure

Will a tent larger than 120 sq. ft. be used during this event? ☐ Yes ☒ No If yes, Building Permit Required

Building Permit attached? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Temporary Sign Needed? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Are You Requiring a Banner Over Franklin Road?

Sign application attached? ☐ Yes ☒ No

☐ Yes ☒ No (Banner Policy Attached)

Have You Held This Event Here Before? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Expected Number of Participants 100

Does Your Organization Have any Affiliation with the Village of Franklin? Yes ☒ No

If yes, what is the affiliation? LIBRARY

Applicant further agrees that the Village may require reimbursement of Village incurred costs associated with Civic Event Permit (e.g. Police overtime, cleanup, damage to public property...etc.)

☐ If Banner requested, attach copy of insurance certificate.

In consideration for this permit, the applicant agrees, to the fullest extent permitted by law. To release, indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Village of Franklin, the Franklin- Bingham Fire Department and their elected and appointed officials, boards, councils, commissions, employees, and volunteers from any liabilities, damages, losses, suits, claims, expenses, attorney fees and costs that arise from any injury or property damage relating to use of Village property by the Applicant or Applicant's employees, members, volunteers, contractors, agents, invitees, licensees, guests, attendees or participants. It is further agreed that the Applicant shall supply the Village of Franklin and DTE Energy with a certificate of insurance evidencing commercial general liability insurance, with an Insurance carrier licensed and admitted to do business in Michigan, naming the Village, its elected and appointed officials, boards, councils, commissions, employees, volunteers and the property owner of 32654 Franklin and Franklin-Bingham Fire Department if a banner displayed, as additional insured in a form and with coverage and coverage limits acceptable to the Village.

T. Natzke
Authorized Signature

2/27/24
Date

Clerk

Police Department

Fire Department

Franklin Church

Administrator

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CIVIC EVENTS PERMIT

NAME OF EVENT: Oktoberfest

ORGANIZATION: Friends of Franklin Public Library

APPLICANT: Melissa Stacheline

CONTACT NAME: Same

PHONE # (248) 727-4282 Email: M. STACHELINE@GMAIL.COM

DATE(S) OF EVENT: Friday October 4th 2024

TIME OF EVENT: 6-9 PM

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF EVENT & LOCATION (attach separate sheet if needed):

Event will take place in the library & outside in the reading garden & in an outdoor tent. Event will feature food, music, beer and wine. This is a fundraising event for the library.

WHERE WILL PARTICIPANTS PARK? on the street, in library lot

Are You Requiring Any Street Closure? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Please Attach a Map Showing Proposed Street Closure

Will a tent larger than 120 sq. ft. be used during this event? ☐ Yes ☒ No If yes, Building Permit Required

Building Permit attached? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Temporary Sign Needed?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Are You Requiring a Banner Over Franklin Road?

Sign application attached?

☐ Yes ☒ No

☐ Yes ☐ No (Banner Policy Attached)

Have You Held This Event Here Before?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Expected Number of Participants 125

Does Your Organization Have any Affiliation with the Village of Franklin? Yes ☒ No

If yes, what is the affiliation? Fundraising arm for the village library

Applicant further agrees that the Village may require reimbursement of Village incurred costs associated with Civic Event Permit (e.g. Police overtime, cleanup, damage to public property...etc.)

☐ If Banner requested, attach copy of insurance certificate.

In consideration for this permit, the applicant agrees, to the fullest extent permitted by law. To release, indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Village of Franklin, the Franklin-Bingham Fire Department and their elected and appointed officials, boards, councils, commissions, employees, and volunteers from any liabilities, damages, losses, suits, claims, expenses, attorney fees and costs that arise from any injury or property damage relating to use of Village property by the Applicant or Applicant's employees, members, volunteers, contractors, agents, invitees, licensees, guests, attendees or participants. It is further agreed that the Applicant shall supply the Village of Franklin and DTE Energy with a certificate of insurance evidencing commercial general liability insurance, with an insurance carrier licensed and admitted to do business in Michigan, naming the Village, its elected and appointed officials, boards, councils, commissions, employees, volunteers and the property owner of 32654 Franklin and Franklin-Bingham Fire Department if a banner displayed, as additional insured in a form and with coverage and coverage limits acceptable to the Village.

Melissa Stacheline
Authorized Signature

2/13/24
Date

Clerk

Police Department

Fire Department

Franklin Church

Administrator

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Assuming no banner required

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**VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN
COUNTY OF OAKLAND**

**PROCLAMATION
Arbor Day 2024**

WHEREAS, in 1872, J. Sterling Morton proposed to the Nebraska Board of Agriculture that a special day be set aside for the planting of trees, and

WHEREAS, this holiday, called Arbor Day, was first observed with the planting of more than a million trees in Nebraska, and

WHEREAS, Arbor Day is now observed throughout the nation and the world, and

WHEREAS, trees can reduce the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, cut heating and cooling costs, moderate the temperature, clean the air, produce life-giving oxygen, and provide habitat for wildlife, and

WHEREAS, trees are a renewable resource giving us paper, wood for our homes, fuel for our fires and countless other wood products, and

WHEREAS, trees in our city increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, and beautify our community, and

WHEREAS, trees, wherever they are planted, are a source of joy and spiritual renewal.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED I, Bill Lamott, Council President of the Village of Franklin, do hereby proclaim, Friday, April 26, 2024, as Arbor Day in the Village of Franklin, and further, I urge all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands, and to plant trees to gladden the heart and promote the well-being of this and future generations.

President William Lamott



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West Nile Virus Fund Program 2024 Resolution

WHEREAS, the Oakland County Board of Commissioners has established a West Nile Virus Fund Program to assist Oakland County cities, villages, and townships in addressing mosquito control activities; and

WHEREAS, Oakland County's West Nile Virus Fund Program authorizes Oakland County cities, villages, and townships to apply for reimbursement of eligible expenses incurred in connection with personal mosquito protection measures and mosquito larvicide distribution; and

WHEREAS, Oakland County has allotment of **\$493.33** in funds for the Village of Franklin to spend on West Nile Virus prevention; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Franklin, Oakland County, Michigan plans to incur expenses in connection with mosquito control activities believed to be eligible for reimbursement under Oakland County's West Nile Virus Fund Program; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Franklin intends to implement a program for individual-sized, personal insect repellent distribution to residents; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: that the Village of Franklin authorizes and directs its Administrator, Roger Fraser, as agent for the Village of Franklin, in the manner and to the extent provided under an Oakland County Board of Commissioners Resolution, to purchase and request reimbursement for eligible mosquito control activity under Oakland County's West Nile Virus Fund Program for 2024.



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**VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN
COUNTY OF OAKLAND, MICHIGAN**

At a regular meeting of the Village Council of the village of Franklin, County of Oakland, Michigan, held in said Village on the 16th day of August 1999, there were:

Present: Susan Davis, H. Frederick Gallasch, Randy McElroy, James Pikulas,
Florence Saltzman
Absent: Brian Coyer

The following resolution was offered by Sosin supported by McElroy, as follows:

That at the request of Mr. & Mrs. Hinnant to install this fence within the right of way according to the plan presented to us, be approved with the understanding that this is a license and that license and permission to maintain the fence may be withdrawn at any time, for any reason, by the Council in the future with appropriate notice being given to the Hinnants that it requires removal at their expense.

Ayes: Pikulas, McElroy Saltzman, Sosin, Gallasch, Davis

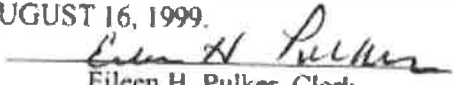
Nays: none

Absent: Coyer

Resolved this 16th day of August, 1999.

CERTIFICATION

I, EILEEN PULKER, VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN CLERK, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND COMPLETE COPY OF A RESOLUTION, THE ORIGINAL OF WHICH IS ON FILE IN MY OFFICE, ADOPTED BY THE VILLAGE COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN AT A MEETING THEREOF HELD ON MONDAY, AUGUST 16, 1999.


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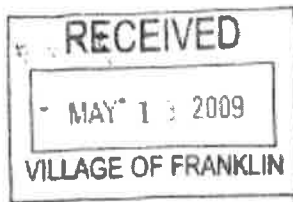
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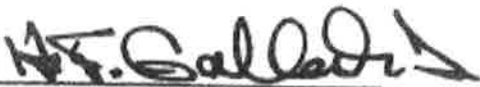
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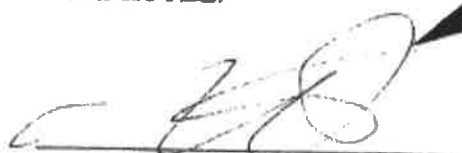


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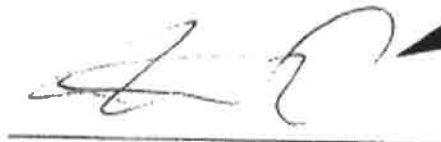
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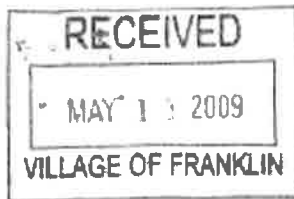
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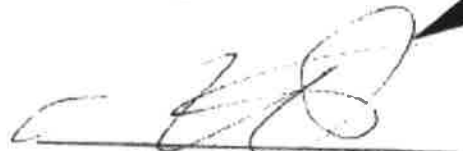
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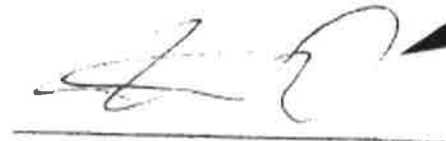


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October 5, 2022

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Shub

32334 Franklin Road

Franklin, Michigan 48025

Re: Franklin Village License Permit Handwritten Signature Examination

Dear Daniel and Natalya:

Our first meeting was Sept. 27th, 2022, in which you brought many documents to me containing signatures of Robert Hinnant and his wife, Kathleen A. Hinnant. One of these documents contains two unknown signatures. You presented originals and first generation copy documents for my examination.

I will label this Challenged Unknown document as follows:

U - 1 License (permit) To Use Public Right-Of-Way of 2009

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I have enlarged copies of these documents up to 150%, and have examined all signatures under magnification. There are very significant differences between the Unknown, U - 1 handwritten signatures and the Known handwritten signatures on the K - 1 through K - 9 documents.

The handwriting characteristics that are evaluated include line quality, pressure patterns, rhythm, slant, size and proportions for each letter of the signature. My examination does normally show the substantial differences in the characteristics of each letter. In this case there are no individual letters, which results in the inability to identify the writers of the Unknown signatures, marked U - 1.

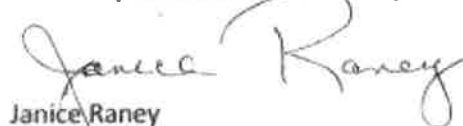
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I am prepared to demonstrate my findings in a Court of Law.

Sincerely,

Jan Raney Forensic Document Expert

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Janice Raney". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and email address.

Janice Raney

jansdramhouse@yahoo.com

I HEREBY AFFIRM UNDER THE PENALTIES OF PERJURY AS FOLLOWS:

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2. My Summer address is 15700 Stonehouse Circle, Livonia, Michigan 48154
3. My Winter address is 215 S. Jackson St., Beverly Hills, Florida 34465

I am over the age of 18 and competent to testify. Attached hereto and incorporated herein as EXHIBIT A is a copy of my Curriculum Vitae. The facts and qualifications referred to are true and I am a competent court-qualified Certified Document Examiner specializing in Handwriting identification. I am capable of forming an opinion regarding the authenticity of handwriting samples.

2. On Sept 27th 2022, I was asked to examine and compare the following documents,

Which are attached hereto as Exhibits. The document in question is:

License (permit) To Use Public Right-Of-Way, 2009 in Franklin Village, Michigan

3. The standards used for comparison are Forensic Document Examination standards.

4. Based on the documents examined, the evidence supports my professional opinion that

The signatures of an unknown person, which appear on the Questioned Documents are not written in the same hand as the standards and are therefore not genuine.

I, Janice Raney, do solemnly declare and affirm that the foregoing statements of facts are true and correct.

10-8-2022

Date


Forensic Document Examiner

State of Michigan


Wayne County

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 8 day of OCTOBER, 2022, before me, the subscriber, a Notary Public

Of and for the city of Livonia, Michigan, personally appeared who made oath in due form of law

That matters and facts contained in this Affidavit are true and correct.

My commission expires: 02-20-2029 NOTARY PUBLIC


ERIC LADWIG

ERIC LADWIG
NOTARY PUBLIC - STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF WAYNE
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES FEB 20, 2029
ACTING IN THE COUNTY OF WAYNE

JAN RANEY FORENSIC DOCUMENT EXAMINER

Curriculum Vitae

December, 2022

Memberships

International Association Document Examiners (IADE)
American Handwriting Analysis Foundation (AHAF)
AAHA/AHAF International Convention Chairman, 2010 Michigan

Education

SAFE Conference July and August 2015, online.
NADE Conference, in person, March/April 2015, Nashville, Classes as follows:
SEAK, James Mangraviti,
Making Exhibits with SNAGIT, Richard Orsini
Marking Exhibits with PaperPort, Ginger C. McKinnon
What Fingerprints, Firearms and Bitemarks Can Teach Handwriting Id., D. Michael Risinger
The Principal Threefold Solutions: Reality, Logic/Hard Work. Marcel Matley, Dr. Carole Chaski
Survey of U.S. Colleges and Universities Offering Courses in FDE, Heidi Harralson
Parameters for Examination of Non-original Documents, Emily J. Will
Challenges to Admissibility, Winning the Battle Before It is Fought, Atty. Elizabeth Waites
Ten Mistakes Examiners Make with Their Advertising and Other Marketing, Rosalie Hamilton
What Attorney's Can Find Out About Experts and Why Attorney's Hire One Expert Witness over Another, Jim Robinson
Preliminary Research into Unity/Fragmentation of FDE Relative to Establishing Uniform Standards, Roy Fenoff
Academic Research in FDE at ETSU and Instrumentation in FDE: Research and Practical Application, Dr. Larry Miller

Continuing Education and World Wide Interactive FDE Weekly Class

Online Classes, Kathie Koppenhaver 2012 to 2017
My teacher, Kathie Koppenhaver, is an FDE mentor
U.S. VS Starzeczyel, Judge McKenna Resided, defendants Roberts & Eileen Starzeczyel
Court Citations Regarding Handwriting Including Federal Court Cases
How to Handle a Case
Daubert, Court Citations Pertaining to Experts
Deposition Testimony
Principles of Handwriting Identification, to Combat Junk Science in the Court Room
Forensic Handwriting, Comparison Examination in the Courtroom
Guidelines for Document Examiners, SWGDOT is a group of document examiners who set standards and guidelines for document experts.
Check Fraud and the Bradford System
Pattern Recognition, by NIST, the Scientific Journal of IADE, Summer 2015
Marketing Document Examination Business
Under The Microscope, Fall, 2015

Curriculum Vitae, 2022

Achilles Heel of the Ghostwriter Machine, Bill Smith, IADE Journal, Fall 2015
Forensic Sciences, The Judges Journal, The Judges as the Gatekeepers, Summer 2015
The Expert Working Group on Human Factors in Handwriting Examination by NIST, 2015
IADE Member Proficiency Testing, score 100% .

31 Years of study in Handwriting/Graphology and related experience, in which I learned to recognize the subtle differences in handwriting.

I worked as an intern, 2014 and 2015, in the office of Janus Document Examination, 222 W. Comstock Ave, Winter Park, Florida, owner Jan Leach. My work consisted of examining documents, assisting Ms. Leach during depositions, court testimony, counseling with attorneys.

No college or university offers a BS, MS or PHD in Forensic Document Examination

Handwriting Education Workshops, PenTec, Ruth Holmes, Bloomfield Hills, Mi., 1990 thru 2015
Attended seminars and conferences at many AAHA Annual Conventions, 1989 thru 2017

My strength is my ability to analyze handwriting based on skill, training and knowledge.

Library

"Attorney's Guide to Document Examination", Katherine Koppenhaver
"How to Qualify as an Expert Witness", Katherine Koppenhaver
"Forensic Document Examination, Principles and Practice", Katherine Koppenhaver
"Forensic Handwriting Examination", Reed Hayes
"Written In Crime", Reed Hayes
"Between The Lines", Reed Hayes
"The Expert Witness Marketing Book", Rosalie Hamilton
"The Expert Witness Handbook", Dan Poynter
"Forgery: Detection and Defense", Marcel Matley
"Training Course in Forensic Document Examination", Marcel Matley
"Questioned Documents", Albert S. Osborn
"Evidential Documents", James V. P. Conway
"Danger Between the Lines", Kimon Iannetta & James Craine
"Testifying in Court", Stanley Brodsky
"Scientific Examination of Questioned Documents". Ordway Hilton
"Handwriting Identification: Facts and Fundamentals", by R.A. Huber and A.M. Headrick
"Technique for Obtaining Information and Detection of Deception" by Sapir

Formal Education: Michigan State University and Ferris State University

Janice L. Raney

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32325 Franklin Road, Franklin, Michigan 48025

FAX: (248) 626-0538

(248) 626-9666

July 14, 2008

Robert P Hinnant
Kathleen A Hinnant
32350 Franklin Rd
Franklin MI 48025-1178

**Re: 32350 Franklin Road
License (Permit) To Use Public Right-of-Way**

Mr. and Mrs. Hinnant,

It has come to our attention that the fence in the right-of-way agreement requires updated current comprehensive general liability insurance. We currently do not have an up to date proof of insurance in the form of a certificate of insurance. Please provide us with a current copy so that we can update your file.

The insurance must cover liability and be on an "occurrence basis" with limits not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence and/or aggregate combined single limit, personal injury, bodily injury and property damage. The insurance must name the Village of Franklin, including all elected and appointed officials, employees and volunteers, boards and commissions and their members as Additional Insured. The insurance shall be primary to the Additional Insureds, and not contributing with any other insurance or similar protection available to the Additional Insured, whether said other available coverage be primary, contributing or excess.

I would like to thank you in advance for your cooperation and attention to this matter as we work to keep your property file current and up to date.

Feel free to contact me should you have any questions regarding this letter.

Very Truly Yours,

Eileen H. Pulker
Village Clerk

EMP/aw

cc: Village Administrator
Building Official



32325 Franklin Road, Franklin, Michigan 48025

FAX: (248) 626-0538

(248) 626-9666

September 10, 2008

Robert P Hinnant
Kathleen A Hinnant
32350 Franklin Rd
Franklin MI 48025-1178

Re: **32350 Franklin Road**
License (Permit) To Use Public Right-of-Way

**2ND
AND
FINAL NOTICE**

Mr. and Mrs. Hinnant,

According to our records, a letter was sent to you dated July 14, 2008 regarding the fence that is located in the public right-of-way at the above-referenced address. You signed a right-of-way agreement which requires you to submit proof of insurance in the form of a certificate of insurance. To date, this office has received no updated certificate of insurance.

As you know and per the signed public right-of-way agreement, the insurance must cover liability and be on an "occurrence basis" with limits not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence and/or aggregate combined single limit, personal injury, bodily injury and property damage. The insurance must name the Village of Franklin, including all elected and appointed officials, employees and volunteers, boards and commissions and their members as Additional Insured. The insurance shall be primary to the Additional Insureds, and not contributing with any other insurance or similar protection available to the Additional Insured, whether said other available coverage be primary, contributing or excess.

Please understand that we must receive such proof of insurance no later than Monday, September 22, 2008 to avoid cancellation of your right-of-way permit. Cancellation of your right-of-way permit will result in your fence being removed from Village property.

It is our hope that such action will not be necessary as we very much look forward to assisting you in any way we can while also maintaining the agreements with the Village.

Feel free to contact me should you have any questions regarding this letter.

Best regards,

Eileen H. Pulker
Eileen H. Pulker
Village Clerk

EHP/aw

cc: Village Administrator
Building Official



Post-It® Fax Note 7671		Date 9/15/08	# of pages 3
To: 1942251833	From: 517-252-1833		
Co: Dept	Co:		
Phone #	Phone #		
Fax # 248-626-0538	Fax #		

FAXED
9.15.08

32325 Franklin Road, Franklin, MI 48025
Phone: 248-626-9666 Fax: 248-626-0538

Fax

To: Brent Marvin	From: Eileen Pulker, Village Clerk <i>Eileen</i>
Fax: 810 225 1833	Pages: 3
Phone:	Date: Monday, September 15, 2008
Re: Certificate of Insurance	Cc:

☐ Urgent ☐ For Review ☐ Please Comment ☐ Please Reply ☐ Please Recycle

Enclosed is a certified copy of the original resolution allowing the fence to be constructed in the Village Right of Way. Please note, that while not specifically stated in the resolution, a certificate of insurance is required stating the Village of Franklin as an additional insured. I have also provided an amendment to a homeowners insurance policy showing the addition of the Village as an additional insured. We do receive notification of the renewal of this policy each year for our files.

Please advise if you require any additional information. Thank you

910-8-252-1833

8/18/08

10/15/08

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Policy Number
82-80-8992-2

DECLARATIONS PAGE

Amended JUN 9 1999



State Farm Fire and Casualty Company
410 East Drive, Marshall MI 49069-0001
A Stock Company With Home Offices in Bloomington, Illinois

Addl Insured-Section II Only

3600-F259 F

THE VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN
32325 FRANKLIN RD
FRANKLIN MI 48025-1179

Named Insured

FINNICUM, WILLIAM L & MARIAH
25885 GERMAN MILL RD
FRANKLIN MI 48025-1184

HOMEOWNERS POLICY

Automatic Renewal - If the policy period is shown as 12 months, this policy will be renewed automatically subject to the premiums, rules and forms in effect for each succeeding policy period. If this policy is terminated, we will give you and the Mortgagee/Lienholder written notice in compliance with the policy provisions or as required by law.

Policy Period: 12 Months

Effective Date: OCT 21 1998

Expiration Date: OCT 21 1999

The policy period begins and ends at 12:01 am standard time at the residence premises.

Location of Residence Premises
Same as Insured's Address

Your policy is amended JUN 9 1999
ADDL INSURED NAME & ADDRESS ADDED

SAMPLE

Coverages & Property

SECTION I

- A Dwelling
- Dwelling Extension up to
- B Personal Property
- C Loss of Use

Limits of Liability

\$ 233,800
\$ 23,380
\$ 175,350
Actual Loss Sustained

SECTION II

- L Personal Liability (Each Occurrence)
- Damage to Property of Others
- M Medical Payments to Others (Each Person)

\$ 300,000
\$ 500
\$ 1,000

Inflation Coverage Index: 151.9

Deductibles - Section I

All Losses \$ 1,000

In case of loss under this policy, the deductibles will be applied per occurrence and will be deducted from the amount of the loss. Other deductibles may apply - refer to policy.

Loss Settlement Provision (See Policy)

- A1 Replacement Cost - Similar Construction
- B1 Limited Replacement Cost - Coverage B

Forms, Options, & Endorsements

Homeowners Policy

Amendatory Endorsement

Ordinance/Law 10% \$ 23,380

Special Limits Endorsement

FP-7955
FE-7222.4
Option OL
FE-5258

Endorsement Premium

NONE

Discount Applied:
Home Alert

Other limits and exclusions may apply - refer to your policy

PREPARED
JUN 17 1999

Continued on Supplemental Declarations Page

FP-7001.5C

Your policy consists of this page, any endorsements and the policy form. Please keep these together.

Angie Wicke

From: "Angie Wicke" <awicke@franklin.mi.us>
To: "John Staran" <jstaran@hshcdlaw.com>
Cc: "Jon Stoppels" <jstoppels@franklin.mi.us>
Sent: Tuesday, October 07, 2008 10:13 AM
Attach: 091008.doc
Subject: 32350 FRANKLIN RD

John,

Jon Stoppels asked me to forward the last letter that we sent to Mr. Hinnant dated Sept 10th regarding his License (Permit) to use Public Right-of-Way. To date we have not received the required proof of insurance.

Mr. Stoppels would like the next step to be a letter to Mr. Hinnant from your office.

Please. Thank you.

Angie Wicke

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Website: www.franklin.mi.us

cc: Eileen Pulker

10/7/2008

Angle Wicke

From: "Staran, John D." <jstaran@hshcdlaw.com>
To: <awicke@franklin.mi.us>
Sent: Friday, October 17, 2008 1:49 PM
Subject: FW: 32350 FRANKLIN RD

Angle: Also, I don't have a signed copy of the Hinnant License (Permit) allowing the fence 8 or 9 years ago. Can you send a copy to me?

John D. Staran

HAFELI STARAN HALLAHAN CHRIST & DUDEK, P.C.
 4190 Telegraph Road
 Suite 3000
 Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302
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From: Staran, John D.
Sent: Friday, October 17, 2008 10:58 AM
To: 'Angle Wicke'
Cc: Jon Stoppels
Subject: RE: 32350 FRANKLIN RD

Any word yet from Hinnant? If not, I'll follow-up.

John D. Staran

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10/20/2008



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Phone: (248) 626-0540 Fax: (248) 626-0538
Monday - Friday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm
www.franklin.mi.us

FAXED

Fax

To:	JOHN STARAN	From:	Angie Wicke awicke@franklin.mi.us
Fax:	(248) 731-3081	Pages:	4
Phone:	(248) 731-3080	Date:	Monday, October 20, 2008
Re:	32350 Franklin Rd	cc:	

Per your attached e-mail, I checked with Eileen and we do not have a signed License Agreement from Hinnant. All we have is the attached resolution from the Council meeting.

Feel free to contact me should you have any questions regarding this fax.

Have a great day! ☺

Angie

Angie Wicke

From: "Eileen Pulker" <clerk@franklin.mi.us>
To: "Angie Wicke" <awicke@franklin.mi.us>
Sent: Monday, October 20, 2008 3:42 PM
Subject: Fw: 32350 FRANKLIN RD

FYI

Eileen

----- Original Message -----

From: Eileen Pulker
To: Staran, John D.
Cc: Jon E Stoppels
Sent: Monday, October 20, 2008 3:37 PM
Subject: Re: 32350 FRANKLIN RD

Dear John,

Angie and I have searched our files and cannot find a signed copy of the original agreement dated October 1999. As such, Jon and I think that we should draw up a new right of way (based on the other two that we have done recently) and have the Hinnants sign the new one and request the insurance as a result of that one. Either way, we will have what we need as we move forward.

Thanks,

Eileen

----- Original Message -----

From: Staran, John D.
To: Angie Wicke
Cc: jstoppels@franklin.mi.us ; clerk@franklin.mi.us
Sent: Monday, October 20, 2008 12:08 PM
Subject: RE: 32350 FRANKLIN RD

Angie: I got your fax. Are you saying the Village does not have a signed copy of the attached Agreement? Does Village have a record whether the Agreement was even sent to Hinnant?

The insurance requirement arises from the Agreement, so if there is no Agreement, there is no insurance requirement. Also, the Sept 10 Second and Final Notice letter sent by Eileen Pulker to Mr. Hinnant refers to a signed right-of-way agreement, so I'm confused about what agreement(s) the Village has or doesn't have. Can you or Eileen please clarify?

John D. Staran

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From: Angie Wicke [mailto:awicke@franklin.mi.us]

10/20/2008

Sent: Monday, October 20, 2008 10:56 AM
To: Staran, John D.
Subject: Re: 32350 FRANKLIN RD

No word from Hinnant. I faxed you a copy of the resolution from Council.

----- Original Message -----

From: Staran, John D.
To: Angie Wicke
Cc: Jon Stoppels
Sent: Friday, October 17, 2008 10:58 AM
Subject: RE: 32350 FRANKLIN RD

Any word yet from Hinnant? If not, I'll follow-up.

John D. Staran

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From: Angie Wicke [mailto:awicke@franklin.mi.us]
Sent: Tuesday, October 07, 2008 10:13 AM
To: Staran, John D.
Cc: Jon Stoppels
Subject: 32350 FRANKLIN RD

John,

Jon Stoppels asked me to forward the last letter that we sent to Mr. Hinnant dated Sept 10th regarding his License (Permit) to use Public Right-of-Way. To date we have not received the required proof of insurance.

Mr. Stoppels would like the next step to be a letter to Mr. Hinnant from your office.

Please. Thank you.

Angie Wicke

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10/20/2008



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FAX: (248) 626-0538

(248) 626-9666

December 10, 2008

Robert P Hinnant
Kathleen A Hinnant
32350 Franklin Rd
Franklin MI 48025-1178

**Re: 32350 Franklin Road
License (Permit) To Use Public Right-of-Way
Certificate of Liability Insurance**

Mr. and Mrs. Hinnant,

Enclosed is an example of a Certificate of Liability Insurance that you can provide to your insurance carrier to show what the Village needs as part of your license/permit to use the public right-of-way.

I would like to thank you in advance for your cooperation and attention to this matter. Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions regarding this letter. I am in the office Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings.

Best wishes,

William Dinnan
William Dinnan
Building Official

WD/aw

Enclosure

cc: Village Administrator
Village Clerk



32325 Franklin Road, Franklin, Michigan 48025

FAX: (248) 626-0538

(248) 626-9666

January 13, 2009

Robert P Hinnant
Kathleen A Hinnant
32350 Franklin Rd
Franklin MI 48025-1178


**Re: 32350 Franklin Road
License (Permit) To Use Public Right-of-Way
Certificate of Liability Insurance**

Mr. and Mrs. Hinnant,

Enclosed is another example of a Certificate of Liability Insurance that you can provide to your insurance carrier to show what the Village needs as part of your license/permit to use the public right-of-way.

I would like to thank you in advance for your cooperation and attention to this matter. Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions regarding this letter.

Cordially,


Eileen H. Pulker
Village Clerk

EHP/sv

Enclosure

cc: Village Administrator
Building Official

Angie Wicke

From: "Staran, John D." <jstaran@hshclaw.com>
To: "Angie Wicke" <awicke@franklin.mi.us>
Sent: Thursday, February 19, 2009 12:53 PM
Attach: Fence in R.O.W..amf
Subject: RE: 32350 FRANKLIN RD & OTHERS

Angie: I have had no further contact nor reply since my email to Mr. Hinnant, last week.

In regard to the other matters, tell Bill I haven't forgotten about them (Actually, I sort of did), and I will give them attention.

John D. Staran

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From: Angie Wicke [mailto:awicke@franklin.mi.us]
Sent: Thursday, February 19, 2009 11:50 AM
To: Staran, John D.
Cc: Jon Stoppels
Subject: 32350 FRANKLIN RD & OTHERS

Hi John,

Jon asked me to ask you what the status is on 32350 Franklin Rd. Apparently Mr. Hinnant is talking to you directly regarding his fence. We still have not received the proof of insurance or a signed copy of the agreement.

While I'm bugging you, Bill Dinnan has talked to you about 24620 S Cromwell Dr and 30690 Oakleaf Ln regarding their "abandoned" building permits. Is there a status on those as well?

Please. Thank you. :0)

Angie Wicke
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2/19/2009

Angie Wicke

From: "Jon E. Stoppels" <jstoppels@franklin.mi.us>
To: "Angie Wicke" <awicke@franklin.mi.us>
Sent: Friday, February 13, 2009 10:59 AM
Attach: DOC090212-008.pdf; DOC090212-009.pdf; DOC090212-010.pdf
Subject: Fw: Fence in R.O.W.

Angie and Bill, Make sure to look at attachments in case ther is something there that we dont have. Jon

----- Original Message -----

From: Staran, John D.
To: rhinnant@comcast.net
Sent: Thursday, February 12, 2009 3:19 PM
Subject: Fence in R.O.W.

Mr. Hinnant: Thanks for calling today. I have attached several documents. The first is the Franklin Village Council minutes from August, 1999, when the Council approved a revocable "license" permitting you to maintain your fence within the Franklin Road public right-of-way (Encroachments or installations in a public road right-of-way require permission of the public agency with jurisdiction over the road). The minutes refer to a recordable document to be prepared by the Village Attorney (me) to memorialize the action.

The second attachment is the document I thereafter prepared, entitled License (Permit) to Use Public Right-Of-Way. This document was sent to the then-Village Administrator spelling out the terms and conditions of the license, including insurance requirements which require you to indemnify and insure the Village for liability personal injury or property damage arising out of location of your fence in the public right-of-way.

The last attachment is a drawing I found in my file, which perhaps you prepared. Anyway, it shows the fence line encroaches 2 - 5 feet into the public road right-of-way, depending on whether the width of the right-of-way is 30 or 33 feet from the center of the road.

I suggest you forward this information to your insurer. I'm surprised you are having difficulty fulfilling the insurance requirements of the License Agreement because such requirements are standard insurance requirements that all public utilities and public agencies have for right-of-way or easement encroachments. I suspect that perhaps your insurer misunderstood the circumstances.

You or your insurer may feel free to contact me if you have any further questions about this.

John D. Staran

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2/13/2009

No virus found in this incoming message.

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Version: 8.0.233 / Virus Database: 270.10.23/1948 - Release Date: 02/12/09 07:20:00

Sent: Tuesday, April 21, 2009 2:08:44 PM GMT -05:00 US/Canada Eastern
Subject: Robert Hinnant Fence at 32350 Franklin Road

Dear Mr. Staran,

I have attached a certificate that the Chubb Insurance Company uses for municipalities.

A standard personal liability coverage part in a homeowners policy would have to have a specific endorsement, amending it to provide the additional insured coverage that you are requesting. It would not be as simple as just stating that "the municipality is added as additional insured".

The following companies, Encompass Insurance Company, Hastings Insurance Company, Citizens Insurance Company, Secura Insurance Company, and Chubb Insurance Company, have refused to amend their policies stating that they do not have endorsements filed with the Insurance Department of Michigan, to add municipalities, to the personal liability coverage of a homeowners policy. Nor do they have the rating structure in place to charge a premium for the exposure.

I have no doubt that certificates have been issued stating that this coverage has been added to policies, but would suggest you get an actual copy of the endorsement as certificates have standard disclaimer wording stating that the certificate does not amend the policy.

Additional insured endorsements are quite commonly used to amend a comprehensive general liability policy, such as would be requested of a contractor working in a community. It is not however common to ask a homeowner to amend the personal liability coverage of a homeowners policy.

If the Chubb certificate meets with your approval, I will proceed to provide Mr. Hinnant a quote for replacing his coverage.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Brent Marvin
Security Agency, Inc.
7208 Grand River #101
Brighton, MI 48114
Ph# 810 299 2848
Fax# 810 225 1833
Cell#517 304 9710

No virus found in this incoming message.

Checked by AVG - www.avg.com

Version: 8.0.238 / Virus Database: 270.12.6/2084 - Release Date: 04/28/09 06:15:00

4/28/2009

Angie Wicke

From: "Staran, John D." <jstaran@hshclaw.com>
To: <jetoppels@franklin.mi.us>
Cc: <awicke@franklin.mi.us>
Sent: Monday, April 27, 2009 12:05 PM
Subject: FW: Robert Hinnant Fence at 32350 Franklin Road

Jon: See below for the email message exchange between me and Mr. Hinnant's insurance agent. It appears Mr. Hinnant is proceeding with lining up the necessary liability insurance for his fence. He left a VM message for me this morning to reassure me that he's proceeding with getting quotes and will have the insurance in place asap and hopes the Village will work with him regarding the April 30 deadline in case he needs more time.

I think we've gotten his attention, and I suggest we revisit status next week.

John D. Staran**HAFELI STARAN HALLAHAN & CHRIST, P.C.**

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From: Staran, John D.
Sent: Tuesday, April 21, 2009 3:54 PM
To: 'Brent Marvin'
Subject: RE: Robert Hinnant Fence at 32350 Franklin Road

Thank you for the explanation. The Chubb certificate is satisfactory.

John D. Staran**HAFELI STARAN HALLAHAN & CHRIST, P.C.**

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4/27/2009

Angle Wicke

From: "Jon E. Stoppels" <jstoppels@franklin.mi.us>
To: "Angle Wicke" <awicke@franklin.mi.us>
Sent: Tuesday, April 28, 2009 9:27 AM
Subject: Fw: Robert Hinnant Fence at 32350 Franklin Road

----- Original Message -----

From: Staran, John D.
To: rhinnant@comcast.net
Cc: jstoppels@franklin.mi.us
Sent: Tuesday, April 28, 2009 9:16 AM
Subject: RE: Robert Hinnant Fence at 32350 Franklin Road

Confirmed. Please continue to keep us apprised of your progress.

John D. Staran

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From: rhinnant@comcast.net [mailto:rhinnant@comcast.net]
Sent: Monday, April 27, 2009 3:01 PM
To: Staran, John D.
Cc: Brent Marvin
Subject: Re: Robert Hinnant Fence at 32350 Franklin Road

Hello John,

Thanks for your voicemail this morning. This is to confirm that you are allowing additional time for me to comply with your recent request regarding my fence. I just want to make it clear that I understand through your message I will not be losing my permit on April 30th and I have additional time to comply.

Sincerely,

Robert Hinnant

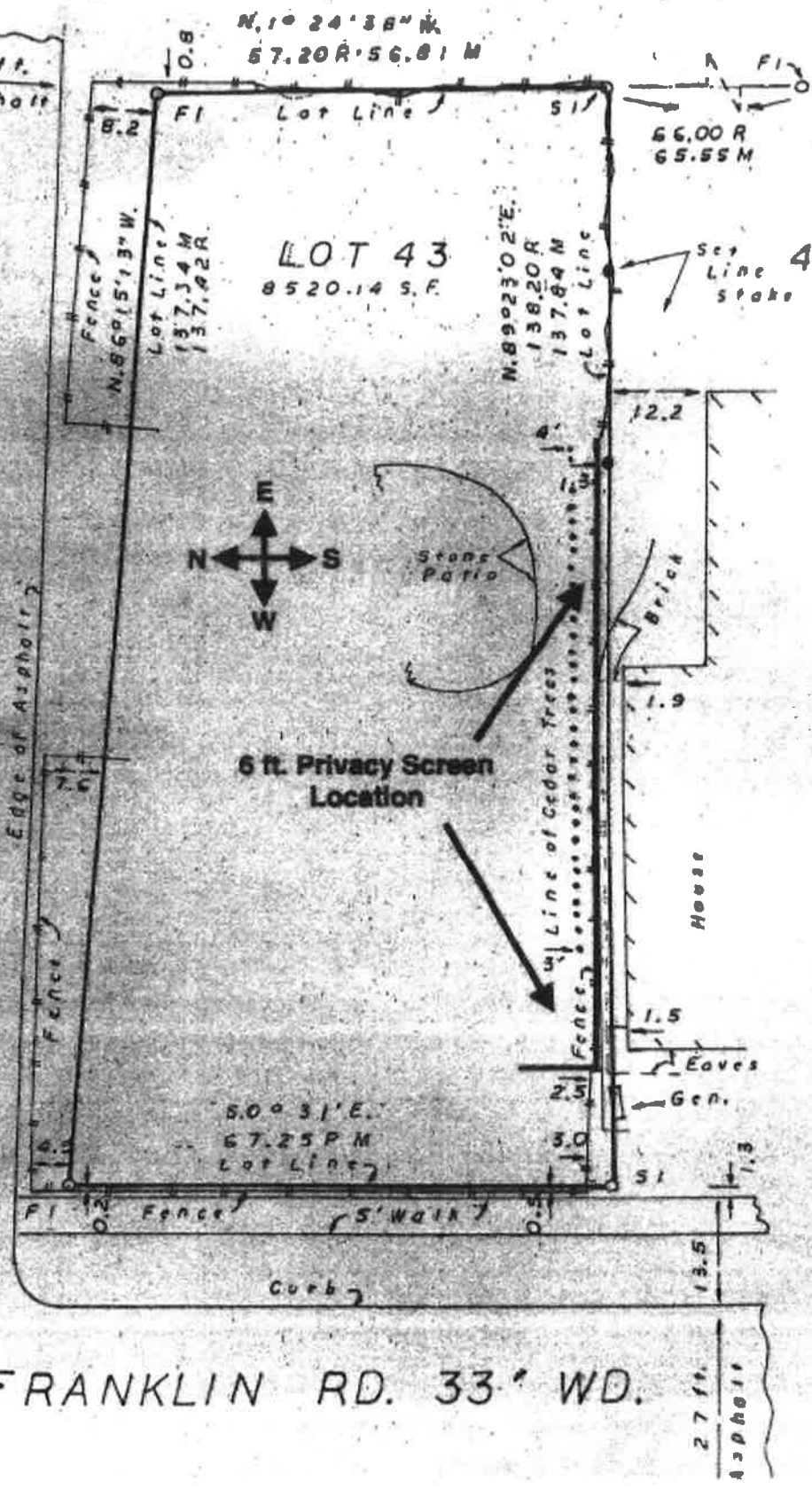
----- Original Message -----

From: "Brent Marvin" <brent3448@sbcglobal.net>
To: jstaran@hshclaw.com
Cc: rhinnant@comcast.net

4/28/2009

CAROL AVE. 33' WD.

1/2 FRANKLIN RD. 33' WD.



DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY: 24-06-276-001
SUPERVISOR'S PLAT No. 8, a subdivision of part of N.E. 1/4 of Section 6 and part of
of S of Section 5, T4N-R10E, Southfield Twp., VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN, Oakland County.
Plat recorded LIBER 46, PAGE 25, O.C.R.
In relation of Franklin Rd. as platted.

Post Office Crosswalk – nine signs



Four northbound and four southbound plus one no parking

14 Mile to Evelyn – nine signs



Potential replacement crosswalk sign



Potential street name sign





1816 Louisville Road Bowling Green, KY 42101

Quote

Date	Quote No.
9/14/2023	08-131538

Customer
VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN 32325 FRANKLIN RD FRANKLIN, MI. 48025

Ship To:
VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN MUNICIPAL YARD ATTN: Susan Goldstrom 32325 FRANKLIN RD FRANKLIN, MI. 48025 248-420-2102

Customer Fax	Sales Rep	Customer No.	Terms	Production Time
	MW	48025	Net 30 DAYS	

Qty	Item	Description	Rate	Total
230	SN-9UL-LOGO	6" HEIGHT X NECESSARY LENGTH STREET SIGN - .080 ALUMINUM - HIGH INTENSITY PRISMATIC - 4" LETTERING - DOUBLE SIDED - WHITE BORDER TO OUTSIDE OF SIGN *** ADD CITY LOGO *** UPPER / LOWERCASE LETTERING *** COLOR: GOLD LETTERING ON DARK GREEN	37.32	8,583.60T
20	SN-9-9UL-LOGO	9" HEIGHT X NECESSARY LENGTH FLAT ALUMINUM STREET NAME SIGN WITH LOGO, 6" HEIGHT PRIMARY NAME/3" HEIGHT SUFFIX, HIGH INTENSITY PRISMATIC REFLECTIVE, DOUBLE SIDED *** UPPER/LOWERCASE LETTERING - *** SPECIFY COLOR:	56.20	1,124.00T
1	FREIGHT	FREIGHT	0.00	0.00T

Due to the multiple price increases in 2021 on steel and aluminum, this quote is valid for 24 hours.

*** Free Items may be excluded from quoted

Sales Tax (0.00) \$0.00

Total \$9,707.60

**TrafficSigns.com**

A Division of Traffic Signs Corporation

Traffic Sign Corporation
75 S Owasso Blvd W
St. Paul, MN 55117
1-877-936-9998 or 651-294-8940
Fax 651-636-8889

DATE 9/14/2023

ESTIMATE # 00059439

Prepared For:

Village of Franklin

Prepared By:

Jimmy Jaeger
651-234-0396
jjaeger@trafficsigns.com

QTY.	ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	PRICE	EXTENDED	TX.
230	757	6" Double Sided Street sign (HIP reflective) -Dark Green background -White border -Gold text -Logo	\$31.50	\$7,245.00	
20	757	9" Double Sided Street sign (HIP reflective) -Dark Green background -White border -Gold text -Logo	\$44.00	\$880.00	
Please note that a 2% Credit Card Fee will apply to all orders over \$500.					
By my signature, I authorize work to begin and agree to pay the amount in full according to the terms of this agreement:			SALE AMT.	\$8,125.00	
			FREIGHT	\$0.00	X
			SALES TAX	\$0.00	
			TOTAL AMT.	\$8,125.00	
			PAID TODAY	\$0.00	
Signature	Date	BALANCE DUE		\$8,125.00	

VILLAGE OF FRANKLIN

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT FOR THE CREATION OF A MAP OF FRANKLIN'S
COMMUNITY PROPERTY (VILLAGE GREEN/CHURCH/FCA PROPERTY) AND THE MAILING
COST OF THE FCA/FHS WELCOME BOOK TO ALL FRANKLIN HOMES

WHEREAS, the FRANKLIN COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION (FCA) and FRANKLIN HISTORICAL SOCIETY (FHS), are non-profit 501-C3 community groups in Franklin that enhance the lives of our residents, and:

WHEREAS, the FCA and FHS have created a 40 page Welcome Book that orients current and new residents to the extensive history of Franklin, all the opportunities available for people to participate in our community (including community groups and government), and the Village services available, and:

WHEREAS, the FCA and FHS have included in this Welcome book a Village-wide street map and a map of the business district with phone numbers that is both desired by and supports Main Street Franklin, and;

WHEREAS, there is both confusion and interest as to what properties are owned and maintained by the Village, the FCA, and the Church, and;

WHEREAS new residents may not be aware of that there are public restrooms and a drinking fountain in our public/institutional zoned area, and;

WHEREAS the Village has provided significant monetary donations to Birmingham NEXT and has annually contributed \$2000/year to Franklin Main Street's Block party, and the Village has not contributed to FCA or FHS programs, and;

WHEREAS this Welcome Book will be available for distribution by the Bicentennial Birthday party in July, if not sooner.

Now, therefore, be it resolved that the Board of Trustees hereby authorizes the expenditure of \$500 to pay for the creation of a map for the Welcome Book (which can also be used in our Master Plan) that outlines and defines Franklin's community properties: Village Green, Library, Police Station, Village Office, Kreger House/Barn/Restrooms, FCA property, and Church property, as well as the price to cover the cost of mailing this Welcome Book to each Franklin household, estimated to be \$

Approved by the Franklin Village Board of Trustees this 11th day of March 2024