



# The Village of Glenview Report

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## 2014 Village Budget

# Infrastructure investments without tax hikes

Because of responsible leadership and considerable planning, the Village of Glenview is well positioned in its 2014 budget to invest in infrastructure improvements that will accelerate flood control and roadway projects without increasing taxes on most properties while maintaining reserves within Village Board-established policies.

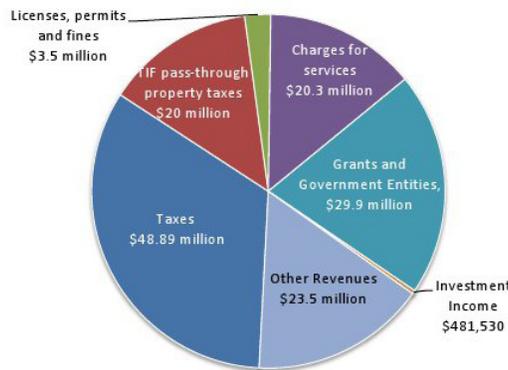
The Village Board's December 10 vote to capture only new equalized assessed valuation in the property tax levy means primarily property owners with new construction or additions may see an increase on the Village's portion of the tax bill.

Continual analysis of financial trends and forecasts during the difficult economy of the last few years led the Village Board of Trustees to make concerted efforts to scale back expenses, with the goal of ensuring structural balance and without sacrificing services or programs. Projections for 2014 are that key revenues – such as sales and utility taxes – will continue to grow slightly as they did in 2013, and a significant revenue source from building permit and other unanticipated fees -- from major building projects planned or now under way – will be available.

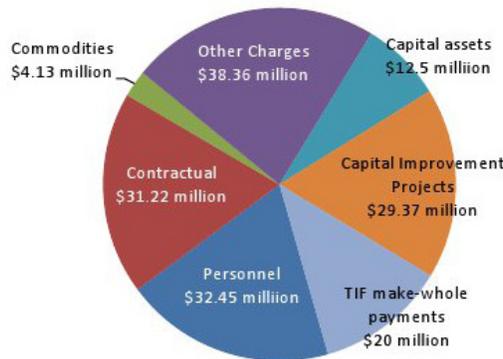
Therefore, a number of community priorities and improvement projects are included in the overall 2014 spending plan. Chief among them is \$12 million worth of storm water projects – funded with local dollars and federal and state grants – potentially benefitting 1,395 parcels in Glenview. They include:

- A partnership with the Glenview Park District to increase water detention on the Glenview Park Golf Course, 800 Shermer Road, due to start construction next summer. Village contribution is \$1.7 million. Parcels benefiting total 130.
- Major improvements east of Harms Road and adjacent

2014 Sources of Village Funds



2014 Uses of Village Funds



Note: Charts do not include activities between funds.

to the Middle Stem of the North Branch of the Chicago River, which will remove regional storm water from the local system and provide new detention. The Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago is expected to fund most of the projects, which are due to start construction next year and benefit 1,150 parcels.

- Installation of a 48-inch and 72-inch bypass sewer west of Shermer Road from the Sunset Memorial Lawns Cemetery to West Lake Avenue. The \$2.1 million project will divert storm water from northwest of the Union Pacific Railroad tracks and reduce the depth and duration of flooding along Shermer Road, Patriot Boulevard and Compass Road.

Major roadway projects planned in the 2014 budget include:

- Improvements to the intersection of West Lake Avenue and Greenwood Road, which includes installing a traffic signal, striping the pavement to delineate turn lanes and construction of a 10-foot-wide, multi-use path from The Glen to Glenbrook South High School.

- The start of the design process for improvements to the intersection of East Lake Avenue and Waukegan Road, which is still several years away.

As part of the local funding process for capital improvements, the Village in 2014 has earmarked \$3.35 million for storm-

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*Engineering, road construction*

#### **Inspectional Services Division** (847) 904-4330

*Building permits, property maintenance complaints, private tree inspections*

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## FROM THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT



Farms and nurseries still populated Glenview's west side in 1985, when just over 35,000 people lived in the Village.

The open fields, though, were attracting the attention of developers, who were coming to the Village with plans for office complexes and commercial ventures. It was time to separate development matters from public works management – a single department at the time – and hire Mary Bak as Glenview's first Director of Development. In that role, she managed the inspectional services, engineering services and facilities divisions for the Village of Glenview. Later, she was responsible for coordinating the Village's economic development and planning activities.

Mary retired on December 13, having had an influence for the last 28 years on where and how buildings got built and the way busy corridors that passed through Glenview were built out. In other words, her fingerprints are everywhere.

Major redevelopment projects in which Mary had a role included:

- the former Glenview Naval Air Station's transformation to The Glen;
- the southwest corner of Waukegan and Willow roads, where a convent once stood, is now the Heatherfield subdivision and shopping center, the North Shore Corporate Park and Willow Creek Shopping Center;
- the former Zenith/Homark property on Milwaukee Avenue, where Aon, Abt Electronics, Wyndham Hotel and Community Park West are now located; and, most recently,
- the former Avon warehouse at Golf and Waukegan roads and the former Culligan headquarters at Sanders and Willow roads, both of which are being redeveloped as apartments and retail centers.

Revitalization of downtown Glenview was also a focus during Mary's tenure. She worked on zoning regulations in the 1990s that identified the right balance for density. A decade later, charged with a renewed vision of a vibrant, pedestrian-friendly downtown, Bak helped create the Downtown Master Plan and accompanying Form-Based Zoning Code, which spurred the retail and residential project on the 1800 block of Glenview Road and Heinen's grocery store that are now under construction.

She also led a major "clean up" of the Municipal Code, helped develop an overlay zoning district to protect environmentally significant parcels, formulated hundreds of annexation and development agreements and provided guidance for updates in 1990 and 2004 to the Village Comprehensive Plan.

Mary was an invaluable part of Glenview's development, and her expertise and long memory will be missed.

We're also saying goodbye this month to Scott Huebner, our storm and sanitary sewer expert. Scott started as a maintenance equipment operator in the Public Works Department in 1983, moved up to Sewer Supervisor, then Superintendent, and is ending his 30-year career with the Village as Construction Project Manager.

Our Village has been well served by these public servants, and we wish them well in their future endeavors.



## Winter fee discount offered for home improvement projects

For a 17th year, the Village is offering a 25 percent discount on permit fees for single-family home improvement projects, such as room additions, interior remodeling, detached garages, sheds, decks, driveways and swimming pools. The permit fee discount is available through March 31, 2014.

By submitting plans during the winter, when such activity is usually slower, permits can be issued faster and residents can avoid the delays that may occur during the busier spring and summer months. For more information, call the Community Development Department at (847) 904-4330.

## Glenview water rates changing for 2014

A modest increase in water rates was enacted for 2014 for Glenview water customers to cover the increased cost of buying Lake Michigan water from Wilmette and fund maintenance and capital improvements.

Effective January 1, 2014, Glenview residents will pay \$5.27 per 1,000 gallons used, up from \$4.90 per 1,000 gallons in 2013. The quarterly fixed water charge is unchanged, which for most residences is \$7.86 per quarter. As well, all sewer charges are unchanged from 2013.

The 2014 bills will reflect a 7.5-percent increase in the water consumption rate. For residents using 12,500 gallons of water per quarter, that translates to an annual increase of about \$18.50 on their water and sewer bill.

The new rates reflect a 10.8-percent rate increase for the purchase of Lake Michigan water from Wilmette and \$4 million worth of scheduled water delivery system improvements, including replacement of a pump at one lift station.



### Glenview water bill estimates for 2014

Rate changes effective January 1 will impact only the water portion of the Glenview utility bill that customers receive quarterly. This chart lists estimated increases based on water consumption. A separate line item on the bill that pertains to sewer usage will be unchanged from 2013.

Gallons used per quarter	2013 quarterly charge	2014 quarterly charge	2014 quarterly increase (7.5%)	2014 annual increase
12,500	\$61.25	\$65.88	\$4.62	\$18.50
18,750	\$91.88	\$98.81	\$6.94	\$27.75
25,000	\$122.50	\$131.75	\$9.25	\$37.00
37,500	\$183.75	\$197.63	\$13.88	\$55.50

Water purchase is 29 percent of the 2014 Water Fund expenses. Generally, the cost to maintain the water system remains constant regardless of how much water Glenview customers use. Rates are reviewed annually to ensure they cover the costs to provide water and sanitary sewer service and that appropriate investment is being made in capital infrastructure.

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water projects and \$5 million for resurfacing 2.1 miles and reconstructing 2 miles of local roadways from the Corporate Fund, from which the core services and day-to-day operations of the Village are funded. A Village goal is to manage operating expenses so that a sufficient and sustainable amount of anticipated annual operating revenue – taxes, licenses, permit fees and other charges – can be specifically prioritized for capital improvement projects.

Public facility projects next year include:

- Consolidating Village Hall and police services at the Police Department, 2500 E. Lake Ave., by adding a 16,000-square-foot addition, a new 1,000-square-foot police entrance and re-purposing 19,290-square-feet of

current police space for Village Hall uses. The total budget of \$8.638 million will be offset by the estimated \$1.5 million sale of 2 acres at 1225 Waukegan Road, for a net budget of \$7.138 million; and

- Completing a new Fire Station 6 at 1215 Waukegan Road, south of the current Village Hall, to replace the station displaced by the Midtown Square retail and residential development now being built on the south side of the 1800 block of Glenview Road. The total budget of \$6.453 million will be offset by the \$2.5 million sale of the 1.9 acres at 1815 Glenview Road, for a net budget of \$3.953 million.

Corporate Fund expenses – which go toward services like fire and police protection, road and sewer maintenance, engineering and inspection of private building projects and public

parkway tree planting – are budgeted at \$63.6 million in 2014, about 4.2 percent higher than the current projected fiscal year, and rely on the planned use of about \$3 million in reserves.

The Village Board of Trustees reviewed and refined the 2014 budget at three public workshops: September 3 and October 17 and 29.

The Village Board approved a 2013 property tax levy that should result in no increase to the average current property owner. The levy increase of 1.44 percent was limited to the percentage of new property reported by Cook County.

This is the fourth consecutive Village budget that only captures property tax growth from new construction, as the Board continues to aggressively monitor the bottom line.

# Go Green! Glenview

## What to do with the Christmas tree

Now that the holidays are over, there is an environmentally responsible way to dispose of your Christmas tree.

Trees can be dropped off until January 31 at these designated collection points for recycling as mulch:

- ▶ Glenview Public Works, 1333 Shermer Road
- ▶ Johns Park, 2101 Central Road
- ▶ Flick Park, 3600 Glenview Road
- ▶ Cunliff Park, 540 Echo Lane
- ▶ Cole Park, 1031 Kenilworth Avenue
- ▶ Willow Park, 2600 Greenwood Avenue

Residents in single-family homes or duplexes served by Groot can put the tree, wreaths and garlands out with the regular garbage during the month of January, beginning January 6. Groot will collect them at no additional charge.

All ornaments, lights and tinsel should be removed from trees. Do NOT cover the tree with a plastic disposal bag.

And remember: Holiday lights can also be recycled. Drop them off in the marked receptacle outside the Public Works Service Center, 1333 Shermer Road through February 28.

## Resolve to recycle on First Friday

Village Hall can be a one-stop destination for many of your recycling needs.

Residents can safely dispose of unwanted medications and sharps, alkaline and rechargeable batteries, and mercury-containing thermometers and thermostats in the lobby of Village Hall, 1225 Waukegan Road, on the first Friday of each month. Drop-off hours are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on these 2014 dates: January 3, February 7, March 7, April 4, June 6, July 11 (the second Friday due to a holiday), August 1, September 5, October 3, November 7 and December 5.

Bins are also available at Village Hall to accept these items between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. weekdays (when Village Hall is open):

- Compact Fluorescent Light (CFL) bulbs
- Shoes (all types)
- Inkjet and laser toner cartridges
- Aluminum cans
- Eyeglasses and hearing aids
- Cell phones
- Plastic bags
- Newspapers

# New state laws take effect January 1

## Using hand-held cell phones while driving banned



Motorists in Glenview and throughout Illinois now face a \$75 fine if caught talking on a hand-held cell phone while driving.

Drivers will need to use a hands-free device for cell phones to avoid being ticketed, under a state law signed by Governor Pat Quinn last August.

Another measure that took effect January 1 increased penalties for drivers who injure or kill others in crashes caused by the use of cell phones or other electronic devices. The Class A misdemeanor for harming other drivers could result in fines of up to \$2,500 and up to a year in jail. The Class 4 felony for fatal accidents carries a fine of up to \$25,000 and up to three years in jail.

Illinois already had banned anyone from texting while driving, and it remains illegal to use a cell phone in a school or construction zone.

If possible, drivers are encouraged to avoid using hands-free devices because research has shown that the distraction caused by a phone conversation is the same for hands-free or hand-held cell phones. Distracted driving can be a significant safety hazard, especially when traveling in heavy traffic or under poor weather conditions.

## Concealed carry law requires Village facility signs

The Firearms Concealed Carry Act, which became state law in July 2013, requires an Illinois Concealed Carry License in order to carry a concealed firearm in Illinois. Illinois State Police will make applications available to the public starting January 5, and the first licenses are likely to be issued by spring.



The law forbids carrying a concealed weapon into government buildings, schools and parks. Glenview Village facilities, along with other government buildings, must clearly and conspicuously post the Illinois State Police-approved sign (shown above) indicating the ban at all entrances.

A licensee will be allowed to have a concealed firearm that was stored in a case within a locked vehicle or locked container out of plain view within the vehicle in a Village facility parking area. A licensee may carry a concealed firearm in the immediate area surrounding his or her vehicle within a Village facility parking lot only for the limited purpose of storing or retrieving a firearm within the vehicle's trunk, provided the licensee ensures the concealed firearm is unloaded prior to exiting the vehicle.

# VILLAGE BOARD AT WORK

The Village Board of Trustees met November 5 and 19 and December 10. Here are some of the agenda items considered:

◆ Regarding a Village Hall improvement project to remedy the use of temporary trailers in three locations and the need for \$1.7 million worth of major capital investments in the 33-year-old Village Hall, Trustees: 1) chose Option E, one of five options, which calls for building a 17,000-square-foot addition to the Police Station, 2500 East Lake Avenue, and renovating the interior to re-purpose just over 19,000 square feet for Village Hall purposes there, 2) authorized an addendum to the agreement with Williams Architects of Itasca, which designed the new Fire Station 6, that added \$470,841 to complete architectural design services for the new municipal center and 3) issued \$6.19 million in general obligation bonds to finance the relocation project.

◆ Provided direction for the final design and budget for the new Fire Station 6, which is being built south of Village Hall as a replacement for the 1815 Glenview Road station torn down to make way for the Midtown Square development. Trustees backed a station with three apparatus bays, living space for up to nine firefighter/paramedics, a peaked roof and tower and a metal screen to shield the service area.

◆ Approved a final site plan, conditional use and preliminary subdivision to allow two separate storage structures at the Public Works campus, 1333 Shermer Road: a 28-foot-tall structure to store Public Works vehicles that currently is being used as a temporary Fire Station and a 30-foot-tall structure to hold 2,000 tons of salt use for snow removal operations, and awarded a contract to

EAHC Inc. of Effingham, IL for that storage building for \$46,278.

◆ Approved a final plat of subdivision for Villas of Glen Park, 3119-3129 West Lake Avenue, to allow for the construction of four duplex units and a single-family detached residence on the property.

◆ Established vehicle weight restrictions on the Chestnut Avenue Bridge over the West Fork of the North Branch of the Chicago River. Reconstructed in 1984, deterioration found in 2012 required a damages inspection by the Illinois Department of Transportation Bureau of Bridges and Structure, which requested the weight limits. The Village secured a federal grant this year to begin designing and engineering a bridge replacement, which will take until 2015.

◆ Awarded a contract to DiMeo Brothers Inc. of Elk Grove Village for \$2.17 million to construct the Navy By-Pass Storm Sewer Project and an easement agreement with Sunset Memorial Lawns Cemetery for up to \$100,000. The work is expected to ease flooding along Shermer Road, Patriot Boulevard and Compass Road.

◆ Authorized a contract with Arrow Road Construction of Mount Prospect to make improvements to Shopper's Row, 1700-1750 Glenview Road, for \$154,900. The work will provide ingress and egress to the new Heinen's grocery store, 1020 Waukegan Road, from Glenview Road.

◆ Approved a Comprehensive Plan Amendment, Conditional Use, Final Site Plan Review, Preliminary Subdivision and zoning variations for Hanuman Temple, 3623 West Lake Ave. The actions allow an approximately 37,200-square-foot, two-story religious institution, and a 143-stall parking lot on the 3.9-acre lot.

◆ Approved a Final Site Plan Review to allow construction of two canopies and parking lot modifications for Savers, 9840 Milwaukee Ave.

◆ Approved a Final Site Plan Review to allow for modifications to a previously approved existing parking lot expansion and associated modifications to an existing localized drainage area at the rear of Pita Inn, 9854 Milwaukee Ave.

◆ Authorized a change of owner for a Class G liquor license from Dominick's, 1340 Patriot Blvd., to American Drugs Stores LLC (Jewel/Osco) prior to the January 16, 2014 reopening. A Class G liquor license allows the retail sale of packaged alcoholic liquor in a store, establishment or facility in which the primary and principal business is the sale of retail of other services, goods, wares and merchandise and in which the retail sale of alcoholic liquor is secondary and incidental. Consumption is not allowed on the premises where sold.

◆ Approved the sale of \$4.4 million in taxable general obligation bonds to finance roadway improvements made in association with the Waukegan Road/Golf Road Tax Increment Finance District. The bonds will be repaid during the redevelopment of the former Avon warehouse and a former auto dealership to a Mariano's grocery store, other retail and a 238-unit apartment building.

◆ Established business regulations for medical cannabis cultivation centers and dispensing organizations in coordination with state law requirements which begin January 1, 2014.

◆ Approved two-way stop sign control at Henley Street's intersections with Elm, Lincoln and Washington streets.

*For more, go online to [www.glenview.il.us/government/Pages/Board-of-Trustees-Meeting-Reports.aspx](http://www.glenview.il.us/government/Pages/Board-of-Trustees-Meeting-Reports.aspx)*

## Senior Housing Assistance Program applications now available

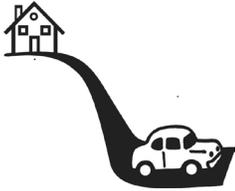
Applications for the 2014 Village Senior Housing Assistance Program, designed to assist Glenview residents with their property taxes or rent, are now available online at [www.glenview.il.us/Pages/SeniorServices.aspx](http://www.glenview.il.us/Pages/SeniorServices.aspx) or at:

- Village Hall, 1225 Waukegan Road
- Glenview Public Library, 1930 Glenview Road
- North Shore Senior Center, 161 Northfield Road, Northfield
- Glenview Senior Center, 2400 Chestnut Ave.

Completed applications and documentation will be accepted from February 3 to 7 – one week only.

Recipients must be at least 62 years old and are selected by need; certain income limits must be met to qualify and home visits are scheduled.

For more information, call Senior Services Coordinator Kim Hand at (847) 904-4366.



## It's Our Town, Please Slow Down!

Here are the **January** notifications of *major* speed RADAR "hot spots" and stop sign/traffic light enforcement. Our goal is to promote safe driving in Glenview.

**RADAR "Hot Spots":** 3800-4100 blocks Crestwood Lane • 1800-1900 blocks Harrison Street • 300 block Wilmette Avenue • 1000 block Burton Terrace

**Stop sign and stop light enforcement:** Bluestem/Thistle • Strawberry/Maple Leaf • 1200 block Washington Street (Metra "triangle lot" parking) • Grove/Church



## WATCH US

GVTV airs on channel 17 or 6, depending on your neighborhood, or AT&T U-verse channel 99 PEG, and carries Village Board and Plan Commission meetings live. Unless otherwise noted, coverage of these events will be aired after the event date.

- **"Gadgets and Approaches to Assist Seniors with Daily Living."** 10 a.m. January 8. Glenview Senior Center
- **"Over the Counter Pain Management."** 10 a.m. January 15. Glenview Senior Center
- **"The Great Locomotive Chase."** 10:30 a.m. January 28. North Shore Senior Center

Programming is subject to change without notice. Check the GVTV schedule at [www.glenview.il.us/government/Pages/GVTV.aspx](http://www.glenview.il.us/government/Pages/GVTV.aspx)

### High Blood Pressure: Why is it such a Moving Target?

Featuring Dr. Micah Elmer, MD FACC, Northwestern Medicine, Cardiology and Medical Director, Glenview Outpatient Center.

**Friday, January 10**

**Glenview Public Library, 1930 Glenview Road**

**1-2 p.m. lecture — 2-3 p.m. free blood pressure screenings**

## STAY CONNECTED

### Upcoming Public Meetings

Board of Trustees	7:30 p.m. January 7, 21
Jim Patterson, President	
Plan Commission	7 p.m. January 14, 28
Steve Bucklin, Chair	
Appearance Commission	7:30 p.m. January 15, 29
Tim McJilton, Chair	
Historic Preservation Commission	7:30 p.m. January 13
Katie Siegel, Acting Chair	
Natural Resources Commission	7 p.m. January 20
Henrietta Saunders, Chair	
Zoning Board of Appeals	7 p.m. January 6, 20
Ron Greco, Chair	

All meetings are held at Village Hall, 1225 Waukegan Road, unless otherwise noted. Check meeting status at (847) 904-4370.

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