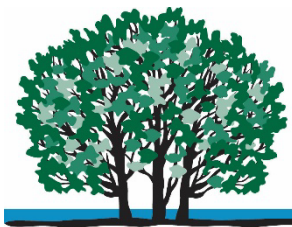


Ward 3 Meeting

April 9, 2024



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Agenda

- Introductions
- What's New
- Investing in the Future
- Get Involved
- Q&A



Your 3rd Ward Aldermen

Jim Preschlack

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- Moved to LF in 1977, returned in 1998 to raise a family
- Management Consultant and tech entrepreneur
- Community volunteer: Caucus, HPC, Holy Spirit Church



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- Lived in LF most of his life, returned to raise family
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- Community volunteer: Caucus, Friends of Parks & Recreation



What Makes Lake Forest Special

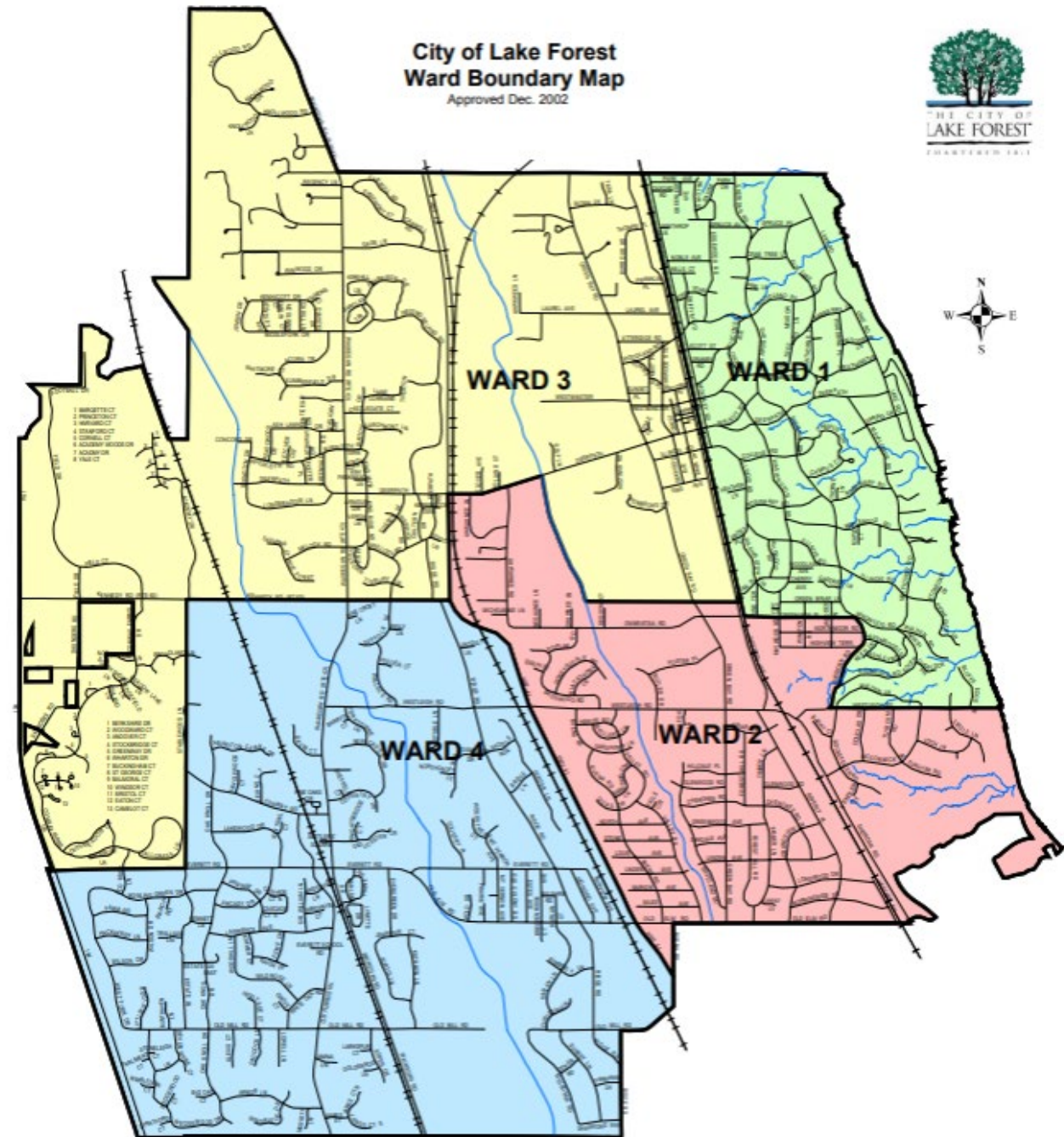
- Our Beautiful Natural Spaces
- Our Historic Downtown, Buildings, Homes, and Streetscapes
- Our Unique Caucus and volunteer-based form of local government
- Our Unique Non-Profits and Institutions
- Our Special People (past, present, and future) that uphold our traditions and make it all work

Audience Question

What topics do
you want covered
tonight?

City Overview

- "Be the **best-managed, fiscally-responsible** and **appealing community** and promote a community spirit of **trust, respect** and **citizen involvement**."
- Council-Manager Form
- City Council includes the **Mayor** and **two Aldermen** from each of the City's four wards
- **20 Boards and Commissions**



A large, ornate stone fountain is the central focus, surrounded by a paved area with several small tables and chairs. The fountain has a decorative, lattice-like pattern on its base. In the background, there are trees with green and yellow leaves, and a building with a flagpole. The scene is set in a park-like environment.

What's New in Lake Forest?

FY2024 YEAR IN REVIEW

9.5 acres

new athletic fields
at Deerpath Park



\$2M+



In grant funding won for
upcoming public works projects

592

See-Click-Fix
requests solved



\$32M Capital Fund

Towards street, fleet, sidewalk, bridge,
design/replacement/maintenance projects

28,189 pounds of food waste

composted through WasteNot
Curbside Compost Collection Service



350

Trees Planted



1,928

Programs Offered
at Dickinson Hall



15,301

Police Service
Calls



1,450

Community Surveys
Completed



4,532

Total Number of
Permits Issued



1,000

Field
Service Calls



400

Catch Basins
Cleaned

3.1

Miles of City
streets resurfaced



350

CROYA Youth Programs
and Meetings



4,007

Total Fire & EMS
Calls



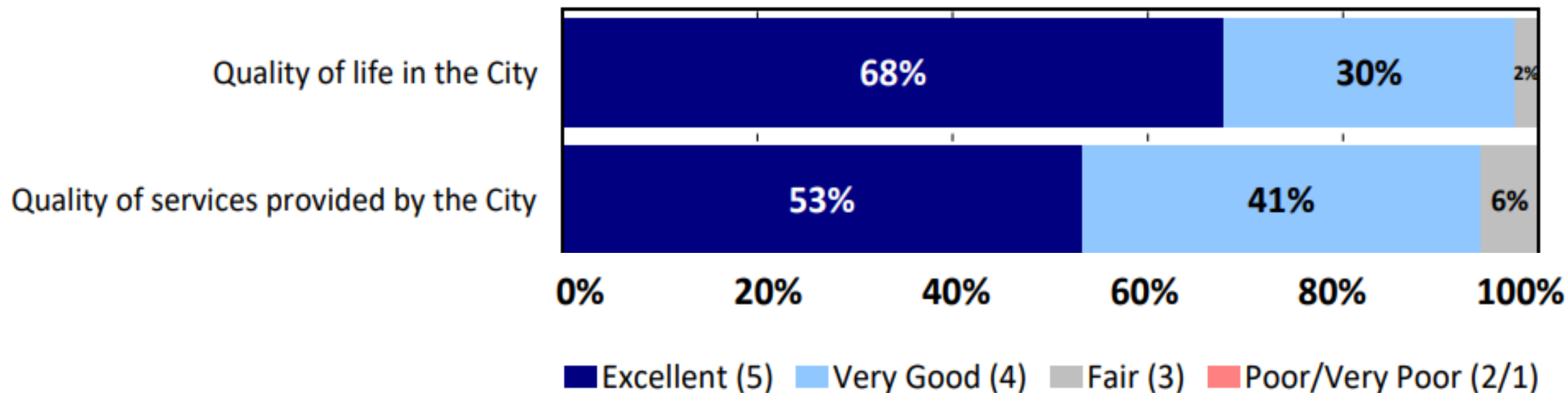
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Public Engagement
Events

Community Survey Findings

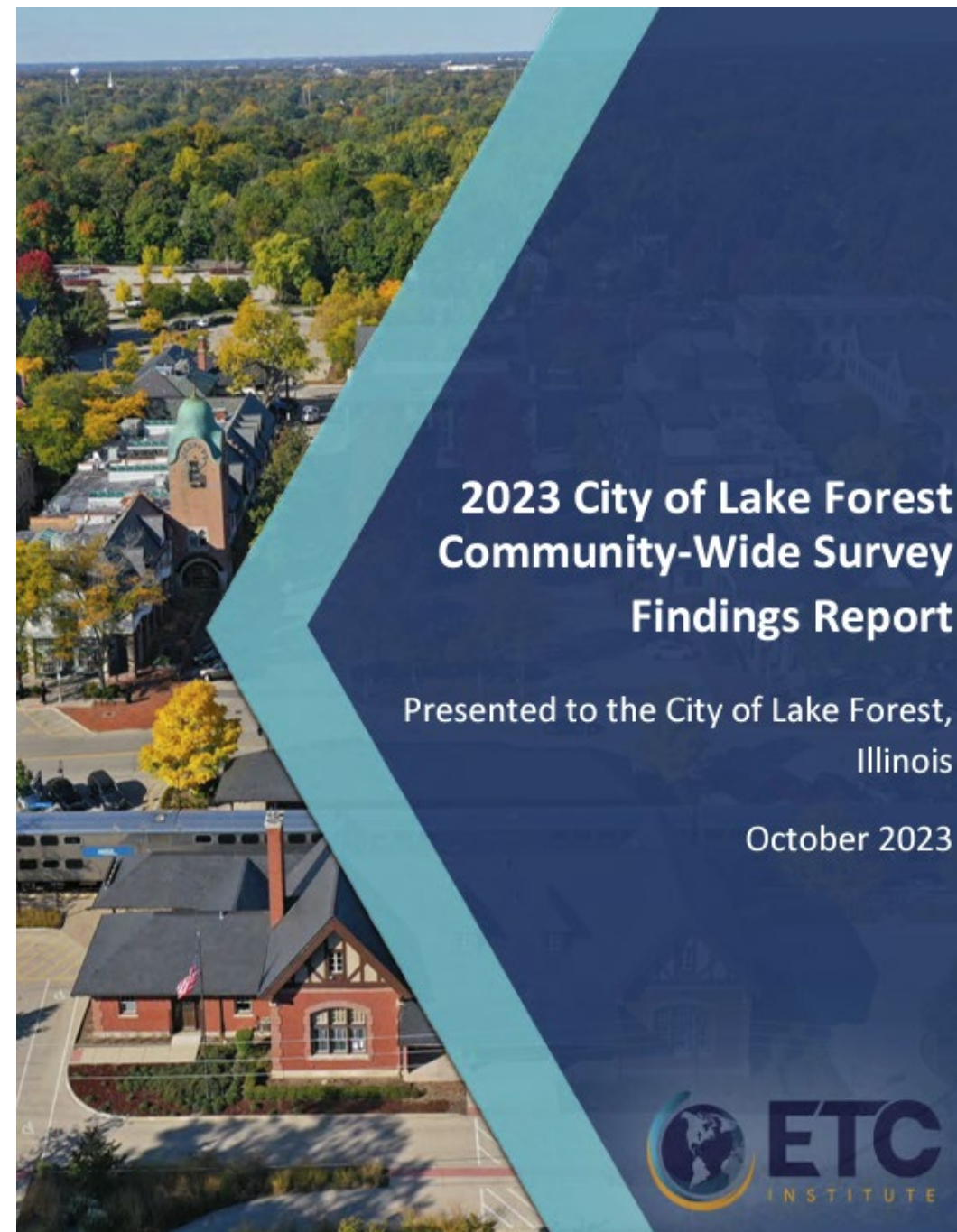
Q3. Perception of the City of Lake Forest

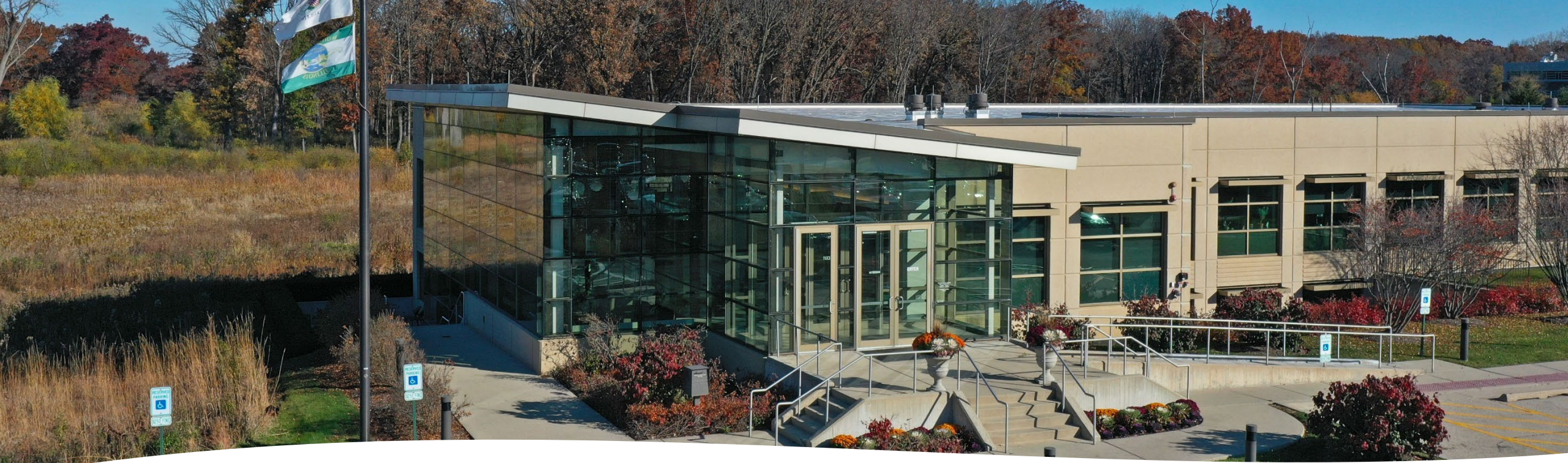
by percentage of respondents who rated the item as a 1 to 5 on a 5-point scale (excluding "don't know")



Community-Wide Survey

- Conducted **Summer 2023**
- View the **findings report** and check out the **interactive dashboard**
- Watch for ongoing “**pulse surveys**”

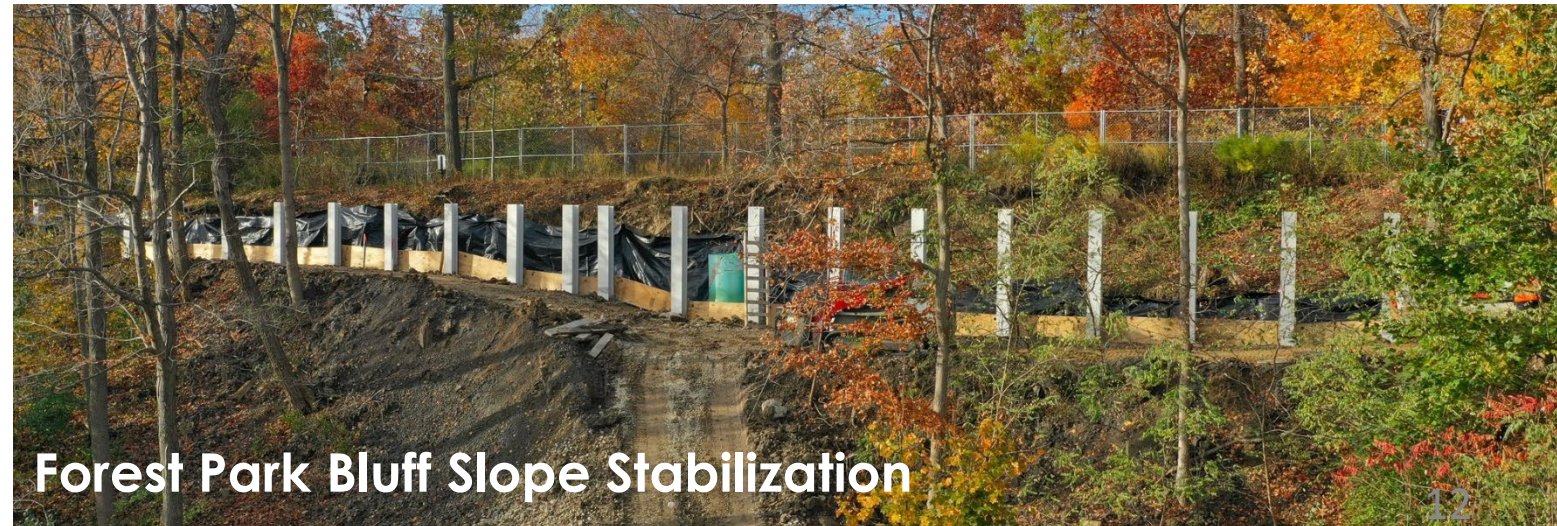




City Finances Overview

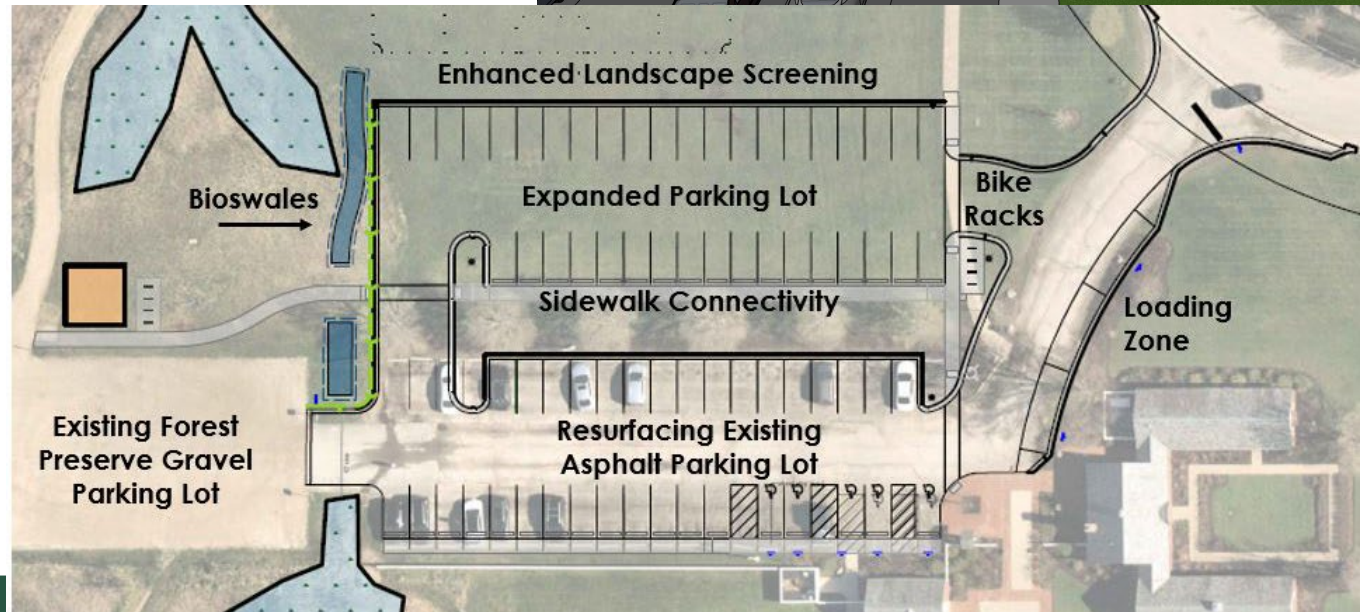
- Balanced Budget for FY2024 and Proposed FY2025
- Aaa Bond Rating by Moody's Investors Service
- Healthy Financial Reserves
- Proactive Strategy to Address Pension Costs
- Record Level Capital Asset Investments for current fiscal year (\$32m)
- \$19.5 million in grant funding awarded over the last 5 years

FY2024 Capital Investments Highlights



Elawa Parking Lot Improvement Project

- Reconstructing the existing asphalt parking lot
- Expanding the parking lot to the north
- Improving the traffic flow through the parking lot
- Enhancing the landscaping near the street

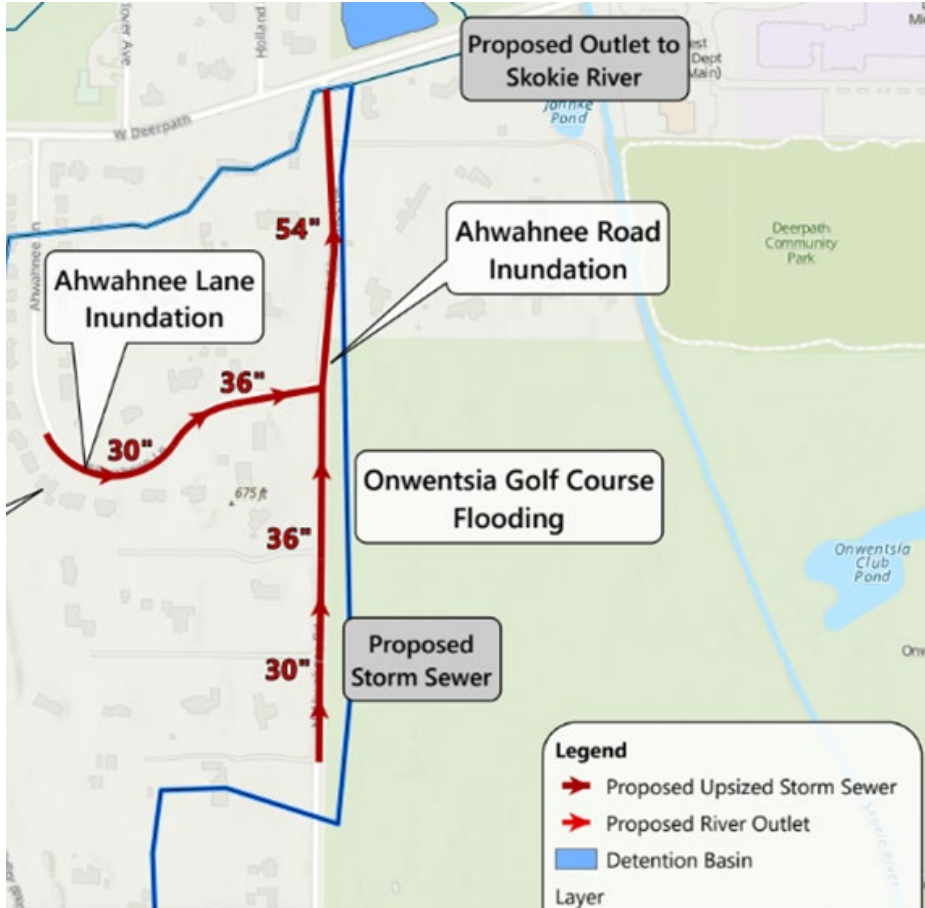


A photograph of a narrow alleyway between brick buildings. The alleyway is paved and has several trees, some with green leaves and some bare. There are outdoor tables and chairs set up along the left side. The sky is clear and blue. The text "Investing in the Future" is overlaid in the center in white.

Investing in the Future

Upcoming Capital Investment Highlights

Ahwahnee Road Storm Sewer



Forest Park Beach Pathway Project





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FY2025 Capital Improvement Projects

- Ahwahnee Road Storm Sewer - \$4,345,000
- Forest Park Beach Pathway Project - \$2,600,000
- Lake-Woodbine Bridge Replacement - \$2,800,000
- McLennon Reed Bridge Rehabilitation - \$1,700,000
- Seminary Ravine Improvements - \$1,600,000
- Spring Lane Watermain Replacement - \$525,000
- **West Park Tennis Court Reconstruction - \$540,000**
- **Design for Central Business District Enhancements - \$500,000**
- McClory Bike Path Resurfacing (*Ryan to Illinois*) - \$350,000
- Forest Park Beach Sand Nourishment - \$300,000
- Water Plant Membrane Module Replacement - \$180,000
- Water Meter Replacement Project (Phase I) - \$2,000,000
- **Annual Programs**
 - Street Resurfacing - \$1,000,000
 - Sanitary Manhole Lining and I&I Repairs - \$500,000
 - Sewer Lining (Sanitary & Storm) - \$275,000
 - Water Valve Repairs - \$155,000
 - Concrete Sidewalk, Curbs, and Streets Repairs - \$235,000
 - And other smaller projects

Totaling Over \$23M+

New Police Station Exploration

- Current Public Safety Building was **constructed in the 1960s** for Police and Fire
- Exploring opportunities for a new police station designed to accommodate **modern police practices**, technology, training, and equipment
- Learn more at cityoflakeforest.com/PoliceStation



Planning & Development

- Bank Lane Streetscape Enhancement Plan
- Comprehensive Land Use Plan - Housing Assessment
- Northwestern Medicine Lake Forest Hospital – Parking Garage is Open
- Restaurants – Coming Soon
 - Tocco – Simple, Fresh Italian
 - Once Upon a Bagel



A photograph of a park scene. In the foreground, four young girls are playing. One girl in a light green shirt and blue jeans is lifting another girl in a pink dress. A third girl in a denim jacket and white skirt is laughing. A fourth girl in a light green shirt and grey pants stands to the left. In the background, many people are sitting on the grass, some on chairs and some on blankets, enjoying the outdoors. The scene is set in a grassy area with trees in the distance.

Get Involved

Upcoming Events

- **Citizen Academies for Police** (spring), **Fire** (spring), and **Public Works** (summer)
- **Deerpath Park Showcase:** May 4
- **Annual Fred Jackson Golf Classic:** June 7
- **Meet the Fleet:** June 7
- **Summer Outdoor Concert Series:**
June - August
- **Lake Forest Festival & Fireworks:** July 4
- **Lake Forest Day:** Aug. 6 & 7
- **Public Safety Open House:** Sept.




Strategic Planning



Lake Forest 101

- A four-session series on Local Government
- Deeper insight into Lake Forest and City Operations
- Sessions available at no cost, registration required



Session Description		Date	Time	Registration
1	Lake Forest Government 101 and Boards & Commissions	Thursday, May 2	7:00 pm- 9:15 pm	
2	Finance and Legal	Thursday, May 9		
3	Communications and Community Partners	Tuesday, May 21		
4	Bus Tour - Development Activity (Limited Capacity)	Thursday, May 30	4:30- 6:30 pm	

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Questions?