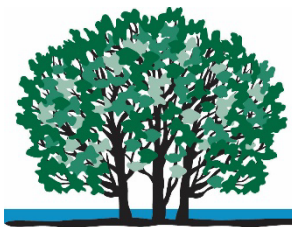


Ward 4 Meeting

April 4, 2024



THE CITY OF
LAKE FOREST
CHARTERED 1861



Meet Your Aldermen – 4th Ward



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Agenda

- Introductions
- What's New
- What's Ahead
- Get Involved
- Q&A

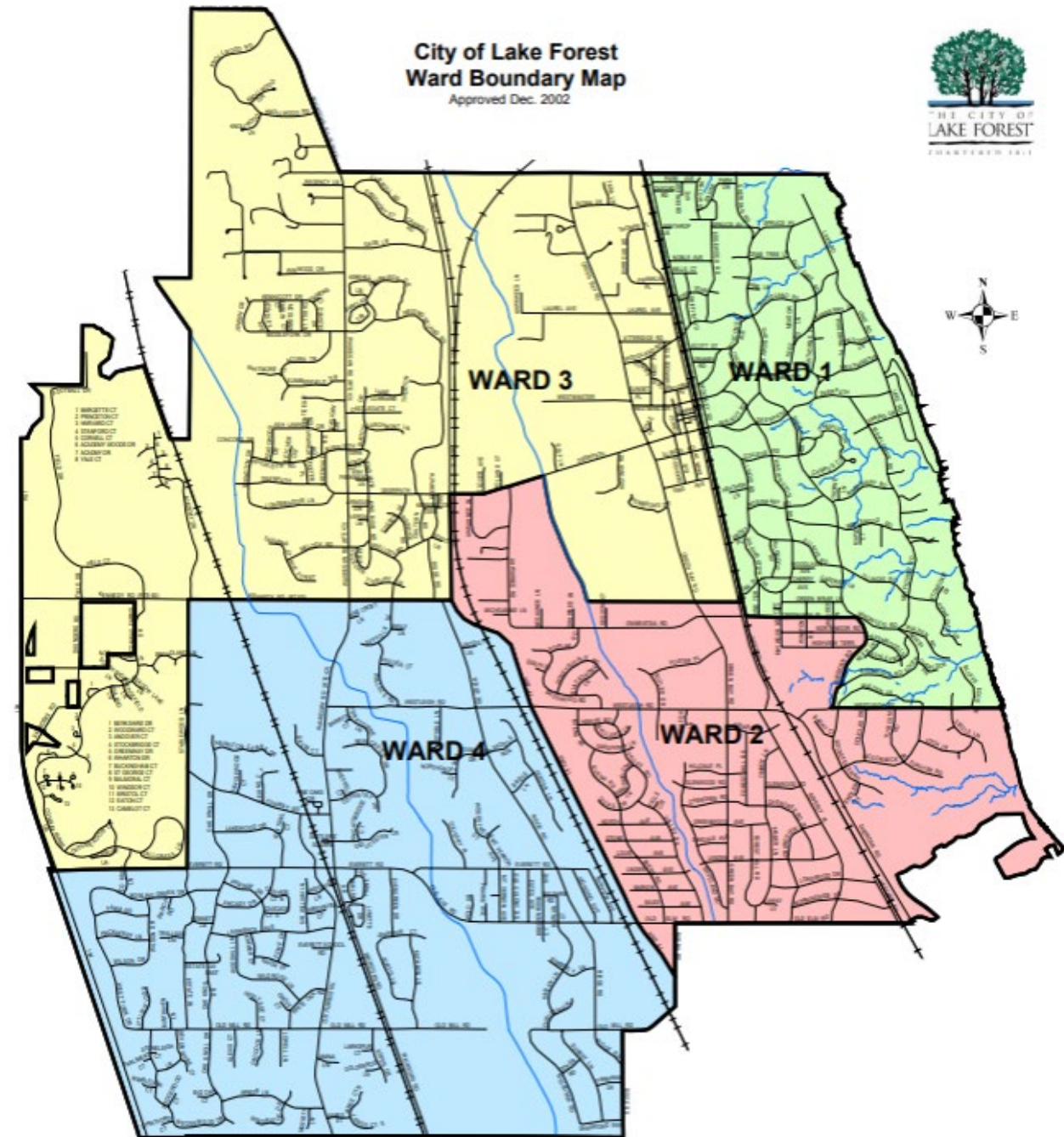


Audience Question

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 tiered base and a central column topped with a statue. In the background, there are trees with yellow and orange leaves, suggesting autumn, and a building with a dome and a flagpole. The scene is captured in a slightly dim, overcast light.

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



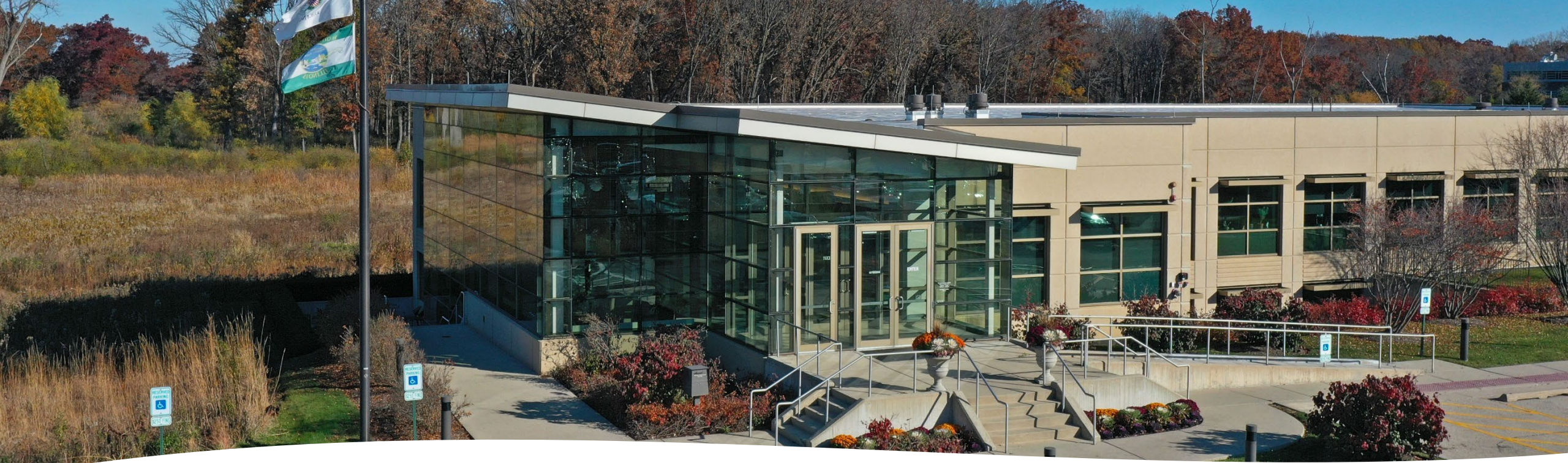
4,007

Total Fire & EMS
Calls



145

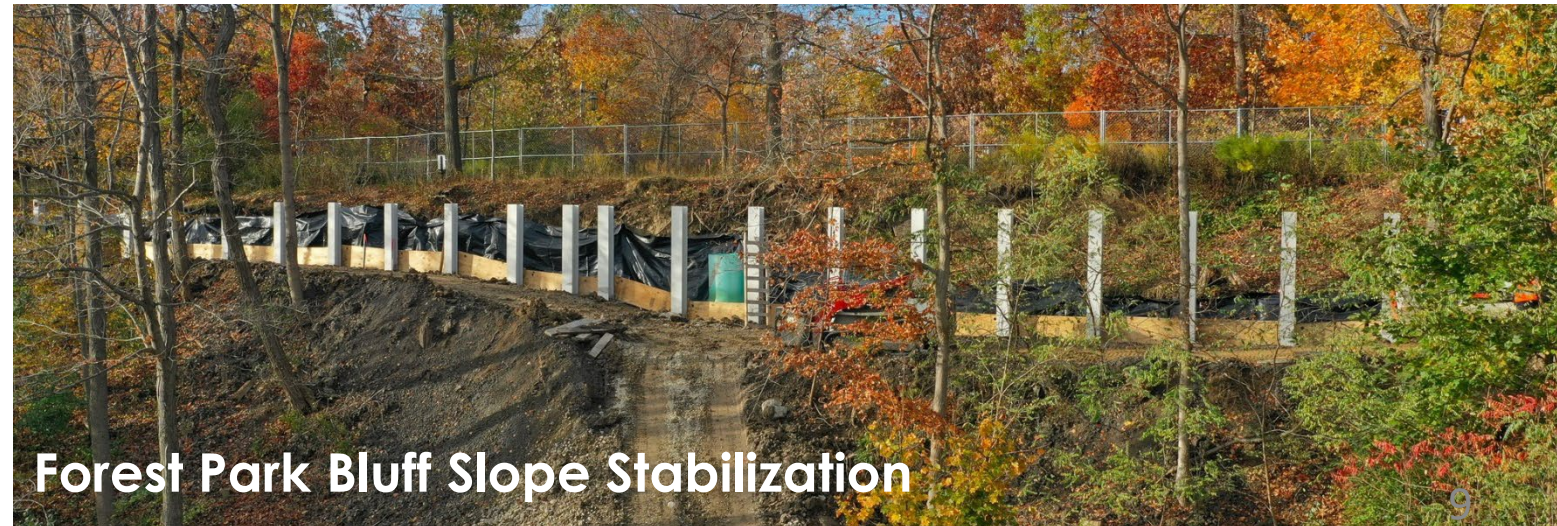
Public Engagement
Events



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 8

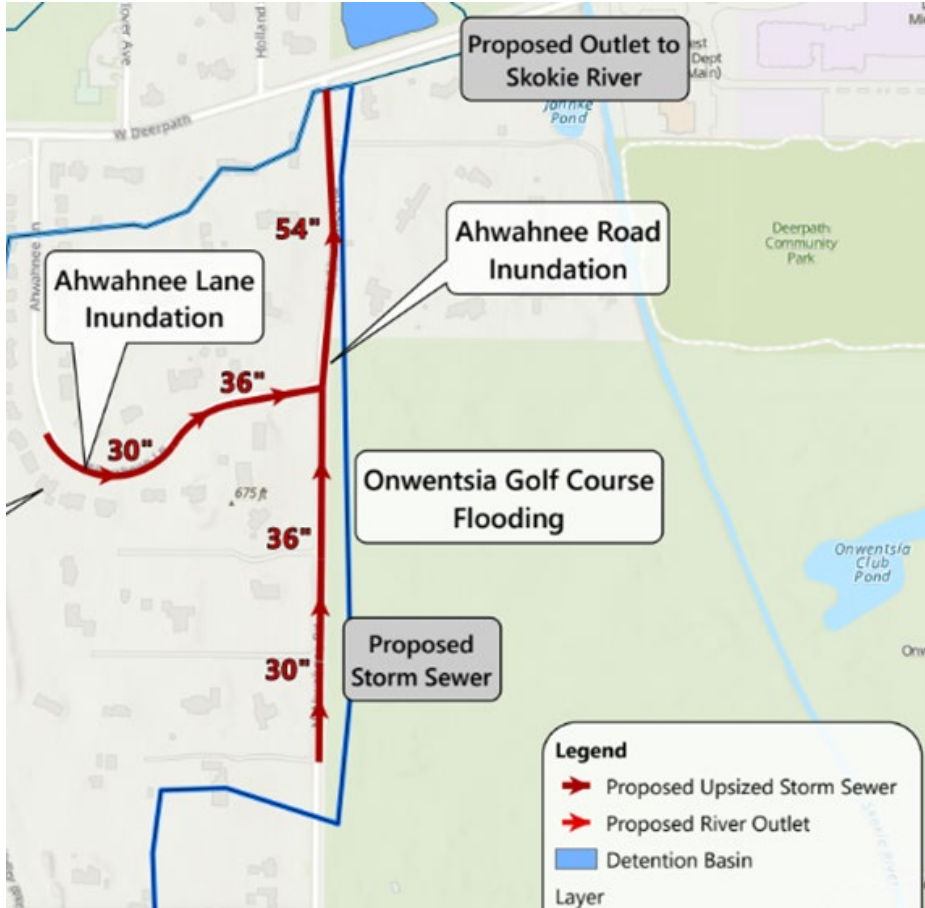
FY2024 Capital Investments Highlights



What's Ahead?

Upcoming Capital Investment Highlights

Ahwahnee Road Storm Sewer



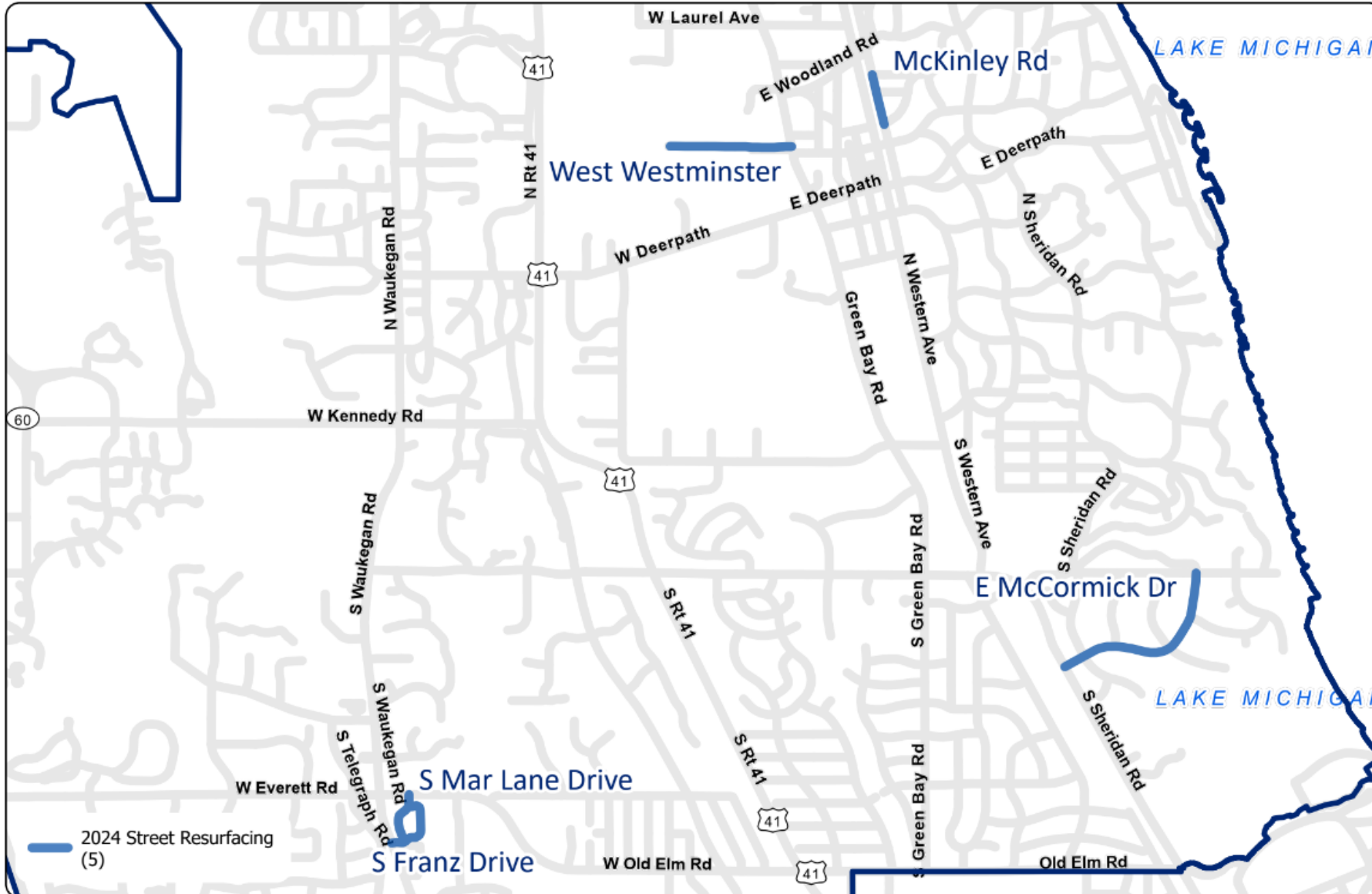


FY2025 Capital Improvement Projects

- Ahwahnee Road Storm Sewer - \$4,345,000
- 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+

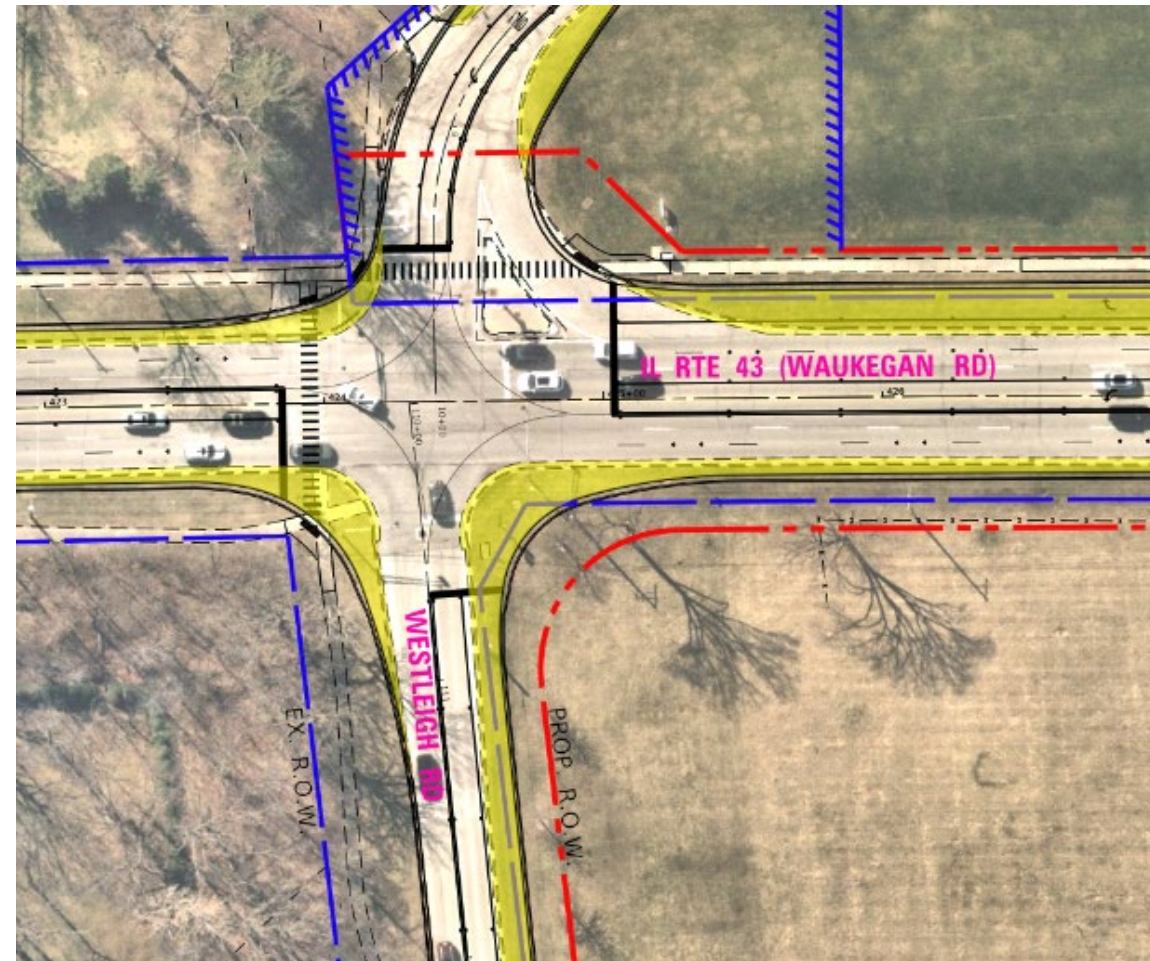
Street Resurfacing in Ward 4



- **S Mar Lane Drive** from W Everett Road to S Franz Drive
- **S Franz Drive** from Waukegan Road to S Mar Lane Drive

Waukegan & Westleigh Road Improvements

- Intersection and turn lane improvements
- Tentatively planned for Summer 2026





Police Facility 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



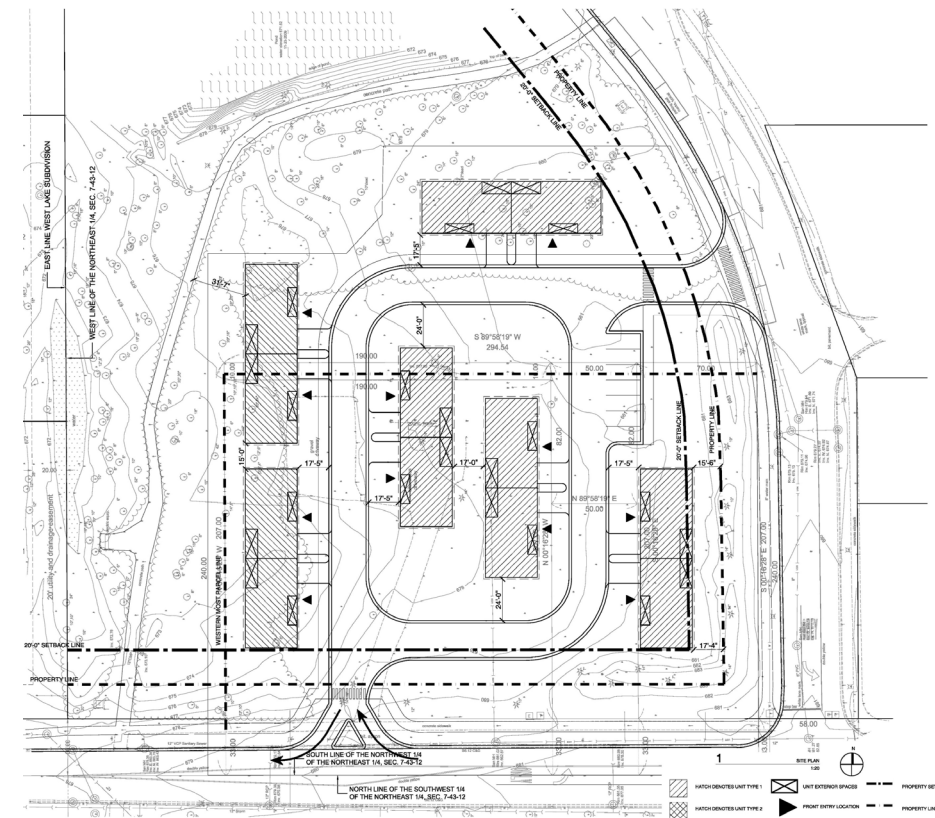
Planning & Development

- 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
 - Redesign of Everett Farms



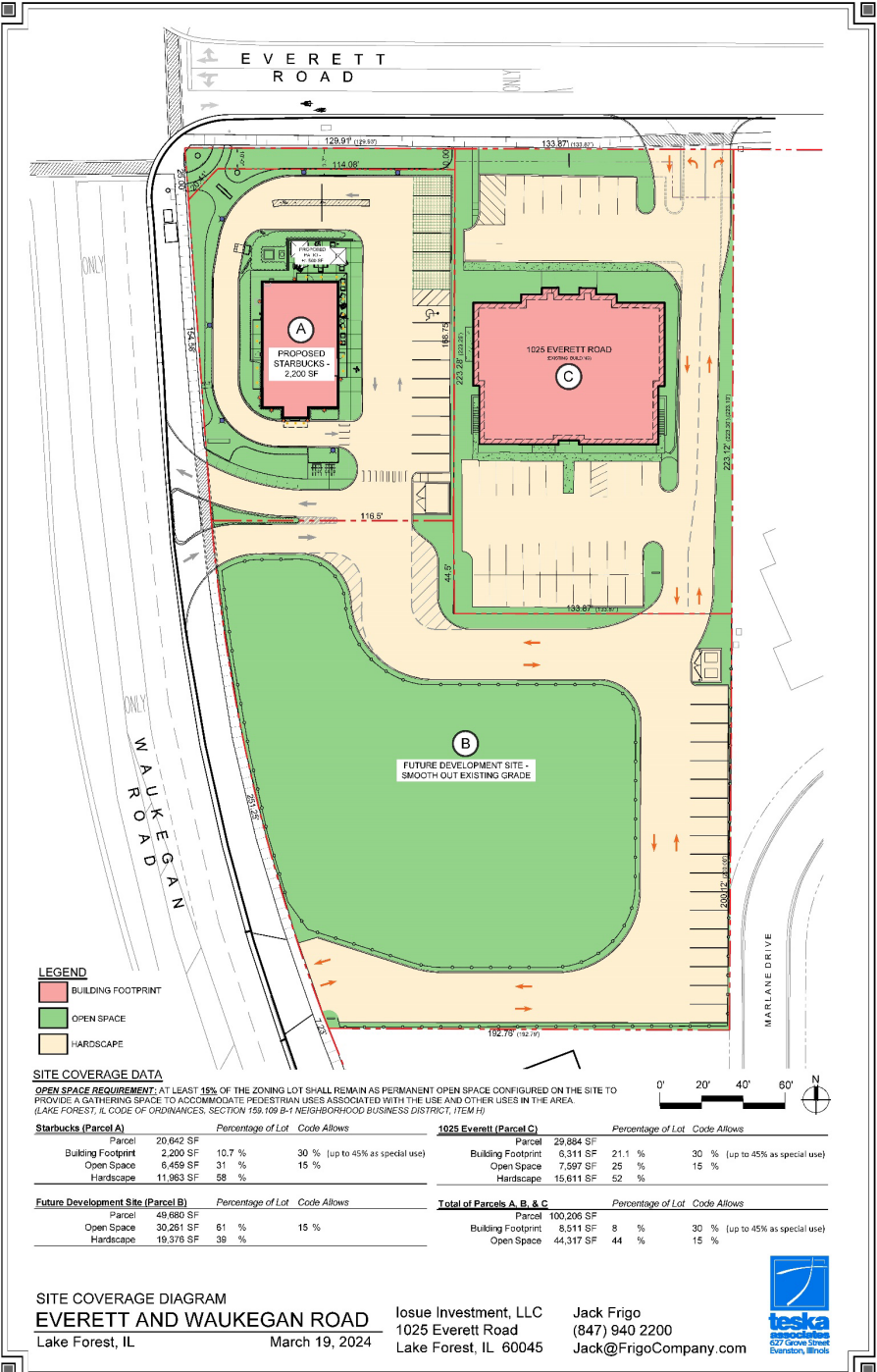
Senior Cottages

- NW Corner Everett/ Telegraph Roads
- 12 Duplexes



Starbucks

Southeast Corner Everett and Waukegan Roads



Environmental Sustainability Projects

- Sign up for **Curbside Compost Collection** with WasteNot
 - Weekly (\$22) and Bi-weekly (\$14)
 - All food scraps (*including meat & bones*), 100% paper products, yard waste, and certified compostable plastics
 - cityoflakeforest.com/Composting
- Rethink Recycling with “**Bart the Cart**”
- April is **Earth Month**



**RETHINK
RECYCLING**
WITH BART THE CART



BARTTHECART.COM

Follow these four guidelines and you'll help make our Lake Forest recycling program a major success!



1 Empty & rinsed



2 No plastic bags



3 No styrofoam



4 No tangles



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, under a large tree. The text "Get Involved" is overlaid in the center.

Get Involved

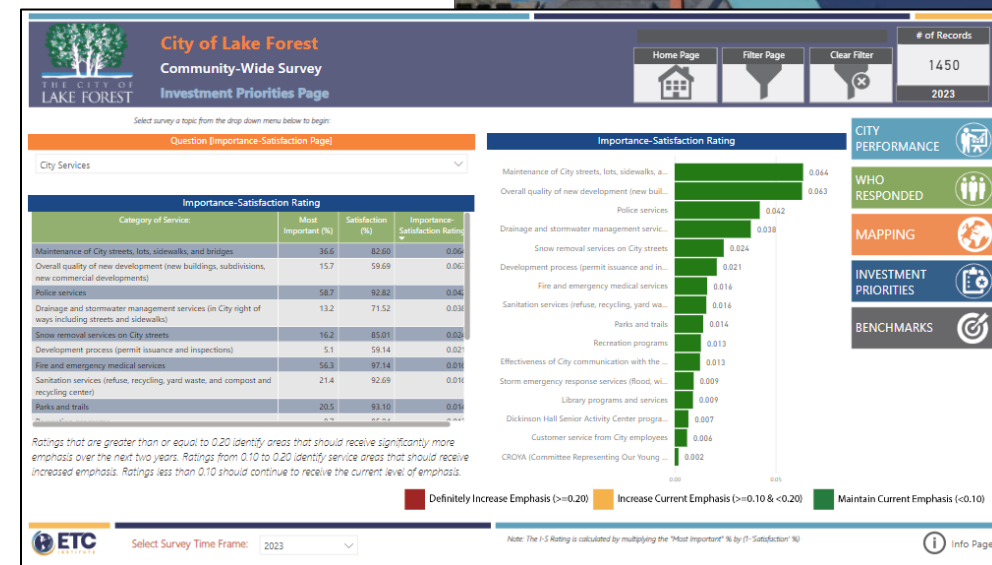
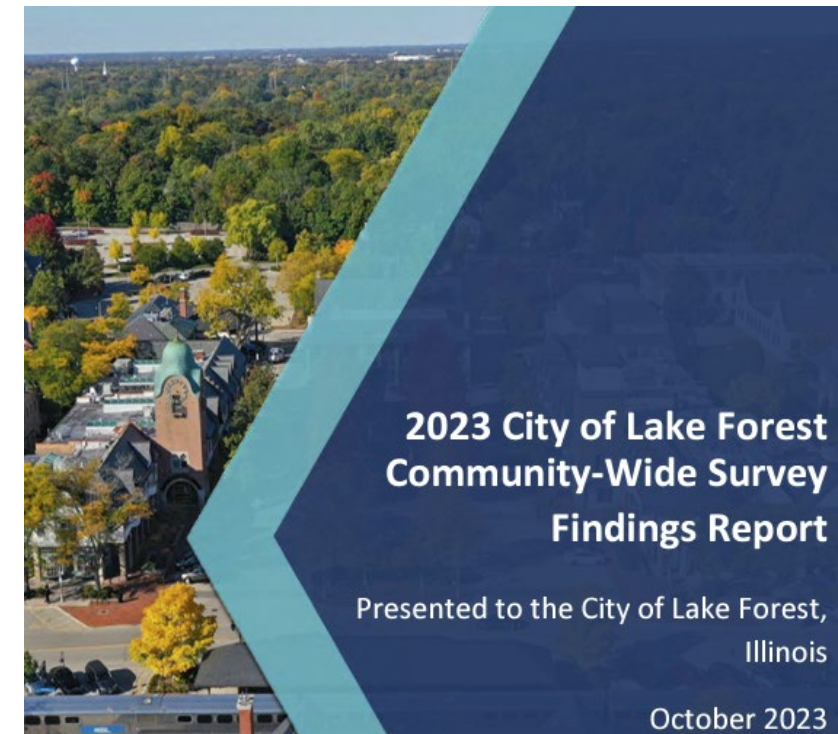
Upcoming Events

- **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.**
- **Then and Now Auto Show: Oct. 6**
- **Saturday Market: Dec. 7 & 14**



Community-Wide Survey

- Conducted **Summer 2023**
- **1,450 responses** and a **20% response rate**
- 98% of respondents rated the **quality of life** in the City as “excellent” or “good”
- View the **findings report** and check out the **interactive dashboard**
- Watch for ongoing “**pulse surveys**”



Strategic Planning



March

Conducted Individual Interviews

- Mayor and Council
- Executive Staff



June

Ad-Hoc Working Group

- Utilizing collected data...
- Revise Mission, Vision, Values
- Develop Goals and Objectives
- Written Summary shared with Council for review



September

Present Final Strategic Plan



April/May

Council and Staff Workshops & Public Engagement Sessions

- **In-Person Community Workshop:** Wednesday, May 1 at 6:30 pm
- **Online Community Engagement Sessions (Virtual):** Tuesday, April 30 at 3 pm and Wednesday, May 15 at 7 pm



July


Present Draft Strategic Plan

- Solicit comments and feedback

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		

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Questions?