Village of Hoffman Estates

2008-2009 Village Board Goals

Short-term goals

◆ Complete the remodeling of the Village Hall and the relocation of fire station 24; complete the design and begin construction of a new police building.

◆ Develop an economic development marketing plan in conjunction with the Economic Development Commission that is focused on encouraging consumers to shop, dine and be entertained at establishments within the Village. Work with external consultants to create an additional Village-wide marketing plan to promote all aspects of Hoffman Estates.

◆ Promote awareness of the Village of Hoffman Estates Emergency Operations Plan through continued training of Village personnel, creation of a citizen corps and outreach to residents, the business community and surrounding municipalities through regular drills and the dissemination of pertinent information.

◆ Continue to increase communication with Village residents and businesses through the televising of Village Board and Committee meetings, enhanced Web site/electronic communication, additional public meetings, the Citizen, and the implementation of eGov applications.

◆ Advocate for both the Suburban Transit Access Route (STAR) Line and a full Tollway interchange at Barrington Road, as well as responsible uses for the Elgin, Joliet & Eastern (EJ&E) rail line in partnership with Canadian National (CN).

◆ Foster increased intergovernmental cooperation and communication through the hosting of an intergovernmental forum. Specifically, coordinate with the Cook County Highway Department for the Shoe Factory Road, Rohrsen Road, Beverly Road reconstruction project.

◆ Promote and celebrate the 50th anniversary of the incorporation of the Village of Hoffman Estates through monthly activities, commemorative items, a history of the Village and banners placed throughout the Village.

◆ Improve the safety and efficiency of intersections throughout the Village by installing red-light camera enforcement and light-emitting diode (LED) traffic signals.

◆ Work in concert with the owners of the Hoffman Plaza shopping center and Jewel-Osco to redevelop the center utilizing the Roselle/Golf roads tax increment financing (TIF) district funds.

Long-term goals

◆ Contribute to the health of the environment by promoting “Green” activities throughout the Village, including Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED)-certified public and private buildings; increased recycling through the commercial and residential solid waste programs; Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County (SWANCC)-sponsored recycling programs for compact fluorescent lamp (CFL) bulbs, medical waste and document destruction; participation in the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus’ Clean Air Counts initiative; addition of alternative fuel and hybrid vehicles to the Village fleet; and, creation of a paperless business environment in the Village.

◆ Foster programs and opportunities that encourage all cultural and ethnic populations in the Village to engage the community. Utilize the adopted Hoffman Estates Diversity Program to assist in diversification of the Village workforce.

◆ Continue redevelopment of the Golf/Higgins/Roselle roads area through utilization of the tax increment financing (TIF) district, including the establishment of a traffic signal connecting Golf Center with Hoffman Plaza, and installation of streetscape enhancements.

◆ Work with area agencies, including neighboring municipalities, Cook County and the Cook County Forest Preserve District, to help create and provide interconnection to an integrated pathing system for biking, walking and other outdoor activities.

◆ Evaluate the Village’s budget to identify funding for key infrastructure improvements, including additional funding for the street program, a full Tollway interchange at Barrington Road, future Suburban Transit Access Route (STAR) Line stations and an integrated pathing system.

◆ Provide excellent public safety services ensuring the health, safety and welfare of Village residents and businesses. Annually evaluate public safety staffing levels based on demands and the growth of the Village.

◆ Promote the redevelopment of the Barrington Square shopping center by working with the mall owners to find appropriate uses and tenants.

◆ Work with the Emerging Technologies Commission to create a wireless environment in the Village that can be used internally for training, distance-learning opportunities and field applications, and externally for residents and businesses to affordably access the Internet anywhere in the Village. Additionally, partner with the Northern Illinois University (NIU)-Net and its partners to create the Northwest Municipal Broadband Authority.