



VILLAGE OF RIVER FOREST SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION

Tuesday, June 13, 2023 – 7:00 PM
Village Hall – 400 Park Ave., River Forest, IL

You may submit your written public comments via email in advance of the meeting to: sjansen@vrf.us
You may listen to the meeting by participating in a Zoom conference call as follows: dial-in number: 312-626-6799 with meeting ID: 816 4491 8569 or by clicking [here](#). If you would like to speak during public comment, please email sjansen@vrf.us by 4:00 PM on Tuesday, June 13, 2023.

AGENDA

1. Call to Order/Roll Call
2. Public Comment
3. Adoption of Meeting Minutes for April 11, 2023
4. Commissioner Reports
5. Communications
6. Polystyrene Ban
7. 2023 Commission Initiatives and Goals
8. Other Business
9. Schedule Next Meeting – July 11, 2023
10. Adjournment

VILLAGE OF RIVER FOREST

Monthly Reporting



SERVICES

	Jan-23	Feb-23	Mar-23	Apr-23	May-23	Jun-23	Jul-23	Aug-23	Sep-23	Oct-23	Nov-23	Dec-23	
# COMPOST SUBSCRIBERS	490	494	495										
# OF STICKERS SOLD	0	1,500	500										

COLLECTION STATS

	Jan-23*	Feb-23	Mar-23	Apr-23	May-23	Jun-23	Jul-23	Aug-23	Sep-23	Oct-23	Nov-23	Dec-23	YTD totals
Waste Tons	187.97	150.05	145.06										483.08
Recycling Tons	102.1	71.95	73.35										247.4
YW and Compost Tons	12	12.54	8.25										32.79
E-waste Event Tons	NA	NA	NA	NA		NA	NA	NA		NA	NA	NA	
HHW Event Tons	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA		NA	NA	NA		NA	NA	
Total Tons	302.07	234.54	226.66	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	763.27

Processing Facilities	Name & Location
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Trash Facility	LRS MAYWOOD TRANSFER STATION (1201 Greenwood Ave, Maywood, IL 60153)



Assure Station Metrics Monthly Reporting

Company Id
153681

Port Level
All

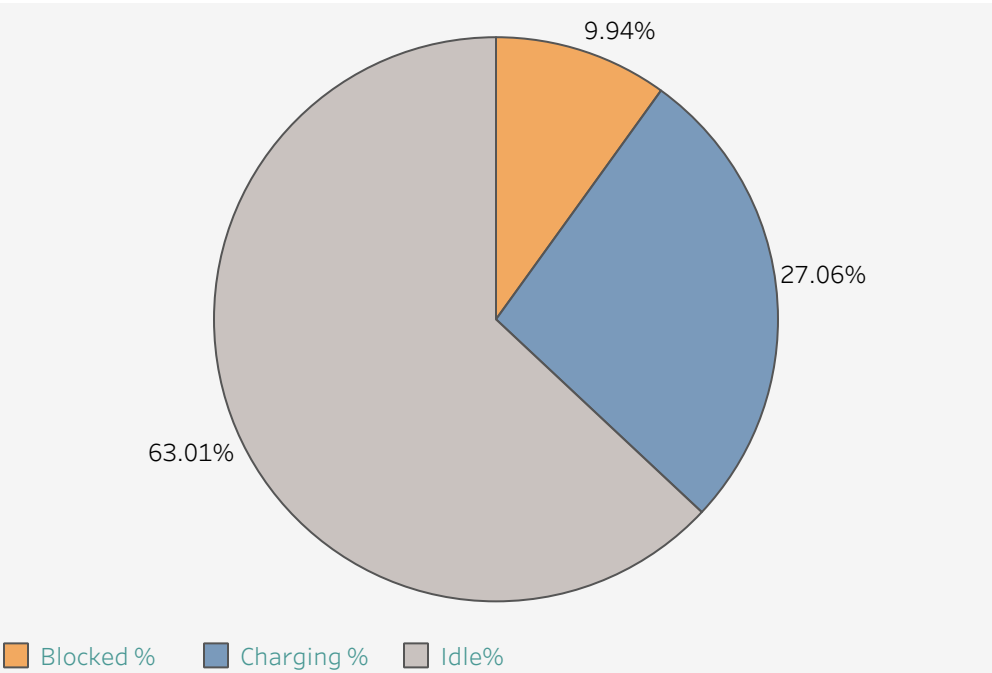
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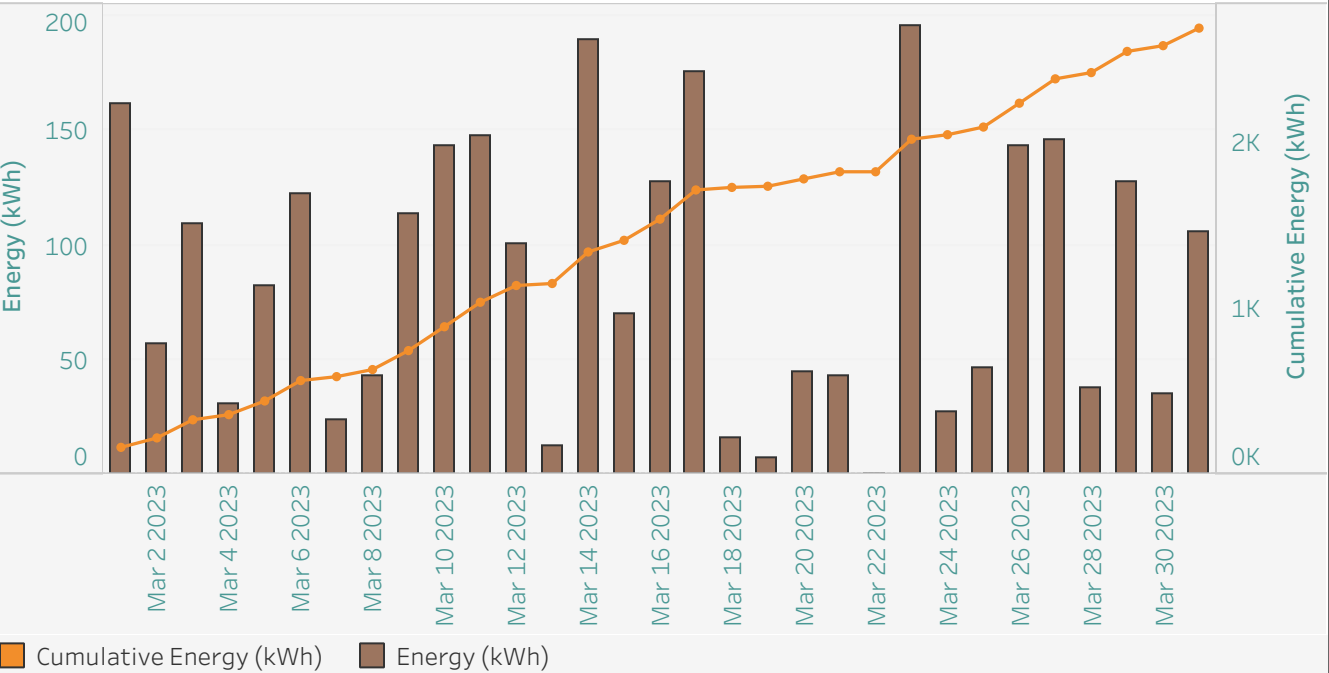
Month End Date
3/31/2023

Port Count	Station Count	Total Revenue (\$)	Energy (kWh)	GHG Savings (kg)	Gasoline Saved (Gal)	Unique Driver	Chargepoint Response SLA	Session Count
2	1	0	2,682	1,126	337	27	100.00%	115

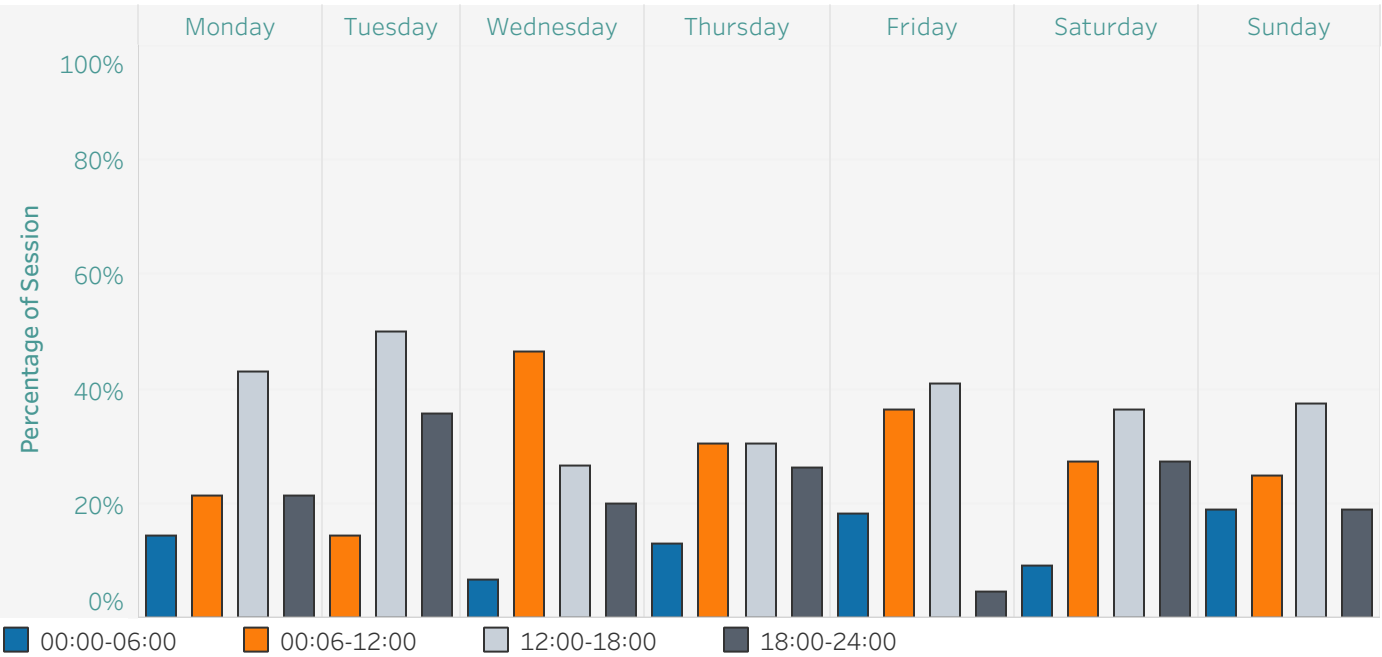
Port Utilization: 24 Hours



Energy Dispensed (kWh) by Day



Session Starts by Time of Day Month



Average Session Duration (Hours)	4.79
Average Session Charge Time (Hours)	3.50
Average Session Energy (kWh)	23.32
Average Session Revenue (\$)	0.00
Occupied Hours	550.4
Charging Hours	402.6
Service Tickets	0.0



Assure Station Metrics Quarterly Reporting

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153681

Port Level
All

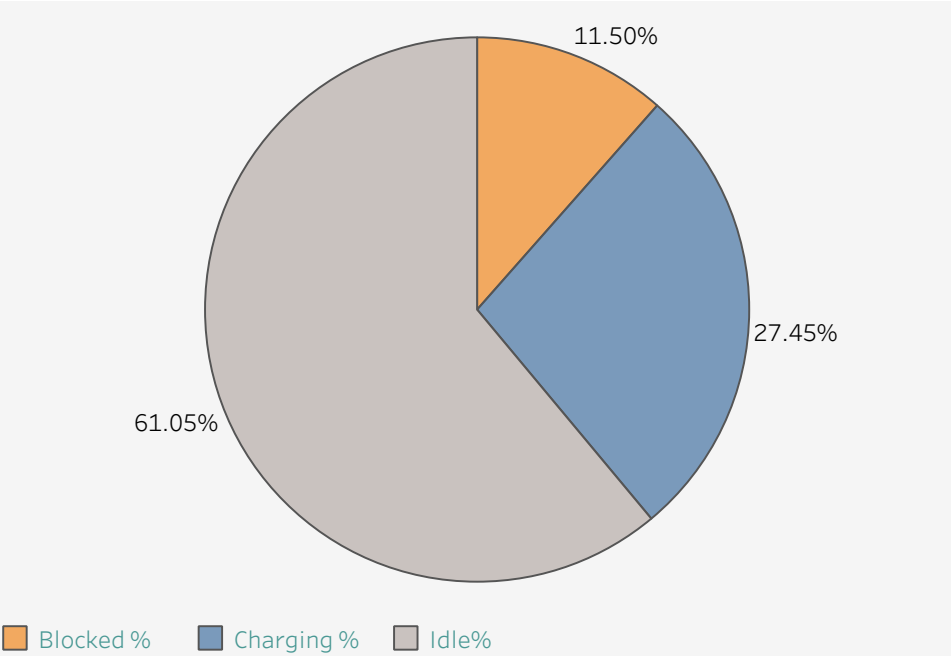
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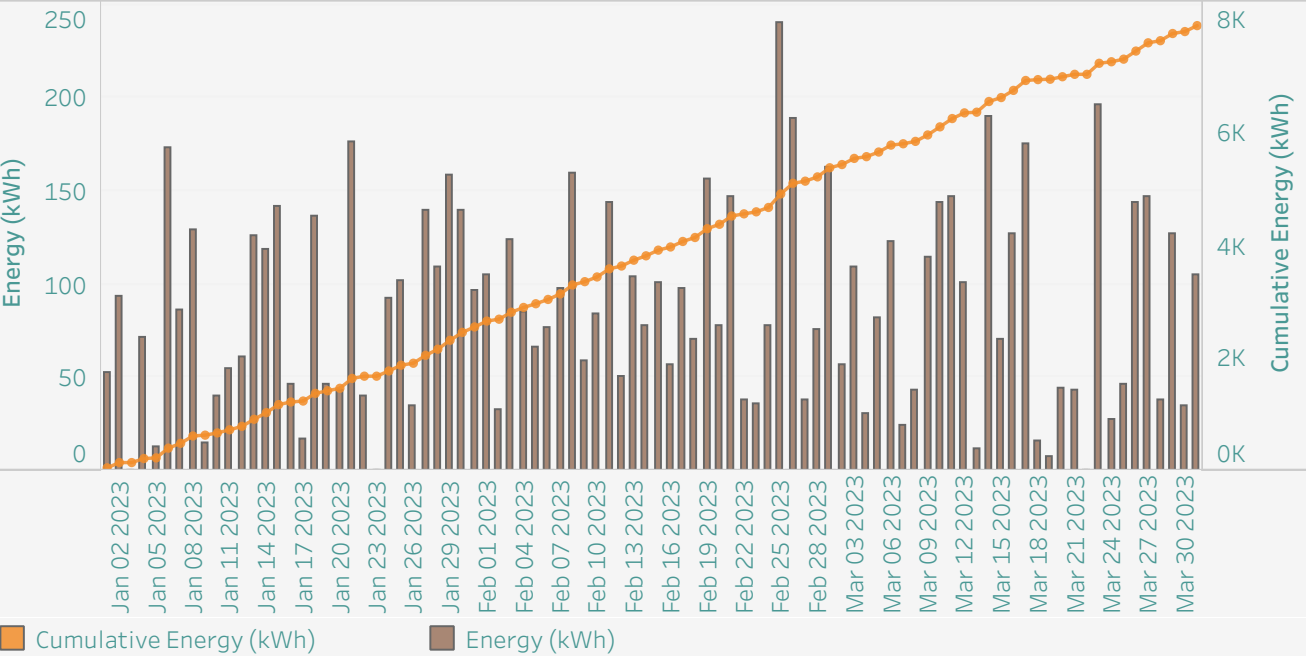
Quarter Year
3/31/2023

Port Count	Station Count	Total Revenue (\$)	Energy (kWh)	GHG Savings (kg)	Gasoline Saved (Gal)	Unique Driver	Chargepoint Response SLA	Session Count
2	1	0	7,893	3,315	991	43	100.00%	339

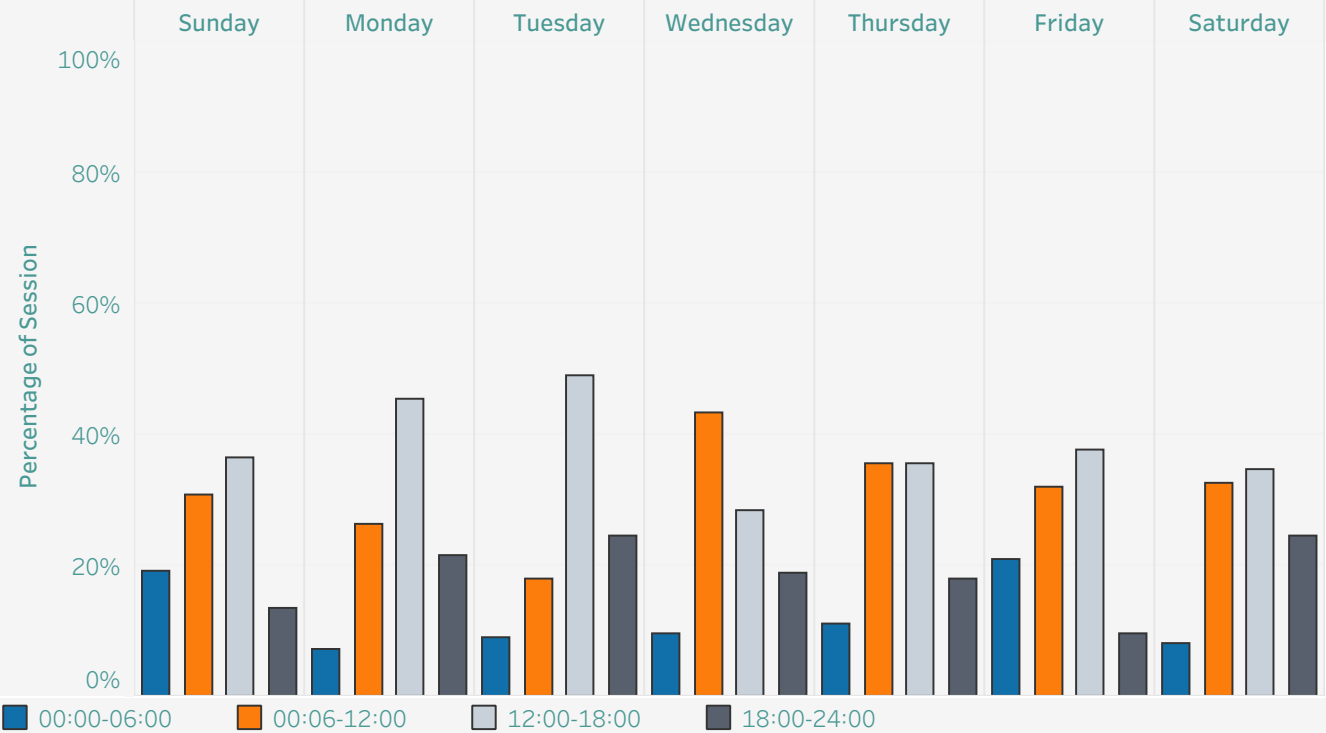
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Session Starts by Time of Day Quarter



Average Session Duration (Hours)	4.96
Average Session Charge Time (Hours)	3.50
Average Session Energy (kWh)	23.28
Average Session Revenue (\$)	0.00
Occupied Hours	1,683
Charging Hours	1,186
Service Tickets	0

Service Entitlement Status Breakdown of Assure Stations

	Expired	0-30 Days	1-6 Months	6-12 Months	1+ Year
Assure	0	0	0	0	1
SW	0	0	0	0	1

- You dispensed more energy than 84.72 % of other Assure customers.
- You collected more fees than 0.00 % of other Assure customers.
- You fueled more unique drivers than 75.94 % of other Assure customers.
- Your 24 hour charging utilization was higher than 82.55 % of other Assure customers.

Station Name	Total Energy (kWh)	Total Sessions	Total Fees (\$)	Gasoline Saved (Gal)	GHG Savings (kg)	Charging Hours	Occupied Hours	Uptime (%)
RIVER FOREST VILLAGE HALL	7,893	339	\$ 0.00	991	3,315	1,186	1,683	100.00%



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This is based on session dates (not transaction date which may differ). Your Flex Billing reports should be used for financial reporting.

Energy (kWh): All energy dispensed through your "Assure" stations.
This data point can be useful in reconciling station energy against energy bills.

GHG Savings (kg): All the green house gasses (95% CO2) that would have been released had the miles provided by your stations come from gasoline.
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ChargePoint Response SL: Percentage of tickets to which ChargePoint responded within Service Level (1 business day).
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Uptime: Percentage of time that your ports were capable of dispensing power.
ChargePoint is committed to keeping your ports dispensing power 98% of the time or better.

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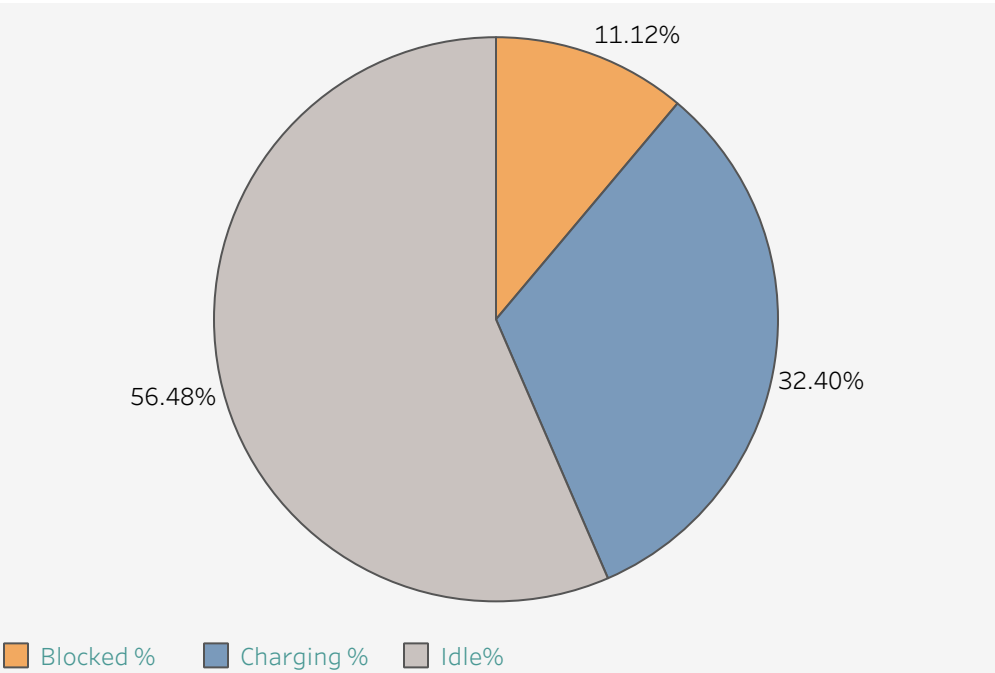
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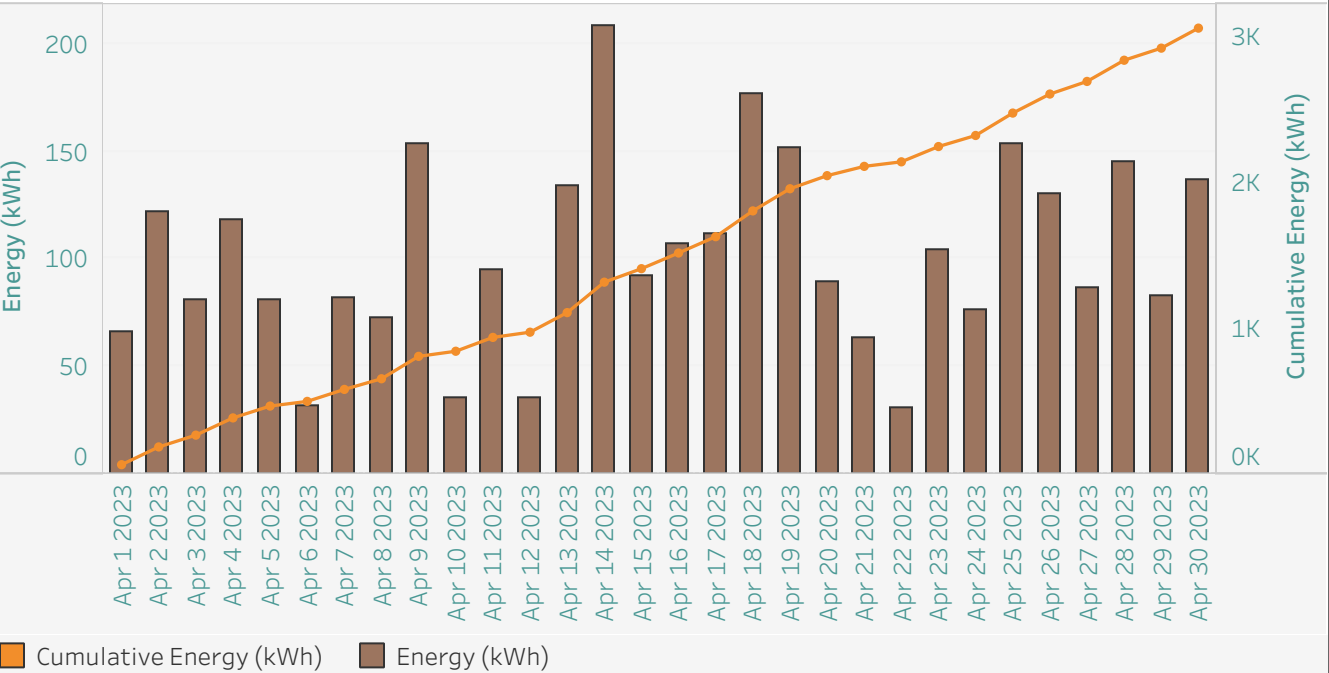
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4/30/2023

Port Count	Station Count	Total Revenue (\$)	Energy (kWh)	GHG Savings (kg)	Gasoline Saved (Gal)	Unique Driver	Chargepoint Response SLA	Session Count
2	1	0	3,052	1,282	383	34	100.00%	133

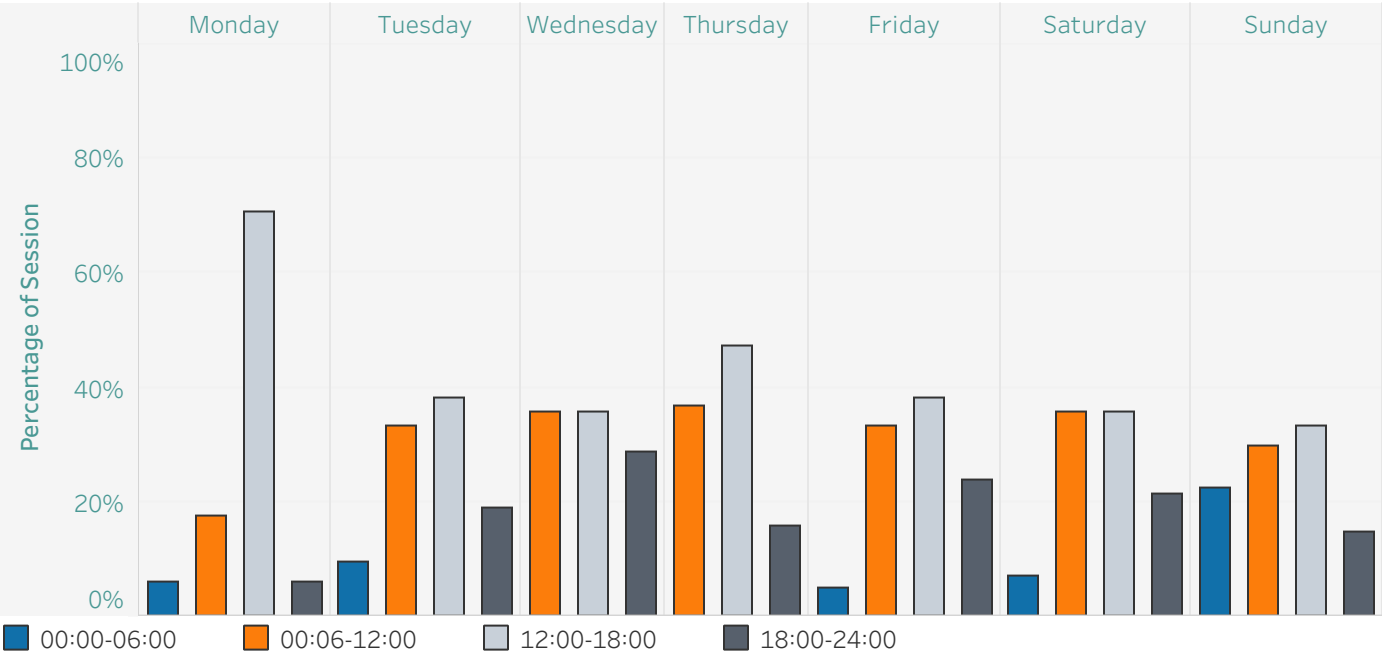
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Charging Hours	466.6
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**VILLAGE OF RIVER FOREST
SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION
TUESDAY, APRIL 11, 2023**

A regular meeting of the Village of River Forest Sustainability Commission was held on Tuesday, April 11, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Room of Village Hall, 400 Park Avenue – River Forest, IL.

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM. Upon roll call, the following persons were:

Present: Chairperson Simon (arriving a 7:36) Commissioners Charrette, Cheng, Lennon (attending via Zoom), and Veazie (arriving at 7:04).
Absent: Commissioner Roberts, Student Commissioners Raidt and Stierwalt
Also Present: Management Analyst Seth Jansen

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Resident Dan Hollenbach of 610 Park Ave. wanted to raise the issue of noise pollution caused by gas-powered leaf blowers. He was prompted to raise the issue after reading about Oak Park and some north suburban communities banning the use of them and would like the Village to follow. He indicated he believes that commercial contractors should be the primary target of noise pollution; he wants to ensure regulations on residents are gradually phased in, with an emphasis on enforcing times when leaf blowers can be used. Mr. Hollenbach indicated that reducing the use of gas-powered equipment will increase both the social connectedness and health of the community by having more residents outside and interacting with each other.

The Commission then began discussing the Oak Park Leaf Blower Ban, which was an item under Other Business on the agenda. Commissioner Charrette provided some history and context to the leaf blower ban proposal. Commissioner Charrette also noted that while residents are primarily concerned about noise while the Commission's mission is more focused on the emissions caused by gas-powered leaf blowers. Mr. Hollenbach noted that electric leaf blowers are much quieter in his opinion. Mr. Hollenbach noted that some times he's heard leaf blowers being operated, and the Commission noted there is an existing noise ordinance for times of day that such equipment can be operated. Commissioner Cheng noted how the Leave the Leaves Program, which the Commission promotes in the autumn months, can be beneficial at addressing the issue by promoting the benefits of not blowing all leaves for collection. Mr. Jansen noted that the regional Cross Community Climate Collaborative is studying how communities can transition to electric lawn equipment and noted most Village equipment is already electric.

3. ADOPTION OF MEETING MINUTES

Commissioner Cheng made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Charrette to approve the meeting minutes from March 14, 2023.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Commissioners Charrette, Cheng, Lennon, Roberts, Veazie

Absent: Chairperson Simon, Commissioner Roberts

Nays: None

Motion Passes.

4. COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Commissioner Charrette asked when the Village's Arbor Day Tree planting would be held. Mr. Jansen stated he would find out more information. Commissioner Charrette mentioned she was part of a group that met with Sen. Harmon to discuss the proposed legislation banning Styrofoam and will discuss that later in the meeting. She also noted that a resident had approached her inquiring about compost for Har Zion Temple, as LRS no longer offers them composting, and asked for the Village to look into it. Mr. Jansen said the same matter had been raised at the Village Board meeting yesterday and that he was already looking into the issue.

No other commissioners had reports.

5. COMMUNICATIONS

Mr. Jansen provided an overview of the final draft Sustainability webpage. Commissioner Cheng provided feedback to make sure the topics on each page matches the table of contents on the home page. The Commission discussed events that can go into the Upcoming Green Events page and changing the title to say Green Dates and Deadlines. Commissioner Cheng provided input for upcoming events. Commissioner Lennon suggested comprehensive review and updating of the webpage every 6 months.

Mr. Jansen solicited input for weekly and monthly newsletter items. The Commissioners agreed to promote the new webpage, Earth Day, Arbor Day, and the Bicycle Exchange Event in the upcoming weekly newsletters. The Commission decided to highlight the completion of the permeable Green alleys for the May monthly newsletter. Commissioner Lennon also suggested, in response to the public comments, to have a weekly newsletter share a reminder of the existing Noise Ordinance for when equipment can be operated. Commissioner Charrette volunteered to write the newsletter article regarding the noise ordinance.

6. 2023 COMMISSION INITIATIVES AND GOALS

Chairperson Simon sought input for how the Commission wants to handle establishing initiatives and goals. He suggested having the May meeting be exclusively to workshopping initiatives and goals. The Commission agreed to this proposal, and Commissioner Lennon suggested a document to review in advance of the meeting. Commissioner Cheng suggested reviewing old programs and looking at which programs should be sunset. Commissioner

Lennon also suggested leveraging the work Oak Park has done for their plan and using that information to identify 4 or 5 items on which to focus.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

Commissioner Veazie inquired about the status of the Des Plaines River Bike Trail. Mr. Jansen provided a brief update on the status of the engineering currently being conducted on the project and would look further into the status.

Chairperson Simon introduced the concept of a gas leaf blower ban and where Oak Park is at in the implementation of their ordinance doing such. Commissioner Charrette noted that many of the same landscaping companies work in both communities. The Commission discussed the best approach to implementing a similar ordinance locally and what the most effective outreach to the landscaping companies licensed by the village. Chairperson Simon also raised the existing provisions of the Oak Park ordinance, which prohibits use of gas leaf blowers during part of the year and using that as an intermediate step for phasing in the ban. Commissioner Charrette inquired about the work C4 was doing in this field, and Mr. Jansen provided a brief overview of the lawn equipment electrification working group and the information being discussed there. Commissioner Veazie stressed the need for engagement with stakeholders before such an ordinance is brought to the Village Board. The Commission discussed the next steps in pursuing the ordinance.

Mr. Jansen provided an update regarding the ongoing Yard Sign Recycling after the local elections and that information is being shared through social media. Mr. Jansen also provided an update on the sign-ups for compost delivery.

Chairperson Simon inquired about the status of the proposed Styrofoam ban legislation in Springfield. Commissioner Charrette provided an update on the meeting with Senate President Don Harmon on the issue. Commissioner Charrette indicated the President had a number of questions on the issue and explained the shorter timeframe that the second chamber has to take action on a bill, as opposed to the time the originating chamber and sponsor have to work on bill.

Mr. Jansen sought feedback from the Commission on the March E-waste Collection. The Commissioners inquired about quantity, and Mr. Jansen indicated that was not available yet. The Commission expressed concern about the broad pickup window and the concern of scrappers collecting items before they're being collected by LRS. The Commission discussed the benefits and costs of curbside e-waste collection vs e-waste drop off events.

8. SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING – MAY 9, 2023

The Commission reached a consensus to hold its next meeting Tuesday, May 9, 2023.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Cheng made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Veazie to adjourn the meeting at 8:32 PM.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Chairperson Simon, Commissioners Charrette, Cheng, Lennon, and Veazie

Absent: Commissioner Roberts

Nays: None

Motion Passes.

Seth Jansen, Secretary



Village of River Forest
Public Works and Development Services
400 Park Avenue
River Forest, IL 60305
Tel: 708-366-8500

MEMORANDUM

Date: June 13, 2023

To: Sustainability Commission

From: Seth Jansen, Management Analyst

Subj: Polystyrene Ban

Inspired by recent actions by the Illinois General Assembly and the Village of Oak Park, the Commission is asked to consider two items concerning polystyrene foam. The first item for consideration is a local ordinance that would prohibit food establishments from selling or distributing disposable food service containers composed of polystyrene foam. The second is a local resolution in support of state-level efforts to prohibit the sale or distribution of disposable food service containers composed of polystyrene foam.

The Village of Oak Park recently adopted an ordinance which limits the use of single use plastic foodware, similar to an existing River Forest ordinance, and gradually phases out the use of polystyrene foam packaging (attached).

The Illinois General Assembly considered two items this spring relating to the use of polystyrene foam. House Bill 2376 was introduced February 14th, 2023 and sought to phase out the use of polystyrene foam by 2025 (attached). This legislation passed the House, but no action was taken in the Senate. Senate Bill 58 was amended on May 18th to establish a ban on the procurement of disposable food service containers composed of polystyrene foam by state agencies and prohibits state vendors from providing disposable food service containers composed of polystyrene foam at any facility owned or leased by the State of Illinois (attached). This legislation passed both chambers and is anticipated to be signed into law by Governor Pritzker later this summer.

Next steps/approximate timeline:

- At the June 13th meeting, Commissioners will be asked to brainstorm ideas or points for consideration to incorporate into a draft ordinance and draft resolution.
- The Commission will make a motion to instruct staff to prepare a resolution in support of House Bill 2376 and any future state legislation which is substantially similar.
- The Village Attorney will prepare drafts of the ordinance and resolution. The Village Board is expected to consider the resolution at the June 26th Village Board Meeting.

- Staff will notify affected businesses through a direct mailing, inviting them to provide input for the Commission's consideration at the next Commission Meeting (currently July 11). Staff will also provide public notice via the Village's communication channels.
- Commissioners will have the opportunity to review and comment on the draft ordinance and hear input and feedback from affected businesses at the next Commission meeting.
- After hearing public input and finalizing the draft ordinance, the Commission will be asked to make a formal recommendation to the Village Board of Trustees, who will consider the ordinance for adoption. Staff will also communicate the meeting date the Board is set to consider the ordinance.

Attachments:

- [Oak Park Ordinance](#)
- [State Bill – Initial Language \(HB 2376\)](#)
- [State Bill – Final Language \(SB 58\)](#)

1 AN ACT concerning safety.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 1. Short title. This Act may be cited as the State
5 Entities Single-Use Plastic Reporting Act.

6 Section 5. Definitions. As used in this Act:

7 "Single-use plastic disposable foodware" means containers,
8 bowls, straws, plates, trays, cartons, cups, lids, forks,
9 spoons, knives, and other items that are designed for one-time
10 use for beverages, prepared food, or leftovers from meals and
11 that are made of plastic, are not compostable, and are not
12 accepted in residential curbside recycling pick up.

13 "State agency" means any department, commission, council,
14 board, bureau, committee, institution, agency, university,
15 government corporation, authority, or other establishment or
16 official of this State. "State agency" includes any
17 establishment or official of the State that directly or
18 indirectly oversees the State's purchase of any product for
19 use in the State.

20 Section 10. State agencies tracking single-use plastic
21 disposable foodware.

22 (a) Beginning July 1, 2024, each State agency shall:

1 (1) track its own purchases of single-use plastic
2 disposable foodware that are less than \$2,000 or otherwise
3 not reduced to writing; and

4 (2) establish goals on reducing single-use plastic
5 disposable foodware purchases based on the tracked
6 purchases.

7 (b) Each State agency shall submit a report of its
8 findings regarding the matters in subsection (a) to the
9 Governor and the General Assembly on or before October 1,
10 2025.

11 Section 905. The Illinois Procurement Code is amended by
12 adding Section 45-24 as follows:

13 (30 ILCS 500/45-24 new)

14 Sec. 45-24. Single-use plastics prohibition; preference.

15 (a) As used in this Section:

16 "Compostable" means that the item meets the ASTM D6400
17 standard of compostability and has been certified by the
18 Biodegradable Products Institute as compostable.

19 "Compostable foodware" means containers, bowls, straws,
20 plates, trays, cartons, cups, lids, forks, spoons, knives, and
21 other items that are designed for one-time use for beverages,
22 prepared food, or leftovers from meals that are compostable.

23 "Disposable food service container" means serviceware
24 designed for one-time use. "Disposable food service container"

1 includes, but is not limited to, serviceware for take-out
2 foods, bakery products, and leftovers from partially consumed
3 meals. "Disposable food service container" does not include
4 polystyrene foam coolers, egg carton containers, ice chests
5 that are used for the processing or shipping of seafood or
6 service ware that is used to contain, transport, or otherwise
7 package raw, uncooked, or butchered meat, poultry, fish, or
8 seafood.

9 "Polystyrene foam" means blown polystyrene and expanded or
10 extruded foams using a styrene monomer.

11 "Recyclable foodware" means items that are designed for
12 one-time use for beverages, prepared food, or leftovers from
13 meals and that are commonly accepted in local curbside
14 residential recycling pick up.

15 "Serviceware" means a container, bowl, plate, tray,
16 carton, cup, lid, or other item designed to contain,
17 transport, serve, or aid in the consumption of food or
18 beverages.

19 "State agency" has the meaning given to that term in
20 Section 1-15.100 of this Code.

21 (b) After January 1, 2025, State agencies and departments
22 may not procure disposable food service containers that are
23 composed in whole or in part from polystyrene foam for use at
24 any State agency or department and instead shall offer only
25 compostable foodware or recyclable foodware for use at the
26 State agency or department.

1 (c) After January 1, 2026, or at the renewal of its next
2 contract, whichever occurs later, no vendor contracted through
3 a State agency or department may provide customers with
4 disposable food service containers that are composed in whole
5 or in part from polystyrene foam at any site owned or leased by
6 the State, and instead shall offer only compostable foodware
7 or recyclable foodware for use at sites owned or leased by the
8 State.

9 Section 999. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
10 becoming law.

1 AN ACT concerning safety.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
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4 Section 5. The Environmental Protection Act is amended by
5 adding Section 52.11 as follows:

6 (415 ILCS 5/52.11 new)

7 Sec. 52.11. Disposable food service containers.

8 (a) In this Section:

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19 extruded foams using a styrene monomer.

20 "Primarily engaged in the sale of ready-to-eat food for
21 immediate consumption" means that a retail establishment
22 derives at least 51% of its total sales, excluding the sale of
23 liquor, from the sale of ready-to-eat food for immediate

1 consumption.

2 "Restaurant" means a retail establishment that is
3 primarily engaged in the sale of ready-to-eat food for
4 immediate consumption.

5 "Retail establishment" means a person or entity that is
6 engaged in the business of making sales at retail and that
7 generates occupation or use tax revenue.

8 "Service ware" means a container, bowl, plate, tray,
9 carton, cup, lid, or other item designed to contain,
10 transport, serve, or aid in the consumption of food or
11 beverages.

12 (b) Beginning January 1, 2024, a retail establishment may
13 not sell or distribute in this State a disposable food service
14 container that is composed in whole or in part of polystyrene
15 foam.

16 (c) The prohibition under subsection (b) shall not apply
17 to the following entities, or to the sale of polystyrene foam
18 by a retail establishment to the following entities, until
19 January 1, 2025:

20 (1) A food pantry.

21 (2) A soup kitchen.

22 (3) A not-for-profit corporation that provides food to
23 needy individuals at no or nominal charge.

24 (4) A federal, State, or local governmental agency
25 that provides food to needy individuals at no or nominal
26 charge.

1 (5) A restaurant with an annual gross income under
2 \$500,000 per location as stated on the restaurant's income
3 tax filing for the most recent tax year.

4 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
5 becoming law.

ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 20 ("PUBLIC HEALTH") OF THE OAK PARK VILLAGE CODE TO ADD A NEW ARTICLE 8 ("SINGLE-USE PLASTIC FOODWARE AND POLYSTYRENE FOAM PACKAGING")

WHEREAS, the Village of Oak Park ("Village") as a home rule unit of local government as provided by Article VII, Section 6 of the Illinois Constitution of 1970 has the authority to exercise any power and perform any function pertaining to its government and affairs except as limited by Article VII, Section 6 of the Illinois Constitution of 1970;

WHEREAS, pursuant to its Constitutional home rule powers, the Village has the authority "to regulate for the protection of the public health, safety, morals, and welfare," Ill. Const art. 7 § 6;

WHEREAS, the "powers and functions of home rule units shall be construed liberally," and written "with the intention that home rule units be given the broadest powers possible," *Scadron v. City of Des Plaines*, 153 Ill.2d 164 (1992); and

WHEREAS, the Energy and Environment Commission unanimously voted recommended that this Ordinance be adopted by the Village Board by a vote of six (6) in favor and none (0) against at its meeting on April 10, 2023; and

WHEREAS, single-use plastics do not readily breakdown in our environment. Plastics deteriorate into increasingly smaller fragments ("microplastics") which augment through the food chain, pass through water filtration systems, and are consumed by humans and wildlife. Some plastic products contain harmful endocrine disrupter chemicals which alter normal hormone functioning; and

WHEREAS, the Village's adopted sustainability, climate action, and resiliency plan titled *Climate Ready Oak Park* adopted by the Village Board on August 1, 2022 pursuant to Resolution 22-183; and

WHEREAS, *Climate Ready Oak Park* includes a goal to reduce plastics and packaging waste in the Village and calls for the adoption of an ordinance by the Village to remove all non-medical, single-use plastics and polystyrene foam products from circulation by 2030 in restaurants and retail establishments, with the exception of single-use plastic straws, and based upon availability and affordability of alternatives to single-use plastic products; and

WHEREAS, single-use plastic straws are important accessibility tools that are necessary for community members to participate fully in Oak Park's eating and drinking establishments; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board has determined to adopt this Ordinance pursuant to the above authority and recommendation of the Energy and Environment Commission in order to restrict the use of single-use plastic foodware and polysterene foam packaging subject to the conditions set forth herein.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Oak Park, Cook County, Illinois, in the exercise of their home rule powers, as follows:

Section 1. Recitals Incorporated. The above recitals are incorporated herein as though fully set forth.

Section 2. Village Code Amended. Chapter 20 ("Public Health") of the Oak Park Village Code amended to add a new Article 8 ("Single-Use Plastic Foodware and Polystyrene") as follows:

ARTICLE 8

SINGLE-USE PLASTIC FOODWARE AND POLYSTYRENE FOAM PACKAGING

20-8-1: Purpose and Intent

20-8-2: Definitions

20-8-3: Single-Use Plastic Foodware Prohibited Except Upon Request

20-8-4: Polysterene Foam Packaging Prohibited

20-8-5: Conflict with State Law

20-8-6: Penalty

20-8-1: PURPOSE AND INTENT:

A. Providing single-use plastic foodware without an affirmative request from a customer, and the usage of polystyrene foam packaging for food and beverage orders, is declared to be a nuisance in the Village and is detrimental to the health, safety, and welfare of the Village.

B. The terms of this article shall be construed so as to promote:

1. The protection of environmental and public health by reducing the amount of plastic and polystyrene foam in the waste stream;
2. The promotion of sustainable dining practices; and
3. Accommodations in support of food establishment customers who require single-use plastic straws.

20-8-2: DEFINITIONS:

The words and phrases set forth below are hereby defined as follows for purposes of this article:

DISPOSABLE FOOD SERVICE CONTAINER: Serviceware designed for one-time use. “Disposable food service container” includes, but is not limited to, serviceware for take-out foods, bakery products, and leftovers from partially consumed meals. “Disposable food service container” does not include polystyrene foam coolers or ice chests that are used for the processing or shipping of seafood or serviceware that is used to contain, transport, or otherwise package raw, uncooked, or butchered meat, poultry, fish or seafood.

FOOD ESTABLISHMENT: Any fixed location where food or drink is routinely prepared and served.

POLYSTYRENE FOAM: Blown polystyrene and expanded or extruded foams using a styrene monomer.

SELF-SERVICE STATION: An area dedicated to customers taking away single-use plastic foodware and condiments.

SINGLE-USE PLASTIC FOODWARE: Any plastic eating utensil or other item to be used as part of food or beverage service that is designed and intended by the manufacturer for only one usage before being discarded.

20-8-3: SINGLE-USE PLASTIC FOODWARE PROHIBITED EXCEPT UPON REQUEST:

A. Except as provided in subsection B of this section, food establishments may only provide single-use plastic foodware upon request from the customer or at a self-service station, in connection with any delivery or take-out order of food or beverage. Food establishments are required to display signage regarding single-use plastic foodware and provide options for customers to affirmatively request single-use plastic foodware when ordering food or beverages for delivery or take-out on or after June 1, 2023.

B. Exceptions. The prohibitions set forth in this section shall not apply in the following situations:

1. Single-use plastic foodware necessary to address safety concerns, such as lids, drink stoppers, beverage trays, and cup sleeves for beverages served at an average temperature great than 170 degrees Fahrenheit;
2. Drinking straws;
3. An automatic food vending machine;

4. Any single-use plastic foodware that is prepackaged with or attached to any food or beverage products by the manufacturer prior to receipt by the food dispensing establishment;
5. Any not-for-profit corporation;
6. A federal, state, or local governmental agency that provides food to needy individuals a no or nominal charge; and
6. Supplies and services provided in response to a public health or other emergency that is declared by a governmental body with jurisdiction in the Village.

20-8-4: POLYSTYRENE FOAM PACKAGING PROHIBITED:

- A. Except as provided in subsections B and C of this section, food establishments may not sell or distribute a disposable food service container composed in part or in whole of polystyrene foam packaging on or after January 1, 2024.
- B. A food establishment with an annual gross income under \$500,000 per location as stated on the food establishment's income tax filing for the most recent tax year as provided to the Village shall comply with this section on or after January 1, 2025.
- C. Exceptions. The prohibitions set forth in this section shall not apply in the following situations:
 1. Supplies and services provided in response to a public health or other emergency that is declared by a governmental body with jurisdiction in the Village.
 2. Any polystyrene foam that is prepackaged with or attached to any food or beverage products by the manufacturer prior to receipt by the food dispensing establishment;
 3. Any not-for-profit corporation; or
 4. A federal, state, or local governmental agency that provides food to needy individuals a no or nominal charge.

20-8-5: CONFLICT WITH STATE LAW:

If any provision of this article conflicts or is otherwise inconsistent with a provision of state law, the more stringent or restrictive provision shall prevail and shall be enforced by the Village.

20-8-6: PENALTY:

Any owner, entity or person in violation of any provision of this article shall be fined in accordance with the provisions of section 1-1-5 of this Code.

Section 3. Severability and Repeal of Inconsistent Ordinances. If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be held invalid, the invalidity thereof shall not affect any of the other provisions of this Ordinance. All ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 4. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect after its approval, passage and publication as provided by law.

ADOPTED this 15th day of May, 2023, pursuant to a roll call vote at follows:

Voting	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
President Scaman				
Trustee Buchanan				
Trustee Enyia				
Trustee Parakkat				
Trustee Robinson				
Trustee Straw				
Trustee Wesley				

APPROVED this 15th day of May, 2023.

Vicki Scaman, Village President

ATTEST

Christina M. Waters, Village Clerk

Published in pamphlet form this 15th day of May, 2023.

Christina M. Waters, Village Clerk

GHG			
Project/Action Item	Status	Engagement Components	Timeframe
Rooftop Solar - Create vrf.us Solar webpage to include useful tools and resources to simplify the process required to understand and move forward with solar projects.	Completed?		
SolSmart Certification- Apply for Silver certification of the SolSmart Program; Get SolSmart Gold Certification	Silver Completed. Apply for Gold/Platinum		
Rooftop Solar - Continue to collect information on the latest opportunities for local renewable options and attend meetings regarding renewable energy, including, but not limited to the Mayor's Metropolitan Caucus and PlantItGreen meetings.	Ongoing - Staff		Ongoing
Rooftop Solar - Continue to track solar installations in the Village			
Rooftop Solar - Work with Development Commission on incentives for developers to use renewable energy			
Community Choice Aggregation - Village to implement the program working with M2C.	Completed		
RFSC Mission and Program Key Performance Indicators - Define KPIs for three of the six RFSC core strategies and work with the project owners to define measurable goals that ladder up to the KPIs - Replace fossil fuel sources with renewable energy.			
RFSC Mission and Program Key Performance Indicators - Define KPIs for three of the six RFSC core strategies and work with the project owners to define measurable goals that ladder up to the KPIs - Sequester carbon & enhance support for eco-systems.			
RFSC Mission and Program Key Performance Indicators - Continue to refine and update the greenhouse gas inventory. Identify initiative impacts on inventory to continue to track year over year change: 2019 data needs: Natural gas, Electricity, VMT per household	Completed - continue w/ CMAP Data?		

RFSC Mission and Program Key Performance Indicators - Other opportunities to further refine: Is natural gas the only fuel combusted in RF? Any diesel or other?; Is there a regional travel model for RF?; Did we want to include emissions from freight trains through RF?			
Confirm that the CMAP reporting of 60305 is as good as it can be- get Shannon to finalize her comparison to make CMAP reporting	Completed		
Bring our EV charging station vision to life - leveraging grants to defray the cost	Ongoing - Staff		
Electrify all buses in our town.			
Get the village to put solar somewhere - Perhaps we can “plant” a solar flower by the Pump Station. See more information here: https://www.solar.com/learn/smartflower-solar-comprehensive-review/			
Partner with Oak Park in replacing gas lawn equipment with electric			
Support Community Solar			
Improve education amongst our residents about the different options that they have when it comes to Solar		Providing information to residents	
Monitor mobility and parking trends over time, including ride sharing, autonomous vehicles, electric vehicles, and more, and adjust parking standards accordingly to best accommodate the needs of the Village.			
Work with the Sustainability Commission to research and consider incorporation of services and technologies, such as electric cars and carsharing, in River Forest.			
Reduce overall energy consumption, including establishment of baseline metrics for reduction of energy consumption and efforts to educate residents, businesses, and property owners about energy efficiency and retrofit programs			
Support knowledge and awareness of best practices and technologies related to energy conservation and renewable energy development			

Increase investment in Renewable Energy Procurement, including the development and distribution of information regarding best practices to utilize alternative energy sources, with a focus on solar technology			
Improve all municipal facilities with energy efficient systems and encourage residents, businesses, and new construction projects to do the same.			
Review and update the zoning code to address and consider necessary regulations for new green technologies, such as solar panels			