



VILLAGE OF RIVER FOREST SPECIAL VILLAGE BOARD MEETING

Monday, November 5, 2018 – 6:00 PM
Village Hall - 400 Park Avenue, River Forest, IL 60305
2nd Floor Conference Room

AGENDA

1. Call to Order/Roll Call
2. Citizen Comments
3. Resolution Authorizing an Illinois Safe Routes to School Program Reimbursable Grant Application
4. Adjournment



MEMORANDUM

DATE: November 2, 2018

TO: Eric J. Palm, Village Administrator

FROM: John Anderson, Director of Public Works

SUBJECT: Safe Walking Routes to School Grant Application

Issue: Staff is seeking to apply for a reimbursable grant to the State of Illinois and to authorize the local matching funds for pavement striping and signage associated with the Safe Walking Routes to School (SWRTS) plan throughout the Village.

Analysis: With an increase in pedestrian-related safety concerns in the recent past, Staff has been working with the transportation engineering firm of KLOA to provide a review of schools within the Village in an effort to identify the safest walking routes to each of them. The schools that are included in this study include the following:

- Lincoln Elementary School
- Willard Elementary School
- Roosevelt Middle School
- St. Luke Parish School
- St. Vincent Ferrer Catholic Elementary School
- Grace Lutheran School

The goal of this work is to standardize the routes to each school from appropriate areas throughout the Village and to identify any infrastructure needs (crosswalk striping, ADA sidewalk ramps, etc.) along these routes in order to provide the safest walking routes for children to reach their schools. A draft plan has been developed and multiple intersections have been identified for increased crosswalk striping and stop sign installations. The Village was recently made aware of a grant opportunity through IDOT related to SWRTS. Applications are due no later than November 19, 2018. The grant may fund up to 100% of the request. The estimated cost to implement the striping recommendations is \$27,139.50 and the cost for signage is estimated at \$45,400 for a total implementation cost of \$72,539.50.

Recommendation: Consider a Motion authorizing staff to proceed with a grant application to the State of Illinois for the Safe Routes to School program and to obligate the Village to authorize local matching funds up to \$72,539.50 for associated striping and signage improvements and any applicable engineering costs.

Attachments

Local Assurance Resolution
Proposed Street Improvements
Striping and Signage Costs

RESOLUTION NO. 18-___

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN
ILLINOIS SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL PROGRAM
LOCAL ASSURANCE PROGRAM APPLICATION**

WHEREAS, the PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES of the VILLAGE OF RIVER FOREST, Cook County, Illinois desires to improve and enhance transportation corridors within the VILLAGE; and

WHEREAS, the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) administers the Illinois Safe Routes to School Program (SRTS) through funds from the SAFETEA-LU legislation to assist local communities with pedestrian/bicycle facilities, safety/education activities for pedestrians/bicyclists within a two-mile radius of an elementary school; and

WHEREAS, the SRTS is a reimbursement program, not a grant program, and will reimburse 100% of the costs for construction and construction engineering; and

WHEREAS, a sunset clause will be enforced and sets requirements for the time a sponsor has to complete a project. This work must be completed within 36 months of the date of award notice. Failure to meet schedule may result in forfeiture of SRTS funds; and

WHEREAS, one (1) application for SRTS funding is to be submitted online by November 19, 2018, with one (1) hard copy of the application and the attachments delivered to IDOT by close of business (4:30 PM) November 21, 2018, and

WHEREAS, the “VARIOUS LOCATION PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS” consisting of installation of pavement striping, markings, and additional signage at intersections and other locations along various streets within a two mile radius of Roosevelt Middle School, Lincoln Elementary School, Willard Elementary School, St. Luke Parish School, St. Vincent Ferrer Catholic Elementary School, and Grace Lutheran School have been identified by VILLAGE staff to comply with the VILLAGE desires to improve and enhance the pedestrian corridors within the VILLAGE.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF RIVER FOREST, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1: That each Whereas paragraph above is incorporated by reference into this Section 1 and made a part hereof as material and operative provisions of this Resolution.

SECTION 2: That the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of River Forest, Cook County, Illinois authorize the Village staff to apply to the

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Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT), Safe Routes to School Program (SRTS) to assist in the funding of the above described project.

SECTION 3: The Village certifies that it is willing and able to manage, maintain and operate the project.

SECTION 4: The Village possesses the legal authority to nominate the safe routes to school project and to finance, acquire, and construct the proposed project; and by this assurance authorizes the nomination of the project, including all understanding and assurances contained therein, and authorizes representative to act in connection with the nomination and to provide such additional information as may be required.

SECTION 5: The Village affirms that, if selected, the project will commence within the time periods defined by the Sunset Clause and in accordance with Departmental policies.

SECTION 6: That the President, Administrator and Clerk of the Village are hereby authorized to execute for and on behalf of the Village, the aforesaid Application, and all other documents related thereto necessary to undertake the Village's obligations under the Application and subsequent Agreement.

SECTION 7: That this Resolution shall be effective immediately from and after its passage and approval.

ADOPTED this 5th day of November, 2018, pursuant to a roll call vote as follows:

AYES: _____

NAYS: _____

ABSENT: _____

APPROVED this 5th day of November, by the Village President of the Village of River Forest, and attested by the Village Clerk, on the same day.

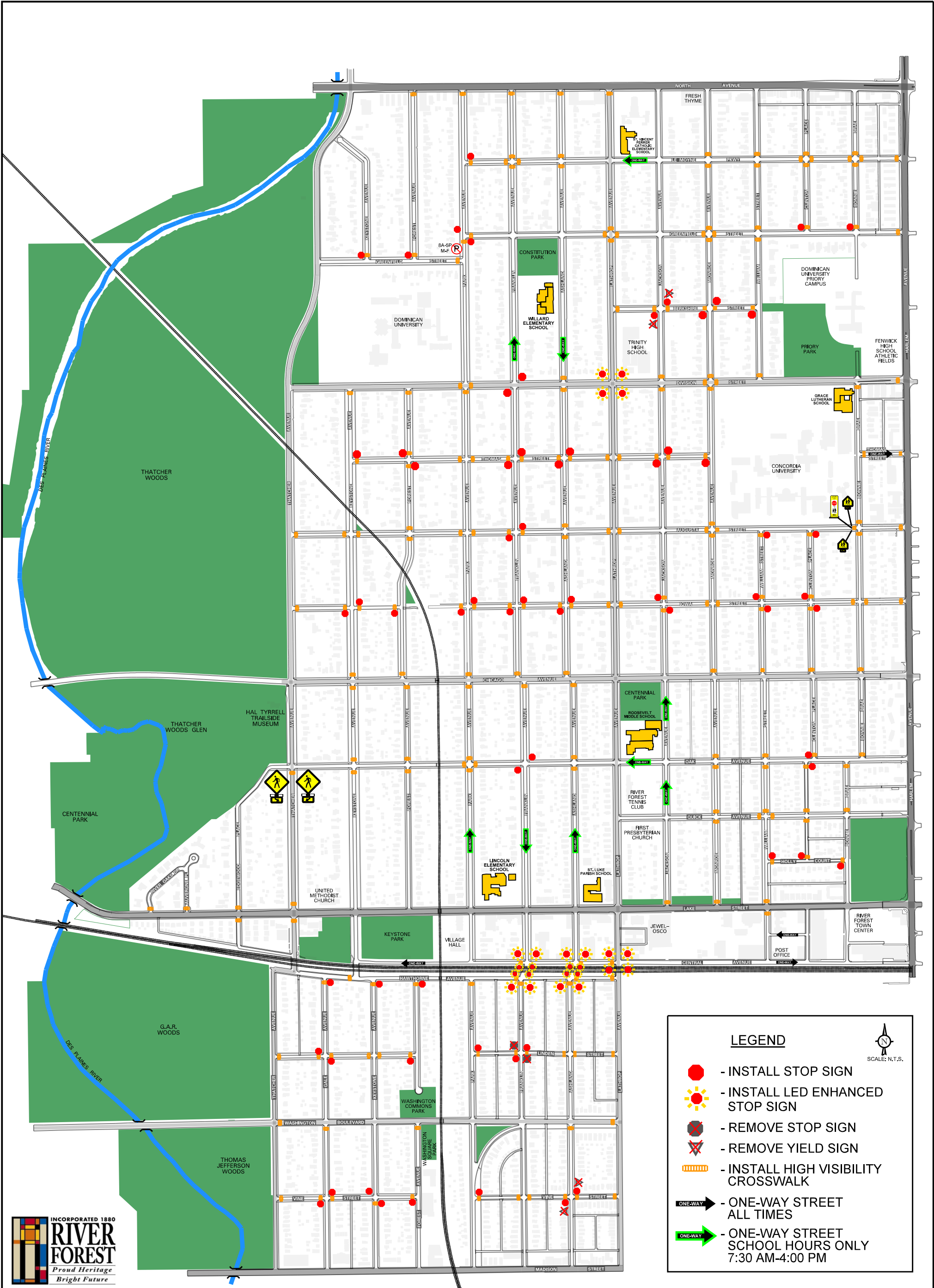
Catherine Adduci, Village President

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ATTEST:

Kathleen Brand-White, Village Clerk



LEGEND

- INSTALL STOP SIGN
- INSTALL LED ENHANCED STOP SIGN
- REMOVE STOP SIGN
- REMOVE YIELD SIGN
- INSTALL HIGH VISIBILITY CROSSWALK
- ONE-WAY STREET ALL TIMES
- ONE-WAY STREET SCHOOL HOURS ONLY 7:30 AM-4:00 PM

SCALE: N.T.S.



DRAFT FOR DISCUSSION

RIVER FOREST SCHOOLS – RECOMMENDED STREET IMPROVEMENTS

<u>Thermoplastic striping</u>	
Total # of crosswalks:	222
Cost per crosswalk:	\$122.25
Total cost for all crosswalks:	\$27,139.50

<u>Signs</u>	
Total # of regular stop signs:	67
Cost per stop sign:	\$200.00
Total # of LED flashing stop signs:	24
Cost per LED stop sign:	\$1,000.00
Rapid flashing beacon sign system:	1
Cost for system (2 double-sided signs):	\$8,000.00

Total Cost for all signage:	\$45,400.00
Total cost for striping and signage:	\$72,539.50