

# Village of Gilberts

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## Village Administrator Memorandum 61-11

**TO:** President Rick Zirk  
Board of Trustees

**FROM:** Ray Keller, Village Administrator *RK*

**DATE:** October 14, 2011

**RE:** Village Board Meeting – October 18, 2011

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The following summary discusses the agenda items for the Village Board meeting scheduled for October 18, 2011:

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **ROLL CALL / ESTABLISH QUORUM**
3. **PUBLIC COMMENT AND DISCUSSION**
4. **CONSENT AGENDA**

*Any item may be removed from the consent agenda by request.*

**A. Motion to approve Minutes from the October 4, 2011 Village Board Meeting**

Staff recommend approval of the minutes from the October 4 board meeting, which were reviewed at the October 11 Committee of the Whole meeting and added to the consent agenda. Please contact Staff prior to the meeting if there are any changes or corrections.

**B. Motion to approve Minutes from the October 11, 2011 Committee of the Whole Meeting**

Staff recommend approval of the minutes from the October 11 Committee of the Whole meeting, which are provided for the Board's review. Please contact Staff prior to the meeting if there are any changes or corrections.

**C. Motion to approve Bills and Salaries dated October 18, 2011**

Please refer to the enclosed spreadsheet, which lists the bills to be approved. If you need additional information about any of these bills, please contact me or Finance Director Marlene Blocker prior to the meeting. Staff recommend approval.

**D. Motion to approve September 2011 Treasurer's Report**

Staff recommend approval of the September 2011 Treasurer's Report, which was reviewed at the October 11 Committee of the Whole meeting. Please contact me or Finance Director Marlene Blocker prior to the meeting if you have any detailed questions or need another copy of the report or supplemental materials.

**5. ITEMS FOR APPROVAL**

**A. Motion to approve Resolution 41-2011, a joint resolution of the Community Unit School District 300 Communities' Opposition of Amendment 3 of Senate Bill 540**

As discussed at the October 11 Committee of the Whole meeting, the School District requests the Village's support of their effort to defeat Amendment #3 of SB 540. If approved, the amended SB 540 would extend the life of the "Sears EDA" for an additional 15 years beyond its initial 23-year term, which is set to expire in 2012. The Sears EDA includes the corporate headquarters for Sears as well as the Sears Center/Prairie Stone complex.

Since the COTW meeting, the discussion has shifted to focus on the Legislature's role in extending incentives through the Sears EDA using local funds instead of utilizing state resources. District 300's request for support has evolved into a joint resolution prepared by the Village of West Dundee, which questions the Legislators' support of an incentive plan that would benefit the Village of Hoffman Estates without the input or consideration of the impacts on local jurisdictions. The joint resolution is accompanied by a memorandum from West Dundee Village Manager Joe Cavallaro requesting the support of all District 300 municipalities. Advance 300, a citizen's group advocating for District 300 in this process, also prepared a white paper providing additional background information. Due to the length of the white paper, it will be emailed to the Village Board and posted on the Village website separately.

Please contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

**6. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

**A. Road Program Update**

Staff will provide an update at the meeting. At present, the contractors continue to work on reshaping the ditches and completing the underground work. Weather permitting, the contractors may start laying the final asphalt surface in the next two weeks. As discussed at the last meeting, the project is under budget by approximately \$90,000. Village Engineers from Baxter & Woodman have solicited a revised proposal from the contractors to do additional work on streets in the Old Town area. Staff will report on this information at the meeting,

**B. Village Initiatives**

At the meeting, Staff will continue to discuss and request direction on potential Village initiatives. Please contact me if there is another topic or initiative to be discussed at the next meeting.

**1. Business Incentive Plan**

Several Trustees had identified "Business Incentive Plan" as a high priority for the Village. Presently, the Village does not have set incentive programs in place but

has used a general statement expressing willingness to use incentives to support economic development in the community. The Village has used its TIF district to install signs supporting multi-tenant commercial properties on Higgins Road. The TIF district was also used to buy out the water main recapture agreement for the industrial park, which capped the accumulating interest that would have otherwise been owed by properties connecting to the public water system.

Staff request the Board's direction on whether a more detailed incentive plan is needed at this time, as well as guidance on desired outcomes and/or limitations on the use of incentives in the future.

## **2. Request tracking software for public services**

Staff have begun investigating the use of web-based software systems for receiving, organizing, tracking and responding to resident requests for public works and other services. These systems allow individuals to submit requests for potholes, burnt out street lights, uneven sidewalks, and other concerns through the Village's website. The software automatically logs and routes the request to the appropriate personnel, allowing the tasks to be prioritized and organized by Staff. The software tracks the request through completion, generating automated status reports back to the individual making the request (e.g. email responses that the request was received, the request is scheduled for a particular day, the request has been completed, etc.). The software provides a convenient entry portal for citizen requests for services, while providing Village Staff a tool for tracking and organizing tasks. Evolving mobile phone technology is further enhancing the use of these types of tracking systems, including functions that allow individuals to take pictures and get GPS coordinates of where the repair is needed.

The costs of these types of systems has become increasingly competitive, with some systems requiring little upfront cost and/or a subscription commitment to as short as one year. The Village's current website, which was last overhauled about four years ago, may need to be upgraded to support this kind of system. If the Board is interested in this approach to receiving and managing citizen requests, Staff will gather information on costs, functionality, implementation, etc. that may be considered in the upcoming FY 2013 budget process.

## **7. STAFF REPORTS**

Staff will provide any new updates at the meeting. Please contact me prior to the meeting if there are any specific topics to be discussed at the meeting.

## **8. BOARD OF TRUSTEES REPORTS**

## **9. PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

## **10. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Please contact me if you any questions about other executive session topics.

## **11. ADJOURNMENT**

**Village Board of Trustees  
Meeting Agenda  
Village of Gilberts  
87 Galligan Road  
Gilberts, Illinois 60136  
October 18, 2011  
7:00 p.m.  
AGENDA**

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- 2. ROLL CALL/ESTABLISH QUORUM**
- 3. PUBLIC COMMENT AND DISCUSSION**
- 4. CONSENT AGENDA**
  - A. Motion to approve Minutes from the October 4, 2011 Village Board Meeting**
  - B. Motion to approve Minutes from the October 11, 2011 Committee of the Whole Meeting**
  - C. Motion to approve Bills and Salaries dated October 18, 2011**
  - D. Motion to approve the September 2011 Treasurer's Report**
- 5. ITEMS FOR APPROVAL**
  - A. Motion to approve Resolution 43-2011, a joint resolution of the Community Unit School District 300 Communities' Opposition of Amendment 3 of Senate Bill 540**
- 6. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**
  - A. Road Program Update**
  - B. Village Initiatives**
- 7. STAFF REPORTS**
- 8. BOARD OF TRUSTEES REPORT**
- 9. PRESIDENT'S REPORTS**
- 10. EXECUTIVE SESSION**
- 11. ADJOURNMENT**

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Gilberts IL 60136  
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October 4, 2011**

**Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance**

President Zirk called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**Roll Call/Establish Quorum**

Village Clerk Meadows called the roll. Roll call: Members present: Trustees Corbett, Clark, Mierisch, Zambetti, Farrell, Hacker and President Zirk. Others present: Administrator Keller, Assistant to the Village Administrator Beith and Village Clerk Meadows. For members of the audience please see the attached list.

**Public Comment and Discussion**

President Zirk asked if anyone from the audience wished to address the Board. There was no comment from those in attendance.

**Consent Agenda**

- A. A motion to approve minutes from the September 20, 2011 Village Board Meeting**
- B. A motion to approve Bills and Salaries dated October 4, 2011 as follows: General Fund \$19,336.29, Water Fund \$20,577.33 and Payroll \$70,331.26.**

**A motion was made by Trustee Clark and seconded by Trustee Zambetti to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.** Roll call: Vote: 6-ayes: Trustees Clark, Mierisch, Zambetti, Farrell, Hacker and Corbett. 0-nays, 0-abstained. Motion carried.

**Items for Approval**

**A Motion to approve Resolution 41-2011, A Resolution authorizing the approval of the Fall 2011 Recreational Programming Agreement with the Dragons Soccer Club.**

Administrator Keller discussed the concerns raised by the Board at the last meeting. He noted that the concerns included the continued use and maintenance of the fields; the need for additional parking; the impacts on the adjacent neighborhood from the expanded scheduled activity, and possible duplication of programs already provided. In addition the Board had directed staff to define the term "youth". This is now reflected in the amended agreement.

President Zirk recommends that all future athletic agreements have language to ensure the organizations are conducting background checks on all coaches and adult volunteers and have a mechanism in place to ensure they are doing so.

The Board Members discussed the three options.

1. They could pass the Resolution approving the agreement.
2. Vote down the Resolution
3. Vote down the Resolution but still allow the Dragons to use the fields for the remainder of their fall season.

Trustee Corbett reported that he had visited the Town Center Soccer Fields last weekend and there were only two soccer games in progress. He did not notice any parking lot overflow issues.

The Board recommended in the future staff include on the park use calendar the names of the teams using the fields and the field numbers they have been assigned.

**A motion was made by Trustee Clark and seconded by Trustee Corbett to approve Resolution 41-2011, a Resolution authorizing the approval of the CY 2011 Recreational Programming Agreement with the Dragons Soccer Club.** Roll call: Vote: 5-nays: Trustees Mierisch, Zambetti, Farrell, Hacker, Corbett. 1-aye: Trustee Clark. 0-abstained. Motion failed.

The Board Members agreed to allow the Dragons to use Town Center Soccer Fields to finish out their fall season. The agreement will be discussed again at a later date.

#### **Items for Discussion**

##### **Park Facilities Use Fees**

Administrator Keller stated at the last meeting the Board Members had asked staff for information about other communities' fee structures for the use of park facilities by organized groups. Staff conducted a survey of park fees, which was provided in the Board's packets. The survey also provides preliminary information about property taxes that are being levied by park districts and municipalities.

A lengthy discussion ensued with respect to the user fees and property taxes depicted on the spreadsheet. The Board directed staff to clarify the spreadsheet by noting the rate of property taxes currently being collected by all of the municipalities and the services being provided.

Administrator Keller reported that the implementation of the collection of a user fee of \$20.00 per participant with on average 960 participants would not generate enough revenue to finance any major improvements. The revenue would only assist in covering maintenance cost.

The Board Members discussed referendum options. Trustee Mierisch expressed concerns with placing a public question on the next election ballot due to the current economic environment. Trustee Zambetti disagreed. He stated that many residents have expressed interest in the development of some type of parks department or park district.

Trustee Clark commented on the fact that the Village would need a plan prior to placing a referendum on the ballot. Trustee Zambetti reminded the Board that the past Park Committee had developed a parks plan. Staff was directed to resurrect the Park Plan and include the plan in an upcoming Board packet.

A lengthy discussion ensued with respect to investigating possible intergovernmental agreements with some of the surrounding communities. President Zirk suggested one possible option might be to have a program similar to NISRA and reimburse the residents for their out of district cost.

President Zirk suggested the possibility offering residents a variety of programs and purchase blocks of time from other facilities.

Staff will research all the suggestions discussed and provide the Board with various options.

#### **Staff Reports**

Administrator Keller reported that the road program is moving forward and the ditch work had begun. Trustee Clark recommends the Village inform the residents that are receiving turf that this time of the year the turf will remain dormant.

Trustee Mierisch inquired if a procedure had been put into place that informs the residents on when their driveway work will commence. Engineer Stefan responded yes. They do have a formal field procedure in place.



Trustee Mierisch asked if they have a procedure in place which informs residents interested in having their entire driveway reconstructed of available subcontractors. Engineer Stefan will follow-up on this matter.

**Trustee Reports**

Trustee Corbett discussed School District 300's opposition to the Sears EDA. Administrator Keller reported that he will be attending a meeting with the School District tomorrow to discuss this issue.

A representative from School District 300 commented on the districts concerns with the legislators pushing for a vote on SB540 by the end of the month. Which, if passed would extend the Sears EDA for an additional 15 years. They are asking for communities within District 300's boundaries to consider passing a Resolution opposing the passage of Senate Bill 540 Amendment 3.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business to discuss, **a motion was made by Trustee Clark and seconded by Trustee Zambetti to adjourn from the public meeting at 8:15 p.m.** Roll call: Vote: 6-ayes by unanimous voice vote. 0-nays, 0-abstained. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Debra Meadows



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**Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance**

President Zirk called the meeting to order at 7:12 p.m. He proceeded to lead those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Roll Call/ Establish Quorum**

Members Present were: Trustees Corbett, Clark, Mierisch, Zambetti, Farrell, Hacker and President Zirk. Others present: Administrator Keller, Assistant to the Village Administrator Beith, and Attorney Julie Tappendorf. For members of the audience see the attached sheet.

**Presentation**

**Community Unit School District 300 – Amendment #3 of SB 540**

Chris Stanton, Vice President of the CUSD 300 Board updated the Village board members on the school district's efforts of trying to defeat Amendment #3 of SB 540 which would extend the Sears EDA for an additional 15 years. The school district will be out \$200 million over that 15 year period, if amended.

A discussion ensued between Trustee Zambetti and Mr. Stanton.

A discussion ensued between President Zirk and Mr. Stanton.

Mr. Stanton stated that the school district doesn't want Sears to leave Hoffman Estates. They would just like to work out a plan that is beneficial to everyone.

A resolution will be put on the next Board agenda.

**Items for Discussion**

**Minutes from the October 4, 2011 Village Board Meeting**

The minutes will be placed on the Consent Agenda.

**September 2011 Treasurer's Report**

The report will be placed on the Consent Agenda.

**Village Initiatives**

**Municipal Electric Aggregation**

This requires a referendum approval. Residents and business owners would receive competitive electric rates. Administrator Keller will be attending a workshop on this topic on October 20. Trustee Mierisch added that companies are contacting residents.

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The Board decided that it wasn't necessary to have a representative from NIMEC come out and give a more detailed explanation.

The Board wants staff to continue researching this agenda item.

**Home Rule Status**

Attorney Tappendorf explained some differences between a Home Rule municipality and a Non-Home Rule municipality. A Home Rule municipality has more flexibility. If the Board wanted to pursue Home Rule status, then they would have to go to referendum, since the population is less than 25,000.

A concern of residents may be that the Village would increase taxes. However, some communities find other ways of increasing revenue. There is more flexibility in economic development. Attorney Tappendorf added that the Village could issue bonds without going to referendums, there would be administrative adjudication, and there wouldn't be a limit on fines. Currently the fines are not to exceed \$750.

The Board decided that Home Rule status wasn't a high priority at this time.

**Stormwater Management Utility**

This utility would also require a referendum.

Currently the HOAs are responsible for stormwater management, and public works tries to maintain those subdivisions not having a formal HOA. Problems have arisen from current systems not being maintained.

Trustee Hacker stated his concern of the stormwater management not being included in the general budget.

The Board agreed that staff should be consistent with the enforcement on residents who fill in the ditches.

President Zirk stated his concern of residents' expectations with having a stormwater management utility.

President Zirk added that the money the HOAs have been collecting for stormwater improvements should be turned over the Village, if the Village chooses to maintain the systems in those neighborhoods.

A discussion ensued between President Zirk and Trustee Clark.

Staff will continue to do further research on this topic.

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**Park Levy or Park District**

There was a discussion between Administrator Keller and President Zirk

Trustee Zambetti would like to see different options. He is interested in putting this on the ballot. He stated his concern of having to wait for organizations to approach the Village before programs are implemented.

Attorney Tappendorf stated there are four procedures for obtaining park levies.

The Board would like more information on this topic.

**Electronic Board Packets**

The cost is approximately \$4,000 per year for staff to put together paper packets. There would be a few options if the Board would like to use iPads. The Board Member could pay for half, and the Village would only own the device for the first year. As new Board Members are elected, they could choose to purchase one.

A discussion ensued regarding the cost of the iPads. Attorney Tappendorf stated that it is difficult to get deals on bulk purchases.

President Zirk would like to be able to write notations on an electronic packet.

Further research will be done on this topic.

**Building Fees Update**

The Board discussed the fee changes. They said that the permit fees are discouraging people from getting permits.

A discussion ensued regarding when the change in fees would take place.

**Staff Reports**

Administrator Keller informed the Board that Phoenix and Associates sold the wet land credits to the Army Corps of Engineers. The Village is entitled to \$47,500. That money will be used to continue work on stormwater projects that have been noticed since the road program had begun.

Door hangers went out in the four neighborhoods where road work is being completed. The hangers include contact information for asphalt and concrete contractors for those wishing to redo their entire driveway. Residents can choose to use a different contractor.

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**Board of Trustees Report**

The football fields and soccer programs were discussed.

Trustee Mierisch inquired whether there have been many concerns from residents regarding the road program. Administrator Keller stated yes, but they are being addressed. Chief Building Inspector Swedberg is handling issues as well. Administrator Keller stated that currently the cost of the road program is under budget. President Zirk asked if the money being saved could be used to overlay some of the streets in Old Town. Administrator Keller will look into that.

There was a brief discussion regarding the semi trucks being parked on the streets in the industrial park.

**President's Report**

None

**Adjournment**

**A motion was made by Trustee Clark and seconded by Trustee Zambetti to adjourn the meeting at 9:55 p.m.** Roll call: Vote: 6-ayes by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,  
Karen Danca

Village of Gilberts

87 Galligan Road

Gilberts, Illinois

Committee of the Whole

Meeting Sign-in-Sheet

October 11, 2011

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VENDOR	TOTAL	GENERAL FUND	DEVELOPER DONATIONS	PERMIT PASS THRU	PERFORMANCE BONDS AND ESCROWS	WATER FUND	PAYROLL
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>182,337.11</b>	<b>109,350.31</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>6,577.50</b>	<b>1,747.35</b>	<b>18,186.81</b>	<b>46,475.14</b>
PAYROLL - 09/25-10/08	46,475.14						46,475.14
AFID001 ASSOC. FOR INDIVIDUAL DEVELOP.	36.66	36.66					
ANCEL ANCEL, GLINK, DIAMOND, BUSH,	5,291.25	5,291.25					
B&F001 B&F TECHNICAL CODE SVC. INC.	3,597.50	170.00		2,877.50	550.00		
B&W001 BAXTER & WOODMAN, INC.	30,499.37	23,133.27		3,700.00	1,197.35	2,468.75	
BANKCARD UMB CARD SERVICES	892.18	892.18					
BENCHMARK BENCHMARK SALES & SERVICE	7,325.00					7,325.00	
BLUEDOT BLUE DOT SIGN CO.	27,072.00	27,072.00					
EDDY01 ROB ROY CONSULTING	75.00	75.00					
ELNELSON ELMUND & NELSON CO	305.00	305.00					
EMBCOF EMBASSY COFFEE SERVICE	34.77	34.77					
EXELON EXELON ENERGY INC.	1,293.73	1,293.73					
FEDEX FEDEX	6.21					6.21	
GPPF01 GILBERTS POLICE PENSION FUND	2,740.71	2,740.71					
JUST001 JUST TIRES	97.50	97.50					
KANETRAN KANE COUNTY DIVISION OF	3,240.00	3,240.00					
MANALY01 MCHENRY ANALYTICAL WATER	2,048.00					2,048.00	
MDCENV01 MDC ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES	40,552.37	40,552.37					
NIG001 NICOR	312.02					312.02	
NWWS01 FERGUSON WATERWORKS	3,736.06					3,736.06	
PAC001 PACES AUTO SERVICE	1,063.17	1,063.17					
PETI01 P.F. PETTIBONE & CO.	915.73	915.73					
PROPAC01 PROPAC	1,481.47	1,481.47					
PROV001 PROVENA SAINT JOSEPH HOSPITAL	75.00	75.00					
SHEPPARD PAUL SHEPPARD	140.39	140.39					
SHRM SOCIETY FOR HUMAN RESOURCE	180.00	180.00					
SOURCE01 SOURCE ONE OFFICE PRODUCTS	30.98	30.98					
SUBLAB01 SUBURBAN LABORATORIES	310.00					310.00	
THIRD01 THIRD MILLENNIUM ASSOCIATES	704.92					704.92	
TWI001 TWIN ARTS PRINTING	188.11	188.11					
TYL002 TYLER PRESS	173.25	173.25					
VIKING01 VIKING CHEMICAL CO	1,277.85					1,277.85	
WRONA01 WRONA BROS., INC.	167.77	167.77					

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Check Warrant Report	
Payroll Checks From 09/25/11 - 10/09/11	
Employee Name	Net Pay
Blocker, Marlene	1,463.85
Meadows, Debra	1,290.98
Sorenson, Shirley	1,065.15
Danca, Karen	386.90
Beith, William	579.12
Keller, Raymond B.	2,247.72
Joswick, Michael	1,930.40
Dieringer, Tricia	1,245.60
Rood, Jackie E. Jr	1,685.29
Block, Todd J	1,611.86
Pulgar, Hector L.	1,598.34
Oberth, Michael	1,231.29
Hill, Jeff R	938.94
Levand, James A	930.85
Williams, Steven	2,247.91
Stokes, Janet	940.74
Swedberg, John L.	1,939.55
Castillo, John	1,589.47
Varas, Randy	1,108.28
Siegbahn, Lisa	669.25
Thomas, Randall	117.38
Mueller, Steve G.	111.77
Meador, Eric E.	1,096.88
Hernandez, Jason	125.17
Lorkowski, Michael	190.24
Klaras, Jason	914.04
Sheppard, Paul	1,153.05
Foley, Aaron	1,097.66
Schuring, Larry	735.54
<b>PAYROLL LIABILITIES:</b>	
Federal Tax Deposits	10,683.37
ICMA-RC	332.64
ICMA-RA	500.00
Illinois Department of Revenue	2,090.33
State Disbursement Unit	323.00
State Disbursement Unit-Cook	186.57
KCC State Disbursement Unit	116.01
<b>Total All Checks</b>	<b>46,475.14</b>

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**Village of Gilberts  
Resolution 43-2011**

**JOINT RESOLUTION  
OF THE COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT 300  
COMMUNITIES' OPPOSITION OF AMENDMENT 3  
OF SENATE BILL 540**

**WHEREAS**, the below signed individuals are elected officials of municipalities and governmental entities whose communities are serviced by Community Unit School CUSD 300, who has the obligation and responsibility for educating the school children of our community; and

**WHEREAS**, it has been clearly documented that successful communities and superior quality of life as defined by our residents must include quality educational opportunities for the children of our community; and

**WHEREAS**, all governmental entities have become glaringly aware in the last several years that resources and funding are becoming more strained and scarce, and it is increasingly more difficult to achieve the objective of providing superior quality of life and the best possible educational opportunities for our children; and

**WHEREAS**, an Economic Development Area (EDA) was created 20 years ago by diverting property taxes from developing parcels away from the various taxing bodies, including CUSD 300, to a fund established and administered solely by the Village of Hoffman Estates to spur economic development, including the retention of Sears within the State of Illinois; and

**WHEREAS**, conservative estimates indicate that, without the EDA, \$14,000,000 of property tax dollars would go to CUSD 300 annually; and

**WHEREAS**, this proposed extension of the EDA does not just negatively affect CUSD 300, it negatively affects all governmental entities that are serviced by CUSD 300 and all residential and business taxpayers within our respective communities by diverting property tax revenues from CUSD 300 to Hoffman Estates; and

**WHEREAS**, for the past 21 years, Sears and Hoffman Estates have been telling CUSD 300 verbally and in writing that when the EDA expired in 2012, all of the taxing bodies, including CUSD 300, would experience a windfall and would receive the increased increment of property taxes to meet their service obligations; and

**WHEREAS**, Hoffman Estates is pushing hard for the extension of the EDA for another 17 years, not because of concern over Sears leaving this location or Illinois, as they have claimed, but because they believe the money is better used to continue to fund their own individual municipal operations and to fund and pay for a municipally owned facility, the Sears Centre; and

**WHEREAS**, Hoffman Estates is utilizing this amendment to transfer its financial obligations for municipal services and for the Sears Centre away from its residents and onto our residents and the 21,000 students of CUSD 300; and

**WHEREAS**, Hoffman Estates has packaged and shrouded its effort to extend the EDA as a tool essential to retain Sears and its jobs within the State, but nowhere in Amendment 3 to SB 540 is there an understanding of the public dollars that would be committed to Sears in order retain the company, nor is there a commitment by Sears that if this extension is granted, they will stay; and

**WHEREAS**, what is evident is that the Village of Hoffman Estates is attempting to amend the legislation to allow for payment of their ongoing bond debt obligations for the Sears Centre out of these EDA funds, which is the principal goal and intention of this legislation; and

**WHEREAS**, the claimed purpose of the extension makes a mockery of the legislative process and specifically harms and diverts needed resources from CUSD 300 to Hoffman Estates for their own purposes; and

**WHEREAS**, an agreement and understanding existed between Hoffman Estates and the governmental entities that make up the EDA to mutually agree and discuss any changes or amendments or extension of the EDA;

**NOW THEREFORE**, as a state legislator, you must question the equitability of this proposed legislation and its amendment. We, as a collective group, for this reason, ask you to vote against SB 540, and specifically remove Amendment 3; and

We would ask you as State legislators, why would you allow Hoffman Estates new and expanded expenditure authority under the EDA extension for their community's own interests, as opposed to having these property tax dollars allocated back to CUSD 300; and

**FURTHERMORE**, we would ask you as State legislators how can you ethically and morally support Hoffman Estates' effort to purposely and blatantly push this legislation through without any notification or discussion of this amendment, thereby breaking the promise and commitment to negotiate any changes or extension of this EDA.

Passed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2011, by a roll call vote as follows:

<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Nays</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>      </u>
Trustee Everett Clark	_____	_____	_____	_____
Trustee Dan Corbett	_____	_____	_____	_____
Trustee Nancy Farrell	_____	_____	_____	_____
Trustee Louis Hacker	_____	_____	_____	_____
Trustee Patricia Mierisch	_____	_____	_____	_____
Trustee Guy Zambetti	_____	_____	_____	_____
President Rick Zirk	_____	_____	_____	_____

APPROVED THIS \_\_\_\_ DAY OF OCTOBER, 2011

\_\_\_\_\_  
Village President, Rick Zirk

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Village Clerk, Debra Meadows

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Village of  
**West Dundee**



TO: All Governmental Bodies Serviced by Community Unit School District 300  
FROM: Joseph A. Cavallaro, Village Manager  
DATE: October 13, 2011  
SUBJECT: Resolution Opposing Senate Bill 540, Amendment 3 - Economic Development Area

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Attached please find a copy of a resolution which we would like the respective communities to consider.

In support of this resolution, attached is a white paper prepared by Advance 300 on behalf of the school district, outlining in much more detail the issues and complexity of this proposed EDA amendment. It specifically acknowledges and supports that the purpose of the EDA amendment is not to retain Sears, as has been the basic argument, but really to allow Hoffman Estates to continue to utilize the money from the EDA to fund its own municipal operations and give it expanded expenditure authority to pay for publicly owned buildings, i.e. the Sears Centre.

The Sears Centre was taken over by the Village of Hoffman Estates and the private developer turned the keys over to them based on the fact that the bond issue was publicly backed by the Village of Hoffman Estates. Their financial obligation is in excess of \$90,000,000 including interest.

Conservatively, there are approximately \$14,000,000 that are being diverted that would be going directly to District 300 were it not for the EDA. Obviously, \$14,000,000 would go a long way in terms of strengthening the educational opportunities available in all of our communities through our shared community school district. In addition, this would continue to provide additional and needed revenues that will allow the school district to minimize property tax liability increases on our residents and businesses.

One needs to ask, why would our State legislators allow Hoffman Estates to utilize these monies to benefit their residents as opposed to allowing these monies to go directly to all of our school district in which the property resides.

We ask for your support of this resolution as all our communities are affected by the inequitable legislative proposal. We are asking for the individual signatures of each respective Village President and Trustee on the signature page, which will be submitted to the State legislators.

Time is of the essence on this matter, as this legislation is scheduled for a vote on or by October 25.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

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Joseph A. Cavallaro

CC: Village President and Board of Trustees  
Michael Bregy, Superintendent, Community Unit School District 300



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## Economic Development in Gilberts

Thank you for your interest in the Village of Gilberts. Our growing community of 6,500 people is excited to explore opportunities that bring new retail and service establishments, jobs and resources to the community. Rather than establish one-size-fits-all economic development programs, the Village Board and Staff employ a creative problem solving approach to customizing the zoning, development parameters and incentives needed to make your project successful. The Village primarily relies on the following tools to facilitate the development of its commercial, office and industrial areas:

- Expedited plan reviews
- Annexation Agreements
- Tax Increment Financing (redevelopment and job creation)
- Business Incentive Districts (BIDs)
- Recapture Agreements
- Sales Tax Rebate Agreements
- Special Assessments
- Special Service Areas

The Village is receptive to considering arrangements that are unique to your industry, clients, or situation. If you have an idea for a development or business project in Gilberts, please feel free to contact me by phone at (847) 428-2861 or by email at [rkeller@villageofgilberts.com](mailto:rkeller@villageofgilberts.com). After an initial confidential consultation, we can begin working together to assemble the team of professionals needed to advance your projection through completion.

Thank you again for your interest our community. We look forward to working with you in the near future.

Sincerely,



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