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**COVID-19 Status Report
Oak Park Village Board of Trustees**

To: Village President and Village Board of Trustees

Fr: Cara Pavlicek, Village Manager

The memo is a means to share a brief summary of information regarding Village of Oak Park operational activities in response to COVID-19. In most cases, formal public guidance or employee guidance has been publicly disseminated via the Village website or Village social media channels.

New Public Health Guidance

Today, the Village of Oak Park Department of Public Health received notification of the following new COVID-19 cases: 2 residents that range in age from <20 to 40s. The minor testing positive is a teenager.

Excluding individuals for which street addresses are not yet determined, the State of Illinois reports a total of three-hundred and twenty-three (323) total Oak Park COVID-19 cases. It is important to note that as patient tracking and case follow-up occurs, individuals listed within the number of Oak Park cases reported may change depending on residency confirmation.

The Oak Park Department of Public Health is notified of positive tests as established by state and local public health protocol. Because of privacy laws, no additional information can be released about the individuals. It is noted, that privacy precludes location information regarding individuals tested to anyone other than Public Health Officials and First Responders.

The Oak Park Department of Public Health is working closely with officials from the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH), investigating and notifying anyone who may have had exposure to the individual who tested positive for COVID-19. Local public health officials, hospitals and first responders are following protocols consistent with the latest guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Cases related to Long-Term Care and Assisted Living Facilities

Public Health Director Charley reports cases remain unchanged since Friday.

Facility Name	# of Resident Cases	# of Resident Deaths	# of Staff Cases
Belmont Village of Oak Park	2	2	4
Berkeley Nursing & Rehab Center	3	3	1
Brookdale Oak Park	7	1	7
Oak Park Arms	6	1	3
Oasis of Oak Park	23	11	6

Village Employee Tests Positive

Late yesterday, the Village received notification that a Village employee has tested positive for COVID-19. This is the seventh Village employee. In compliance with the Village's safety protocols and provisions already in place for COVID-19 positive diagnoses in the workforce, this employee and any other employees who have had direct close contact with this individual, have been notified and placed in quarantine status. The Village has initiated cleaning protocols for any and all spaces identified as higher risk. This employee is a sworn firefighter working in the Fire Department. Because of privacy laws, no additional information can be released.

Lake Street Construction Update

With the recent opening of the intersection of Lake and Oak Park Avenue, as well as the installation of parklets on Lake Street for restaurants between Oak Park Avenue and Euclid, the Village Engineer has reached out to the Hemingway Business District to discuss the schedule for the remainder of the project improvement in the area on Lake Street in order to determine if the District would request any potential schedule changes for review by the Village Board on July 6, 2020. Public Works is currently working with the Lake Street contractor on detailed schedules which are anticipated to require about twelve weeks of additional work on the Lake Street project from Oak Park to Euclid (much of the work will require closing Lake Street between Oak Park Ave and Euclid). Traffic on Oak Park Ave would remain open, except during a to be determined time period for brick installation in the intersection at Lake and Oak Park. The Hemingway Business District is being asked to comment on the following options:

- Option 1: No construction delay. The construction work would be starting very soon, possibly early-mid July with electrical at the Oak Park Ave intersection for temporary traffic signals which would reduce some outdoor dining spaces. Significant work would start roughly August 1st with removing curbs and sidewalks. This would trigger the road closure, partial sidewalk closure in area behind curb, and no more outdoor dining (except for Fairgrounds). Possible finish mid to late October.
- Option 2: Delay construction until September, immediately after Labor Day to allow restaurants on Lake St to have the summer with work completed early December.
- Option 3: Delay construction till spring of 2021 to allow more time for business recovery. Work would likely start in mid to late March of 2021 with work completed in June 2021.

In regards to Lake Street from Harlem to Forest, construction remains on schedule with a re-open set for the week of August 7.

Work on Lake Street east of Euclid to Austin is ahead of schedule. All pavement milling is complete and repair of the base is underway which will allow for re-paving to occur in early July.