

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION CREATING A TAXING BODIES EFFICIENCY TASK FORCE TO EVALUATE REDUNDANCIES AND PROPERTY TAX INEFFICIENCIES AMONGST LOCAL TAXING BODIES

WHEREAS, the Village President and the Board of Trustees believe that the property tax burden in the Village of Oak Park is of concern and may be an economic barrier in the local commercial and residential property markets; and

WHEREAS, within the corporate boundaries of the Village of Oak Park there are five coterminous taxing bodies which include the Elementary School District 97, the Oak Park Public Library, the Oak Park Township, the Park District of Oak Park and the Village of Oak Park; and

WHEREAS, despite the Village and each taxing body demonstrating its individual commitment to providing efficient and effective public services, redundancies in services exist and therefore it is both reasonable and responsible to evaluate redundancies amongst local taxing bodies; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board adopted its 2018-2019 Board Goals on February 5, 2018 pursuant to Resolution Number 18-781 and one of its goals is "*Financial and Fiscal Responsibility*" and within that "*Collaboration*" under which is the objective to establish a task force by February 20, 2018 to evaluate redundancies amongst all local taxing bodies; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to said goal, the Village Board has determined to adopt this Resolution to create a Taxing Body Efficiency Task Force.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Oak Park, 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. Establishment of Taxing Body Redundancy Task Force. There is hereby established a Taxing Body Efficiency Task Force ("Task Force") of the Village of Oak Park. The Task Force shall identify, review, evaluate and develop recommendations to the Village Board regarding the following related to Oak Park: (1) the public services of the Village and any coterminous taxing body that is redundant or inefficient in such a manner as to impact the property tax levy; and (2) the property tax impact of redundancies or inefficiencies; and (3) other matters as expressly directed by the Board of Trustees. The Village Manager or her designee shall provide for such staff assistance as the Task Force may need to carry out these functions.

Section 3. Task Force Membership. The Task Force shall consist of five (5) members at large members who are residents of the Village of Oak Park. The Task Force members shall

be appointed by the President with the advice and consent of the Board of Trustees. The President shall appoint the Chair of the Task Force.

Section 4. Task Force Meetings. The first Task Force meeting shall be held on March 13, 2018 at 7 p.m. Task Force meetings thereafter shall be held on times and dates as determined by the Task Force. A quorum to hold a meeting shall consist of three (3) members. All meetings shall be conducted pursuant to the Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120/1 *et seq.* and the latest edition of Robert’s Rules of Order.

Section 5. Task Force Report and Dissolution. The Task Force shall make a final written report to the Board of Trustees of its findings and recommendations regarding the matters set forth in Section 2 above by August 20, 2018. The Task Force shall be dissolved upon the submission of that report.

Section 6. Severability and Repeal of Inconsistent Ordinances, Resolutions and Motions. If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this Resolution shall be held invalid, the invalidity thereof shall not affect any of the other provisions of this resolution. All ordinances, resolutions or adopted motions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 7. Effective Date. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately after its passage as provided by law.

ADOPTED this 20th day of February, 2018, pursuant to a roll call vote as follows:

Voting	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
President Abu-Taleb				
Trustee Andrews				
Trustee Boutet				
Trustee Button				
Trustee Moroney				
Trustee Taglia				
Trustee Tucker				

APPROVED this 20th day of February, 2018.

Anan Abu-Taleb, Village President

ATTEST

Vicki Scaman, Village Clerk