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Lake Bluff Letter

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[Committee-of-the-Whole](#)

Monday, December 14, 2015 - 6:15pm

[Village Board Meeting](#)

Monday, December 14, 2015 - 7:00pm

[Architectural Board of Review](#)

Wednesday, December 16, 2015 - 7:00pm

[Plan Commission & Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting](#)

Wednesday, December 16, 2015 - 7:00pm

Village News

[Results of Village's Downtown Visioning Project to be Presented on December 16, 2015](#)

Earlier this year the Committee-of-the-Whole (COW) met with Staff to discuss the potential redevelopment of the Central Business District (CBD), more specifically, Block Two (bounded by Scranton/Oak/North/Walnut) and Block Three (bounded by Scranton/Oak/Evanston). To best prepare for potential downtown redevelopment, the Village engaged Teska Associates, Inc., a land use planning firm, to perform a visual preference survey of both CBD Blocks Two and Three, and using input from the community, prepare Design Guidelines. The Design Guidelines are derived from the community outreach activities and best design and planning practices. They are intended to promote the vitality and economic health of Lake Bluff's

downtown by providing design direction on the type, character and quality of the built environment that unify Blocks Two and Three with the surrounding CBD areas. Additionally, the purposes of the Design Guidelines are to:

- Implement the general policies and recommendations of the 1998 CBD Planning Study by providing more detailed guidelines and specifications governing building architecture and improvements to public streetscapes within Blocks Two and Three; and
- Establish a set of standards and identify elements of building streetscape design that the Village should encourage in the downtown.

In the spring the Village commenced with a public engagement process and sought feedback from a variety of community stakeholders, including elected and appointed officials and CBD neighbors. A website was created for the Downtown Visioning Project that shared information with the community, and from April 24th to May 31st, 2015, invited the community to upload photographs of their favorite destinations for use in the Visual Preference Survey. The photographs were then used in the online survey (available from June 17 to July 31) and at the Open House held on June 24th. At its meeting on October 26th the Village Board accepted the draft Downtown Subarea Visioning Report (Report) and referred it to the PCZBA and ABR for finalization.

On December 16, 2015 the PCZBA and the ABR will receive a report from Jodi Mariano of Teska and discuss the results in preparation for a recommendation to the Village Board.

[Draft Downtown Subarea Visioning Report](#)

[December 16, 2015 Joint PCZBA and ABR Meeting Packet](#)

For additional information, please contact Brandon Stanick, Asst. to the Village Administrator, at 847-283-6889.

[Santa Rides Through Town With the LBFD \(12/13\)](#)

Be sure to watch for Santa as he drives through the streets of Lake Bluff on Sunday, December 13th, beginning at 10:00 a.m. Santa will be riding one of Lake Bluff's fire engines, so when you hear the Village warning siren, be sure to look for Santa coming your way!

[Donate Toys for Tots This Holiday Season](#)

Beginning on Friday, November 20, 2015, the Police Department is requesting your assistance with continuing Lake Bluff's successful

participation in the U.S. Marine Corp Reserves Toys for Tots toy drive. To participate, residents are encouraged to drop off new and **unwrapped** toys in the lobby of the Public Safety Building (45 E. Center) by Monday, December 14, 2015.

Holiday Reminders

Christmas Holiday household waste collections scheduled for Monday, December 21st, and Tuesday, December 22nd, will remain unchanged. The second collection day for all households receiving a la carte collection services will occur Thursday, December 24th.

Non-emergency Village Offices will be closed on Friday, December 25th, and will reopen on December 28th (8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.). The Public Works Recycling Facility will also be closed on December 25th and will reopen on December 26th (from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.).

New Year's Holiday household waste collections scheduled for Monday, December 28th, and Tuesday, December 29th, will remain unchanged. The second collection day for all households receiving a la carte collection services will occur Thursday, December 31st.

Non-emergency Village Offices will be closed on Friday, January 1st, and will reopen on Monday, January 4th (8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.). The Public Works Recycling Facility will also be closed on January 1st and will reopen on January 2nd (from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.).

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