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VILLAGE OF HANOVER PARK ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

REGULAR MEETING

2121 W. Lake Street, Room 214, Hanover Park, IL 60133

**Tuesday, July 14, 2026
12:30 p.m.**

AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Acceptance of Agenda**
- 3. Townhall**
Anyone wishing to address the public body must register prior to Call to Order.
Please note that public comment is limited to 5 minutes per speaker.
- 4. Approval of Minutes – May 12, 2026 (no meeting in June)**
- 5. Old Business**
 - 5-a.** Spotlight on Business - recommendations
- 6. New Business**
 - 6-a.** Temporary Signage Discussion – Feather Sign Pilot Program
 - 6-b.** Business After Hours – date to be chosen
 - 6-c.** New Business License Applications
 - o Hair Era Salon – 1780 Lake - OPEN
 - o Halal Banquet – 6754 Barrington (still remodeling)
 - o Vasylyna's Curtains & Décor – 1639 Irving Park #B - OPEN
 - o Ice Cream America – 7211 Orchard -
 - o Phranq Logistics – 7215 Olde Salem - OPEN
 - o D-Spot Dessert Café – 1850 Army Trail – (waiting for Neehee's to officially close)
 - o Mochima Lounge – 6602 Barrington (was El Nayarita) – not open yet
- 7. EDC Member Reports:**
 - Adoptee updates & future discussion topics
- 8. Development Updates – Proposed projects and status updates**
- 9. Committee Member Events**
 - a. Bartlett Area Chamber (BACC) Events**
 - July 22 – Midday Meetup @ 12-1pm – MORE Brewing Company, Bartlett

- August 4 – National Night Out-Picnic in the Park @ 5-8:30pm
- August 13 – Multi-Chamber Women in Business Luncheon @ 11:30am-1:30pm, at Meyer Ballroom, 8 E. Galena Blvd., Aurora

b. Northwest Hispanic Chamber (NWHCC) Events

- Sept. 2 - NWHCC Annual Hispanic Heritage Game Night at Wintrust Field, Schaumburg @ 5-9pm

c. Women's Business Development Center (WBDC) Events

- July 22 @ 11am-12pm – Capital Readiness 101 (webinar)
- August 11/Sept. 8/Oct. 13/Nov. 10/ or Dec. 8 @ 12-1pm – How to Start Your Childcare Business: From Vision to Reality (webinar)
- August 25 or October 6 @ 9-11:30am – How to Write Business Plan Workshop (webinar)
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10. Upcoming Village Events

Visit the Village website for complete details on upcoming events for 2026:

- July 17 – COPS Day Picnic & Movie in the Park: *The Bad Guys 2*
- July 31 – Movie in the Park: *A Minecraft Movie*
- August 15 – Summer Soiree @ 5-10:30pm
- October 3 – Fire Department Open House
- November 11 – Veteran's Day Observance
- December 4 – Tree Lighting Ceremony

11. Adjournment

- Currently, the shopping center that Raki Restaurant is in does not have visibility from Lake Street, so it is difficult to see that they are there and open. The shopping center does not have a monument sign either, so visibility is a big issue.
- Property owners often do not want to spend the money on installing a monument sign
- Some of the proposed amendments to the Sign Code include:
 - o Increased duration and/or size allowances for certain temporary signs
 - o Adding “Coming Soon” signage to the existing “going out of business” sign provisions
 - o Allowing for wall mounted shopping center directory signs for qualifying properties
- Director Govind added that feather signs are still not allowed.

EDC Discussion and Input:

- **Going Out of Business and Coming Soon signs** – EDC members support allowing for 60 days, some felt 30 days would keep a new business fresher in the minds of those driving by
- **Special Events/Promotion signs** – EDC members support allowing for 15 days per permit, up to 30 days total
- **Grand Opening signs** – EDC members support allowing for 60 day for businesses on non-arterial streets
- **Feather Signs** – have never been allowed

Member Gudenkauf commented that she feels the rules should all be the same for all businesses regardless of their location; it's too confusing otherwise.

Trustee Albuck commented that Trustee Bankole wanted to allow window wraps to be allowed on empty spaces to spruce them up and reduce the vacancy look. He also felt a more consistent set of rules should apply to all businesses.

Director Govind suggested that regarding feather signs, the Village could possibly purchase them with the Village logo and “grand opening” printed on them. One sign could be given to a new business (with a deposit requires) to display for 30 days. The idea would need to be discussed with the Village attorney.

Member Komorski commented that the feather signs could create a liability for the Village if not properly anchored especially on very windy days.

6-b. Next Commercial or Industrial Meetup

- Director Govind emphasized our goal will be a manufacturing meetup in October which is manufacturing month.
- Member Candelas offered to host the event at Wintrust Bank.

7. EDC Member Reports & Adoptee Updates

- Member Gudenkauf announced she will be retiring from the Bartlett Chamber at the end of May after 23 years with the Chamber. Mary Smith will be taking the summer off and then will do some remote work for the Chamber. The Chamber will be looking for replacements in the future.
- Member Vargas commented he connected with Luisa from Issa's Venezuelan as their mentor

Director Govind acknowledged member Gudenkauf's retirement from the Bartlett Area Chamber and commented she will be very missed at the Chamber and on the EDC; she has provided many valuable insights as an EDC member and has been a great resource for businesses as the Chamber representative.

Meeting adjourned by unanimous consent.

Meeting adjourned at 1:50 pm

Transcribed by:

Kathy Sjodin, Sr. Admin. Assistant
May 12, 2026

Gail Tobin - Chair

Village of Hanover Park FEATHER SIGN PILOT PROGRAM AGREEMENT



Business Name: _____

Business Address: _____

Business Owner/Representative: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Issue Date: _____

Return Date (60 Days): _____

PROGRAM TERMS

The undersigned acknowledges and agrees to the following:

1. Village Ownership

The feather sign remains the sole property of the Village of Hanover Park.

2. Deposit

A refundable deposit of **\$250** is required prior to issuance.

The deposit will be refunded following:

- timely return of the sign;
- return in substantially the same condition, normal wear excepted; and
- compliance with all program requirements.

The Village may retain all or part of the deposit if:

- the sign is not returned by the required date;
- the sign is lost;
- the sign is stolen due to negligence;
- the sign is damaged beyond normal wear; or
- program requirements are violated.

3. Authorized Use

The sign may be displayed only:

- for a maximum of sixty (60) days;
- at the approved business location;
- on private property;
- on the same parcel as the business.

4. Prohibited Locations

The sign shall **not** be placed:

- within any roadway or public right-of-way;
- within sidewalks or parkways;
- on public property;
- where it obstructs pedestrian or vehicle visibility

5. Care of Sign

The business agrees to:

- properly secure the sign;
- inspect it periodically;
- remove it during severe weather if necessary;
- notify the Village immediately if damaged or stolen.

6. Return

The sign shall be returned no later than: 2 business days after the 60-day period

Failure to return the sign may result in forfeiture of the deposit and additional replacement costs if necessary.

RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS

The business accepts full responsibility for the placement, maintenance, and use of the feather sign while it is in its possession.

The business agrees to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the Village of Hanover Park, its elected officials, officers, employees, and agents from any and all claims, damages, injuries, liabilities, costs, or expenses arising out of the use, placement, maintenance, transportation, or display of the feather sign.

The business further acknowledges that it assumes all responsibility for ensuring the sign is installed and maintained in a safe manner and in compliance with all applicable laws and regulations.

Business Representative

Name: _____

Title: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Village Representative

Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

WELCOME TO HANOVER PARK!
Complimentary "NOW OPEN" Feather Sign Program
Helping Your New Business Get Noticed

Congratulations on Your New Business!

The Village of Hanover Park is excited to welcome you to our business community.

To help promote your grand opening and increase visibility during your first weeks of operation, the Village offers a **complimentary Village-issued "NOW OPEN" Feather Sign** through our new pilot program.

This program is another way Hanover Park is investing in the success of our local businesses.

Program Benefits

- ✓ Increase visibility to passing traffic
- ✓ Attract new customers during your critical opening weeks
- ✓ Professional, attractive Village-branded sign
- ✓ No need to purchase your own temporary sign
- ✓ Supports a clean and consistent appearance throughout Hanover Park

Program Details

Eligible Businesses

- New businesses located within Hanover Park commercial zoning districts

Sign Use Period

- Up to **60 days** following your business opening

Refundable Deposit

- **\$250**
- Fully refunded upon timely return of the sign in good condition

Village-Owned Sign

- The sign remains property of the Village and must be returned promptly at the end of the 60-day period.

Temporary Sign Policy

To maintain an attractive business environment:

Only Village-issued Feather Signs are permitted.

Private or commercially purchased feather signs are **not permitted** as temporary signage within Hanover Park. This program provides an attractive, uniform sign for new businesses while preserving community aesthetics.

Sign Placement Requirements

For safety and visibility, the feather sign must:

- Be located **only on private property**
- Be placed **on the same lot as the business**
- Not obstruct sidewalks, parking stalls, driveways, or visibility
- Not be placed within any public right-of-way

Village staff can assist with selecting an appropriate location.



Interested? Contact:

Village of Hanover Park - Community & Economic Development Department

630-823-5780

communitydevelopment@hpil.org

"We're here to help your business succeed!"



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NEW BUSINESS

**NOW
OPEN**

