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Staff Report to the Board of Trustees

Project: 06/03/24 Zoning Map Amendments

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TITLE & SUMMARY

Project: 2024-0392 – Wlodarski Park – 16631 Robinhood Drive - Rezoning

Petitioner: George Koczwara, Village Manager

Purpose: The petitioner seeks approval for the rezoning of 1 Village owned parcel from R-2A Residential to OS Open Space.

Location: 16631 Robinhood Drive

P.I.N.: 27-23-309-008-0000;

Parcel Size: 1.4 acre site

SUMMARY & BACKGROUND

Petitioner seeks approval of a zoning map amendment ("rezoning") of a 1.4 acre parcel located at 16631 Robinhood Drive. The petitioner intends to rezone the subject site from R-2A Residential to OS Open Space. Currently, the site is used as a park. Features include a playground and a gazebo.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

Planning District	Fernway Planning District
Planning Land Use Designation	Open Space, Parks and Recreation

ZONING DISTRICT

Existing	R-2A Residential District
Proposed	OS Open Space District

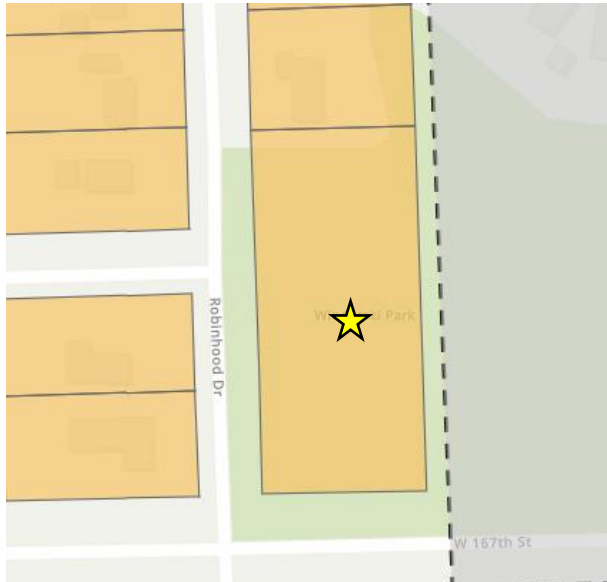
LAND USE

Existing	Open Space
Proposed	Open Space

ADJACENT PROPERTIES

	Zoning District	Land Use
North	R-2A Residential	Single Family Home
East	N/A	Open Space
South	R-2A Residential	Single Family Home
West	R-2A Residential	Single Family Home

Comprehensive Plan Land Use Map



Zoning District Map



PLANNING DISCUSSION

The petitioner seeks approval of a zoning map amendment from R-2A Residential Zoning District to OS Open Space Zoning District for the parcel located at 16631 Robinhood Drive. The OS Open Space Zoning will align with the majority of the parks within the Village. The zoning map amendment will allow the Village to make future improvements to this property that follow the OS regulations instead of residential regulations.

The Village of Orland Park places a high value on open spaces, parks, and recreational opportunities, recognizing them as essential contributors to the well-being of our community. The Comprehensive Plan identifies the Fernway Planning District uniquely by residents having easy access to local parks. The rezoning of the parcel located at 16631 Robinhood Drive will continue to enhance the open and green character of the district.

The purpose of the Open Space District is to protect the Village's parks, natural areas, retention ponds, detention basins, civic and fraternal non-profit organizations, and open space corridor connections. It is also to ensure permanent access to outdoor recreation, and natural areas, and other recreational opportunities for residents in all neighborhoods and to enhance the value of nearby properties. The proposed zoning amendment will promote the health, safety, and general welfare of the public by ensuring the land is preserved with open space uses and not private development.

Permitted uses in the Open Space zoning district include public recreational facilities, natural areas and passive parks, agricultural uses, retention ponds and detention basins, ComEd towers and lines, cemeteries, and commuter rail stations. Prohibited uses would include any public facilities unrelated to the operation or protection of parks, natural areas, civic and fraternal non-

profit organizations for the benefit of the public, and retention and detention facilities. Also, prohibited is any private development of structures or facilities, with the exception of ComEd and cemeteries.

Overall, the proposed rezoning conforms to the Village's Land Development Code and policies for this area.

PLAN COMMISSION DISCUSSION

Present at the Plan Commission were 6 commissioners and members of staff. A citizen had concerns regarding the drainage at the park. She stated that the neighboring park in Tinley Park, is a 3'-4' higher than Wlodarski Park. Joel Van Essen, Public Works Director, explained the improvements that have been made to the site to address drainage and that the Village has worked with Tinley Park to address these issues. Overall, the commissioners expressed support for the project. The Plan Commission approved the project unanimously per the Staff Recommended Action.

PLAN COMMISSION RECOMMENDED ACTION

Regarding Case Number 2024-0392, also known as Wlodarski Park Rezoning, staff recommends to accept and make findings of fact as discussed at this Plan Commission meeting and within the Staff Report dated May 14, 2024;

And

Staff recommends that the Plan Commission approve a zoning map amendment.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES RECOMMENDED ACTION

Regarding Case Number 2024-0392, also known as Wlodarski Park Rezoning, I move to approve the Plan Commission Recommended Action for this case.