



VILLAGE OF THORNTON

Regular Board Meeting

December 15, 2025 at 6:15 PM

Village Hall – 115 East Margaret St

AGENDA

I. Call to Order

II. Approval of Committee & Regular Meeting Minutes; Vouchers

- [A.](#) Committee Meeting Minutes for December 1, 2025
- [B.](#) Board Meeting Minutes of November 17, 2025
- [C.](#) Board Meeting Minutes of December 1, 2025
- [D.](#) Approve Vouchers for December 15, 2025
- E. Motion to Authorize Payment of Bills and Necessary Disbursements Through January 5, 2026, to be Ratified at the Next Board Meeting

III. Committee Topics

- [A.](#) Trustee Cunningham - Resolution 2025-019R - Adopting a Credit Card Policy Related to the Village's Purchasing and Payment Procedures
- [B.](#) Trustee Cunningham - Ordinance #2025-021 - Amending Title 5 ("Business Regulations") of its Municipal Code Related to Raffle Regulations
- [C.](#) Trustee Cunningham - Approval of Raffle License Fee Waiver for Thornton Professional Firefighters Local 5512
- [D.](#) Trustee Pisarzewski - Ordinance #2025-022 - Granting a Special Use for Vehicle Storage in the Industrial District (17147 Westview Avenue)
- [E.](#) Trustee Pisarzewski - Ordinance #2025-023 - Granting a Side Yard Variance to Permit a Garage Addition with a Reduced Side Yard Setback (115 South Kinzie Street)

IV. Treasurer Jackson

V. Engineer Kaminsky

VI. Attorney Touhy

VII. Administrator Payne

VIII. President Reynolds

IX. Public Comment

X. Old & New Business

XI. Adjournment

VILLAGE OF THORNTON

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Date: December 1, 2025
Time: 6:02 p.m.
Location: Village Hall, Thornton, Illinois

1. CALL TO ORDER

Village President Maxine Reynolds called the Committee Meeting of the Village of Thornton to order at 6:02 p.m. The meeting was recorded by Village Clerk Kitakis and streamed via the Village’s social media platforms. Attendees were asked to refrain from the use of electronic devices. President Reynolds thanked those present for attending despite inclement weather conditions.

2. ROLL CALL

Present:
President Maxine Reynolds
Trustee Cunningham
Trustee Middlebrooks
Trustee Kaye
Trustee Glaser
Trustee Pisarzewski
Police Chief Wesolowski

Absent:
Trustee Pratscher
Fire Chief Schweitzer
Public Works Superintendent Roberts
Park & Recreation Director Dunlop

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

President Reynolds opened the floor for public comment limited to agenda items only. There was no public comment.

4. COMMITTEE & TRUSTEE REPORTS

- Trustee Pisarzewski: No report.
 - Trustee Cunningham: No report.
 - Trustee Middlebrooks: No report.
 - Trustee Kaye: Reported no items this evening.
 - Trustee Glaser: No report.
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5. TREASURER’S REPORT

Treasurer Simone Jackson presented the Cash Position Summary as of November 24, 2025, reporting an adjusted bank balance of \$9,277,640.96, with approximately 65% attributed to the SOS Grant Program. No questions were raised by the Committee.

6. TAX LEVY DISCUSSION

Treasurer Jackson reviewed the 2025 Tax Levy, noting that the levy reflects a 4.37% increase. The levy schedule had previously been discussed at the prior month’s meeting, and Committee members were provided with a copy of the ordinance, which had already received legal approval. It was confirmed that the levy would be brought forward for a vote.

7. AUDITOR’S REPORT – FY ENDING APRIL 30, 2024

Mr. Amen, Village Auditor, presented the audit for the fiscal year ending April 30, 2024. Highlights included:

- The Village received the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) Certificate of Achievement for the 12th consecutive year, recognizing compliance with governmental accounting and financial reporting standards.
- Pages 11–13 of the audit contain the Independent Auditor’s Report, which issued a clean (unmodified) opinion, indicating the financial statements are materially correct.
- Pages 36–37 reflect governmental fund activity, showing a \$250,000 decrease in fund balance, meaning expenditures exceeded revenues for the fiscal year.
- After reconciliation to full accrual accounting standards, the Village experienced an overall increase of approximately \$735,000, reflecting long-term investment in capital assets and debt reduction.

- The Water and Sewer Fund (page 32) showed a positive fund balance increase of \$255,000, with revenues exceeding expenditures.

Management Letter Findings: - Two current-year comments related to timesheet approvals and petty cash controls. - Two prior-year comments related to nepotism policy and fund balance position.

Mr. Amen emphasized that while petty cash amounts were immaterial financially, control procedures required improvement. Timesheet findings stemmed from internal control testing identifying missing approvals.

Trustee Questions & Discussion: - Trustees inquired about the history of petty cash audits and the significance of findings. - Clarification was provided that management letter items reflect matters significant enough to report to the Board. - Trustees discussed the potential benefits and limitations of implementing a timekeeping or punch system. - The Public Library was explained as a component unit, with its financial data incorporated into the Village audit while maintaining separate operations.

Village Administration confirmed corrective actions are underway, including drafting a petty cash policy and reinforcing timesheet approval procedures.

8. ENGINEER'S REPORT

Engineer Kaminsky reported no items for this meeting.

9. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Administrator Vivian Payne presented the following:

Credit Card Policy:

- Transition from American Express to Wintrust credit cards. - Proposed policy outlining usage, accountability, and departmental acknowledgment. –

Trustees recommended additional language regarding cardholder responsibility and prohibition of unauthorized use. - Policy to be revised and presented at a future Board meeting for formal approval.

Line Item Transfer – Water Capital Fund:

- Request to transfer \$20,000 from Water Infrastructure Improvements to Engineering to cover the approved Robinson Engineering contract for the Lead Service Line Replacement Project. - The transfer consolidates funding for efficiency rather than multiple transfers.

10. PRESIDENT’S COMMENTS & COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Reynolds: - Thanked G&T Trackage for providing free Thanksgiving meals. - Commended Public Works for snow removal efforts and clarified IDOT roadway responsibilities. - Provided a comprehensive overview of upcoming Holiday Happenings, including the Santa Parade, Tree Lighting, PTA Breakfast with Santa, Craft Fair, Community Center activities, and other December events.

11. OLD BUSINESS

Administrator Payne reported on underground storage tank removal at the former gas station on Williams Street. Two tanks were removed, and soil contamination was discovered. Required notifications to the EPA and Illinois State Fire Marshal will be made, and a Leaking Underground Storage Tank (LUST) Report will be filed. Remediation steps are pending further testing. No immediate danger was reported.

12. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

13. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Trustee Kaye, and seconded by Trustee Glaser to adjourn the meeting. All were in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Nikki Kitakis
Village Clerk
Village of Thornton

Regular Board Meeting Minutes – November 17, 2025

VILLAGE OF THORNTON REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES November 17, 2025

President Reynolds called the Regular Board Meeting to order for the Village of Thornton, Illinois on November 17, 2025, at 6:49 p.m. This meeting is being recorded by Clerk Kitakis and on Village social media. Attendees were asked to refrain from using electronic devices.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A moment of silence was observed for public servants, military members, the sick and injured, and the recently departed, including: Gina Rae Bork, Kathy Howard, Bernard Joseph Anderson, Arlene Runge, James Pratangaro, the uncle of Trustee Kaye, Len Kenzies, and David Ryan, father of Elsa Mayer and John Ryan.

ROLL CALL:

President Reynolds – Present
Trustee Cunningham – Present
Trustee Middlebrooks – Present
Trustee Kaye – Present
Trustee Glaser – Present
Trustee Pratscher – Present
Trustee Pisarzewski – Present

Also present: Public Works Superintendent Roberts, Parks & Recreation Director Dunlop, Police Chief Wesolowski, and Fire Chief Schweitzer.

Approval of Committee Meeting Minutes – November 3, 2025

Motion by Trustee Kaye, seconded by Trustee Cunningham, to approve the Committee Meeting Minutes of November 3, 2025, as presented.

AYES – Trustees Kaye, Cunningham, Middlebrooks, Glaser, Pratscher, Pisarzewski

ABSTAIN – None

NAYS – None

MOTION CARRIED

Approval of Regular Board Meeting Minutes – November 3, 2025

Motion by Trustee Glaser, seconded by Trustee Kaye, to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of November 3, 2025, as presented.

AYES – Trustees Glaser, Kaye, Cunningham, Middlebrooks, Pratscher, Pisarzewski

ABSTAIN – None

NAYS – None

MOTION CARRIED

Approval of Line Item Transfer – \$200 (Training to Dues & Fees)

Motion by Trustee Cunningham, seconded by Trustee Glaser, to approve the line-item transfer decreasing 01-69-

8005 Training by \$200 and increasing 01-69-8004 Dues and Fees by \$200.

AYES – Trustees Cunningham, Glaser, Kaye, Middlebrooks, Pratscher, Pisarzewski

ABSTAIN – None

NAYS – None

MOTION CARRIED

Approval of Line Item Transfer – \$5,600 (Contingency to Miscellaneous)

Motion by Trustee Cunningham, seconded by Trustee Pratscher, to approve the line-item transfer decreasing 01-73-8006 Contingency by \$5,600 and increasing 01-50-8006 Miscellaneous by \$5,600.

AYES – Trustees Cunningham, Pratscher, Kaye, Middlebrooks, Glaser

ABSTAIN – Trustee Pisarzewski

NAYS – None

MOTION CARRIED

Approval of Vouchers – November 17, 2025

Motion by Trustee Pratscher, seconded by Trustee Kaye, to approve the payment of vouchers in the amount of \$414,734.60, of which \$112,259.19 is from the SOS Grant and \$257,100.85 is from prepaid checks.

AYES – Trustees Pratscher, Kaye, Cunningham, Middlebrooks, Glaser, Pisarzewski

ABSTAIN – None

NAYS – None

MOTION CARRIED

Approval of 2026 Fireworks Agreement

Motion by Trustee Cunningham, seconded by Trustee Kaye, to approve the agreement with Mad Bomber Fireworks Productions for the 2026 Fireworks Display in the amount of \$13,500.

AYES – Trustees Cunningham, Kaye, Middlebrooks, Glaser, Pratscher, Pisarzewski

ABSTAIN – None

NAYS – None

MOTION CARRIED

Approval of Resolution 2025-18R – Sale of 601 Ridge Road

Motion by Trustee Cunningham, seconded by Trustee Pratscher, to approve Resolution No. 2025-18R, approving the sale of 601 Ridge Road to Washington Memory Gardens.

AYES – Trustees Cunningham, Pratscher, Kaye, Middlebrooks, Glaser, Pisarzewski

ABSTAIN – None

NAYS – None

MOTION CARRIED

Approval of Ordinance 2025-019 – Special Use Permit for 583 N. Williams

Motion by Trustee Pisarzewski, seconded by Trustee Pratscher, to approve Ordinance No. 2025-019, granting a special use permit to operate an automotive repair shop at 583 North Williams Street.

AYES – Trustees Pisarzewski, Pratscher, Cunningham, Kaye, Middlebrooks, Glaser

ABSTAIN – None

NAYS – None

MOTION CARRIED

Approval of Treasurer's Report

Motion by Trustee Cunningham, seconded by Trustee Middlebrooks, to approve the Treasurer's Report as

submitted during the Committee of the Whole Meeting.

AYES – Trustees Cunningham, Middlebrooks, Kaye, Glaser, Pratscher, Pisarzewski

ABSTAIN – None

NAYS – None

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENT:

No public comment for items not on the agenda.

Motion to Enter Executive Session

Motion by Trustee Cunningham, seconded by Trustee Middlebrooks, to enter Executive Session to discuss the appointment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), with action to follow.

AYES – Trustees Cunningham, Middlebrooks, Glaser, Pratscher, Pisarzewski

ABSTAIN – None

NAYS – Trustee Kaye

MOTION CARRIED

The Regular Board Meeting adjourned into Executive Session on November 17, 2025 at 6:58 PM

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION & CONTINUATION OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING – November 17, 2025 at 7:42 PM

President Reynolds called the Regular Board Meeting back to order at 7:43 p.m.

Roll Call:

President Reynolds – Here

Trustee Cunningham – Here

Trustee Middlebrooks – Here

Trustee Kaye – Here

Trustee Glaser – Here

Trustee Pratscher – Here

Trustee Pisarzewski – Here

Motion to appoint Montana & Welch as Corporate Counsel for the Village of Thornton, Illinois.

Motion by Trustee Pratcher, seconded by Trustee Middlebrooks.

AYES – Trustees Pratcher, Middlebrooks, Cunningham, Kaye, Glaser, Pisarzewski

NAYS – None

MOTION CARRIED

Old Business:

Board briefly discussed the audit that had been distributed. Trustee Cunningham noted that the Board had just received the audit and asked for clarification regarding its status. Administrator Payne confirmed that the document provided is the official completed audit for the fiscal year and represents the finalized version from the auditors.

Administrator Payne further explained that the auditing firm had originally been scheduled to attend the November 17 meeting to present the audit findings, walk the Board through key financial statements, and respond to any questions. However, the auditors notified the Village earlier in the week that they had a

scheduling conflict and were unable to be present this evening. Their formal presentation has been for the December 1, 2025 Regular Board Meeting.

Section II, ItemB.

Board members were encouraged to thoroughly review the audit prior to that meeting so that any questions, financial clarifications, or points of concern can be addressed directly with the auditors during their presentation. No additional items were brought forward under Old Business.

New Business:
None presented.

Closing Remarks:
President Reynolds thanked Village employees, elected officials, and residents, and wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Adjournment:
Motion to adjourn by Trustee Pratcher, seconded by Trustee Kaye.
ALL IN FAVOR – Aye
OPPOSED – None
MOTION CARRIED

Maxine Reynolds Village President

Nikki Kitakis Village Clerk

VILLAGE OF THORNTON

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date: December 1, 2025
Time: 6:35 p.m.
Location: Village Hall, Thornton, Illinois

1. CALL TO ORDER

Village President Maxine Reynolds called the Regular Board Meeting of the Village of Thornton to order at 6:35 p.m. The meeting was recorded by Village Clerk Nikki Kitakis and streamed via the Village’s social media platforms. Attendees were asked to refrain from the use of electronic devices.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. A moment of silence was observed in honor of public servants, members of the military, the sick, and recently departed individuals, including David Bryant, father of Robbins Mayor Derick Young Bryant.

2. ROLL CALL

Present:
President Maxine Reynolds
Trustee Cunningham
Trustee Middlebrooks
Trustee Kaye
Trustee Glaser
Trustee Pisarzewski
Police Chief Wesolowski

Absent:
Trustee Pratscher
Fire Chief Schweitzer
Public Works Superintendent Roberts
Park & Recreation Director Dunlop

3. APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES – NOVEMBER 17, 2025

A motion was made by Trustee Kaye and seconded by Trustee Middlebrooks to approve the Committee Meeting Minutes from November 17, 2025, as written.

Discussion:

Several Trustees expressed concerns regarding the accuracy and completeness of the minutes. Trustee Cunningham stated that discussion related to the codification process, fees and fines, were insufficiently reflected, and the frustration regarding the lack of codification was not conveyed.

- Trustee Pisarzewski stated she voted no because, and she felt the minutes did not accurately reflect the discussion.

Roll Call Vote:

AYES – Trustees Kaye, Middlebrooks, Glaser

NAYS – Trustees Pisarzewski, Cunningham

ABSENT – Trustee Pratscher

The motion passed.

4. APPROVAL OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES – NOVEMBER 17, 2025

A motion was made by Trustee Kaye and seconded by Trustee Middlebrooks to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes from November 17, 2025, as written.

Discussion:

Trustees Cunningham reiterated concerns similar to those raised during the Committee Minutes discussion. Trustees stated that discussion regarding fees and fines was not accurately reflected and that approval should be deferred until corrections were made.

Roll Call Vote:

AYES – Trustees Kaye, Middlebrooks

NAYS – Trustees Glaser, Pisarzewski, Cunningham

ABSENT – Trustee Pratscher

The motion failed. The minutes will be revised and brought back for approval at a future meeting.

5. LINE ITEM TRANSFER – WATER CAPITAL FUND

A motion was made by Trustee Kaye and seconded by Trustee Cunningham to approve a line item transfer for the fiscal year ending April 30, 2026, in the amount of \$20,000 from Water Infrastructure Improvements to Engineering within the Water Capital Fund.

Discussion:

Trustees inquired whether the funds would be reimbursed through grants. Administration explained that the Village must pay upfront for engineering services related to the Lead Service Line Replacement Project, and reimbursement may occur if funding is awarded through the IEPA. While reimbursement is not guaranteed, Administration stated the Village has a strong chance based on surrounding community awards.

Roll Call Vote:

AYES – Trustees Kaye, Cunningham, Middlebrooks, Glaser

NAYS – None

ABSTAIN – Trustee Pisarzewski

ABSENT – Trustee Pratscher

Motion carried.

6. APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS – DECEMBER 1, 2025

A motion was made by Trustee Cunningham and seconded by Trustee Kaye to approve vouchers in the amount of \$455,554.99, including: - \$178,413.21 – SOS Grant expenditures- \$61,290.66 – Pre-paid checks

Discussion:

Trustees requested clarification regarding AV system upgrades to the boardroom totaling \$18,843.00. Administration confirmed this amount represented the final payment for microphones, cameras, televisions, and related equipment.

Roll Call Vote:

AYES – Trustees Cunningham, Kaye, Middlebrooks, Pisarzewski

NAYS – None

ABSENT – Trustee Pratscher

Motion carried.

7. ORDINANCE 2025-020 – 2026 TAX LEVY

A motion was made by Trustee Cunningham and seconded by Trustee Kaye to approve Ordinance 2025-020, approving the 2026 Tax Levy.

Roll Call Vote:

AYES – Trustees Cunningham, Kaye, Middlebrooks, Glaser, Pisarzewski, Pratscher

NAYS – None

Motion carried.

8. RAFFLE LICENSE FEE WAIVER – THORNTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

A motion was made by Trustee Cunningham and seconded by Trustee Glaser to approve a raffle license fee waiver for the Thornton Historical Society.

Roll Call Vote:

AYES – Trustees Cunningham, Glaser, Middlebrooks, Kaye, Pisarzewski

NAYS – None

Motion carried.

9. PUBLIC COMMENT (NON-AGENDA ITEMS)

Roger Maltrato, 406 Water Street, addressed the Board regarding the condition of Arrowhead Street, citing extensive potholes and unsafe driving conditions. Mr. Maltrato expressed frustration with the condition of the roadway and offered to volunteer his time and labor to assist with temporary repairs once weather permits. He acknowledged staffing challenges within Public Works and commended the Village on progress in other areas.

10. OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

11. NEW BUSINESS

President Reynolds reminded residents that garbage fees will be included on water bills beginning January 15, 2026, at a rate of \$23.06 per month, totaling \$46.12 per billing cycle.

12. PRESIDENT'S CLOSING REMARKS

President Reynolds thanked Village employees, elected officials, and residents for their continued support and for attending the meeting despite inclement weather.

13. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Trustee Cunningham and seconded by Trustee Glaser to adjourn the meeting. All were in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nikki Kitakis
Village Clerk
Village of Thornton

Maxine Reynolds
Village President
Village of Thornton

Invoice Number	Invoice Date	Description	GL Account and Title	Net Invoice Amount
GENERAL FUND				
Total GENERAL FUND:				1,578,806.52
WATER FUND				
Total WATER FUND:				74,988.11
MOTOR FUEL TAX FUND				
Total MOTOR FUEL TAX FUND:				420.00
DOWNTOWN TIF #3				
Total DOWNTOWN TIF #3:				61.25
BLACKSTONE TIF				
Total BLACKSTONE TIF:				61.25
SOS GRANT				
Total SOS GRANT:				209,346.18
Grand Totals:				1,863,683.31

Report Criteria:

Detail report.

Invoices with totals above \$0.00 included.

Only unpaid invoices included.

Invoice Number	Invoice Date	Description	GL Account and Title	Net Invoice Amount
ABBOTTS MINUTE PRINTING				
00051993	12/09/2025	RECEIPT PRINTING	01-61-7067 Printing	114.00
Total ABBOTTS MINUTE PRINTING:				114.00
AMERICAN EXPRESS				
NOVEMBER 2	12/11/2025	TECH COM	01-50-7040 Telephone	137.50
NOVEMBER 2	12/11/2025	HOME DEPOT	01-63-7008 Maint-grounds	2,712.00
NOVEMBER 2	12/11/2025	COMCAST	01-50-8007 Computer Support	187.40
NOVEMBER 2	12/11/2025	COMCAST	01-50-8007 Computer Support	114.43
NOVEMBER 2	12/11/2025	COMCAST	01-50-8007 Computer Support	21.46
NOVEMBER 2	12/11/2025	COMCAST	01-50-8007 Computer Support	75.11
NOVEMBER 2	12/11/2025	COMCAST	01-50-8007 Computer Support	1,971.90
NOVEMBER 2	12/11/2025	COMCAST	01-50-8007 Computer Support	2,182.00
NOVEMBER 2	12/11/2025	SIRCHIE	01-67-8064 Equipment	28.72
Total AMERICAN EXPRESS:				7,430.52
BOSS ELECTRIC INC				
22504	12/09/2025	STREET LIGHT REPAIRS	04-80-7024 Maint - Street Lights	420.00
Total BOSS ELECTRIC INC:				420.00
CITY OF BLUE ISLAND POLICE DEPARTMENT				
SISK 10/24/25-	12/12/2025	SALARY REIMBURSEMENT	15-67-7075 ISATT Sworn Law Enforcem	17,254.07
SISK 10/24/25-	12/12/2025	OT REIMBURSEMENT	15-67-7077 ISATT Sworn Law Enforce	3,172.84
SISK 9/12/25-1	12/12/2025	SALARY REIMBURSEMENT	15-67-7075 ISATT Sworn Law Enforcem	17,186.55
SISK 9/12/25-1	12/12/2025	OT REIMBURSEMENT	15-67-7077 ISATT Sworn Law Enforce	2,090.34
Total CITY OF BLUE ISLAND POLICE DEPARTMENT:				39,703.80
CITY OF BURBANK				
TUDRYN 11/7/	12/11/2025	SALARY REIMBURSEMENT	15-67-7075 ISATT Sworn Law Enforcem	18,523.95
Total CITY OF BURBANK:				18,523.95
CITY OF CHICAGO HEIGHTS				
OCTOBER WA	12/11/2025	HEIGHTS WATER OCT	02-74-7043 Water purchases	48,339.08
Total CITY OF CHICAGO HEIGHTS:				48,339.08
COM ED				
17000-1125	12/05/2025	6637317000	01-63-7044 Street light electricity	3,106.42
36000-1025	12/05/2025	8334936000	01-63-7041 Electricity-hst s-vbldgs	77.63
42222-1125	12/05/2025	5008942222	01-63-7044 Street light electricity	30.11
47000-1125	12/05/2025	1065847000	01-63-7041 Electricity-hst s-vbldgs	38.56
Total COM ED:				3,252.72
CRITICAL REACH				
4594	12/11/2025	ANNUAL SUPPORT FEE	15-67-7025 Contractual services	300.00

Invoice Number	Invoice Date	Description	GL Account and Title	Net Invoice Amount
Total CRITICAL REACH:				300.00
DACRA ADJUDICATION SYSTEM				
DT 2025-11-10	12/08/2025	ADJUDICATION SERVICE	01-67-7025 Contractual services	2,500.00
Total DACRA ADJUDICATION SYSTEM:				2,500.00
DELTA SONIC CAR WASH SYSTEMS				
INV-0031944	12/11/2025	CAR WASHES ISAAT	15-67-7002 Vehicle Maintenance/Fuel	50.00
Total DELTA SONIC CAR WASH SYSTEMS:				50.00
EAGLE UNIFORM CO., INC.				
42711-3	12/08/2025	UNIFORM ALLOWANCE	01-67-8013 Uniforms	35.59
42722-3	12/03/2025	UNIFORMS @ F.D.	01-69-8013 Uniforms	158.50
42914-3	12/08/2025	UNIFORM ALLOWANCE	01-67-8013 Uniforms	24.00
43022-3	12/09/2025	UNIFORMS @ PD	01-67-8013 Uniforms	1,443.00
Total EAGLE UNIFORM CO., INC.:				1,661.09
GATEWAY BUSINESS SYSTEMS				
40661344	11/25/2025	PINTER CONTRACT PW	01-63-7025 Contract services	126.50
Total GATEWAY BUSINESS SYSTEMS:				126.50
GBJ SALES LLC				
5906	09/03/2025	PD/REC SUPPLIES	01-63-8014 Supplies-operating	105.35
5936	09/29/2025	PW SUPPLIES	01-63-8014 Supplies-operating	253.75
5952	10/09/2025	REC\PD\FDSUPPLIES	01-63-8014 Supplies-operating	156.65
5978	11/03/2025	REC\PD\PW SUPPLIES	01-63-8014 Supplies-operating	493.85
6013	12/01/2025	PD/REC SUPPLIES	01-63-8014 Supplies-operating	129.85
Total GBJ SALES LLC:				1,139.45
GUS BOCK HARDWARE CO.				
411036/1	12/11/2025	SUPPLIES	01-59-8014 Supplies-operating	21.97
411059/1	12/11/2025	SNOW BRUSH	01-50-7002 Vehicle Maintenance	9.99
Total GUS BOCK HARDWARE CO.:				31.96
HACH COMPANY				
14762745	11/18/2025	TEST KITS	02-74-7020 Maint-water tests	271.18
Total HACH COMPANY:				271.18
HELSEL-JEPPERSON				
970715	12/05/2025	EMERGENCY LIGHT BATTERIES	01-63-8014 Supplies-operating	44.68
Total HELSEL-JEPPERSON:				44.68
HISKES AND DILLNER				
23914-20	12/04/2025	LEGAL FEES NOV 2025	11-74-7073 Legal Fees	61.25
23914-20	12/04/2025	LEGAL FEES NOV 2025	13-74-7073 Legal	61.25
23914-20	12/04/2025	LEGAL FEES NOV 2025	01-54-7073 Legal fees - General	4,773.15

Invoice Number	Invoice Date	Description	GL Account and Title	Net Invoice Amount
Total HISKES AND DILLNER:				4,895.65
IDI				
IN979182	12/03/2025	INVESTIGATIVE SEARCH PLATFORM	01-67-7025 Contractual services	90.00
Total IDI:				90.00
IL DEPT OF HEALTHCARE & FAMILY SERVICES				
GEMTFY26Q1-	11/17/2025	GEMT 07-1-2025 TO 09/30/2025	01-01-2111 Accounts Payable-Other	36,525.37
Total IL DEPT OF HEALTHCARE & FAMILY SERVICES:				36,525.37
Kevin's Garage				
20251209	12/09/2025	HH SANTA APPEARANCE	01-61-7025 Contract services	200.00
Total Kevin's Garage:				200.00
KODA AUTO ELECTRONICS				
3699	11/26/2025	LIGHTS/SIRENS 2025 FORD	15-68-8064 Equipment Purchases	10,950.59
3700	12/11/2025	LIGHTS AND SIRENS FORD 2025	15-68-8064 Equipment Purchases	10,950.59
3701	12/11/2025	LIGHTS AND SIRENS 2025 FORD	15-68-8064 Equipment Purchases	6,019.47
Total KODA AUTO ELECTRONICS:				27,920.65
KRUNCH TIME AUTO				
10752	11/21/2025	OIL CHANGE 4500	01-69-7002 Maint-vehicles	39.86
Total KRUNCH TIME AUTO:				39.86
LANER MUCHIN DOMBROW BECKER				
711224	12/01/2025	PW-TEAMSTERS	01-54-7071 Legal fees-labor	150.00
711225	12/01/2025	GEN LABOR MATTERS	01-54-7071 Legal fees-labor	825.00
711226	12/01/2025	PW-TEAMSTERS	01-54-7071 Legal fees-labor	75.00
711241	12/01/2025	RETAINER NOVEMBER	01-54-7071 Legal fees-labor	800.00
Total LANER MUCHIN DOMBROW BECKER:				1,850.00
LANSING HEATING & AIR				
128137	11/19/2025	2025 FALL MAINT. ALL BUILDINGS	01-63-7001 Maint-building	1,885.60
128287	11/19/2025	HEATER AT SOUTH PUMP HOUSE	01-63-7001 Maint-building	965.00
Total LANSING HEATING & AIR:				2,850.60
LANSING SPORT SHOP				
174930	12/11/2025	NAME PLATES	01-51-8010 Supplies-office	15.00
Total LANSING SPORT SHOP:				15.00
M.E. SIMPSON CO., INC.				
44079	02/28/2025	LINE LOCATION	02-74-7075 Professional services	645.00
Total M.E. SIMPSON CO., INC.:				645.00
Master Building Services				
15039	12/03/2025	1/2 OF CLEANING SERVICES	01-67-7025 Contractual services	500.00
15039..2	12/12/2025	1/2 OF CLEANING SERVICES	15-67-7025 Contractual services	500.00

Invoice Number	Invoice Date	Description	GL Account and Title	Net Invoice Amount
Total Master Building Services:				1,000.00
MENARDS - HOMEWOOD				
13718	12/03/2025	EQUIPMENT @ PD	01-67-8064 Equipment	347.97
14168	12/09/2025	SUPPLIES PD	01-67-8014 Supplies-operating	20.15
14260	12/10/2025	SUPPLIES PD	01-67-8014 Supplies-operating	35.88
Total MENARDS - HOMEWOOD:				404.00
METROPOLITAN INDUSTRIES, INC.				
inv079019	12/05/2025	SCADA CLOUD SERVICES	02-74-7040 Telephone-water	160.00
Total METROPOLITAN INDUSTRIES, INC.:				160.00
MH OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH LLC				
1072	12/08/2025	DEPT ANNUALS	01-69-7025 Contracted services	6,080.00
Total MH OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH LLC:				6,080.00
MILNE SUPPLY COMPANY				
S100096437.0	10/15/2025	REC BATHROOM FAUCET	01-63-7001 Maint-building	22.14
S100097331.0	10/30/2025	SOUTH PUMP HOUSE	01-63-7001 Maint-building	43.39
s100097718.00	11/06/2025	REC TOILETS	01-63-7001 Maint-building	74.84
Total MILNE SUPPLY COMPANY:				140.37
MULCH MASTERS				
000250	06/14/2025	MULCH VH	01-63-7008 Maint-grounds	224.00
Total MULCH MASTERS:				224.00
MUNICIPAL COLLECTION SERVICES				
031531	12/09/2025	COLLECTIONS	01-67-7025 Contractual services	24.01
031532	12/09/2025	COLLECTIONS	01-67-7025 Contractual services	5.81
Total MUNICIPAL COLLECTION SERVICES:				29.82
REDMON'S TOWING				
546672	12/11/2025	SERVICE CALL CHANGING TIRE	15-67-7002 Vehicle Maintenance/Fuel	95.00
Total REDMON'S TOWING:				95.00
SCOTT R. WHEATON & ASSOC.				
202512021	12/05/2025	ATTENDANCE AT HEARING	01-54-7073 Legal fees - General	218.75
Total SCOTT R. WHEATON & ASSOC.:				218.75
SECRETARY OF STATE POLICE				
SOS 11/16/25-	12/11/2025	OT REIMBURSEMENT	15-67-7077 ISATT Sworn Law Enforce	9,924.25
Total SECRETARY OF STATE POLICE:				9,924.25
SHOREWOOD HOME AND AUTO, INC				
02-490779	10/21/2025	MOWER PARTS	01-63-7018 Maint-equipment	443.63

Invoice Number	Invoice Date	Description	GL Account and Title	Net Invoice Amount
Total SHOREWOOD HOME AND AUTO, INC:				443.63
STILLVILLE FIRE LLC				
1442	11/28/2025	UNIFORMS	01-69-8013 Uniforms	1,048.00
Total STILLVILLE FIRE LLC:				1,048.00
STU'S FLAGS				
2361	12/03/2025	EQUIPMENT INSTALL	01-67-7018 Maint-equipment	1,445.00
Total STU'S FLAGS:				1,445.00
THOMSON WEST				
85286669	12/11/2025	SOFTWARE SUBSCRIPTION	15-67-7025 Contractual services	1,310.70
Total THOMSON WEST:				1,310.70
US GAS				
490170	11/30/2025	CYLINDER RENTAL	01-69-7025 Contracted services	109.50
Total US GAS:				109.50
VILLAGE OF BEECHER				
SIPPLE 11/5/2	12/11/2025	SALARY REIMBURSEMENT	15-67-7075 ISATT Sworn Law Enforcem	8,279.96
SIPPLE 11/5/2	12/11/2025	OT REIMBURSEMENT	15-67-7077 ISATT Sworn Law Enforce	1,005.18
Total VILLAGE OF BEECHER:				9,285.14
VILLAGE OF CRESTWOOD POLICE DEPARTMENT				
MAJKA 10/18/2	12/11/2025	SALARY REIMBURSEMENT	15-67-7075 ISATT Sworn Law Enforcem	11,788.55
MAJKA 7/26/25	12/11/2025	SALARY REIMBURSEMENT	15-67-7075 ISATT Sworn Law Enforcem	16,632.13
MAJKA 9/6/25-	12/11/2025	SALARY REIMBURSEMENT	15-67-7075 ISATT Sworn Law Enforcem	18,881.15
MAJKA 9/6/25-	12/11/2025	OT REIMBURSEMENT	15-67-7077 ISATT Sworn Law Enforce	5,149.03
Total VILLAGE OF CRESTWOOD POLICE DEPARTMENT:				52,450.86
VILLAGE OF PARK FOREST				
HOSKINS 10/1	12/11/2025	SALARY REIMBURSEMENT	15-67-7075 ISATT Sworn Law Enforcem	24,079.03
HOSKINS 10/1	12/11/2025	OT REIMBURSEMENT	15-67-7077 ISATT Sworn Law Enforce	2,266.17
Total VILLAGE OF PARK FOREST:				26,345.20
VILLAGE OF SOUTH HOLLAND				
9/30/25-11/30/2	12/11/2025	WATER SEPT TO NOV SOUTH HOLLAND	02-74-7043 Water purchases	24,984.67
Total VILLAGE OF SOUTH HOLLAND:				24,984.67
VILLAGE OF STONE PARK				
VICARI 11/14/2	12/11/2025	SALARY REIMBURSEMENT	15-67-7075 ISATT Sworn Law Enforcem	8,377.70
VICARI 11/14/2	12/11/2025	OT REIMBURSEMENT	15-67-7077 ISATT Sworn Law Enforce	624.30
Total VILLAGE OF STONE PARK:				9,002.00
VILLAGE OF THORNTON SOSDC				
November 202	12/11/2025	ZEIGLER FORD	15-67-7002 Vehicle Maintenance/Fuel	37.43
November 202	12/11/2025	WINGATE	15-67-8003 Travel/Training	119.77

Invoice Number	Invoice Date	Description	GL Account and Title	Net Invoice Amount
November 202	12/11/2025	AMAZON	15-67-8064 Equipment Purchases	39.99
November 202	12/11/2025	ULTRA BRITE LIGHTZ	15-67-8003 Travel/Training	623.98
November 202	12/11/2025	WINGATE	15-67-8003 Travel/Training	119.77
November 202	12/11/2025	VERIZON ISATT	15-67-7025 Contractual services	1,643.80
November 202	12/11/2025	VERIZON CMATTI	15-68-8064 Equipment Purchases	72.02
November 202	12/11/2025	MENARDS	15-67-8064 Equipment Purchases	163.49
November 202	12/11/2025	WINGATE	15-67-8003 Travel/Training	119.77
November 202	12/11/2025	ZEIGLER CHEVROLET	15-67-7002 Vehicle Maintenance/Fuel	110.00
Total VILLAGE OF THORNTON SOSDC:				3,050.02
WENTWORTH TIRE				
30066979	12/11/2025	OIL, BRAKES, ETC,	15-67-7002 Vehicle Maintenance/Fuel	1,098.93
30067874	12/11/2025	TIRES WASHER PUMP	15-67-7002 Vehicle Maintenance/Fuel	509.48
30067898 ; 300	12/11/2025	INVOICE NO. 30067898	15-67-7002 Vehicle Maintenance/Fuel	1,004.93
30067898 ; 300	12/11/2025	INVOICE NO. 30067925 CREDIT ON ACCOUN	15-67-7002 Vehicle Maintenance/Fuel	90.00-
30067902	12/11/2025	TIRES AND OIL	15-67-7002 Vehicle Maintenance/Fuel	257.88
30067952 ; 300	12/08/2025	OIL CHANGE AND FILTER	01-67-7002 Maint-vehicles	109.40
30067952 ; 300	12/08/2025	CREDIT ON ACCOUNT	01-67-7002 Maint-vehicles	15.99-
30067962	12/11/2025	WIPER BLADES	15-67-7002 Vehicle Maintenance/Fuel	124.47
30068030	12/11/2025	OIL	15-67-7002 Vehicle Maintenance/Fuel	61.43
30068080	12/12/2025	CONTROL ARM ALIGNMENT	15-67-7002 Vehicle Maintenance/Fuel	690.70
Total WENTWORTH TIRE:				3,751.23
WEST SIDE TRACTOR SALES				
HO7898	12/03/2025	BACK-HOE	02-74-7018 Maint-equipment	588.18
Total WEST SIDE TRACTOR SALES:				588.18
WEX BANK				
109030963	12/11/2025	FUEL ISATT	15-67-7002 Vehicle Maintenance/Fuel	7,226.79
109034105	12/11/2025	FUEL PD	01-67-7031 Motor fuel	2,597.16
109063633	12/11/2025	FUEL PW	01-63-7031 Motor fuel	886.13
109067584	12/11/2025	FUEL FIRE	01-69-7031 Motor fuel	1,896.85
Total WEX BANK:				12,606.93
WORKING WELL				
00442906-00	09/30/2024	DRUG TESTING	01-50-8006 Miscellaneous	45.00
Total WORKING WELL:				45.00
Grand Totals:				363,683.31

Report Criteria:

Detail report.

Invoices with totals above \$0.00 included.

Only unpaid invoices included.

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Invoices with totals above \$0.00 included.
Only paid invoices included.

Invoice Number	Invoice Date	Description	GL Account and Title	Net Invoice Amount
VILLAGE OF THORNTON				
12022025	12/02/2025	5/3 TRANSFER	01-01-0002 CASH CLEARING	1,500,000.00
Total VILLAGE OF THORNTON:				1,500,000.00
Grand Totals:				1,500,000.00

THE VILLAGE OF THORNTON
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

RESOLUTION
NUMBER 2025-019R

**A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF THORNTON, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS,
ADOPTING A CREDIT CARD POLICY RELATED TO THE VILLAGE’S
PURCHASING AND PAYMENT PROCEDURES**

MAXINE REYNOLDS, Village President
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WHEREAS, the Village of Thornton, Cook County, Illinois (the “*Village*”) is a home rule municipality pursuant to Section 6(a), Article VII of the 1970 Constitution of the State of Illinois, and as such may exercise any power and perform any function pertaining to its government and affairs (the “*Home Rule Powers*”); and

WHEREAS, the Village desires to adopt a credit card policy related to the Village’s purchasing and payment procedures (the “*Policy*”), a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, as Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, the Village President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Thornton (the “*Corporate Authorities*”) deem it advisable and in the best interest of the health, safety and welfare of the residents of the Village to adopt the Policy pursuant to its Home Rule Powers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Village President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Thornton, Cook County, Illinois, by and through its Home Rule Powers as follows:

Section 1. That the above recitals and legislative findings are found to be true and correct and are hereby incorporated herein and made a part hereof, as if fully set forth in their entirety.

Section 2. The Policy, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof as Exhibit A, is hereby adopted by the Corporate Authorities of the Village.

Section 3. The Village President, Village Administrator, and Village Clerk are hereby authorized and directed to deliver the Policy and any and all documents necessary to implement the provisions, terms and conditions thereof, as therein described.

Section 4. The officials and officers of the Village are further hereby authorized to undertake actions on the part of the Village as contained in the Policy to complete satisfaction of the provisions, terms or conditions stated therein.

Section 5. If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this Resolution shall be held invalid, the invalidity thereof shall not affect any other provision of this Resolution.

Section 6. All ordinances, resolutions, motions or orders in conflict with this Resolution are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 7. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon its passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

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PASSED by the Village President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Thornton, Cook County, Illinois this 15th day of December 2025, pursuant to a roll call vote, as follows:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
CUNNINGHAM				
GLASER				
KAYE				
MIDDLEBROOKS				
PISARZEWSKI				
PRATSCHER				
VILLAGE PRESIDENT REYNOLDS				
TOTAL				

APPROVED by the Village President of the Village of Thornton, Cook County, Illinois on this 15th day of December 2025.

MAXINE REYNOLDS
VILLAGE PRESIDENT

ATTEST:

NIKKI KITAKIS
VILLAGE CLERK

Exhibit A

Policy

(see attached)

VILLAGE OF THORNTON CREDIT CARD USE POLICY

PURPOSE

This policy has been adopted to establish the procedures to facilitate and safeguard the credit card program for the Village of Thornton (the Village). This policy intends to accomplish the following:

- a. Establish relevant and appropriate internal controls over the credit card program, ensuring cards are only used for authorized purposes.
- b. Relieve the Village of legal liability from inappropriate use of Village credit cards.
- c. Provide a convenient, efficient, and cost-effective method of purchasing from vendors.
- d. Verify payments for purchases are made on a timely basis to minimize finance charges.

Only authorized Village personnel may use a credit card issued in the name of the Village.

Any Village employee found guilty of illegal or unauthorized use of a Village credit card (intentional or not) may be subject to the penalties allowed by law and/or disciplinary action, up to and including termination.

GENERAL INFORMATION

The Village credit card is a tool for designated Village personnel to use when making low-dollar purchases for official business needs.

CARDHOLDER RESPONSIBILITIES

- a. Ensure that the credit card is used in compliance with the Village's Credit Card Use Policy and Purchasing Policy. For such purposes, all Village personnel issued a credit card shall execute the Credit Card Holder Agreement attached to this policy.
- b. Village personnel issued a credit card must provide the Village Treasurer a photocopy of the front and back of the credit card, shall be responsible for its safekeeping, and must immediately notify the Village Treasurer if their issued card(s) is lost or stolen.
- c. A Village credit card can only be used for the purchase of goods and services only for official business purposes of the Village.
- d. Village credit card users must notify vendors that the credit card transaction is tax exempt from Illinois Sales and Use taxes if the card is being used for a purchase in the state of Illinois.
- e. The credit card is not allowed to be used for accessing cash, cash advances, personal use, or any other type of personal purchase.

- f. Credit card rewards may only be redeemed for use toward official Village expenses and require prior approval by the Village Administrator or the Village Treasurer.
- g. All purchases made with a Village credit card must be reported with receipts and appropriate documentation detailing the goods or services purchased, cost, date of purchase, and the business explanation for the purchase.
- h. All documentation referenced in paragraph f. shall be submitted to the Accounts Payable Department in a timely manner to reconcile against each monthly credit card statement.
- i. Each credit card may only be used by the personnel to whom it is officially issued, unless written or emailed consent is obtained from the cardholder prior to use by another Village employee.
- j. Any credit card in the possession of Village personnel must be immediately surrendered to the Village Treasurer upon termination of appointment or employment. The Village reserves the right to withhold final payroll checks and payout of accrued leave until any card(s) is surrendered.

RETURNS, CREDITS, OR DISPUTED ITEMS

- a. Any item purchased with a Village credit card must be returned for credit. Cardholders are not to accept a refund in cash. A receipt for the credit must be obtained like any other purchased documentation.
- b. The card user is responsible for following up with the merchant on any erroneous charges, disputed items or returns as soon as possible. Disputed billings can result from failure to receive the goods charged, defective merchandise, incorrect amounts, duplicate charges, or credits not processed.
- c. Any problems with items purchased with the card should first be resolved with the supplier who provided the item.

VILLAGE OF THORNTON CREDIT CARD USE POLICY

Cardholder Agreement

Credit cards issued in the name of the Village of Thornton are only to be used for the official business of the Village of Thornton. Each credit card may only be used by the personnel to whom it is officially issued, unless written or emailed consent is obtained from the cardholder prior to use by another Village employee. Each credit card is to be used in accordance with the provisions set forth in the Credit Card Use Policy. Violations of the policy will result in revocation of use privileges and will commence appropriate and relevant penalties and disciplinary action, up to and including termination.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I acknowledge receipt of the Village of Thornton's Credit Card Use Policy. I have read and so understand the policy in its entirety and agree to abide in all respects with the policy.

I further understand that my use of the credit card is subject to revocation if I fail to act in accordance with the policy.

I also understand that if I engage in fraudulent misuse of the policy I will be held fully responsible for repayment of these funds and may face employment termination, censure, and other legal actions.

Printed Name

Signature

Date

THE VILLAGE OF THORNTON
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

ORDINANCE
NUMBER 2025-021

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF THORNTON, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS,
AMENDING TITLE 5 (“*BUSINESS REGULATIONS*”) OF ITS MUNICIPAL CODE
RELATED TO RAFFLE REGULATIONS**

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WHEREAS, the Village of Thornton, Cook County, Illinois (the “*Village*”) is a home rule municipality pursuant to Section 6(a), Article VII of the 1970 Constitution of the State of Illinois, and as such may exercise any power and perform any function pertaining to its government and affairs (the “*Home Rule Powers*”); and

WHEREAS, the Village President and Board of Trustees of the Village (the “*Corporate Authorities*”) may from time to time amend the text of the Thornton Code when it is determined to be in the best interests of the residents of the Village; and

WHEREAS, the Illinois Raffles and Poker Runs Act, 230 ILCS 15/1 et seq., authorizes municipalities to establish a local licensing system governing the conduct of raffles within their jurisdictions, including rules concerning licensing, operation, recordkeeping, prize limits, and enforcement; and

WHEREAS, the Corporate Authorities find that adopting local rules for licensing, operation, and oversight of raffles is necessary to protect the public welfare and ensure compliance with State law; and

WHEREAS, the Corporate Authorities have determined that the following changes to its Village Code are in the best interest of the Village in order to protect the health, safety and welfare of its residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Village President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Thornton, Cook County, Illinois, by and through its Home Rule Powers as follows:

Section 1. That the above recitals and legislative findings are found to be true and correct

and are hereby incorporated herein and made a part hereof, as if fully set forth in their entirety.

Section 2. Title 5 (“*Business Regulations*”) of the Thornton Code is hereby amended by adding the underlined language to read, as follows:

Section 5-10: Raffles.

Section 5-10-1. – Definitions.

For the purpose of this Article, the following definitions shall be applicable:

“Act” shall refer to the Illinois Raffles and Poker Runs Act, 230 ILCS 15/1, et seq.

“Charitable organization” means a non-profit organization or institution organized and operated to benefit an indefinite number of the public. The service rendered to those eligible for benefits must also confer some benefit on the public.

“Net proceeds” mean the gross receipts from the conduct of raffles, less reasonable sums expended for prizes, local license fees and other reasonable operating expenses incurred as a result of operating a raffle.

“Nonprofit” means an organization or institution organized and conducted on a not-for-profit basis with no personal profit inuring to any one as a result of operations of the organization or institution.

“Queen of Hearts Raffle” is a Raffle where the winning ticket gets a chance to win a percentage of the net proceeds of the grand prize pool if they choose the winning card from an array of face down playing cards or other method where the identity of the card chosen cannot be determined by the person choosing the card. If the Queen of Hearts card is not selected, previously sold chances are invalidated, the net proceeds of the grand prize pool is carried over to the next round and new tickets are sold until the winning ticket reveals the Queen of Hearts.

“Raffle” means a form of lottery, as defined in Section 28-2(b) of the Criminal Code of 2012, conducted by an organization licensed under this Act, in which:

- (1) The player pays or agrees to pay something of value for a chance, represented and differentiated by a number or by a combination of numbers or by some other medium, one or more of which chances is to be designated the winning chance; and
- (2) The winning chance is to be determined through a drawing or by some other method based on an element of chance by an act or set of acts on the part of

persons conducting or connected with the lottery, except that the winning chance shall not be determined by the outcome of a publicly exhibited sporting contest.

“Raffle” does not include a savings promotion raffle authorized under Section 5g of the Illinois Banking Act, Section 7008 of the Savings Bank Act, Section 42.7 of the Illinois Credit Union Act, Section 5136B of the National Bank Act (12 U.S.C. 25a), or Section 4 of the Home Owners' Loan Act (12 U.S.C. 1463).

Section 5-10-2. – License Required.

It shall be unlawful to organize or operate any raffle in the Village of Thornton without first obtaining a license pursuant to this Article. The renewal of any license shall be solely at the discretion of the Village's Corporate Authorities. No applicant shall have any right or entitlement to receive a renewal of any license issued.

Section 5-10-3. – Authority to Issue License.

The Village of Thornton's Corporate Authorities shall have the authority to issue licenses for a raffle, subject to the limitations provided pursuant to this Article. Licenses may not be issued to allow the conduct of a raffle in any residence or structure containing dwelling units. The Village's Corporate Authorities may, in their discretion, reject any application for a license that is incomplete, does not comply with this Article or the Act, or fails to clearly describe the rules, procedures, or method for determining winning chances.

Section 5-10-4. – Raffle License Requirements.

The license shall permit a raffle in the Village of Thornton during a specified period not to exceed 52 weeks to take place at the location identified in the application (the "location") on dates and times to be determined in the application and publicly displayed at the location. A licensee may rent a location within the Village to conduct the raffle, but the rental amount shall not be based upon a percentage of receipts of profits from the raffle. Upon completion of a raffle authorized under the license provided herein, additional raffles may be conducted during the one-year license period. In the event a raffle cannot be concluded within the one-year period of the license, and the license is not renewed for a subsequent year, the raffle shall be concluded within the license period.

Section 5-10-5. – Raffle Tickets.

Raffle tickets shall be sold or issued from the licensed location on dates and times to be determined and publicly displayed at the location. The maximum price that may be charged for each raffle ticket issued or sold shall be \$500.00; the minimum price that may be charged for each raffle ticket issued or sold shall be \$1.00; and all such charges shall be paid in U.S. currency or by credit card. The maximum number of days during which raffle tickets may be issued or sold shall not exceed 365 days. Raffle tickets shall not be sold or issued to any person under the age of 18.

Section 5-10-6. – Raffle Prizes.

The retail value of all prizes awarded by a licensee in a single raffle shall not exceed \$1,000,000.00. The maximum retail value of each prize awarded by a licensee in a single raffle shall not exceed \$1,000,000.00. Raffle prizes may be awarded only at the location on dates and times to be determined and publicly displayed at the location.

Section 5-10-7. – Conduct of Raffles.

(A) The operation and conduct of a raffle are subject to the following restrictions:

- (1) The entire net proceeds of the raffle must be exclusively devoted to the lawful purposes of the charitable organization permitted to conduct that game.
- (2) The organization, operation and management of all raffles shall be under the supervision of a single manager designated by the charitable organization. Contact information for the manager shall be provided to the Village. The manager shall be responsible for the keeping of records required pursuant to this Article and the Illinois Raffles and Poker Runs Act, 230 ILCS 15/1 et seq. (the "Act"). No person who has been convicted of a felony, who is or has been a professional gambler or gambling promoter, or who is not of good moral character may be designated as the manager.
- (3) The manager designated by the charitable organization for the organization, operation, and management of the raffle must give a fidelity bond to the charitable organization in amount determined by the charitable organization that shall not be less than \$100,000.00. The bond must provide that The Village receive at least 30 days' notice of the cancellation of the fidelity bond. Upon request of the charitable organization, the fidelity bond may be waived by unanimous vote of The Village Board.
- (4) No person except a bona fide member, employee or officer of the charitable organization may participate in the management or operation or the raffle.
- (5) No person may receive any remuneration or profit for participating in the management or operation of the raffle.
- (6) Raffle tickets may only be sold from the Village of Thornton and may be sold to purchasers located outside the corporate limits of the Village. The winning tickets shall be determined only at the licensed location. The choosing of the playing card may occur only within the licensed location.
- (7) No person under the age of 18 years may participate in the Raffle. A person under the age of 18 years may be within the location during the raffle only when accompanied by his/her parent or guardian.

(B) The Village shall not in any manner be responsible for the conduct of the raffle, the sale of tickets for the raffle, the handling or storage of funds or equipment for the raffle, the payment of prizes or for any other action or inaction of the charitable organization and/or their agents, officers or members, which is in violation of either this Article or the Illinois Raffles and Poker Runs Act, 230 ILCS 15/1 et seq.

Section 5-10-8. – Records.

- (A) Each charitable organization licensed to conduct raffles shall keep records of its gross receipts, expenses and net proceeds for each single gathering or occasion at which winning chances in a raffle are determined. All deductions from gross receipts for each single gathering or occasion shall be documented with receipts or other records indicating the amount, a description of the purchased item or service or other reason for the deduction, and the recipient. The distribution of net proceeds shall be itemized as to payee, purpose, amount and date of payment.
- (B) Gross receipts from the operation of a raffle shall be segregated from other revenues of the charitable organization and placed in a separate account. Separate records shall be kept for each raffle. The person who accounts for gross receipts, expenses and net proceeds from the operation of a raffle shall not be the same person who accounts for other revenues of the charitable organization.
- (C) A charitable organization licensed to conduct a raffle shall make a report on forms prescribed by The Village promptly after the conclusion of an award of each prize and after the conclusion of each raffle to The Village President or Village Administrator of its gross receipts, its itemized expenses and net proceeds as of the date of the report, and an itemization of the distribution of all prizes and proceeds. A report shall be due and received by The Village no more than three (3) business days after the award of any prize. Except, the final report after the award of the grand prize shall be due within seven (7) business days.
- (D) All records required by this Article and/or the Illinois Raffles and Poker Runs Act for a Raffle shall be preserved for three (3) years after the date the raffle ends.

Section 5-10-9. – Application Requirements.

An applicant for a Queen of Hearts Raffle shall pay a nonrefundable fee to The Village in the amount of \$100.00. An applicant for any other raffle shall pay a nonrefundable fee to the Village in the sum of \$25.00.

License Fee Waiver. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Village President and Board of Trustees, acting as the Corporate Authorities of the Village, may waive the raffle license fee, in whole or in part, for charitable, nonprofit, or community organizations, upon express approval by the Village Board. Any such waiver shall be granted by motion or resolution of the Village Board and shall apply only to the specific raffle application approved.

An application to conduct a raffle shall include all of the following:

- (1) A sworn statement attesting to:
 - a. The not-for-profit character of the charitable organization applying for a Raffle License signed by the presiding officer and the secretary of that charitable organization; and
 - b. The truth of the entire application.
- (2) Proof and documentation that the applicant:
 - a. Has been in existence continuously for five (5) years before making the application;
 - b. Is a bona fide religious, charitable, labor, business, fraternal, educational, or veterans' organization; and
 - c. Has during the five-year period prior to making an application, a bona fide membership engaged in carrying out the objects of their charitable organization. If the charitable organization is seeking a waiver of the requirement that it must have been in existence continuously for a period of five (5) years before making application, proof and documentation shall be submitted establishing to the satisfaction of The Village's Corporate Authorities that the charitable organization is a local organization that is affiliated with and chartered by a national or state organization that meets the five-year requirement.
- (3) A complete copy of the Rules and Regulations by which the raffle will be conducted.
- (4) The percentage of the net proceeds of the grand prize pool of the raffle that will be paid to the grand prize winner.
- (5) The price charged for each ticket or chance for a raffle.
- (6) The identification and contact information for the single manager that will be designated by the applicant to operate and supervise the raffle. Proof of the amount of the fidelity bond to be required of the manager to the applicant, or in the alternative a request that The Village waive the requirement for a fidelity bond by a unanimous vote of The Village Board.
- (7) The identity and contact information for the person responsible for keeping the records and reports pursuant to Section 5-10-8 of this Article.
- (8) Specify the areas in The Village of Thornton from which raffle chances will be sold or issued; the time period in which raffle chances will be sold or issued; and the dates, times and location at which the winning chances will be determined at the location.

- (9) A sworn statement that the applicant will abide by all the requirements of this article for the conduct of a raffle as set forth in this Article and the Illinois Raffles and Poker Runs Act.
- (10) A plan to maintain the security and integrity of all equipment and funds received for the raffle.
- (11) A plan to provide security for the location at the cost of the applicant, which cost shall be a reasonable operating cost for the raffle.
- (12) The manner in which payouts will be made.
- (13) A certification from the applicant that each officer, director and employee of the applicant and the other individuals identified in Subparagraph (6) and (7) would not be ineligible for a license under this Article pursuant to Sections 15/3 or 15/3.1 of the Raffles and Poker Runs Act, 230 ILCS 15/1 et seq. because they:
 - a. Have been convicted of a felony that will impair their ability to engage in any activity under this Article;
 - b. Are or have been either a professional gambler or a gambling promoter;
or
 - c. Are not of good moral character.
- (14) Such proof and documents that may reasonably be requested by The Village's Corporate Authorities in order to determine the charitable organization's ability to comply with the terms of this Article and the Illinois Raffles and Poker Runs Act, 230 ILCS 15/1 et seq.

Section 5-10-10. – Conflicts Between This Article and the Act.

In the event of any conflict between the terms of this Article and the requirements of the Illinois Raffles and Poker Runs Act, the most restrictive terms shall govern and be applicable.

Section 5-10-11. – Revocation.

Any license issued under this Section shall be revoked and or not renewed for any of the following reasons:

- (1) Any untrue statement made in the application. A statement that was true when made, but later becomes untrue shall be an untrue statement allowing revocation.
- (2) The failure to comply with the applicable requirements of either this Article or the Illinois Raffles and Poker Runs Act.

- (3) The failure to properly and timely account for all the revenue, expenses and prize awards for the raffle.
- (4) The failure to provide adequate security for the equipment and funds for the raffle, as well as the failure to provide adequate security for the conduct of the raffle.
- (5) The failure to use the net proceeds of any raffle for the purposes of the charitable organization.

A license under this Article can only be revoked by a decision of The Village President made after a hearing. The hearing shall be based on written charges served upon the licensee by hand delivery or overnight mail at least ten (10) days before the date and time of the hearing. The Village shall present witnesses and any documentary evidence supporting the charge. The licensee shall have the ability to cross-examine all witnesses and may present its own witnesses and documents. The licensee may be represented by an attorney at its cost. The rules of evidence shall not be strictly applicable to the hearing. The Village President's decision on any revocation hearing shall be final.

If The Village President determines that a license issued under this Article shall be revoked, any raffle that has not been concluded shall be concluded at the next scheduled gathering for the raffle. At this gathering, winning tickets shall continue to be chosen until the Queen of Hearts is revealed, thereby concluding the raffle.

Section 5-10-12. – Penalty.

In addition to the penalty provided by The Village Code, The Village attorney may institute an action to prevent unlawful raffles or to restrain, enjoin, correct or abate a violation of this Article. The Village, at its discretion, may enforce the terms of this Article through its Administrative Adjudication System or otherwise by an action filed in the Circuit Court of Cook County.

Section 5. If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be held invalid, the invalidity thereof shall not affect any other provision of this Ordinance.

Section 6. All ordinances, resolutions, motions or orders in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 7. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

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ADOPTED by the Village President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Thornton,
Cook County, Illinois this 15th day of December 2025, pursuant to a roll call vote, as follows:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
CUNNINGHAM				
GLASER				
KAYE				
MIDDLEBROOKS				
PISARZEWSKI				
PRATSCHER				
VILLAGE PRESIDENT REYNOLDS				
TOTAL				

APPROVED by the Village President of the Village of Thornton, Cook County, Illinois
on this 15th day of December 2025.

MAXINE REYNOLDS
VILLAGE PRESIDENT

ATTEST:

NIKKI KITAKIS
VILLAGE CLERK

Raffle License Application

Date: 12-3-25

1. Organization name: Thornton Professional Firefighters 45512
2. Organization address: ~~Thornton~~ P.O. Box 173
Thornton, IL 60476
3. Mailing address if different from above: _____
4. Check type of not-for-profit organization (must be in existence for a period of five years and attached documentary evidence):
 - ☐ Religious
 - ☐ Charitable
 - ☒ Labor
 - ☐ Fraternal
 - ☐ Educational
 - ☐ Veterans
 - ☐ Business
5. How long has the organization been in existence: 2 yrs 6 months
6. Place and date of incorporation: TFD 2024
7. Number of members in good standing: 9
8. President/chairperson: Maureen Schweitzer
 Address: P.O. Box 173 115 E Margaret St. Thornton, IL
 Phone: 708-877-4459 Email: TPFF5512@yahoo.com
9. Raffle Manager: George Hale
 Address: P.O. Box 173 115 E Margaret St Thornton, IL
 Phone: [REDACTED] Email: [REDACTED]
10. Designated member(s) responsible for conduct and operation of raffle (attached additional sheets if necessary):
 Name: George Hale

Address: P.O. Box 173Phone: [REDACTED]Name: ~~George~~

Address: _____

Phone: _____

11. License delivery option (check all that apply): ☐ By regular U.S. mail to the organization mailing address ☐ By electronic mail, please provide email address: TPFF5512@yahoo.com

12. Date(s) for raffle ticket sales (include days of the week):
12-1-25 thurs 2-8-25

13. Location of ticket sales: 115 E Margaret St

14. Name and address of location for determining winners:
TFD 115 E Margaret St.

15. Date(s) for determining winners (include days of the week):
2-8-25

16. Total retail value of all prizes (maximum prize amount \$1,000,000.00): \$ \$7,000

17. Maximum retail value of each prize: \$ \$7,000

18. Maximum price charged of each ticket (chance) sold: \$ 100

19. Is this a Queen of Hearts raffle? ☒ No ☐ Yes

20. 5-10-7 \$ 132.38 Fidelity Bond Required:

The manager designated by the charitable organization for the organization, operation, and management of the raffle must give a fidelity bond to the charitable organization in amount determined by the charitable organization that shall not be less than \$1,000,000.00. The bond must provide that The Village receive at least 30 days' notice of the cancellation of the fidelity bond. Upon request of the charitable organization, the fidelity bond may be waived by unanimous vote of The Village Board.

21. Please state whether you request:

☒ Waiver of License Fee

☐ Waiver of Fidelity Bond

"The undersigned attest that the above-named organization is an organized not-for-profit under the law of the State of Illinois and has been continuously in existence for five (5) years,

preceding date of this application, and that during this entire five (5) year period preceding date of application, it has maintained a bona fide membership actively engaged in carrying out its objectives. The undersigned do hereby state under penalties of perjury that all statements in the foregoing application are true and correct; that the officers, operators and workers of the game are bona fide members of the sponsoring organization and are all of good moral character and have not been convicted of a felony; that if a license is granted hereunder, the undersigned will be responsible for the conduct of the games in accordance with the provisions of the laws of the State of Illinois and this jurisdiction governing the conduct of such games."

Name of Organization: Thornton Professional Firefighters L5512
Executive Director: Maureen Schweitzer

TO BE COMPLETED BY VILLAGE STAFF

Date Received: 12/8/25 Date Approved: _____
Date Expires: _____ Date Denied: _____
Fee: _____
Approval: _____
Village Clerk: _____

APPROVED APPLICATION SERVES AS LICENSE

THE VILLAGE OF THORNTON
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

ORDINANCE
NUMBER 2025-022

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF THORNTON, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS,
GRANTING A SPECIAL USE FOR VEHICLE STORAGE IN THE INDUSTRIAL
DISTRICT
(17147 Westview Avenue)**

MAXINE REYNOLDS, Village President
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(17147 Westview Avenue)**

WHEREAS, the Village of Thornton, Cook County, Illinois (the “*Village*”) is a home rule municipality pursuant to Section 6(a), Article VII of the 1970 Constitution of the State of Illinois, and as such may exercise any power and perform any function pertaining to its government and affairs (the “*Home Rule Powers*”); and

WHEREAS, the Village President and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Thornton (the “*Corporate Authorities*”) have exercised the power conferred on them pursuant to the Village’s Home Rule Powers by adopting Chapter 11 of the Thornton Municipal Code, entitled the Thornton Zoning Ordinance (the “*Zoning Code*”); and

WHEREAS, Chapter 11-9 of the Zoning Code governs Special Uses, and pursuant to Section 11-9-2, the Village Board of Trustees is authorized, following review by the Village of Thornton Zoning Board of Appeals and Planning Commission (the “*PZBA*”) to approve special uses subject to conditions; and

WHEREAS, Tareq Ghaboun (the “*Applicant*”) seeks approval of a Special Use for the storage of vehicles on property commonly known as 17147 Westview Avenue, Thornton, Illinois, as legally described on Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated herein (the “*Property*”); and

WHEREAS, Section 11-6-2 of the Zoning Code sets forth permitted uses within the Industrial District and includes a provision allowing other manufacturing, processing, storage, or commercial uses determined after application and hearing to be of the same general character as

permitted industrial uses and not obnoxious, unhealthful, or offensive, nor inconsistent with the Village's comprehensive planning goals; and

WHEREAS, the proposed use of the Property for vehicle storage is not specifically listed as a permitted use under Section 11-6-2 of the Zoning Code and therefore requires Special Use approval; and

WHEREAS, the PZBA conducted a duly noticed public hearing on December 10, 2025, at which time all interested persons were given an opportunity to be heard; and

WHEREAS, at the conclusion of the Public Hearing, the PZBA voted to recommend approval of the Special Use subject to certain conditions hereinafter specified, and the PZBA then forwarded its findings of fact and recommendation to the Corporate Authorities; and

WHEREAS, the Corporate Authorities have duly considered the PZBA's recommendation and findings of fact along with the application itself and all other relevant materials and have determined that approval of the Special Use is consistent with the Zoning Code; and

WHEREAS, the Corporate Authorities deem it advisable and in the best interest of the health, safety, and welfare of the residents of the Village to grant the Special Use subject to the conditions identified herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Village President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Thornton, Cook County, Illinois, by and through its Home Rule Powers as follows:

Section 1. That the above recitals and legislative findings are found to be true and correct and are hereby incorporated herein and made a part hereof, as if fully set forth in their entirety.

Section 2. The Corporate Authorities hereby adopt the findings of fact of the PZBA dated December 10, 2025, as the findings of the Village President and Board of Trustees. All

documents, plans, and exhibits submitted as part of the public hearing record are incorporated herein by reference.

Section 3. In addition to the findings set forth in Section 2 above, the Corporate Authorities further find that the proposed Special Use:

- A. Is consistent with all applicable provisions of the Village's Comprehensive Plan, as contained in Title 12 of the Thornton Municipal Code;
- B. Is necessary and desirable at the particular location requested to provide a service or facility which is in the interest of public convenience and will contribute to the general welfare of the neighborhood and community;
- C. Will not, under the circumstances of the particular case, be detrimental to the health, safety, morals, or general welfare of persons residing or working in the vicinity, nor injurious to property values or improvements in the area;
- D. Will be adequately served by existing public facilities, including roads, drainage, potable water, sanitary sewer, and police and fire protection;
- E. Provides for adequate maintenance of the use and associated structures;
- F. Has minimized, to the degree possible, adverse effects on the natural environment;
- G. Will contain provisions for safe and effective traffic control; and
- H. Is of the same general character as other uses permitted in the Industrial District and is not obnoxious, unhealthful, or offensive by reason of noise, vibration, smoke, dust, odors, toxic or noxious matter, glare, or heat, and is not inconsistent with the General Development Land Use and Industrial Development goals of the Village.

Section 4. Subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, a Special Use for vehicle storage is hereby granted for the Property pursuant to Chapter 11-9 and Section 11-6-2 of the Village of Thornton Municipal Code.

Section 5. The Special Use granted herein is expressly subject to the following conditions:

- A. Slats shall be installed in the chain-link gate and fencing.
- B. Access to the overhead door and rear service door shall be clearly marked and striped to ensure fire department access to the rear of the building is not restricted.
- C. The gate shall be secured at all times when the lot is not supervised by a member of the towing company.
- D. No damaged electric vehicles shall be stored on the Property. Storage of a damaged electric vehicle shall result in immediate termination of the Special Use.
- E. Two (2) 20-pound ABC-type fire extinguishers shall be maintained on site at all times, one located by the service door and one located by the gate, each stored in an exterior storage box designed for that size and type of extinguisher.
- F. A key for the gate lock shall be furnished to the Fire Department for placement in the Knox Box located on the front of the building.
- G. A fluid spill kit shall be maintained on site to control spills and contain leaks.
- H. The owner shall be responsible for all site cleanup during operations and, if the business relocates, for all site cleanup at the time of relocation.

Section 6. Pursuant to Section 11-9-4(D) of the Village of Thornton Zoning Code, the Special Use granted herein shall automatically become null and void unless construction is completed within one (1) year of Village Board approval, absent an extension granted by the Village President and Board of Trustees.

Section 7. The Applicant shall at all times comply with the terms and conditions of this Ordinance. Failure to comply shall constitute grounds for revocation of the Special Use in accordance with applicable law.

Section 8. Nothing in this Ordinance shall be construed to alter the zoning classification of the Property or to permit any use not otherwise allowed except as expressly approved herein.

Section 9. If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be held

invalid, the invalidity thereof shall not affect any other provision of this Ordinance.

Section 10. All ordinances, resolutions, motions or orders in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 11. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

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ADOPTED by the Village President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Thornton,
Cook County, Illinois this 15th day of December 2025, pursuant to a roll call vote, as follows:

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CUNNINGHAM				
GLASER				
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MIDDLEBROOKS				
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PRATSCHER				
VILLAGE PRESIDENT REYNOLDS				
TOTAL				

APPROVED by the Village President of the Village of Thornton, Cook County, Illinois
on this 15th day of December 2025.

MAXINE REYNOLDS
VILLAGE PRESIDENT

ATTEST:

NIKKI KITAKIS
VILLAGE CLERK

Exhibit A*Legal Description*

LOT 2 IN OLIVERI SUBDIVISION, BEING A RESUBDIVISION OF LOT 14 AND THE VACATED EAST 33 FEET OF WESTVIEW AVENUE LYING WEST OF AND ADJOINING, IN PERCY WILSON'S 3RD ADDITION TO WASHINGTON PARK, BEING A SUBDIVISION OF THE WEST 1/2 OF THE EAST 30 RODS OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 28, TOWNSHIP 36 NORTH, RANGE 14 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED JANUARY 26, 1994, AS DOCUMENT NO. 94084566, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

PIN(s): 29-28-102-020-0000

Commonly known as: 17147 Westview Avenue, Thornton, Illinois 60476

NOTICE OF DECISION

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) SS
COUNTY OF COOK)

***BEFORE THE VILLAGE OF THORNTON
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS PLANNING COMMISSION***

IN THE MATTER OF A REQUEST FOR)
SPECIAL USE AT 17147 WESTVIEW,)
TAREQ GHABOUN) 2025-1
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)

FINDINGS AND DECISION

On the 10th day of December, 2025, applicant Tareq Ghaboun appeared before the Village of Thornton Zoning Board of Appeals Planning Commission (hereinafter referred to as Board). The Board, as a result of its hearing on the application, finds and determines as follows:

1. The Village of Thornton Municipal Zoning Code 11-6-2 Industrial District Use Restrictions lists specific allowed uses and contains the following catch all provision. Other manufacturing, processing, storage or commercial uses determined by the Planning and Development Commission after application and hearing to be of the same general character as the uses permitted above, and found not to be obnoxious, unhealthful, or offensive by reason of the potential emission or transmission of noise, vibration, smoke, dust, odors, toxic or noxious matter, glare or heat, and not inconsistent with the General Development Land use and Industrial Development goals of the comprehensive plan of the Village.

2. Applicant proposes storage of vehicles. The property will be used for storing vehicles at 17147 Westview.
3. Applicants' proposed use is not specifically allowed per 11-6-2 of Thornton Code.
4. The Zoning Board of Appeals held a hearing on December 10, 2025, to determine whether applicant's proposed use fits into the catch all provision of 11-6-2.
5. The Board has heard evidence and hereby finds that:
 - a. The proposed uses of the same general character as other specific uses permitted in the Industrial Zone pursuant to 11-6-2.
 - b. That the proposed use is not obnoxious, unhealthful or offensive by reason of the potential emission or transmission of noise, vibration, smoke, dust, odors, toxic or noxious matter, glare or heat.
 - c. That the proposed use is not inconsistent with the General Development Land use and Industrial Development goals of the comprehensive plan of the Village.
6. Notice of the hearing was properly served to all persons entitled to notice under the Thornton Zoning Code and notice was properly published.
7. The Board has jurisdiction of the subject matter.

IT IS HEREBY DECIDED THAT THE BOARD RECOMMEND THE APPROVAL OF APPLICANT'S PROPOSED USE OF STORAGE AT 17147 WESTVIEW, UNDER THE FOLLOWING STIPULATIONS AND CONDITIONS:

Stipulation of Conditions and Restrictions:

1. Gate to have slats placed in the chain link fence.

2. Access to the overhead door and rear service door to be clearly marled and striped so access by the fire department to the rear of the building will not be restricted.
3. Gate to be secured at all times when the lot is not supervised by a member of the towing company.
4. No storage of damaged electric vehicles at this location. If a damaged electric vehicle is stored on site, it will result in the end of the special use request immediately.
5. 2-20lb ABC type extinguishers to be on site at all times, 1 located on the building by the service door and 1 located by the gate. Both to be stored in an exterior storage box designed for that size and type of extinguisher.
6. Key for the gate lock to be furnished to the fire department for the Knox Box which is located on the front of the building.
7. A fluid spill kit to be on site to control spills and keep puddles from leaks contained.
8. Owner will be responsible for any site clean-up during operations conducted and also if the company decides to relocate they will be responsible for any site clean-up at that time also.

TO THE APPLICANT:
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT YOU MAY HAVE TO APPEAR
BEFORE THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES. THE PLANNING AND
DEVELOPMENT BOARDS DECISION IS ONLY A RECOMMENDATION, NOT A
RULING. THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES MAY OPT OR OBJECT
THE APPLICATION.

Dated at Thornton, Illinois this 11th day of December, 2025.

Andrew Howell, Chairman

ATTEST:

Nikki Kitakis, Village Clerk
Village of Thornton

THE VILLAGE OF THORNTON
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

ORDINANCE
NUMBER 2025-023

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF THORNTON, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS,
GRANTING A SIDE YARD VARIANCE TO PERMIT A GARAGE ADDITION WITH A
REDUCED SIDE YARD SETBACK
(115 South Kinzie Street)**

MAXINE REYNOLDS, Village President
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WHEREAS, the Village President and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Thornton (the “*Corporate Authorities*”) have exercised the power conferred on them pursuant to the Village’s Home Rule Powers by adopting Chapter 11 of the Thornton Municipal Code, entitled the Thornton Zoning Ordinance (the “*Zoning Code*”); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 11-10-5(A) of the Village of Thornton Zoning Code, the Zoning Board of Appeals and Planning Commission (the “*PZBA*”) is authorized to hear and make recommendations on requests for variations, with final approval of any such variation expressly reserved to the Village President and Board of Trustees; and

WHEREAS, Greg and Marilyn Zenere (the “*Applicant*”) are the owners of the property commonly known as 115 S. Kinzie Street, Thornton, Illinois, as legally described on Exhibit A, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof (the “*Property*”); and

WHEREAS, Section 11-4-6(B) of the Zoning Code requires that on each lot upon which a dwelling is constructed, there shall be a side yard on each side equal to not less than ten percent (10%) of the width of the lot; and

WHEREAS, Section 11-2-5(B) of the Zoning Code further regulates the location of accessory buildings relative to lot lines and the main building; and

WHEREAS, the Applicant submitted an application requesting a variance from the side yard setback requirements of Sections 11-4-6(B) and 11-2-5(B) of the Zoning Code to permit construction of an addition to an existing attached garage with a side yard setback of approximately three (3) feet from the south property line (the "*Variance*"); and

WHEREAS, the PZBA conducted a duly noticed public hearing on December 10, 2025, at which time all interested persons were given an opportunity to be heard; and

WHEREAS, at the conclusion of the Public Hearing, the PZBA voted to recommend approval of the Variance subject to certain conditions hereinafter specified, and the PZBA then forwarded its findings of fact and recommendation to the Corporate Authorities; and

WHEREAS, the Corporate Authorities have duly considered the PZBA's recommendation and findings of fact along with the application itself and all other relevant materials and have determined that approval of the Variance is consistent with the Zoning Code; and

WHEREAS, the Corporate Authorities deem it advisable and in the best interest of the health, safety, and welfare of the residents of the Village to grant the Variance subject to the conditions identified herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Village President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Thornton, Cook County, Illinois, by and through its Home Rule Powers as follows:

Section 1. That the above recitals and legislative findings are found to be true and correct and are hereby incorporated herein and made a part hereof, as if fully set forth in their entirety.

Section 2. The Corporate Authorities hereby adopt the findings of fact of the PZBA dated December 10, 2025, as the findings of the Village President and Board of Trustees. All

documents, plans, and exhibits submitted as part of the public hearing record are incorporated herein by reference.

Section 3. In addition to the findings set forth in Section 2 above, the Corporate Authorities further find, with regard to the Variance, as follows:

- A. Strict application of Sections 11-4-6(B) and 11-2-5(B) of the Zoning Code would result in a practical difficulty due to the existing configuration of the lot and structures on the Property.
- B. The conditions upon which the application is based are unique to the Property and are not generally applicable to other properties in the same zoning district.
- C. The difficulty was not created by the Applicant.
- D. The requested Variance, allowing a side yard setback of approximately three (3) feet, is the minimum relief necessary to allow reasonable use of the Property.
- E. The requested Variance will not impair an adequate supply of light and air to adjacent properties, unreasonably increase congestion in public streets, increase the danger of fire, endanger public safety, unreasonably diminish or impair established property values within the surrounding area, or otherwise impair the public health, safety, comfort, morals, or welfare of the inhabitants of the Village, as required by Section 11-10-5(A)(1) of the Zoning Code.
- F. The proposed garage addition is not obnoxious, is aesthetically compatible with the surrounding neighborhood, and will not alter the essential character of the area.
- G. The proposed improvement is consistent with the Village's zoning and subdivision regulations and comprehensive planning objectives.

Section 4. Subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, a variance from the side yard setback requirements of Sections 11-4-6(B) and 11-2-5(B) of the Zoning Code is hereby granted to permit a garage addition with a reduced side yard setback of approximately three (3) feet on the Property.

Section 5. The Variance granted herein is expressly subject to the following conditions:

- A. The south wall of the new garage shall be constructed with a minimum one-hour fire-resistance rating.
- B. One hundred ten (110) volt hardwired smoke and fire detection shall be installed in the new garage, and the dwelling shall be updated to a compliant hardwired system or equivalent. Heat detectors may be utilized within the garage.
- C. Fire-rated wall assemblies shall be provided between the existing garage and the new garage addition.
- D. A complete and detailed set of construction plans shall be submitted to the Village for review and approval prior to issuance of any building permit.
- E. All applicable building codes, fire codes, and ordinances of the Village of Thornton shall be complied with, except as expressly varied herein with respect to side yard setback requirements set forth in the Zoning Code.
- F. All penetrations through the connecting wall between the existing garage and the new garage addition shall be properly fire-stopped.
- G. Pursuant to Section 11-10-5(E) of the Village of Thornton Zoning Code, the Variance granted herein shall automatically become null and void unless construction is completed within one (1) year of Board approval, absent an extension granted by the Village President and Board of Trustees.

Section 6. The Applicant shall at all times comply with the terms and conditions of this Ordinance. Failure to comply shall constitute grounds for revocation of the Variance in accordance with applicable law.

Section 7. Nothing in this Ordinance shall be construed to alter the zoning classification of the Property or to permit any use not otherwise allowed in the applicable zoning district.

Section 8. If any section, paragraph, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be held invalid, the invalidity thereof shall not affect any other provision of this Ordinance.

Section 9. All ordinances, resolutions, motions or orders in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 10. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

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ADOPTED by the Village President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Thornton,
Cook County, Illinois this 15th day of December 2025, pursuant to a roll call vote, as follows:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
CUNNINGHAM				
GLASER				
KAYE				
MIDDLEBROOKS				
PISARZEWSKI				
PRATSCHER				
VILLAGE PRESIDENT REYNOLDS				
TOTAL				

APPROVED by the Village President of the Village of Thornton, Cook County, Illinois
on this 15th day of December 2025.

MAXINE REYNOLDS
VILLAGE PRESIDENT

ATTEST:

NIKKI KITAKIS
VILLAGE CLERK

Exhibit A

Legal Description

PARCEL 1:

LOTS 5, 6 AND THE NORTH 37.00 FEET OF LOT 7 IN BLOCK 21 IN THORNTON, IN SECTION 34, TOWNSHIP 36 NORTH, RANGE 14 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

PARCEL 2: THAT PART OF THE MILL RESERVE ADJACENT TO SAID BLOCK 21 IN THORNTON, BEING DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 5 IN SAID BLOCK 21; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 59 MINUTES 48 SECONDS EAST 30.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 00 MINUTES 00 SECONDS EAST 157.08 FEET TO THE SOUTH LINE OF THE NORTH 37.00 FEET OF SAID LOT 7 EXTENDED EAST; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 59 MINUTES 48 SECONDS WEST 108.38 FEET ALONG SAID SOUTH LINE EXTENDED EAST TO THE EAST LINE OF SAID BLOCK 21; THENCE NORTH 26 MINUTES 31 MINUTES 05 SECONDS EAST 175.55 FEET ALONG SAID EAST LINE TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, ALL IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

PIN(s): 29-34-127-005-0000

Commonly known as: 115 Kenzie Street, Thornton, Illinois 60476

NOTICE OF DECISION

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
) SS
COUNTY OF COOK)

**BEFORE THE VILLAGE OF THORNTON
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS PLANNING COMMISSION**

IN THE MATTER OF A REQUEST FOR A)
SIDE YARD VARIANCE AT 115 S.)
KNIZIE STREET,) 2025-1
GREG & MARILYN ZENERE)
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FINDINGS AND DECISION

On the 10th day of December, 2025, applicant Greg Zenere appeared before the Village of Thornton Zoning Board of Appeals Planning Commission (hereinafter referred to as Board). The Board, as a result of its hearing on the application, finds and determines as follows:

1. The Village of Thornton Municipal Zoning Code 11-4-6 B, Yard Areas, Side Yard, lists “on each lot upon which a dwelling is constructed, there shall be a side yard on each side equal to not less than 10% of the width of the lot”. Additionally, Code 11-2-5 B, Accessory Buildings, lists “an accessory building may not be located nearer to any exterior lot line than that permitted for the main building, when any part of the accessory building is on line with the main building if extended, except, when an accessory building is located in the rear yard, it may then be located within three feet of the interior lot line, but not nearer than five feet to any alley abutting the rear or side lot line”.

2. Applicant proposes the addition of another garage attached to the existing garage.
The garage will be used for vehicle storage and office space.
3. Applicants' proposed use is not specifically allowed per 11-4-6 and 11-2-5 of Thornton Code.
4. The Zoning Board of Appeals held a hearing on December 10, 2025, to determine whether applicant's proposed structure meets the current code.
5. The Board has heard evidence and hereby finds that:
 - a. The proposed structure will not meet the side lot requirements of 10% space, but will be 3 feet from the property line.
 - b. That the proposed structure is not obnoxious and is aesthetically pleasing to the neighborhood.
 - c. That the proposed structure is not inconsistent with the zoning and subdivision regulations of the comprehensive plan of the Village.
6. Notice of the hearing was properly served to all persons entitled to notice under the Thornton Zoning Code and notice was properly published.
7. The Board has jurisdiction of the subject matter.

IT IS HEREBY DECIDED THAT THE BOARD RECOMMEND THE APPROVAL OF APPLICANT'S PROPOSED USE OF A GARAGE ADDITION TO THE EXISTING GARAGE AT 115 S. KINZIE STREET, UNDER THE FOLLOWING STIPULATIONS AND CONDITIONS:

Stipulation of Conditions and Restrictions:

1. One hour fire rating for the south wall of the new garage.

- 2. 110 volt hardwire smoke and fire detection in the new garage, as well as the house, would need to be updated with a hardwire 110 volt system or its equivalent. Heat detectors may be used in the garage.
- 3. Fire rated walls between the existing garage and the new garage.
- 4. A complete set of plans will be required for review prior to permit being approved.
- 5. All building and fire codes along with the code of ordinances to be met with the exception of the side yard setbacks and residential fire sprinkler system.
- 6. All penetrations through the connecting wall of the garages to be fire stopped.

TO THE APPLICANT:
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT YOU MAY HAVE TO APPEAR BEFORE THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES. THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT BOARDS DECISION IS ONLY A RECOMMENDATION, NOT A RULING. THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES MAY OPT OR OBJECT THE APPLICATION.

Dated at Thornton, Illinois this 11th day of December, 2025.

Andrew Howell, Chairman

ATTEST:

Nikki Kitakis, Village Clerk
Village of Thornton