



VILLAGE OF THORNTON

Public Hearing

June 29, 2026 at 6:00 PM

115 E. Margaret Street

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Attorney Touhy
 - A. [Presentation of Annual Appropriation Ordinance](#)
- III. Board Discussion
- IV. Public Comment
- V. Adjournment

VILLAGE OF THORNTON
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

ORDINANCE
NUMBER 2026-021

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE VILLAGE OF THORNTON, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE VILLAGE OF THORNTON, COOK
COUNTY, ILLINOIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING MAY 1, 2026 AND
ENDING
APRIL 30, 2027**

**MAXINE REYNOLDS, Village President
NIKKI KITAKIS, Village Clerk**

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VILLAGE OF THORNTON – 115 E. MARGARET STREET – THORNTON, ILLINOIS 60476

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 2026-2027

AN ORDINANCE MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE VILLAGE OF THORNTON, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS FOR
THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING MAY 1, 2026 AND ENDING APRIL 30, 2027.

BE IT ORDAINED by the President and the Board of Trustees of the Village of Thornton, Cook County, Illinois:

SECTION I:

That the following sums, or so much therefore as may be authorized by law, be and the same are hereby appropriated to pay all necessary expenses and liabilities of the Village of Thornton, Cook County, Illinois, for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2026 and ending on April 30, 2027. Such appropriations are hereby made for the following objects and purposes:

ARTICLE I - GENERAL CORPORATE PURPOSES

		<u>Appropriation</u>
A. General Administration:		
Salaries - Village Administrator	\$	116,914
Salaries - Part-time	\$	12,500
Salaries - Liquor Comm.	\$	600
Salaries - Elected Officials	\$	33,600
FICA/Medicare Tax	\$	15,019
Illinois Department of Employment Security	\$	-
Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund	\$	10,031
Employee Health Insurance	\$	20,239
Vehicle Maintenance	\$	600
Motor Fuel	\$	-
Telephone	\$	6,120
Engineering/Architect	\$	36,000
Memberships	\$	21,594
Training/Conferences	\$	5,160
Miscellaneous	\$	3,600
Computer Support/IT	\$	247,429
Supplies - Office	\$	360
Special Events	\$	23,400
Hospitality	\$	1,800
Equipment Purchases	\$	1,440
Legal Settlement	\$	12,000
Total General Administration	\$	568,406
B. Village Clerk/Collector's Office:		
Salaries - Village Clerk	\$	3,600
Salaries - Collector	\$	24,955
Salaries - Deputy Clerk	\$	38,436
Salaries - Part-Time	\$	12,500
FICA/Medicare Tax	\$	7,297
Illinois Department of Employment Security	\$	-
Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund	\$	5,438
Employee Health Insurance	\$	19,856
Maintenance - Equipment	\$	-
Contracted Services	\$	1,596
Telephone Stipend (2 each)	\$	240
Ordinance Updates	\$	3,000
Resident Communications/Newsletter	\$	3,600
Memberships	\$	1,054
Training/Conferences	\$	540
Miscellaneous	\$	4,200
Special Events	\$	1,560
Computer Support	\$	-
Supplies - Office	\$	5,734

	Pet/Vehicle Stickers	\$	240
	Uniforms	\$	600
	Equipment Purchases	\$	360
	Total Village Clerk/Collector's Office	\$	134,806
C.	Finance:		
	Salaries - Village Treasurer	\$	82,122
	FICA/Medicare Tax	\$	7,538
	Illinois Department of Employment Security	\$	-
	Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund	\$	7,046
	Employee Health Insurance	\$	39,379
	Contract Services	\$	600
	Memberships	\$	360
	Training	\$	600
	Miscellaneous	\$	600
	Computer Support/IT	\$	600
	Total Finance	\$	138,845
D.	Public Works:		
	Salaries - Superintendent (50% allocation)	\$	49,753
	Salaries - Full-Time	\$	137,298
	Salaries - Part-Time	\$	-
	Salaries - Overtime	\$	22,800
	FICA/Medicare Tax	\$	18,916
	Illinois Department of Employment Security	\$	-
	Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund	\$	17,680
	Employee Health Insurance	\$	43,535
	Maintenance - Village Buildings	\$	30,000
	Maintenance - Vehicles	\$	7,200
	Maintenance - Village Grounds	\$	42,000
	Maintenance - Tree Removal	\$	-
	Maintenance - Equipment	\$	7,800
	Contractual Services	\$	24,180
	Motor Fuel	\$	18,000
	Electricity - HST S-Bldgs	\$	4,800
	Heat	\$	33,600
	Street Light Electricity	\$	48,000
	Training/Conferences	\$	120
	Computer Support/IT	\$	3,600
	Supplies - Office	\$	-
	Uniforms	\$	2,400
	Supplies - Operating	\$	18,000
	Capital Improvements	\$	-
	Equipment Purchases	\$	7,800
	Transfer to Other Funds (Energy Loan/Debt Service 16%)	\$	13,138
	Total Public Works	\$	550,620
E.	Legal:		
	Notices & Publications	\$	1,200
	Legal Fees - Labor	\$	12,000
	Legal Fees - General	\$	87,336
	Legal Fees - Litigation	\$	6,000
	Legal Fees - Traffic	\$	9,600
	Legal Fees - Planning & Development	\$	10,800
	Total Legal	\$	126,936

F. Planning & Development Commission:		
Professional Services	\$	1,560
Programs/Special Events	\$	780
Total Planning & Development Commission	\$	2,340
G. Fire & Police Commission:		
Professional Services	\$	792
Dues/Fees	\$	480
Testing	\$	4,800
Total Fire & Police Commission	\$	6,072
H. Building Commission:		
Salaries - Building Commissioner/Code Enforcer	\$	55,000
Salaries - Part-Time	\$	12,812
FICA/Medicare Tax	\$	6,226
Illinois Department of Employment Security	\$	-
Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund	\$	5,819
Maintenance - Vehicles	\$	6,000
Code Enforcement Expenses	\$	6,000
Motor Fuel	\$	2,400
Electrical Inspections	\$	2,400
Plumbing Inspections	\$	2,400
Memberships	\$	600
Training/Conferences	\$	1,200
Computer Support/IT	\$	600
Uniforms	\$	240
Total Building Commission	\$	101,697
I. Recreation		
Salaries - Director	\$	67,813
Salaries - Part-Time	\$	100,226
FICA/Medicare Tax	\$	15,426
Illinois Department of Employment Security	\$	-
Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund	\$	5,819
Employee Health Insurance	\$	41,795
Maintenance - Equipment	\$	6,360
Contractual Services	\$	7,080
Recreational Programs	\$	12,240
Motor Fuel	\$	720
Postage	\$	-
Printing & Signage	\$	1,800
Training/Conferences	\$	720
Computer Support / IT	\$	1,200
Supplies - Office	\$	600
Uniforms (Jiffy Shirts)	\$	360
Hospitality	\$	720
Supplies - Operating	\$	2,160
Special Events	\$	3,600
Equipment Purchases	\$	15,360
Total Recreation	\$	283,999
TOTAL ARTICLE I - GENERAL CORPORATE PURPOSES	\$	2,063,345

ARTICLE II - POLICE DEPARTMENT

Salaries - Full-Time	\$	1,500,000
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Salaries - Part-Time	\$	15,000
Salaries - Overtime	\$	180,000
Salaries - Crossing Guards	\$	30,500
FICA/Medicare Tax	\$	42,116
Illinois Department of Employment Security	\$	-
Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund	\$	142,858
Employee Health Insurance	\$	318,292
Tuition Reimbursement	\$	3,600
Maintenance - Vehicles	\$	32,400
Maintenance - Equipment	\$	9,600
Contractual Services	\$	194,718
Motor Fuel	\$	44,400
Postage	\$	8,400
Printing	\$	720
Memberships	\$	9,000
Training/Conferences	\$	48,840
Miscellaneous	\$	2,400
Computer Support / IT	\$	15,600
Testing	\$	4,230
Publications	\$	240
Drug Seizure Expenses	\$	-
Uniforms	\$	48,000
Supplies - Operating	\$	3,000
Equipment	\$	48,000
Leads/NCIC	\$	-

TOTAL ARTICLE II - POLICE DEPARTMENT	\$	2,701,914
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ARTICLE III - FIRE DEPARTMENT

Salaries - Fire Chief	\$	117,990
Salaries - Deputy Chief	\$	91,660
Salaries - Full-Time	\$	651,715
Salaries - Full-Time Overtime	\$	120,000
Salaries - Part-Time	\$	350,400
Salaries - Part-Time Overtime	\$	24,000
FICA/Medicare Tax	\$	122,256
Illinois Department of Employment Security	\$	-
Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund	\$	114,265
Employee Health Insurance	\$	208,170
Maintenance - Vehicles	\$	90,000
Maintenance - Equipment	\$	6,000
Contracted Services	\$	102,000
Motor Fuel	\$	30,000
Memberships	\$	9,540
Training/Conferences	\$	12,000
Miscellaneous	\$	600
Computer Support/IT	\$	16,800
Uniforms	\$	12,000
Supplies - Operating	\$	28,200
Equipment	\$	16,200
Transfer to Other Funds (Debt Service: Fire Engine)	\$	132,091

TOTAL ARTICLE III - FIRE DEPARTMENT	\$	2,255,887
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ARTICLE IV - SPECIAL TAX LEVIES

A. Audit:		
Payment of audit as provided by law	\$	38,400

B. Liability Insurance:		
Payment of the cost of liability insurance as provided by law	\$	270,000
C. Motor Fuel Tax Street Fund:		
For street fund representing monies allocated to the Village of Thornton under the Motor Fuel Tax Law, to be used in the construction, reconstruction and maintenance of such streets and thoroughfares in said Village of Thornton as may be designated by the President and Board of Trustees and by the Department of Public Works and Buildings of the State of Illinois.		
Maintenance - Streets	\$	30,000
Maintenance - Sidewalks	\$	12,000
Maintenance - Tree Removal	\$	20,400
Maintenance - Street Lights	\$	7,200
MFT Engineering	\$	12,000
Salt	\$	30,000
Signs	\$	9,600
Traffic Lights	\$	6,000
Total Motor Fuel Tax Street Fund	\$	127,200

TOTAL ARTICLE IV - SPECIAL TAX LEVIES	\$	435,600
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ARTICLE V - GRANT EXPENDITURES

A. SOS Grant - Auto Theft Task Force		
Auto Theft Task Force (Thornton)		
Salaries - Task Force Financial Salaires	\$	29,679
Salaries - Full-Time	\$	401,210
Salaries - Part-Time	\$	181,878
Salaries - Overtime	\$	-
FICA/Medicare Tax	\$	56,252
Illinois Department of Employment Security	\$	-
Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund	\$	52,576
Employee Health Insurance	\$	70,991
Vehicle Maintenance/Fuel	\$	216,000
Contractual Services	\$	99,276
Facilities Lease	\$	40,800
Contractual Legal & Audit	\$	6,000
ISATT State's Attorney Payroll	\$	253,868
ISATT Sworn Law Enforcement	\$	2,980,991
ISATT Sworn Law Enforcement OT	\$	480,000
Travel/Training	\$	42,000
Materials/Supplies	\$	12,000
Vehicle Acquisitions	\$	234,000
Equipment Purchases	\$	75,600
Auto Theft Task Force (Chicago)		
Contracted Services	\$	-
Contractual OT - Invest	\$	1,702,332
Travel & Training	\$	10,968
Materials/Supplies	\$	-
Vehicle Acquisition	\$	-
Equipment Purchases	\$	432,600
Total SOS Grant - Auto Theft Task Force	\$	7,379,021
B. Grant Fund		
Public Works - Crosswalk Improvement	\$	11,177
Fire Department - Lift Chair	\$	27,046

Total Grant Fund	\$	38,222
TOTAL ARTICLE V - GRANT EXPENDITURES		
	\$	7,539,797
ARTICLE VI - WATER & SEWER FUND		
Salaries - Superintendent	\$	49,753
Salaries - Village Collector	\$	37,433
Salaries - Full-Time	\$	31,229
Salaries - Overtime	\$	7,800
FICA/Medicare Tax	\$	11,467
Illinois Department of Employment Security	\$	-
Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund	\$	10,717
Employee Health Insurance	\$	48,586
Maintenance - Sewers	\$	21,600
Maintenance - Equipment	\$	1,800
Maintenance - Ground Res/Tower	\$	3,600
Maintenance - Water Tests	\$	9,600
Maintenance - Water System	\$	78,000
Maintenance - Meters	\$	2,400
Contracted Services	\$	6,900
Telephone - Water	\$	2,760
Electricity - Pumps	\$	21,600
Heat	\$	3,300
Water Purchases	\$	780,000
Legal Fees	\$	3,600
Engineering/Architect	\$	2,400
Computer Support/IT	\$	18,300
Supplies - Operating - Water	\$	4,800
Supplies - Operating - Sewer	\$	1,800
Contingency	\$	-
TOTAL ARTICLE VI - WATER & SEWER FUND		
	\$	1,159,445
ARTICLE VII - GARBAGE FUND		
Garbage Collection Fees	\$	333,299
TOTAL ARTICLE VII - GARBAGE FUND		
	\$	333,299
ARTICLE VIII - TAX INCREMENT FINANCING (TIF) EXPENSE		
A. Blackstone TIF:		
Legal Fees	\$	3,600
Capital Improvements	\$	120,000
Transfer to Other Funds (Energy Loan 84%)	\$	68,974
Total Blackstone TIF	\$	192,574
B. Downtown TIF #3:		
Legal Fees	\$	6,000
Professional Services	\$	12,000
Engineering Services	\$	6,000
Developer Reimbursements	\$	84,000
Total Downtown TIF #3	\$	108,000
TOTAL ARTICLE VIII - TAX INCREMENT FINANCING (TIF) EXPENSE		
	\$	300,574

ARTICLE IX - DEBT SERVICE

A. G.O. Bond Series 2018 (\$1,260,000)		
Principal	\$	144,000
Interest	\$	17,052
Total G.O. Bond Series 2018	\$	161,052
B. Capital Lease Loan - Energy Upgrades		
Principal	\$	67,638
Interest	\$	14,472
Total Capital Lease Loan - Energy Upgrades	\$	82,111
C. Capital Lease Loan - Fire Engine		
Principal	\$	47,736
Interest	\$	18,310
Total Capital Lease Loan - Fire Engine	\$	66,046
TOTAL ARTICLE IX - DEBT SERVICE	\$	309,209

ARTICLE X - LIBRARY

Salaries - Professional	\$	42,000
Salaries - Clerical	\$	50,000
FICA/Medicare Tax	\$	8,446
Illinois Department of Employment Security	\$	2,400
Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund	\$	7,894
Employee Health Insurance	\$	16,992
Board & Staff Development	\$	3,900
Education	\$	14,400
Mileage	\$	240
Book Purchases		
Adult	\$	4,200
Large Print	\$	3,600
Teens	\$	2,100
Juvenile	\$	2,100
Electronic Subscriptions	\$	600
Audiobooks		
Adult	\$	5,400
Teens	\$	1,800
Juvenile	\$	1,440
Magazines/Periodicals	\$	1,200
DVDs		
Adult	\$	1,200
Juvenile	\$	1,200
Supplies	\$	3,600
Postage	\$	120
Programming		
Adult	\$	3,600
Juvenile	\$	2,400
Publicity	\$	240
SWAN Fees	\$	21,600
Liability Insurance/Bond/Workmans Comp/Umbrella	\$	14,400
Maintenance Repairs	\$	1,800
Building Enhancement	\$	3,000
Furniture/Equipment Purchase	\$	54,000
Utilities - Gas	\$	1,440
Utilities - Telephone, Internet, and Cable	\$	5,400

Security	\$	2,400
Contractual Services	\$	9,000
Accounting Services	\$	21,600
Legal Services	\$	3,000
Contingency	\$	1,200
Capital Expenses	\$	30,000

The above and foregoing appropriation for maintaining a free public library is to be secured from a special tax in addition to all other village taxes as authorized by law.

TOTAL ARTICLE X - LIBRARY \$ **349,912**

ARTICLE XI - CAPITAL FUNDS

A. Water Capital Improvement Fund		
Engineering/Architect	\$	18,000
Infrastructure Impr. - Water	\$	96,000
Total Water Capital Improvement Fund	\$	114,000
B. Capital Fund		
Equipment Acquisition		
Administration	\$	1,200
Fire Department	\$	147,600
Police Department	\$	192,000
Public Works	\$	156,000
Clerk's Office	\$	1,620
Total Equipment Acquisition	\$	498,420
Building Improvements		
Administration	\$	5,040
Police Department	\$	24,000
Total Building Improvements	\$	29,040
Contingency	\$	60,000
Total Capital Fund	\$	587,460

TOTAL ARTICLE XI - CAPITAL FUNDS \$ **701,460**

ARTICLE XII - CONTINGENCIES

Contingencies	\$	120,000
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TOTAL ARTICLE XII - CONTINGENCIES \$ **120,000**

GRAND TOTAL \$ **18,863,975**

RECAPITULATION

	APPROPRIATION	
Article I - General Corporate Purposes		
A. General Administration:	\$	601,130
B. Village Clerk/Collector's Office:	\$	150,704
C. Finance	\$	155,269
D. Public Works	\$	588,028
E. Legal	\$	126,936
F. Planning & Development Commission	\$	2,340

G. Fire & Police Commission	\$	6,072
H. Building Commission	\$	115,258
I. Recreation	\$	317,606
Total Article I - General Corporate Purposes	\$	2,063,345
Article II - Police Department	\$	3,011,014
Article III - Fire Department	\$	2,498,242
Article IV - Special Tax Levies		
A. Audit	\$	38,400
B. General Liability Insurance	\$	270,000
C. Motor Fuel Tax Street Fund	\$	127,200
Total Article IV - Special Tax Levies	\$	435,600
Article V - Grant Expenditures	\$	7,539,797
Article VI - Water & Sewer Fund	\$	1,183,128
Article VII - Garbage Fund	\$	333,299
ARTICLE VIII - Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Expense		
A. Blackstone TIF	\$	192,574
B. Downtown TIF #3	\$	108,000
Total Article VII - Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Expense	\$	300,574
ARTICLE IX - Debt Service		
A. G.O. Bond Series 2018 (\$1,260,000)	\$	161,052
B. Capital Lease Loan - Energy Upgrades	\$	82,111
C. Capital Lease Loan - Fire Engine	\$	66,046
Total Article VIII - Debt Service	\$	309,209
ARTICLE X - Library	\$	368,311
ARTICLE XI - Capital Funds		
A. Water Capital Improvement Fund	\$	114,000
B. Capital Fund	\$	587,460
Total Article X - Capital Funds	\$	701,460
ARTICLE XII - Contingencies	\$	120,000
GRAND TOTAL	\$	18,863,975

SECTION II:

That all unexpended balances of any item or items of general appropriation made in this ordinance be expended in making up any insufficiency in any item or items in the same general purpose or any like

SECTION III:

That all unexpended balances of annual appropriations of previous years are hereby appropriated.

PASSED this _____ day of _____, 2026.

VOTE: _____

AYES: _____

NAYS: _____

ABSENT: _____

APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 2026.

Maxine Reynolds, Village President
Village of Thornton, Cook County, Illinois

ATTESTED AND FILED in my office as Village Clerk this _____ day of _____, 2026.

Nikki Kitakis, Village Clerk
Village of Thornton, Cook County, Illinois

PUBLISHED by me as required by law this _____ day of _____, 2026.

Nikki Kitakis, Village Clerk
Village of Thornton, Cook County, Illinois