

# Ordinance - Village of Glen Ellyn Downtown Strategic Plan Adoption

The Board of Trustees adopted the *Village of Glen Ellyn Downtown Strategic Plan* on October 26, 2009. This adoption demonstrates the Village's commitment to making Downtown Glen Ellyn economically-viable.

Village of Glen Ellyn

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Ordinance No. 5810

An Ordinance Adopting a Downtown Strategic Plan for the  
Village of Glen Ellyn, Illinois

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Adopted by the  
President and the Board of Trustees  
of the  
Village of Glen Ellyn  
DuPage County, Illinois

This 26 day of October, 20 09

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President and Board of Trustees of the Village of  
Glen Ellyn, DuPage County, Illinois, this 29  
day of Oct, 20 09

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**Whereas**, on February 11, 2008, the Village Board adopted Ordinance 5656, which approved an agreement for professional services between Town Builder Studios and the Village of Glen Ellyn for the development of a Downtown Strategic Plan; and

**Whereas**, a Downtown Advisory Committee was created to review and advise the Village Board on the Downtown Strategic Plan; and

**Whereas**, the Town Builder Studios team, Downtown Advisory Committee and Village Planning and Development Department team conducted an extensive planning study of the downtown area in order to foster revitalization of this historic asset; and

**Whereas**, the Downtown Advisory Committee met seven times between April 2008 and March 2009, at which meetings the Downtown Advisory Committee reviewed and commented on the data collected and analysis completed by Town Builder Studios and the various elements of the proposed plan; and

**Whereas**, a variety of opportunities for public input was provided throughout the planning process, including but not limited to, two town hall meetings, a two-day design studio, a charette, interviews with various groups and individuals, an open house, a merchant survey, an employee parking survey and two public feedback surveys; and

**Whereas**, through the numerous opportunities for public input, hundreds of residents shared their opinions in order to make Glen Ellyn a better place; and

**Whereas**, at the March 3, 2009 meeting of the Downtown Advisory Committee, by a vote of twelve (12) “yes” and zero (0) “no”, the Downtown Advisory Committee unanimously recommended approval of the *Village of Glen Ellyn Downtown Strategic Plan*; and

**Whereas**, the Village Board, recognizing that adoption of a strategic plan of this magnitude involves issues that are significant and require mature and purposeful evaluation, reviewed the Downtown Strategic Plan at meetings on July 20, 2009, August 17, 2009, October 5, 2009 and October 19, 2009 and allowed for even more public input; and

**Whereas**, the special October 5, 2009 meeting of the Village Board was entirely dedicated to a final and thorough review of the Downtown Strategic Plan with three goals; 1.) to educate those gathered and those listening and gain clarity of exactly what adoption of the plan meant; 2.) through discussion and analysis, attempt to gain consensus so that adoption of the plan, based on history, was a meaningful exercise and carried more significance than other previous plans of this type; and 3.) to create a record that helped prioritize and, given the nature of elected officials’ terms in Glen Ellyn village government up to that date, aid in defining the intent and purpose of the Plan and the Boards’ actions for the future; and

**Whereas**, at the October 5, 2009 meeting of the Village Board, the Board heard Rinda Allison, Chair of the Downtown Advisory Committee, explain that it was the belief of the Committee that two items are essential to the entire plan’s success; 1.) creating a parking garage on the north side of downtown; and 2.) increasing residential density in the downtown; and

**Whereas**, the President and Board of Trustees find that the proposed Downtown Strategic Plan is consistent with the goals of the Village and will promote the economic development, quality of life and general welfare of the public and, therefore, deem it in the best interest of the Village to move forward with the concepts and framework in the Plan.

**Now, Therefore, Be It Ordained** by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Glen Ellyn, DuPage County, Illinois, in the exercise of its home rule powers, as follows:

**Section One:** The Village President and Board of Trustees hereby adopt the *Village of Glen Ellyn Downtown Strategic Plan* dated October 26, 2009 including all of its appendixes.

**Section Two:** This approval is predicated upon the fact that the *Village of Glen Ellyn Downtown Strategic Plan* is a strategic and conceptual plan that provides a general framework for the future of Downtown Glen Ellyn. Since this is a long-term plan, it is understood that modifications are likely to occur as a result of further detailed studies, unforeseen opportunities, market conditions, funding, private developer and property owner participation, opinions of new elected officials and the passage of time.

**Section Three:** The implementation of the Plan is likely to occur over a 10-20 year period. It is recognized that prior to proceeding with the initiatives and projects recommended in the plan that further study and analysis will likely be necessary. The current Village Board seeks to encourage future Village Boards, working with Village management and its constituents, to continue to pursue creative solutions and generate new ideas regarding the downtown. It is understood that the *Village of Glen Ellyn Downtown Strategic Plan* is a living and flexible document that will likely be amended over time.

**Section Four:** The Village Clerk is hereby directed to cause the *Village of Glen Ellyn Downtown Strategic Plan* approved herein to be published and made available for inspection and purchase by the general public.

**Section Five:** This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after the passage, approval, and publication in pamphlet form as provided by law.

Passed by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Glen Ellyn, Illinois, this

26 day of October, 20 09.

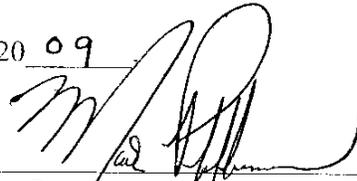
Ayes: Comerford, Ibrassell, Cooper, Hartweg, Henninger,  
Lodovic

Nays: - 0 -

Absent: - 0 -

Approved by the Village President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Glen Ellyn,

Illinois, this 26 day of October, 20 09



Village President of the  
Village of Glen Ellyn, Illinois

Attest:



Village Clerk of the  
Village of Glen Ellyn, Illinois

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