

## ***Economic Development, Infrastructure, & Transportation Highlights***

The Village is fortunate in that we continue to see strong economic development interest in the community while we also make progress on major infrastructure projects. Here are a few of the year's highlights:

### **Industrial**

The Village's focus on diversifying the property tax base through strategic industrial development gained momentum in Fiscal Year 2025. Several industrial projects were approved during the fiscal year, while previously approved projects moved forward with construction and additional projects were proposed for zoning approvals.

In October, the Village adopted a new Comprehensive Plan that includes a future land use plan with expanded areas designated for future industrial growth. The Village also completed the 143rd Street West extension between Ridge Road and Steiner Road. The 143<sup>rd</sup> Street corridor provides the necessary transportation link to implement the industrial vision presented in the Comprehensive Plan.

In February 2025, the Village Board approved plans for the Trammell Crow Plainfield Business Park, a master-planned, 340-acre logistics campus with up to 5 million square feet of development. DHL Supply Chain (USA) began construction of its 1.2 million-square-foot facility located at the southeast corner of Ridge Road and 143<sup>rd</sup> Street. BP-Chill completed construction of its 400,000 square foot cold storage facility. Trammell Crow also proceeded with construction of an 800,000 square foot speculative building at 26220 W. 143rd Street.

During the fiscal year, the Village also received applications from Bridge Industrial for a 1 million square foot development on the reclaimed Vulcan quarry site between Lockport Street and Main Street, which was subsequently approved, as well as applications for additional industrial development along 143<sup>rd</sup> Street.

### **Residential**

On the residential front, the Village experienced its strongest year of new residential construction since the onset of the global financial crisis in 2008. This robust growth in new home construction was seen in opening of several new neighborhoods including Riverstone (210 homes), Leighton Point (90 homes), Lockley Park (168 townhomes), Keller Farm (322 single-family homes and 83 townhomes), and Autumn Glen (172 townhomes).

### **Capital Investment**

The Village continues to support investment in our infrastructure with over \$50 million dollars included in the capital budget. This investment supports both the renewal of aging infrastructure and the construction of new roadways and bridges to improve traffic efficiency and mobility for users of our transportation system. The Old Town North project was completed this year which replaced older and undersized water mains, removed lead water services, rehabilitated sanitary sewer mains, enhanced storm water drainage, and reconstructed the roadways full width in the ROW. This project also included new pedestrian accommodations, improved on-street parking, and traffic calming measures. Also completed this year was the replacement of the Indian Boundary Line Road Structure over Springhole Creek. The new structure provides an improved bridge opening to reduce flooding and incorporates a sidewalk to improve pedestrian connectivity for the residential developments on either side of the creek. Our expansion of the roadway network continues with the 143rd Street East Extension which broke ground in June 2024. This project will complete a keystone project of the Village's Transportation and Mobility Plan with an east-west connection between IL Route 59 and IL Route 126.

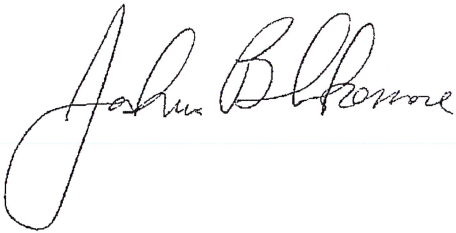
## Awards and Acknowledgements

The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) awarded a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting to the Village of Plainfield for its Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the fiscal year that ended April 30, 2024. The Village has received this prestigious award every year since our initial submittal with the 2014 fiscal year audit. In order to be awarded a Certificate of Achievement, the Village must publish an easily readable and efficiently organized Annual Report. The report must also satisfy both generally accepted accounting principles and applicable legal requirements.

A Certificate of Achievement is valid for a period of only one year. We believe that our current Annual Comprehensive Financial Report continues to meet the Certificate of Achievement Program's requirements and we are submitting it to the GFOA to determine its eligibility for another certificate.

This report would not have been possible without the dedicated support and involvement of the Village Department Heads and Staff. The entire Management Services Staff is extended a special appreciation for all of their assistance in the completion of the annual audit and preparation of this report. We would also like to thank the Village President and Board of Trustees for their support in maintaining the highest standards of professionalism in the management of the Village's finances.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joshua Blakemore". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "J".

Joshua Blakemore  
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