



AGENDA

Senior Citizens Commission Transportation/Housing Subcommittee
Arlington Heights Senior Center
1801 W. Central Road
Arlington Heights, IL 60005
August 14, 2026
12:30 PM

- I. CALL TO ORDER
 - A. Pledge of Allegiance
 - II. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS
 - III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 - A. April 10, 2026, Meeting Minutes
 - B. July 17, 2026 Meeting Minutes
 - IV. REPORTS
 - V. OLD BUSINESS
 - VI. NEW BUSINESS
 - VII. OTHER BUSINESS
 - A. Announcements / Correspondence
 - VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT
- Anyone wishing to speak on a subject not on the Agenda may speak at this time. Please limit your comments to three minutes.
- IX. ADJOURNMENT

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**Minutes
Village of Arlington Heights
Senior Citizens Commission
Transportation and Affordable Housing Subcommittee Meeting
1655 N Arlington Heights Road
Suite 302 East, Arlington Heights, IL 60004
Friday, April 10, 2026
12:30 PM**

I. Call to Order

All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance

II. Roll Call

Present:	Also Present
Steve Raminiak	Tracey Colagrossi, Liaison
Fred Vogt	Mila Tsagalis, Health & Human Services Director
Fred Feldman	
George Motto	

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

COMMISSIONER FELDMAN REQUESTED A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF MARCH 13, 2026. COMMISSIONER RAMINIAK MADE A MOTION AND WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER VOGT. ALL WERE IN FAVOR AND THE MINUTES OF MARCH 13, 2026, WERE APPROVED.

IV. Reports

A. Transportation Report

No major legislative updates at this time

- Relevant transportation bills (including House Bill 4333 / Waymo-related legislation) remain in the Rules Committee and are unlikely to move forward this session
- Pace On-Demand Service Discussion
 - Positive feedback on recent ribbon cutting event
 - Continued encouragement for community members to utilize the service
 - Identified Service Gaps
- Certain areas of Arlington Heights are not currently served:
 - Cook County Health facility (Arlington Heights Rd. near Dundee)
 - Areas east of Arlington Heights Rd.
 - Area's south of Central Rd.
 - Concern identified as a "transportation desert" impacting access to medical care
- Next Steps
 - Committee members to provide additional feedback on service gaps
 - Feedback will be compiled and shared with Village staff (Maggie Trevor)

B. Housing Affordability Housing Commission Coordination

Representatives (Steve Raminiak and Fred Vogt) attended the Housing Commission meeting

Proposal will be formally discussed at the April 15 Housing Commission meeting

Request to bring forward a formal motion at the Senior Citizens Commission meeting to authorize representation

Proposal Discussion & Feedback

Comparison to Existing Programs

- Village Emergency Assistance Program identified:
 - Provides short-term (up to 18 months) crisis-based assistance
 - Not limited to seniors
- Key distinction:
 - Current proposal focuses on long-term housing stability for seniors aging in place

Glenview Program Research

Two programs identified:

- ANGEL Fund (similar to emergency assistance)
- Senior Housing Assistance Program (limited detail available)

Further research needed, particularly on:

- Intake process
- Funding structure
- Monthly assistance levels

Ordinance Considerations

Concern raised regarding alignment with 2013 Inclusionary Housing Ordinance

Key takeaway:

- Proposal may not align with all subsections

Potential pathway:

- Argue eligibility under allowable subsection, or
- Pursue ordinance amendment

Policy & Role Considerations

Discussion on whether housing assistance should be:

- A local government responsibility, or
- Left to charitable organizations

Consensus:

- Affordable housing is a Village priority
- Proposal supports broader strategic goals

Program Design Considerations

Recommendations for strengthening the proposal:

- Establish time limits (e.g., 2–5 years)
- Consider financial caps on assistance
- Explore creation of a pilot program before full-scale funding

Define:

- Eligibility criteria
- Income thresholds
- Sustainability requirements for participants

Existing Criteria (from draft proposal)

- Age 55+
- Arlington Heights residency (minimum 3 years)
- Extremely low income (AMI-based)
- Demonstrated difficulty affording housing costs
- Not currently receiving subsidized housing

Broader Housing Strategy Discussion

Recognition of dual priorities:

- Aging in place (supporting current residents)
- Increasing affordable housing supply (new units)
- Discussion included:
- Use of Village-owned land for development
- Partnerships with developers
- Inclusionary housing strategies

Advocacy vs. Education

- Clarified role of the Commission:
- Cannot formally advocate policy positions
- Can educate, raise awareness, and facilitate discussion

Procedural Items

Motion needed to:

- Authorize representatives to present to Housing Commission
- Agenda considerations:
 - Must comply with Open Meetings Act (48-hour notice)
 - Likely can be addressed under Old Business, but staff will confirm

V. Old business

No old business was discussed

VI. New Business

No new business was discussed

VII. Other Business

No other business was discussed.

VIII. Public Comment

No members of the public were present.

IX. Adjournment

COMMISSIONER FELDMAN ASK FOR A MOTION TO ADJOURN.

**COMMISSIONER RAMIMIAK MADE A MOTION AND WAS SECONDED BY
COMMISSIONER MOTTO. ALL WERE IN FAVOR AND THE MEETING
ADJOURNED AT 1:17 PM ON FRIDAY, APRIL 10, 2026.**

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Fred Vogt	
Fred Feldman	
George Motto	

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The wrong minutes were brought to the meeting and the subcommittee voted to table them for the next meeting.

CHAIRPERSON FELDMAN REQUESTED A MOTION TO TABLE THE MEETING MINUTES UNTIL THE NEXT MEETING. COMMISSIONER MOTTO MADE A MOTION AND WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER VOGT. ALL WERE IN FAVOR AND THE MOTION TO TABLE THE MEETING MINUTES WAS PASSED.

IV. REPORTS

A. Transportation Report

Chairperson Feldman reviewed recent legislative activity affecting transportation.

Highlights included:

- No significant movement on Illinois autonomous vehicle legislation.
- Comprehensive legislation regarding electric vehicle regulation passed both houses of the Illinois General Assembly and has been forwarded to the Governor.
- Continued implementation planning for the newly created Northern Illinois Transit Authority (NITA).

Members discussed the importance of monitoring autonomous vehicle technology as a potential future transportation option for older adults, particularly for residents living outside current Pace On Demand service areas.

B. Housing Affordability Housing Commission Coordination

The committee continued its discussion regarding affordable senior housing and the Commission's previous proposal to utilize the Village's Affordable Housing Trust Fund. Members discussed feedback received from the Housing Commission and Village staff indicating that the proposal did not align with the current Trust Fund guidelines. While committee members expressed disappointment that this determination was not communicated earlier in the process, they acknowledged that the proposal successfully elevated affordable senior housing as an important community discussion.

The committee discussed the following:

- Continuing to monitor Housing Commission activities and future Affordable Housing Trust Fund applications.
- Developing a "Phase Two" strategy that advances affordable senior housing beyond the original Trust Fund proposal.
- Remaining engaged throughout the Village's comprehensive housing study, which is anticipated to continue through 2027.
- Ensuring the Senior Citizens Commission remains involved in future discussions and recommendations related to housing needs for older adults.

The committee also discussed several broader housing topics affecting Arlington Heights, including:

- The Village's ongoing comprehensive housing study.
- Future redevelopment opportunities associated with the Arlington Park property.
- The reported status of the International Plaza redevelopment.
- The importance of maintaining affordable housing as a Village priority despite evolving development initiatives.

Members agreed that although immediate action may be limited while the housing study is underway, the Commission should continue advocating for affordable senior housing opportunities and remain engaged throughout the planning process.

Future Planning

Discussion included potential future initiatives, including:

- Identifying a "Phase Two" recommendation following completion of the housing study.
- Exploring whether Village-owned properties, including parcels near Rand Road and Dryden Avenue, could be evaluated for future affordable housing development.
- Considering whether future budget requests or feasibility studies could support affordable senior housing initiatives.
- Requesting updates from Village Planning and Community Development regarding long-range plans for Village-owned properties and affordable housing strategies.

Staff noted that the Village's 2027 budget planning process is beginning and that future expanded budget requests could be considered as ideas become more fully developed.

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VI. NEW BUSINESS

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VII. OTHER BUSINESS

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VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT

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