

REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

Agenda Item: 19-34-2-A

Subject: Ordinance Authorizing An Amendment to Section 9.02-F.3 Of "The Deerfield Zoning Ordinance 1978" As Amended, To Allow A Digital Scoreboard At A Public High School Property to Be Used For Community Events In the P-1 Public Lands District - 1R

Action Requested: First Reading

Originated by: Plan Commission

Referred to: Mayor and Board of Trustees

Summary of Background and Reason for Request:

At the April 15, 2019, meeting, the Village Board accepted the Plan Commission report and recommendation regarding a proposed digital scoreboard for Deerfield High School. The ordinance authorizes a digital scoreboard sign used in conjunction with a public high school athletic field used only when an athletic event is occurring on the athletic field premises, and during not more than six (6) community events occurring on the athletic field premises in a calendar year in the P-1 Public Lands District. The screen of the digital scoreboard sign may not exceed 600 square feet in area.

Reports and Documents Attached:

Ordinance
Letter Requesting a Waiver of the Second Reading of the Ordinances

Date Referred to Board: May 6, 2019

Action Taken: _____

VILLAGE OF DEERFIELD

ORDINANCE NO. 2019-_____

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 9.02-F.3 OF
"THE DEERFIELD ZONING ORDINANCE 1978", AS AMENDED, TO ALLOW A
DIGITAL SCOREBOARD AT A PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL PROPERTY TO BE USED
FOR COMMUNITY EVENTS IN THE P-1 DISTRICT**

WHEREAS, the Village is a home rule municipal corporation in accordance with Article VII, Section 6(a) of the Constitution of the State of Illinois of 1970; and

WHEREAS, Township High School District 113 ("***Applicant***") is the owner of that certain property commonly known as Deerfield High School located at 1959 Waukegan Road ("***Property***"); and

WHEREAS, the Property is located in the P-1 Public Lands District ("***P-1 District***"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 9.02-F.3 of the "Deerfield Zoning Ordinance 1978," as amended ("***Zoning Ordinance***"), the Property may contain a digital scoreboard ("***Scoreboard***") for use during high school athletic events; and

WHEREAS, the Applicant submitted an application to the Village seeking approval of, among other things, an amendment to Section 9.02-F.3 of the Zoning Ordinance to allow a scoreboard in the P-1 District located on a public high school athletic field to be used during community events up to six times per year ("***Proposed Amendment***"); and

WHEREAS, a public hearing by the Plan Commission to consider the Proposed Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance was duly advertised on February 7, 2019 in the *Deerfield Review*, and was held on February 28, 2019; and

WHEREAS, on February 28, 2019, the Plan Commission approved findings of fact in support of the Proposed Amendment, in accordance with and pursuant to Section 13.10 of the Zoning Ordinance, and voted to recommend approval of the Proposed Amendment by the Village Board; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board has considered the standards for amendments set forth in Section 13.10 of the Zoning Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board has determined that it will serve and be in the best interest of the Village to adopt of the Proposed Amendment, as set forth in this Ordinance;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE VILLAGE BOARD OF DEERFIELD, LAKE AND COOK COUNTIES, ILLINOIS, as follows:

SECTION ONE: RECITALS. The foregoing recitals are incorporated into, and made a part of, this Ordinance as findings of the Village Board.

Additions are bold and double-underlined; deletions are struck through.

SECTION TWO: AMENDMENTS TO SECTION 9.02-F.3. Section 9.02-F.3, titled “Digital Scoreboard Sign for Public High School Property,” of Title 9, titled “Signs,” of the Zoning Ordinance is hereby amended to read as follows:

"9.02-F.3

A digital scoreboard sign used in conjunction with a public high school athletic field may only be turned on during those time periods when an athletic event is occurring on the athletic field premises, **and during not more than six community events occurring on the athletic field premises in a calendar year. The screen of the digital scoreboard sign may not exceed 600 square feet in area.** ~~The sign may contain no more than four permanent panels, not to exceed 32 square feet each, for display of static advertising.”~~

SECTION THREE: PUBLICATION. The Village Clerk is hereby directed to publish this Ordinance in pamphlet form pursuant to the Statutes of the State of Illinois.

SECTION FOUR: EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance will be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval in the manner provided by law.

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

PASSED:

APPROVED:

ORDINANCE NO.

Harriet Rosenthal, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kent S. Street, Village Clerk

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April 30, 2019

Mayor Harriet Rosenthal
And Village of Deerfield Trustees
Village of Deerfield
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Deerfield, IL 60015

Dear Mayor Rosenthal and Board of Trustees:

On behalf of District 113, we would like to thank you all for your recent approval of the report on 4/15 of the proposed digital scoreboard at DHS. As you know there will be a myriad of benefits to the student/athlete and the community for years to come.

As mentioned during the 4/1 Village of Deerfield Hearing, District 113 with the assistance of the DHS Athletic Booster Club were scheduled to present at the District 113 School Board Meeting on 4/15; however, that meeting conflicted with the village hearing so we could not attend. We requested and are confirmed to be on the 5/20 District 113 School Board Agenda. During this meeting, the DHS Athletic Booster Club will be requesting that District 113 accept the gift of the proposed digital scoreboard.

With the first reading of the amendment to the special use permit with text amendments scheduled for May 6th District 113 would like to respectfully request a waiver of the second reading of the amendment to the special use permit with text amendments. The waiver of the 1st reading will enable District 113 with the assistance of the DHS Athletic Booster Club to avoid future meeting conflicts between the Mayor/Board of Trustee Meetings and School District 113. Otherwise both District 113 and the DHS Athletic Booster Club will not be able to attend the 5/20 Mayor/Board of Trustee Meeting and would have to attend the subsequent Mayor/Board of Trustee Meeting on 6/3.

The DHS Athletic Booster Club is targeting a date in the Fall of 2019 to have the digital scoreboard operational. Securing/finalizing proper documents, permits, and finalizing our financial agreements will take some time, these crucial few weeks of additional lead time will improve the likelihood of meeting our dates. It is estimated that the scoreboard will take 6-8 weeks from contract acceptance to completion. This will also, hopefully, allow for final approvals by Mayor/Board of Trustee Meetings prior to our 5/20 School District 113 meeting.

Thank you again for your support and we hope this request will be entertained.

Warm Regards,

Robert Ruiz
DHS Athletic Director

cc: Larry Letwat, Co-President DHS Athletic Booster Club