APPROVED November 6, 2026

MINUTES
MEETING OF THE OAK PARK AD HOC HOUSING ADVISORY TASKFORCE
Council Chambers, Village Hall
October 19, 2026
7:00 p.m.

A recording of this meeting is available on the Village of Oak Park Website: https://www.oak-park.us/your-government/citizen-commissions/commission-tv

PRESENT:	Co-Chair Bob Tucker, Co-Chair Sarah Beck Members; Daniel Gillen, Keith Spencer, Ryan O'Malley, Asha Andriana, Michael Bailey and Marc Blesoff (remote). Ex officio: Trustee Jenna Leving Jacobson and Trustee Cory Wesley (7:57PM)
EXCUSED:	Members: Frank Sullivan and Mike Sturino.
ALSO PRESENT:	Jonathan Burch, AVM/Neighborhood Services Director and Craig Failor, Development Services Director

Call to Order / Roll Call: Roll was called at 7:05pm. A quorum was present.

Agenda Approval: A motion by Member Andriana and second by Member Gillen to approve the Agenda. The agenda was approved as presented.

Non-Agenda Public Participation: Mr. Jim Peters spoke to the rezoning effort regarding missing middle housing. He was mainly concerned about the setback recommendations.

Approval of Minutes: None to review and approve as this is the first meeting of the taskforce.

New Business: Overview of the Purpose of the taskforce and update on the status of relevant initiatives.

Director Burch presented a slideshow on the following items: Meeting schedule, membership, tasks, Strategic Vision for Housing Plan, Shape Oak Park Vision update, Inclusionary Housing Ordinance (IHO), local affordability, renter incomes, renter cost burdens, monies collected via the IHO and pre-IHO, expected IHO outcomes, units created, provided some comparison to other communities and discussed the Cook County affordable housing assessment program.

Director Failor provided an overview regarding the status of the Shape Oak Park project. Member Blesoff was concerned about what zoning impacts would be created for future generations.

Taskforce members commented on the what would be better, requiring affordable units or collecting monies for units. They discussed market based solutions, the need for an increase in the supply of housing, potential ways to receive funds for the Housing Trust fund, the high cost of rental units and a need to balance the rents, the value of mixed income buildings, does the idea of fee in lieu make sense and should it be increased, tax credit affordability is important to the goal, compliance of housing programs is important – but could be different for different developers, IHO and housing needs to support zoning, the integration of income in housing is important, redevelopment of the Mohr concrete plant site for housing

is to be considered, it was stated that developers won't come to Oak Park if the IHO is too stringent, there needs to be incentives to support development, new housing should be made ready and available for families with children, and there should be more development within the community.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:51 p.m. Motion by Member Andriana, Seconded by Member Spencer. A voice vote was taken and the meeting was adjourned.

Prepared by: Craig Failor, Development Services Director