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**CITY OF WARRENVILLE TO PREPARE AND
FORMALLY ADOPT A SUBAREA PLAN FOR THE
ROUTE 59/ROUTE 56 INTERSECTION AREA**

WARRENVILLE, IL – The Warrenville City Council has recognized the significant amount of ongoing development planned and occurring in the southern section of the Route 59 corridor. There is also a large amount of vacant land available for sale and development near the intersection of Route 59/Route 56. To address these areas, the City Council recently established the review, revision, and ultimate adoption of an updated Subarea Land Use Plan for this area of the City as a high priority. In doing so, the Council authorized City staff and the Warrenville Plan Commission to coordinate a public process to develop this Subarea Plan over the next six months. It is expected that the final Subarea Plan will establish clear policy direction on key issues including future land use, development, redevelopment, vehicle parking and circulation, pedestrian and bicycle circulation, public infrastructure improvements, environmental protection, stormwater management, and urban design.

Information and regular updates related to this subarea planning process, including a map illustrating the boundaries of the Subarea and the most current work program and schedule for this project, are available for review on the City's website at www.warrenville.il.us under Community Development Department, Rt. 59/Rt.56 Subarea Plan.

The Warrenville Plan Commission has scheduled the following two special public information and input meetings in the City Council meeting room at the Warrenville City Hall located at 28 W 701 Stafford Place as part of the initial phases of this project:

- **6:30 p.m., Thursday, November 29, 2007:** The purpose of this meeting will be to establish a baseline understanding of the current and potential future conditions in the Subarea through the evaluation of existing conditions information, review of previous planning and market studies, and accepting public questions and input.
- **6:30 p.m., Tuesday December 4, 2007:** The purpose of this meeting will be to identify what issues and land-uses should be provided, addressed, protected, changed, or enhanced as change occurs in each of the four quadrants of the Route 59/Route 56 intersection area. The format of this meeting will utilize small group break-out tables where all meeting attendees will actively participate in drawing, mapping, and designing different aspects of the Subarea. The input gathered at this meeting will help shape the land use recommendations and implementation priorities that will form the “backbone” of the final Subarea Plan.

This isn't the first time the City has engaged in such a process. In 2005, the City Council, Plan Commission, City staff and residents worked on the Old Town/Civic Center Subarea Plan in much the same format. That plan was adopted by City Council on April 16, 2007, and plans to implement it are underway.

The City believes the success of this planning project and long-term value of the Subarea Plan it creates will, to a significant extent, be dependent on acquiring extensive public input. Therefore, the City strongly encourages all residents and property owners in the Warrenville Community to stay informed about the status of this project and consider participating in the planning process. Anyone interested in either finding out how they can participate in or obtain

more information on this important planning process is encouraged to contact the City of Warrenton Community Development Department at (630) 393-9050.

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