

CITY OF WARRENVILLE

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To: Community Relations Task Force
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From: Cristina White, Assistant City Administrator *CW*
Subject: SEPTEMBER MONTHLY REPORT
Date: September 22, 2020

This report is intended to provide communication from the staff liaison to the Community Relations Task Force members. It will be copied to the City Administrator as well. Please contact me if you have any questions or comments.

Replacement of Term “Grandfathering”

On September 21, City Council will consider amending the City’s Sign Ordinance to remove the term “grandfathering”. The term originally referred to laws adopted by some states after the Civil War to disenfranchise African Americans by requiring the passage of literacy tests, the payment of poll taxes, or other requirements to vote. Voters descended from men eligible to vote before the enfranchisement of African Americans were exempted from these requirements. The term in the City Code will be replaced by “legal non-conforming” instead. Similarly, the City has identified one policy in the Employee Personnel Manual, using the term “grandfathered,” which will be revised with alternate language.

COVID-19 Response - Halloween

The City has begun to receive inquiries about Halloween and trick or treating. Staff is working with the Mayor to develop information and guidance on this matter. In the meantime, the following has been posted to the City’s Facebook page: *“We have received some questions about the impacts of COVID-19 on Halloween this year. The City does not directly coordinate or host any events associated with Halloween. In regards to trick or treating, we are evaluating options and awaiting guidance from the Federal, State, and local public health agencies. Please periodically check the City’s Facebook page and website for updates.”*

National Night Out Against Crime 2020 (NNO) Cancelled

Last week, the Police Department announced the cancellation of this year’s NNO City event. The decision was based on current State of Illinois COVID-19 pandemic conditions and restrictions.

Upcoming Meetings and Dates to Remember:

Oct	05	7:00 p.m.	City Council meeting
	06		<i>National Night Out Against Crime – Cancelled</i>
	08	7:00 p.m.	Plan Commission/ZBA
	12	7:00 p.m.	Public Works and Infrastructure Committee
	13	7:00 p.m.	Bicyclist and Pedestrian Advisory Commission

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15	7:00 p.m.	Tourism and Arts Commission
19	7:00 p.m.	City Council meeting
20	7:00 p.m.	Environmental Advisory Commission
22	7:00 p.m.	Plan Commission/ZBA
27	1:00 p.m.	Community Relations Task Force
27	6:30 p.m.	Police Pension Board Regular Quarterly Meeting
27	7:00 p.m.	Board of Fire and Police Commission