


Bensenville Presents New Zoning Ordinance to Public for Review

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On Monday August 27, The Village of Bensenville will host an open house for residents, business owners and community leaders to review the proposed new zoning ordinance and learn more about the key themes included within.

The open house will take place from 5-7 p.m. at Village Hall and will allow residents an opportunity to comment on, ask questions and discuss the ordinance before the Village begins the formal review process with the Board. Representatives from the Village of Bensenville and the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) will be present and available to answer questions from residents.

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The Bensenville zoning code largely guides the development of the community, both economically and residentially, and the Village is committed to making sure residents have an easy understanding of the new ordinance.

"The ordinance has been updated throughout the years but the last time there was an in-depth overhaul was in the 90's, so we're excited to get public input on it this time around," said Kurtis Pozsgay, Senior Planner for the Village of Bensenville. "This new version eliminates a lot of the difficult verbiage, and makes it easy for residents to understand what they can do to their properties and how to get it done."

The new ordinance reflects the interests and needs of both residential and commercial property owners, and has been drafted to align with the Bensenville Comprehensive Plan. Some new updates include approval to build homes with porches, encouraging alley usage throughout the Village, and new landscaping and signage regulations.

"We value local input and this is an exciting way to get people involved in community planning," said Village President Frank DeSimone. "A lot of comprehensive plans are never carried out, but we're proud to put this plan into action as we stay focused on the future and Bensenville's continued development. The goal of this initiative is to make Bensenville an even greater place to live for current residents, while also working to attract new families and businesses to the community we call home."