



# Agenda Cover Memorandum

Meeting Date: July 13, 2015

Meeting Type:  COW (Committee of the Whole)  City Council  Budget Workshop

Item Title: Holiday Lights

Action Requested:

Approval

For discussion

Feedback requested

For your information

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Background:  
Alderman Moran suggested at a previous meeting that Holiday Lights be brought back for discussion, and Alderman Shubert concurred.

Staff has learned that a group of volunteers would be willing to install lights around the entire Library Triangle. Public Works crews, using standard time whenever possible and overtime as necessary, would then complete the project. Project costs would be approximately \$5,000 - \$7,000 for lights and potentially an additional \$5,000 in overtime.

The following is a summary of a survey, conducted by the Park Ridge Chamber of Commerce, of local Chambers of Commerce on the funding and installation of holiday lights:

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| Buffalo Grove       | Village is responsible   |
| Round Lake Area     | Village is responsible   |
| Glenview            | Village is responsible   |
| Lincolnwood         | Village is responsible   |
| Mt. Prospect        | Village is responsible   |
| Grayslake           | 50/50 split with Chamber and Village (\$10,000 each)   |
| Edison Park         | Chamber pays local fireman to light up train station each year   |
| Winnetka-Northfield | Village is responsible, Chamber use to provide fundraising support, but does not anymore. Park District provides support to light one of the local parks |
| Glencoe             | Village is responsible but Chamber helps organize a brief ceremony the Friday after Thanksgiving   |
| Rolling Meadows     | Village is responsible   |
| Wilmette            | Village is responsible but Chamber helps organize a tree lighting ceremony   |

We will discuss this matter.

Attachments:

- None