



## VILLAGE OF LOMBARD

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*"Our shared Vision for Lombard is a community of excellence exemplified by its government working together with residents and businesses to create a distinctive sense of spirit and an outstanding quality of life."*

*"The Mission of the Village of Lombard is to provide superior and responsive governmental services to the people of Lombard."*

Alex Clifford  
Executive Director/CEO  
Metra  
547 W. Jackson Blvd.  
Chicago, IL 60661

### Re: Lombard Station Commuter Parking

Dear Mr. Clifford:

As you may be aware, the Village of Lombard recently completed and adopted the Lombard Downtown Revitalization Project Guidebook (the "Plan") for Downtown Lombard. This document, which was adopted as a component of our overall Village Comprehensive Plan, provides a framework for both short-term and long-term public and private improvements within our downtown area. This planning effort was primarily funded through a Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) Planning Grant and Metra staff was an active participant in the plan preparation.

With the adoption of the Plan in March, 2011, the Village is now implementing the plan. The Plan identifies several recommendations pertaining to parking for both business and commuter needs. Through the planning effort, we were informed that Metra may have a future demand for 200 additional commuter parking spaces for the Lombard station. These additional spaces would be in addition to the existing supply already available in the downtown area.

The Lombard Village Board of Trustees has also expressed a desire to advance the parking recommendations of the Plan, which could include a parking structure. The Village Board has approved a request that Metra be sent a formal correspondence regarding this matter. The Village would like to initiate discussions regarding future parking needs and how Metra can assist us in implementing the parking recommendations suggested by Metra and incorporated into our Plan. While Metra staff has expressed to the Village that capital funding for future parking are not readily available at present, the Village respectfully requests that this issue be further explored. We also note that the City of Elmhurst was successful in securing funding through Metra for their recently constructed parking garage in their community. Ultimately, our request would be made to Metra to look at placing the item in a future capital improvements program.

In closing, we have had a good working relationship with Metra staff in the past on a number of previously constructed and pending development projects in the Village. We also look forward to working with Metra staff on this and other related issues to ensure that any future improvements are of mutual benefit.

Please feel free to contact me at (630) 620-5712 so that we can begin to discuss future parking opportunities and funding in Lombard. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

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William J. Mueller  
Village President