MEMORANDUM

TO: William T. Lichter, Village Manager

FROM: David A. Hulseberg, AICP,

Director of Community Development

DATE: October 21, 2004

SUBJECT: Seat Wall with Memorial Plaque – Hammerschmidt Commuter

Parking Lot

Please present the attached item to the Board of Trustees for their review and consideration at the Board Meeting scheduled for November 4, 2004. Staff is requesting that the Board of Trustees waives the public bid requirements and award a contract to Pezza Landscaping, Inc. in the amount of \$21,900.00 to construct about 70 lineal feet of seat wall. The seat wall would be constructed and just north of the new Hammerschmidt Commuter Parking Lot, south of the sidewalk, on the south side of St. Charles Rd. Please see the attached plans. Pezza Landscaping, Inc. is currently constructing the Volunteer Tribute Park at the corner of Main Street and St. Charles Rd. for the Village.

In the past the Village of Lombard has had a difficult time soliciting quotes for this type of work. Based on the cost of past projects we feel that this is a very good price for this type of work. The seat wall in front of the parking lot at the Texan Restaurant in the downtown which was competitively quoted cost the Village of Lombard \$24,952.00 for 66 lineal feet of seat wall. That converts to a low bid unit price of \$378.06 per LF for the wall in front of the Texan. The average unit price by qualified Bidder's for seat wall as part of the North Park Ave. Parking Lot project was \$375.00 per LF. Pezza Landscaping proposed unit price is \$312.86 per LF, about 16.5% cheaper than prices we have seen in the past.

Due to the excellent price quoted for this work we recommend that the Board of Trustees waive the public bid requirements and award a contract to Pezza Landscaping, Inc. in the amount \$21,900.00 to complete the seat wall. It is anticipated that TIF funds would be used to pay for this project.

cc: PES File