

MEMORANDUM

TO: William T. Lichter, Village Manager

FROM: David A. Hulseberg, AICP, Director of Community Development

DATE: August 19, 2004

SUBJECT: Main Street program application

BACKGROUND:

A group of Village residents, property owners, and business owners have formed an organization that intends to work toward the revitalization of downtown Lombard. This group wishes to make Lombard an Illinois Main Street community, which will give them access to the support and resources of the national Main Street program. As part of the application, the State of Illinois requires each municipality to submit a resolution of support that endorses commitment to a Main Street organization, recognizes the benefits to local government, makes a commitment to fund a minimum 30 – 35% of the local Main Street budget for a minimum of three years, and pledges municipal government cooperation and long-term financial support for the Main Street effort beyond the initial three-year pledge.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Board of Trustees endorse the Main Street program application.