

LOMBARD POLICE DEPARTMENT

Date: July 31, 2006

To: William T. Lichter
Village Manager

From: Ray Byrne
Chief of Police

Re: Proposed Increase of Minimum Fine for DUI Ordinance Violations

The attached ordinance recommends that the minimum fine for an ordinance offense of Driving While Under the Influence (DUI) be raised from \$750.00 to \$1,000.00. The rationale is predicated on the same legislation that has resulted in a recommendation to raise the minimum fines for all vehicle code violations written as local ordinances. The legislation is expected to reduce revenues to the Village of Lombard by approximately 28%. The recommendation to increase the fine amounts is designed to offset the loss of the anticipated revenues.

I have reviewed this issue with our local prosecutor, Harry Smith, and he is in agreement with the proposed increase. Carol Stream and Downers Grove have also increased their minimum fine amounts to \$1,000.00 in response to this legislation. As with the ordinance increasing the minimum traffic fine amounts, a waiver of first reading is being requested to expedite the implementation of the new fine amount.

If you should have any questions, or would like additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

cc: Len Flood, Director of Finance
Dep. Chief Cuny
Dep. Chief Rollins