

# Request For Board Action

REFERRED TO BOARD: November 9, 2020

AGENDA ITEM NO: 3

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT: Parks and Recreation

SUBJECT: **Consideration of a Resolution Approving the cancellation and modification of 2020 Fall/Winter Programs and Special Events through the month of November.**

**SUMMARY AND BACKGROUND OF SUBJECT MATTER:**

The Antioch Park and Recreation Department hosts a series of fall/winter programs and events which will require special modifications, cancellations, or delays in operations due to the Covid 19 pandemic, public safety challenges, and the stipulations of each phase in the Restore Illinois Plan. Modifications, cancellations, and delays in operations would include the following through the month of November:

- Phase 4 of the Restore Illinois Plan allows gatherings of up to 50 people; therefore, it is the recommendation that we do not host the annual Christmas Parade event that would have been scheduled for Friday, November 27, 2020. Attendance at this event is expected to exceed 1000 + people, and it would be extremely difficult to limit to a gathering of 50. Alternative scenarios have been discussed among staff and it would be extremely difficult to enforce from a public safety perspective.
- We will be hosting the ski and skate resale at the Parks Building on Saturday, November 14, 2020 from 8-11 am.

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:**

**Move** to approve a resolution approving the cancellation and modification of 2020 Fall/Winter Programs and Special Events through the month of November.

**RESOLUTION 20-xx**

**A RESOLUTION CANCELLING OR DEFERRING  
CERTAIN CIVIC EVENTS DUE TO CORONAVIRUS**

**WHEREAS**, the coronavirus pandemic has resulted in gubernatorial orders which are currently in effect which restrict the mass gathering of people and require the closure of certain kinds of enterprises, including those operated by local municipalities, and

**WHEREAS**, the guidance from the Governor, the CDC and the IDPH strongly indicate that the pandemic and the restrictions associated therewith will continue for an indefinite period of time, likely well into the fall of 2020, if not beyond, and

**WHEREAS**, the Village Board has regretfully considered the dangers to public health and wellbeing presented by the pandemic as well as the mandates of the gubernatorial orders, and has concluded that it is necessary and prudent to cancel or delay a number of civic events previously scheduled to be held over the next few months, and

**WHEREAS**, the Village Board has considered the recommendations of the Park Director and the Village Administrator as set forth in the Memorandum dated November 9, 2020, attached as Exhibit A hereto, and concludes further that these recommendations are sound, prudent and necessary to protect the public health and wellbeing,

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Village of Antioch, Lake County, Illinois, as follows:

**SECTION ONE:** The recommendations of the Parks Director and Village Administrator in the Exhibit A Memorandum dated November 9, 2020 are hereby approved in all particulars.

**SECTION TWO:** The Parks Director and Village Administrator are directed to take any and all action necessary to implement fully their recommendations set forth in the Exhibit A memorandum.

**SECTION THREE:** This resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage.

PASSED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF ANTIOCH, ILLINOIS,  
ON THIS 9<sup>th</sup> DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2020.

ATTEST:

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LAWRENCE M. HANSON, MAYOR

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LORI K. ROMINE, VILLAGE CLERK



**REPORT TO:** VILLAGE PRESIDENT and BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
**FROM:** Administrator Keim with Director Quilty Parks and Recreation  
**DATE:** November 9, 2020  
**SUBJECT:** Department Recommendations, Modifications, and Cancellations

Discussion

Staff has been instructed to make recommendations regarding services and events as it relates to the Park and Recreation Department's operations for the month of November.

- Phase 4 of the Restore Illinois Plan allows gatherings of up to 25 people; therefore, it is the recommendation that we do not host the annual Christmas Parade event that would have been scheduled for Friday, November 27, 2020. Attendance at this event is expected to exceed 1000 + people, and it would be extremely difficult to limit gatherings of 25.
- We will be hosting a drive thru Santa event on November 27, 28, December 11 & 12 from 5:00-8:00 pm each night. Santa will be outside, and patrons will stay in their car to visit Santa.
- We will be hosting the ski and skate resale at the Parks Building on Saturday, November 14, 2020 from 8-11 am.

The issue before the Village Board is to gain consensus and approval on the above cancellations and modifications as they have been presented. It is additionally recommended that the parks and recreation department with Administrator Keim make modifications to and or cancel events and services that succeed November 30, 2020 no later than Wednesday, November 18, 2020. Like the information presented above, modifications and cancellations after November 18, 2020 would serve to maintain the health and safety of our Antioch residents, their families and Village staff and volunteers.