



VILLAGE OF LOMBARD

VILLAGE BOARD POLICY MEMORANDUM

Subject: Overhead Sewer Grant Program

Section: 4.C.
Dept.: PW/CD
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I. Purpose

Some homes are subject to basement backups because of the "low" sanitary service lines in relation to the Village's mainline sewer. During storms when excessive inflow and infiltration enters the sewer, the mainline sewer may surcharge due to a higher hydraulic grade line causing backups into homes. Overhead sewers (with pumped discharges) reduce this problem. However, retrofitting plumbing systems is expensive which discourages many homeowners from taking corrective action. This grant program is designed to encourage more homeowners to take action resulting in less problems and increased property values. Overhead sewer, gate valve and flap valve installation may be a low-cost alternative to a very expensive storm water separation project.

II. Procedures/Guidelines

A. Interested homeowners who can show evidence of sewer backups submit a grant application to the Public Works Department for evaluation and approval.

B. Approved applicants obtain Village of Lombard plumbing permit; and electrical permit (if applicable) and pay applicable fees.

C. Applicant installs overhead sewer system; gate valves, flap valves or other suitable systems using their own contractor.

D. Upon completion of the work and receipt of a final inspection by the Village, the applicant will pay the first 25% of the total cost of the overhead sewer system; gate valve, flap valve or other suitable system. The Village will pay the remaining costs up to a maximum of \$5,000, in the form of a two-party check.

E. The funds available for this program shall be identified in the annual Capital Improvement Program. This policy shall be subject to availability of funds.

F. Only one grant award will be made per fiscal year per address.

III. Legislation/Documentation

- A. Minutes of Public Works Committee meeting of January 13, 1998
- B. Minutes of Board of Trustees Committee of the Whole meeting of February 12, 1998
- C. Minutes of Board of Trustees meeting of March 5, 1998
- D. Minutes of Public Works Committee of September 8, 1998
- E. Minutes of Board of Trustees meeting of October 1, 1998
- F. Minutes of Public Works Committee of October 13, 1998
- G. Minutes of Board of Trustees meeting of November 5, 1998
- H. Minutes of Public Works Committee of July 8, 2003
- I. Minutes of Board of Trustees meeting July 17, 2003
- J. Minutes of Public Works Committee meeting of April 10, 2007
- K. Minutes of Board of Trustees meeting of April 19, 2007
- L. Minutes of Public Works Committee of May 13, 2008
- M. Minutes of Board of Trustees meeting of June 5, 2008