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PARK DISTRICT APPROVES AGREEMENT FOR VILLAGE SNOW DUMPING SITE

GLENVIEW, IL, Thursday, August 28, 2008 – At their Thursday, August 28 meeting, the Glenview Park District Board of Trustees approved a 10-year Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) that allows the Village of Glenview to utilize a lot at the park district's Community Park West to dump snow removed from streets during the winter months and an area to store road salt.

Following approval from the Village Board, which is expected at their September 2 meeting, construction will start immediately to get the site ready in time for this winter.

Plans call for the nearly two acre snow dump lot to be located immediately adjacent to the east side of I-294 at the south end of Community Park West and constructed of recycled asphalt over a limestone base. Melting snow from the lot will drain directly into the Illinois Toll Authority's storm water drainage system, minimizing the environmental impact to the park's wetlands and natural areas. The site will be graded so that water containing road salt and any debris will not run off into the detention ponds used to irrigate Community Park West sports fields.

Under the terms of the Intergovernmental Agreement, the Village will have exclusive access to and use of the fenced area and an approach road off Central Avenue free of charge during winter months. The Park District will use the lot for overflow parking and storage the rest of the year. V3 Construction Company, the firm handling the \$4 million Phase II development of Community Park West will build the lot and access road at an estimated cost of \$200,000, which will be reimbursed to the park district by the Village of Glenview. The Village will also pay for any design and consulting costs associated with the project. Either party can cancel the agreement by giving a year's notice. If the park district wants to upgrade the area to a permanent parking lot for public use before the end of the 10-year period and another suitable site can't be found, it will reimburse the Village for a portion of the initial construction costs.

The park district and Village have had ongoing discussions over the past several years for an appropriate location to put snow removed from Village property. The Village has been using several temporary sites that aren't suited for long term use. Plans for the snow dump site were included in the park district's overall master plan for the development of the 57 remaining acres of Community Park West, which the district broke ground on last May.

Park district and Village officials agree that the Community Park West site is a logical choice because it is located away from residential areas where the noise from trucks dumping snow late at night could be disruptive. Community Park West is also not heavily used in the winter, which will minimize traffic problems through the park.

A salt bin that will serve as a backup to the Village's primary road salt storage area will be bid and constructed separately and incorporated into plans for a new park district maintenance garage and yard at the south end of Community Park West.