

NILES 2030

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

Implementation Management Document (IMD)

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INTRODUCTION

The Niles 2030 Comprehensive Plan was unanimously approved by the Niles' Board of Trustees on October 25th, 2011. The 2030 Plan is available for viewing on-line via the Village website using the following Navigation sequence: ('Information' then 'Meeting Schedules,' Agendas', 'Minutes' then 'Comp Plan Implementation Sub-Committee').

In February 2012, Mayor Bob Callero announced the formation of a 2030 Plan Implementation Committee. The first meeting of this committee took place on June 19th, 2012. The members of the Committee at this time were: Pat Dalessandro, a long term Niles resident and owner of Coachlight Realty; Steve Gorski, Niles Resident and member of the 2030 Plan Development Committee; Fred Kudert, Niles resident and member of the 2030 Plan Development Committee; Harry Major, Oak Mill Mall owner; Chuck Ostman, Chairman of the Committee and Director of the Niles Community Development Department; and Mike Shields, Niles Resident and member of the 2030 Plan Development Committee.

Seven meetings of the 2030 Plan Implementation Committee were held between mid-June and October 2012 resulting in an implementation approach recommendation based on setting calendarized priorities for each of the 2030 Plan's 183 Objectives using the following numerical prioritization rating system developed by the committee: **10 = calendar year 2013 implementation, 9 = 2014, 8 = 2015, 7 = 2016, 6 = 2017, and 5 = 2018 and beyond.**

On November 27th, 2012, the Committee presented to the Board of Trustees its' unanimous recommendations for an implementation sequence of the 183 Objectives. These recommendations were met with unanimous general approval by the Mayor and Trustees. The presentation is viewable on-line via the Village website using the following Navigation sequence: ('Information' then 'Meeting Schedules,' Agendas', 'Minutes' then 'Comp Plan Implementation Sub-Committee').

At this November meeting Mayor Callero directed that the Committee will continue as a formal group, with a new focus, to monitor and report to the Mayor and Trustees on implementation progress four times during the next year, specifically citing April 2013, July 2013, October 2013, and January 2014 as reporting dates.

For various reasons including the transition between administrations as a result of the April election, the April status presentation to the elected leadership was missed. In May after consultation with the acting Village Manager Steve Vinezeano, the Committee's Chairman Chuck Ostman and with the approval of Mayor Przybylo, leadership of the Committee was transferred to committee members Fred Kudert and Mike Shields as co-chairmen. This latter appointment was made official at the June 17th committee meeting.

In preparation for the July 2013 'implementation status' presentation to the Mayor and Trustees, Mr. Kudert and Mr. Shields independently developed a status report for each of the 183 objectives in the 'Monitoring Worksheets' based on information from a wide range of sources including Village staff, Committee reports and Plans, news articles, the proposed FY 2014 Budget, and Board Meeting Minutes.

This document was also renamed as the Implementation Management Document or (IMD) reflecting the change from a recommendation and reporting summary to a program/project management document. It is also intended that this new document, the IMD, will become the reporting vehicle for future program updates.

Integrated into this process was the development of 'status descriptors' that were used to assign a current status to each of the 22 Objectives previously recommended as 10's (2013 Implementation) and the 61 Objectives previously recommended as 9's (2014 Implementation).

Each of these 83 Objectives were given one of the four following status descriptions based on the level of structured implementation activity observed:

'ACTIVE' – Formal Project Structure, Defined Objective, and Very Specific Assignments/Dates

'FORMATION' – Preliminary Assignments and Initial Exploration Activity

'DISCUSSION' – Some Village Leadership or Staff Discussions Have Taken Place (towards implementation)

'OPEN' – Little or No known Activity (toward implementation).

The individual status reports and the resulting status descriptions for each of the 83 priority objectives (The 9's and 10's) were reviewed and unanimously approved by the Implementation Committee. On July 23rd, 2013 the Implementation Committee presented the first '2030 Plan Implementation Status Update' to the Village Board. The second update reflecting the change in activity from July 1, 2013 to September 30, 2013 is scheduled for October 22nd, 2013.

RESIDENTIAL AREAS

Priority Impl. Rating	Objective/Action Item (2030 Plan P. 20)	Dept. Responsible	6/30/13 Status of Implementation - Reported to Village Board 7/23/13	9/30/13 Status of Implementation - Reported to Village Board 10/22/13 - New Activity in Red
	GOAL: Maintain the Village's image and desirability as a great place to live by preserving and enhancing the quality, character, safety and appeal of residential neighborhoods, developments and subdivisions, and providing diversity in its housing stock and unit types.			
9	Promote residential development and redevelopment of a variety of housing and dwelling unit types and densities, including as part of mixed-use development, in accordance with the Land Use Plan, and ensure the Zoning Ordinance and other regulatory tools are updated appropriately. (pg. 20:1)	Community Development	20:1 The Zoning and Ordinance (Z & O) Rewrite in 2013-2014 will pay particular attention to changes that might be necessary to promote residential development and redevelopment. Also, a developer has acquired the 1-acre parcel at Shermer and Main for the development of four single-family homes. ACTIVE.	20:1 No change from 6/30/13 update ACTIVE
8	Accommodate residential renovation and redevelopment through an expedient and flexible, yet thorough, permitting process. (pg. 20:2)	Community Development	20:2 Community Development Dept. currently turns around plans, issues permits, and makes positive changes if needed in a competitive time frame of no longer than 14 days. In addition, the Department will work with the IT Dept. to assess new software that will allow permitting etc. to be done better and faster, including some permitting to be done over-the-counter same day.	20:2 In addition to normal permitting activities, as part of the Village's flood control cost-sharing program which was significantly expanded by Mayor Przybylo, Community Development has conducted as of 8/20/13 over 420 residential inspections of the 474 active applications on file. In addition there are 88 residents on the waiting list as of this update.
8	Preserve sound existing housing through regular, active code enforcement and preventative maintenance programs. (pg. 20:3)	Community Development	20:3 Property Maintenance inspectors from the Community Development Dept. conduct exterior inspections of homes (approximately 7500 homes in Niles) once a year and of rental buildings (773) every three years or if necessitated by a complaint.	20:3 No change from 6/30/13 update
8	Consistently administer and enforce residential development regulations, including compliance with setbacks, maximum height, parking, storm water, bulk, density and other development regulations. (pg. 20:4)	Community Development/ Planner	20:4 The Community Development Dept. over the years has updated Ordinances to enhance the residential areas and these updates along with perhaps others will be incorporated into the Z & O Rewrite in 2013-2014.	20:4 No change from 6/30/13 update
5	Explore the creation of a property maintenance program to assist residents, particularly seniors, with affordable lawn cutting and snow removal services. (pg. 20:5)	Community Development	20:5 A program like this was available at one time and is being re-assessed again.	20:5 No change from 6/30/13 update
8	Consider the creation of a residential appearance awards program to recognize improvement efforts of property owners. (pg. 20:6)	Community Development	20:6 No movement on this Objective	20:6 No change from 6/30/13 update

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6	Encourage building techniques that improve energy efficiency and reduce negative environmental impacts. (pg. 20:7)	Community Development	20:7 The State of Illinois has mandated certain building techniques to improve energy efficiency. One prime example is the energy code which requires a sensor switch to turn lights on and off for various rooms for commercial applications. Beyond these requirements, the usage of more efficient building methods is left to the homeowners themselves. The Environmental Action Plan approved in February 2013 highly recommended that the Village undertake a much broader education campaign on the cost benefits of more energy efficiency in the home – things like increased attic insulation, sealing windows, and the purchase of more efficient furnaces and air conditioners. In addition, the Village website, under ‘Going Green’, provides links to numerous websites that focus on energy efficiency and building green.	20:7 The Village has installed LEEDS and Energy Star certified roofs on several non- residential Village Facilities. While the main purpose is a cost savings it does provide a public example of energy efficiency building techniques.
8	Explore the creation of a vacant building registration and inspection program to prevent foreclosed or other abandoned properties from having a detrimental impact on surrounding properties. (pg. 20:8)	Community Development	20:8 The Community Development Dept. currently has a program in place to maintain a complete listing of vacant or foreclosed properties in Niles to help ensure that all of them are maintained.	20:8 No change from 6/30/13 update
8	Prevent the encroachment of incompatible development on residential areas through implementation of the Land Use Plan and buffering, screening and separation requirement where necessary. (pg. 20:9)	Community Development	20:9 The new Planner in the Community Development Dept. will (continue to) implement this Objective through the review and approval process for zoning permit applications.	20:9 No change from 6/30/13 update
8	Provide areas of transitioning density and intensity of use between single-family residential, multi-family residential and commercial land uses where appropriate. (pg. 20:10)	Community Development	20:10 As development proposals are submitted – particularly along Milwaukee Ave. – this Objective will continue to be addressed through the current site-specific review and approval process. In addition, codifying ‘transitioning areas’ will be further assessed during the Z & O Rewrite in 2013-2014.	20:10 No change from 6/30/13 update
9	Strictly enforce buffering, landscaping, screening and lighting requirements of adjacent commercial areas to minimize the negative impacts of commercial development on residential uses. (pg. 20:11)	Community Development	20:11 This is currently done using the existing Landscaping Ordinance but will be further assessed for strengthening during the Z & O Rewrite in 2013-2014. ACTIVE.	20:11 No change from 6/30/13 update ACTIVE
5	Discourage "cut through" commercial traffic in residential areas through signage, enforcement, traffic calming, and other measures. (pg. 20:12)	Community Development	20:12 This Objective is expected to be completed over time on a site-specific basis as development is proposed.	20:12 No change from 6/30/13 update
6	Explore options to address on-street parking demand in residential neighborhoods. (pg. 20:13)	Community Development	20:13 Businesses and land uses that need parking will be required to provide off-street parking over time to decrease demand for on-street parking in nearby residential areas. Discussions among the staff of various Village departments have been held to identify and discuss areas with parking issues.	20:13 No change from 6/30/13 update

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8	Promote the economic importance, and support the provision of a variety of housing types and choices within the Village including single family, multi-family, senior housing and others including both owner-occupied and rental properties. (pg. 20:14)	Community Development	20:14 The 2030 Plan on page 30 identified three categories of residential land uses: Detached Single Family, Attached Single Family, and Multi-Family and furthermore recommended locations for each in terms of future development. The Village believes in a variety of Residential types, with the foundation being a predominance of Detached Single Family homes. No real action has been taken on promoting the housing options available in Niles but the Community Development Department will ensure that they are promoted in future marketing efforts.	20:14 No change from 6/30/13 update

COMMERCIAL AREAS

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	GOAL 1: Support well-functioning retail and commercial shopping areas that are market supportable, maintain a diversified tax base, and serve the needs of the Village's residents and visitors.			
7	Maintain a range of retail and service commercial activities throughout the Village along key corridors such as Milwaukee Avenue, Touhy Avenue, Dempster Street and Golf Road. (pg. 21:1)	Community Development	21:1 The hiring of a new Economic Development Coordinator (EDC) in late 2012 was a significant action related to this Objective. Y-T-D 2013 the EDC has been actively involved in numerous activities to promote Niles as a great place to do business. The FY 2014 Budget included \$70K to develop a new Village website (EDC the project manager) with modern capabilities to facilitate getting promotional messages about Niles out to prospective businesses in a more robust and effective way. In March 2013, the new EDC put up a new application on the existing Village website called 'Niles Site Selector' which allows prospective developers to quickly see commercial properties that are available along with related demographic and purchasing power information. In addition, the Community Development Dept. will continue to promote Niles as a business location through continued participation in industry trade events and shows.	21:1 The EDC (Ross Klicker) reports that in 2013 Niles continues to see a range of new businesses coming into Niles including two new restaurants, a new gas station, an automotive repair business, a child care center, a medical clinic, a furniture resale store, and a clothing resale/retailer.
7	Define and designate more specific functional roles for the various commercial areas within the Village distinguished by local, community, and regional serving developments. (pg. 21:2)		21:2 This will be addressed by the Z & O Rewrite in 2013-2014 along with the development of the Multi-Modal (Bike and Pedestrian) Plan in 2013.	21: 2 The consultants (Camiros Ltd.) started their Z&O work in mid-September with key stakeholder interviews. The entire Z&O project is expected to be completed in late 2014.
8	Explore and support the potential for the creation of mixed-use, walkable districts within the Village. (pg. 21:3)	Community Development	21:3 The first step in the achievement of this Objective (to explore and support the potential for a mixed use walkable district) will be the Z & O Rewrite in 2013-2014. In addition, the potential for a walkable mixed-use district in Niles will be discussed by the Committee developing the Multi-Modal (Bike and Pedestrian) Plan in 2013.	21:3 No change from 6/30/13 update
6	Ensure that all retail, office and service commercial activities are organized by use and concentrated within or near areas of similar or compatible uses. (pg. 21:4)	Community Development	21:4 This will be addressed by the Z & O Rewrite in 2013-2014.	21:4 No change from 6/30/13 update
9	Continue to utilize and consider additional incentives such as sales tax rebates, TIF, SOSA, and business district funds to initiate redevelopment of key opportunity sites as identified in the Plan. (pg. 21:5)	Community Development	21:5 Economic Incentives are on-going tools that the Village always assesses when looking at new development ideas. ACTIVE.	21:5 The Village has contacted a consultant and is in preliminary discussions concerning a review of financing options, including a possible TIF, for the Touhy/Caldwell area to advance commercial development along this corridor. ACTIVE

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9	Identify underperforming and underutilized parcels and sites and work with property owners and developers to promote their redevelopment, encouraging parcel assembly where appropriate to provide larger development opportunities. (pg. 21:6)	Community Development	21:6 Both the new Economic Development Coordinator (Ross Klicker) and the new Planner (Bruce Sylvester) will focus on achieving this Objective and will in fact work with property and business owners. FORMATION.	21:6 The property owner is currently working with a broker (CBRE) to review development proposals that have been submitted. When the final proposals are identified, the Village will participate in conjunction with all other parties in financial discussions concerning potential redevelopment efforts. All parties involved in this project are committed to work co-operatively with the Village. In addition Planner Bruce Sylvester has been named Project Manager for the Phase IV Milwaukee Ave. improvement project (Oakton to Monroe), which is funded by the State of Illinois (\$900K). Trustees Jekot and O'Donovan Matyas head the related Village Committee. The focus will be on improved streetscaping to make the area more attractive for business. FORMATION
10	Promote the modernization and/or redevelopment of outdated shopping centers and strip malls. (pg. 21:7)	Community Development	21:7 Both the new Economic Development Coordinator (Ross Klicker) and the new Planner (Bruce Sylvester) will focus on achieving this Objective and will in fact work with property and business owners. FORMATION.	21:7 Same as above, 21:6 FORMATION
8	Promote coordinated and shared vehicle access to commercial properties along the Village's commercial corridors, particularly Milwaukee Avenue, and remove redundant and unnecessary curb cuts to improve traffic flow and vehicular and pedestrian safety. (pg. 21:8)	Community Development	21:8 The Milwaukee Ave. Streetscape Plan approved by the Trustees in March 2008 included detailed Smith Engineering recommendations to achieve this Objective. There has been some small progress on those recommendations with the on-going improvement and beautification work on Milwaukee Ave. since 2009. Most recently in 2013, Rosati's Pizza reduced their property access to 24 ft. and the Lone Tree Inn reduced their curb cut from 70 ft. to 32 ft. It is expected that the Z & O Rewrite in 2013-2014 will further assess this Objective.	21:8 No change from 6/30/13 update
8	Encourage shared parking programs and policies in commercial areas wherever possible. (pg. 21:9)	Community Development	21:9 The Milwaukee Ave. Streetscape Plan approved by the Trustees in March 2008 included detailed Smith Engineering recommendations to achieve this Objective. In the interim there has been little to no progress. It is expected that this Objective will be addressed by the Z & O Rewrite in 2013-2014.	21:9 No change from 6/30/13 update
7	Establish policies to eliminate the use of public right-of-way for commercial parking. (pg. 21:10)	Community Development	21:10 Because Milwaukee Ave. is saturated with existing parking the best that can be done on this Objective is for the Planner in Community Development to develop recommendations whenever an individual opportunity occurs.	21:10 No change from 6/30/13 update
Not Rated	Identify commercial properties that may be potential brownfield sites in order to assess key redevelopment sites and seek funding for remediation and redevelopment. (pg. 21:11)	Community Development	21:11 There are no known brown field (toxic/contaminated) sites in Niles at this time.	21:11 No change from 6/30/13 update
9	Promote the installation of routes and facilities to encourage walking and biking to and through the Village's commercial corridors. (pg. 21:12)	Community Development	21:12 The first meeting of the Multi-Modal Plan Steering Committee took place on April 25, 2013 to address this Objective. This volunteer committee is made up of a cross-section of people representing bicycle and pedestrian interests in Niles and includes residents, business owners, the Niles Police Dept. and representatives from PACE and other transportation agencies. Sam Schwartz Engineering has been hired to lead the planning process. Their consulting services have been made possible with a generous grant of \$90K by CMAP, the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning. Bruce Sylvester, Community Development Dept. Planner, will be the Village's 'project leader' for this project. FORMATION.	21:12 The Committee has made substantial progress on the 'Existing Conditions Report' and intends to present its Plan to improve Bike and Pedestrian safety and mobility to the Mayor and the Trustees in the first quarter 2014. ACTIVE

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	GOAL 2: Improve the appearance, character and sense of place of the Village's commercial areas as a means to create distinctive destinations which attract new businesses and additional customers.			
8	Ensure that new commercial development and redevelopment is designed in scale with, and complementary to, existing adjacent development. (pg. 21:1)	Ordinances supported by Community Development	21:1 This currently happens during the review process conducted by the Community Development Dept. The overall process and standards are expected to be strengthened in the Z & O Rewrite in 2013-2014.	21:1 No change from 6/30/13 update
9	Ensure that all new, improved, and existing commercial development is effectively screened and buffered from adjacent residential uses. (pg. 21:2)	Community Development/Planner	21:2 This currently happens during the review process conducted by the Community Development Dept. The overall process and standards are expected to be strengthened in the Z & O Rewrite in 2013-2014. ACTIVE	21:2 No change from 6/30/13 update ACTIVE
7	Where applicable, require the design of new or redeveloped commercial developments to incorporate public amenities such as parks, plazas, arcades and connections to existing or proposed trails. (pg. 21:3)	Ordinances supported by Community Development	21:3 This will be addressed by the Z & O Rewrite in 2013-2014.	21:3 No change from 6/30/13 update
10	Identify funds and establish a program to assist businesses and property owners with façade improvements, landscaping, parking improvements, and modernization of aging structures and facilities. (pg. 21:4)	Community Development/Economic Development	21:4 Direct Village assistance to businesses for façade improvements, landscaping, parking improvements, and overall modernization of aging structures has not occurred to any great extent. In the FY 2014 Budget, however, there is \$20K for the initial funding for a façade improvement pilot program in Niles. FORMATION.	21:4 An application and guidelines have been drafted and the Village is working with two property owners as a test case. How this program gets implemented on a wider scale in the future is still being discussed. FORMATION
10	Initiate programs to encourage the improvement and rehabilitation of older commercial buildings and areas which are, or are becoming, functionally obsolete including improvements to facades, signage, streetscaping, landscaping and parking areas. (pg. 21:5)	Community Development/Economic Development	21:5 Same as 21:4 above. Overall, there are just little steps being taken on achieving this Objective. FORMATION.	21:5 Overall, there is no specific project or program to report on at this time. Ross Klicker, the EDC, is continuing his discussions with property owners and management representatives of our major commercial areas to foster future rehabilitation projects. FORMATION
9	Implement a more systematic and proactive property maintenance and code enforcement process in commercial areas of the Village. (pg. 21:6)	Community Development	21:6 The Code Enforcement section of the Community Development Dept. currently inspects the exteriors of buildings once a year or if a complaint arises. ACTIVE.	21:6 No change from 6/30/13 update ACTIVE
9	Establish design and development standards and guidelines for commercial areas to guide the scale, appearance, orientation, and overall character of new development and redevelopment. (pg. 21:7)	Community Development/Planner	21:7 Very little progress has been made on this Objective to date. This Objective will be addressed by the Z & O Rewrite in 2013-2014. DISCUSSION.	21:7 No change from 6/30/13 update DISCUSSION
8	Consider the creation of a commercial appearance awards program to recognize improvement efforts of property owners. (pg. 21:8)	Community Development	21:8 The new Economic Development Coordinator will explore a possible partnership with the Chamber of Commerce to achieve this Objective.	21:8 No change from 6/30/13 update
9	Implement and expand the streetscape program to create a unified theme of commercial areas and corridors within the Village, particularly along Milwaukee Avenue, Touhy Avenue, Golf Road and Dempster Street. Streetscaping may include elements such as land (pg. 21:9)	Village Manager's Department	21:9 The Milwaukee Ave. Streetscape Plan approved by the Trustees in March 2008 included detailed urban design recommendations to achieve this Objective for Milwaukee Ave. In the interim, the Village has worked with IDOT and PACE to implement much of those urban design recommendations. <u>Other major commercial corridors in Niles have no similar urban design plan.</u> The 2030 Plan has a section titled Urban Design & Community Character Plan (pages 59-60) which detailed key urban design features (i.e., parking lot screening and buffering, consolidation of curb cuts, bury utilities, way-finding signage, gateway improvements etc. DISCUSSION.	21:9 The Milwaukee Ave. Streetscape Committee is headed by Trustees Jekot and O'Donovan Matyas. Planner Bruce Sylvester has been named the Project Manager for Phase IV. Information concerning Phase IV activities, including renderings, was posted on the Village web site on 9/4/13. FORMATION

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9	Work cooperatively with IDOT to facilitate desired improvements within their right-of-way including improved landscaping, lighting, and gateway signage consistent with the Key Focus Area Plans. (pg. 21:10)	Public Services	21:10 The Milwaukee Ave. Streetscape Plan approved by the Trustees in March 2008 included recommendations to achieve this Objective for Milwaukee Ave. In the interim, the Village has worked with IDOT to implement many of those recommendations but overall work to date just goes from Albion to Oakton (work will continue to Monroe in 2014 with the State grant of \$900K awarded in January 2013. <u>Other major commercial corridors have not been addressed yet with regards to improved landscaping, lighting, gateway signage, and other beautification features.</u> DISCUSSION.	21:10 In addition, IDOT is working with the Village to make improvements to Greenwood Ave. at Golf Rd. DISCUSSION.

INDUSTRIAL AREAS

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	GOAL: Continue to support a light industrial/business park/commercial service sector to maintain a diversified tax base and employment opportunities within the Village.			
9	Establish and maintain regular lines of communication with industrial property owners and businesses regarding current needs and future plans. (pg. 22:1)	Community Development/Economic Coordinator	22:1 The new Economic Development Coordinator has begun a series of interviews with industrial businesses to ascertain their current needs and future plans. FORMATION	22:1 Since he began work in early 2013, the Economic Development Coordinator (EDC) Ross Klicker has conducted several interviews with industrial businesses to ascertain their current needs and future plans. Based on those interviews and discussions, Ross is now working with several of the businesses to find space for expansion or an entire new facility in Niles. FORMATION
7	Promote and encourage the improvement and rehabilitation of older industrial buildings and areas which are, or are becoming, functionally obsolete or undesirable including improvements to loading docks, access, building facades, signage, streetscaping, la (pg. 22:2)	Community Development/Economic Coordinator	22:2 The new Economic Development Coordinator will work with property owners and potential property owners/users to ensure all incentives and programs (i.e., Cook County 6B Status, ComEd energy rebates, etc.) are utilized to their full potential. In addition, in March 2013, the Economic Development Coordinator launched a new application on the Village website called 'Niles Site Selector' which now allows developers to identify and assess available properties in Niles.	22:2 No change from 6/30/13 update
6	Encourage the use of green technology and best management practices (BMP's) in the development and redevelopment of industrial uses and market the Village's industrial areas as centers of green technology and light industrial. (pg. 22:3)	Community Development/Economic Coordinator/Environmental Committee	22:3 The Village will encourage the use of green technology and best practices when talking to current and prospective owners of industrial property in Niles.	22:3 No change from 6/30/13 update
9	Reclassify and rezone manufacturing areas which are functionally obsolete due to impactful proximity to residential, small lot size and challenging lot configurations, particularly along Milwaukee Avenue. (pg. 22:4)	Community Development/Planner	22:4 The Z & O Rewrite in 2013-2014 will address this Objective as will the continuing review and approval process for any proposed zoning permits or redevelopment projects for the industrial areas (the industrial site at Touhy and Lehigh is a prime example). FORMATION.	22:4 The Village has also asked Camiros as part of their Z&O work to examine the possible need for a Strategic Plan for the Industrial area. FORMATION
Not Rated	Identify industrial properties that may be potential brownfield sites in order to assess key redevelopment sites and seek funding for remediation and redevelopment. (pg. 22:5)	Community Development	22:5 (also Commercial 22:1) There are no known brownfield (toxic/contaminated) sites in Niles at this time.	22:5 No change from 6/30/13 update
7	Require all industrial development to meet specific applicable performance standards for noise, air, odor and any other forms of environmental pollution. (pg. 22:6)	Community Development/Planner	22:6 The Z & O Rewrite in 2013-2014 will tighten performance standards for a wide variety of environmental pollution including noise, air, and odor. In the interim, Community Development will be recommending 'interim requirements' for site plan approval to ensure certain pollution control standards are met.	22:6 No change from 6/30/13 update

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8	Prevent the encroachment of incompatible development into industrial areas and utilize appropriate setbacks, screening, buffering and site design to minimize the negative impacts of industrial uses on adjacent areas. (pg. 22:7)	Community Development/Planner	22:7 On-going process in which Community Development Dept. closely monitors landscaping and encroachment issues on a site-specific basis. Z & O Rewrite 2013-2014 will look at strengthening and improving relevant Ordinances.	22:7 No change from 6/30/13 update
6	Reserve designated industrial areas exclusively for light industrial, research and development and business park uses, prohibiting the infiltration of institutional, membership, athletic, or commercial uses. (pg. 22:8)	Community Development/Planner	22:8 Z & O Rewrite in 2013-2014 will address this issue. According to the Land Use Map published on page 4 in the 2030 Comprehensive Plan, Industrial land Use in Niles is almost entirely located in a contiguous land area in the south east corner of the Village on either side of Howard St. mainly east of Caldwell. Essentially what the 2030 Plan recommended, that although Light Industry is desirable and contributes to the economic health of the community, for various reasons including noise and pollution, Light Industry should be separated from residential areas.	22:8 No change from 6/30/13 update
9	Ensure that all uses are effectively screened from adjacent properties and public rights-of-ways, through the use of landscaping, fencing, or a combination of the two. (pg. 22:9)	Community Development/Planner	22:9 Community Development Dept. through the use of the existing Landscaping Ordinance will address this Objective on a site-specific basis. In addition the Z & O Rewrite in 2013-2014 will assess whether the existing Ordinance needs strengthening. ACTIVE.	22:9 No change from 6/30/13 update ACTIVE
8	Install directory signage at entrances to industrial areas to direct truck traffic and visitors and to promote and support businesses identification to residents and motorists. (pg. 22:10)	Community Development/Planner	22:10 No discussion at this time	22:10 No change from 6/30/13 update
8	Improve the Village's broadband infrastructure to accommodate the state-of-the-art technological needs of industrial businesses. (pg. 22:11)	Village Manager	22:11 No movement on this Objective. This Objective should be part of a comprehensive study of the area as part of developing a 'Strategic Industrial Area Plan'.	22:11 No change from 6/30/13 update

INFRASTRUCTURE AND DEVELOPMENT

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	GOAL: Maintain high quality, "green" and efficient infrastructure systems and networks through regular investment and maintenance to meet the changing needs of the Village today and in the future.			
10	Continue to budget for and implement the improvement and maintenance of the community's infrastructure including roadways, sewer and water distribution. (pg. 22:1)	Village Manager's Department	22:1 The FY 2014 Budget included \$1.5 million for water main replacements, \$300K for sidewalk replacements, and \$2.6 million for street repaving. In addition to the above, the Stormwater Relief Program was approved for \$15 million by the Trustees in June 2012. As part of the FY 2014 Budget process, the acting Village Manager requested a five-year plan for facilities, vehicles, equipment, water mains, and streets to ensure that scheduled infrastructure work is funded and there are no surprises. ACTIVE.	22:1 The budget allocation for the homeowner flood assistance program has been increased for FY2014 to approx. \$1.6MM. ACTIVE
8	Conduct a Village-wide pavement study and sidewalk condition analysis to identify roads and sidewalks in need of repair. (pg. 22:2)	Public Services	22:2 The FY 2014 Budget included \$300K for sidewalk replacements - \$250K for normal sidewalk replacements and \$50K for 2030-related projects. Each year the Public Services Dept. does a Village-wide review of sidewalks needing replacement.	22:2 No change from 6/30/13 update
8	Promote the coordination of infrastructure and utility projects with other agencies to reduce Village costs through economies of scale. (pg. 22:3)	Public Services	22:3 The Public Services Dept. works with other agencies (i.e., IDOT, ComEd) on every major infrastructure and utility project in Niles to ensure maximum communication and cost-effectiveness. The infrastructure and streetscape improvement work on Milwaukee Ave. is a prime example of this effort as was the State Road resurfacing projects that took place in 2009 as part of the Federal stimulus program.	22:3 No change from 6/30/13 update
10	Fund, implement and monitor the Village's Stormwater Master Plan to address flooding issues. (pg. 22:4)	Public Services	22:4 The Village's Stormwater Relief Program was approved by the Trustees for \$15 million on June 26, 2012. Actual work on this Phase I is expected to commence in the summer of 2013. The Stormwater Commission, Chaired by Trustee LoVerde, meets periodically to monitor progress and to address issues. ACTIVE.	22:4 Actual construction work on Phase I is now expected to commence in the spring of 2014. In addition to Phase I, the Commission is also responsible for monitoring and implementing the Village's expanded cost-sharing program to install residential flood control devices. This program is currently expected to cost approximately \$1.6 million with over 470 homes qualifying for assistance. ACTIVE
9	Amend the zoning ordinance and zoning map to restrict development in areas prone to flooding. (pg. 22:5)	Public Services	22:5 This language is already in the Ordinances under Chapter 201-86. ACTIVE.	22:5 No change from 6/30/13 update ACTIVE
9	Ensure that new development and redevelopment does not negatively impact neighboring properties or unduly stress the existing sewer system. (pg. 22:6)	Public Services	22:6 This language is already in the Ordinances under Chapter 201-86. ACTIVE.	22:6 No change from 6/30/13 update ACTIVE

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6	Promote the use of sustainable design and development practices for new development throughout the Village. (pg. 22:7)	Village Manager's Department	22:7 Environmental Action Plan (EAP) covering 37 recommendations across eight areas was developed between May 2012 and January 2013 by a Steering Committee consisting of environmentally aware business leaders, residents, public agencies, Village staff, and the Village Environmental Practices Committee, Chaired by Trustee Palicki; the EAP was approved by the Board of Trustees on a 5-0 vote on February 26, 2013. Implementation is just beginning.	22:7 Implementation is proceeding. The following are currently active 'green implementation' projects in the Village. The roof repair and projects for the Village Hall, the Old Maintenance Garage, the Fitness Center, and Fire Stations # 2 and #3 will use a LEED and Energy Star certified solar reflective coating to reduce energy usage for A/C. In addition, the lighting at various Village facilities, including the Police and Fire Dept. buildings, has been updated with more energy efficient LED lights.
6	Promote the adaptation of sustainable technologies and application of sustainable management practices to existing development throughout the Village. (pg. 22:8)	Village Manager's Department	22:8 Same as 22:7 above.	22:8 Same as 22:7 above
7	Encourage new development to utilize "green technology" such as green rooftops, solar energy, and green paver parking lots to reduce storm water runoff. (pg. 22:9)	Village Manager's Department	22:9 Same as 22:7 above.	22:9 Same as 22:7 above.
9	Continue to seek grants and other sources of intergovernmental funding to assist with capital improvements and projects to minimize the financial impact on the Village. (pg. 22:10)	Village Manager's Department	22:10 Led by the Village Manager's Department this effort is on-going and has resulted in significant grants over the past four years, particularly for the improvement of Milwaukee Ave. In total, since 2009, the Village has received State grants totaling \$3.6 million for improvement work of Milwaukee Ave. Most recently, a \$900K State of Illinois grant was announced in January 2013 to significantly improve the Streetscaping and Beautification of Milwaukee Ave, between Oakton and Monroe (Phase IV of the Milwaukee Ave. Streetscape Plan approved by the Board of Trustees in March 2008); engineering and design work for Phase IV will start in 2013 with actual construction in 2014. ACTIVE	22:10 No change from 6/30/13 update ACTIVE
9	Plan and budget for beautification elements to be incorporated into planned infrastructure improvements such as landscaped parking lots, planted medians, landscaped sidewalks, and street trees. (pg. 22:11)		22:11 The Milwaukee Ave. Streetscape Plan was approved by the Trustees in March 2008 and contains the template for streetscaping and urban design which the on-going work on Milwaukee Ave. has significantly followed. ACTIVE.	22:11 No change from 6/30/13 update ACTIVE
5	Consider incorporating the use of solar powered street lights and other green technologies into future roadway improvements and street lighting replacement. (pg. 22:12)	Village Manager's Department	22:12 The vast majority of streetlights in Niles are owned and operated by ComEd but the Village will continue to push for newer and more energy efficient lights whenever possible and particularly as technological improvements make them more cost-effective.	22:12 No change from 6/30/13 update
6	Consider the use of pervious paving materials in public parking lots and encourage private develops to use this and other run-off reducing technologies. (pg. 22:13)		22:13 Hey and Associates recently created a 'Pervious Pavement Policy' for the Village's consideration.	22:13 No change from 6/30/13 update

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7	Pursue alternative sources of funding such as grants to facilitate 'green' improvements to public areas. (pg. 22:14)	Village Manager's Department	22:14 With the approval of the Environmental Action Plan and in conjunction with the 2030 Comprehensive Plan, the Village intends to pursue grants whenever possible to make 'green improvements' to its buildings and grounds. For the 'Rain Garden', a \$5K grant was obtained early on but more came from donations and in-kind contributions totaling well over \$30K to complete the award-winning project.	22:14 The 'Bio infiltration Project' north of the Police Station and east of the south end of Neva Ave. – an area that has in the past contributed to unwanted combined sewer overflows, including chlorides during the winter months, into the North Branch of the Chicago River has been completed . This 'Bio infiltration Project' will collect stormwater runoff from the street, rooftops, parking lot, and nearby snow dump (winter), filter it, and render it more environmentally acceptable. It was made possible by a \$204K grant obtained by the Village from the State of Illinois.

TRANSPORTATION AND CIRCULATION

Priority Impl. Rating	Objective/Action Item (2030 Plan P. 23)	Dept. Responsible	6/30/13 Status of Implementation - Reported to Village Board 7/23/13	9/30/13 Status of Implementation - Reported to Village Board 10/22/13 - New Activity in Red
	GOAL 1: Improve the safety, function and efficiency of vehicular movement and parking facilities within the Village.			
9	Install and maintain "intelligent" traffic signals and systems along key corridors and routes to facilitate the efficient movement of vehicles within and through the Village and minimize the impact of peak traffic flows. (pg. 23:1)	Public Services	23:1 Traffic signals on the major roads in Niles are controlled by the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT). Intelligent traffic signals, including pedestrian countdown indicators, have been installed at various crossings on Milwaukee Ave. and in 2012, it was announced by IDOT that they will, as part of the Arterial Rapid Transit System Project, begin installing 'intelligent' traffic signals at other key crosswalks. ACTIVE.	23:1 No change from 6/30/13 update ACTIVE
8	Protect and improve the function of the street network through controlled access, land-use decisions, and street/intersection design improvements. (pg. 23:2)	Ordinances supported by Community Development	23:2 The Milwaukee Ave. Streetscape Plan (approved in March 2008 by the Trustees) called for better access points to stores, particularly in the vicinity of Oakton St. Reducing access points along IDOT-controlled roads is very difficult Community Development usually seeks opportunities to do that when a site is being redeveloped.	23:2 No change from 6/30/13 update
8	Ensure adequate resources are made available for the maintenance of Village streets and public rights-of-way. (pg. 23:3)	Village Manager's Department	23:3 The Public Services Department is responsible for the patching and general maintenance of 115 lane miles of Village streets and 63 miles of State of Illinois roads (by agreement with IDOT). In the FY 2014 Budget, there was approximately \$2.5 million to repave Village streets.	23:3 No change from 6/30/13 update
8	Eliminate unnecessary, redundant, and dangerous curb cuts throughout all commercial areas to improve the safety and efficiency of vehicular movement. (pg. 23:4)	Public Services Planner	23:4 The Milwaukee Ave. Streetscape Plan (approved in March 2008 by the Trustees) called for the elimination of problematic curb cuts but very little progress has made in this area to date. The Z & O Rewrite in 2013-2014 might provide an opportunity to make some progress on this Objective.	23:4 No change from 6/30/13 update
8	Work closely with existing business owners to consolidate curb cuts by providing cross access between and shared access into businesses wherever possible. (pg. 23:5)	Community Development/Planner	23:5 Same as 23:4 above.	23:5 No change from 6/30/13 update
5	Provide priority parking spaces for no- and low- emissions vehicles in all public parking facilities and encourage the provision of similar spaces in private parking facilities. (pg. 23:6)		23:6 No movement on this Objective, beyond some mention of it in the Environmental Action Plan approved by the Trustees in February 2013.	23:6 No change from 6/30/13 update
9	Establish a way finding signage system that directs motorists to key retail, office, industrial, and community facility destinations. (pg. 23:7)	Village Manager's Department/Public Services	23:7 DISCUSSION	23:7 The Mayor's new Economic Development Commission will likely discuss this Objective. DISCUSSION

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	GOAL 2: Provide a coordinated transportation network for pedestrians and bicyclists in order to connect them to employment, shopping and recreational areas.			
8	Adopt a "Complete Streets" policy to adequately address pedestrian and bicycle safety and circulation. (pg. 23:1)		23:1 (Commercial 22:1) A 'Complete Streets' policy means that a Village would make sure that all roadway projects in the Village are designed with consideration of all users, regardless of age, ability, income, or mode of travel. Part of a Complete Streets policy is obviously improved bike and pedestrian safety and mobility and for those aspects, the first meeting of the Multi-Modal Plan Steering Committee here in Niles took place on April 25, 2013. This volunteer committee is made up of a cross-section of people representing bicycle and pedestrian interests in Niles and includes residents, business owners, the Niles Park District and representatives from PACE and other transportation agencies. Sam Schwartz Engineering has been hired to lead the planning process. Their consulting services have been made possible with a generous grant of \$90K by CMAP, the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning. Bruce Sylvester, Community Development Planner, is the Village's 'project leader' for this project which has a target date for implementation in 2015.	23:1 The Committee has made substantial progress on the 'Existing Conditions Report' and intends to present its Plan to improve Bike and Pedestrian safety and mobility to the Mayor and the Trustees in the first quarter of 2014. On committee makeup, the Niles Police Department has provided a representative while the Niles Park District has not as of this reporting date.
8	Improve pedestrian and bicycle circulation and safety throughout the Village with an emphasis on safer and more convenient routes for non-motorized traffic. (pg. 23:2)	Public Services	23:2 Same as 23:1.	23:2 Same as 23:1 above
8	Where appropriate, encourage new development/redevelopment to include connections and amenities for pedestrians, bicyclists and commuters. (pg. 23:3)	Community Development/Planner	23:3 The Multi-Modal Plan Steering Committee will address this Objective as will the Z & O Rewrite, both in 2013-2014	23:3 Same as 23:1 above
8	Expand the Village's network of trails and sidewalks to provide better connections between the Village's residential neighborhoods, parks, schools, North Branch Trail and commercial areas. (pg. 23:4)	Public Services	23:4 The Multi-Modal Plan Steering Committee will address this Objective.	23:4 Same as 23:1 above
8	Identify key pedestrian routes and budget for streetlight replacement along those routes to include pedestrian-scaled lighting amenities and identify areas throughout the Village needing enhanced lighting for pedestrian safety. (pg. 23:5)	Public Services	23:5 The Multi-Modal Plan Steering Committee will address this Objective. In addition, more and improved lighting for pedestrian safety has been installed along Milwaukee Ave as part of the Streetscape Improvement work to date.	23:5 Same as 23:1 above
9	Budget for on-going maintenance and repair of sidewalks and consider a cost-sharing program with private property owners. (pg. 23:6)	Village Manager's Department	23:6 FY 2014 Budget included \$250K for sidewalk replacement. ACTIVE.	23:6 No change from 6/30/13 update - remains ACTIVE

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9	Maintain and expand the sidewalk network throughout the Village's commercial districts and corridors ensuring sidewalks are located along both sides of all streets within these areas and ensure they connect to businesses and other destinations. (pg. 23:7)	Village Manager's Department	23:7 \$50K was included in the FY 2014 Budget for this Objective. In May 2013, new sidewalks along Milwaukee Ave, in places where there were no sidewalks, have been constructed – Rosati's Pizza and United Transmissions. The 2030 Plan on page 41 identified via a map all the locations along Milwaukee Ave. missing sidewalks and it is the Village's intent to fill in these sidewalk gaps as quickly as possible over the next few years. ACTIVE.	23:7 No change from 6/30/13 update ACTIVE
8	Create a bicycle plan to expand the Village's bike path system, and work towards a complete trail system that connects to the larger regional trail system. (pg. 23:8)	Community Development/Planner	23:8 The Multi-Modal Plan Steering Committee will address this Objective.	23:8 Same as 23:1
6	Work with the Police Department and school districts to promote bicycle education and safety. (pg. 23:9)		23:9 The Police Dept. has a representative on the Multi-Modal Plan Steering Committee to help ensure improved bike education and safety.	23:9 No change from 6/30/13 update
	GOAL 3: Ensure that high-quality public transit remains a vital part of Niles' transportation network.			
Not Rated	Maintain and enhance service levels of the Niles Free Bus to ensure residents are connected to key destinations. Consider expanding service to seven days per week an expanding service to connect to area Metra stations. (pg. 23:1)		23:1 The Village is expected to assess sometime in the next year whether to change this system to serve more customers more effectively and whether to charge a small fare to help pay for the bus system which costs \$1.6 million annually with PACE contributing \$1 million.	23:1 In July, PACE announced its intention to conduct a comprehensive study of the Niles Courtesy Bus System (aka 'Free Bus') in 2014. A consultant has been recommended to the PACE Board of Directors. The Village of Niles will meet with PACE once their consultant is approved which is targeted for November. In FY 2013, the courtesy bus system cost was approximately \$1.6 million annually with PACE contributing \$1 million.
8	Ensure that levels of public transit service are maintained and enhanced throughout the Village, including current CTA, and Pace bus service. (pg. 23:2)	Public Services	23:2 Per the Environmental Action Plan (Transportation Section Recommendation #4) approved February 2013, although many of the regional PACE routes that run through Niles are heavily used, overall ridership on these routes decreased 9.6% between 2007-2012 (EAP, Chapter 2). The ART system could increase ridership. It is now expected to be launched in Niles in 'two years'.	23:2 Discussions with IDOT and PACE continue regarding the implementation of the ART (Arterial Rapid Transit) system on Milwaukee Ave. through Niles. The current best estimate for a launch date in Niles is mid 2015, although that date may be revised based upon information obtained from PACE's 2014 study of the Niles 'Free Bus' system.
8	Continue to support and work with other relevant agencies to ensure implementation of the Arterial Rapid Transit (ART) system. (pg. 23:3)	Village Manager's Department	23:3 Discussions with IDOT and PACE are ongoing regarding the implementation of the ART system on Milwaukee Ave., including through Niles. Although funding is very tight for ART, the best estimate for it to be launched in Niles is in 'two years'.	23:3 Same as 23:2 above.
8	Work with area employers and businesses to promote and implement traffic demand management and reduction techniques including the use of public transit, carpooling, walking and bicycling. (pg. 23:4)	Village Manager's Department	23:4 PACE is currently studying traffic reduction actions. The best opportunity appears to be the implementation of ART. The Environmental Action Plan's Transportation and Mobility Section, had numerous recommendations on making transportation and mobility in Niles more efficient and The Multi-Modal Plan Steering Committee will address many of these recommendations.	23:4 No change from 6/30/13 update

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8	Inventory and assess the condition and location of all bus shelters in the Village and ensure schedules are adequately posted, that the shelters are in good condition, and that they are connected to the Village's sidewalk system, community facilities, (pg. 23:5)	Public Services	23:5 The Public Services Dept. empties garbage cans at these shelters on a regular basis and a contractor makes sure that the shelters are maintained and repaired when necessary.	23: 5 No change from 6/30/13 update
7	Work with transit providers to improve service routes and encourage increased use of transit throughout the Village including improved service within the Village's residential areas. (pg. 23:6)	Public Services & Village Manager's Department	23:6 The Village has an on-going dialogue about service and improvements with the transit providers but budget constraints in these agencies can curtail enhancements.	23:6 No change from 6/30/13 update

COMMUNITY FACILITIES AND VILLAGE SERVICES

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	GOAL 1: Ensure the provision of high-quality public facilities, including municipal and educational facilities, for all residents of the Village of Niles.			
8	Continue to support the operation of important community service providers including Advocate Lutheran General Hospital, the U.S. Post Office and others, and maintain positive and mutually beneficial relationships with each organization. (pg. 24:1)		Support continuing currently at previous levels.	24:1 No change from 6/30/13 update
8	Consider expanding programming at the Senior Center to serve the broader population. (pg. 24:2)	Senior Services Department	24:2 Senior Center Director Kelly Mickle continues her on-going efforts to expand programming and services. In FY 2014 Budget, spending for the Senior Center totaled almost \$1.1 million.	24:2 No change from 6/30/13 update
7	Improve access to Village-owned and other public facilities for patrons who walk, bicycle and those with physical disabilities. (pg. 24:3)	Community Development/Planner	24:3 The first meeting of the Multi-Modal Plan Steering Committee took place on April 25, 2013. This volunteer committee is made up of a cross-section of people representing bicycle and pedestrian interests in Niles and includes residents, business owners, the Niles Park District and representatives from PACE and other transportation agencies. Sam Schwartz Engineering has been hired to lead the planning process. Their consulting services have been made possible with a generous grant of \$90K by CMAP, the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning. Bruce Sylvester, Community Development Planner, is the Village's 'project leader' for this project.	24:3 The Committee has made substantial progress on the 'Existing Conditions Report' and intends to present its Plan to improve Bike and Pedestrian safety and mobility to the Mayor and the Trustees in the first quarter of 2014. On committee makeup, the Niles Police Department has provided a representative while the Niles Park District has not as of this reporting date.
9	Continue to implement the Village Beautification Plan to enhance to aesthetics of public facilities. (pg. 24:4)	Village Manager's Department	24:4 The FY 2014 Budget included \$62K to complete Phase III of the plan to improve the landscaping and appearance of our public buildings. ACTIVE.	24:4 No information reported concerning FY2015 budget - ACTIVE
8	Continue to conduct a comprehensive life cycle assessment for Village buildings, equipment, vehicles, facilities, and properties and develop/revise a multi-year maintenance plan and on-going maintenance program. (pg. 24:5)	Public Services	24:5 Maintenance of Village assets is on-going but as part of the FY 2014 Budget process, the acting Village Manager requested a five-year plan for facilities, vehicles, equipment, water mains, and streets to ensure that scheduled infrastructure work is funded and there are no surprises.	24: 5 No change from 6/30/13 update
5	Consider pursuing LEED, or similar, certification for new or renovated Village facilities to "lead by example" as models of sustainability. (pg. 24:6)	Public Services	24:6 The Environmental Action Plan approved by the Board in February 2013 strongly recommended a number of energy efficiency ideas, including using Village facilities as models of efficiency and green energy use. Most of these ideas, supported by CMAP, could be started in the short-term but their full impact would not show up until the longer-term. The Z & O Rewrite in 2013-2014 may provide an opportunity to encourage more energy efficiency in new buildings.	24:6 The following are currently active 'green implementation' projects in the Village. The roof repair and projects for the Village Hall, the Old Maintenance Garage, the Fitness Center, and Fire Stations # 2 and #3 will use a LEED and Energy Star certified solar reflective coating to reduce energy usage for A/C. In addition, the lighting at various Village facilities, including the Police and Fire Dept. buildings, has been updated with more energy efficient LED lights.

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8	Increase efforts to identify alternative sources of funds such as grants to fund a wide range of public projects including, but not limited to Village facilities, parks and recreation enhancements, transportation improvements, economic development related (pg. 24:7)	Village Manager's Department	24:7 The Village has been very successful in securing state funds, totaling approximately \$3.6 million, for the improvements and beautification of Milwaukee Ave. from Albion to Monroe that began in 2009 and continues currently. In 2012, the Village obtained \$3.8 million in government funding from the Surface Transportation Program (STP) to enhance Howard St., including safety crossings at the entrance into the nearby Forest Preserve Bike Path.	24:7 In addition, the Village constructed an innovative Bio infiltration facility next to the Police Station and homes on Neva Ave using a \$204K grant from the State of Illinois.
10	Using various design and signage elements, reinforce community landmarks such as the Municipal Building, the Public Library, the Senior Center, the Family Fitness Center, schools, religious institutions, and parks as important focal points and resources for the community (pg. 24 :8)	Public Services	24:8 No movement beyond some early discussions on this Objective. OPEN.	24:8 The Mayor will be implementing a new Economic Development Commission and this Objective is one of the items the Commission will discuss. In preparation for consulting work, a RFP has been drafted. OPEN
	GOAL 2: Continue to provide high-quality and efficient Village services to provide for the day to day needs of residents and businesses and create a safe and well-organized support system allowing both neighborhoods and businesses to thrive.			
10	Provide reliable infrastructure to the residents and businesses within the community including electricity (power and substation locations), water supply and distribution, sanitary sewers, and telecommunications. (pg. 24:1)	Village Manager's Department	24:1 Reliability of water, electricity, and sewers are constantly being monitored by the Village maintaining a high level of reliability. In April 2013, the Village's voters passed a referendum (Electrical Aggregation) to allow the Village to negotiate a Village-wide deal for better electrical rates. ACTIVE.	24:1 In July 2013, the Village selected Homefield Energy as Niles' Municipal Electric Aggregation Supplier. ACTIVE.
10	Ensure the Village continues to benefit from an adequate level of fire and police protection throughout the Village. (pg. 24:2)	Village Manager's Department	24:2 The FY 2014 Budget included \$14.2 million for the Police Dept. and \$11.8 million for the Fire Dept. Equipment and staffing needs relative to the community's requirements are constantly being assessed. In FY 2014, an additional two firemen will be hired. Full details on these two respective departmental budgets are in the FY 2014 Budget document beginning on page 59 for Fire and on page 67 for Police. ACTIVE.	24:2 No change from 6/30/13 update ACTIVE
9	Review Village service levels to determine appropriate staffing levels and/or consultant/contractor support for all Village departments. (pg. 24:3)	Village Manager's Department	24:3 Staffing needs are constantly being evaluated with both additions and subtractions in specific departments in FY 2014 Budget. Refer to page 6 in Budget document for a summary of new additions. ACTIVE.	24:3 The Village recently retained the services of Matrix Inc. to conduct, beginning in September, an audit of the efficiency and needs of the Public Services Department. Their report is expected to be completed in December 2013. ACTIVE.
8	Ensure that Village services accommodate the community's changing demographics by providing responsive programming and services for seniors, youth, and the growing range of ethnic groups. (pg. 24:4)	Village Manager's Department	24:4 The FY 2014 Budget continued funding for the Teen Center (\$159K), Senior Center \$1068K), and Family Services (\$851K). Each of these departments in particular is constantly assessing their programs to ensure the community's needs are being met. The Teen Center directed by Mark Williams has been nationally recognized for its high degree of innovation, including its partnership with Golf Mill.	24:4 The Village hired a new Family Services Director, Tony Hollenbeck; in late August. Tony comes to Niles with significant experience and is 'passionate about bringing holistic health and wellness programs to Niles residents and employees'.

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8	Where practicable, promote shared programming to provide efficient service and avoid redundancies. (pg. 24:5)	Village Manager's Department	24:5 Employees at the Senior Center and Fitness Center have attended Safety classes conducted by Public Services Department. Acting Village Manager Steve Vinezeano has also increased inter-departmental communication about programs and activities to ensure redundancy is avoided.	24:5 No change from 6/30/13 update
9	Maintain a consistent, yet flexible, budgeting process that can adapt to changing economic conditions. (pg. 24:6)	Village Manager's Department	24:6 The FY 2014 Budget process and the Budget document itself, complete with more explanatory comments and charts than ever before, was recognized by long-time observers and participants as perhaps 'the best ever' despite the continued funding constraints and the December 2012 departure of the long-time Village Manager. This vacancy has been ably filled by the former Assistant Village Manager Steve Vinezeano. ACTIVE.	24:6 Acting Village Manager Steve Vinezeano was subsequently hired as the Village Manager in May. ACTIVE.
8	Make available existing and/or new financial resources to implement the recommendations of the Comprehensive Plan. (pg. 24:7)	Village Manager's Department	24:7 The FY 2014 Budget included funding for a wide range of 2030 Plan-recommended Objectives including a new Village website and a pilot Facade improvement program. In addition cross-references aligning the departmental funding and activities with the 2030 Plan was included for the first time throughout the FY 2014 Budget.	24:7 No change from 6/30/13 update
10	Establish a process for the regular review and update of the Village's Zoning Ordinance to appropriately meet the changing needs of the community. (pg. 24:8)	Village Manager's Department	24:8 Although Village Ordinances have been updated and improved on an ad hoc basis over the years; there has not been a complete review of Ordinances, including Building and Zoning Ordinances, since the sixties. With the approval of the 2030 Plan in October 2011 and the hiring of the new Planner (Bruce Sylvester) in the Community Development Dept. in late 2012, a total review and rewrite of the Ordinances will take place in 2013-2014 with regular reviews in the future as part of the overall process. FORMATION.	24:8 No change from 6/30/13 update FORMATION
9	Monitor fees charged for Village Services to ensure fees charged are both fair and accurate and consider the use of fee-based services for some Village services that are currently provided within the Village's tax levy for all properties. (pg. 24:9)	Village Manager's Department	24:9 The Village's Fees (for services) is updated annually and a regular part of the review process is not only an analysis of costs involved but also a cost comparison with other suburbs. ACTIVE.	24:9 No change from 6/30/13 update ACTIVE
10	Continue to implement the Village's Storm water Plan to adequately address storm water and flooding concerns. (pg. 24:10)	Public Services	24:10 (also Infrastructure 22:4) The Village's Storm water Relief Program was approved by the Trustees for \$15 million on June 26, 2012. Actual work on this Phase I is expected to commence in the summer of 2013. The Stormwater Commission, Chaired by Trustee LoVerde, meets periodically to monitor progress and to address issues such as the recent flooding in April 2013 and whether the Stormwater Relief Plan was focused in the right areas given where the flooding occurred. It was. ACTIVE.	24:10 Following the late June 2013 flooding, Mayor Przybylo announced in early July that that the Phase I project engineering and bid activities will be accelerated for a Spring 2014 construction start versus the initial 2015 date. ACTIVE
8	Coordinate the review and input of new development proposals with all affected public agencies and departments such as the Fire Department, School Districts, and Park Districts. (pg. 24:11)	Community Development/Planner	24:11 The new Planner (Bruce Sylvester) in the Community Development Dept. will keep all key partners, Chamber of Commerce, local School officials, etc., informed of the Village's economic development plans and invite them to be part of the process.	24:11 No change from 6/30/13 update

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7	Formalize boundary agreements with neighboring municipalities and develop a detailed plan for any future annexation. (pg. 24:12)	Community Development/Planner	24:12 No movement, beyond some early discussions by the new Planner, Bruce Sylvester, in Community Development Dept. with officials from Cook County, on this Objective. At this time, there are no future annexations or property exchanges planned.	24:12 No change from 6/30/13 update
	GOAL 3: Lead the way on intergovernmental cooperation and outreach to residents to ensure open channels of communication and efficiency in service delivery.			
7	Using the Stormwater Plan process as a model, expand community outreach efforts for large capital projects, including additional opportunities for public review and comment such as open houses or online tools to solicit input and feedback. (pg. 24:1)	Village Manager's Department	24:1 No movement has occurred 2013 Y-T-D.	24:1 No change from 6/30/13 update
10	Continue to regularly update and publish information through the many news platforms available to the Village including the website, newsletter, and Comcast Channel 6. (pg. 24:2)	Village Manager's Department	24:2 The Village has increased its communications with the community Y-T-D 2013 using several tools including: 1) more information published on the Village website, 2) reverse 911 phone calls (i.e., recent flood information), and Niles TV (which now broadcasts live all Village Board meetings). In addition, the FY 2014 Budget included \$70K for a new and more robust Village website (set for completion in 1Q 2014) and \$149K for the Niles TV Communications Dept., which will focus particularly on professionalizing and expanding the usage of 'Niles TV'. ACTIVE.	24:2 The more robust new Village website is set for completion 'prior to the first of the year'. ACTIVE
9	Improve customer service levels at all points of contact with residents and provide regular training to ensure that a consistent message is delivered regarding Village policies. (pg. 24:3)	Village Manager's Department	24:3 There is money in the FY 2014 Budget for regular customer service training in alternate years (alternate years to allow other training also). FORMATION.	24:3 No change from 6/30/13 update FORMATION
9	Maintain transparency related to Village operations, including public finances and large Village expenditures. (pg. 24:4)	Village Manager's Department	24:4 The FY 2014 Budget was available for review via the Village website and two public workshops were conducted on this Budget in March. In addition, all Actuarial Reports related to Police and Fire Pensions along with the salaries of Village employees are also posted on the Village website. ACTIVE.	24:4 No change from 6/30/13 update ACTIVE
8	Attend annual Homeowners Association meetings to update residents on Village projects and gather input. (pg. 24:5)	Village Manager's Department	24:5 Representatives from Community Development and the Police Department do attend Homeowner Association meetings when they occur. A good example is the Nordica/Washington Townhome group.	24:5 No change from 6/30/13 update
8	Actively encourage resident participation in notifying the Village of potential code violations. (pg. 24:6)	Village Manager's Department	24:6 In general the Village has not in recent years communicated to any great degree with residents or businesses asking for their help in identifying code violations. This is an opportunity to consider. The Community Development Dept. does send out notices in certain townhome areas to let them know of exterior inspections and asking for resident assistance.	24:6 No change from 6/30/13 update

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8	Partner with agencies such as the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP), Cook County and neighboring municipalities to assist in realizing mutual objectives and addressing issues, such as traffic, that transcend municipal boundaries. (pg. 24:7)	Village Manager's Department	24:7 The Village has recently partnered with CMAP on developing both the Environmental Action Plan (approved February 2013) and the development of a Multi-Modal plan (Bike and Pedestrian Improvements) with a Steering Committee kick off meeting in April 2013. The Police and Fire Department do continue their safety partnerships with neighboring communities (i.e., Red Center, NIPSTA, Glenview Dispatch). In 2013, Niles and Morton Grove will also revisit the idea of a shared firehouse.	24:7 No change from 6/30/13 update
9	Maintain a positive channel of communication with agencies such as Metra, Pace, Regional Transportation Authority, Cook County, Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT), Advocate Lutheran General Hospital, school districts, park districts and others (pg. 24:8)	Village Manager's Department	24:8 There continues to be positive channels of communications by the Village Manager's Department with service providers to Niles. As always, channels of communication could be improved and expanded by Department Managers to ensure that issues get resolved proactively and not reactively. FORMATION.	24:8 Relations with the press and media continue unchanged. In addition, the Village is in the process of hiring a new Public Information Officer who will have press communication responsibilities among their duties. FORMATION

PARKS, OPEN SPACE AND ENVIRONMENTAL FEATURES

Priority Impl. Rating	Objective/Action Item (2030 Plan P. 25)	Dept. Responsible	6/30/13 Status of Implementation - Reported to Village Board 7/23/13	9/30/13 Status of Implementation - Reported to Village Board 10/22/13 - New Activity in Red
	GOAL 1: Work with the Niles Park District and the Cook County Forest Preserve District to continue to provide opportunities for passive and active recreation through high-quality facilities and programming.			
9	Work cooperatively with the Park District and other interested agencies and stakeholders to create a Bicycle Master Plan to create a Village-wide bicycle network that connects to existing park sites, the North Branch Trail and the larger region. (pg. 25:1)	Public Services	25:1 (same as Community Services 24:3; Transportation 23:1). The first meeting of the Multi-Modal Plan Steering Committee took place on April 25 th , 2013. This volunteer committee is made up of a cross-section of people representing bicycle and pedestrian interests in Niles and includes residents, business owners, the Niles Park District and representatives from PACE and other transportation agencies. Sam Schwartz Engineering has been hired to lead the planning process. Their consulting services have been made possible with a generous grant of \$90K by CMAP, the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning. Bruce Sylvester, Community Development Planner, is the Village's 'project leader' for this project. FORMATION.	25:1 The Committee has made substantial progress on the 'Existing Conditions Report' and intends to present its Plan to improve Bike and Pedestrian safety and mobility to the Mayor and the Trustees in the first quarter of 2014. On committee makeup, the Niles Police Department has provided a representative while the Niles Park District has not as of this reporting date. ACTIVE
9	Assist the Park District in identifying grants and securing alternative funding for parks, open space, trail segments, trail connections, and other recreation amenities for the community. (pg. 25:2)	Public Services	25:2 No significant activity on this Objective although the Village does share its applications for funding with the Park District. OPEN.	25:2 No change from 6/30/13 update OPEN
7	Work with the Park District to identify potential park site locations in any identified underserved areas of the community and to ensure existing parks are of an adequate size. (pg. 25:3)	Public Services	25:3 No movement by the Village on this Objective as the Park District is the responsible entity.	25:3 No change from 6/30/13 update
8	Work with the Park District to identify any duplication in service and consider coordinating on future facility and program decision-making. (pg. 25:4)	Village Manger's Department working with Park District	25:4 No movement beyond some early discussions with the Park District to share opportunities related to the Fitness Center.	25:4 No change from 6/30/13 update
8	Work with the Cook County Forest Preserve District on decision -making and improvements to their properties, most notably Miami Woods and Bunker Hill Forest Preserve. (pg. 25:5)		25:5 No movement on this Objective.	25:5 No change from 6/30/13 update
8	Ensure that recreational opportunities reflect the demographics, existing or desired, of the Village. (pg. 25:6)	Village Manger's Department working with Park District	25:6 The Niles Park District is constantly assessing community demographics to ensure a high level of park and recreational facilities are available. One notable proposal for a Skateboard Park was submitted by a group of local teens in 2011 and that proposal, with many viewpoints both pro and con, continues to be studied and evaluated by the Park District. In addition, the Park District is strongly considering the development of an updated Strategic Master Plan.	25:6 No change from 6/30/13 update

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9	Explore opportunities to work with the Park District to address the Village's storm water issues. (pg. 25:7)	Public Services	25:7 The Village's Stormwater Commission, created in October 2008 and led by Trustee LoVerde, worked closely with the Park District also led by Executive Director LoVerde to ensure the Park District's full participation in the development of the Village's \$15 million Phase I Storm water Relief Program that was approved by the Board of Trustees on June 26, 2012. ACTIVE.	25:7 No change from 6/30/13 update ACTIVE
10	Explore potential locations for a civic gathering space in the Village where special events can be held. (pg. 25:8)	Community Development/Economic Coordinator	25:8 No movement beyond some early discussions in 2013 within the Community Development Dept. on the type of community events (and related venue) that Niles would like. OPEN.	25:8 No movement beyond some early discussions in 2013 within the Community Development Dept. on the type of community events (and related venue) that Niles would like. This is a long-term project that is partly dependent on the Milwaukee Ave. Corridor Study currently being done by Camiros Ltd. Once that plan is completed and zoning established, the identification of a 'Civic Gathering Space' can proceed. OPEN
GOAL 2: Protect and promote the Village's unique environmental assets and encourage opportunities for residents and visitors to connect to them in a responsible and sustainable manner.				
8	Provide opportunities for increased public participation in environmental advocacy, particularly through the Community Rain Garden. (pg. 25:1)		25:1 The Environmental Action Plan (EAP) kicked off its development process with a community outreach meeting in June 2012 at which numerous ideas and suggestions were obtained by the EAP Development Committee made up of residents, business owners, Village employees, and planning agencies (CMAP). The EAP was approved by the Board of Trustees in February 2013. One shining success story for the community to build from is the Community Rain Garden (located at 7114 W. Touhy) which has grown significantly since June 2008 when the project was kicked off by the Village and the Coca Cola Bottling Co. of Niles. Today, the Rain Garden is supported not only by Coca Cola but also Chris' Landscape, the Niles Lions Club, Groot Industries, ComEd, Pizzo Ecological Restoration, The Notre Dame Prep Environmental Adventure Club, Home Depot, the Niles Garden Club, and the Niles Public Services Department among others. In late 2012 these volunteer efforts on behalf of the Rain Garden were recognized by the U.S. EPA and Chicago Wilderness.	25:1 No change from 6/30/13 update
8	Ensure adequate resources for the maintenance of Village-owned or maintained environmentally-sensitive lands. (pg. 25:2)	Village Manger's Department	25:2 No movement, beyond some early discussions, on this Objective. The Environmental Action Plan, approved February 2013, did strongly recommend (Open Space section Recommendation #2) the increasing use of sustainable landscaping practices for municipal properties including native plantings which reduces the need for watering and pesticides, provides essential wildlife habitat and minimizes the need for mowing.	25:2 No change from 6/30/13 update
8	Work with the Park District to install environmental education and interpretive signage throughout the community in locations with natural areas and important environmental assets. (pg. 25:3)		25:3 No movement on this Objective except at the Rain Garden.	25:3 No change from 6/30/13 update
6	Promote access to, use of and amenities along the North Branch of the Chicago River. (pg. 25:4)		25:4 The Multi-Modal Plan Steering Committee (kickoff meeting April 25, 2013 – Objective 25:1 above) will address this in the plan they formulate during 2013-2014.	25:4 The development of the Multi-Modal Plan is now in process to address this.
6	Support efforts to maintain the water quality and stabilize the banks of the North Branch of the Chicago River. (pg. 25:5)		25:5 No movement on this Objective.	25:5 No change from 6/30/13 update

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9	Ensure zoning regulations protect and support floodplains, wetlands and other sensitive environmental features. (pg. 25:6)	Ordinances	25:6 Z & O Rewrite in 2013-2014 will address this. FORMATION.	25:6 No change from 6/30/13 update FORMATION
9	Establish local ordinances and regulations to preserve and protect trees and other environmental features throughout the Village and its neighborhoods. (pg. 25:7)	Ordinances	25:7 The Environmental Action Plan recommended (Open Space section, Recommendation #3) both protection and expansion of the Village's tree canopy. Currently there are 8,785 parkway trees that make up our Village forest or tree canopy. In the FY 2014 Budget, there was funding of \$70K to plant new trees to primarily replace diseased ash trees that had been taken down in 2012. FORMATION.	25:7 The Village's tree inventory has been completed and a new 'Tree Ordinance' for the Village is nearing completion for approval by the Trustees in 2013. FORMATION
9	Conduct an inventory of the Village's trees and consider pursuing "Tree City USA" recognition. (pg. 25:8)	Public Services	25:8 In process. The tree Inventory is expected to be completed soon and the plan is for Niles to then apply for 'Tree City' status. ACTIVE.	25:8 The tree inventory of all parkway trees has been completed. The database is updated as trees are added, removed, or maintenance activities are performed. The Environmental Committee headed by Trustee Palicki is currently drafting a 'Tree Ordinance', which is another prerequisite for 'Tree City' status, which is now targeted for the first half of 2014. ACTIVE

IMAGE AND IDENTITY

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	GOAL: Maintain a positive image and identity for the Village that is distinct and reflective of its unique character and assets to distinguish Niles from other nearby communities.			
9	Encourage compatible and high quality design and construction for all development/redevelopment with an emphasis on site design, building orientation, architecture, building materials and site improvements. (pg. 26:1)	Community Development/ Economic Coordinator/Planner	26:1 Z & O Rewrite in 2013-2014 will address this. FORMATION.	26:1 No change from 6/30/13 update FORMATION
9	Provide for consistent and high-quality maintenance of all local streets, parkways, sidewalks, water towers and other visible municipal infrastructure. (pg. 26:2)	Village Manger's Department	26:2 FY 2014 Budget was approved by the Board in May 2013 funding this to the fullest extent possible within budgetary constraints. See FY 2014 Budget document for detailed spending. ACTIVE.	26:2 No change from 6/30/13 update ACTIVE
9	Expand the Village's streetscaping program and install elements that strengthen the unified theme of the community such as benches, bus shelters, trash cans, streetlights, decorative fencing, way finding signage and other amenities. (pg. 26:3)	Village Manger's Department	26:3 A \$900K State of Illinois grant was announced on January 31 st to significantly improve the Streetscaping and Beatification of Milwaukee Ave, between Oakton and Monroe (Phase IV of the Milwaukee Ave. Streetscape Plan approved by the Board of Trustees in March 2008. Engineering and design work will start in 2013 with actual construction in 2014. ACTIVE.	26:3 The Milwaukee Ave. Streetscape Committee will be headed by Trustees Jekot and O'Donovan Matyas. Planner Bruce Sylvester has been named the Project Manager for Phase IV. The Village has posted (9/4/13) images on the web site as to what the work for Phase IV will entail. ACTIVE
9	Create gateway features consisting of signage, walls, sculptures, pylons, fountains, lighting, monuments, and/or landscaping at key locations within the community to announce entry into Niles and to distinguish the Village from adjacent municipalities. (pg. 26:4)	Public Services	26:4 Economic Development Coordinator (Ross Klicker) has had preliminary discussions with a well-respected architect to assist the Village in developing a unified and unique Village identity through landscaping, signage, and public art. DISCUSSION.	26:4 The Mayor will be implementing a new Economic Development Commission and this Objective is one of the items the Commission will discuss. In preparation for consulting work, a RFP has been drafted. DISCUSSION
9	Encourage subdivision and business park monument signs to include the Village of Niles' name and/or logo to promote the Village's identity. (pg. 26:5)	Community Development/ Economic Coordinator/Planner	26:5 The Community Development Dept. has begun to encourage businesses, current and future, to promote to a greater degree the Niles identity in their signage and even logos. FORMATION.	26:5 Same as above 26:4 FORMATION
9	Review and update the Village's landscape ordinance to ensure new development includes sufficient landscaping. (pg. 26:6)	Ordinances	26:6 The Z & O Rewrite in 2013-2014 will address this. FORMATION.	26:6 No change from 6/30/13 update FORMATION
9	Develop and implement landscaping and tree planting and maintenance programs that beautify the residential and commercial areas of the Village. (pg. 26:7)	Village Manger's Department	26:7 FY 2014 Budget included \$70K for the purchase of new trees in the next year. ACTIVE.	26:7 No change from 6/30/13 update ACTIVE
8	Consider the creation of an Appearance Commission to review proposed buildings, aesthetic changes to existing buildings, and landscaping plans in the Village. (pg. 26:8)		26:8 Guidelines for appearance as part of the site plan approval process for commercial and industrial sites are currently being prepared by the Community Development Dept. An Appearance Committee is not contemplated at this time.	26:8 No change from 6/30/13 update

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6	Develop a program to bury and/or relocate overhead utility lines along key commercial areas. (pg. 26:9)	Public Services	26:9 No movement on this Objective. Niles would have to pay for this and it is very expensive.	26:9 No change from 6/30/13 update
9	Create a façade program to encourage private property owners to implement landscaping, façade and signage improvements to their sites, buildings and businesses. (pg. 26:10)	Community Development/Economic Coordinator/Planner	26:10 FY 2014 Budget included \$20K for a pilot Façade (Improvement) Program. FORMATION.	26:10 An application and guidelines have been drafted and the Village is working with two property owners as a test case. How this program gets implemented on a wider scale in the future is still being discussed (see also Commercial Goal 2, Objective 21:4). FORMATION
9	Implement a program to screen fixed utility locations such as lift stations, pump houses, transformer sites, antennas, telephone switches, etc. (pg. 26:11)	Public Services	26:11 FY 2014 Budget included funds to screen fixed utility equipment. ACTIVE.	26:11 No change from 6/30/13 update ACTIVE
9	Strictly enforce landscaping, screening and signage requirements including amortization regulations of non-conforming signs. (pg. 26:12)	Community Development	26:12 On going by Community Development Dept. ACTIVE.	26:12 No change from 6/30/13 update ACTIVE
9	Review development controls to ensure that they require appropriate screening of public utilities, dumpsters, rooftop equipment, etc. (pg. 26:13)	Ordinances	26:13 Current Village Ordinances accomplish this Objective. ACTIVE.	26:13 No change from 6/30/13 update ACTIVE
9	Develop a marketing campaign to promote the advantages and benefits of living, working, visiting or doing business in the Village. (pg. 26:14)	Community Development/Economic Development	26:14 An RFP will be issued later in the year to retain the services of a professional branding consultant and part of this work will be to begin to develop a marketing campaign to better promote Niles and its Image and Identity. OPEN.	26:14 The Mayor will be implementing a new Economic Development Commission and this Objective is one of the items the Commission will discuss. In preparation for consulting work, a RFP has been drafted. DISCUSSION
9	Improve communication with residents in an effort to increase awareness of, and participation in, programs, services and events within the Village such as the Niles Free Bus, Senior Center, Family Fitness Center and Community Rain Garden. Efforts should also be made to increase participation in civic activities including voting, Village committee's and Village meetings. (pg. 26:15)	Village Manager's Department	26:15 Village website has been used significantly more 2013 Y-T-D for communicating with residents. In addition on several occasions, particularly following the April flooding, a reverse 911 phone call was made to all homes in Niles informing them of Village plans to pick up flood-related debris and garbage. ACTIVE.	26:15 The Village is in the process of hiring a new Public Information Officer who will have press communication responsibilities among their duties. ACTIVE
10	Support efforts to increase the number of annual special events in the Village. (pg. 26:16)	Village Manger's Department	26:16 Some early but promising discussions have occurred between Community Development Dept. and the Multi-Modal Steering Committee (a bike or bike safety event) and the Park District (tree-lighting winter holiday event). DISCUSSION.	26:16 Led by members of the Multi-Modal Steering Committee and in conjunction with the Village, the Library, several community organizations and businesses, a highly successful 'Bike Event' took place on September 14 th . This included a 4-mile ride through the Forest Preserve, bike safety tips (including the use of helmets), and an entertaining display of biking by BMX champ Matt Wilhelm. In addition, the Village is currently working with the Park District on a 'tree-lighting' community event for the upcoming 2013 holidays. FORMATION
8	Explore the creation of and identify a location for, a farmers market in the Village. (pg. 26:17)	Village Manager's Department	26:17 No movement, beyond some early discussions in Community Development Dept., on this Objective.	26:17 No change from 6/30/13 update

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8	Encourage block parties and similar events to improve image and identity amongst residents and neighborhoods. (pg. 26:18)		26:18 Block parties are held in Niles but there is no formal effort by the Village to promote them. The Village does accommodate this by closing off the related streets.	26:18 No change from 6/30/13 update
10	Update the Village's website as a way to externally promote the Village's image and identity. (pg. 26:19)	Community Development/ Economic Development	26:19 FY 2014 Budget included \$70K for a new Village website; consultant has been hired with user input gathered. New website expected to go live 1Q 2014. New Village website will not only facilitate getting key information on services to residents and business owners but also allow Niles to project a more positive image and Identity to many more people outside of Niles. ACTIVE.	26:19 The new web site which is well into development will have an improved 'Community' tab which will allow Village service providers and organizations to have quick links to allow businesses and residents to connect with less steps to reach the desired information on Village services. ACTIVE
9	Consider updating the Village's logo and motto to reflect Niles' designation as a "best place to raise a family". (pg. 26:20)	Village Manager's Department	26:20 See 26:14 above; 'brand consultant' will also explore a possible new Village motto and logo. OPEN.	26:20 The Mayor's new Economic Commission will likely discuss this. DISCUSSION
NOT RATED	Encourage diversity, reflective of the Village's demographics, in Village leadership. (pg. 26:21)		26:21 Unrated by the 2030 Plan Implementation Committee as normal elective process should achieve this Objective.	26:21 No change from 6/30/13 update
10	Improve and maintain relationships with the press and other media. (pg. 26:22)	Village Manager's Department	26:22 Relations with the press and media are unchanged but according to the Village Manager they are strong, particularly since he returns their calls and talks to them. ACTIVE.	26:22 Relations with the press and media continue unchanged. In addition, the Village is in the process of hiring a new Public Information Officer who will have press communication responsibilities among their duties. ACTIVE

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

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	GOAL 1: Provide adequate guidance, regulations and incentives to maintain and enhance economic development in the Village.			
8	Continue to use TIF as a means of fostering site-specific redevelopment in targeted areas of the Village. (pg. 27:1)	Community Development/ Economic Development	27:1 TIFs (Tax Increment Financing Districts) have been a development tool with five previous TIF Districts in Niles. They will remain a tool for future development and used as appropriate.	27:1 The Village has contacted a consultant and is in preliminary discussions concerning a review of financing options, including a possible TIF, for the Touhy/Caldwell area to advance commercial development along this corridor.
9	Promote the use of tax credit incentives and other grant programs to fund renovation and expansion for desirable land uses. (pg. 27:2)	Community Development/ Economic Development	27:2 The Village of Niles has supported the Cook County 6B tax incentive program for industrial areas. Properties receiving 6B status will be assessed at 16% market value for the first ten years, 23% in the 11 th year, and 30% in the 12 th year. In the absence of this incentive, industrial real estate would normally be assessed at 36% of its market value. In January 2013, the Board of Trustees approved 6B status for the JohnByrnes Printing Co. ACTIVE.	27:2 The Board of Trustee's has approved 6B status for three properties. ACTIVE
9	Identify additional small business assistance programs to stabilize and improve conditions for existing businesses and consider the creation of a Small Business Resource Center. (pg. 27:3)	Community Development/ Economic Development	27:3 A Business Resource document for small businesses has been created by the Community Development Dept. and will be distributed summer 2013. ACTIVE.	27:3 A Business Resource document for small businesses has been created with editions in both English and Polish by the Community Development Dept. The distribution date is currently being determined. ACTIVE
8	Support or create a "shop local" campaign to encourage residents to patronize Village businesses. (pg. 27:4)	Community Development/ Economic Development	27:4 The current 'Dine Niles program has proved to be successful and the FY 2014 Budget includes \$4K for its renewal. Some improvements are being discussed between the Economic Development Coordinator and local restaurants. The Economic Development Coordinator has also begun discussions on a 'reward program' for shopping in Niles.	27:4 The 'Dine Niles' program has been put on hold for modification. New ways to allow participating restaurants to choose their level of benefit and or change the benefit are being developed. The Community Development Department is currently exploring a partnership with the Niles Chamber of Commerce to distribute the participation card in the Discover Niles Guide. It is anticipated that the "Discover Niles Guide" guide will be distributed by the end of the year.

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10	Promote the renovation or redevelopment of aging shopping centers and commercial areas in order to maximize their contribution to the Village's tax base. (pg. 27:5)	Community Development/ Economic Development	27:5 The Community Development Dept. continues to work with the property owners of these retail facilities to encourage them to explore modernization efforts. The addition of the new Economic Development Coordinator in 2013 has significantly added to this dialogue process. In addition, Community Development will continue to work closely with these property owners, particularly Golf Mill, to promote their facilities at industry events sponsored by the International Council of Shopping Centers in an effort to attract high quality retailers that would motivate the property owners to invest more in their properties. FORMATION.	27:5 The property owner is currently working with a broker (CBRE) to review development proposals that have been submitted. When the final proposals are identified, the Village will participate in conjunction with all other parties in financial discussions concerning potential redevelopment efforts. All parties involved in this project are committed to work co-operatively with the Village. In addition Planner Bruce Sylvester has been named Project Manager for the Phase IV Milwaukee Ave. improvement project (Oakton to Monroe), which is funded by the State of Illinois (\$900K). Trustees Jekot and O'Donovan Matyas head the related Village Committee. The focus will be on improved streetscaping to make the area more attractive for business. FORMATION
10	Enhance the appearance of commercial districts to attract businesses and customers, particularly Milwaukee Avenue. (pg. 27:6)	Community Development/	27:6 The FY 2014 Budget included \$20K to launch a pilot program for façade improvement. A key aspect of this initial spending will be to retain an architect in 2013 to provide a rendering of sample façade improvements along key commercial corridors such as Milwaukee Ave. In addition, as previously noted in Image and Identity 26:3, a \$900K State of Illinois grant was announced on January 31 st to significantly improve the streetscaping and beautification of Milwaukee Ave, between Oakton and Monroe (Phase IV of the Milwaukee Ave. Streetscape Plan approved by the Board of Trustees in March 2008. Engineering and design work will start in 2013 with construction in 2014. ACTIVE.	27:6 No change from 6/30/13 update - ACTIVE
9	Improve commercial building design and development controls by developing and utilizing Design and Development Guidelines and other tools. (pg. 27:7)	Community Development/ Economic Development/Planner	27:7 The Z & O Rewrite in 2013-2014 will address this. In the meantime, any business that requests a special use permit or variation will be required to make landscaping and aesthetic improvements as a condition for Village approval. FORMATION.	27:7 No change from 6/30/13 update FORMATION

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9	Coordinate with the Niles Chamber of Commerce and Industry, the Korean American Chamber of Commerce and other like-minded organizations on economic development efforts. (pg. 27:8)	Community Development/ Economic Development	27:8 The new Economic Development Coordinator has made contact with these various Village business organizations and intends to set up quarterly meetings to continue to discuss programs and new ideas together. Funding for a new Village website was included in the FY 2014 Budget for \$70K (Economic Coordinator the Project Manger) and this new website, expected to be launched in Q1 of 2014, will significantly improve the Village's ability to communicate with local businesses. FORMATION.	27:8 The new web site which is well into development will have an improved 'Community' tab which will allow Village service providers and organizations to have quick links to allow businesses and residents to connect with less steps to reach the desired information on Village services. It is now expected that the new web site will launch prior to the end of the year. FORMATION.
10	Ensure that Village permitting processes are easy to understand and expedient. (pg. 27:9)	Community Development	27:9 (same as Residential 20:2) The Community Development Dept. currently turns around plans, issues permits, and makes positive changes if needed in a competitive time frame. Over -the -counter permits are offered. In addition, the Department will work with the IT Dept. to assess new software that will allow permitting etc. to be done better and faster, including certain permit applications to be filed on-line and at a kiosk in the Library in 2014. ACTIVE.	27:9 No change from 6/30/13 update - ACTIVE
	GOAL 2: Maintain and strengthen the Village's diverse tax base through the attraction, retention and expansion of businesses in the Village.			
10	Support the Niles Area Chamber of Commerce and Industry in their efforts to attract, market an promote local businesses. (pg. 27:1)	Community Development/ Economic Development	27:1 The new Economic Development Coordinator has attended all Chamber of Commerce meetings since he came on board and has been named a member of the Chamber's Marketing Committee. In addition, the Village/Chamber of Commerce partnership for banners along Milwaukee Ave. has been a success with 43 of the 77 banners being sponsored by Chamber members. FORMATION.	27:1 In addition to continuing the banner program the EDC is also currently working with the Chamber on several new initiatives. FORMATION
10	Actively promote Niles as a community of diverse businesses whose presence enhances the communities reputation as a great place to do business. (pg. 27:2)	Community Development/ Economic Development	27:2 Community Development Dept. will continue to attend local events sponsored by the International Council of Shopping Centers and Retail Live through which the Village has attracted new retailers. FORMATION.	27:2 No change from 6/30/13 update FORMATION

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10	Promote the Village's commercial corridors through joint marketing efforts, community events, and district identification signage. (pg. 27:3)	Community Development/ Economic Development	27:3 The efforts of the new Economic Development Coordinator on this Objective are in the early stages. DISCUSSION.	27:3 The Village under the guidance of the Economic Development Coordinator has installed new pedestrian scale/height “banner brackets” on the decorative light poles on Milwaukee Ave. The purpose of the “banner brackets” is to promote local special events by organizations within the community. The first of these banners promoted the Concerts in the Park Series hosted by the Park District. The Library will be the next group to utilize these brackets, to promote the completion of their renovations. The Village will continue to seek other organizations and groups to utilize this new display feature. FORMATION
9	Develop and implement a strategic marketing and recruitment plan for targeted businesses and store types. (pg. 27:4)	Community Development/ Economic Development	27:4 The efforts of the new Economic Development Coordinator on this Objective are in the early stages. DISCUSSION.	27:4 The Mayor will be implementing a new Economic Development Commission and this Objective is one of the items the Commission will discuss. In preparation for consulting work, a RFP has been drafted. DISCUSSION
9	Coordinate planning and economic development activities in a manner which provides regular opportunities for contact between business and development interests within the Village. (pg. 27:5)	Community Development/ Economic Development	27:5 The new Economic Development Coordinator has begun the development of regular opportunities for contact with businesses, perhaps expanding the ‘Business Breakfast’ concept attended by a few dozen local businesses at those events in March and June 2013. Overall, these efforts are just beginning. FORMATION.	27:5 The ‘Business Breakfast’ has been expanded to three meetings per year. The Village will also be partnering with the Chamber of Commerce for further expansion by incorporating the annual Mayor’s Lunch, which the Chamber hosts. FORMATION

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8	Seek and appropriate mix of commercial retail, commercial service, office and industrial uses throughout the Village. (pg. 27:6)	Community Development/ Economic Development	27:6 No discussion on this Objective	27:6 No change from 6/30/13 update
7	Maximize retail sales tax-gathering uses, where appropriate, by concentrating retailers in the Village's commercial corridors. (pg. 27:7)	Community Development/ Economic Development	27:7 The new Economic Development Coordinator has begun talking to Economic Development firms to identify and assess available desirable businesses that would fit into Niles. Overall, these efforts are just beginning. In addition, the new Economic Development Coordinator posted in March a 'Site Selector' application on the Village website allowing prospective business owners and developers to quickly identify buildings, sites, and similar businesses available here in Niles. In addition, this 'Site Selector' application contains excellent demographic information along with traffic counts.	27:7 The Mayor will be implementing a new Economic Development Commission and this Objective is one of the items the Commission will discuss. In preparation for consulting work, a RFP has been drafted.
8	Protect and maintain the Village's industrial areas as an important employer and tax base. (pg. 27:8)	Community Development/ Economic Development	27:8 (same as Industrial 22:1) The new Economic Development Coordinator has begun a series of interviews with industrial businesses to ascertain their current needs and future plans.	27:8 Based on the completed interviews and discussions, the EDC is working with several businesses to find either expansion space or a new facility in Niles. The focus is to retain existing businesses and in doing so also present a strong and positive environment for potential new businesses looking to locate to the Village.
9	Seek opportunities for new employment growth through the retention and expansion of existing employers. (pg. 27:9)	Community Development/ Economic Development	27:9 The new Economic Development Coordinator has begun a series of interviews with industrial businesses to ascertain their current needs and future plans. DISCUSSION.	27:9 Same as above 27:8 DISCUSSION
7	Ensure that new development pays its fair share of public facilities and service costs, which are attributable to the demand for additional facilities or services as a result of new development. (pg. 27:10)		27:10 This process will be addressed at the time that new development is proposed. The new Economic Development Coordinator is also beginning the process of assessing whether businesses pay their fair share of public facilities and service costs attributable to their business demands.	27:10 The Mayor will be implementing a new Economic Development Commission and this Objective is one of the items the Commission will discuss. In preparation for consulting work, a RFP has been drafted.

SUSTAINABILITY

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	GOAL: Promote the importance of environmental issues and sustainable practices to residents, businesses, and developers through leadership, education and partnerships.			
8	Promote the use of Best Management Practices (BMP's) and green building techniques for new development and redevelopment sites. (pg. 28:1)	Village Manager's Department	28:1 Virtually no change on this item in 2013 vs. prior years. Z & O Rewrite in 2013-2014 may address how to better promote green building techniques.	28:1 No change from 6/30/13 update
8	Encourage private development and redevelopment efforts pursue and obtain LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design), or similar, certification. (pg. 28:2)	Village Manager's Department	28:2 Virtually no change on this item in 2013 vs. prior years. Z & O Rewrite in 2013-2014 may address how to better promote green building techniques.	28:2 No change from 6/30/13 update
9	Expand Village-supported environmental programs for residents and businesses including recycling, water conservation, the use of renewable resources, energy efficiency, and the use of public transit. (pg. 28:3)	Village Manager's Department	28:3 The Village Environmental Practices Committee (Trustee Palicki Chairperson) has a 'Going Green' section under Useful Links on the Village website that precisely informs residents on recycling everything from paper products to batteries. Environmental Action Plan (28:6 below) highlighted Niles' overall below-average recycling rates due in large part to issues related to improving recycling for businesses, condo buildings, and multi-family buildings. FORMATION.	28:3 No change from 6/30/13 update FORMATION
9	Create a Village of Niles "Green Awards" program to recognize innovative green building projects and sustainability efforts. (pg. 28:4)	Village Manager's Department	28:4 No 'Green Award' program developed to date. OPEN.	28:4 No 'Green Award' program developed to date. The new Assistant Village Manager will assume liaison duties with the Environmental Committee and this Objective among other Sustainability Objectives are expected to be discussed. OPEN
8	Work with partner agencies such as the park district and school districts to promote sustainability in programming and education efforts. (pg. 28:5)	Village Manager's Department	28:5 The Arbor Day 'Tree Planting' ceremony, which includes children from various local schools continues to be the only major public event at which the Village promotes sustainability education. The 'Going Green' section under Useful Links on the Village website does inform residents on recycling, from paper products to batteries, etc. On June 29 th , the Village in cooperation with the Solid Waste Agency of Northern Cook County (SWANCC) hosted a Electronic Recycling and Document Destruction event at the Public Services building.	28:5 No change from 6/30/13 update

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10	Consider the creation of as "Village of Niles Community Sustainability Strategic Plan". (pg. 28:6)	Village Manager's Department	28:6 (also Infrastructure 22:7) An Environmental Action Plan (EAP) covering 37 recommendations across eight areas was developed between May 2012 and January 2013 by a Steering Committee consisting of environmentally aware business leaders, residents, public agencies, Village staff, and the Village Environmental Practices Committee (Trustee Palicki Chairperson). The EAP was approved by the Board of Trustees on a 5-0 vote on February 26, 2013. ACTIVE.	28:6 No change from 6/30/13 update ACTIVE

ARTS AND CULTURE

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	GOAL: Promote arts and culture through the support of facilities and programs that reflect the diversity of the community, enhance the Village's reputation and create a unique experience for residents, businesses and visitors.		Arts Endowment Application for a community-wide master plan (requires arts or design 501c3)	
8	Support organizations and groups, such as Niles' Sister Cities, the Korean-American Chamber of Commerce, Romanian Heritage Center, Niles Historical Museum and the Niles Teen Center that provide arts and cultural opportunities to ensure a robust array of e (pg. 28:1)	Village Manager's Department	28:1 The Village of Niles Teen Center (Mark Williams Director) continues to provide an impressive array of enrichment opportunities. Niles Sister Cities organization reorganized as a separate stand alone entity in early 2013 (George Alpogianis President). The Niles Historical Society saw its long-time Director (Walter Beusse) step down and hired a new Curator (Dan Smaczny). Overall, no dramatic changes in Village support to local organizations and their promotion of Arts and Culture.	28:1 No change from 6/30/13 update
8	Identify opportunities to promote the diversity of the Village through events, programs, partnerships and publications. (pg. 28:2)	Village Manager's Department	28:2 The Niles Library (Linda Weiss Director) with their various cultural events, particularly 'International Day' in late September, remains the only public organization in Niles identifying opportunities to promote the diversity of Niles. Niles Sister Cities under its new leadership intends to do more in this area.	28:2 No change from 6/30/13 update
9	As development occurs, encourage developers to include public art and plazas in projects wherever feasible. (pg. 28:3)	Village Manager's Department	28:3 Virtually no change on this item in 2013 vs. prior years. The Village's Z & O rewrite in 2013-2014 may identify better ways to better promote this objective. OPEN.	28: 3 No change from 6/30/13 update OPEN
7	Explore the use of incentives for artists and art-related businesses as a business attraction strategy. (pg. 28:4)	Village Manager's Department	28:4 No movement on this Objective	28:4 No change from 6/30/13 update
9	Create a Village-wide "Cultural Calendar" to track and promote arts and cultural events within the Village. (pg. 28:5)	Village Manager's Department	28:5 No movement on this Objective. Park Ridge's Quarterly Newsletter, the Spokesman, does publish a 'calendar of events', including cultural events, which may serve as a model for Niles. OPEN	28:5 A 'Cultural Calendar' will be included in the new Village website. It will also contain a 'Community' tab on the Home Page that will provide Arts and Culture organizations with quick links to their groups. DISCUSSION
8	Prioritize arts and culture as a type of destination that can be included in proposals for development or redevelopment. (pg. 28:6)	Village Manager's Department	28:6 No movement on this Objective. Niles' distinctive architecture among its schools, public buildings, businesses, and homes could possibly provide a basis of an Architectural Destination (Tour) similar to the success that Columbus Indiana among others has seen via the promotion of architecture (art).	28:6 No change from 6/30/13 update
9	Maintain existing and promote new arts and cultural events in the Village, whether sponsored by the Village or partner organizations. (pg. 28:7)	Village Manager's Department	28:7 No movement on this Objective. OPEN.	28:7 The Village is just starting discussions with the Library to improve the promotion of Arts and Culture in Niles. DISCUSSION

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9	Explore the demand for seasonal events, in particular a farmers' market, and identify potential locations. (pg. 28:8)	Village Manager's Department	28:8 Economic Development Coordinator (Ross Klicker) has begun the assessment of potential locations for various outdoor community-wide events. DISCUSSION.	28:8 No movement on this Objective beyond early discussions within the Community Development Department. DISCUSSION
8	Consider the creation of and potential locations for, a sculpture park within the Village. (pg. 28:9)	Village Manager's Department	28:9 No movement on this Objective.	28:9 No change from 6/30/13 update