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MEMORANDUM

TO: Carie Anne Ergo, Village Administrator

FROM: Jill Hanssen, Deputy Clerk/Executive Assistant

DATE: December 9, 2025

SUBJECT: Approval of a Resolution to Adopt the Municipal Legislative Priorities of the DuPage Mayors and Managers Conference for the 2026 Legislative Session

RECOMMENDED MOTION: Motion to Adopt the Municipal Legislative Priorities of the DuPage Mayors and Managers Conference for the 2026 Legislative Session.

INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this memo is to request that the Itasca Village Board officially adopt the DMMC's 2026 Legislative Action Plan as the Village of Itasca's legislative priorities, and to authorize the Mayor or his designee(s) to represent Itasca's position on state or federal legislation that is consistent with the approved plan.

DISCUSSION

The Village is a member of the DuPage Mayors and Managers Conference (DMMC), which fosters collaboration among municipalities to address shared challenges and promote regional interests. Through its participation in this organization, the Village is better positioned to address local issues and advocate for its priorities at the state level.

Each year, DMMC develops a Legislative Action Plan (LAP) to guide its regional advocacy efforts. The initial plan is developed by the DMMC Legislative Committee, which includes Mayor Pruyn. It is then reviewed and approved by the DMMC Board of Directors, which includes Mayor Pruyn and Administrator Ergo.

The 2026 LAP was approved on December 4th and includes the following priorities, which are detailed further in Exhibit A:

- Protect Sustainable Municipal Pensions
- Invest in Local Communities
- Modernize Public Records Management
- Adapt to Evolving Mobility Choices

The Village of Itasca is also a member of the Illinois Municipal League (IML). IML's Legislative Agenda continues to prioritize the preservation and expansion of municipal authority, including home-rule expansion for non-home-rule municipalities; protection of state-shared and local revenues; opposition to unfunded mandates and preemption; and support for municipal autonomy. Staff is therefore seeking an additional resolution adopting IML's State Legislative Agenda, authorizing the Mayor or his designee to support legislation that reinforces local control, revenue security, and equitable authority among municipalities, with or without home rule status.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the item be forwarded to the Village Board First Reading on December 16, 2025, for consideration and approval.

ATTACHMENTS

Exhibit A - DMMC Legislative Action Plan
Resolution

AFTER ACTION STEPS

Send copy of Resolution to DMMC



DuPage Mayors and Managers Conference

an association of municipalities representing 1,000,000 people

2026 Legislative Action Program

A coalition of cities and villages working together, the Conference fosters collaboration and advocates for excellence in municipal government.

➤ **Protect Sustainable Municipal Pensions**

The sustainability of municipal pensions, as well as the taxpayers that fund them, must be protected by preventing further Tier 2 pension benefit increases for police (Article 3), fire (Article 4), and IMRF (Article 7).

➤ **Invest in Local Communities**

To ensure local governments can deliver essential services to our communities, municipal revenues must be maintained or increased, and barriers such as unfunded mandates and preemptions of local authority must be mitigated.

➤ **Modernize Public Records Management**

As the use of technology and digital records continues to evolve, common sense changes to the Freedom of Information Act and Open Meetings Act must be made to preserve transparency, improve efficiency, and mitigate the use of public records for entertainment and profit.

➤ **Adapt to Evolving Mobility Choices**

Our transportation system must adapt to meet both current and future mobility needs, including investing in public transit service connectivity in the suburbs, regulating e-scooters and e-bikes to protect public safety, and ensuring sustainable revenues for local road infrastructure.

RESOLUTION 1678-26

A RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE LEGISLATIVE ACTION PROGRAM OF THE DUPAGE MAYORS AND MANAGERS CONFERENCE FOR THE 2026 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

WHEREAS, the Village of Itasca is a member of the DuPage Mayors and Managers Conference (DMMC); and

WHEREAS, the DuPage Mayors and Managers Conference develops its annual Legislative Action Program with the goal of establishing a comprehensive platform on legislative issues in order to protect and benefit the interests of its member municipalities, residents, businesses, and the region generally; and

WHEREAS, on December 4, 2025, the DuPage Mayors and Managers Conference Board of Directors voted unanimously to adopt its 2026 Legislative Action Program, attached hereto as Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Itasca will individually benefit by formally establishing positions on legislative issues affecting municipalities, thereby giving clear direction to officials and employees regarding legislative positions that may be presented in official capacity in the General Assembly or on behalf of the municipality; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor or his designee(s) also seek approval to advocate independently of the DMMC LAP for increased autonomy for non-home rule municipalities, specifically regarding the use of hotel/motel and locally imposed sales tax revenues.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Itasca, DuPage County, Illinois as follows:

SECTION ONE: The Village of Itasca hereby adopts the DuPage Mayors and Managers Conference's 2026 Legislative Action Program which is attached and includes the following listed legislative priorities:

1. Municipal Revenues and Unfunded Mandates
2. Sustainable Public Pension Systems
3. Freedom of Information Act and Open Meetings Act
4. Transportation and Infrastructure

SECTION TWO: The Mayor or his designee(s) may represent the Village of Itasca's position on state or federal legislation that is consistent with the approved DMMC 2026 Legislative Action Program.

SECTION THREE: A copy of this Resolution should be forwarded to the DuPage Mayors and Managers Conference, to all state legislators representing the Village of Itasca, and to the Office of the Governor.

SECTION FOUR: SEVERABILITY. If any section, paragraph, or provision of this Resolution shall be held to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, the invalidity or unenforceability of such section, paragraph or provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this Resolution.

SECTION FIVE: REPEAL OF PRIOR RESOLUTIONS. All prior Resolutions and Ordinances in conflict or inconsistent herewith are hereby expressly repealed only to the extent of such conflict or inconsistency.

SECTION SIX: EFFECTIVE DATE. This Resolution shall be in effect immediately from and after its passage and approval.

	Trustee Aiani	Trustee Christensen	Trustee Daly	Trustee Gavaness	Trustee Leahy	Trustee Powers	Mayor Pruyn
Aye	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Nay	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Absent	<input type="checkbox"/>						
Abstain	<input type="checkbox"/>						

APPROVED and ADOPTED by the Village President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Itasca this 6th day of January, 2026.

APPROVED:

Village President Jeffery J. Pruyn

ATTEST:

Village Clerk Jody Conidi