



The Algonquin Citizen

News from the Village of Algonquin

Fall 2018

Why Economic Development Matters

The Village of Algonquin continues its efforts to enhance our community through job creation and economic growth. By careful and strategic planning we are attracting, retaining and expanding the businesses that create and retain quality jobs.

Through smart growth and improved infrastructure, our tax base is being broadened, leading to better parks, roads, and improved services. The strong, diverse economy we continue to build is the prerequisite for easing our tax burden and allowing for a high quality of life backed by responsive municipal services, great educational opportunities, in a safe, welcoming environment.

Today, the Village is focusing on attracting investment in each of our strategic corridors: the Algonquin Corporate Campus, the Algonquin Makers Park, the Downtown, East Algonquin and Randall Road. Each provides investment opportunities for the retail, office, technology, artisan, and manufacturing jobs which translate to increased tax revenue for community projects and local infrastructure. Better infrastructure and more jobs will continue to improve our economy and raise our standard of living.

Our continued efforts to invest in infrastructure and share our story on a larger scale will keep Algonquin on the path to prosperity for many years to come. Together we will continue to build our town as a great place to live, work and play. Want to read more about our efforts? Check out www.aplusalgonquin.com.



Algonquin recently launched a new marketing campaign for its economic development and outreach efforts

Winter Parking Regulations

Beginning **October 31**, parking will be prohibited on all public streets in the Village between the hours of **2:00 a.m. and 5:00 a.m.** The winter parking hours will be in effect until April 15, 2019.

In addition, it is unlawful to park on the street after any snowfall of 2 inches or greater unless the street has been cleared of snow. The snowfall parking ban is in place for your safety and will remain in effect until snow removal operations have been completed. Violators will be issued tickets.

Short-term parking may be allowed under special circumstances. Residents may request parking permission online at www.algonquin.org/police or by contacting Police Department at 847-658-4531.

Fall Cemetery Cleanup

Fall Cleanup occurs the last Monday of October each year. Please have all fall decorations removed prior to the last Monday of October (October 29, 2018). Winter decorations, such as blankets and wreaths, may be placed the Saturday before Thanksgiving (November 17, 2018).

For more information, visit www.algonquin.org/cemetery or contact the Ganek Municipal Center at 847-658-2700.

Algonquin Recognized for Performance Management

The Village of Algonquin has been recognized for its performance management efforts with a Certificate of Achievement from the International City/County Management Association for the sixth consecutive year. Algonquin is among 15 jurisdictions receiving the honor this year.

Algonquin's performance management program aids in cost reduction, program prioritization, and quality improvement. It also encourages accountability and transparency. To view financial and operational reports developed with performance metrics and analytics, please visit our transparency portal online at: www.algonquin.org/transparency.

Trick-or-Treat Hours

Halloween trick-or-treat hours in Algonquin are from **3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 31.**

Remember to turn a porch light on if you are home and will be handing out treats. Have a safe, fun, and happy Halloween!

Road Construction Update

Please see below for project information and be sure to visit us online at www.algonquin.org/construction for updates:



For project details, please visit oldtownalgonquin.org.

Old Town Algonquin: In February 2018, construction began transforming Main Street into a beautiful, pedestrian friendly environment while helping to preserve the character and history of the area. This phase of construction will last through December and include updated utilities, street improvements and enhanced pedestrian amenities. **Local stores and restaurants are open for business.**

Gaslight Drive: Several roadways in the Gaslight Terrace Subdivision (Gaslight Drive, Kingston Place, and Springhill Drive) will be rehabilitated including replacement of the asphalt surface, subbase repair, curb and gutter repair, spot driveway apron repair, ADA improvements, and storm sewer repairs. Work is expected to be complete in November 2018.

Longmeadow Parkway: Construction began in early 2016. Two sections have been constructed and two more sections are under construction. The construction of the last section, from IL 31 to IL 25 and a new bridge over the Fox River, is anticipated to occur from late 2018 to late 2021. For more information, please visit www.co.kane.il.us/dot.

Randall Road: NICOR, ComEd and AT&T utility relocations are scheduled to begin in September, continuing through the winter and into spring of 2019. Additional construction activity that will be getting underway this fall includes median removals, temporary pavement installation, tree removal, temporary street lighting, and temporary signal installations. For more information about this project, please visit www.randallroad.info.

Howl-o-ween Dog Parade

Join us Saturday, October 27, for the eighth annual Howl-o-ween Dog Parade. Owners and their dogs are encouraged to come dressed in their favorite costumes as we parade down the street. Awards will be given for the best dog costume and best theme owner/pet costume. Fees to enter are \$5 per entry. Sign up online at rec.algonquin.org.

Algonquin Express

Join the adventure this holiday season with a magical trolley ride to the North Pole! Join us Saturday, December 1, for this magical trip. All riders must be accompanied by a paying adult. Complete information can be found on page 5 of the fall brochure. Reserve your tickets today at rec.algonquin.org.

Holiday Rock on the Fox

Celebrate the holiday season with your family and neighbors at Holiday Rock on the Fox at Riverfront Park on Saturday, December 1, from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Join Algonquin Recreation for the tree lighting ceremony, candy cane hunt, visit with Santa and friends, listen to holiday music, and more! For complete details visit us online at www.algonquin.org/recreation.



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Fall Hydrant Flushing Schedule

As a regular maintenance practice, the Village of Algonquin Utilities Division flushes all fire hydrants throughout the Village twice a year. This exercise not only ensures proper operation of each hydrant but helps to move fresh water throughout the distribution system, improving overall water quality. **Flushing will take place between September 10 and November 2, weather permitting.** Please visit www.algonquin.org/publicworks for a detailed schedule.

Fall Brush Collection

Groot will provide free collection of leaves and branches, on your scheduled collection day, October 1 through December 14, 2018. Branches must not exceed 2 inches in diameter and should be tied in bundles that are not more than 4 feet in length, 24 inches in diameter and 50 pounds in weight. Leaves must be placed in standard paper yard waste bags or reusable containers that are clearly marked with a red "X" on the outside. Place reusable containers or bags at the curb on your regular collection day. Leaves placed in loose piles will NOT be collected.

Grass clippings and other yard waste will still require a collection sticker. Any bags or cans that contain leaves mixed with other yard waste will also require a collection sticker. The stickers for garbage and yard waste are interchangeable.

Please contact Groot Customer Service at 800-244-1977 with questions regarding leaf and brush collection.