



Terrace Leaves

July • August 2024

A Message From the Mayor



With summer comes increased activity around town. The City asks that you please pay attention to your fellow residents

and drive slowly and cautiously throughout Oakbrook Terrace, since many children are at play. Everyone can be a part of helping to make our community safer.

Remember that the third annual Summer Concert Series at Terrace

View Park has begun. Please join us on Friday evenings starting at 6:30 p.m. I look forward to seeing our residents enjoy live music featuring great local bands and good food. Please bring chairs and blankets. The event is open to the public, and admission is free. The concert schedule is listed on page 2 or you can visit Oakbrook Terrace's website.

I look forward to seeing everybody at this year's 4th of July celebration and the July 4th parade. We are all looking forward to this annual community event, and I want to thank the parade committee for all their efforts in coordinating the parade. The City of Oakbrook Terrace 4th of July Parade is an all-volunteer event.

The Police Department is hosting a National Night Out on Tuesday, August 6, from 6-8 pm, at the City municipal parking lot. This is a great community event, and I look forward to seeing everyone there.

I want you to know I am always available to answer your questions and hear your feedback. Please feel free to call me and leave a callback number so I can respond to your call and answer any concerns you may have. My direct number is 630-834-1416. I'd like to wish everyone a safe and happy summer.

*Sincerely,
Mayor Paul Esposito*

Independence Day, Thursday, July 4



PARADE: 12 pm. Starts at City Hall (See Map page 2)

PICNIC: 3-6 p.m. Terrace View park

Oakbrook Terrace residents must pick up wrist bands for the picnic portion of the July 4th celebration at Oakbrook Terrace City Hall prior to noon on Friday, June 28. Resident wrist bands and raffle tickets are free. Raffle tickets will be handed out at the picnic. Only Oakbrook Terrace residents may purchase nonresidential wrist bands for their guests at a fee of \$20 per wrist band. (Total family limit of eight.)

CONCERT AND FIREWORKS: Terrace View park

Concert: 6-7 p.m. Full Volume
8-9 p.m. The Mix
Fireworks: 9:30 p.m.

No pets, alcohol or fireworks of any kind – including sparklers.



CITY OF OAKBROOK TERRACE



CELEBRATION

Concert and Fireworks

Summer Concert Series

June 28
Poison'd Cruce
Heart to Heartbreaker
80's Cover Band

July 12
Nick Sanzeri
7th Heaven
Ultimate Cover Band

July 19
Triplissidy
Chicago Experience
Ultimate Rock Pop with Horns

July 26
M80's
Recaptured
MTV era and Journey cover band

August 2
Rick Saucedo
Jade 50s
50's & 60's Rock n' Roll

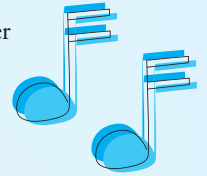
August 9
Four Man Band
Freebyrd
Classic Rock n' Roll

August 16
BlockStar
Anchors Away
Rock Blocks, Yacht Rock

August 23
S.W.A.K.
The Lounge Puppets
Arena Rock

August 30
Full Volume
Semple
70's Rock to Modern Pop

September 6
New Groove Revolution
The Disco Circus
RNB and Disco



Thank You Fourth of July Sponsors!

- Flood Brothers (*Platinum*)
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- Imperial Service Systems (*Bronze*)
- HealthNautica (*Certificate*)
- Ditka's (*Certificate*)
- Hyundai (*Certificate*)
- CBBEL (*Certificate*)

National Night Out

Tuesday, August 6, 6-8 p.m.

Oakbrook Terrace Police Department
17W261 Butterfield Road

The Oakbrook Terrace Police Department invites you to National Night Out on Tuesday, August 6. Fun for everyone!

- ✓ Facepainting
- ✓ Touch-a-Truck
- ✓ Games
- ✓ Food



City Hall & Public Services Summer Hours

Monday, June 3, to Friday, August 30

City Hall

Mon.-Thurs.: 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Fri.: 8:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Public Services

Mon. - Thurs.: 7 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Fri: 7:30 a.m. - 11 a.m.



A Little Bit of History

By the Oakbrook Terrace Historical Society

Fourth Of July Fun from the 1970s and 1980s

Do You Recognize Anyone?



Pony Rides



Getting ready for the parade



Facepainting



Volunteer cooking



Lions Club tickets



Cotton candy machine



Ice cold pop



Three-legged race

The Oakbrook Terrace Historical Society wishes you a safe and happy 4th of July

Please visit us on Wednesdays from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm

City Departments CORNER

Community Development Department

Comprehensive Plan Open House – Save The Date

Everyone is welcome to join us for a look at the future of Oakbrook Terrace. The purpose of the open house is to receive public comments prior to the beginning of the formal review process with City Council. Representatives from the City and NIU Center for Governmental Studies will be available to answer questions. The draft plan will be available for public review and comment. Exhibits on display at the open house will include future land use maps, as well as the recommended priorities for the City in the near future. To be notified when the date is finalized, please follow the City's Facebook page or register for the Terrace Topics e-newsletter.

Additional information about the comprehensive plan is available at <https://egretandoxplanning.mysocialpinpoint.com/oakbrookterrace>. Please contact Melissa Headley at mheadley@oakbrookterrace.net or (630) 941-8300 ext 213 with questions about the open house.

BUILDING PERMITS: Why They're Important

Building permits are written authorization issued by the city to a property owner, authorized agent, or contractor who desires to construct, enlarge, alter, repair, move, demolish, or change a building or structure. Permit approval says your plans are in compliance with all adopted city building and construction codes, and local zoning laws. Permits are important in protecting your safety and the safety of those around you.

There are many important reasons to obtain the required building permit(s) and for the City to conduct the required inspections for your project.

Reasons For Obtaining A Permit

Helps Protect Property Value

Your home is an investment. If a construction project does not comply with the city's adopted codes, the value of your investment could be reduced. A permit assures that the work is done properly, built soundly, and is safe.

Saves Money

Homeowner's insurance may not cover work or damage caused by work done without a permit. Obtaining the necessary permit could also save you money on your insurance. Always check with your insurance provider for details.

Makes Selling Property Easier

When selling your property, as the owner, you are required to disclose any improvement or repairs made, and if permits were secured and city inspections performed. Without a permit, you may be asked to remove or alter existing work which could lead to costly repairs before closing.

Improves Safety

A permit allows city code officials to conduct mandatory inspections to ensure adopted codes are being followed and act as a system of checks and balances resulting in a safer project for you, your family and future owners. Most construction and renovation disasters are a result of people thinking they know what they are doing and failing to consult a professional or having the proper city inspection performed.

It's the Law – Required Permits

As outlined under the city ordinance, many common building and renovation projects require a building permit. Some of those include concrete or asphalt work, brick paving, electrical, plumbing, drywall, roofs, siding, fences, A/C units, sheds, swimming pools, decks, and porches, to name a few. If it's discovered, either by random check or a concerned neighbor turns you in, the city can issue a "Stop Work Order" forcing you or your contractor to cease work until a proper permit is obtained. You might even be ordered to remove work already done, and additional fines could be assessed.

Costs

Did you know that the City of Oakbrook Terrace does not charge a permit fee to their residents for most permits. There are exceptions of course, and charges from outside consultants do apply, if needed. The safest approach is to call the Community Development Department and inquire if a permit is needed. Trying to save money on a permit upfront could cost you fines and repairs later. Permit applications may be downloaded from the city website at www.oakbrookterrace.net.

A Permit Means Peace of Mind

You get peace of mind, knowing that the job is legal, that it's being inspected and is being done properly. You get the professional expertise and experience of the city's staff who will review your plans for building code compliance and make sure that what's on paper matches the work being performed, as well as on-site inspections at the proper building stages.

A building permit is your insurance. It's a safety net, and that's worth your time and effort.

Residential Pest Control Tips

—Perform quarterly exterior inspections of structures to look for gaps, cracks, and holes. Pests can enter through the smallest of access points! Fill cracks larger than ¼-inch with pest-proof materials such as silicone sealant, copper mesh, aluminum flashing, or hardware cloth.

—Screen HVAC, vents, and other airflow points to prevent giving pests easy access to your building. Speak to your HVAC professional about screening options that don't interfere with airflow.

—Gaps under doors give pests the ability to crawl right in. Do routine inspections of exterior doors to identify those in need of door sweeps. Look for openings/gaps around doors and ensure any loading dock or bay doors are flush to the ground when shut. Do routine inspections of exterior doors to inspect for door sweeps. Doors with existing door sweeps should be included in the inspection to make sure they are functioning properly. Make a list of all doors that need sweeps or sweep replacements.

—Use trash bags or trash can liners in all trash cans, both interior and exterior. Food and liquid residues can accumulate in trash cans, making them a hot spot for pest problems including small flies, ants, and stinging pests.

—Ensure that trash is emptied regularly. When removing trash to an exterior dumpster, ensure that it is in a garbage bag that is tied or sealed to prevent pests from gaining access.

—When plants are overwatered, the moist soil serves as a perfect environment for small flies to breed. Water plants on an as-needed

basis or adjust the soil drainage in the container. If you suspect a potted plant may be the source of a problem, ask your pest management provider to investigate.

—Eliminate standing water on your property. Pools of water in your landscaping, parking lots, or even in neighboring creeks and ponds, can serve as a water source for rodent, bird, and wildlife pests and can be an ideal breeding ground for disease-spreading mosquitoes. Check that any water sources – exterior spigots or sprinkler systems, for example – are functioning properly and are not leaking.

—Don't forget your roof! Many pest problems can start on a roof and move into a building. Make roof inspections a semi-annual task, at a minimum. Look for pooling water, cracks or gaps that could allow pests to enter, and any missing vent screening.

—All vegetation – trees, shrubs, or other plants – should be trimmed back at least 18-inches from structures (this includes the roof, where tree limbs shouldn't overhang the building wherever possible). When vegetation touches a building, it can create an easy "bridge" for pests to gain access to a building.

2024 Brush Pick-Up Dates

Brush pick-ups will take place on Mondays on the following dates:

July 8 & 29 August 12 September 9 & 30 October 28



Police



New Police Officer

Please join us in welcoming our newest Police Officer Anthony Molina. Officer Molina graduated from the Suburban Law Enforcement Academy on April 26, 2024, and has begun his Field Officer Training at the Oakbrook Terrace Police Department.

Cop on a Rooftop

The Oakbrook Terrace Police Department hosted the Cop on a Rooftop event on Friday, May 17, 2024 at Dunkin' on 17W460 22nd Street. All proceeds supported Special Olympics Illinois, which provides year-round sports training and athletic competition in a variety of Olympic-type sports for children and adults with intellectual disabilities.





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Oakbrook Terrace Pet Regulations

All dogs and cats residing in Oakbrook Terrace must be vaccinated for rabies and owners must have a rabies vaccination tag, typically provided by the veterinarian at the time of the vaccination. In addition, City ordinance requires that pets be leashed when not enclosed on their own property. As a courtesy, please respect your neighbors and clean up after your pet and do not let your pet run on the property of others. To help protect your pet in the event that it is lost, you may register it with the Oakbrook Terrace Police Department with your contact information, needed information about the pet and your pet's photo.

Oakbrook Terrace Private Security Camera Rebate Program

The City of Oakbrook Terrace offers a Private Security Camera Rebate Program for residents of owner-occupied, detached, single-family homes and detached townhomes located within the City where the property is used as the owner's primary residence. The program provides a rebate of up to \$150 per camera system per residential address. The rebate is exclusively for the cost of the security camera(s) and installation, including any applicable taxes. Rebates will only be given for cameras that are installed on the exterior of the property and for the amount that was paid at the time of application. For information, visit oakbrookterrace.net.

Villa Park Library Card

As of May 1, 2024, library cards are a flat \$20 to all residents through April 30, 2025. The library card provides access to all of the library's resources. For more information, please visit www.villapark.lib.il.us/.

Water Bill Payments

The City accepts Visa, MasterCard, American Express, and Discover for payment of water bills. In addition, there are other ways to pay your Oakbrook Terrace water bill: have it debited automatically from your checking account, mail it in, or drop your payment into the convenient drop-box located at the Butterfield Road entrance to City Hall. You can also now pay your water bill over the phone with a credit card by calling 630-941-8300, ext. 242, or pay online by visiting www.oakbrookterrace.net. If paying by mail, please send it no less than five mailing days before the due date to avoid a penalty for late payment. Please note that water bills are mailed to residents on a bi-monthly basis. IF YOU ARE MOVING, please call City Hall at 630-941-8300, ext. 242, to schedule a final reading.

Phone Numbers

For City Services:

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| POLICE | Emergency | 911 |
| | Information..... | 630-941-8320 |
| FIRE EMERGENCY | | 911 |
| MAYOR | | 630-941-8300, EXT. 208 |
| CITY CLERK | ..... | 630-941-8300, EXT. 206 |
| CITY ADMINISTRATOR | ..... | 630-941-8300, EXT. 207 |
| ASSISTANT TO THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR | ..... | 630-941-8300, EXT. 267 |
| ADMINISTRATION | ..... | 630-941-8300, EXT. 202 |
| COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT | ..... | 630-941-8300, EXT. 209 |
| CODE ENFORCEMENT | ..... | 630-941-8300, EXT. 265 |
| PUBLIC SERVICES | ..... | 630-941-1651 |
| WATER BILLING | ..... | 630-941-8300, EXT. 242 |
| SPECIAL EVENTS | ..... | 630-941-8300, EXT. 267 |
| OBT PARK DISTRICT | ..... | 630-627-6100 |
| YORK CENTER PARK DISTRICT | ..... | 630-629-0886 |

July/August 2024 City of Oakbrook Terrace

- Mayor Paul Esposito
- City Clerk Michael Shadley
- City Administrator Jim Ritz
- Ward III: Ald. Mary Fitzgerald Ext. 273
Ald. Robert Rada Ext. 275
- Ward II: Ald. Frank Vlach Ext. 276
Ald. Dennis Greco Ext. 274
- Ward I: Ald. Charlie Barbari Ext. 271
Ald. Joseph Beckwith Ext. 272

Monthly Meetings:

- City Council — 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7 p.m.
- Planning & Zoning Commission — 1st & 3rd Tues., 6 p.m.
- Police Commission — 2nd Thursday, 7:30 p.m.
- Police Pension Board — 2nd Monday of the quarter

CITY HALL HOURS

- Mon.-Fri. 8:30 am - 4:30 pm
- SUMMER HOURS (Mon., June 3 - Fri., August 30)
- Mon.-Thurs. 8 am - 5 pm • Fri. 8:30 am - 12 pm