



## proclamation

**WHEREAS**, In 2010, Hanover Park adopted a Comprehensive Plan which identified the "Village Center-TOD" area as a well-planned, transit-oriented, mixed-use, compact development in Hanover Park. In 2012, the Village adopted the Hanover Park Village Center Transit-Oriented Development Plan which was further updated in 2017. In 2018, the Village of Hanover Park kicked off a design process to re-imagine the future of the Village Center to diversify land uses with a variety of new housing types, as well as enhanced retail and entertainment uses; and

**WHEREAS**, Recommendations from these plans called for acquisition of key parcels, burial of overhead utilities, and implementation of streetscape improvements in order to attract private sector investment; and

**WHEREAS**, The Village's streetscape project was intended to 'jump-start' development interest, in addition to providing tangible/visible improvements. Creating an active, vibrant Village Center was a key goal of the plans. A central tenet to reinvigorating this area was the establishment of a well-connected public open space system linking the Ontarioville Park to a beautiful new Ontarioville Plaza so that these open spaces become the hubs of activity for day to day gathering and community-wide events; and

**WHEREAS**, The following Village Center Streetscape improvements were installed in 2020; and

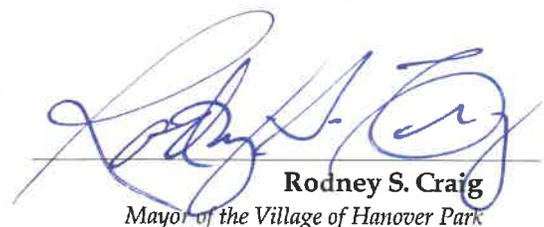
- The burial of overhead wires was completed.
- The new public plaza and park for community events, new sidewalks for better pedestrian connections, new landscaping, lighting, and 'streetscape' for pedestrian comfort have all been installed.
- The main collector road, Ontarioville/Devon has been reconstructed.
- A new public parking lot has been installed following acquisition and demolition of a vacant building.

**WHEREAS**, New landscaping, brick pavers, seat walls, stage area, decorative Tivoli lighting and an interactive water feature are ready to welcome Hanover Park families and friends! A redesigned park with gazebo, sidewalks and several features for 'pedestrian comfort' offer opportunities for families to gather in the heart of our community;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, Rodney S. Craig, Mayor of the Village of Hanover Park, do hereby proclaim and celebrate the completion and grand opening of Ontarioville Plaza.

**dated this 17th day of June 2021.**



  
**Rodney S. Craig**  
Mayor of the Village of Hanover Park