

Village of Western Springs

# TUESDAY TOPICS

February 16, 2021



## LRS Collection Delayed by One Day Due to Weather Conditions:

- In the interest of safety, LRS has made the decision to suspend today's refuse and recycling collection. Tuesday service will be delayed until Wednesday. All other regular collection days will be delayed by one day for the remainder of the week. Learn more at [wsprings.com](http://wsprings.com).

## Illinois Expands Phase 1B Vaccinations:

- Last week Governor Pritzker announced that Illinois planned to expand Phase 1B vaccine eligibility on February 25 to people who have comorbidities and underlying conditions, as defined by the CDC. However, the following day Chicago Mayor Lightfoot and Cook County President Preckwinkle issued a [joint statement](#) stating that Chicago and Cook County do not have an adequate supply of the vaccine to undertake this expansion.
- Information about vaccine eligibility and availability is often changing, and while we are doing our best to convey the most up-to-date information, it can be a challenge to keep up. Information shared by the Village has originated from or been confirmed by verified sources such as the Governor's Office, IDPH, Cook County Department of Public Health, and others.
- I know that some eligible residents are still struggling to find an available vaccine appointment. Please keep trying, as supply of the vaccine is soon expected to increase. More information is available on the Village [website](#) or call the Cook County hotline at 833-308-1988 M-F, 7am-7pm.

## Request for Support of SB41/HB5818 to Amend the Small Cell Wireless Act:

- Last week I sent letters to various area municipal councils of government, encouraging them and their municipal members to support Senate Bill 41, sponsored by Senator Glowiak-Hilton, and its sister House Bill, sponsored by Representative Mazzochi. This legislation amends the Small Wireless Facilities Deployment Act, and returns some control over the siting and regulation of small cell wireless facilities to local municipalities. You can read the letter, as well as reference recent permit applications for equipment repair/replacement on Village standpipes, on the [Small Cell Wireless](#) page of the Village website.

## Staff Engineer Position Available:

- The Village of Western Springs is accepting applications for a full-time Staff Engineer position in the Department of Engineering Services. This position will work under the supervision of the Director of Engineering Services/Village Engineer. The application deadline is February 26, and there is more information available on the website.

## Thanks to Village Public Works Staff:

- The past week brought very cold temperatures and loads of snow to our area. Our Public Works Department has done a phenomenal job in keeping up with the snow in the bitter cold. A big thank you to the folks in public works who battle the worst conditions to keep our streets plowed and safe.

Until next week,

Alice Gallagher,  
Village President

*Wear a Mask, Socially Distance, Wash Hands, Be Safe  
Take Care of Yourself, Protect Others, Support our Community*