

**WHEATON PARK DISTRICT  
ORDINANCE NO 2024-02**

**AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A PURCHASE OF RESIDENCY BENEFITS  
BY NON-RESIDENTS POLICY**

WHEREAS, Wheaton Park District ("Park District") is an Illinois park district and unit of local government organized under, and operating pursuant to and in accordance with, the Park District Code (70 ILCS 1205/1-1 et seq); and

WHEREAS, Section 8-1(d) of the Park District Code authorizes the Park District "...to pass all necessary ordinances, rules and regulations for the proper management and conduct of the business of the board and district" (70 ILCS 1205/8-1(d)); and

WHEREAS, the Park District desires to adopt a "Purchase of Residency Benefits by Non-Residents Policy" in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A, and to amend its existing policies to the extent necessary to incorporate said policy.

NOW, THEREFORE be it and it is hereby ordained by the Board of Park Commissioners of the Wheaton Park District, DuPage County, Illinois, as follows:

Section 1: The Park Board hereby finds that the recitals contained in the preamble to this Ordinance are true and correct and hereby incorporates said preambles in this Ordinance as if fully set forth herein.

Section 2: The Park Board hereby approves the Purchase of Residency Benefits by Non-Residents Policy attached hereto as Exhibit A.

Section 3: This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, as provided by law.

Section 4: All prior ordinances, resolutions, motions, and orders in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Passed this 17<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2024, upon roll call vote as follows:


AYES: Barrett, Frey, Mee, Pechanich, Vires, Kelly

NAYS: ∅

ABSENT: ∅

ABSTAIN: ∅

  
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President, Board of Park Commissioners

ATTEST:   
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Secretary, Board of Park Commissioners


STATE OF ILLINOIS            )  
  ) SS.  
COUNTY OF DUPAGE         )

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that I am the duly qualified and acting Secretary of the Board of Commissioners of the Wheaton Park District, DuPage County, Illinois, and as such I am the keeper of the records and files of the Board of Park Commissioners of said Park District.

I further certify that the foregoing is a full, true and complete copy of Ordinance No. 2024-02 titled, AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A PURCHASE OF RESIDENCY BENEFITS BY NON-RESIDENTS POLICY, adopted at a duly called Regular Meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners of the Wheaton Park District, held in Wheaton, Illinois at 5:00 p.m. on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2024.

I do further certify that the deliberations of the Board on the adoption of said Ordinance were conducted openly, that the vote on the adoption of said Ordinance was taken openly, that said meeting was called and held at a specified time and place convenient to the public, that notice of said meeting was duly given to all of the news media requesting such notice, that said meeting was called and held in strict compliance with the provisions of the Open Meetings Act of the State of Illinois, as amended, and with the provisions of the Park District Code of the State of Illinois, as amended, and that the Board has complied with all the provisions of said Act and said Code and with all the procedural rules of the Board.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I hereunto affix my official signature at Wheaton, Illinois, this 17<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2024

  
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Michael J. Benard, Board Secretary  
Wheaton Park District  
DuPage County, Illinois

**EXHIBIT A**

**PURCHASE OF RESIDENCY BENEFITS BY NON-RESIDENTS POLICY**



**WHEATON PARK DISTRICT**  
**Purchase of Residency Benefits by Non-Residents**  
**POLICY**

**Adopted: January 17, 2024**

## **Purchase of Residency Benefits by Non-Residents**

The Wheaton Park District understands that non-residents who live outside of the district boundaries and do not pay taxes to the district will participate in programs offered by the district. Non-residents are permitted to participate in District programs, but District residents have the opportunity to register prior to non-residents, and non-residents will be required to pay the appropriate non-resident fees prior to participating.

Property owners who either reside in unincorporated territory or outside of the corporate boundaries of the Park District, but within the corporate boundaries of School Districts 200 or 89, may obtain Wheaton Park District resident status by paying a fee equal to the Park District property tax amount that would be paid if the property was located within the Park District boundaries. Such property owners will be charged the assessed valuation of their property, less the homestead exemption, multiplied by the current Wheaton Park District tax rate. To determine the fee, property owners must provide one of the following:

- The property owner's most recent property tax bill.
- A copy of the property owner's assessment notice or assessment advice (which gives the assessed valuation) issued by the township assessor's office.

Renters who either live in unincorporated territory or outside of the corporate boundaries of the Park District, but within the corporate boundaries of School Districts 200 or 89, also may obtain resident status and will pay an annual amount equal to 15% of their monthly rent payment. Renters must present a current lease, rent receipt, or copy of a cancelled rent check.

Nonresident property owners or renters must pay the appropriate fee annually to maintain resident status. There will be no refunds or prorations of the fee.

Nonresident property owners who are eligible to annex their property into the Park District Corporate Boundaries are not eligible to purchase resident status in the manner outlined in this policy.