



ORDINANCE NO. 2544-26

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH LAKE ZURICH LACROSSE CLUB FOR FIELD USE AT COMMUNITY PARK

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Board of Trustees of the Village of Hawthorn Woods, Illinois, that the Mayor and Village Clerk be, and the same are, hereby authorized and directed to execute an agreement with Lake Zurich Lacrosse Club, in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit "A", and, by this reference, made a part hereof.

The foregoing Ordinance was adopted by the Village Board of the Village of Hawthorn Woods, Illinois on February 23, 2026:

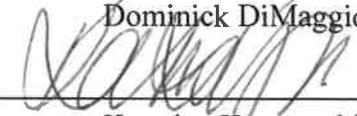
AYES: KASCOB, RYCHLIK, BAUCKE, MCCARTHY, MURPHY

NAYS: _____

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: LAMAN

APPROVED: 

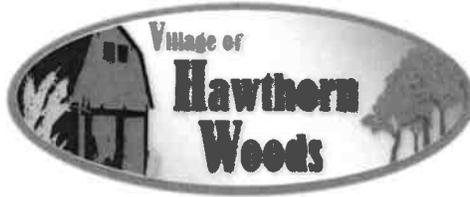
Dominick DiMaggio, Mayor

ATTEST: 

Katreina Koprowski, Village Clerk

ADOPTED: FEBRUARY 23, 2026

APPROVED: FEBRUARY 23, 2026



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**FIELD RENTAL AGREEMENT
LAKE ZURICH LACROSSE CLUB – 2026**

This Agreement is entered into this 23rd day of February, 2026 by and between the VILLAGE OF HAWTHORN WOODS (hereinafter referred to as "VILLAGE"), and THE LAKE ZURICH LACROSSE CLUB, (hereinafter referred to as "LZLC"). This Agreement replaces and supersedes all previous writings and agreements pertaining to this Field Rental Agreement.

WHEREAS, LZLC is not-for profit Illinois corporation which operates lacrosse programs which may benefit the residents of the VILLAGE; and

WHEREAS, the VILLAGE owns and operates certain parks and fields suitable for lacrosse; and

WHEREAS, the parties wish to enter into an agreement whereby the VILLAGE will maintain and provide field use at Community Park for LZLC to practice, train and play scheduled contests, and whereby LZLC pay field usage fees to the VILLAGE to help offset VILLAGE maintenance/labor costs.

Now, therefore, the VILLAGE and LZLC agree as follows:

- 1. RECITALS:** The recitals contained herein are specifically remade, restated, and fully incorporated into the terms and conditions of this Agreement.
- 2. FIELDS:** The VILLAGE will provide and maintain one Front Field at Community Park and one rear field at Community Park for non - exclusive use of LZLC. LZLC shall have use of these field from April 1, 2026, weather dependent, through November 8, 2026 during the permitted time periods of Monday thru Thursday; however, the Community Park fields may not be utilized more than six days consecutively. No use is permitted on Fridays. Permitted days, field location, and times will be scheduled on Attachment "A".

Community Park Field #1 (Front Field Old McHenry)

- April 1, 2026 – November 8, 2026
- Monday through Thursday use shall be from 4:00 P. M. – 8:00 P.M.
- Saturday and Sunday use shall be from 9:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.

Community Park Field #2 (Rear Field)

- April 1, 2026 – November 8, 2026
- Monday through Thursday use shall be from 4:00 P. M. – 8:00 P.M.
- Saturday and Sunday use shall be from 9:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.

VILLAGE Use of Parks

- For the purposes of this Agreement, permitted use shall mean that the VILLAGE will not schedule other organized sports activities or reserve fields during the permitted

times. LZLC will receive a permit for field use that should be carried with them at all times to provide proof of reservation should a conflict with another group arise. The Hawthorn Woods Police Department will also have a copy of the permit. The VILLAGE will notify LZLC of any intended programming use a minimum of 1 week in advance of any such intended usage.

- The VILLAGE conducts its “Bark in the Park” special event on Saturday, April 11, 2026. No use of the Community Park Athletic Fields will be permitted on that date until after 2:00 p.m.
- The VILLAGE conducts its “Fireworks” special event on Friday, July 3, 2026. No use of the Community Park Athletic Fields will be permitted Thursday, July 2, 2026 – Saturday, July 4, 2026.
- The VILLAGE conducts its “Party in the Park” special event on Saturday, September 26, 2026. No use of the Community Park Athletic Fields will be permitted Thursday, September 24, 2026 - Sunday, September 27, 2026.
- During any times LZLC is not scheduled to use the fields, the VILLAGE shall maintain the field schedule for other users. The VILLAGE reserves the right to allow for public use of park properties and schedule other users, programs, or events as the VILLAGE determines appropriate to promote recreation, fitness, or community spirit.
- In the event LZLC needs to reschedule a make-up game or hosts tournaments or meets outside of the Attachment “A” schedule, LZLC must first call the Parks and Recreation Department of the VILLAGE at (847) 847-3533 to request dates and times available to make up or reschedule events. The VILLAGE will confirm or find another replacement date, and charge additional fees, if tournament play impacts field usage.

3. FIELD STANDARDS AND MAINTENANCE: The VILLAGE will maintain the fields to standards consistent with the VILLAGE’s Public Parks NRPA Schedule. The VILLAGE will be responsible for the costs and expenses associated with all maintenance of the park areas immediately outside the fields of play and of all the grass areas of the fields. Such maintenance includes, but is not limited to, grass cutting, aeration, weed control, fertilizing, and seeding of all grass areas, including grass areas within the field of play. LZLC shall be responsible for the costs and expenses associated with infield maintenance once the season starts. Such infield maintenance includes, but is not limited to, mound and non-grass portions of the field and markings of the fields for play. Each party shall give written notice to the other of any deficiencies in their respective maintenance obligations and the parties shall make the best good faith efforts to resolve any disputes.

4. FIELD PLAYABILITY AND SAFETY: LZLC shall, without any liability to the VILLAGE, cancel play or practice when field conditions are too wet or muddy for safe play or when weather conditions could impact the turf conditions and field growth at VILLAGE parks. It is anticipated that start date of play could be delayed due to extension of winter conditions into early April delaying the playability of fields. Safety of players and play surface will remain the highest priority.

- LZLC agrees to follow the VILLAGE’S safety policy that all play is to be suspended upon the sound of thunder, the surge of high winds or tornado sirens, or when the lightening detection system sounds or lightening is sighted. All individuals are mandated to seek shelter indoors and immediately suspend play or practice to ensure the safety of all youth and adults during inclement weather.

- In consideration of surrounding residents, music, use of amplified speakers, food trucks, or other entertainment on site must be approved in writing by the VILLAGE in advance of any such use. Please remember that public park fields may be in the rear yards of residential homes who may be utilizing their own yards and outdoor spaces for personal use. Any neighborhood complaints against LZLC may result in modification of usage.

5. FIELD SECURITY DEPOSIT: A \$500.00 cash deposit will be required by April 1, 2026 if one is not already held from previous season to be used in the event that the fields are rutted, grass uprooted or fields permanently damaged by misuse of play on muddy conditions. The \$500.00 cash deposit will be drawn down to repair or replace the turf on assigned fields. This security deposit will be provided to the VILLAGE at the beginning of each playing season. At the end of the playing season, the security deposit will remain on account with the VILLAGE and carried over to the next playing season. If at the beginning of the next season the security deposit balance is less than \$500.00, an amount shall be deposited with the VILLAGE to bring the deposit total up to \$500.00.

6. EXTRAORDINARY FIELD IMPROVEMENTS: If additional field improvements are requested by LZLC, the VILLAGE shall consider the request for improvements and if approved, the LZLC will pay for materials and supplies needed to make the field improvements and the VILLAGE will contribute the labor and equipment to make the field improvements. If a contractor is utilized for the improvements and the VILLAGE approves such improvements, the cost will be paid by LZLC. LZLC will be responsible for the costs and expenses associated with marking and laying out the fields for play and for providing their own equipment such as nets and cones.

7. ANNUAL FEES: In order to help offset the costs associated with the regular maintenance, personnel, and operational costs as determined by the VILLAGE additionally, LZLC will make the following payments under the terms of this agreement:

- Community Park Field # 1 Rental Fee: \$3,430.00
 - Fee reflects a 5% increase over the 2025 season.
 - The field rental fee will be payable in two installments: the first installment of \$1,715.00 is due to the VILLAGE by April 1, 2026. The second installment of \$1,715.00 is due to the VILLAGE by September 1, 2026.
- LZLC will make an additional payment of \$550.00 if it elects to exercise the option to utilize the Community Park Field # 2 (front and rear) in the fall of 2026. This payment would be due to the VILLAGE by April 1, 2026.
- Pesticide Fee: A \$500.00 pesticide application fee is assessed with payment due by April 1, 2026. This fee is in addition to the Field Rental Fee.
- The VILLAGE reserves the right to request an annual increase of the Field Rental Fee; however, any requested increase shall not exceed 5% of the previous year's payment.

8. MEETING AND SCHEDULING: The VILLAGE and LZLC may schedule an annual meeting to discuss issues relating to this Agreement and any other meetings that are deemed necessary by one of the parties to this Agreement. All LZLC uses of the fields shall be scheduled so that practices and games co-ordinate with the time allowed pursuant to this agreement.

- Teams may show up one hour prior to the starting usage time each day for the purpose of preparing the fields for usage.

- Field rentals are non-exclusive and specifically reserved by date, time and location, and any change in field requests must be coordinated through the Parks and Recreation Department at 847-847-3533 or amason@vhw.org.
- The VILLAGE will make every effort possible to assist in rescheduling fields and avoiding conflicts. LZLC shall communicate to the VILLAGE any tournaments or extraordinary events they may schedule that may need VILLAGE notification and additional fees.
- The VILLAGE will require permitting and prior approval of any concessions and/or food trucks.

9. **INSURANCE:** LZLC shall provide on or before April 1, 2026, a Certificate of Insurance with limits not less than the following:

- Per occurrence – Bodily Injury – \$1 Million Dollars. Bodily Injury and Property Damage combined – \$1 Million Dollars.
- Aggregate – Bodily Injury – \$2 Million Dollars. Bodily Injury and Property Damage combined – \$2 Million Dollars.
- LZLC shall also name the VILLAGE as an additional insured on any liability policy it carries. Said certificate shall certify that LZLC’s policies are primary in coverage as to any injury or damage caused by LZLC or activities, including restaurant or food service provider that may vend out of VILLAGE park properties.

10. **TRASH REMOVAL:** The VILLAGE is responsible to supply and maintain one (1) fifty-five (55) gallon trash container and one (1) fifty-five (55) gallon recycled material receptacle per field and to dispose of the contents of the said containers. LZLC shall be responsible to pick up loose trash, generated as a result of its use of the assigned fields, and place the trash into the designated containers.

11. **TOILET FACILITIES:** The VILLAGE shall be responsible to provide separate toilet facilities (permanent or portable) for both males and females at the assigned fields. The maintenance and cleaning of said toilet facilities shall be the responsibility of the VILLAGE.

12. **TERM:** The term of this Agreement shall be in full effect from April 1, 2026 extending through November 8, 2026. Either party may terminate this Agreement by providing sixty days (60) days written notice to the other party. The VILLAGE retains severability and or modification rights should conditions prohibit play.

13. **SPORTSMANSHIP:** All teams must play with appropriate consideration for fairness, ethics, respect and a sense of fellowship with one’s competitors. This applies to members and teams of the same sport, as well as another sport sharing the field or adjacent to the field. In the case of an overlap of fields as sometimes happens, any team utilizing the fields for practice in lieu of playing a game must yield the portion of the field that is shared for the duration of the games being played. Yielding the field includes providing adequate space between play areas for both sports to be able to play safely and without interference.

Additionally, once a player is committed to a team, it is unsportsmanlike for coaches or managers of another team to solicit the player to join a different team. Any substantiated report of unsportsmanlike conduct may constitute a breach of this Agreement.

14. **SCHOOL DISTRICT DISCRIMINATION:** No team has the right to deny Hawthorn Woods children from an opportunity for trying out for a team or joining a team where no tryouts are necessary. In the case that tryouts are required, the child should qualify for the team, based on skill without regard to school district. All children, regardless of which school they attend or will attend, have the right to join or tryout for the team. There shall be no discrimination based on school district.

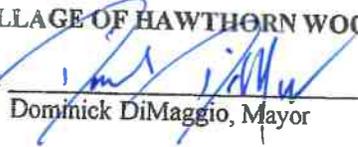
15. **INTEGRATION CLAUSE:** The parties agree that each of them is authorized to enter into this Agreement and that this Agreement contains the entire Agreement of the parties and supersedes all prior Agreements, writings, oral representations, notes, and communications regarding the terms of this Agreement, and this Agreement expresses the full understanding of the parties.

16. **INDEMNIFICATION:** LZLC hereby indemnifies and agrees to hold harmless and defend the VILLAGE, its elected officials, officers, agents and employees from and against any loss, claim, damage, claim for damages or liability, including attorney's fees for injuries to all persons and any and all other damage arising out of the execution of this Agreement, LZLC use or occupancy of the fields identified in this Agreement, any activity on or about the fields identified in this Agreement or due to any act or omission of LZLC its agents, players, invitees or employees. Nothing herein contained shall be construed as a waiver of any defenses or immunities the VILLAGE, its elected officials, officers, agents or employees might have to any claims covered by this paragraph. This Indemnification shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

17. **AGREEMENT NOT ASSIGNABLE:** This Agreement is not assignable or transferable without prior written consent of the VILLAGE. Any such assignment without prior written consent of the VILLAGE shall be null and void and will have no force or effect and shall entitle the VILLAGE to immediately terminate this Agreement. Sub-letting of any fields is prohibited.

18. **DEFAULT:** In the event of a breach or default of this Agreement, the parties may terminate this Agreement and each party retains all rights at law or in equity including the right to specific performance. The exercise of one or more remedies shall not preclude the alternate subsequent exercise of another remedy.

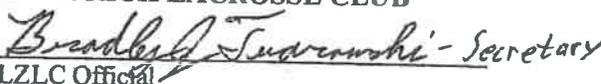
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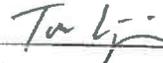
By: 
Dominick DiMaggio, Mayor

Attest: _____

Date: 2/23/26

LAKE ZURICH LACROSSE CLUB

By:  - Secretary
LZLC Official

Attest:  LZLC BOARD MEMBER

Date: 2-12-2026

Attachment "A"

Lake Zurich Lacrosse Club

Location: Community Park

Fields: Field 1: Front Field & Field 2: Rear Field/Back 40

Dates: 4/1/2026 - 11/8/2026, weather depending

	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT	SUN
8-9 am	Public Use	Public Use	Public Use	Public Use	Public Use	Public Use	Public Use
9-10 am	Public Use	Public Use	Public Use	Public Use	Public Use	LZ Lacrosse	LZ Lacrosse
10-11 am	Public Use	Public Use	Public Use	Public Use	Public Use	LZ Lacrosse	LZ Lacrosse
11-12 pm	Public Use	Public Use	Public Use	Public Use	Public Use	LZ Lacrosse	LZ Lacrosse
12-1 pm	Public Use	Public Use	Public Use	Public Use	Public Use	LZ Lacrosse	LZ Lacrosse
1-2 pm	Public Use	Public Use	Public Use	Public Use	Public Use	LZ Lacrosse	LZ Lacrosse
2-3 pm	Public Use	Public Use	Public Use	Public Use	Public Use	LZ Lacrosse	LZ Lacrosse
3-4 pm	Public Use	Public Use	Public Use	Public Use	Public Use	LZ Lacrosse	LZ Lacrosse
4-5 pm	LZ Lacrosse	LZ Lacrosse	LZ Lacrosse	LZ Lacrosse	Public Use	LZ Lacrosse	LZ Lacrosse
5-6 pm	LZ Lacrosse	LZ Lacrosse	LZ Lacrosse	LZ Lacrosse	Public Use	Public Use	Public Use
6-7 pm	LZ Lacrosse	LZ Lacrosse	LZ Lacrosse	LZ Lacrosse	Public Use	Public Use	Public Use
7-8 pm	LZ Lacrosse	LZ Lacrosse	LZ Lacrosse	LZ Lacrosse	Public Use	Public Use	Public Use

- Notes:**
- Fields may not be used more than 6 (six) days consecutively.
 - All Community Park athletic fields are reserved for Village use April 11, 2026 until 2:00 PM
 - All Community Park athletic fields are reserved for Village use July 2, 2026 - July 4, 2026
 - All Community Park athletic fields are reserved for Village use September 24, 2026 - September 27, 2026