



Village of Kirkland

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**RE: Village of Kirkland v. Kirkland Properties Holdings Company, LLC I et al
DeKalb County Case No. 2019 L 33**

Dear Resident,

The Village received notice that two companies (Defendants) that own dozens of undeveloped parcels in the Hickory Ridge Subdivision have brought the other property owners of the Subdivision into a lawsuit, based on multi-year litigation brought by the Village of Kirkland seeking financial contribution from the companies for road improvements.

To be clear, the Village of Kirkland has never sought, nor is it currently seeking, any financial contribution from its actual residents.

Rather, the Village sued the Defendants for their proportional share for the surfacing and the repair of the roads in the subdivision, which you are undoubtedly aware have never been in good or final condition. The Supreme Court of Illinois has already ruled in favor of the Village and that the Village's cause of action against the Defendants did state a proper cause of action for contribution of road expenses.

We perceive the effort to bring residents into the lawsuit to be an unnecessary obstruction to keep this case from proceeding. The letter you will receive from the Defendants is asking each of you to waive service of summons by a process server. While you are invited to seek independent legal counsel, if you choose, the Village does not recommend that you waive service. If you do not waive service, then the Defendants would have to formally serve every property owner prior to you being formally required to participate in the lawsuit.

The Village will keep you apprised of its efforts to strike or dismiss the Defendants purported claims brought against the residents.

If you have any questions, comments or need additional information, please give me a call.

Sincerely,

Ryan Block
President
VILLAGE OF KIRKLAND