



Minutes  
Village of Glen Ellyn  
Community Relations  
Special Meeting  
March 13, 2025  
7:00PM  
Glen Ellyn Civic Center

**Board or Commission:** Community Relations  
**Meeting:** Regular  
**Quorum:** Yes

**Date:** March 13, 2025  
**Called to Order:** 7:00 p.m.  
**Adjourned:** 8:07 p.m.

**MEMBER ATTENDANCE:**

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| Sania Irwin            | Chairperson                | Absent  |
| Mir Ali                | Commissioner               | Absent  |
| Molly McGinnis Knapke  | Commissioner               | Present |
| Amanda Musacchio       | Commissioner               | Present |
| Nancy McKee            | Commissioner               | Present |
| Maariya Quadri         | Commissioner               | Present |
| Alisha Badie           | Student Commissioner       | Present |
| <b>Also Present:</b>   |                            |         |
| Donna Jean Simon       | Trustee                    |         |
| Grant Paplauskas       | Communications Coordinator |         |
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| <b>Public Present:</b> |                            |         |
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**A. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL** - The March 13, 2025 special meeting of the Community Relations Commission was called to order by Chairperson Pro-Tem McKee at 7:00 PM at the Glen Ellyn Civic Center.

**B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM February 6, 2025 Meeting** - Deferred to next month when a quorum is present

### **C. COMMISSION LIAISON REPORTS**

1. *Government Partners* – No report

2. *Police Department* – No report

3. *Village Board* – Trustee Simon shared several updates: The village is one of 30 municipalities in Illinois awarded funds to conduct a survey and report on ADA compliance. This ADA Transition Plan will assess every sidewalk and street in the village to identify potential issues and ensure compliance during future street work. Every municipality is required to have an ADA Transition Plan in place by 2028, identifying any deficiencies. Beginning next week, areas south of Roosevelt Road will be photographed and evaluated as part of this process. CMAP is leading the initiative, and Grant Paplauskas serves as the village's compliance officer.

Approval has been granted for Full Circle Communities to develop affordable housing on Taft Avenue.

The Village Board has approved the Event Park, with the Park District now responsible for implementing Phase 1.

A workshop was held last Monday to discuss the use of mobility devices, such as e-bikes and scooters, in the downtown area. The Village Board is still evaluating the issue. There was also discussion about conducting a resident survey to gather input and guide future decisions. Currently, all wheeled devices are prohibited on sidewalks in downtown Glen Ellyn.

4. *Staff Report* – No report

### **D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None**

### **E. COMMISSION ACTION DISCUSSION**

1. Film Screening of Sharma with COD – Commissioner McGinnis provided an update on the upcoming film screening in collaboration with the College of DuPage (COD). The cost to partner is \$531, which will help cover the expense of the movie license. To promote the event, the CRC will work closely with COD and create flyers to generate awareness. McGinnis also plans to reach out to the social studies and science departments at local high schools to encourage student participation.

An evening showing is being requested, with potential dates set for April 15 and April 24. Additionally, the Environmental Commission will be invited to participate in the event.

Commissioner McGinnis motioned to approve a budget of \$550 or less to secure the movie license for the screening of *Sharma* in partnership with COD. Commissioner

Quadri seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously with all members in favor.

2. Belonging in a Thriving Community, Education Series – The program is scheduled for Friday, March 21, 2025, at 12:00 PM at the Glen Ellyn Public Library. Registration will close on March 6, and lunch will be provided for attendees.

**F. ADJOURNMENT & NEXT MEETING DATE**

Commissioner McGinnis moved and Commissioner Quadri seconded to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Next meetings – April 3, 2025 (Commissioner McKee Chairperson Pro-Tem),

**Submitted by Elisa Pollina, Recording Secretary**

**Reviewed by Grant Paplauskas, Staff Liaison**