



# Neighborhood Meeting

September 11, 2025

Scott Lamerand  
District Two Councilman

Reid Ottesen  
Village Manager

Hadley Skeffington-Vos  
Deputy Village Manager

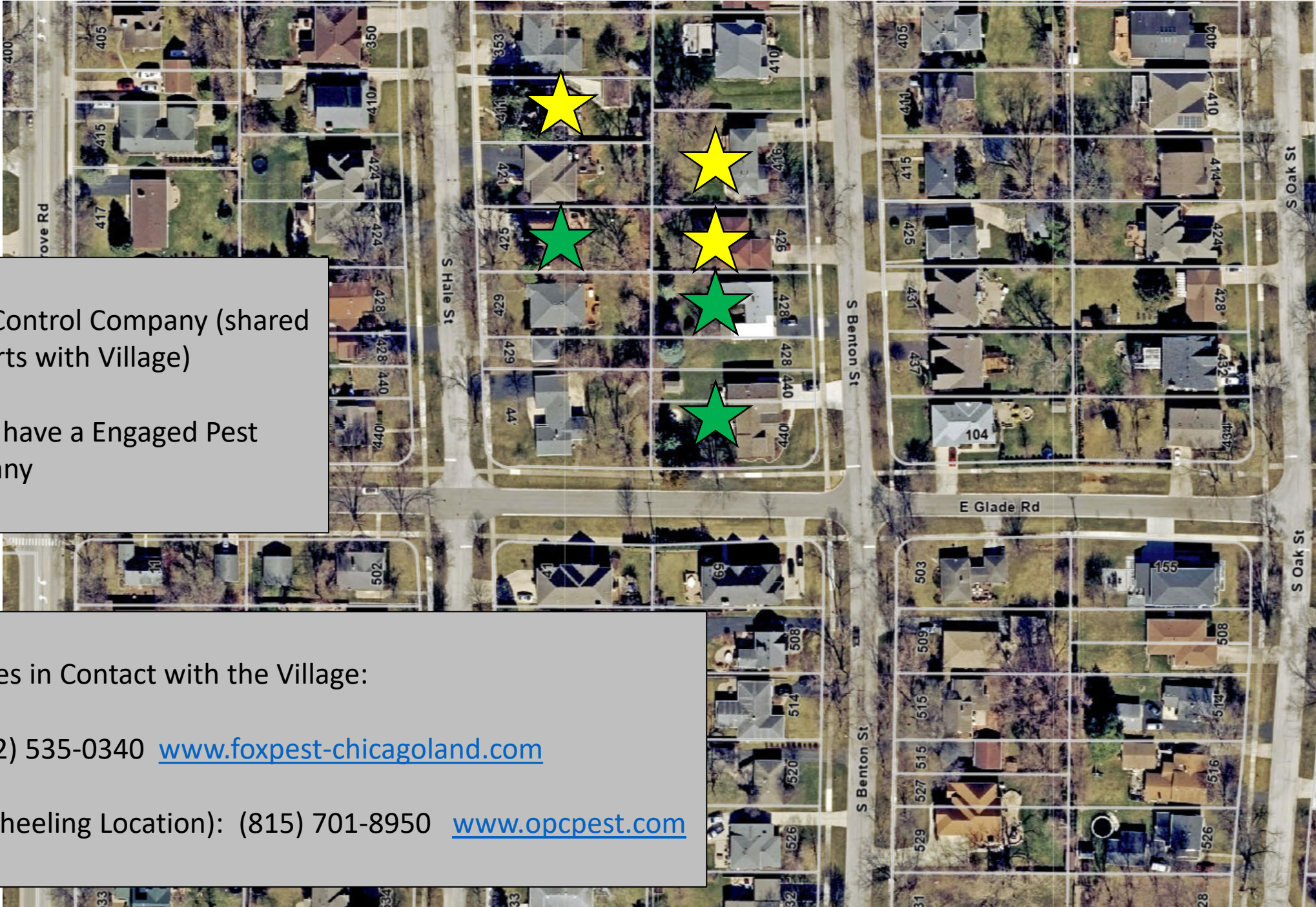
Matt Barry  
Public Works Director


Mike Jacobs  
Community Development Director


## Background & Timeline of Issue:

- Village received first rat related complaint (via e-mail) at 8:10 PM on Monday, August 25.
- The Village has performed a significant number of inspections and evaluations of the area to gather as much information as possible.
- The Village has been in contact with several individual residents to discuss the matter, ordinances around feeding of wildlife, things they could do to remedy any issues on their property, and suggest they engage a pest control service to evaluate their unique situations.
- Numerous neighbors have consulted with and hired pest control companies. Some of these companies have been in contact with the Village and shared their findings. We are only privy to high level comments and thoughts from the pest control companies unless a resident shares their specific reports/findings with us.
- A group of residents prepared and distributed an informational flyer throughout the neighborhood (approximately 400 flyers) over Labor Day weekend. These efforts did result in neighbors reaching out to neighbors to share additional information and pest control recommendations.
- The Village included a section on 'Feeding Wildlife' within our weekly e-blast.
- The Village televised the sewer lines within the area. There were no signs of nesting or significant rodent activity. The Village's sewer lines were also "jetted" to ensure no materials or substances existed that





 = Engaged Pest Control Company (shared proposal/reports with Village)

 = Indicated they have a Engaged Pest Control Company

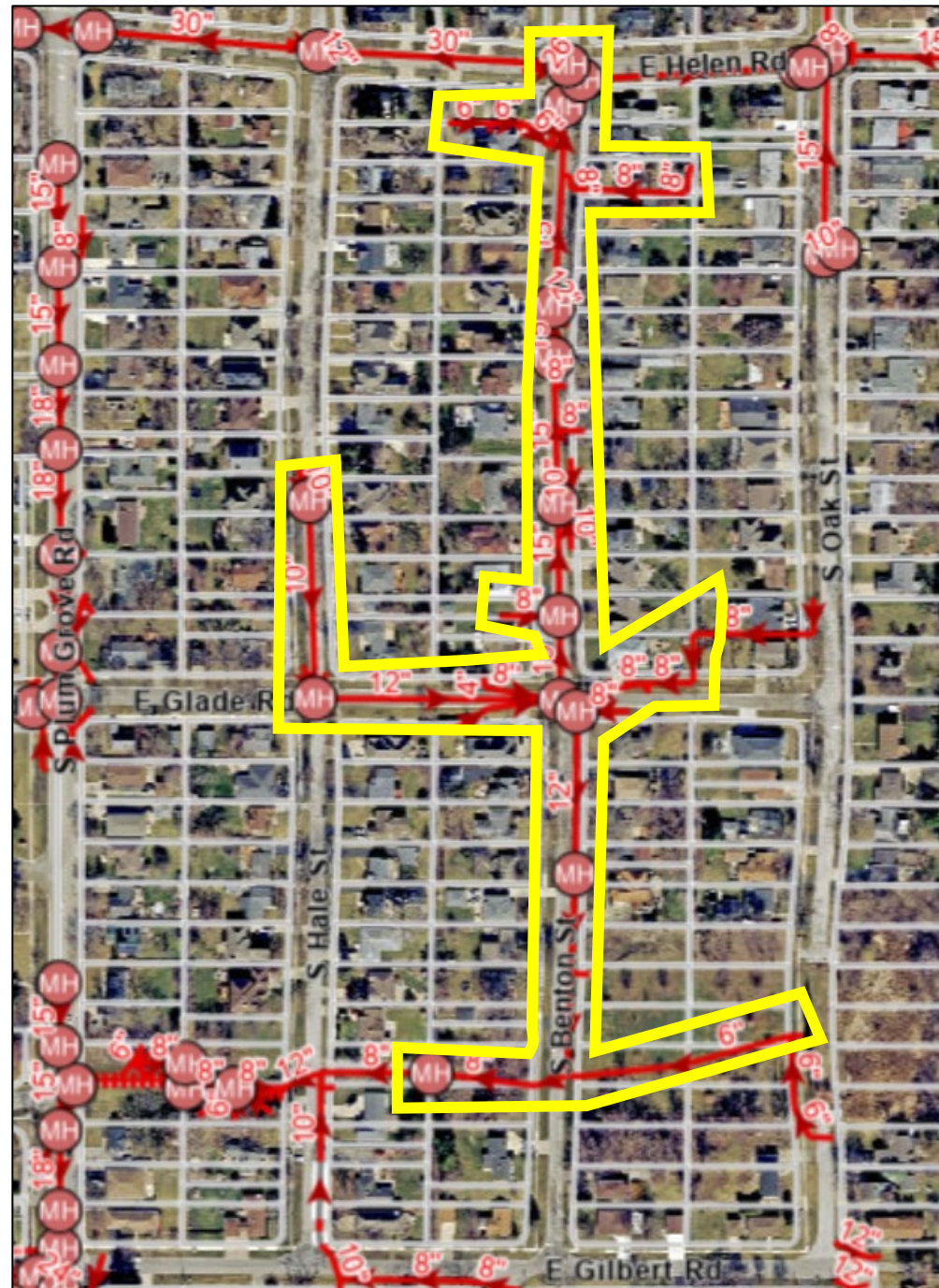
Pest Control Companies in Contact with the Village:

**Fox Pest Control:** (312) 535-0340 [www.foxpest-chicagoland.com](http://www.foxpest-chicagoland.com)

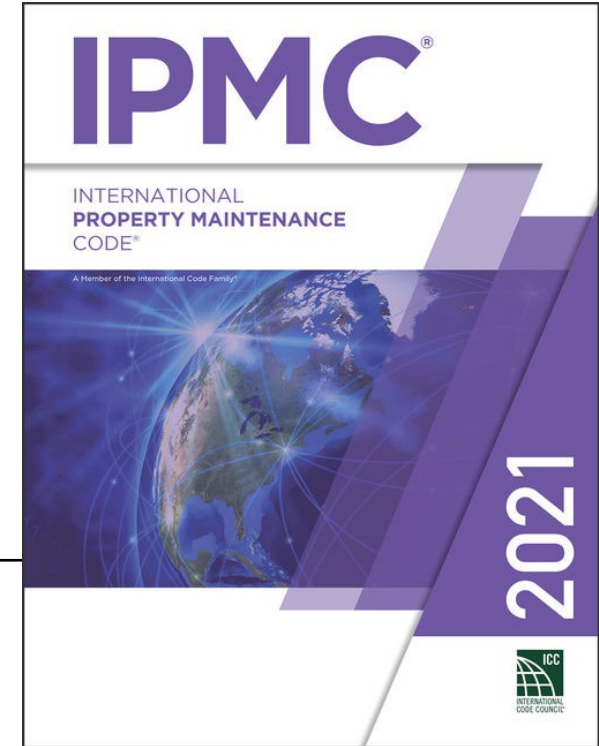
**OPC Pest Services (Wheeling Location):** (815) 701-8950 [www.opcpest.com](http://www.opcpest.com)



**Portion of Village's  
Storm Sewer System  
that Was Recently  
Inspected and  
Cleaned**



# The Village has Adopted the 2021 International Property Maintenance Code (IPMC) Which Includes Specific Requirements Regarding Rodent Harborage



## CHAPTER 3 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

### SECTION 302

### EXTERIOR PROPERTY AREAS

#### 302.5 Rodent harborage.

Structures and exterior property shall be kept free from rodent harborage and infestation. Where rodents are found, they shall be promptly exterminated by approved processes that will not be injurious to human health. After pest elimination, proper precautions shall be taken to eliminate rodent harborage and prevent reinfestation.

# Identify and Prevent Rodent Infestations

Discourage rats and mice from taking up residence on your property by removing food and water sources, and items that can provide them shelter:

- Seal holes inside and outside the home to keep rodents out. This may be as simple as plugging small holes with steel wool, or patching holes in inside or outside walls.
- Remove potential rodent nesting sites from your property, including leaf piles and deep mulch.
- Clean up food and water sources in and near your house.
  - Keep kitchen garbage in containers with tight-fitting lids.
  - Turn compost piles to cover newly added food scraps.
  - Stop feeding outdoor birds while you are controlling an infestation or feed only huskless items that leave less residue that can be food for rodents.



**Questions or Comments?**