

**O’HARE NOISE COMPATIBILITY COMMISSION
RESIDENTIAL SOUND INSULATION COMMITTEE
APPROVED MEETING MINUTES—March 7, 2023
NORRIDGE VILLAGE HALL**

The O’Hare Noise Compatibility Commission (ONCC) Residential Sound Insulation Committee met on March 7, 2023, at the Norridge Village Hall. Committee Chair Ralph Sorce called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. ONCC personnel recorded the meeting minutes.

The following members were **PRESENT**:

Committee Chair Ralph Sorce, Melrose Park
Committee Vice Chair Mr. Brian Baugh, Rosemont
Mr. Frank Icuss, City of Chicago 41st Ward
Mr. Ernie Kosower, Park Ridge
Mr. Brett Kryska, Schiller Park
Mr. Michael Curiale, Wood Dale

The following members were **ABSENT**:

Mr. Steve Skurski, Bensenville
Alderman Malcolm Chester, Des Plaines

There being a majority in attendance, a quorum was present for the transaction of business.

The following staff members were present: Maura El Metennani-ONCC; Vildana Celik-Chicago Department of Aviation; Ryan Anderson-Landrum & Brown; Doug Blanchard and Norma Fragoso-Cotter Consulting

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES-NOVEMBER 9, 2022

Ms. El Metennani had a correction to the minutes of November 9 that indicated Brian Gaseor was absent but had already retired at that time. She requested striking that from the minutes

MOTION: Mr. Curiale moved, and Mr. Kosower seconded the motion to approve the Residential Committee Meeting minutes of November 9, 2022 as amended. Motion carried.

RSIP Odor Mitigation Phase 1

Ms. Vildana Celik reported that there are 1,026 O’Hare homes with a confirmed odor. Those homes were sequenced by the RSIP advisory committee and Phase 1 includes 225 homes. Those are both O’Hare and Midway homes. Sequenced homes 1-225 were invited to participate. 33 of those homes are near O’Hare (20 homes are in Chicago, 2 in Park Ridge, 9 are in Wood Dale and 2 in unincorporated Cook County). 249 homes were initially invited, knowing that some would drop or did not enroll. They do plan to reinvoke those homes in a future phase.

The homeowner briefing for the O’Hare homes was on September 29, 2022 and the enrollment deadline was November 14, 2022. 30 participants enrolled in the program (18 are in Chicago, 2 in Park Ridge, 8 in Wood Dale and 2 in unincorporated Cook County). 3 homes did not enroll. They plan to advertise the construction contract in the third quarter of 2023.

Mr. Icuss confirmed that the primary odor source was the screens. Does the whole window need to be replaced? Ms. Celik replied that was a state mandate.

Report from the Chair

Chair Sorce provided an update on the new noise contour. The full ONCC membership adopted the new noise contour from the Terminal Area Plan (TAP) Environmental Analysis (EA). Ms Celik confirmed and said the next step is that the CDA is receiving files from the FAA to be able to locate all the homes within the contour. The CDA will seek funding for the next phase of RSIP. The next step for the Commission is to have a resolution that shows all potentially eligible homes and then the ONCC would vote on that resolution to adopt the next phase of the RSIP. CDA is also working with the FAA to confirm the eligibility requirements which have changed from the past.

On-Call Warranty Services for Mechanical Issues

The On-Call Warranty Services contract covers warranty services to homes that have products from manufacturers that have gone out of business. As of Feb. 28 the total number of homes eligible for On-Call Warranty Services is 747 (Midway and O'Hare), 256 of which are at O'Hare. They have resolved issues in 189 homes, 54 near O'Hare. They expect to perform warranty services in approximately 182 homes this year.

Phase 17 – Historical Homes Update

Mr. Blanchard pointed out some changes on the report. 1 homeowner has dropped since the last time we met, so the total is 110 homes; 60 have declined to participate. Contract #3 – contractor received their notice to proceed in August 2021. There have been many issues with this contract in part because of COVID-19 and in part because of supply chain issues. The actual construction start date was October 12, 2022. Contractor has been slowly receiving materials. They have completed 18 homes. They have been receiving material so should be on a good flow to get these homes completed. A few homes are waiting on a product or two in each of those homes that had issues in shipping or in installation that needs to be replaced. Mr. Kosower asked if there was a way for homeowner to know in queue where they are? Mr. Blanchard replied that they are constantly communicating with homeowners. They can call for updates. They have not done a mass mailing. They encouraged homeowners to call with questions. Mr. Blanchard said there is not a specific queue, it depends on the materials. He estimated that they had materials for 24-40 homes.

Phase 18

There has not been much activity since they have mostly completed homes. Contract Phase 18B was awarded in January and the notice to proceed was Jan. 30. Field measurements for 18A are completed. 18B Field Measurements depend on contractor getting submittals approved. They take exact measurements for each of the products, all of which are custom. In Phase 18A, there are 215 homes and all have been completed to date.

Phase 19

Some homeowners who had initially declined decided to re-enroll. In the Chicago non-historical, there are 177 homes; Park Ridge – 78; Schiller Park – 37.

Home Inventories Completed to Date – there are two remaining due mostly to these additional homes. Chicago number went up to 7. There are 3 homes left in Schiller Park that they need to do and there are some clarifications that are pending to allow them to go into the home to complete the home inventory appointment.

Contract Phase 19A bid is still being reviewed. Phase 19B – still preparing specifications. Hope to go out to bid in the third quarter for these 191 homes.

Chair Sorce asked about people who did not enroll or dropped from the program – 740. Mr. Blanchard replied that this Phase was unusual as this was the final phase of the OMP RSIP and was a catchall for any homes that did

not previously enroll. Many of these homes were already invited over the years, these are straggler homes. They did not want to participate in the past, and decided again not to participate in this phase.

He asked with the new contour would they be eligible to participate? Mr. Blanchard replied if they are in the contour they will be invited.

Mr. Icuss asked if anyone checked if any of these homeowners who turned down mitigation still complain on the hotline. He asked if there was data on people who had mitigation and still continue to complain. Ms. Celik said that staff is working on a response.

NEXT MEETING

Mr. Sorce announced that the next Residential Sound Insulation Committee will meet on May 9, 2023 at the Norridge Village Hall.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Mr. Joseph Gebala said that he filled out an application for a portable monitor but had not gotten a response. Ms. Celik said she would get his information and look into it.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 9:20am.