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Mayor Noak Delivers State of the Village Address

For the second year in a row, Mayor John Noak delivered Romeoville's State of the Village address at Mistwood Golf Club and things continue to look positive for Romeoville. The Village is on very strong financial footing, as shown by the balanced budget, climbing retail sales (growing by \$114 million in the past year), and the assessed value of Romeoville, which is also on the rise (\$1.39 billion). All of this prosperity has led to, for the sixth year in a row, the lowering of the rate on the village portion of residents' property tax bill. Other signs of good growth in the village include more residential housing units being built and more jobs being created (742 jobs created in 2021 alone!)



Mayor Noak discussed many of the department accomplishments, making special note of the extra efforts carried out by the Police Department like their continuous public outreach programs and events for the community. Other projects highlighted include the recent partnership with the Regional Water Commission that will supply Romeoville with Lake Michigan water, which is expected to take affect by 2030, along with numerous park projects being completed throughout the community.

A transportation update was also given on the I55/ Weber Road project, which is set to be completed this summer. Other upcoming transportation projects included the 135th Street improvements and the expansion of Weber Road from Airport to Romeo Road.

Much of the success the village is experiencing is due to the ongoing development and new projects that can be found along both main corridors throughout town. Some of the projects that are expected to be completed along Weber Road this year include Burger King, Freddy's Steakburgers, and Belle Tire and along the Route 53 corridor, residents will soon see Jimmy John's, a new retail development, and Taco Bell. Two hotels including Towneplace Suites and Hilton Tru were also announced.

"Romeoville has shown little to no lingering effects from the challenges of 2020," explained Mayor Noak. "We continue to move ahead and position ourselves for a strong future. New transportation infrastructure will serve us for years to come, our population is growing, our business offerings multiplying, and our financial base secure. It's a great time to live and work in Romeoville."

There are even more projects coming in the year ahead. Follow the Village of Romeoville on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and LinkedIn and keep an eye on romeoville.org for news, projects, events, and everything else happening in town. Residents will soon be able to view the State of the Village presentation in its entirety by visiting the village's website or YouTube channel. The State of the Village is hosted annually by the Romeoville Area Chamber of Commerce.