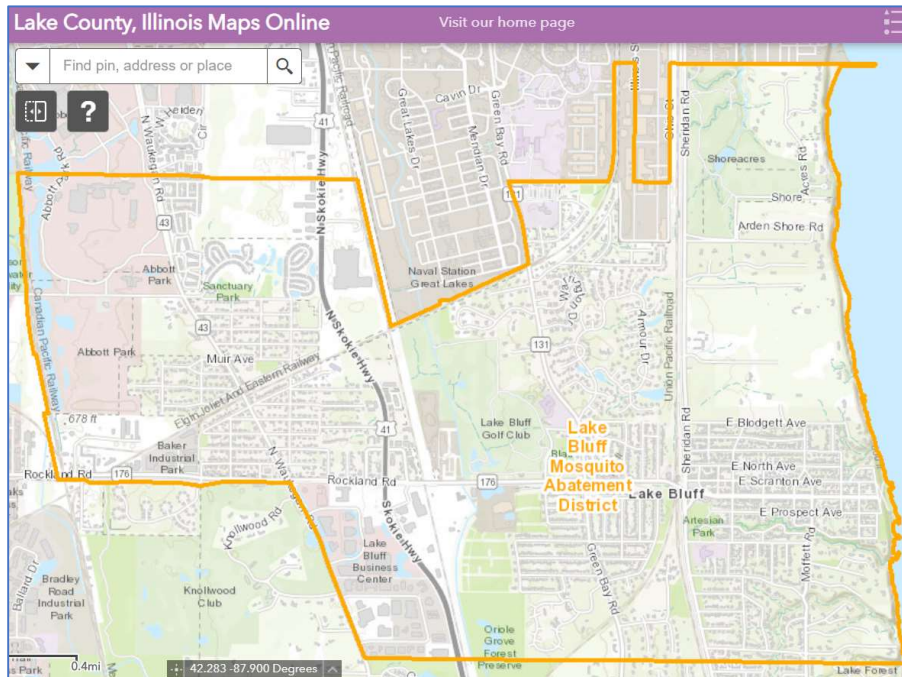


**Proposing Ordinance for the
Dissolution of the Lake Bluff Mosquito Abatement District**

ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, the Lake Bluff Mosquito Abatement District (“**District**”) is a Mosquito Abatement District covering parts of Lake Bluff, North Chicago, Green Oaks, and unincorporated Lake County, with the precise boundaries shown here:



WHEREAS, only two such mosquito abatement districts exist in Lake County. Mosquito abatement in other areas of the County, to the extent any such abatement is performed, is carried out by municipalities or, under certain circumstances, by the Lake County Health Department; and

WHEREAS, the District derives its revenue from a small tax levy imposed on properties within the District’s boundaries, with the total tax generating around \$100,000. That money has historically gone to an outside contractor that the District hires to perform mosquito abatement activities; and

WHEREAS, other than its annual tax revenue, the District, which is made up of five trustees appointed by the County Board, possesses no interests in property, whether real or personal; and

WHEREAS, the County and the District have determined that the functions of the District can be as or more efficiently performed by either the municipalities within the District and the County, either independently or in cooperation with each other, such that the continuing existence of the District is no longer necessary; and

WHEREAS, under the Counties Code of the Illinois Compiled Statutes, specifically 55 ILCS 5/5- 44025, the Lake County Board may, by ordinance, propose the dissolution of a unit of local government, such as the District; and

WHEREAS, the ordinance shall detail the purpose and cost savings to be achieved by such dissolution and be published in a newspaper of general circulation served by the unit of local government, and on the county's website.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED that the Board of the County of Lake proposes the dissolution of the Lake Bluff Mosquito Abatement District; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the County Board proposes that, under the provisions of 55 ILCS 5/5 44025, the Lake Bluff Mosquito be dissolved and its functions devolved to the municipal and non-municipal entities that occupy its territory; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that costs inherent in operating the District are those associated with the work performed by County staff, including the staff of the County Clerk and Treasurer, to levy for taxes each year. Dissolving the District will eliminate these costs. Additional cost savings may be achieved by bulk purchasing the services the District previously maintained with other municipal or governmental entities. The residents of the District will no longer have a levy for the District on their property tax bills; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that upon passage of this ordinance, the County will work with the District to have an audit performed detailing all claims against the District, its receipts, an inventory of the real and personal property it owns or controls, and any debts owed by it. After the audit is reported to the County Board, the Board will adopt a separate "authorizing ordinance," as set forth in 55 ILCS 5/5-44025, and thereafter petition the Circuit Court for an order designating a trustee-in-dissolution for the District.

DATED in Waukegan, Lake County, Illinois, on this 9th day of February, 2021, by the County Board of the County of Lake, Illinois.