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Department

Tree City U.S.A. Distinction

# Village of Skokie

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## **8000 North Project Groundbreaking Set for May 10, 2018 In Downtown Skokie**

The community is invited to the groundbreaking ceremony for the 8000 North project on the northwest corner of Oakton Street and Lincoln Avenue, Skokie, on Thursday, May 10, 2018 at 10 a.m. The event will be held at the site of the 153-unit, 12-story luxury apartment building that also features ground-floor retail and a six-story parking garage with 73 public parking spaces beyond those required to serve building tenants.

“The 8000 North groundbreaking ceremony will mark an exciting chapter in the continued transformation of Downtown Skokie,” said Mayor George Van Dusen. “The Village Board’s patience in waiting for a premier development for this important site has been rewarded by the excellence presented by the 8000 North development team and the economic growth the project brings to Skokie. I invite the entire community to attend this long-awaited, important event.”

After the potential project was announced in September 2017 through a series of public open houses, the 8000 North project proceeded through the regular approval process that included numerous additional public meetings, ultimately receiving unanimous approvals by the Appearance and Plan Commissions and the Village Board. Extensive analysis on all aspects of the project, including traffic impact, economic benefits, parking requirements and more were conducted during the process. Construction is expected to conclude in December 2019.

The 8000 North development team includes renowned architects Lucien Lagrange Studio, Pamela Self Landscape Architects, General Contractor W.E. O’Neil and several other preeminent development professionals. “The 8000 North building will be instrumental in defining the future of Downtown Skokie as an even more vibrant area full of people, retail shops and additional development that will complement the established and growing number of new businesses in the area,” said Norm Hassinger of the 8000 North development team. “The 8000 North development’s transitional architecture both honors the past while incorporating contemporary architectural elements that will stand the test of time and serve as a benchmark for future development in Downtown Skokie.”

The May 10 groundbreaking ceremony will be held on the northwest corner of Oakton Street and Lincoln Avenue, with parking available in adjacent public lots throughout Downtown Skokie. To RSVP, please email [info@skokie.org](mailto:info@skokie.org). For more information on the 8000 North development, visit [www.skokie.org](http://www.skokie.org).

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