

**VILLAGE OF VERNON HILLS
RESOLUTION 2025-032R**

**A RESOLUTION GRANTING APPROVAL TO OPERATE AN OUTDOOR SPECIAL
EVENT FOR THE CHICAGO BEARS, TO BE LOCATED AT HAWTHORN MALL**

WHEREAS, John Bostrom, representing the Chicago Bears in cooperation with Hawthorn Mall, 122 Hawthorn Center has submitted an Outdoor Establishment permit application requesting authorization to operate an outdoor special event on multiple dates; and

WHEREAS, the property, as described herein is located within the B-1, General Business District; and

WHEREAS, section 13.7.6 of the Zoning Code authorizes the Village Board to approve outdoor uses within the B-1 General Business District; and

WHEREAS, the specific dates of the public sessions for training camp have not been finalized as of the date of review; and

WHEREAS, the Outdoor Special Event described in this resolution allows flexibility for specific dates, subject to the approval of Hawthorn Mall and a minimum of 24 hours' notice to the Village of Vernon Hills; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees, having reviewed and considered the request for outdoor special events at their meeting on June 17, 2025, found that the application and plan sufficiently comply with section 13.7.6 of the Zoning Code and which, in its judgment, would justify it in recommending approval of the outdoor special events; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Village President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Vernon Hills, Lake County, Illinois, that the Village of Vernon Hills will allow the Chicago Bears to operate multiple outdoor special events, conditioned upon:

1. The parking lot may be used between Monday, July 14 and Saturday, August 30, 2025, with a projected schedule to be provided to the Village of Vernon Hills two weeks in advance of the first day of the event;
2. The projected schedule may be modified to operate on alternate dates provided that all conditions of this resolution are met, the property owner provides approval of the date, and the Village is provided at least 24 hours' notice;
3. The permitted hours of operation shall be 6:00 am – 2:00 pm, with requests for alternate hours to be coordinated with Village Staff;
4. The Village reserves the right to close off portions of Ring Road and Mall Drive for the purpose of creating a pedestrian crossing(s);

5. The Chicago Bears are required to hire one (1) off duty Vernon Hills police officers to be on site during the operating hours of the event. The Bears shall be responsible to pay the cost of the officers at a rate determined by the village;
6. Compliance with the site plan labeled "Bears Training Camp Parking – Summer 2025"; and
7. Garbage receptacles shall be provided and the general vicinity shall be cleaned immediately following each day of the event.

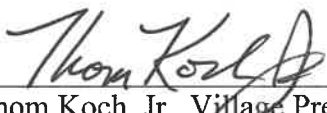
Dated this 17th day of June, 2025.

Adopted by roll call vote as follows:

AYES: 6 – Marquardt, Schenk, Oppenheim, Forster, Lundeen Koch

NAYS: 0 - None

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: 1 - Takaoka


Thom Koch, Jr., Village President

PASSED: 06/17/2025

APPROVED: 06/17/2025

ATTEST: 06/17/2025


Kevin Timony, Village Clerk

