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Richard Vander Molen  
5050 W. Lake St  
Melrose Park, IL 60707

July 16, 2018

RE: Freedom of Information Act Request

Dear Mr. Vander Molen,

The Village of Elmwood Park is in receipt of your July 16, 2018, Freedom of Information Act (5 ILCS 140/1 et seq.) ("FOIA") for the following records:

**"Contract amendment for "Waste collection agreement between the Village of Elmwood Park and Groot Industries" for the period of January 1, 2016 through April 30, 2019 (contract renewal)**

Your request has been granted in part and denied in part. Enclosed are records responsive to your FOIA request. However, please be advised that certain information in the records being provided has been determined to be exempt from disclosure under FOIA, and that information has been redacted from the records being provided.

Section 7 (1) (b) of FOIA provides that "private information" is exempt from disclosure. "Private information" is defined in FOIA as, "unique identifiers, including a person's social security number, driver's license number, employee identification number, biometric identifiers, personal financial information, passwords or other access codes, medical records, home or personal telephone numbers, and personal email addresses. Private information also includes home address and personal license plates, except as otherwise provided by law or when compiled without possibility of attribution to any person." 5 ILCS (140/2(c-5). Consequently, certain unique identifiers such as signatures, driver's license numbers, home or personal telephone numbers, and personal license plates have been redacted from the records being provided.

The person responsible for the decision to deny a portion of your FOIA request is the Village of Elmwood Park Freedom of Information Officer, Gina Pesko. In accordance with Section 9(a) of FOIA, you are hereby notified that you have the right to file a Request for Review regarding the decision made by the Village of Elmwood Park Freedom of Information Officer with the Public Access Counselor at the Illinois Attorney General's Office. You can file your Request for Review with the Public Access Counselor by writing to:

Sarah Pratt  
Public Access Counselor  
Office of the Attorney General  
500 South 2<sup>nd</sup> Street  
Springfield, Illinois 62706  
Fax: 217-782-1396  
E-Mail: [publicaccess@atg.state.il.us](mailto:publicaccess@atg.state.il.us)

If you choose to file a Request for Review with the Public Access Counselor, you must do so within 60 calendar days of the date of this letter. Please note that you must include a copy of your original FOIA request and this letter when filing a Request for Review with the Public Access Counselor.

You are also notified that you have the right to judicial review regarding the decision made by the Village of Elmwood Park Freedom of Information Officer pursuant to Section 11 of FOIA.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Sincerely,



Gina Pesko, Village Clerk  
Freedom of Information Officer  
Village of Elmwood Park  
708-452-3948

RESOLUTION NO. 537 -14

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AMENDMENT  
TO A CONTRACT FOR THE COLLECTION OF WASTE FROM SINGLE FAMILY  
AND NON-COMMERCIAL MULTIPLE-FAMILY DWELLING UNITS BETWEEN  
GROOT INDUSTRIES, INC. AND THE VILLAGE OF ELMWOOD PARK

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE  
PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
THIS 7<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2014

Published in pamphlet form by  
Authority of the Corporate  
Authorities of Elmwood Park, Illinois  
the 7<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2014

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WHEREAS, the Village of Elmwood Park (the "Village") and Groot Industries, Inc. (the "Contractor") have entered into an agreement for the collection, transportation and disposal of residential solid waste, recyclable materials and landscape waste from single family and non-commercial multiple-family dwelling units in the Village effective as of April 15, 2013 (hereinafter referred to as the "Waste Collection Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, the Village and the Contractor desire to modify the fees for collection of general refuse, yard waste and recyclable material contained in the Waste Collection Agreement in order to freeze the fee for calendar year 2015 at the same rate as provided for calendar year 2014;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Elmwood Park, Cook County, Illinois, as follows:

Section 1: The Village President is hereby authorized and directed to execute and the Village Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to attest to an "Amendment to the Waste Collection Agreement between the Village of Elmwood Park and Groot Industries, Inc. for the Period of May 1, 2013 through April 30, 2019," which Amendment is attached hereto as Exhibit "A."

Section 2: This Resolution shall take effect upon its passage and approval in pamphlet form.

Resolved this 7<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2014.

AYES: 6  
NAYS: 0  
ABSENT: 1

ATTEST:

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VILLAGE CLERK

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VILLAGE PRESIDENT

**EXHIBIT "A"**

**AN AMENDMENT TO A WASTE COLLECTION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE  
VILLAGE OF ELMWOOD PARK AND GROOT INDUSTRIES, INC. FOR THE  
PERIOD OF MAY 1, 2013 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2019**

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**AN AMENDMENT TO A WASTE COLLECTION AGREEMENT BETWEEN  
THE VILLAGE OF ELMWOOD PARK AND GROOT INDUSTRIES, INC.  
FOR THE PERIOD OF MAY 1, 2013 THROUGH APRIL 30, 2019**

THIS AMENDMENT is made this 7 day of April, 2014 to the "Waste Collection Agreement between the Village of Elmwood Park and Groot Industries, Inc. for the Period of May 1, 2013 through April 30, 2019" (the "Waste Collection Agreement").

WHEREAS, the Village of Elmwood Park ("Village") and Groot Industries, Inc. ("Contractor") have previously entered into a Waste Collection Agreement.

IN CONSIDERATION OF the mutual promises contained herein, the Village and the Contractor agree as follows:

1. Section 2, entitled "Collection Fees," of the Waste Collection Agreement is hereby amended as follows:

2. Collection Fees. The VILLAGE agrees to pay the CONTRACTOR, for the period commencing May 1, 2013, and ending April 30, 2019, for and in consideration of its Solid Waste, Landscape Waste and Recyclable Materials collection services the scheduled rates below:

	Monthly Collection Rate	Monthly Clean-up	Spring	Total Monthly Rate
May 1 – December 31, 2013	\$140,608.00	\$3,750.00		\$144,358.00
January 1 – December 31, 2014	\$146,232.00	\$3,750.00		\$149,982.00
January 1 – December 31, 2015	\$146,232.00	\$3,750.00		\$149,982.00
January 1 – December 31, 2016	\$151,350.12	\$3,750.00		\$155,100.12
January 1 – December 31, 2017	\$156,647.37	\$3,750.00		\$160,397.37
January 1, 2018 – April 30, 2019	\$159,780.32	\$3,750.00		\$163,530.32

2. All remaining terms and conditions of the Waste Collection Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

3. To the extent that the terms and conditions of this Amendment are inconsistent with the terms and conditions of the Waste Collection Agreement, the terms and conditions of this Amendment shall supersede the inconsistent terms and conditions of the Waste Collection Agreement.

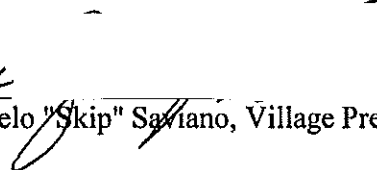
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Amendment on the date first set forth above.

Village:

Contractor:


VILLAGE OF ELMWOOD PARK


GROOT INDUSTRIES, INC.

By:   
Angelo "Skip" Saviano, Village President

By:   
Larry Groot, President

ATTEST:

By:   
Gina Pesko, Village Clerk

By:   
Lee Brandsma, CEO



**Groot Industries, Inc.**

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Elk Grove Village, IL 60007  
Phone: 773/242-1977  
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March 20, 2014

Mr. Paul Volpe  
Village Manager  
Village of Elmwood Park  
11 Conti Parkway  
Elmwood Park, IL 60707

Dear Paul,

Please accept this letter in response to our recent meeting concerning the current rate increase schedule in the solid waste collection agreement between the Village of Elmwood Park and Groot Industries. We are amendable to adjusting the current agreement's increase formula found in Section 2 to allow a rate freeze effective January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015.

Postponing the scheduled rate increase will save the Village \$70,188.00 for 2015. Groot will agree to schedule the rate freeze one year sooner assuming the Village agrees to the proposed updated increase schedule. Please note the current increase schedule and proposed increase schedule below.

Current				
	Increase %	Monthly Rate	Monthly Clean Up	Total Monthly
2014	Current Rate	\$146,232.00	\$3,750.00	\$149,982.00
2015	4.00%	\$152,081.00	\$3,750.00	\$155,831.00
2016	0%	\$152,081.00	\$3,750.00	\$155,831.00
2017	0%	\$152,081.00	\$3,750.00	\$155,831.00
2018	3.50%	\$157,403.84	\$3,750.00	\$161,153.84

Proposed				
	Increase %	Monthly Rate	Monthly Clean Up	Total Monthly
2014	Current Rate	\$146,232.00	\$3,750.00	\$149,982.00
2015	0.00%	\$146,232.00	\$3,750.00	\$149,982.00
2016	3.50%	\$151,350.12	\$3,750.00	\$155,100.12
2017	3.50%	\$156,647.37	\$3,750.00	\$160,397.37
2018	2.00%	\$159,780.32	\$3,750.00	\$163,530.32

**Savings in 2015 from current contract would be \$70,188.**

Groot Industries values the partnership we have in Elmwood Park and trust that our agreeing to delay the scheduled increase illustrates this relationship.

Please do not hesitate to contact me to discuss this matter at length.

*Sincerely,* /

*Frank Hillemonds*  
Municipal Manager  
Groot Industries

Service Locations  
in Elk Grove Village, Chicago, McCook,  
West Chicago, Round Lake Park

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- Recycling Services
- Municipal Contracting
- Roll-Off Service
- Document Destruction
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