

## Arlington Heights 2022 Registered Voters Survey

Date: Aug 14 - Aug 15, 2022

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Please tell me which economic development approach you agree with most. A targeted economic development approach where the village gives grants, tax breaks, or other special treatment to select, giant companies. Or, a general economic development policy that treats all businesses equally and does not give tax breaks or special treatment to only select companies.

Targeted economic development approach where tax breaks and special treatment are given to select companies	23.1
General economic development approach that treats all businesses equally	64.0
Unsure or don't know	12.9

Which comes closer to your opinion. The village of Arlington Heights should keep in place their current Tax Increment Finance, or TIF, districts and use the revenue to subsidize select businesses for economic development purposes. Or, the village of Arlington Heights should eliminate its four Tax Increment Finance, or TIF, districts, so that \$2.6 million per year could be redirected to schools, fund essential public services, and provide property tax relief?

The village should districts in place f	1	
development		
The village should	l eliminate TIF 54.0	
districts and redir	ect the money to	
schools and prope	erty tax relief	
Unsure or don't k	now 16.9	

Please tell me whether you believe the following statement to be true, untrue, or you don't know. The Chicago Bears have reached an agreement to buy Arlington Racetrack and are exploring a plan to build a new stadium on the existing land, moving the team to Arlington Heights from the city of Chicago.

True	82.9
Untrue	5.5
Unsure or don't know	11.6

In fact, it is true that the Chicago Bears have reached an agreement to buy Arlington Racecourse and are exploring a plan to build a new stadium on the land. Do you approve or disapprove of the Chicago Bears' plans to move the team from Chicago and build a stadium in Arlington Heights where the racetrack is currently located?

Approve	71.6
Disapprove	17.8
Unsure or don't know	10.5

Regardless of your opinion of the Chicago Bears' tentative plan to move to Arlington Heights, would you be concerned or unconcerned about the impact of local traffic congestion related to the Bears building a new stadium in Arlington Heights and playing their games here?

Concerned	47.8
Unconcerned	47.5
Unsure or don't know	4.7

Would you be concerned or unconcerned about whether the Chicago Bears new stadium would draw public resources – like police, fire, and other emergency services – away from the rest of Arlington Heights on game days?

Concerned	37.3
Unconcerned	55.3
Unsure or don't know	7.4

Do you approve or disapprove of the village of Arlington Heights giving taxpayer dollars to the Chicago Bears to help build their stadium?

Unsure or don't know	9.9
Disapprove	68.3
Approve	21.8

In fact, the Arlington Heights mayor has said he'd be open to giving taxpayer dollars to the Chicago Bears to help build their stadium, with supporters saying it would bring economic growth to the area. However, opponents of the village's plan to give the Bears taxpayer dollars say the team can afford to build their own stadium and it would take away millions of dollars from local education, special services, and infrastructure funding. The National Football League, or NFL, is the most profitable sports league in the world and opponents point to the \$110 billion media deal the NFL just signed providing the Bears with billions in new revenue. Opponents also point to the Chicago Cubs who privately raised nearly \$750 million to renovate Wrigley Field without taxpayer subsidies. Knowing this, do you approve or disapprove of the village of Arlington Heights giving taxpayer dollars to the Chicago Bears to help build their stadium?

Approve	20.7
Disapprove	73.3
Unsure or don't know	6.0

There is currently a local grassroots movement circulating an anti-corporate welfare ordinance petition in Arlington Heights. The ordinance would prohibit the village of Arlington Heights from using taxpayer funds to assist in building a private stadium for the Chicago Bears and require them to treat all businesses equally before the law. Knowing this, do you support or oppose the Anti-Corporate Welfare Ordinance?

Support	54.6
Oppose	30.2
Unsure or don't know	15.1

Regardless of your opinion, do you agree or disagree that the village of Arlington Heights should let the voters decide whether taxpayer dollars should be sent to the Chicago Bears to help build their new stadium in Arlington Heights?

Agree	74.2
Disagree	16.1
Unsure or don't know	9.7

Would you be more or less likely to vote for a village board or mayoral candidate if you found out they voted to give taxpayer dollars to the Chicago Bears to help them pay for their new stadium at the expense of education, public services, and infrastructure funding?

	More likely	15.7
	Less likely	62.2
	Makes no difference	22.1
Are you male or female?		
	Male	47.1
	Female	52.9
Which age group best describes you?		
	10.24	15.2
	18-34	17.3
	35-49	22.1
	50-64	28.1
	65 and older	32.5

In politics today, which of the following political parties – Republican, Democratic, Independent, or Third Party – do you most closely affiliate?

Republican	31.9
Democrat	41.1
Independent or third party	26.9