ORDINANCE NO. 2021-02

AN ORDINANCE DECLINING PARTICIPATION IN THE PUBLIC LIBRARY NON-RESIDENT CARD PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Illinois General Assembly has passed Public Act 92-0166, effective January 1, 2002, regarding the issuance of non-resident library cards; and,

WHEREAS, the Illinois State Library has promulgated regulations implementing said Public Act, which regulations became effective July 1, 2002; and,

WHEREAS, the said Public Act and the said regulations make clear that no public library district is required to participate in the non-resident card reciprocal borrowing program of any regional library system, and that such non-participation in the non-resident library card program does not preclude the public library from applying for and receiving grant funds from the Illinois State Library as long as the public library complies with the requirements of the specific grant program; and,

WHEREAS, the Illinois Administrative Code provides that a “non-resident shall apply for a non-resident library card at the closest public library. The factor for determining the closest public library shall be the residence of the non-resident. Non-residents shall apply at the participating public library in the school district in which the non-resident has his or her principal residence unless, due to the commonality of community interests, library services at another library that is physically closer may better serve the needs of the non-resident” (23 IL ADC 3050.25); and,

WHEREAS, given the lack of non-residents under the circumstances described above, there is no call for the library to participate in the non-resident card reciprocal borrowing program of its regional library system; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the LaGrange Park Public Library (hereinafter referred to as the “Board”) has determined that the library shall not participate in the non-resident card reciprocal borrowing program of its regional library system for the library’s fiscal year which commenced July 1, 2020, and ends June 30, 2021; and,

WHEREAS, the Board wishes to comply with the said Public Act and regulations governing the issuance of non-resident cards; and,

WHEREAS, non-resident cards may still be issued to business owners with taxable property in the Library District consistent with 75 ILCS 16/30-55.60.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Trustees of the LaGrange Park Public Library, Cook County Illinois as follows:

Section 1: That the La Grange Park Public Library shall not participate in the non-resident library card program for its 2021-2022 fiscal year.

Section 2: That the La Grange Park Public Library shall cooperate with other participating area public libraries and the regional library system and adjacent regional library systems to determine the appropriate non-resident service areas, as stated in the Illinois State Library’s regulations.

Section 3: That the La Grange Park Public Library shall fulfill its obligations as a member library of its regional library system, including providing reciprocal borrowing to persons holding a valid library card from a public library district in Illinois.

Section 4: That the Secretary of the Board of Library Trustees shall forward a certified copy of this Ordinance to the La Grange Public Library’s regional library system within thirty (30) days of its adoption.
ADOPTED this 19th day of May, 2021, pursuant to a roll call as follows:

Ayes: 

Nays: 

Absent: 

Abstain: 

APPROVED:

[Signature]

President, Board of Library Trustees
La Grange Park Public Library District

ATTEST:

[Signature]

Secretary, Board of Library Trustees
La Grange Park Public Library District