



**2023 ANNUAL ORDINANCE
AUTHORIZING PUBLIC LIBRARY
NON-RESIDENT CARDS**

WHEREAS, the Palos Park Public Library is a tax-supported public library; and

WHEREAS, people residing within the jurisdictional boundaries of the Palos Park Public Library pay taxes to support the library, and so need pay no additional fee to be eligible to receive a library card; and

WHEREAS, PA 92-0166 stipulates that “A person residing outside of a public library service area must apply for a non-resident card at the public library located closest to the person’s principal residence”; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the Illinois Secretary of State has issued regulations defining the “closest public library” and also providing three formulae which public libraries can use to determine the non-resident fee; and

WHEREAS. The Board of Library Trustees of the Palos Park Public Library has determined for its 2023-2024 fiscal year, commencing May 1, 2023 and ending April 30, 2024 to participate in the non-resident reciprocal borrowing program of its regional library system and to issue non-resident library cards:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES OF THE PALOS PARK PUBLIC LIBRARY as follows:

Section 1: Individuals residing beyond the jurisdictional boundaries of the Palos Park Public Library whose closest public library is the Palos Park Public Library, and not residing within the boundaries of another public library and owning no taxable property within the jurisdictional boundaries of the Palos Park Public Library may purchase a non-resident library card. The fee for home/property owners is calculated according to the Tax Bill Method found in Illinois Administrative Code 3050.60(a) which multiplies the library tax rate that incorporated residents pay by the equalized assessed valuation appearing on the non-resident’s most recent tax bill. The non-resident library card fee for renters is based on the average local rent of the community served by the library, the library’s property tax rate, and the non-resident fee paid by homeowners.

Section 2. Individuals residing beyond the jurisdictional boundaries of the Palos Park Public Library, but owning (as an individual, a partner, the principal stockholder, or other joint owner) taxable property within the jurisdictional boundaries of the Palos Park Public Library, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Ordinance, may obtain one (1) non-resident library card without payment of the non-resident fee upon presentation of the most recent tax bill

upon that taxable property; provided however, that in no event shall the privileges and use of the Library be extended to more than one (1) individual non-resident for each parcel of taxable property. Each non-resident library card issued pursuant to this Section is limited to the exclusive use of the individual whose name appears on its face.

Section 3. The president of the Board of Library Trustees shall notify the regional library system in writing within 30 days of the adoption of this Ordinance, stating (a) the effective date of this Ordinance, (b) the beginning and ending dates of the 12-month period of validity for non-resident library cards issued pursuant to this Ordinance, and (c) the fee formula as set forth herein.

Section 4. The Palos Park Public Library shall continue to honor all non-resident library cards heretofore issued by the Library, for the full term of purchase.

Section 5. The Palos 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 23 Ad. Code 3050.25.

Section 6. The Policy of the Palos Park Public Library for service to non-residents, including a description of the Library's service areas and the methods of calculating fees, shall be available for public inspection at the library.

Section 7. A valid non-resident library card issued by the Palos Park Public Library pursuant to this Ordinance shall accord a non-resident library cardholder all the services which this Library provides to its residents, including reciprocal borrowing privileges.

Section 8. No non-resident is eligible to receive a "local use" library card from the Palos Park Public Library.

ADOPTED this 17th day of May 2023, by roll call vote of the Board of Library Trustees.

AYES: _____ 5 _____

NAYS: _____ 0 _____

ABSENT: _____ 1 _____

APPROVED by the President and Board of Library Trustees of the Palos Park Public Library.

Mary Lou Bareither
President, Board of Trustees

ATTEST:

Kathy Branigan
Secretary, Board of Library Trustees