

ASCO Report to PTCA Board December 2021

Association of Sheridan Condominium/Co-op Owners (ASCO)

FYI about ASCO

From ASCO's website: "ASCO is a 501(c)(4) non-profit organization, representing more than 30 buildings including over 6,000 homes on Sheridan between Foster Avenue (5200 N.) and West Sheridan Rd. (6400 N.). At monthly board meetings, representatives from each building gather to discuss issues affecting Sheridan Rd., our neighborhood, and condominium law, always focused on improving the quality of life in Edgewater."

For more information about ASCO visit:

<https://ascosheridanroad.org/>

Bus Stop @ Sheridan & Ardmere southbound/follow-up

Alderman Harry Osterman is working with the CTA regarding the Ardmere bus stop (southbound) that was relocated from north of the traffic light at Sheridan & Ardmere to south of the traffic light after the recent repavement of that stretch of Sheridan Road.

The CTA responded, saying that concerns about traffic problems have been heard and the situation is "on hold" until spring at which time they will re-evaluate.

Resident's concerns:

When a bus is at the new stop, cars turning right from Ardmere onto Sheridan southbound have to turn into the left lane of traffic. Then, cars that want to continue southbound at Hollywood towards Bryn Mawr, or turn right at Hollywood towards Broadway, have to merge into the right lane cutting in front of any bus at, or moving away, from the stop.

Merging around buses into the right hand lane within the space of less than a city block is problematic.

Residents recommend that the bus stop be returned to its previous location in front of the Shermore Apartments at 5800 Sheridan.

6121 Sheridan has gone Solar

Board president, Eduardo Prats, from the 6121 N. Sheridan Road Condo Association spoke at the recent ASCO meeting, on December 7th, regarding solar energy provided by Community Solar in southern Illinois.

Eduardo said, "His building has switched to solar-for the common areas-with very little effort and starting in January they (the condo association) will be saving 40% on their electric bill.

Residents may choose to participate or not. Their savings would be in the 10% range.

The product is delivered through ComED.

Flood Insurance

Our neighbors to the north living in buildings that are "right on the lake" are dealing with high water levels and the threat of water damage, especially during severe storms.

Recently, Granville Beach Condominium at 6171 Sheridan has acquired Flood Insurance for the entire building at 265K per year. This cost is being "folded in" to the assessments for all residents. Their assessment increase for 2022 is 4%.

Homeless Residents in the Park

An ASCO member conveyed the following:

People, who are homeless & living in tents, are not allowed to camp under viaducts. Therefore, there has been an increase in the number of tents in the park along Lake Shore Drive.

Social workers visit the people and encourage them to move into shelters. The city cannot force people to seek shelter.

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