

MARCH 20, 2018
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF PALOS HEIGHTS, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor called to order the regular meeting of the City of Palos Heights City Council at 7:00 p.m. in the City Administrative Center, 7607 W. College Drive, Palos Heights, IL.

II. INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Mayor led the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

III. ROLL CALL

Roll call indicated the following were present:

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| <i>Mayor</i> | Robert Straz | <i>Ward 1</i> | Donald Bylut & Jeffrey Key |
| <i>City Clerk</i> | Thomas Kantas | <i>Ward 2</i> | Jack Clifford & Robert Basso |
| <i>City Treasurer</i> | James Daemicke | <i>Ward 3</i> | Dolores Kramarski & Alan Fulkerson |
| <i>City Attorney</i> | Tom Brown | <i>Ward 4</i> | Jerry McGovern & Michael McGrogan |

IV. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Straz presented U.S. Olympian and Gold Medalist Kendall Coyne with a Proclamation and the Key to the City.

V. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval of Minutes: City Council Meeting, March 6, 2018

B. Approval of Payroll and Voucher List for the period ending March 16, 2018.

Alderman Kramarski moved to approve the above items on the Consent Agenda seconded by Alderman Clifford.

On roll call, the motion to approve the Consent Agenda was:

Ayes: (8) Basso, Bylut, Clifford, Fulkerson, Key, Kramarski, McGovern, McGrogan.

Nays: (0) None

With eight (8) affirmative votes the motion carried.

VI. OPENING OF SEALED BIDS

None

VII. REPORTS OF CITY OFFICIALS

A. Mayor: The Mayor reiterated the exceptional achievement of Kendall Coyne and the credit she is to the community.

B. Clerk: No Report.

C. Treasurer: Treasurer's Report for the month ending February 28, 2018 as follows:

General Fund:

Beginning cash balance \$2,731,653.25

Revenues \$1,167,012.32

Expenses \$823,634.92

Other \$50,540.56

Ending cash balance \$3,125,571.21

Total of All Funds:

Beginning cash balance \$14,425,152.16

Revenues \$1,945,814.57

Expenses \$1,357,535.85

Other \$319,130.85

Ending cash balance \$14,694,300.12

Alderman Fulkerson moved to approve the Treasurer's Report seconded by Alderman Bylut. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

D. City Attorney: No Report.

VIII. COMMUNICATIONS

None.

IX. CITIZENS ADDRESSING THE CITY COUNCIL

None.

X. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

A. Finance—*Chairperson Alderman Fulkerson:*

- Alderman Fulkerson moved to approve renewing the City’s health insurance coverage with United Health Care at an increase of 5.5% seconded by Alderman Bylut.

On roll call, the motion to approve the renewal was:

Ayes: (8) Basso, Bylut, Clifford, Fulkerson, Key, Kramarski, McGovern, McGrogan.

Nays: (0) None

With eight (8) affirmative votes the motion carried.

- B. Public Safety—*Chairperson Alderman McGovern: No Report.*
- C. Municipal Grounds and Property—*Chairperson Alderman Basso: Reminded residents that chipper service begins April 1st.*
- D. Planning and Zoning—*Chairperson Alderman Clifford: No Report.*
- E. Recreation—*Chairperson Alderman Key:*

- Alderman Key moved to accept the proposal and approve hiring Upland Design to provide professional services for the development of the Palmer Park Master Plan in the amount of \$11,978.00 seconded by Alderman Bylut.

On roll call, the motion to approve the proposal was:

Ayes: (8) Basso, Bylut, Clifford, Fulkerson, Key, Kramarski, McGovern, McGrogan.

Nays: (0) None

With eight (8) affirmative votes the motion carried.

- Alderman Key moved to accept the proposal and approve hiring Teska Associates to provide professional services for the renovation of the Community and Palmer Park’s tennis courts in the amount of \$14,610.00 seconded by Alderman Bylut.

On roll call, the motion to approve the proposal was:

Ayes: (8) Basso, Bylut, Clifford, Fulkerson, Key, Kramarski, McGovern, McGrogan.

Nays: (0) None

With eight (8) affirmative votes the motion carried.

- Alderman Key moved to approve hiring Big Top Rental to provide tents, tables and chairs for the City's Independence Day Celebration in the amount of \$6,928.90 seconded by Alderman Bylut.

On roll call, the motion to approve the hire was:

Ayes: (8) Basso, Bylut, Clifford, Fulkerson, Key, Kramarski, McGovern, McGrogan.

Nays: (0) None

With eight (8) affirmative votes the motion carried.

- Alderman Key moved to approve hiring Sertoma Centre Janitorial Services for the cleaning of the Community Park restrooms in the amount of \$1,263.00 per month seconded by Alderman Bylut.

On roll call, the motion to approve the hire was:

Ayes: (8) Basso, Bylut, Clifford, Fulkerson, Key, Kramarski, McGovern, McGrogan.

Nays: (0) None

With eight (8) affirmative votes the motion carried.

- Alderman Key moved to approve hiring Cleaning Services Systems, Inc. to clean, restore, wax and caulk the pool's flume slide and to clean and wax the drop slide in the amount of \$6,800.00 seconded by Alderman Bylut.

On roll call, the motion to approve the hire was:

Ayes: (8) Basso, Bylut, Clifford, Fulkerson, Key, Kramarski, McGovern, McGrogan.

Nays: (0) None

With eight (8) affirmative votes the motion carried.

- Alderman Key moved to approve request from Palos Baseball Organization to extend the hours for the lights to remain on at the Pony and North Field from 10:15 p.m. to 12:00 midnight for the annual Coaches and All Star Games on June 15 and June 22 seconded by Alderman Bylut. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

- The annual Chocolate 5K Race will take place on March 31st from 9 to 11 a.m.

F. Roads and Construction—*Chairperson Alderman Kramarski:*

- Alderman Kramarski moved to authorize the Director of Public Works to go out for bid for the 2018 Road Program seconded by Alderman Key. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

G. License, Permits & Franchises—*Chairperson Alderman McGrogan:*

- Alderman McGrogan moved to approve a variance request to the City’s Code, Section 96.01 *Specific Nuisances Enumerated*, to allow Spectrum to begin construction at 7:00 a.m. Monday through Friday seconded by Alderman Kramarski.

On roll call, the motion to approve the variance was:

Ayes: (8) Basso, Bylut, Clifford, Fulkerson, Key, Kramarski, McGovern, McGrogan.

Nays: (0) None

With eight (8) affirmative votes the motion carried.

- Alderman McGrogan moved to approve request from Sertoma Centre for a Temporary Sign Permit to allow the placement of signs at various locations around the City advertising their Housewares Super Sale being held in the old Dominick’s Store on April 7 and 8 seconded by Alderman Kramarski. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

H. Water and Sewer—*Chairperson Alderman Bylut: No Report.*

XI. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

- A. Business/Economic Development: Chairperson Alderman Key: No Report
- B. Ad Hoc Cable TV: Chairperson Alderman Fulkerson: No Report

XII. OLD BUSINESS

None.

XIII. NEW BUSINESS

Alderman Clifford reminded residents about the Easter Egg Hunt on March 24th.

Alderman McGrogan suggested the City consider building an ice rink.

XIV. CITIZENS ASKING QUESTIONS REGARDING THE EVENING'S BUSINESS

None

XV. CLOSED SESSION

None.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

At 7:15 p.m. the Mayor requested a motion to adjourn that passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

PALOS HEIGHTS CITY CLERK

Thomas A. Kantas

Date