



APRIL 19, 2022

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
PALOS HEIGHTS, 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:

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

V. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

None

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

- Approval of Minutes: City Council Meeting - April 5, 2022
- Approval of Payroll and Voucher List for the period ending April 14, 2022.

- Motion to approve a request from St. Alexander School for a Special Event Permit to conduct their annual 5K Raider Run/Walk on Thursday, May 12, 2022 from 5 to 7 p.m. on a designated route in the Old Palos and Navajo Hills subdivisions.
- Motion to approve a request for a Special Event permit from St. Spyridon Orthodox Church to conduct their annual Greek Fest on July 9, 2022 and July 10, 2022.

Alderman Clifford moved to approve the consent agenda seconded by Alderman McGovern.

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

Ayes: (7) Begley, Basso, Bylut, Clifford, Key,
McGovern, McGrogan

Nays: (0) None

With seven (7) affirmative votes the motion carried.

VII. OPENING OF SEALED BIDS

None

VII. REPORTS OF CITY OFFICIALS

A. Mayor:

- The Mayor reported that on May 3rd at Arrowhead Lake there will be a ribbon cutting to commemorate the drainage work completed there.
- The Mayor reported that an e-waste event will take place on April 30th from 8 to 11:30 in the Municipal Parking lot.
- The Mayor reported on updated mask guidelines noting that masks will no longer be required in public transit.
- The Mayor requested approval to reappoint Steven Foertsch and Rose Zubik to the Library Board of Trustees for a 3-year term, expiring on 05-24-2025.

Alderman Clifford moved to approve the appointments seconded by Alderman McGovern the motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

- The Mayor requested approval to reappoint John Sexton and Charles Doerr to the Police & Fire Commission for a 3-year term, expiring 04-30-2025.

Alderman McGovern moved to approve the appointment seconded by Alderman Clifford.

The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

- The Mayor requested approval to reappoint Gale Greenwald and Lisa Pesavento to the Recreation Advisory Board for a 5-year term, expiring on 04-30-2027.

Alderman McGovern moved to approve the appointments seconded by Alderman Key. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

- The Mayor introduced a Motion to adopt an Ordinance amending Section 114.17 so as to increase the number of available Retailer's Class B Licenses by one (1) for 7-Eleven, Inc. d/b/a 7-Eleven #35760J, 11900 S. Harlem Avenue.

Alderman McGovern moved to adopt the ordinance seconded by Alderman McGovern.

On roll call, the motion to adopt the ordinance was:

Ayes: (7) Begley, Basso, Bylut, Clifford, Key,
McGovern, McGrogan

Nays: (0) None

With seven (7) affirmative votes the motion carried.

B. Clerk: No Report

C. Treasurer: No Report

Delivered Treasurer's Report for the period ending March 31, 2022.

General Fund:

Beginning cash balance \$4,593,797

Revenues \$2,092,555

Expenses \$797,473

Other \$2,055

Ending cash balance \$5,886,824

Total of All Funds:

Beginning cash balance \$21,341,541

Revenues \$3,546,989

Expenses \$1,313,069

Other \$69,316

Ending cash balance \$23,506,144

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

D. City Attorney: No Report

VIII. COMMUNICATIONS

Alderman Bylut inquired regarding the Library’s scheduling of virtual programming and when the City could expect the Library to return to in person programming.

IX. CITIZENS ADDRESSING THE CITY COUNCIL

Michael Vandenberg 6435 West 125th Street inquired regarding Republic and a recent administrative and fuel fee and asked the City to address the nature of the charges.

X. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

A. Finance—*Chairperson Alderman McGrogan*: No Report

B. Public Safety—*Chairperson Alderman Basso*: Reminded residents to use caution while driving during the spring and summer months.

C. Municipal Grounds and Property—*Chairperson Alderman Begley*: Reminded residents that the 4/25 Committee Meeting will take place at 7PM and the meeting regarding the Lake Katherine parking lot will take place on 5/4 from 4 to 6 at Lake Katherine.

D. Planning and Zoning—*Chairperson Alderman McGovern*: Announced that the 4/26 committee meeting is canceled and that the next meeting will take place on 5/24.

E. Recreation—*Chairperson Alderman Key*:

- Alderman Key moved to approve Zenere Landscape proposal in the amount of \$7,840.00 for spring and fall clean up at parks, the swimming pool, and recreation center. They will make monthly maintenance visits to the Recreation Center, Walsh-Westgate Park and the Veterans play lot, and mid-summer pruning at the pool seconded by Alderman Bylut.

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

Ayes: (7) Begley, Basso, Bylut, Clifford, Key,
McGovern, McGrogan

Nays: (0) None

With seven (7) affirmative votes the motion carried.

- Alderman Key moved to hire Sertoma Centre Inc. in the amount of \$900.00 monthly for general cleaning of four washrooms in Community Park from April 1 – October 31, 2022 seconded by Alderman Bylut.

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

Ayes: (7) Begley, Basso, Bylut, Clifford, Key,
McGovern, McGrogan

Nays: (0) None

With seven (7) affirmative votes the motion carried.

- Alderman Key moved to hire Lavin Landscaping for the quote of \$4,560.00 to provide playground safety mulch and blown in service at Passerelli Park, Meyers Park and Crawford Park seconded by Alderman Bylut.

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

Ayes: (7) Begley, Basso, Bylut, Clifford, Key,
McGovern, McGrogan

Nays: (0) None

With seven (7) affirmative votes the motion carried.

- Alderman Key moved to approve agreement between the Parks and Recreation Department and Experimental Station for participation in the Link Up Illinois Link Match Grant Program seconded by Alderman Bylut.

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

Ayes: (7) Begley, Basso, Bylut, Clifford, Key,
McGovern, McGrogan

Nays: (0) None

With seven (7) affirmative votes the motion carried.

- Alderman Key moved to approve the Hacienda Landscape proposal in the amount of \$19,461.00 for Pool Grounds Landscaping project seconded by Alderman Bylut.

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

Ayes: (7) Begley, Basso, Bylut, Clifford, Key,

McGovern, McGrogan

Nays: (0) None

With seven (7) affirmative votes the motion carried.

F. Roads and Construction - Chairperson Alderman Clifford

- Alderman Clifford moved to award the 2022 MFT Resurfacing Program to Lindahl Brothers, Inc. for their low bid of \$402,135.95 seconded by Alderman Basso

On roll call, the motion to award the bid was:

Ayes: (7) Begley, Basso, Bylut, Clifford, Key,
McGovern, McGrogan

Nays: (0) None

With seven (7) affirmative votes the motion carried.

- Alderman Clifford moved to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement with IDOT for State maintained traffic signals on State highways within the corporate limits of City of Palos Heights seconded by Alderman Basso.

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

Ayes: (7) Begley, Basso, Bylut, Clifford, Key,
McGovern, McGrogan

Nays: (0) None

With seven (7) affirmative votes the motion carried.

G. License, Permits & Franchises: Chairperson Alderman Lewandowski: No Report.

H. Water and Sewer—*Chairperson Alderman Bylut*: Reported that the 4/26 meeting will be canceled.

XI. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

A. Business/Economic Development: Alderman Key - No Report

B. Ad Hoc Cable TV: Alderman McGovern - Reported on a recent program at Moraine Valley featuring local students.

XII. OLD BUSINESS

None

XIII. NEW BUSINESS

Alderman McGovern inquired is the Conference of Mayors could address the convergence of road work on the bridges.

XIV. CITIZENS ASKING QUESTIONS REGARDING THE EVENING'S BUSINESS

None

XV. ADJOURNMENT

At 7:23 p.m. the Mayor requested a motion to adjourn that passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

PALOS HEIGHTS CITY CLERK

Thomas Kantas

Date