



JULY 6, 2021

**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:

<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> Brent Lewandowski & Heather Begley
<i>City Attorney</i>	Tom Brown	<i>Ward 4</i> Michael McGrogan & Jerry McGovern

V. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

None

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

- A Approval of Minutes: City Council Meeting June 15, 2021.
- B Approval of Payroll and Voucher List for the period ending July 2, 2021.
- C Approval of a request from Blue Cap Foundation to conduct tag days on October

2, 2021 on designated corners in Palos Heights in accordance with the City's Code.

Alderman McGovern moved to approve the consent agenda seconded by Alderman Bylut. On roll call, the motion to approve the Consent Agenda was:

Ayes: (8) Basso, Begley, Bylut, Clifford, Lewandowski, Key
McGovern, McGrogan

Nays: (0) None

With eight (8) affirmative votes the motion carried.

VII. OPENING OF SEALED BIDS

None

VII. REPORTS OF CITY OFFICIALS

A. Mayor:

- The Mayor welcomed the City's new administrator David Strohl. The Mayor reported on recent 4th of July Events taking place in the City and commended the organizers and City personnel who contributed to the well attended and successful events.
- The Mayor requested a motion to direct the City Attorney to draft an Ordinance authorizing an 18-month extension for the approved PUD at the Northeast corner of Harlem Avenue and College Drive, at the request of GW Properties. Mitch Goltz of GW Properties addressed the City Council discussing the reasoning for the requested extension. Mr. Goltz explained that delays associated with covid and the tenant have delayed operations.

Alderman Bylut moved to draft the ordinance seconded by Alderman McGovern.

- Alderman Clifford inquired why GW wants 18 months as opposed to one year. GW explained that the goal is to complete outstanding issues within 12 months.
- Alderman Clifford moved to amend the motion to authorize a 12 month extension seconded by Alderman Basso. The amendment carried by unanimous voice vote.
- On roll call, the motion to authorize the drafting of the ordinance was:

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

Nays: (1) Basso

Ayes: (8) Basso, Begley, Bylut, Clifford, Lewandowski, Key
McGovern, McGrogan

Nays: (0) None

With eight (8) affirmative votes the motion carried.

- Alderman Begley moved to approve the hire of CNC Lawn Care to reseed the grass area at the Navajo Hills entrance at a cost of \$3,250.00 seconded by Alderman Bylut.

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

Ayes: (8) Basso, Begley, Bylut, Clifford, Lewandowski, Key
McGovern, McGrogan

Nays: (0) None

With eight (8) affirmative votes the motion carried.

- Alderman Begley moved to approve the Mayor to execute a license agreement between Metra and the City of Palos Heights for a potential sign installation at the Metra Bridge and Route 83 seconded by Alderman Lewandowski.

Alderman Bylut inquired regarding the cost of the project. The Mayor stated that there are no plans in effect to install these signs at the time and that no action to approve work is in place at this time.

On roll call, the motion to execute the license was:

Ayes: (8) Basso, Begley, Bylut, Clifford, Lewandowski, Key
McGovern, McGrogan

Nays: (0) None

With eight (8) affirmative votes the motion carried.

- D. Planning and Zoning—*Chairperson Alderman McGovern*: July 27th Meeting at 7:00 pm will take place on 7/21 at 6:00 pm.
- E. Recreation—*Chairperson Alderman Key*: Reported on 4th of July activities and thanked recreation department personnel for their efforts. Thanked CNB Bank for sponsoring the movies and concerts in the park. The 8/5 Concert in the park will feature the Chicago Experience, a well-regarded local band. Meyers Park will host two movies on 7/22 and 8/12.

F. Roads and Construction—*Chairperson Alderman Clifford*: From July 15th to July 19th the annual road construction program will begin around the City. Bridge work on Harlem work continues.

G. License, Permits & Franchises—*Chairperson Alderman Lewandowski*: Reported that vehicle stickers were due on June 30th and fees double on 8/1.

H. Water and Sewer—*Chairperson Alderman Bylut*:

- Alderman Bylut moved to approve payment to McCann Industries Inc. for new CASE 521G Loader delivered on May 26, 2021 in the amount of \$107,995.00. Purchase was approved by the City Council on February 2, 2021 seconded by Alderman Key.

On roll call, the motion to approve payment was:

Ayes: (8) Basso, Begley, Bylut, Clifford, Lewandowski, Key
McGovern, McGrogan

Nays: (0) None

With eight (8) affirmative votes the motion carried.

XI. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

A. Business/Economic Development: Alderman Key reported that Farmers Market continues on Wednesday. On 7/15 the Classic Car Event will take place on Harlem Avenue. The Welcome Back Trinity event will take place in August with local businesses offering discounted services to returning Trinity students and their families. The Kringle Market will take place on the first weekend in December in the Municipal Parking Lot. On 7/29 at Noon at the Orchard Room the Chamber of Commerce will host an event featuring Fusion 59 which is Trinity's Innovation Center for the development of marketing strategies which consists of students, recent graduates and business leaders who collaborate to brainstorm regarding new and exciting ideas.

B. Ad Hoc Cable TV: Alderman McGovern- No Report.

XII. OLD BUSINESS

None

XIII. NEW BUSINESS

Alderman Basso stated that he received a maple seedling.

Alderman Clifford stated that the Lions Club Golf outing takes place in August.

XIV. CITIZENS ASKING QUESTIONS REGARDING THE EVENING'S BUSINESS

None

XV. CLOSED SESSION

None

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

At 7:33 p.m. the Mayor requested a motion to adjourn that passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,
PALOS HEIGHTS CITY CLERK

Thomas Kantas

1.20.21

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Date