



AUGUST 3, 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> 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>

V. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

None

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

- A Approval of Minutes: City Council Meeting July 20, 2021.
- B Approval of Payroll and Voucher List for the period ending July 30, 2021.
- C Motion to approve a request for a Special Event permit from Chicago Christian

High School to conduct their Light the Knight Family Fun Run on September 11, 2021.

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

Ayes: (5) Basso, Begley, Clifford, Lewandowski, Key

Nays: (0) None

With eight (8) affirmative votes the motion carried.

VII. OPENING OF SEALED BIDS

None

VII. REPORTS OF CITY OFFICIALS

A. Mayor: Reported on the Police Night out taking place this evening and encouraged residents to participate.

On 8/5 the Chicago Experience will perform in the City's last concert in the park.

Urged residents to use caution while driving in light of the upcoming school year.

B. Clerk: No report

C. Treasurer: no report

D. City Attorney: No Report

VIII. COMMUNICATIONS

None

IX. CITIZENS ADDRESSING THE CITY COUNCIL

None

X. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

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

- B. Public Safety—*Chairperson Alderman Basso*: Reported on recent fraudulent scams taking place particularly those targeting grandparents seeking to obtain money for false claims. The FBI is investigating “criminal actors” to target elderly citizens to arrange for couriers to obtain bail money from the victim at their residence. Internet fraud schemes are particularly aggressive against the elderly. Residents are urged to be suspicious regarding these scams to protect private information from online and social media platforms. Reiterated that the use of mini bikes is dangerous and appealed to residents to discourage this type of activity.
- C. Municipal Grounds and Property—*Chairperson Alderman Begley*: No Report.
- D. Planning and Zoning—*Chairperson Alderman McGovern*:
- Alderman Clifford moved to authorize the City Attorney to draft an Ordinance allowing Seva Brands management office to operate as a B-1 Use in a B District, specifically at 11855 Southwest Highway, and contained within PIN 23-24-300-336-0000 seconded by Alderman Key. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
 - Alderman Clifford moved to authorize the City Attorney to draft an Ordinance allowing a 3-foot Side Yard Setback along the east property line, in lieu of the required Side Yard Setback, which variance is limited to the distance of the length of a detached garage in the rear yard of the residential property located at 6819 W. Evergreen Avenue, and contained within PIN # 24-31-108-013-0000 seconded by Alderman Key. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
 - Alderman Clifford moved to waive the rules to adopt the Ordinance seconded by Alderman Key. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
 - Alderman Clifford moved to adopt an Ordinance allowing a 3-foot Side Yard Setback along the east property line, in lieu of the required Side Yard Setback, which variance is limited to the distance of the length of a detached garage in the rear yard of the residential property located at 6819 W. Evergreen Avenue, and contained within PIN # 24-31-108-013-0000 seconded by Alderman Key.

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

Ayes: (5) Basso, Begley, Clifford, Lewandowski, Key

Nays: (0) None

With eight (8) affirmative votes the motion carried.

- Alderman Clifford moved to authorize the City Attorney to draft an Ordinance allowing a 6-foot privacy fence to extend beyond the southern building line to the south property line along the one-lot block of 126th Street, in lieu of the required 0 feet beyond the front building line, thence easterly to the east property line, thence northerly along the east property line to the north property line for the principal residence located on the corner lot at 12561 S. 68th Court, and contained within PIN 24-30-325-007-0000 seconded by Alderman Key. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

E. Recreation—*Chairperson Alderman Key*: Reported on the last concert in the park at 7:00 p.m. thanking CNB Bank for sponsoring the event and inviting residents to participate.

F. Roads and Construction—*Chairperson Alderman Clifford*: Reported on summer construction on 123rd Street progress, the MFT Roads program is almost complete, public works is continuing with road patching. Harlem Avenue resurfacing continues.

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

- Alderman Lewandowski moved to adopt an Ordinance updating the City Code, Section 150.110 – Commercial Tents second by Alderman Basso.

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

Ayes: (5) Basso, Begley,, Clifford, Lewandowski, Key

Nays: (0) None

With eight (8) affirmative votes the motion carried.

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

- Alderman Key moved to adopt an Ordinance declaring the following Public Works vehicle as surplus and to sell: CASE 521 D Loader VIN# JEE0134280 seconded by Alderman Clifford.

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

Ayes: (5) Basso, Begley,, Clifford, Lewandowski, Key

Nays: (0) None

With eight (8) affirmative votes the motion carried.

- Alderman Key moved to approve final payment to Insituform Technologies for the 2020 CIPP Sewer Lining Project in the amount of \$15,069.10 seconded by Alderman Clifford.

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

Ayes: (5) Basso, Begley,, Clifford, Lewandowski, Key

Nays: (0) None

With eight (8) affirmative votes the motion carried.

- Alderman Key moved to approve final payment to Airy's Inc. for the 127th Street Watermain Project in the amount of \$21,076.35 seconded by Alderman Clifford.

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

Ayes: (5) Basso, Begley,, Clifford, Lewandowski, Key

Nays: (0) None

With eight (8) affirmative votes the motion carried.

XI. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

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

XII. OLD BUSINESS

None

XIII. NEW BUSINESS

None

XIV. CITIZENS ASKING QUESTIONS REGARDING THE EVENING'S BUSINESS

None

XV. CLOSED SESSION

