

MAY 15, 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:

<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

None.

V. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval of Minutes: City Council Meeting of May 1, 2018.

B. Approval of Payroll and Voucher List for the period ending May 11, 2018.

C. Approval of request from the Palos Heights Police Department to conduct a Tag Day for Special Olympics on Friday, May 18 on the corners of 127th and Harlem Avenue.

D. Approval of a request for a special event permit from St. Spyridon Orthodox Church to conduct their Annual Greek Festival on July 7 and 8, 2018.

Alderman McGrogan moved to withhold payment on one item relating to a Jewel TIF payment seconded by Alderman Fulkerson. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

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

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: Thanked all those involved with another successful Half Marathon.

- The Mayor requested a resolution requesting permission from IDOT to close a portion of Harlem Avenue on Wednesday, July 4, 2018 for the Annual 4th of July Parade between the hours of 10:30 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Alderman Key moved to authorize the resolution seconded by Alderman McGovern. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
- The Mayor requested a resolution authorizing the execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Palos Heights, the Forest Preserve District of Cook County, and the MWRD for Construction and Perpetual Maintenance of the Flood Control Project at Arrowhead Lake. Alderman Kramarski moved to authorize the resolution seconded by Alderman Key.

On roll call, the motion to authorize the resolution was:

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

Nays: (0) None

With eight (8) affirmative votes the motion carried.

B. Clerk: No Report.

C. Treasurer: Delivered Treasurer's Report for the month ending April 30, 2018 as follows:

General Fund:

Beginning cash balance \$3,822,259.79
Revenues \$744,591.27
Expenses \$658,944.70
Other \$872.67
Ending cash balance \$3,957,033.69

Total of All Funds:
Beginning cash balance \$16,167,446.69
Revenues \$1,378,317.33
Expenses \$1,105,325.37
Other \$137,291.03
Ending cash balance \$16,577,729.68

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

D. City Attorney: No Report.

VIII. COMMUNICATIONS

Alderman Clifford expressed condolences to the family of Joan Agnos.

IX. CITIZENS ADDRESSING THE CITY COUNCIL

None

X. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

A. Finance—*Chairperson Alderman Fulkerson:*

- Alderman Fulkerson moved to approve and authorize the Mayor to execute the Comcast Business Service Order Agreements to provide wireless communication service to the City's pump and lift stations seconded by Alderman Bylut.

On roll call, the motion to authorize the agreements was:

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

Nays: (0) None

With eight (8) affirmative votes the motion carried.

- Alderman Fulkerson moved to amend the City's Personnel Policy, Section 4.3 Sick Leave, to allow non-contractual employees the option to use sick days in the form of a paid leave of absence immediately preceding his/her retirement date seconded by Alderman Bylut.

On roll call, the motion to amend the policy 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: No Report*
- D. Planning and Zoning—*Chairperson Alderman Clifford: No Report*
- E. Recreation—*Chairperson Alderman Key:*

- Alderman Key moved to approve the proposal from Tyco Security to provide and install an outdoor security system at the Recreation Center in the amount of \$13,810.00. The security system will provide access to review motion of vehicles and activity around the building entrances and the playground 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 the proposal from the Sound of Music to provide and install an audio visual system in the Orchard Room in the amount of \$7,846.86. This improvement will aid in the marketing and promotion of the Orchard Room for business meetings, presentations, and trainings seconded by Alderman McGovern.

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 a request from Palos Baseball Organization to allow the lights on the Pony Field and North Field to stay on until 11:00 p.m. for a home-run derby being held as a fundraiser for 12U Cooperstown training camp seconded by Alderman Bylut. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

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

- Alderman Kramarski moved to authorize the City Attorney to draft an ordinance to follow the recommendations from the 2017 Traffic Control Evaluation for Old Palos, east and west of Harlem Avenue seconded by Alderman Fulkerson. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
- Alderman Kramarski moved to approve a final payout to D-Construction for work completed on the 2017 Road Program in the amount of \$34,683.66. Retainage in the amount of \$5,000 is still being held seconded by Alderman Clifford.

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

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

Nays: (0) None

With eight (8) affirmative votes the motion carried.

- Alderman Kramarski moved to award the 2018 Road Program to the low bidder, Lindahl Brothers, Inc. for the base bid amount of \$480,630.75 seconded by Alderman Clifford.

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

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

Nays: (0) None

With eight (8) affirmative votes the motion carried.

- Alderman Kramarski moved to approve releasing the Maintenance Bond for Dr. Meehan's property located at 12505 S. Ridgeland Avenue in the amount of \$8,910.67 seconded by Alderman Key.

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

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

McGrogan.

Nays: (0) None

With eight (8) affirmative votes the motion carried.

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

- Alderman McGrogan moved to approve a request for a Temporary Sign Permit from St. Spyridon Church to allow the installation of approximately ten (10) signs in the public right-of-ways From June 7 to July 9 to advertise their Annual Greek Festival seconded by Alderman Kramarski. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.
- Alderman McGrogan moved to approve a variance in the lettering size of two (2) wall signs from 2 ft. to 2.6 ft. for the “V” in Providence Bank & Trust, 6431 W. 127th Street seconded by Alderman Fulkerson.

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.

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

XI. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

- A. Business/Economic Development: Chairperson Alderman Key: Reported that the regular Farmers Market in the Municipal Parking lot starts tomorrow.
- B. Ad Hoc Cable TV: Chairperson Alderman Fulkerson: None.

XII. OLD BUSINESS

None.

XIII. NEW BUSINESS

None.

XIV. CITIZENS ASKING QUESTIONS REGARDING THE EVENING’S BUSINESS

None

XV. CLOSED SESSION

None.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

At 7:20 p.m. the Mayor requested a motion to adjourn that passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

PALOS HEIGHTS CITY CLERK

Thomas A. Kantas

Date