

**CITY OF COUNTRY CLUB HILLS
REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL
Monday, September 22, 2008**

1. A regular meeting of the City Council, City of Country Club Hills, County of Cook, State of Illinois, was held in the City Hall, 4200 W. 183rd Street at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order by the Honorable Dwight W. Welch, Mayor.

a. The Pledge of Allegiance was given by all those in attendance.

2. **THOSE ON ROLL CALL ANSWERING PRESENT WERE:**

Aldermen Watts, Hutson, Battie, Comein, Singleton Lockett, Martin, Williams and Ford constituting a quorum of the City Council.

Also present were: Michael Gleason, City Treasurer, and Henrietta Turner, City Manager.

Absent was: Alderman Lee.

2a. Invocation - The invocation was given by Alderman Thomas Comein.

3. **Journal of Proceedings:**

A. **Approval of Minutes - Regular City Council Meeting, September 8, 2008**

B. **Approval of Minutes - Administrative Meeting - September 15, 2008**

Alderman Watts moved for Council approval of the minutes of the Regular City Council meeting of September 8, 2008 and approval of the minutes of the Administrative Meeting of September 15, 2008. Second - Alderman Comein. Discussion - none. Motion to approve the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of September 8, 2008 and the Administrative Meeting of September 15, 2008 Carried Via Voice Vote.

4. **Communications and Reports By the Mayor:**

A. **Business of the Month -**

1. **Flowers Unlimited II, Gina Fortineaux, Proprietor**

Gina Fortineaux proprietor of Flowers Unlimited II, was introduced. She thanked the Mayor, City Council and City staff for the opportunity to be recognized as business of the month.

She stated that this is her second floral establishment and was looking forward to being part of the Country Club Hills business community. She gave the location, hours of operation and telephone number.

- 2. **Mecca of Style - LaSar & Cherlonda Martin, Proprietors**
Not present at the meeting

B. Presentation - Chicagoland Regional College Program

Servelure McMath, Recruitment and Marketing Director for the Chicagoland Regional College Program was introduced. She explained that the program is an academic and employment program that provides interested persons with an opportunity to earn their college certificate or degree while working a part-time job. She concluded by providing additional contact information.

**C. Approval of an Ordinance Amendment Adding Section 3, Article 28
“Historical Commission” to the City of Country Club Hills Municipal Code**

Alderman Watts moved for Council approval of Ordinance Amendment No. OA-07-08, an Ordinance Amendment Adding Section 3, Article 28 “Historical Commission” to the City of Country Club Hills Municipal Code. Second - Alderman Comein. Discussion - none.

ROLL CALL VOTE 9 Ayes: Aldermen Watts, Hutson, Battie, Comein,
Singleton, Lockett, Martin, Williams and
Ford.

0 Nays

1 Absent Alderman Lee

Motion Declared Carried and Hereby Made a Part of the Original Journal of Proceedings this date.

D. Approval of a Resolution Supporting the Granting of the 10th Casino License at the Country Club Hills I-80/I-57 Development Site

Alderman Watts moved for Council approval of Resolution No. R-13-08, A Resolution Supporting the Granting of the 10th Casino License at the Country Club Hills I-80/I-57 Development Site. Second - Alderman Comein. Discussion - it was explained that this was a resolution of support for the 10th gaming license.

ROLL CALL VOTE 9 Ayes: Aldermen Watts, Hutson, Battie, Comein,
Singleton, Lockett, Martin, Williams and
Ford.

0 Nays

1 Absent Alderman Lee

**Motion Declared Carried and Hereby Made a Part of the Original Journal of
Proceedings this date.**

5. City Clerk's Report

No Report

6. Committee Reports

I. Finance: Alderman Watts, Chairman

A. Approval of Vouchers

Alderman Watts moved for the approval of vouchers in the amount of \$1,326,707.00.
Second - Alderman Comein. Discussion - none.

ROLL CALL VOTE 7 Ayes: Aldermen Watts, Hutson, Battie, Comein,
Singleton, Martin, and Williams.

2 Abstain: Aldermen Lockett and Ford

0 Nays

1 Absent Alderman Lee

**Motion Declared Carried and Hereby Made a Part of the Original Journal of
Proceedings this date.**

B. Approval of an Ordinance Declaring Certain City Owned Equipment Surplus and Authorizing Its Disposition

Alderman Watts moved for Council approval of Ordinance No.O-14-08, an Ordinance Declaring Certain City Owned Equipment Surplus and Authorizing Its Disposition. Second - Alderman Williams. Discussion - It was explained that this would allow for disposition of surplus equipment at a city auction

ROLL CALL VOTE 9 Ayes: Aldermen Watts, Hutson, Battie, Comein, Singleton, Lockett Martin, Williams and Ford.

0 Nays

1 Absent Alderman Lee

Motion Declared Carried and Hereby Made a Part of the Original Journal of Proceedings this date.

C. Approval of a Redevelopment Agreement Between the City of Country Club Hills and J.V. Cook

Alderman Watts moved for Council approval of the redevelopment agreement between the City of Country Club Hills and J.V. Cook. Second - Alderman Williams. Discussion - it was explained that this had been discussed at the Administrative Meeting and the redevelopment agreement would allow for TIF funds to be used for J.V. Cook, a printing business that is relocating to Heritage Plaza here in Country Club Hills.

ROLL CALL VOTE 9 Ayes: Aldermen Watts, Hutson, Battie, Comein, Singleton, Lockett Martin, Williams and Ford.

0 Nays

1 Absent Alderman Lee

Motion Declared Carried and Hereby Made a Part of the Original Journal of Proceedings this date.

D. Approval of TIF Redevelopment Agreement Between the City of Country Club Hills and Prime/CCP Development Partners, LLC (I-80/I-57 Tax Increment Financing District)

Alderman Watts moved for Council approval of the TIF Redevelopment Agreement Between the City of Country Club Hills and Prime/CCP Development Partners, LLC (I-80/I-57 Tax Increment Financing District). Second - Alderman Williams. Discussion - it was explained that this item had been discussed by City Attorney, John Murphey at the last City Council meeting and had been discussed at the Administrative Meeting.

ROLL CALL VOTE 9 Ayes: Aldermen Watts, Hutson, Battie, Comein,
Singleton, Lockett Martin, Williams and
Ford.

0 Nays

1 Absent Alderman Lee

Motion Declared Carried and Hereby Made a Part of the Original Journal of Proceedings this date.

II. Law, Ordinance and Government: **Alderman Ford, Chairman**

No Report

III. Public Works and Utilities **Alderman Battie, Chairman**

Alderman Battie stated that the picnic for the opening of the Premier Estates Park, held on Saturday September 20, was a success and that all of the residents had a good time.

IV. Economic Development **Alderman Hutson, Chairman**

No Report.

V. Planning, Zoning and Development **Alderman Lockett Chairman**

No Report.

VI. Insurance and Risk Management **Alderman Comein, Chairman**

No Report

VII. Community and Park Activities

Alderman Singleton, Chairman

Alderman Singleton stated that the Parks and Recreation Department will be hosting a Rock Climbing special event on October 4, 2008 at the CRC from 10 am to 12 pm. The registration fee is \$20.00. Also, on September 27, 2008 a trip to the Sugar Grove Family Fun Center is planned. The bus will be departing the CRC at 9 am and returning at 3 pm. The fee is \$25.00 per person. She concluded by asking that residents not rake their leaves into the street.

VIII. Contract Compliance

Alderman Martin, Chairman

No Report

IX. Special Committee - Schools & Education

**Alderman Williams,
Chairman**

Alderman Williams stated that a meeting of the Special Committee on Schools and Education will be held on Tuesday, September 23, 2008 at 6:30 pm.

7. Aldermen's Reports

Prior to adjournment, Mayor Welch stated that a vehicle containing the wheelchair of a six year old handicapped child was stolen on Friday. Mayor Welch offered \$1000 to start the replacement fund for the child's wheelchair. He encouraged the aldermen to contribute to the fund as the replacement cost of the wheelchair is approximately \$5,000.

8. ADJOURNMENT:

A Motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Watts. Second - Alderman Comein. Motion Carried Via Voice Vote and hereby made a part of the original journal of proceedings this date.

Meeting adjourned at 7:33 pm.

Deborah M. McIlvain, City Clerk

Meeting taped by the Cable Commission