

# REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

4200 W 183rd St. Country Club Hills, IL 60478

Monday, March 22, 2021 at 7:00 PM

# 1. CALL TO ORDER – JAMES W. FORD, MAYOR

A regular meeting of the City Council, City of Country Club Hills, Cook County, State of Illinois, was held in the City Hall, 4200 W. 183rd Street at 7:05p.m. The meeting was called to order by the Honorable James W. Ford, Mayor. Due to the COVID-19 public health emergency, this meeting is available remotely for elected officials via tele-conference per Governor J.B. Pritzker's Executive 2020.70 issued March 16, 2020.

## 1a. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of allegiance was presented by all in attendance.

# 2. ROLL CALL – PATRICIA D. HUTSON, CITY CLERK

Those on Roll Call answering present were:

Alderman Lockett (on-site), Alderman Davis (tele-conference), Alderman Glispie (on-site), Alderwoman Evans (tele-conference), Mayor Ford(on-site). Also present: Attorney John Murphey (tele-conference), City Administrator and Carl Estelle (on-site), Director, Jerry Townsend(On-site).

Absent: Alderman Spivey

#### 3. INVOCATION – CLERGY OR DESIGNEE

Invocation was presented by Pastor Anthony Tiller

#### 4. JOURNAL PROCEEDINGS

#### Approval of Meeting Minutes:

Approval - City Council Meeting Minutes 03.08.2021

Approval - 03.08.2021 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes

Alderman Lockett moved for City Council approval of the meeting minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting Minutes 03.22.2021. Second, Alderman Glispie. Discussion – None.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 4 Ayes: Alderman Lockett, Davis, Glispie and Evans

0 Nays:

0 Abstain:

1 Absent: Alderman Spivey

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

## 5. COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS BY MAYOR FORD:

Mayor Ford reminded everyone of the polling sites for the upcoming Consolidated Election on April 6<sup>th</sup>. Mayor also shared that March 31<sup>st</sup> will be Chief Kopec's last day because he is going to Flossmoor to be the New Fire Chief. Mayor acknowledged Chief Kopec's 7 years of exemplary and dedicated work for the City's Fire Department. Mayor thanked him for his service.

## 6. CITY CLERK'S REPORT – PATRICIA D. HUTSON, CITY CLERK

City Clerk Patricia D. Hutson shared information on the recent COVID-19 Vaccination Shot Event at Hillcrest H.S. on March 13<sup>th</sup>. This event was prepared by the Southland Regional Mayoral Black Caucus of 17 municipalities. Clerk Hutson shared staff did a great job all around and it was appreciated by those who were in attendance. Mayor Ford then joined in to share he was pleased with the event and complimented all of the volunteers who came out.

# 7. CITY COLLECTOR'S REPORT – PATRICIA D. HUTSON, CITY COLLECTOR

City Collector's Report as of 02.28.2021 per City Collector Patricia D. Hutson

City Collector Patricia D. Hutson shared the report was in the packet and if there were any questions to let her know.

# 8. CITY TREASURER'S REPORT – DEBORAH M. MCILVAIN, CITY TREASURER

City Treasurer's Report as of 02.28.2021 per City Treasurer Deborah M. McIlvain

City Clerk Patricia D. Hutson shared the report was in the packet and if there were any questions to contact Treasurer Deborah M. McIlvain.

#### 9. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

**Finance Committee** – Alderman Lockett, Chairman (Committee Meeting – TBA)

# Approval - Vouchers 03.22.2021

Alderman Lockett moved for City Council approval of 03.22.2021 vouchers in the amount of \$593,026.29 to be issued when monies are available. Second, Alderman Davis. Discussion - none.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 4 Ayes: Alderman Lockett, Davis, Glispie and Evans

0 Nays:

0 Abstain:

1 Absent: Alderman Spivey

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

# **Approval - Promissory Note**

Alderman Lockett moved for City Council approval of the annual Promissory Note. Second, Alderman Davis. Discussion – Alderwoman Evans asked if this would have the same stipulations as the previous one that can only be used upon approval of the City Council. Mayor responded, yes that is correct.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 4 Ayes: Alderman Lockett, Davis, Glispie and Evans

0 Nays:

0 Abstain:

1 Absent: Alderman Spivey

# **Law, Ordinance, Government Operations & Contract** – Alderman Glispie, Chairman (Committee Meeting – TBA)

No Report

**Public Works and Utilities** – Alderman Davis, Chairman (Committee Meeting – TBA)

# Approval - 2021 IDOT Resolution for MFT(Supplemental)

Alderman Davis moved for City Council approval of the 2021 IDOT Resolution for MFT (R-03-2021). Second, Alderman Lockett. Discussion - none.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 4 Ayes: Alderman Lockett, Davis, Glispie and Evans

0 Abstain:

0 Nays:

1 Absent: Alderman Spivey

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

# Approval - 2020 CDBG Resolution and Certification for Agreement

Alderman Davis moved for City Council approval of the 2020 CDBG Resolution and Certification (R-04-2021). Second, Alderman Lockett. Discussion - none.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 4 Ayes: Alderman Lockett, Davis, Glispie and Evans

0 Nays:

0 Abstain:

1 Absent: Alderman Spivey

# Approval - IDOT 2021 Resolution for Invest in Cook Road Resurfacing Project

Alderman Davis moved for City Council approval of the 2021 IDOT Resolution to Invest in Cook Road Resurfacing Project (R-05-2021). Second, Alderman Lockett. Discussion - none.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 4 Ayes: Alderman Lockett, Davis, Glispie and Evans

0 Nays:

0 Abstain:

1 Absent: Alderman Spivey

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**Economic Development & Planning, Zoning & Development** – Alderman Spivey, Chairman (Committee Meeting – TBA)

No Report

**Insurance, Risk Management, and Personnel** – Alderwoman Evans, Chairman (Committee Meeting – TBA)

# **Approval - Health Reimbursement Arrangement**

Alderwoman Evans moved for City Council approval of the Health Reinbuesement Arrangement. Second, Alderman Davis. Discussion – Representative Otis Gilmore presented information regarding the HRA which per passing would be effective as of July 1, 2020.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 4 Ayes: Alderman Lockett, Davis, Glispie and Evans

0 Nays:

0 Abstain:

1 Absent: Alderman Spivey

#### 10. MOTION TO OPEN THE FLOOR TO THE PUBLIC

Alderman Lockett moved for City Council approval to open the floor to the public. Second by Alderman Glispie. Discussion – none.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 4 Ayes: Alderman Lockett, Davis, Glispie and Evans

0 Nays:

0 Abstain:

1 Absent: Alderman Spivey

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## 11. PUBLIC PORTION OF MEETING

Tyrone K. Hutson, concerned citizen shared he is currently running for office as the Alderman in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward and his signs have been stolen in three separate incidents. He has filed Police reports of theft of his property.

## 12. MOTION TO CLOSE FLOOR TO THE PUBLIC

Alderman Lockett moved for City Council approval to close the floor to the public. Second by Alderman Glispie. Discussion – none.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 4 Ayes: Alderman Lockett, Davis, Glispie and Evans

0 Nays:

0 Abstain:

1 Absent: Alderman Spivey

#### 13. ALDERMANIC REPORTS

Alderman Lockett asked Mayor Ford if the Building Department could enforce the City Ordinances regarding keeping commercial properties clean especially Heritage Plaza. Heritage Plaza needs to be cleaned daily first thing in the morning to keep the city looking good.

Mayor Ford agreed and shared he will review with the Building Department to see if the city can possibly hire additional part-time inspectors to assist in all five Wards. Mayor will also ask the Buldling Department to monitor Heritage Plaza.

Alderwoman Evans asked if Wal-Mart was an owner and if so the city should enforce the ordinances to keep the area clean because Wal-Mart is a multimillion dollar company.

Alderman Glispie shared he has walked the 1<sup>st</sup> Ward nad a lot of homes are owned by leasing companies and it doesn't serve our best interest. The city needs to look into this.

Mayor Ford shared since July of 2020 the city has not issued any new rental licenses. Mayor shared per his research the city has 987 Section 8 home and there is one other municipality that has a higher number. He is looking to add staff to address the code enforcement concerns.

Alderman Glispie shared he recently visited a renovated property on w 175<sup>th</sup> place and it had quality work and materials.

Mayor Ford shared he is looking into South Holland's Ordinance which is temporary and it can't be extended per Federal Regulations.

Alderwoman Evans shared to the resident who has sign concerns to check with AJ in the Buildling Department that possibly the signs were placed in a parkway or an area where they pulled.

Alderman Davis shared Cornerstone Church will have a Food Give-Away March 30<sup>th</sup> at 4101 Flossmoor Rd.

# 14. ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Lockett moved for adjournment. Second, Alderman Glispie. Discussion - none.

ROLL CALL VOTE: 4 Ayes:Alderman Lockett, Davis, Glispie and Evans

0 Nays:

0 Abstain:

1 Absent: Alderman Spivey

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The Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia D. Hutson, City Clerk