



REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

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

Monday, October 13, 2025 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 7:03pm. The meeting was called to order by the Honorable James W. Ford, Mayor.

1a. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Hon. Mayor James W. Ford.

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

Those on Roll Call answering present were as follows;

Aldermen Davis, Spivey, Hutson, Lockett Jr., Strothers and Mayor James W. Ford.

Also in attendance were City Administrator Mitchell and the Administrative Team.

City Treasurer Burris was not in attendance.

3. INVOCATION – CLERGY OR DESIGNEE

The Invocation was presented by Pastoral Commissioner Pastor James King of United Christian Church in Country Club Hills.

4. JOURNAL PROCEEDINGS

Approval of Meeting Minutes:

A. Approval - Regular Meeting of the City Council Minutes September 22, 2025

Alderman Davis moved for City Council approval of the Regular City Council Meeting Minutes for September 22, 2025. Second by Alderman Hutson. Discussion - None

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: 5 Aldermen Davis, Spivey, Hutson, Lockett Jr. and Strothers

Nays: 0

Abstains: 0

Absent: 0

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

5. COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS BY MAYOR JAMES W. FORD:

Mayor Ford shared the recent mailing of the City of Country Club Hills Newsletter mailed October 16, 2025. He shared the information in the flyer that was mailed out encompassed city events throughout the end of the year and a new letter will be mailed out in January 2026.

6. CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT - BRIAN D. MITCHELL

City Administrator Mitchell shared this past Saturday was the Domestic Violence Awareness Walk with the Purple Hose and Heels Program. He shared there are ongoing updates to the city website and the Water Dept is working with Attorney Murphey on an Amendment to the City Ordinance.

7. CITY CLERK'S REPORT – PATRICIA D. HUTSON, CITY CLERK

Clerk Hutson congratulated Alderman Hutson, Alderman Davis and Alderman Strothers on completing training for the Open Meetings Act during their IML sessions and receiving their certificates.

Clerk, Hutson then shared Jonathan run, and Jonathan ran. Jonathan, who is a resident, top of his class from Hillcrest High School 2024, two years summer intern in the office of the City Clerk, political science major at U of Illinois campus raised \$2,500 by running the 2025 Bank of America Chicago Marathon. She shared her pride for his hard work and congratulated him.

Clerk Hutson shared. October is Breast Cancer Awareness month. She then shared Breast Cancer is not only for women, but from men as well. The City of Country Club Hills will recognize Breast Cancer Awareness Month as its traditional Annual Think Pink Day, which will be Monday, October 27th. She asked everyone to wear pink that day. She then said we will ask anyone attending the City Council meeting to please wear pink as well. Lastly she shared as we

will honor the warriors who are fighting the fight, the survivors, memorialize those who have gained their Angel Wings and the families who have been impacted by this terrible disease.

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance, Insurance, & Risk Management – Alderman Davis, Chairman
(Committee Meeting – TBA)

A. Approval - Accounts Payables as of October 13, 2025

Alderman Davis moved for City Council approval of Accounts Payables in the amount of \$743,735.56 as of October 13, 2025. Second by Alderman Spivey. Discussion – Alderman Davis shared the AP will include Smitty's Tree Service. Alderman Davis then shared his next Finance Committee Meeting will be held October 27th at 6:15pm.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: 5 Aldermen Davis, Spivey, Hutson, Lockett Jr. and Strothers

Nays: 0

Abstains: 0

Absent: 0

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

Law, Ordinance, Government Operations & Contract – Alderman Hutson, Chairman
(Committee Meeting – TBA)

A. Approval - An Intergovernmental Agreement Creating the Southland Communications System

Alderman Hutson moved for City Council approval of An Intergovernmental Agreement Creating the Southland Communications System. Second by Alderman Davis. Discussion – Alderman Hutson asked City Administrator Brian Mitchell to summarize this item. City Administrator Mitchell shared this is an agreement entered by several southland municipalities for E-com SouthCom services.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: 5 Aldermen Davis, Spivey, Hutson, Lockett Jr. and Strothers

Nays: 0

Abstains: 0

Absent: 0

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

B. Approval - A Resolution Authorizing and Approving the Appointment of A Representative to the ECOM/SOUTHCOR Joint Emergency Telephone System Board

Alderman Hutson moved for City Council approval of A Resolution (R-20-25) Authorizing and Approving the Appointment of a Representative to the ECOM/SOUTHCOR Joint Emergency Telephone System Board. Second by Alderman Davis. Discussion - Alderman Hutson asked City Administrator Brian Mitchell to summarize this item. City Administrator Mitchell shared this Resolution will now list the City Administrator as the representative for the E-COR/SouthCor Joint Emergency Telephone System Board.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: 5 Aldermen Davis, Spivey, Hutson, Lockett Jr. and Strothers

Nays: 0

Abstains: 0

Absent: 0

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Public Works and Utilities – Alderman Lockett Jr., Chairman
(Committee Meeting – TBA)

A. Approval - An Award of the Lowest Responsible Bid for the Cook County Invest in Cook Funded Pulaski Road Sidewalk Improvement Project

Alderman Lockett Jr. moved for City Council approval of An Award of the Lowest Responsible Bid for the Cook County Funded Pulaski Road Sidewalk Improvement Project. Second by Alderman Hutson. Discussion – Alderman Hutson commended Ald. Lockett Jr for doing a great job as Alderman and Committee Chair. Alderman Davis shared this bid comes as no cost to the city and street repairs are included in this grant. Alderman Lockett Jr. then shared his next Public Works committee meeting will be held Monday October 20th at 2pm.

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: 5 Aldermen Davis, Spivey, Hutson, Lockett Jr. and Strothers

Nays: 0

Abstains: 0

Absent: 0

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

Alderman Spivey shared his next EDC Committee meeting will be held Wednesday October 22nd at 7pm.

Education, Parks & Recs – Alderman Strothers, Chairman
(Committee Meeting – TBA)

Alderman Strothers shared her next Educations Parks and Recs meeting is TBA.

9. MOTION TO OPEN THE FLOOR TO THE PUBLIC

Alderman Lockett Jr. moved for City Council approval to open the floor to the public. Second by Alderman Spivey. Discussions – None

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: 5 Aldermen Davis, Spivey, Hutson, Lockett Jr. and Strothers

Nays: 0

Abstains: 0

Absent: 0

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10. PUBLIC PORTION OF MEETING

Argie Johnson-Martin, resident shared her concerns regarding parking on Lakeview Dr. She said there are vehicles parking violating the 3am to 6am parking ban and no tickets are issued. She requested the police department address her concern.

Harry William Jones Jr., resident, shared he received a flyer at his home from the Country Club Hills Fire Department regarding their union concerns and then shared the Mayor and the city have done a good job in negotiating. Lastly, he shared his view as a resident that if you work for the city you should live in the city.

11. MOTION TO CLOSE FLOOR TO THE PUBLIC

Alderman Lockett Jr. moved for City Council approval to close the floor to the public. Second by Alderman Strothers. Discussions – None

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: 5 Aldermen Davis, Spivey, Hutson, Lockett Jr. and Strothers

Nays: 0

Abstains: 0

Absent: 0

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12. ALDERMANIC REPORTS

Alderman Hutson thanked all the residents for their hard work and congratulated them on their recent Beautification Awards. He then shared that the speed bumps are in the process of being removed from city streets. He shared bible verse John 15:12. Lastly, he shared if you see something say something by contacting the Country Club Hills anonymous tip line 708-206-2889.

Alderman Lockett Jr. shared that Coffee with the Cops event will be held Saturday, October 18th from 12:00pm to 3:00pm. and please rsvp to Sgt. Ron Harris 708-798-3191 ext 2. He then encouraged everyone to come out and meet the people who protect them daily. Alderman Lockett Junior then shared the Fall Festival will be held Saturday, October 25th from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM at the City Pavilion. He encouraged everyone to come out and enjoy with your family, friends and Elected Officials. Lastly, Alderman Lockett Jr. shared that fall is here. And. Thank the residents for electing. All of the Aldermen who sit on the diocese and shared his appreciation for the hard-working employees.

Alderman Davis. Acknowledged former City Treasurer Argie Johnson-Martin and encouraged her to call the Police Department's non-emergency line when she has any concerns. Alderman Davis then addressed Harry Jones and shared he did receive the notice on his garage door. And that the city has been negotiating in good faith for the last two years with the Fire Department. Lastly he shared information on an upcoming Estate Planning Seminar to be held. At City Hall Tuesday, October 21st at 6:00pm.

Alderman Spivey shared information on the upcoming Fall Festival October 25th. He shared that he was looking forward to it. He then acknowledged the Fire and Police Departments and thanked them for their service. He then shared the speed bumps are being removed in the 4th Ward. Lastly, he shared his concern about Aldermen receiving the senior snowplow list. He believes that Alderman should have access to the names. for each ward. Alderman Spivey then asked Mayor Ford how he could get a copy.

Alderman Strothers shared that many residents have seen trucks in the area from Dynamic Utility Solutions. She shared this company has been contracted with Commonwealth Edison to perform service in the area. She then shared that residents should have received a notice on their door regarding the work activity.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Hutson moved for adjournment. Second by Alderman Lockett Jr. Discussions – None

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: 5 Aldermen Davis, Spivey, Hutson, Lockett Jr. and Strothers

Nays: 0

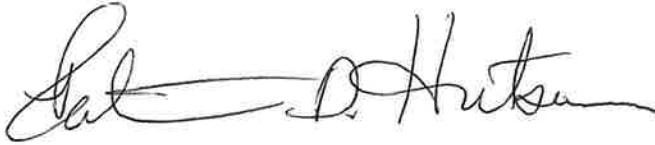
Abstains: 0

Absent: 0

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The meeting adjourned at 7:33pm

Respectfully submitted by,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Patricia D. Hutson", written in a cursive style.

Patricia D. Hutson, City Clerk, RMC, CMC