



**REGULAR CITY COUNCIL
MEETING
MINUTES**
4200 W 183rd St. Country Club Hills, IL
60478
Monday - March 09, 2026 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 7:06PM. The meeting was called to order by the Honorable Mayor James W. Ford.

1a. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was presented by all in attendance and led by Mayor James W. Ford.

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

Those on Roll Call answering present were:
Alderman Davis, Lockett Jr., Strothers and Mayor James W. Ford.

Alderman Spivey was not present during roll call and arrived at 7:07pm

Alderman Hutson was excused as absent.

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

3. INVOCATION – CLERGY OR DESIGNEE

The invocation was presented by Leroy Barnes Jr., Parks Board Commissioner.

4. JOURNAL PROCEEDINGS

Approval of Meeting Minutes:

A. Approval - Regular City Council Meeting Minutes for February 23, 2026

Alderman Davis moved for City Council approval to for the Regular City Council Meeting held Monday February 23rd. Second by Alderman Lockett Jr. Discussion – none.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: 4 Alderman Davis, Spivey, Lockett Jr. and Strothers

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1 Alderman Hutson

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 information on early voting at Markham Courthouse and Matteson. Mayor Ford also spoke on leadership and encouraged everyone to vote for the right person.

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

Administrator Mitchell shared he recently participated in Legislative calls with SSMMA (South Suburban Mayors and Managers) to prepare for Springfield. He then shared the Spring Fling is April 4th 1pm - 3pm at St. John's 4231 W, 183rd St and the Recycling Event is May 6th and May 7th 9am to 1pm at the Amphitheater.

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

City Clerk Hutson shared In 1987, after being petitioned by the National Women's History Project, Congress passed Pub. L. 100-9 which designated the month of March in 1987 as Women's History Month. She reminded everyone that all mail-in ballots should be mailed by March 10th due to the new usps rules. She then shared the Gubernatorial

Primary Election Day is Tuesday March 17th. The polls open at 6am and will close at 7pm and all polling locations and additional information is on the city website at www.countryclubhills.org She then shared, yesterday was International Women's Day. Celebrating equality for women, this global day celebrates the outstanding achievements of women and the effect on the progress made—from suffrage to leadership—while acknowledging the work remaining to be done. Lastly, to the trailblazers, the nurturers, and the changemakers: Happy International Women's Day and today we honor your achievements and stand in solidarity for a world of true equality woman has the seat and a voice at the table

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance, Insurance, & Risk Management – Alderman Anthony J. Davis, Chairman
(Committee Meeting – March 9, 2026 6:15pm)

A. Approval - Accounts Payables as of March 9, 2026

Alderman Davis moved for City Council approval of Accounts Payables as of March 9, 2026 in the amount of \$410,048.38. Second by Alderman Spivey
Discussion – None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: 4 Alderman Davis, Spivey, Lockett Jr. and Strothers

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1 Alderman Hutson

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

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

No Report per Mayor Ford

Public Works and Utilities – Alderman Vincent E. Lockett Jr., Chairman
(Committee Meeting – March 9, 2026 6:00pm)

A. Approval - State of IL CY 26-27 Rock Salt Joint Participation Agreement Contract

Alderman Lockett Jr. moved for City Council approval of the State of IL CY 26-27 Rock Salt Joint Participation Agreement Contract. Second by Alderman Davis. Discussion – None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: 4 Alderman Davis, Spivey, Lockett Jr. and Strothers

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1 Alderman Hutson

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

B. Approval - CDBG 2026 Resolution for Application Submittal for Sewer Lining

Alderman Lockett Jr. moved for City Council approval of the CDBG 2026 Resolution (R-1-26) for Application Submittal for Sewer Lining. Second by Alderman Davis. Discussion – None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: 4 Alderman Davis, Spivey, Lockett Jr. and Strothers

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1 Alderman Hutson

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

C. Approval - Invest in Cook Resolution for Application Submittal for Road Improvement

Alderman Lockett Jr. moved for City Council approval of the Invest in Cook Resolution (R-2-26) for Application Submittal for Road Improvement. Second by Alderman Davis. Discussion – None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: 4 Alderman Davis, Spivey, Lockett Jr. and Strothers

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1 Alderman Hutson

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

D. Approval - MFT Resolution to Funded Local match for the BP Path Phase Engineering

Alderman Lockett Jr. moved for City Council approval of MFT Resolution (R-3-26) to Funded Local match for the BP Path Phase Engineering. Second by Alderman Davis. Discussion – None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: 4 Alderman Davis, Spivey, Lockett Jr. and Strothers

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1 Alderman Hutson

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Economic Development & Planning, Zoning & Development – Alderman Ricardo D. Spivey, Chairman
(Committee Meeting – March 11, 2026 7pm)

Alderman Spivey shared he rescheduled a meeting for Economic Development Committee for March 18th at 7pm

Education, Parks & Recs – Alderman Deidra N. Strothers, Chairman
(Committee Meeting – March 12, 2026 4pm)

Alderman Strothers shared the Education, Parks and Recs will meet March 12th at 4pm

9. MOTION TO OPEN THE FLOOR TO THE PUBLIC

Alderman Spivey moved for City Council approval to open the floor to the public. Second by Alderman Strothers. Discussion – None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: 4 Alderman Davis, Spivey, Lockett Jr. and Strothers

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1 Alderman Hutson

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10. PUBLIC PORTION OF MEETING

Margaret Clark, resident, shared her concerns regarding safety in her area. Mayor advised her to speak with the Police Chief after the meeting. She then inquired as to who is her alderman. Alderman Strothers shared she is her Alderman Mrs. Clark told Alderman Strothers she has a lot of work to do, and she will speak with her after the meeting.

Leroy Barnes, Veterans Commissioner, shared information on the Veterans Commission, the meetings are on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6pm and participation for Veterans.

11. MOTION TO CLOSE FLOOR TO THE PUBLIC

Alderman Spivey moved for City Council approval to close the floor to the public. Second by Alderman Strothers. Discussion – None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: 4 Alderman Davis, Spivey, Lockett Jr. and Strothers

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1 Alderman Hutson

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12. ALDERMANIC REPORTS

Alderman Lockett Jr. shared he is planning a 2nd Ward picnic this summer with the date TBA. He then shared in the absence of Alderman Hutson if you see something say something call the CCHPD hotline 708-206-2899. Lastly, he encouraged everyone to work together.

Alderman Davis thanked everyone for coming out and encouraged everyone to enjoy the weather and be safe.

Alderman Spivey thanked Police and Fire for their hard work and reminded everyone to watch for the children playing in the streets with the warm weather.

Alderman Strothers encouraged everyone to Early Vote or at Markham Courthouse or Matteson Community Center until March 16th or on Election Day March 17th.

Mayor Ford encouraged parents to discourage their children from playing in the middle of the street for their safety.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Spivey. moved for City Council adjournment. Second by Alderman Strothers. Discussion – None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: 4 Alderman Davis, Spivey, Lockett Jr. and Strothers

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1 Alderman Hutson

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

The meeting adjourned at 7:29pm

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

Respectfully submitted by

Patricia D. Hutson, City Clerk, RMC, CMC