



REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

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

Monday, June 22, 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 7:05 PM. The meeting was called to order by 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 - RMC, CMC

Those on Roll Call answering present were:

Aldermen Davis, Spivey, Hutson, Lockett Jr., and Strothers.

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

3. INVOCATION – CLERGY OR DESIGNEE

The invocation was delivered by Leroy Barnes, resident, who also serves as on the Veterans Commission.

4. JOURNAL PROCEEDINGS

Approval of Meeting Minutes:

Approval - Meeting Minutes of the Administrative City Council Meeting May 18, 2026 and a Regular Meeting of the City Council June 8, 2026.

Alderman Davis moved for City Council approval to of the Administrative City Council Meeting May 18, 2026 and a Regular Meeting of the City Council June 8, 2026. Second by Alderman Lockett Jr. Discussion – none.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Nays: 0

Abstain: 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 wished all the fathers a Happy Father's Day. Mayor Ford then shared he recently received a leadership award from Divine Word Ministries Church in Country Club Hills. Mayor Ford then shared his frustration with the recent teen takeover June 20th. He then asked the audience their opinion of a resolution for this trend. Some of the audience members shared the parents need to be accountable, most of these youth are not from Country Club Hills and others shared the city should have more programs and athletic activities for the youth. Lastly, Mayor Ford shared there is a sidewalk project on Pulaski, which is from a State of IL grant from Senator Hastings.

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

Administrator Mitchell shared that the concert season has begun and the first concert was well attended and we're looking forward to Fred Hammond and Marvin Sapp June 22nd. Lastly, Administrator Mitchell shared he and Mayor Ford have recently met with Com-Ed regarding improvements and service in the area. Com-Ed shared they installed 600 smart meters and offer financial assistance programs for customers.

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

City Clerk Hutson shared the storms of June 10th and June 11th were severe and reminded residents to sign up for the city's notification system on the city's website www.countryclubhills.org. Clerk Hutson the shared with the recent opening of the Obama Presidential Center she encouraged all to attend to see the history of our First Black President and suggested the council attend as a group. Lastly, she shared she will represent the City of Country Club Hills at a table during the Rich Township America 250 event on the 4th of July at the Olympia Fields Park District site 20712 Wester 11am to 3pm. There will be games, prizes, food, etc. for all to enjoy and partake.

8. CITY COLLECTOR'S REPORT – PATRICIA D. HUTSON, CITY COLLECTOR

City Collector's Report as of April 30, 2026 and May 31, 2026

Collector Hutson shared the full report is in the packet and if there are any concerns to please let her know .

9. CITY TREASURER'S REPORT – STEVEN R. BURRIS, CITY TREASURER

City Treasurer's Report as of April 30, 2026 and May 31, 2026

Treasurer Burris shared his reports are in the packet and the recent numbers were as follows: May revenue was \$2,053,339.77, disbursements were \$2,042,979.41 and the balance as of May 31, 2026 was \$20,445,839.32. He then encouraged everyone to attend the Rich Township American 250 event on the 4th of July as shared by Clerk Hutson.

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance, Insurance, & Risk Management – Alderman Anthony J. Davis, Chairman
(Committee Meeting – June 22nd at 6:15pm)

Approval - Accounts Payables as of June 22nd

Alderman Davis moved for City Council approval of Accounts Payables as of June 22, 2026 in the amount of \$554,501.01. Second by Alderman Hutson. Discussion – None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 0

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Law, Ordinance, Government Operations & Contract – Alderman Tyrone K. Hutson, Chairman
(Committee Meeting – July 8, 2026)

Approval - An Ordinance Amending the Country Club Hills City Code to Impose Additional Special Regulations During Events at the Country Club Hills Theater.

Alderman Hutson moved for City Council approval of An Ordinance Amending the Country Club Hills City Code to Impose Additional Special Regulations During Events at the Country Club Hills Theater. Second by Alderman Davis. Discussion – Alderman Hutson shared the reason for this Ordinance is safety on 183rd Street. Alderman Spivey asked for clarity. Alderman Lockett Jr.

asked if there were any complaints. Alderman Hutson shared several of the businesses have had concerns along with patrons of the shopping area. Mayor Ford then shared the health food store, the bank and the daycare had issues with safety and parking and we needed to address these safety concerns. Alderman Spivey understood and agreed.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 0

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Alderman Hutson then shared the next Law and Ordinance meeting will be held Wednesday July 7th at 7pm, he concurred with Ald. Spivey and Strothers who agreed.

Public Works and Utilities – Alderman Vincent E. Lockett Jr., Chairman
(Committee Meeting – June 22nd at 6:45pm)

Alderman Lockett Jr. shared the seasonal workers are in place and asked the residents for patience with street improvements. He then thanked Public Works for picking up branches and trash.

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

Alderman Spivey asked everyone to support the local businesses.

Education, Parks and Recs – Alderman Deidra N. Strothers, Chairman
(Committee Meeting – TBA)

Alderman Strothers Alderman Strothers shared summer school is currently underway. School District 227 has leadership camp, band camp, sports camp and aviation camp. Bremen Township has Therapeutic day camp, anxiety workshops and emotional regulation groups. Please visit their websites for more information. The Superintendent search at school district 160 is going well. Youth baseball is going on right now. Tennis youth clinic ages 6-16 is July 13 - August 10 from 6:30pm -7:30pm. Youth flag football registration is still open until July 31 and the season starts in August. The Parks and Recreation are currently in negotiations for a volleyball clinic for youth and adult volleyball, open gym, pickleball, soccer, dance and boxing.

11. 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. Discussion – None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 0

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12. PUBLIC PORTION OF MEETING

Hosea Gray, resident, shared his concerns with the water rate increase and the water system improvement fee. He then shared the recent amphitheater concert sold well and with his financial projects the city should not ask the taxpayers for funding for the amphitheater. He shared concert sales should equal \$3million. He then asked if the city could pass an ordinance to address the teen takeovers. Lastly, he shared as the Chicago Bears prepare to move to Indiana the city should be prepared with a plan to make money.

Clifton Graham, resident, shared the Redlight camera program has netted the city \$56million since it began. He shared 27 out of 33 were found not guilty. He shared stop means pause, and the red light means slow down.

13. MOTION TO CLOSE FLOOR TO THE PUBLIC

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

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 0

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14. ALDERMANIC REPORTS

Alderman Hutson asked for a moment of silence for Tracey Perry, daughter of the late Lt. Michael Perry. Alderman Hutson then announced he will hold a 3rd Ward meeting Wednesday July 15th at 7pm at City Hall. He then encouraged everyone to check on their friends, family and neighbors. He then shared bible verse Matthew 6:33. Lastly, he shared if you see something say something and encouraged everyone to dial the Police Department's anonymous tip line at 708-206-2866.

Alderman Lockett Jr. shared the city had a great turn out for the concert. He thanked everyone for attending. He then asked the residents to give public works time to clean the streets. Lastly, he announced the 2nd Ward picnic will be held July 25th at Community Park and encouraged everyone to attend.

Alderman Davis shared to Clifton Graham that the majority of the Red-Light recipients do not live in Country Club Hills. He then shared he submitted his street repair list to public works and he hopes to see an early start this year.

Alderman Spivey shared he will submit his streets list and follow-up with Administrator Mitchell.

Alderman Strothers shared the car show was well attended and thanked everyone for coming out. She then reminded everyone that fireworks are illegal and the fines are hefty. Lastly, she encouraged everyone to celebrate safely by watching the fireworks at Country Club Hills.

15. ADJOURNMENT

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

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 0

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The meeting adjourned at 7:47pm

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