REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

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

Monday, October 12, 2026

7:00 PM

MEETING MINUTES

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 7:03 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, Lockett Jr., Strothers and Mayor Ford.

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

Excused as absent – Alderman Hutson

3. INVOCATION – CLERGY OR DESIGNEE

The invocation was delivered by Dr. Llewellyn Dixon Senior Pastor of Jubilee Faith Community Church and Pastoral Commission Member.

4. JOURNAL PROCEEDINGS

Approval of Meeting Minutes:

1. Approval - Regular Meeting Minutes of September 14, 2026

Alderman Davis moved for City Council approval to of the Administrative Meeting Minutes of September 14, 2026. Second by Alderman Spivey. Discussion – none.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: 4 Aldermen 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 the Swearing-In and Special Commendations Recognitions for the Officers listed. He then proceeded to ask Chief White and members of the Fire and Police Commission to come forward and share information on the officers. Chief White, Commissioners Fox and Bellamy came forward with the new officers and City Clerk Patricia D. Hutson proceeded with the Swearing-In Oath for new officers and Chief White then proceeded with reading the Special Commendations for the Officers. Photographs were then taken to memorialize these special moments.

1. Swearing-In of the following Country Club Hills Police Officers:

Officer Myles Johnson

Officer Terrance Briggs

Officer Nathan Brody

2. Country Club Hills Police Department Special Commendations for the following Officers:

Officer Michael Nolan

Officer Bryant King

Officer Darylisha Morgan

Officer Shydale Jones

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

City Administrator Mitchell shared information on the upcoming Fall Festival October 31st and the Recycling and Shred Day Event with the date TBA with Sheriff Tom Dart's Office.

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

City Clerk Hutson shared information on Voting for the upcoming Gubernatorial Election on November 3rd . She shared Earling Voting is open at Markham Courthouse and Early Voting will begin October 19th – November 2nd and the flyer with the locations and times are available online and at City Hall. Clerk Hutson then shared the importance of Breast Cancer Awareness and opportunities to donate will be held at the Resource Center October 28th at 12:30pm. She also shared nothing should be placed in your mailbox unless it comes from usps and Solicitors must be licensed through the Office of the City Clerk including a fingerprinting and background check. Lastly, she shared to those with a Fishing Licenses the season will end October 31st.

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance, Insurance, & Risk Management – Alderman Anthony J. Davis, Chairman (Committee Meeting – October 12, at 6:15pm)

1. Approval – Accounts Payables as of October 12, 2026

   Alderman Davis moved for City Council approval of Accounts Payables as of October 12, 2026 in the amount of $930,201.26. Second by Alderman Lockett Jr. Discussion – None.

   ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

   Nays: 0

   Abstain: 0

   Absent: 1 Alderman Hutson

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Alderman Davis announced the next Finance Committee meeting will be held October 26th at 6:15pmDavis

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

No Report

Public Works and Utilities – Alderman Vincent E. Lockett Jr., Chairman
(Committee Meeting – October 12th at 6:00pm)

1. Approval – A Resolution for the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT), Illinois Enhancement Program (ITEP)

Alderman Lockett Jr. moved for City Council approval of A Resolution for the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT), Illinois Enhancement Program (ITEP). Second by Alderman Davis. Discussion – None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: 4 Aldermen 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 – TBA)

Alderman Spivey recognized Mayor Davis Gonzelez of Chicago Heights. He then shared he spoke with David Whitnauer and Foremen Mills Retail store will be coming to Country Club Hills. Lastly, he asked for closure information on the EDC Commissioners.

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

The Education, Parks and Recreation Committee meeting was held on Thursday, October 8. School District 228 Board Member Patterson mentioned that there were

many conferences and enlightened us about the lack of Federal funds being released. He'll keep us informed as to how we can assist.

School District 160 mentioned the maintenance grant that has allowed them to fix the roof and make other upgrades. They're excited to take it to another level!

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 Davis. Discussion – None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1 Alderman Hutson

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10. PUBLIC PORTION OF MEETING

Brandi Gunn, resident, shared she submitted a FOIA request for physical copies of certain checks and is awaiting the response. She then shared the 2024 Auditor's report shows a weakness in internal controls.

Steven Burrs, resident, City Treasurer and Rich Township Trustee, shared information on an 8 week training program with Rich Township. He then shared information on an invoice from Omni Channel. Lastly, he inquired about the status of 5 checks that were previously voted on and he asked for clarity.

Clifton Graham, resident, shared information is available via google on homeowners wealth protection guide. He then shared there is a lot of money missing from SD#160 and there is a misappropriation of funds.

Regina Lazenburg, resident, shared she moved in August 2025 and B & R is behind her home and the area is very noisy. She asked if there was anything that can be done about the noise.

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 Lockett Jr. Discussion – None

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1 Alderman Hutson

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12. ALDERMANIC REPORTS

Alderman Lockett Jr. in the absence of Alderman Hutson he shared if you see something say something and call the anonymous tip line 708-206-2899. He then shared the city is continuously removing branches and tree debris throughout the city. Lastly, he thanked Public Works, Fire and Police for their continued hard work.

Alderman Davis asked for a moment of silence for Debra Lewi, sister of Kenny Lewis of Kenny's for Ribs. Lastly, he then shared the Senior Snow Plowing applications are out and the city will accept the first 500 qualified applicants.

Alderman Spivey thanked Public works for their service and encouraged everyone to attend the Fall Festival. Lastly he thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

Alderman Strothers Alderman Strothers shared Tuesday, October 6th she attended the Bremen Township meeting. There were 1400 phone calls for property tax appeals and Certificate of error refunds are being mailed to property owners. Senior exemptions are for anyone born in 1960 or earlier and a pre appeal can be submitted on Cook County Board of Review. Registration for the Senior Police Academy is open to all seniors at no cost. Please contact the non-emergency number at (708) 798-3191. Lastly, as Clerk Hutson mentioned early voting is now taking place so please go vote!

Mayor Ford welcomed and acknowledged Mayor Davis Gonzalez of Chicago Heights in attendance. He then shared Omni owes the city over $30,000 through a partnership with the Gift of Hope sponsorship.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Lockett Jr. moved for City Council adjournment. Second by Alderman Davis. Discussion – None.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 1 Alderman Hutson

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The meeting adjourned at 7:49pm

Respectfully submitted by



Patricia D. Hutson, City Clerk - RMC, CMC