

**CITY OF OAKBROOK TERRACE  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL AND  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING  
TUESDAY, JULY 12, 2022**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Esposito called the July 12, 2022, Regular and Committee of the Whole Meeting of the City Council to order at 7:00 P.M.

**II. ROLL CALL**

Roll call indicated the following City Council members were in attendance:

Present: Barbari, Beckwith, Fitzgerald, Greco, Rada, Vlach, and Mayor Esposito  
Absent: None

Also in attendance were Assistant to City Administrator A. Raffel, Public Services Director C. Ward, and City Attorney R. Ramello.

**III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Esposito led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**IV. ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA**

None

**V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – CHANGES OR CORRECTIONS**

1. Regular Meeting Minutes of June 28, 2022

**Motion to approve the minutes of the June 28, 2022, Regular City Council was made by Alderwoman Fitzgerald and seconded by Alderman Beckwith. An acclamation vote was taken.**

**Ayes: Barbari, Beckwith, Greco, Fitzgerald, Rada, and Vlach  
Nays: None**

**Motion passed.**

**VI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

None

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**VII. ACTION ITEMS/CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Payment of City Bills: July 12, 2022, In the Amount Of \$152,094.12.
2. Approval of Special Use & Variations from the Zoning Ordinance/Landscape Update for 17W240 22<sup>nd</sup> Street/Case #22-08

**Motion to approve all the items contained on the Consent Agenda as presented for July 12, 2022, was made by Alderman Barbari, and seconded by Alderman Vlach. Roll call was taken.**

**Ayes: Barbari, Beckwith, Fitzgerald, Greco, Rada, and Vlach**

**Nays: None**

**Motion passed.**

**VIII. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA**

None.

**IX. RECESS TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

**Motion to recess to the Committee of the Whole portion of this meeting was made by Alderman Rada and seconded by Alderwoman Fitzgerald. An acclamation vote was taken.**

**Ayes: Barbari, Beckwith, Fitzgerald, Greco, Rada, and Vlach**

**Nays: None**

**Motion passed.**

**X. MAYOR ESPOSITO**

Mayor Esposito asked for a moment of silence regarding the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Highland Park incident, to remember the seven (7) people that lost their lives, their families, and the 30 victims that were injured. Mayor Esposito thanked the Council, Public Services, Staff, Sponsors, and Volunteers for all the support and hours dedicated to the July 4th event. Mayor Esposito felt the resident picnic was well attended, but the later events were sparse. Mayor Esposito was unsure if that was due to the weather or the unfortunate events that occurred earlier in the day. Mayor Esposito would like to remind everyone the summer concert series resumes this Friday, with Planet Grove starting at 6:00 pm and Beyond the Blond starting at 8:00 pm.

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**XI. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE CONSIDERATIONS**

- 1. Draft Ordinance to Increase the Number of Class “E” Liquor Licenses by One (1) Pursuant to the Provisions of Title XI (Business Regulations); Chapter 111 (Food and Beverages); Subchapter *Alcoholic Liquor Control*, Section 111.012 (number of Licenses In Each License Classification), of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Oakbrook Terrace (7-Eleven #30138 (Lykor Shack Inc.))**

Mayor Esposito asked the City Council to review the proposed liquor license provided in their packet. Mayor Esposito explained that 7-Eleven at Roosevelt and Summit is in the process of obtaining its video gaming license through the state of Illinois. One step is acquiring the Class “E” Liquor License from the city. Mayor Esposito informed the City Council that business owner Mr. Rehan Hashmi was present and asked if we would come up and say a few words. Mr. Hashmi introduced himself and provided background information regarding the store, staff, and security. Mr. Hashmi stated that COVID, higher wages, and the ability to pay at the pump continue to hinder sales within the convenience store. Mr. Hashmi went into detail about the process for obtaining video gaming, the area he intends to use, and the security measures he will take to ensure customer safety. Mayor Esposito clarified that the Council will be only voting on the liquor license, not the video gaming license, that Mr. Hashmi will be carrying two liquor licenses, both “B” and “E,” and agrees with the changing landscape of gas stations. Mayor Esposito opened the floor for City Council to ask questions. Alderwoman Fitzgerald asked for clarification of operating hours and if there is sufficient parking and security. Alderman Barbari questioned the square footage of the gaming room and if it was ready. Alderman Greco asked Mr. Hashmi to explain the comment about bringing something different into the store, if hours of liquor sales coincided with the gaming license, and expressed his concerns with gaming within the establishment and within the city. Alderman Beckwith liked that Mr. Hashmi is an established business asking for licenses and looking to expand his portfolio. Alderman Beckwith pointed out that the City Council just passed an ordinance for a gaming license, so the total number of entities with a gaming license would be 18, not 17. Alderman Rada asked if the 7-Eleven on 14<sup>th</sup> Street carries the same licenses and asked for detail on the security of the gaming room along with advertisement plans.

The Council concurred to place this item on the following consent agenda for approval.

- 2. 2022 OBT Curb Replacement Project**

Mayor Esposito gave an overview of the curb replacement project and the cost of \$191,014.25. Public Services Director Ward explained eight bid packets were picked up, and only one contractor submitted a bid. Director Ward stated he has worked with Davis Concrete Construction Co., has no reservations about working with them again, and they are in compliance to work within the city. Mayor Esposito informed Council that the work would occur on MacArthur Drive, Elm Court, and Orchard Place. Mayor Esposito asked

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for questions from the Council. Alderman Rada wondered whether the design of the curbs is intended to control stormwater runoff, if we have the infrastructure to move the water correctly, and the life span of a curb. Alderman Vlach expressed his opposition to the installation of the curbs. Alderman Beckwith asked if the union strikes would increase the price. Mayor Esposito asked if there was a consensus, and Alderman Vlach opposed it.

The Council concurred to place this item on the following removed from the consent agenda for consideration and a vote.

**XII. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS**

Aldermoman Fitzgerald asked Director Ward if the City Council would see the water tower renderings soon and would like this item on the agenda. Alderman Barbari said the 4<sup>th</sup> of July event was beautiful and thanked the Mayor, Public Services, and the Police Department for their service. Alderman Grego expressed his gratitude to the Mayor for deciding to move forward with the 4<sup>th</sup> of July events. Alderman Beckwith thanked the staff and volunteers for the hours put into this event, felt that when everyone works together, the event runs smoothly, asked if the Public Services reports have been distributed, and made a case for providing paperless reports. Alderman Vlach said he and his wife have watched many vehicles drive through the stop sign at Stillwell and Elder Lane since the presentation of Street Safety and have seen a police presence. Alderman Rada agrees with Alderman Beckwith and favors paperless reports. Alderman Rada and other residents met with Police Chief Calvello regarding traffic within the neighborhood of Berkshire. Alderman Rada said that Public Services Director Ward would assist with bringing street signage up to the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD) code. Alderman Rada took a moment and thanked everyone for their hard work during the 4<sup>th</sup> of July event and called out Director Ward for the excellent job on the decorations around town.

**XIII. CITY ATTORNEY RAMELLO**

None.

**XIV. CITY CLERK SHADLEY**

None

**XV. ASSISTANT TO THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR RAFFEL**

None.

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**XVI. RECONVENE THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**Motion to reconvene to the City Council meeting was made by Alderman Greco and seconded by Alderwoman Fitzgerald. An acclamation vote was taken.**

**Ayes: Barbari, Beckwith, Fitzgerald, Greco, Rada, and Vlach  
Nays: None**

**Motion passed.**

**XVII. OLD BUSINESS**

None

**ADJOURN**

**Motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Barbari and seconded by Alderman Rada at 8:04 pm.**

**Acclamation vote made with all Ayes.**

**Motion carried unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Amy Raffel, Recording Secretary

Attested:

  
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Michael Shadley  
City Clerk