

City of Oakbrook Terrace

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City Council Regular Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, September 23rd at 7:00 PM

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Mayor Paul Esposito
City Clerk Michael Shadley
City Council Members:

Ward 1: Alderman Charlie Barbari and Alderman Eric Biskup
Ward 2: Alderman Michael Sarallo and Alderman Dennis Greco
Ward 3: Alderman Bob Rada and Alderwoman Mary Fitzgerald

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Esposito called September 23rd, 2025, Regular and Committee of the Whole Meeting of the City Council to order at 7:00 PM.

II. ROLL CALL

Roll call indicated the following City Council members in attendance:

Present: Barbari, Biskup, Fitzgerald, Greco, Rada, Sarallo and Mayor Esposito

Absent: None

Also in attendance: City Clerk M. Shadley, Acting City Administrator: T. Walker, and City Attorney R. Ramello.

III. Mayor Esposito led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

IV. ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

None

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - CHANGES OR CORRECTIONS

Meeting Minutes of September 9th, 2025

A motion to approve the Regular City Council Meeting Minutes from September 9th, 2025 was made by Alderwoman Fitzgerald and seconded by Alderman Barbari.

Ayes: Barbari, Biskup, Fitzgerald, Greco, Rada, and Sarallo
Nays: None
Absent: None

VI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
None

VII. ACTION ITEMS / CONSENT AGENDA

1. Payment of City Bills: September 23rd, 2025, in the amount of \$299,127.22.
2. Ordinance No. 25-30 Authorizing the Participation in the DuPage County 2025 Bulk Rock Salt Program and to Approve and Authorize the Execution of a Contract with Compass Minerals America, Inc. for the Purchase of Rock Salt for the City of Oakbrook Terrace, Illinois.

Motion to approve the Action Items/Consent Agenda of the September 23rd, 2025, Regular City Meeting and Committee of the Whole made by Alderman Rada and seconded by Alderman Greco.

Ayes: Barbari, Biskup, Fitzgerald, Greco, Rada and Sarallo.
Nays: None
Absent: None

VIII. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA
None

IX. RECESS TO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Motion to recess to the Committee of the Whole portion of this meeting was made by Alderman Greco and seconded by Alderman Sarallo. An acclamation vote was taken.

X. MAYOR ESPOSITO

Pumpkins in the Park will be held on Saturday, 10/11, at Dorothy Drennon Park. The recent Shred Drive sponsored by Senator Hilton was successful. The Mayor thanked Alderman Barbari for his attendance. Shannon, from the park district, will be attending an October council meeting to discuss future renovations at Terrace View Park. The current lease with the park district is set to expire soon. The park district would like to make certain the city with extend to them a new long-term lease.

XI. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

1. An Ordinance Amending the Provisions of Section 30.35, Entitled "Council to Act as A Body" of Chapter 30, Entitled "General Provisions" of Title III Entitled, "Administration" of the Code of Oakbrook Terrace, Illinois.

On November 12th, 2024, Ordinance 30.35 was amended by city council to engage in discussion with employees regarding conditions of employment. The mayor is asking council to review and amend Ordinance 30.35 to follow appropriate protocol. Communication with the city administrator and/or mayor should be made regarding concerns of city employees.

Alderman Rada questioned the reason for the amendment. The mayor assured council that they can talk to department heads but should go through the city administrator. Per the attorney, these things would include matters related to employment decisions, including compensation, interviewing, hiring/firing, benefits, disciplinary actions, and working conditions.

Alderman Greco agrees with the chain of the command and going through the mayor and city administrator. Alderman Greco questioned the process of receiving approval.

Alderman Biskup agrees with the chain of command.

Alderman Barbari agrees with the amended ordinance.

Alderman Sarallo stated that council are elected as legislators not administrators and they need to trust the administration. Alderman Sarallo is in support of the amended ordinance.

Alderwoman Fitzgerald found the ordinance passed back in November worked well. She does not like the language within the amended ordinance and is not in favor of the amended ordinance. Mayor replied that the ordinance should never have changed and occurred for specific reasons.

Mayor Esposito removed the item from the next consent agenda.

2. Ordinance Approving and Ratifying the Issuance of a Purchase Order for the Purchase of One 2024 Ford F150 Police Responder for the City of Oakbrook Terrace.

Mayor Esposito said the initial request was for 2 police interceptors. However with the delays in delivery, the police department is requesting approval to purchase a Ford F150 Police Responder from Westmont Lincoln in the amount of \$41,095.70. This is an approximate savings of \$6,000 from the cost of an interceptor.

Alderwoman Fitzgerald questioned the savings.

Alderman Sarallo agrees with the purchase of the F150.

Alderman Barbari agrees with the purchase of the F150.

Alderman Biskup is in favor of the F150 pickup.

Alderman Greco stated the city has a big fleet already and would like another assessment of our fleet. Alderman Greco thinks it would be beneficial to purchase another interceptor instead of a pickup. Alderman Greco and Biskup both questioned if a person could be detained in the pickup. Interim City Administrator, Walker, relayed the budget reflects the year the purchase is received.

Alderman Rada would like to hear from Craig.

The mayor removed the item from the consent agenda and will ask Craig from Public Works to address council at the next meeting.

3. A Resolution Authorizing and Directing Compliance with Section 7.3(b) of the Open Meetings Act – City of Oakbrook Terrace – 2025.

The resolution requires any city employee participating in the IL Municipal Retirement Fund and 6 days prior to their approval to participate, any employee's salary over \$150K must be posted on the city's website for full transparency. Moved to the consent agenda.

4. Discussion Item - FY27 Budget Calendar.
Prepared by interim City Administrator, Tanya Walker. An annual process that requires council approval. Tanya said there is an extra day if necessary to review the budget. The resolution notes that the budget will be prepared by February. However, council found that to be an error and should read March.

XII. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Alderman Greco would like to have 2 days to go over the budget. Mayor Esposito says the budget meetings are important and wants council to understand what is driving the numbers. The mayor recommends more than 1 day to approve.

Aldерwoman Fitzgerald had no comment.

Alderman Sarallo suggested having department heads attend the council meeting to answer questions.

Alderman Barbari agrees with Alderman Sarallo in having department heads attend.

Alderman Biskup welcomed the new police officers.

Alderman Greco agrees with Sarallo in having department heads attend. Greco would like luminaries to be on the next agenda.

Alderman Rada agrees with the department heads attending the meeting. DCDV Postal Federal Employee's National Bowling Association was held at Anyways Restaurant.

XIII. CITY ATTORNEY

None

XIV. CITY CLERK

None

XV. CITY ADMINISTRATOR

Honored to be considered for the City Administrator position. Walker also added that 2 Interceptors were sold at auction. The audit is complete expenses are down, and the city is doing well. Auditors will be here at 10/28 meeting.

XVI. RECONVENE THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Motion to reconvene the City Council meeting was made by Alderman Greco and seconded by Alderman Barbari Motion approved via an acclamation vote.

XVII. RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion to recess to Executive Session was made by Alderman Fitzgerald and seconded by Alderman Biskup

Ayes: Barbari, Biskup, Fitzgerald, Greco, Rada and Sarallo

Nayes: None

Absent: None

XVIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Closed session pursuant to Section 2(c)(1) of the Open Meetings Act to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation or performance of a specific employee.
2. Closed session pursuant to Section 2(c)(2) of the Open Meetings Act to discuss collective negotiating matters between the city and its employees or their representatives and deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees.

RECONVENE THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Motion to reconvene the City Council meeting was made by Alderman Fitzgerald and seconded by Alderman Sarallo Motion approved via an acclamation vote. Time 8:51 PM

XIX. NEW BUSINESS

Resolution Authorizing and Directing Compliance with Section 7.3(b) of the Open Meetings Act – City of Oakbrook Terrace – 2025.

Motion to accept the Resolution Authorizing and Directing Compliance with Section 7.3(b) of the Open Meetings Act – City of Oakbrook Terrace – 2025 was made by Alderman Greco and seconded by Alderman Sarallo.

Ayes: Barbari, Biskup, Fitzgerald, Greco, Rada and Sarallo.

Nayes: None

Absent: None

XX. ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Greco and seconded by Alderman Biskup at 8:52 PM

Acclamation vote was made with all Ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Margie Tannehill, Deputy Clerk

Attested:



Michael Shadley, City Clerk



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