

City of Oakbrook Terrace

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City Council Regular Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, May 12, 2026 7:00 PM

Council Chambers - City Hall - 17W261 Butterfield Road



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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 Geza Petro

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Esposito called May 12, 2026, 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, Greco, Petro, Rada, Sarallo and Mayor Esposito.
Absent: none

Also in attendance: City Administrator: T. Walker, and City Attorney R. Ramello.

III. MAYOR ESPOSITO LED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

None

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - CHANGES OR CORRECTIONS

A motion to approve the Regular City Council Meeting Minutes from April 28, 2026 was made by Alderman Greco and seconded by Alderman Petro. The motion carried.

VI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Laurel Shea, Vice President of the Berkshire Homeowners Association, expressed concerns regarding ongoing disruptive and abusive behavior by adolescent boys fishing at a private pond. She reported that the situation has escalated to rocks being thrown at homes and the use of

profane language. Calls regarding the incidents have been made to the Police Department, and Ms. Shea requested that citations be issued.

The Mayor stated that he had been informed of the situation earlier that day by Officer Cipriani. Deputy Chief D. Clark advised that additional police presence would be provided in the area.

VII. ACTION ITEMS / CONSENT AGENDA

1. Payment of City Bills: May 12, 2026, in the amount of \$285,130.74.
2. Ordinance 26-54 Authorizing the Waiver of the Building Permit Fee for Oakbrook Terrace Park District – City of Oakbrook Terrace.

Motion to approve the Action Items/Consent Agenda was made by Alderman Rada seconded by Alderman Barbari.

Roll Call

Ayes: Barbari, Biskup, Greco, Petro, Rada, Sarallo

Nays: none

Absent: none

VIII. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

None

IX. RECESS TO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Motion to Recess to Committee of the Whole made by Alderman Greco and seconded by Alderman Sarallo.

X. MAYOR ESPOSITO

The annual Cop on Top fundraiser benefiting Special Olympics will be held on May 15 from 5:00 am to noon at the Dunkin Donuts located at 17W460 W 2nd Street in partnership with the Oakbrook Police Department.

Woodland Windows will have a ribbon cutting on May 16 at 1:00 PM located at JRC Plaza.

OBT Park District is hosting a Touch a Truck on May 16 from 10–2:00 PM at Heritage Park.

The Salvation Army is hosting an open house on May 21 from 11–2:00 PM.

The swearing in ceremony for new Officer Nicholas Berggren, along with the promotions of Officer Mellens and Officer Elsner to the rank of Sergeant will be held on May 14 at 11:00 AM in the City Council Chambers.

City Hall will be closed on May 25 in observance of Labor Day. Summer hours at City Hall will begin June 1, Mon – Thurs 8:00 - 5:00 PM and Friday 8:30 – noon thru September 4.

A State of the City with the Mayor: Coffee and Conversation will be held on May 22 at 9:00 AM in the City Council Chambers.

XI. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

1. Draft Ordinance Approving the Issuance of a Purchase Order by the City of Oakbrook Terrace to Sutton Ford for One (1) 2026 Ford F450 Super Duty Chassis Cab.

Interdepartmental memo prepared by Director of Public Services, C. Ward, indicating a cost of approximately \$130,731. The budgeted amount was \$135,000. The 2001 Ford is up for auction.

Moved to consent agenda.

2. Draft Ordinance Approving the Issuance of a Purchase Order by the City of Oakbrook Terrace to West Side Tractor Sales for One (1) 2026 John Deere 444 P Four Wheel Drive Loader.

An interdepartmental memo was prepared by Director of Public Services, C. Ward. The invoice amount for the purchase of a John Deere Loader as noted above is \$191,324.94. The budgeted amount was \$190,000. The previous vehicle is a 1994 and public works will keep that at the salt barn.

Alderman Biskup liked the vehicle package with the extended warranty.

No further comments.

Moved to consent agenda.

3. Draft Ordinance Appointing Corporation Counsel and Approving and Authorizing the Execution of a Legal Services Agreement for the City of Oakbrook Terrace – 2026.

Effective May 1, 2026, R. Ramello will become an independent attorney. Ramello has decided to represent clients as an independent contractor and give up his management duties at the law firm. The City will retain R. Ramello as opposed to retaining the law firm.

Alderman Petro questioned who will represent R. Ramello if he cannot attend a meeting. Ramello replied it will be M. Holmes who has attended past meetings and will become a partner within the firm in the near future.

Aldermen Sarallo, Barbari, Biskup, Greco and Rada are in support of R. Ramello and his services to the City.

Moved to consent agenda.

4. Discussion Item – Presentation of “New” Website Platform.

The Mayor stated that the proposed website platform would enhance the City’s current website and help promote available real estate opportunities that may have been overlooked in the past.

T. Walker presented information regarding the website and its features, including available real estate, demographic data, educational statistics, business types and counts, and

consumer expenditure data showing where residents spend their money. The platform is intended to support economic development efforts and attract new businesses to the City. Comparisons with surrounding communities would also assist M. Headley in Community Development initiatives. A link to the platform would be available on the City's website, allowing residents and other users to access and utilize the information. The annual cost of the platform is \$5,000.

Alderman Greco questioned the benefit of the website versus a google search. T. Walker explained the benefits.

Alderman Rada remarked this would be an important tool to help people who are not from the area.

Alderman Biskup asked if you can see other neighboring city's information. T. Walker replied, yes.

Alderman Petra said he could use the website for York Center and senior related information.

City Attorney, R. Ramello, will review the website.

Mayor Esposito suggested council take some time to get familiar with the website and a discussion will continue at the next council meeting.

XII. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Alderman Rada noticed the increased traffic stops on Meyers Rd. and appreciates the police presence. Mayor Esposito acknowledged that police productivity is up and overtime is down.

Alderman Biskup and Sarallo congratulated the two new promotions within the police department.

Alderman Barbari requested an updated list of direct phone numbers to police officers.

Alderman Petro noted that recruiting continues to go well with the new police commission.

No further comments from the aldermen.

XIII. CITY ATTORNEY

No comment.

XIV. CITY CLERK

No comment.

XV. CITY ADMINISTRATOR

T. Walker commented that the audit begins next week and aldermen may be contacted.

XVI. RECONVENE THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

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

XVII. NEW BUSINESS

XVIII. ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Rada and seconded by Alderman Sarallo at 7:42 PM.

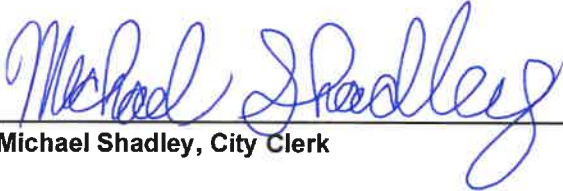
Acclamation vote was made with all Ayes. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Margie Tannehill, Recording Secretary

Attested:



Michael Shadley, City Clerk

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