

City of Oakbrook Terrace

*City Hall
17W275 Butterfield Rd.
Oakbrook Terrace, IL 60181
www.oakbrookterrace.net*



City Council Regular Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, July 28, 2026, at 7:00 PM

Council Chambers - City Hall - 17W261 Butterfield Road



CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, July 28, 2026 at 7:00 PM
Council Chambers - City Hall - 17W261 Butterfield Road
www.oakbrookterrace.net

Mayor Paul Esposito (absent)

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

City Clerk, Michael Shadley, called July 28, 2026 Regular and Committee of the Whole Meeting of the City Council to order at 7:00 PM.

Due to the temporary absence of Mayor Esposito, a motion to appoint a Mayor Pro Tem was made by Alderman Sarallo and seconded by Alderman Petro appointing Alderman Greco as Mayor Pro Tem.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Barbari, Greco, Petro, Rada, Sarallo

Absent: Biskup

Nays: None

II. ROLL CALL

Roll call indicated the following City Council members in attendance:

Present: Aldermen Barbari, Greco, Petro, Rada, and Sarallo.

Absent: Mayor Esposito, Alderman Biskup

Roll Call:

Ayes: Barbari, Greco, Petro, Rada and Sarallo

Nays: None

Absent: Biskup

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

III. MAYOR PRO TEM, DENNIS GRECO, LED IN 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 July 14, 2026 was made by Alderman Rada and seconded by Alderman Barbari. The motion carried.

VI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

VII. ACTION ITEMS/CONSENT AGENDA

1. Payment of City Bills: July 18, 2026, in the amount of \$315,888.28.
2. Ordinance 26 - 65 Approve, Authorize and Ratify the Execution of a Contract between the City of Oakbrook Terrace, Illinois and AVI-SPL LLC for the City Council Chambers – Audio Visual Upgrade Project.

Alderman Rada asked whether the new system would allow City Council meetings to be broadcast on the internet. City Administrator, T. Walker responded that it would.

A motion to approve the Action Items/Consent Agenda as noted above was made by Alderman Barbari and seconded by Alderman Sarallo.

Roll call:

Ayes: Barbari, Greco, Petro, Rada and Sarallo

Nays: None

Absent: Biskup

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 Rada and seconded by Alderman Petro.

X. MAYOR PRO TEM, DENNIS GRECO

National Night Out will be held on Tuesday, August 4th, from 6-8 pm in the police department parking lot. Everyone is welcome.

XI. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

1. District 88 to present. Dr. Jean Barbanente, Superintendent of District 88, provided an update on Addison Trail and Willowbrook High Schools. Both schools have earned a 9 out of 10 rating in college readiness. The district also offers dual credit opportunities across more than 18 career pathways, providing students with a wide range of college and career preparation options.

Dr. Barbanente shared information about a proposed 2026 bond referendum that is being developed with no anticipated increase to the community's tax rate. If approved, the bond would fund improvements including enhanced security measures, life safety upgrades, ADA

accessibility, infrastructure improvements, expanded educational spaces, performing arts facilities, and athletic facilities. The proposal is expected to appear on the November ballot.

Alderman Rada commended the Superintendent for the great job being done.

Mayor Pro Tem Greco thanked the Superintendent for her support in the recent Lions Club "Someone Special" event.

No other comments by council.

2. OBT Park District: Request for Permit Fee Waiver.

Shannon Elsey, Executive Director discussed extending the bridge railings to the gravel pathway. This extension would improve safety for residents and visitors using the bridge.

Move to the consent agenda.

3. The Ordinance Amending Section 30.01 entitled "Records request; availability" of Chapter 30 Entitled "General Provisions" of Title III Entitled "Administration" of the Code of Oakbrook Terrace, Illinois.

R. Ramello discussed the increasing number of FOIA requests the City has been receiving from various sources. He recommends amending the ordinance to clarify who may be served with FOIA requests and the proper method for submitting them. Under the proposed amendment, FOIA requests would be required to be submitted either to the City's FOIA Officer or through the City's website.

Alderman Sarallo confirmed that with the changes in the ordinance, the aldermen will be exempt from responding directly to FOIA requests.

Alderman Rada inquired about the City's current FOIA Officers. It was recognized that Addy Lozano and Jodie Esposito currently serve as the City's FOIA Officers.

Moved to consent agenda.

4. Department Head Updates.

Public Works – C. Ward reported that his team continues storm cleanup efforts following the July 4 storms, as well as more recent storms that caused additional tree damage. Brush pickup is scheduled for Monday. The Public Works team will be setting up for the upcoming National Night Out event.

Alderman Barbari extended thanks to the team for their great work.

Alderman Sarallo noted the street sweeping this week.

Community Development – M. Headley. Since the last department head update, 31 permits have been issued, including permits for the Park District's Lake View Nature Center restroom remodel, multiple commercial tenant buildouts, and new signage for Mary Jane's Smoke Shop and Dunkin' Donuts. Several additional commercial remodel permits are currently under review. A new Med Spa will be opening at the former Apex Construction

location on 14th Street. Browns Chicken has opened an office on Butterfield Road. Annual aesthetics inspections are underway, and rental inspections are nearly complete.

Alderman Sarallo raised concerns about the Dunkin Donuts monument sign, noting that its current placement obstructs motorists' visibility of oncoming traffic, and creates a potential safety hazard.

Alderman Petro questioned whether there were any updates with the 1801 building. The reply was no new updates.

Alderman Greco observed that Gulliver's is changing their signage.

Finance – J. Wade. The annual audit continues and is going very well.

HR – C. Romo. Recent emergency evacuation drills were completed at the police station. Medicare 101 lunch and learn was held for city employees. Sexual harassment training is being reviewed.

Alderman Rada was happy to hear that a Medicare 101 lunch and learn was offered.

Police – D. Clark. Preparing for National Night Out on August 4th with games, face painter, food, music, and touch a truck. All are welcome to attend. Commercial scales are running and statistics will be added to the monthly reports.

XII. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Alderman Rada there was a 17-hour power outage in Berkshire with some tree branches down due to the recent storms. Local hotels are doing well, and tax revenue should rise with a 5.87% increase in DuPage. Amazon is moving in at Meyers and 22nd. 60% of office space is being utilized in DuPage County. First-time home buyers are going to have assistance for down payment to provide for affordable housing.

Alderman Petro commented that everything in the city is running well.

No other comments by council.

XIII. CITY ATTORNEY

No comment.

XIV. CITY CLERK

No comment.

XV. CITY ADMINISTRATOR

Cain Challenge Coins are for sale with profits going to Canines for Comfort. A shredding day is planned for Saturday, September 19th, in the City Hall lot sponsored by Flood Bros. Document destruction as well as electronic disposal will be available.

XVI. RECONVENE THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

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

XVII. NEW BUSINESS
None

XVIII. ADJOURN

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

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

The next Regular City Council Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 11, 2026 at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Margie Tannehill, Recording Secretary

Attested:



Michael Shadley, City Clerk

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and other applicable Federal and State laws, the City of Oakbrook Terrace meetings will be accessible to individuals with disabilities. Persons requiring auxiliary aids and services should contact the Executive Offices at 17W275 Butterfield Road, Oakbrook Terrace, Illinois 60181, or call (630) 941-8300 in advance of the meeting to inform them of their anticipated attendance.