

**CITY OF OAKBROOK TERRACE  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL AND  
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING  
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2019**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Ragucci called the November 26, 2019, Regular and Committee of the Whole Meeting of the City Council to order at 7:00P.M.

**II. ROLL CALL**

Roll call indicated the following Council members were in attendance:

Present: Barbari, Esposito, Greco, Przychodni, Rada, Vlach, and Mayor Ragucci

Absent: None

Also, in attendance were Deputy City Clerk C. Downer, City Administrator A. Marrero, Building and Zoning Administrator M. Dragan, and City Attorney R. Ramello.

**III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Mayor 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 November 12, 2019

**Motion to approve the minutes of the November 12, 2019 Regular City Council and Committee of the Whole as presented was made by Alderman Vlach and seconded by Alderman Rada.**

**Ayes: Barbari, Esposito, Greco, Przychodni, Rada, and Vlach**

**Nays: None**

**Motion passed.**

**VI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

None.

**VII. ACTION ITEMS/CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Payment of City Bills: November 26, 2019 In The Amount Of \$4,359,940.00.
2. Treasurer's Report October 2019

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3. Personnel & Payroll Report October 2019
4. Ordinance No. 19-54: An Ordinance To Renew The Agreement For Risk Management And Insurance Brokerage Services And To Accept The Proposal For Property And Casualty Insurance For The City Of Oakbrook Terrace, Illinois.
5. Ordinance No. 19-55: An Ordinance To Renew The Agreement For Risk Management And Insurance Brokerage Services And To Accept The Proposal For Workers' Compensation And Employers' Liability Insurance For The City Of Oakbrook Terrace, Illinois.
6. Approval Of Payout Number One (1): Orange Crush, LLC, In The Amount Of \$675,716.85.
7. Approve Pay-Off Of The General Obligation Bonds, Series 2010 A&B, In The Amount Of \$3,504,738.13.

**Motion to approve all the items contained on the Consent Agenda as presented for November 26, 2019 was made by Alderman Przychodni and seconded by Alderman Esposito.**

**Ayes: Barbari, Esposito, Greco, Przychodni, 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 Vlach and seconded by Alderman Barbari.**

**Ayes: Barbari, Esposito, Greco, Przychodni, Rada, and Vlach  
Nays: None**

**Motion passed.**

**X. MAYOR RAGUCCI**

1. Reminder: City Hall Will Be Closed For The Thanksgiving Holiday On Thursday November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018 And Friday November 29<sup>th</sup>, 2019.
2. Reminder: Children's Christmas Party And Tree Lighting On Friday December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019 At 6:00 PM.
3. Cancellation Of The Tuesday, December 24<sup>th</sup>, 2019 City Council Meeting.

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4. Oakbrook Park District Executive Director Kathy Fallon informed the City that the Dorothy Drennon Park flooding repair bids will be going out in February with construction set for the spring.
5. The Oakbrook Terrace Historical Society will host a Dispensa presentation this evening following the City Council meeting.
6. Flood Brothers asked if the City's garbage collection day could change from Tuesday to Monday. The Monday pickup date will be effective on January 1, 2020. Flood Brothers will publicize this information to residents and in January the refuse collection trucks will still pickup garbage on Tuesdays during the transition period.
7. Mayor Ragucci offered his condolences to the family of James Tadlock on his recent passing.

**XI. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE CONSIDERATIONS**

1. Letter Of Recommendation: 1S501 Leahy Road.

Building and Zoning Administrator Dragan stated the Zoning Committee recently discussed the recommendation to allow private solar collection panel systems as a permitted use subject to be installed on the roof surface in the Single Family Detached Zoning District. A public hearing will be held early next year concerning various text amendments to the Zoning Ordinance including solar panels. However, at this time, the property owner located at 1S501 Leahy Road applied for a public hearing as he wanted to make sure he will take advantage of 2019 tax credits. The Planning and Zoning Commission voted in favor of the applicant's request.

Alderman Esposito inquired about the size of the panels. The property owner, Joel McIndoo, responded the panels are two (2) by four (4) feet. Alderman Esposito confirmed that the panels will be flat mounted and said he was initially concerned about aesthetics, but that the panels look good. Alderman Greco noted that the Zoning Committee is working on revising the Building Code to allow this type of request. Alderman Greco applauded the homeowner for requesting the use of solar panels. Alderman Vlach asked if this was the City's first request for solar panels. Building and Zoning Administrator Dragan replied this is the first request and two (2) other residents with similar plans are waiting until the new guidelines are approved.

The Council concurred to approve this during the reconvened meeting.

2. Letter Of Recommendation: 1S043-049 Summit Avenue.

Building and Zoning Administrator Dragan stated the Zoning Ordinance requires a special use to allow offices, businesses, and professional on the first floor of a building in the B-3 General Retail. The property owner located at 1S043-049 Summit Avenue requests approval for a special use permit in order to allow office use at the subject property zoned B-3. The Planning and Zoning Commission voted in favor of the Applicant's request for

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a special use permit to allow office use at the property located at 1S043-049 Summit Avenue with the provision that the FreeTaxi business vehicles be parked in the rear of the building.

Alderman Barbari inquired on the number of cabs located in the back of the site. Otis Milton, owner of FreeTaxi Dispatch, replied four (4) cabs will be continually rotated through the site. Alderman Greco welcomed FreeTaxi Dispatch to town.

The Council concurred to approve this during the reconvened meeting.

3. Stella May Swartz – Donation Towards Playground Equipment.

Mayor Ragucci noted Stella May Swartz School asked the Council to consider a donation towards new playground equipment at the school. Alderman Vlach said currently about 67% of property taxes are paid to local schools. Alderman Vlach said the with possibility of losing Traffic Enforcement fines, he respectfully urged his fellow aldermen to not donate City money towards playground equipment. Alderman Przychodni asked if there is any liability to the City if we make a donation. City Attorney Ramello replied no because the playground equipment would be owned by the school district and the liability would not be extended to the City. Alderman Barbari asked how much should the donation be. Mayor Ragucci replied it all depends on the Council wishes.

Alderman Rada said he would support a donation because playground is very important. Alderman Greco said he is bothered by the school passing a large referendum a couple of years ago and how this was allocated. Alderman Greco said he backs the schools because they are the core of the community especially with more and more kids now living in the City. Alderman Greco asked if the school has raised any money for this yet and asked if they were seeking corporate sponsorships as well. Alderman Greco said he would support a donation towards new playground equipment. Deputy Clerk Downer said the Parent Teacher organization just started working on this. Mayor Ragucci suggested that the City Administrator look more into this and then the Council can discuss this again at an upcoming meeting.

**XII. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS**

Alderman Rada noted the Berkshire subdivision is working out the easement details. Alderman Rada requested that the temporary signs throughout the City could be removed.

**XIII. CITY ATTORNEY RAMELLO**

None.

**XIV. DEPUTY CITY CLERK DOWNER**

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None.

**XV. CITY ADMINISTRATOR A. MARRERO**

City Administrator Marrero noted the staff holiday party will begin at 4:30PM on Wednesday, December 18, 2019 and a revised invitation will be provided.

**XVI. RECONVENE THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**Motion to reconvene the City Council meeting was made by Alderman Esposito and seconded by Alderman Przychodni.**

**Ayes: Barbari, Esposito, Greco, Przychodni, Rada, and Vlach**

**Nays: None**

**Motion passed.**

**XVII. OLD BUSINESS**

1. Ordinance No. 19-56: An Ordinance Granting A Special Use Permit To Allow The Installation Of Private Solar Collection Panels On The Roof Of The Property Commonly Known As 1S501 Leahy Road In The City Of Oakbrook Terrace, Illinois.

**Motion To Approve Ordinance No. 19-56: An Ordinance Granting A Special Use Permit To Allow The Installation Of Private Solar Collection Panels On The Roof Of The Property Commonly Known As 1S501 Leahy Road In The City Of Oakbrook Terrace, Illinois was made by Alderman Barbari and Alderman Vlach.**

**Ayes: Barbari, Esposito, Greco, Przychodni, Rada, and Vlach**

**Nays: None**

**Motion passed.**

2. Ordinance No. 19-57: An Ordinance Granting A Special Use Permit For Taxi Dispatch On The First Floor Of A Building In The B-3 General Retail District For The Property Commonly Known As 1S043-049 Summit Avenue In The City of Oakbrook Terrace, Illinois.

**Motion To Approve Ordinance No. 19-57: An Ordinance Granting A Special Use Permit For Taxi Dispatch On The First Floor Of A Building In The B-3 General Retail District For The Property Commonly Known As 1S043-049 Summit Avenue In The City of Oakbrook Terrace, Illinois was made by Alderman Greco and seconded by Alderman Esposito.**

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**Ayes: Barbari, Esposito, Greco, Przychodni, Rada, and Vlach  
Nays: None**

**Motion passed.**

**ADJOURN**

**Motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Greco and seconded by Alderman Esposito  
at 7:28PM.**

**Motion carried unanimously.**

Submitted,

Aileen Haslett, Recording Secretary