

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE UNITED CITY OF YORKVILLE, KENDALL COUNTY, ILLINOIS,
HELD IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS,
800 GAME FARM ROAD ON
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2020**

Mayor Purcell called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. and led the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

City Clerk Pickering called the roll.

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| Ward I | Koch | Present |
| | Transier | Present |
| Ward II | Milschewski | Present |
| | Plocher | Present |
| Ward III | Funkhouser | Present |
| | Frieders | Present |
| Ward IV | Tarulis | Present |
| | Peterson | Present |

Staff in attendance at city hall: City Administrator Olson, City Clerk Pickering, Chief of Police Jensen, and Attorney Castaldo.

Staff in attendance electronically: Public Works Director Dhuse, Community Development Director Barksdale-Noble, Finance Director Fredrickson, Parks and Recreation Director Evans, Assistant City Administrator Willrett, Purchasing Manager Parker, and EEI Engineer Sanderson.

Clerk's Note: Due to COVID-19, in accordance with Public Act 101-0640 and Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation issued by Governor Pritzker pursuant to the powers vested in the Governor under the Illinois Emergency Management Act, the United City of Yorkville encouraged social distancing by allowing remote attendance to the City Council meeting.

Members of the public were able to attend this meeting in person while practicing social distancing as well as being able to access the meeting remotely via Zoom which allowed for video, audio and telephonic participation.

A meeting notice was posted on the city's website on the agenda, minutes and packets webpage with instructions regarding remote meeting access and a link was included for the public to participate in the meeting remotely: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83955475084?pwd=MEp3Y0NBcHE2dkFISXNrV3E4WTNNUOT09>. The Zoom meeting ID was 839 5547 5084.

QUORUM

A quorum was established.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

None.

PRESENTATIONS

None.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

CITIZEN COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

None.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Minutes of the Regular City Council – August 25, 2020
2. Bill Payments for Approval
 - \$ 174,521.45 (vendors)
 - \$ 303,320.05 (payroll period ending 8/21/20)
 - \$ 477,841.50 (total)

Mayor Purcell entertained a motion to approve the consent agenda. So moved by Alderman Milschewski; seconded by Alderman Peterson.

Motion approved by a roll call vote. Ayes-8 Nays-0
Koch-aye, Milschewski-aye, Funkhouser-aye, Tarulis-aye,
Transier-aye, Plocher-aye, Frieders-aye, Peterson-aye

REPORTS

MAYOR'S REPORT

New Playgrounds at Caledonia and Autumn Creek North

Mayor Purcell said that the Parks Department has been doing a fantastic job. In the last couple of weeks, new playgrounds have been opened at the Caledonia and Autumn Creek North parks.

Start of the 2020-2021 School Year

Mayor Purcell mentioned that school recently started, and he thanked the Yorkville School District and the Police Department on working together to get school started this school year during such a challenging time.

Proclamation for Constitution Week

(CC 2020-67)

Mayor Purcell proclaimed the week of September 17 through 23 as Constitution Week in the United City of Yorkville (*see attached*).

Resolution 2020-66

**Approving Authorized Agent to the Illinois
Municipal Retirement Fund (IMRF)**

(CC 2020-68)

Mayor Purcell entertained a motion to approve a Resolution Approving Authorized Agent to the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund (IMRF). So moved by Alderman Koch; seconded by Alderman Peterson.

Motion approved by a roll call vote. Ayes-8 Nays-0
Milschewski-aye; Funkhouser-aye, Tarulis-aye, Transier-aye,
Plocher-aye, Frieders-aye, Peterson-aye, Koch-aye

Ordinance 2020-43

**Pertaining to the Local CURE Program
(COVID-19 Expenditure Reimbursements)**

(CC 2020-69)

Mayor Purcell entertained a motion to approve an Ordinance Pertaining to the Local CURE Program (COVID-19 Expenditure Reimbursements). So moved by Alderman Tarulis; seconded by Alderman Frieders.

Motion approved by a roll call vote. Ayes-8 Nays-0
Funkhouser-aye, Tarulis-aye, Transier-aye, Plocher-aye,
Frieders-aye, Peterson-aye, Koch-aye, Milschewski-aye

Ordinance 2020-44

**Authorizing the First Amendment to the Annual Budget for
the Fiscal Year Commencing on May 1, 2020 and Ending on
April 30, 2021 (Old Jail Payout Recommendation)**

(CC 2020-70)

Mayor Purcell entertained a motion to approve an Ordinance Authorizing the First Amendment to the Annual Budget for the Fiscal Year Commencing on May 1, 2020 and Ending on April 30, 2021. So moved by Alderman Milschewski; seconded by Alderman Peterson.

Administrator Olson explained that the redevelopment agreement included a commitment for the city to provide water, sewer, and electrical services in the building or to pay out the equivalent amount to the developer for the cost of installing these services. Staff evaluated the current operational needs as a result of being short staffed due to not hiring part-time seasonal help this year as well as the tornado that occurred a couple of weeks ago resulting in a large amount of brush pickup. Rather than delay other projects to do this work in-house, the staff recommendation is to pay out the cost of these improvements. Administrator Olson said that maximum outlay for the city is \$15,000 for water and sewer and \$5,000 for electrical service. The developer does need to provide three quotes for the installation of these services.

Motion approved by a roll call vote. Ayes-8 Nays-0
Tarulis-aye, Transier-aye, Plocher-aye, Frieders-aye,
Peterson-aye, Koch-aye, Milschewski-aye; Funkhouser-aye

Ordinance 2020-45

**Approving Settlement and Judgment Order in the Matter
of Fox Valley Family YMCA, Inc. vs. United City of Yorkville
(CC 2020-71)**

Mayor Purcell entertained a motion to approve an Ordinance Approving a Settlement Agreement and Judgment Order in the Matter of Fox Valley YMCA, Inc. vs. United City of Yorkville. So moved by Alderman Plocher; seconded by Alderman Tarulis.

Motion approved by a roll call vote. Ayes-6 Nays-2
Transier-aye, Plocher-aye, Frieders-aye, Peterson-aye,
Koch-aye, Milschewski-nay, Funkhouser-nay, Tarulis-aye

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE REPORT

No report.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT

No report.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT

Alderman Tarulis reported that Chief Jensen has been presenting very informative information on Police Department operations to the committee.

ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE REPORT

No report.

PARK BOARD

No report.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

No report.

CITY COUNCIL REPORT

Resolution 2020-67

**Recognizing and Affirming Support for the
United City of Yorkville Police Department
(CC 2020-72)**

Alderman Funkhouser made a motion to approve a Resolution Recognizing and Affirming Support for the United City of Yorkville Police Department and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute; seconded by Alderman Milschewski.

Alderman Frieders said that he wanted to clarify that while he supported the Police Department, he does not agree with the last sentence in the Resolution. He believes the Police Department does an amazing job; however, he thinks that two things can co-exist at the same time. He feels it is possible to appreciate police officers and the work they are currently doing while still holding them to a higher standard than they have been. Alderman Transier commented that he feels it is important that one of the paragraphs in the Resolution recognizes our obligation to support the right of the people to be able to peaceably assemble and address their grievances against governments.

Motion approved by a roll call vote. Ayes-8 Nays-0
Funkhouser-aye, Tarulis-aye, Transier-aye, Plocher-aye,
Frieders-aye, Peterson-aye, Koch-aye, Milschewski-aye

**National Suicide Prevention + Action Month
Proclamation Project**

Alderman Frieders reported that the National Suicide Prevention + Action Month Proclamation project currently has fifty-one cities, two counties, and sixteen different states that have agreed to issue proclamations which equates to 2.5 million residents who are potentially impacted by their local elected officials discussing suicide from an official capacity. He also reported that Hope for the Day will be holding an event called Smash the Stigma from September 10th through September 13th with seventeen restaurants from the suburbs and Chicago as well as one brewery in Des Moines, Iowa. Participating restaurants include Rowdys, Gillerson's Grubbery, Craft Urban, Barrel + Rye, Burger Local, Burger Social, Maize + Mash, Barn Town Brewing, Old Irving Brewing, Middle Brow Brewing, Fountainhead, Cadence Kitchen, The Foxtail, Lodi Tap House, and Obscurity Brewing.

CITY CLERK'S REPORT

No report.

COMMUNITY & LIAISON REPORT

KenCom

Alderman Funkhouser reported that KenCom declined to hold their quarterly meeting this past month. One of the items they will be researching and looking into is the possibility of using license plate readers.

STAFF REPORT

No report.

MAYOR'S REPORT (cont'd)

**FY 21 Budget Update
(CC 2020-73)**

Mayor Purcell said the city had good news regarding the June sales tax numbers. Administrator Olson reported that June consumer sales were unexpectedly high. Consumer sales are up eleven percent year-over-year. The \$315,000 in regular sales tax in a one-month period is the city's highest month ever. Usually sales tax revenues have two peaks each year occurring in December for Christmas and June which is the first month of summer. Administrator Olson said that potential reasons that sales tax revenues are so high might be that residents are doing relatively okay during the pandemic and spending their money in town or it could be that more online retailers are making the transition to collect local sales tax earlier than they are required to. He also reported that non-home rule sales tax was only down two percent year-over-year. Regionally the non-home rule sales tax has been down anywhere from 20% – 40% year-over-year and in Yorkville it has been down 10% - 25% year-over-year.

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

None.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Purcell said that an executive session would not be held this evening.

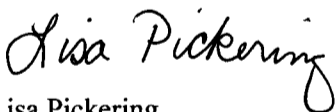
ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Purcell entertained a motion to adjourn the City Council meeting. So moved by Alderman Frieders; seconded by Alderman Koch.

Motion unanimously approved by a viva voce vote.

Meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

Minutes submitted by:



Lisa Pickering,
City Clerk, City of Yorkville, Illinois

UNITED CITY OF YORKVILLE

Proclamation

WHEREAS, the Constitution of the United States of America, the guardian of our liberties, embodies the principles of limited government in a Republic dedicated to rule by law; and

WHEREAS, September 17, 2020, marks the two hundred thirty-third anniversary of the framing of the Constitution of the United States of America by the Constitutional Convention; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper to accord official recognition to this magnificent document and its memorable anniversary, and to the patriotic celebrations which will commemorate it; and

WHEREAS, Public Law 915 guarantees the issuing of a proclamation each year by the President of the United States of America designating September 17 through 23 as Constitution Week.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, John Purcell, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the United City of Yorkville, do hereby proclaim the week of September 17 through 23 as **CONSTITUTION WEEK** and ask our citizens to reaffirm the ideals the Framers of the Constitution had in 1787 by vigilantly protecting the freedoms guaranteed to us through this guardian of our liberties.

Dated this 8th day of September, 2020.


John Purcell, Mayor

