

**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, FEBRUARY 8, 2022**

Mayor Purcell called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Purcell stated that he has determined that under the Governor's orders the meeting can be held with electronic attendance for the safety of the council members and the public and to help prevent the spread of the coronavirus.

**ROLL CALL**

Deputy Clerk Behland called the roll.

Ward I	Koch	Present	
	Transier	Present	
Ward II	Plocher	Present	(electronic attendance)
	Soling	Present	
Ward III	Funkhouser	Present	
	Marek	Present	
Ward IV	Tarulis	Present	
	Peterson	Present	

Staff in attendance at City Hall: City Clerk Behland, City Administrator Olson, Chief of Police Jensen, Attorney Orr, Attorney Gardiner, Community Development Director Barksdale-Noble, Finance Director Fredrickson, Parks and Recreation Director Evans, Building Code Official Ratos, and EEI Engineer Sanderson.

Staff in attendance electronically: Public Works Director Dhuse, Assistant City Administrator Willrett, and Purchasing Manager Gayle.

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/82931086477?pwd=RHU4VzJnaFJlZk9qS0FMaGdLK0RDUT09>. The Zoom meeting ID was 829 3108 6477.

**QUORUM**

A quorum was established.

**AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA**

None.

**PRESENTATIONS**

**Alex Knauf – Junior Pan American Games**

Mayor Purcell presented a certificate to Alex Knauf for the gold medal he won for Judo at the Junior Pan American Games in Cali, Colombia. Alex has been practicing Judo for over 15 years.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

None.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS**

None.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Bill Payments for Approval
  - \$ 765,873.15 (vendors)
  - \$ 284,631.72 (wire payments)
  - \$ 335,122.86 (payroll period ending 01/21/2022)
  - \$ 1,385,627.73 (total)
2. **Resolution 2022-09** Approving an Intergovernmental Agreement for Reciprocal Building Inspection Services Between the United City of Yorkville and Kendall County – *authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute* (EDC 2022-12)

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

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

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**REPORTS**

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**MAYOR'S REPORT**

No report.

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE REPORT**

No report.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REPORT**

**Ordinance 2022-07**

**Approving a Redevelopment Agreement by and between  
the United City of Yorkville and the Williams Group, LLC  
(EDC 2022-13)**

Alderman Peterson made a motion to approve an Ordinance Approving a Redevelopment Agreement by and between the United City of Yorkville and the Williams Group, LLC and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute, and authorize staff to approve the easement at a future date. So moved by Peterson; seconded by Alderman Marek.

Administrator Olson explained that the motion is drafted to allow staff to approve the easement at a later date. This would help shorten the time frame to give the final sign-off on the project. The agreement states that both parties will have to agree on the easement for the agreement to stay valid.

Mayor Purcell asked if the current parking spots would be public or private. Community Development Director Barksdale-Noble said they would be subject to the standard zoning and development rules. Williams Group, LLC said the plan is for the parking spots to be private. Mayor Purcell stated there needs to be more discussion on parking at a later time.

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

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT**

No report.

**ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE REPORT**

No report.

**PARK BOARD**

**Rotary Park Pickleball Court Proposal  
(EDC 2022-13)**

Mayor Purcell made a motion to approve the Pickleball Court project and the proposed budgeted amount of \$50,000. So moved by Alderman Funkhouser; seconded by Alderman Peterson.

Parks and Recreation Director Evans explained that the 2019 Grande Reserve Annexation Agreement specified that the developer provides \$50,000 for a park within Grande Reserve. The Parks and Recreation staff suggested a pickleball court due to the many requests and recommendations from the community. Parks and Recreation Director Evans also mentioned that the Parks and Recreation staff would complete the work in-house. After careful review and consideration, the Parks and Recreation staff propose the pickleball court be constructed at Rotary Park.

Alderman Funkhouser asked if the current three fields at Rotary Park would interfere. Parks and Recreation Director Evans stated that Superintendent of Parks Sleezer had laid out the court, believing this is the best location. They can expand the court at a later date if wanted, it is close to the parking lot, and there is a park and shelter nearby as well. Alderman Peterson mentioned that the YYTF is out there at night, along with cheerleading. He said that in the summers, that park could get reasonably busy. Alderman Transier asked what the maintenance is like for a pickleball court, and Director Evans said it's relatively inexpensive. Alderman Soling wondered if there was light at the proposed location, and Director Evans said none at this time. Alderman Funkhouser stated he is cautious about the Rotary Park location and how it would fit in. He asked the Parks and Recreation staff to please look into other parks. Alderman Marek asked about Stepping Stones Park and why that park was not suggested for the pickleball court. Director Evans said he had talked to the School District, and they are not in favor of it being at this location. There is only on-street parking, and the School District is concerned that people heading to the park might use the school parking lot. The school does not want people using the school parking lot during school hours.

Mayor Purcell made a motion to table the Rotary Park Pickleball Court Proposal to the February 22, 2022, City Council meeting. So moved by Alderman Funkhouser; seconded by Alderman Peterson.

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

#### **St. Patrick's Day Celebration**

Director of Parks and Recreations Evans reported that the St. Patrick's Day Celebration is coming up on Saturday, March 12, 2022. There is a Run SOB Run 5K at 9:00 a.m. The Irish Parade starts at 11:00 a.m. and will begin on the easternmost end of Hydraulic Ave. There will be live music and St. Patrick's Day specials throughout Yorkville. A firework display will occur approximately at 6:30 p.m., located at the corner of Route 47 and Countryside Parkway.

#### **PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION**

No report.

#### **CITY COUNCIL REPORT**

No report.

#### **CITY CLERK'S REPORT**

No report.

#### **COMMUNITY & LIAISON REPORT**

#### **Yorkville Bristol Sanitary District**

Alderman Soling reported that Yorkville Bristol Sanitary District stated the COVID-19 numbers continue to drop.

#### **STAFF REPORT**

No report.

#### **MAYOR'S REPORT (cont'd)**

#### **City Buildings Updates (CC 2021-04)**

Administrator Olson stated the bid opening for the building would take place on Tuesday, February 15<sup>th</sup>. Staff plans to have more information to the Council at the February 22, 2022 meeting, and the bid vote will take place at the March 8, 2022, City Council meeting.

#### **Water Study Update (CC 2021-38)**

Administrator Olson stated the legislation had been submitted. City staff has started putting together a five- to ten-year plan at about 90 to 100 million dollars for the Lake Michigan water transition. Staff should have that put together for a high-level review sometime in March or April. Mayor Purcell mentioned again to the Council that we will have to increase water rates in the near future.

#### **ADDITIONAL BUSINESS**

None.

#### **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

None.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mayor Purcell entertained a motion to go into executive session for pending litigation. So moved by Alderman Soling; seconded by Alderman Peterson.

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

The City Council entered executive session at 7:52 p.m.

The City Council returned to regular session at 8:39 p.m.

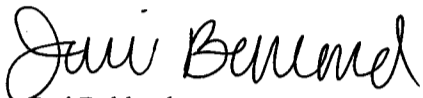
**ADJOURNMENT**

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

Motion unanimously approved by a viva voce vote.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Minutes submitted by:



Jori Behland,  
City Clerk, City of Yorkville, Illinois