

# City of Oakbrook Terrace

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### **Mayor Paul Esposito**

**City Council Members:** City Clerk Michael Shadley

**Ward 1:** Alderman Charlie Barbari and Alderman Joseph Beckwith

**Ward 2:** Alderman Frank Vlach and Alderman Dennis Greco

**Ward 3:** Alderman Bob Rada and Alderwoman Mary Fitzgerald

### **I. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Esposito called the January 28, 2025, Regular and Committee of the Whole Meeting of the City Council to order at 7:00 P.M.

### **II. ROLL CALL**

Roll call indicated the following City Council members in attendance:

**Present:** Barbari, Beckwith, Fitzgerald, Greco, Rada, and Mayor Esposito

**Absent:** Vlach

Also in attendance: Acting City Administrator A. Raffel, Finance Director T. Walker, and City Attorney M. Holmes.

### **III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Esposito led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **IV. ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA**

None

### **V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - CHANGES OR CORRECTIONS**

1. Meeting Minutes of January 14, 2025

**Motion to approve the January 14, 2025, minutes of the Regular City Council and Committee of the Whole, as presented, was made by Alderman Greco and seconded by Alderman Beckwith. Roll call vote was taken:**

**Ayes:** Barbari, Beckwith, Fitzgerald, Greco, and Rada  
**Nays:** None  
**Absent:** Vlach

**Motion passed.**

**VI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

None

**VII. ACTION ITEMS / CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Payment of City Bills: January 28, 2025, In The Amount Of \$404,373.32.
2. Treasurer's Report - December 2024
3. Payroll Summary Report - December 2024
4. Ordinance No. 25-03: An Ordinance Approving A Rider Extending The Term Of Agreement For Library Services Between The City Of Oakbrook Terrace And The Villa Park Library Dated December 17, 1987.
5. Resolution No. 25-01: A Resolution Authorizing And Approving An Agreement Between The City Of Oakbrook Terrace And The Convention And Visitor's Bureau For Professional Services To Promote Tourism And Provide Marketing And Administrative Services Related Thereto For The City For Fiscal Year 25-26.
6. Ordinance No. 25-04: An Ordinance Amending The Provisions Of The Subchapter Entitled "Purchasing And Procurement Procedures" of Chapter 30 Entitled "General Provisions" Of Title III Entitled "Administration" Of The Code Of Ordinances Of The City Of Oakbrook Terrace, Illinois.
7. Ordinance No. 25-05: An Ordinance Amending The City Of Oakbrook Terrace Personnel Policy & Procedures Manual With Respect To Health Savings Accounts For City Employees.
8. Ordinance No. 25-06: An Ordinance Annexing Certain Territory To The City Of Oakbrook Terrace, Illinois (1S122 Buttercup Lane Oakbrook Terrace, Illinois).

**Motion to approve the Action Items/Consent Agenda of January 28, 2025, Regular City Council and Committee of the Whole was made by Alderman Beckwith and seconded by Alderwoman Fitzgerald. Roll call vote was taken:**

**Ayes:** Barbari, Beckwith, Fitzgerald, Rada, and Vlach  
**Nays:** None  
**Absent:** Vlach

**Motion passed.**

**VIII. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA**

None

**IX. RECESS TO COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

**Motion to recess to the Committee of the Whole portion of this meeting was made by Alderman Barbari and seconded by Alderman Beckwith. An acclamation vote was taken:**

**Ayes:** Barbari, Beckwith, Fitzgerald, Greco, and Rada  
**Nays:** None  
**Absent:** Vlach

**X. MAYOR ESPOSITO**

1. Mayor Esposito thanked Senior Vice President of Government Affairs Dan Wagner and Inland Real Estate Group for hosting the annual Martin Luther King Breakfast.
2. Mayor Esposito let Finance Director Walker give an update on the audit, budget, and finance software conversion.

## **XI. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

### **1. Renewal Of Health/Dental/Vision/Life Insurance**

Mayor Esposito requested that the City Council review the interdepartmental memo prepared by the Assistant to the City Administrator Raffel, regarding the renewal of Health, Dental, Vision, and Life Insurance.

Assistant to the City Administrator Raffel informed the City Council that staff met with Vice President Deneen Castellon and Account Manager Melissa Kupski from MarshMcLennan Agency to discuss the annual renewal of benefits. After extensive discussions, the staff agreed to transition all benefits to Blue Cross Blue Shield.

Vice President Deneen Castellon addressed the City Council, highlighting the cost savings associated with the transition, the details of the services offered, and the decision to shift benefits to a calendar year.

Mayor Esposito asked Vice President Deneen Castellon to clarify the annual medical costs for the City of Oakbrook Terrace and the changes in benefits that would occur when moving vision and dental coverage to Blue Cross Blue Shield.

Alderwoman Fitzgerald inquired whether the medical plan would be an HMO or PPO and requested clarification on the discussed savings.

Alderman Beckwith expressed support for the transition and commended the administrative and finance teams for working together in the City's best interest.

Alderman Rada sought confirmation on the city's total savings.

Recommended Action: Informational Only.

### **2. Discussion Of Traffic Patterns On MacArthur Drive**

Alderman Beckwith and Alderwoman Fitzgerald reported that the MacArthur Drive Focus Group met on January 23rd to discuss important issues like rerouting GPS navigation, ensuring police presence at the next meeting, relocating the speed detection sign, installing LED lights at stop signs, and using reflective tape for better visibility. They proposed using ticket proceeds on MacArthur Drive to fund more signage and suggested a traffic study in early spring to evaluate the effectiveness of these measures.

Alderman Greco asked if a future meeting could discuss a Neighborhood Watch program. He also requested that Public Services Director Ward analyze the City's stop signs and recommend where to install flashing stop signs.

Alderwoman Fitzgerald inquired whether the speed detection sign would be returned to Luther Avenue or if another sign would be purchased for that area.

Discussion regarding the incorrect speed limits in specific layers of car navigation systems ensued.

Recommended Action: Informational Only.

## **XII. COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS**

Alderman Rada provided an update on tourism throughout DuPage County.

Alderman Beckwith discussed an outreach event organized by the DMV Secretary of State in collaboration with I-Cash and other agencies. He mentioned they offered services such as eye exams, the Real ID, and the new sticker IPass. He also provided an update on the pause on federal grants.

Alderman Greco requested that a discussion with the Police Commission be added to the agenda of the next Committee of the Whole meeting. He also pointed out that the minutes from the most recent Police Commission meetings are not posted online.

Alderman Barbari expressed his gratitude to Alderman Beckwith and Alderwoman Fitzgerald for their excellent report on MacArthur Drive. Additionally, he mentioned that his Verizon bill indicated that the local tax was being directed to Villa Park rather than Oakbrook Terrace.

Alderwoman Fitzgerald inquired about updates on potential tenants for the space at 17W714 22nd Street. She also requested clarification from the City Attorney regarding federal executive orders and their possible effects on local businesses.

**XIII. CITY ATTORNEY**

None

**XIV. CITY CLERK**

None

**XV. ACTING CITY ADMINISTRATOR**

None

**XVI. RECONVENE THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

**Motion to reconvene the City Council meeting was made by Alderwoman Fitzgerald and seconded by Alderman Greco. An acclamation vote was taken:**

**Ayes: Barbari, Beckwith, Fitzgerald, Greco, and Rada  
Nays: None  
Absent: Vlach**

**XVII. OLD BUSINESS**

None

**ADJOURN**

**Motion to adjourn was made by Alderwoman Fitzgerald and seconded by Alderman Greco at 8:50 P.M.**

**Acclamation vote was made with all Ayes.**

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

  
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**Amy Raffel, Recording Secretary**

**Attested:**

  
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**Michael Shadley  
City Clerk**

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