



**REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE  
BURBANK CITY COUNCIL  
OCTOBER 11, 2023**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting of October 11, 2023 was called to order by Mayor Dan M. Foy at 7:30 PM in the Council Chambers at 6530 West 79<sup>th</sup> Street Burbank, IL.

**ROLL CALL**

A roll call by Clerk Szymczak indicated the following members present: Ald. Barb Gagle, Ald. Robert Contreras, Ald. Sheri Gustafson, Ald. Claude Haerr, Ald. John Pacella, Ald. Mitchell Piznarski, Ald. Thomas Phillips, Mayor Dan Foy, Clerk Barry J. Szymczak and Treasurer Dave Viverito. Also in attendance: City Attorney Gary Perlman.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Foy asked all to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

**JOURNAL**

Mayor Foy asked for a motion to approve the minutes of September 27, 2023. The motion was made by Ald. Contreras and seconded by Ald. Pacella with unanimous approval by voice vote and so declared by the Chair.

**CURRENT BILLS**

Mayor Foy then asked for a motion to approve the current list of bills. The motion was made by Ald. Contreras and seconded by Ald. Gagle. A roll call indicated 7 Ayes and 0 Nays. Voting Aye: Ald. Gagle, Ald. Contreras, Ald. Gustafson, Ald. Haerr, Ald. Pacella, Ald. Piznarski and Ald. Phillips.

**ADMINISTRATION REPORT**

Mayor Foy filed the following report: The Recycling Day held on Oct. 7<sup>th</sup> was a complete success. Over 1400 lbs. of paper was brought in for shredding, along with electronics which filled 2 trucks. Also, 1 ½ tote containers were filled with unused prescription drugs. The City wishes to thank Marianna Spyropolus and the MWRD, along with Cook County Sheriff Tom Dart for co-sponsoring the event. October 5, 2024 will be the next Recycling Day. The Mayor also reported that Ald. Gustafson will be heading a delegation of baseball players from the Burbank National and American Championship Teams to Springfield, Illinois on October 25, 2023 to attend a session of the General Assembly where a resolution will be presented on the teams recent achievements.

**CLERK'S REPORT**

No report was filed by the City Clerk for this meeting.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

No report was filed by the Treasurer for this meeting.

**ORDINANCES / PETITIONS / RESOLUTIONS**

Ald. Pacella made a motion seconded by Ald. Gagle to adopt Ordinance #18-10-23 approving a variation to install a 6' privacy fence on front yard side set back for the property located at 4949 W. 86<sup>th</sup> St. A roll call indicated 7 Ayes and 0 Nays. Voting Aye: Ald. Gagle, Ald. Contreras, Ald. Gustafson, Ald. Haerr, Ald. Pacella, Ald. Piznarski and Ald. Phillips.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

No reports were filed for this meeting.

**POLICE DEPT.  
REPORT**

Dep. Chief Casey was in attendance and reported that the Illinois Office of the Attorney General has awarded an Organized Crime Retail Theft grant to the City of Burbank in the amount of \$92,500.00. Meetings are forthcoming to decide how to disperse these funds. He also reported that discussions are underway between the City and the School Districts on utilizing the recently activated "Real-Time Crime Center" programs which utilizes cameras in order for a better police response. Finally, Dep. Chief Casey reported that the new license plate readers throughout the City are 90% active and should be fully operational a.s.a.p., along with an pending grant application from the I.D.O.T. for a program to hire back retired officers to help in traffic supervision.

**FIRE DEPT.  
REPORT**

Bat. Chief Dave Cihocki was in attendance and reported that maintenance work on Ladder Truck 206 has been completed and the vehicle will be back in service within a day or 2.

**BUILDING  
AND  
ZONING**

Comm. Hession reported 12 contractor licenses, along with 46 permits have been issued so far this month.

**PUBLIC  
WORKS  
REPORT**

Dir. Burris reported 136 vehicles passed through Public Works for Recycling Day.

**CITY  
ENGINEER  
REPORT**

City Engineer Tim Geary reported both paving projects, along with sod replacement, have been completed. Bad sod is scheduled to be replaced in the area of 82<sup>nd</sup> & Central. Also, the HVAC project is underway at all City facilities.

**OLD  
BUSINESS**

There was no old business brought before City Council.

**NEW  
BUSINESS**

There was no new business brought before City Council.

**CITIZEN'S  
REPORT**

The Chair recognized a group of concerned citizens residing on the 7900 block of Latrobe who inquired about the recent purchase of a house on that block, which was subsequently turned into a "half-way" house for recovering drug and alcohol victims. They are taking issue with the overall safety in the neighborhood, along with issues of over-occupancy and parking at the residence. The house was recently purchased by a single individual and un-confirmed reports have it being leased to the Oxford Group, who specializes in this type of care. City Attorney Gary Perlman stated that although this falls under allowed use in the Building and Zoning Codes, and that the operation does not require a business license, notification should have been made to the City by proper authorities. Mr. Perlman assured the group that the City is undertaking a complete inquiry of this matter and that findings will be forwarded to Ald. Barb Gagle to respond to the residents of the area as soon as possible.

**ADMINIS-  
TRATION**

The Mayor requested that any Reavis High School students in attendance who need their government class forms validated could do so at the adjournment of the Council meeting.

There being no further business, the Chair asked for a motion to adjourn. The motion was made by Ald. Gustafson and seconded by Ald. Contreras with unanimous approval and so declared by the Chair. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM.

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Barry J. Szymczak, City Clerk

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**APPROVED**