

**JOURNAL OF THE PROCEEDINGS
OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF PARK RIDGE, ILLINOIS
AT 505 BUTLER PLACE, PARK RIDGE, ILLINOIS
December 5, 2005,
CALLED TO ORDER BY Mayor Howard P. Frimark
at 7:36p.m.**

On roll call, the following answered present:

Ald. Crampton, Machon, DiPietro, Markech, Bateman, Jones, Radermacher, Allegretti, Baldi, Anderson, Ryan, Parker, Wsol, Cox and Mayor Frimark

Absent: None

There being a quorum present, the meeting was called to order by Mayor Howard Frimark.

The Council pledged allegiance to the flag.

Mayor Frimark asked for approval of the minutes of the Regular City Council meeting held November 21, 2005. Moved by Ald. DiPietro. Seconded by Ald. Markech.
On voice vote the motion passed.

Mayor Frimark asked for approval of the minutes of the Special City Council meeting held September 29, 2005. Moved by Ald. Wsol. Seconded by Ald. Cox.
On voice vote the motion passed.

***CONSENT AGENDA** (Motions included in the consent agenda are discussed in the body of these minutes).

Mayor Frimark read the consent items into the record:

- Approve warrants for period ending November 29, 2005 in the amount of \$3,789,218.62

Moved by Ald. Crampton. Seconded by Ald. Machon.

On Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Ald. Crampton, Machon, DiPietro, Markech, Bateman, Jones, Radermacher, Allegretti, Baldi, Anderson, Ryan, Parker, Wsol and Cox

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

There being 14 favorable votes, the motion carried

MAYOR (Appt of Helen Schaffer – Youth Comm/Reappt of Aurora Abella-Abella-Austriaco to P&Z Comm)

Mayor Frimark asked for approval to appoint Helen Schaffer to the Youth Commission. Moved by Ald. Jones. Seconded by Ald. DiPietro. On voice vote the motion passed.

Mayor Frimark asked for approval of reappointment of Abella-Abella-Austriaco to the Planning and Zoning Commission. Moved by Ald. Crampton. Seconded by Ald. Parker.

On voice vote, the motion passed.

The Mayor announced he and Ald. Radermacher met with Mayor Craig Johnson of Elk Grove Village regarding mutual interests and the Peotone situation.

CITY COUNCIL (Ald. Markech-ONCC/Ald. Cox-Adv Comm)

Ald. Markech reviewed the new O'Hare Noise Compatibility Commission Agreement. Most of the communities have adopted the agreement as it reads. Ald. Markech moved the City Council adopt the 2005-2006 Membership Agreement to the O'Hare Noise Compatibility Commission. Seconded by Ald. Parker. Since some Aldermen had not seen the Agreement, this item was deferred to the next meeting.

Ald. Markech also distributed noise contour maps to the City Council. Significant changes have occurred since 1997 and many areas in Park Ridge will be affected. Ald. Markech stated new planes would be much quieter, however those are not expected for a few years. The Commission's Technical Committee is trying to address the noise issues. The 2013 Noise Contour Map will include areas of the 6th and 7th Wards and a greater reach towards the 4th Ward.

Ald. Markech asked the City Council to attend the various meetings of the ONCC General Meetings, Technical Committee Meetings and Residential Committee Meetings. Ald. Markech asked the Mayor to attend the General Meetings to represent all of Park Ridge. She will continue to attend the Technical Committee Meetings. She asked for a representative from the 4th Ward to attend the Residential Committee Meetings, which are on Wednesdays.

Ald. Cox reported to the City Council that Judy Barclay was not recommended to the Mayor by the advisory Committee by a 2-2 vote. Ald. Cox wants to involve more people in government and he knows that Ms. Barclay will attend the meetings anyway. The Mayor requested the Ad Hoc Zoning Committee not meet until the Committee is full, therefore there will be no further recommendations until after the Advisory Committee meets again.

CITY MANAGER (Uptown Update/Closed Session)

City Manager Schuenke stated that on December 19, 2005 PRC would be here to discuss with the City Council the development to date regarding progress and tenancy. Work continues on Phases 1 and 2. Meacham is expected to be finished in the spring. Intersection Design Studies have been approved by IDOT tantamount to approval of traffic signals and other related issues. Nothing has been started on Phase 3 due to the lawsuit. A briefing schedule was set today. Judge Siebel, the judge on the lawsuit, is heard to be retiring after the holidays, so a new judge will take over the case. He stated the pending lawsuit is not costing the City hundreds of thousands of dollars, only opportunity costs. City Manager Schuenke stated the Planning and Zoning Commission is holding a workshop next Monday night regarding the Executive Plaza Area (the area at Touhy and Washington).

City Manager Schuenke asked for a closed session to discuss pending litigation (Section 2(c)(11)). Moved by Ald. Cox. Seconded by Ald. Anderson.

On Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Ald. Radermacher, Allegretti, Baldi, Anderson, Ryan, Parker, Wsol, Cox, Crampton, Machon, DiPietro, Markech, Bateman and Jones
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

There being 14 favorable votes, the motion carried

REPORTS OF BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES: SPECIAL COMMITTEES, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION – Ald. Crampton, Liaison (Laverne-Lincoln Avenue/ Glenview Avenue, Map Amendment 464-516 N. Northwest Highway/Special Use for 464-516 N. Northwest Highway)

Ald. Crampton moved final approval of the Map Amendment on the R-2 Two Family Residential to R-4 Multiple Family District for 464-516 North Northwest Highway, Case Number MA-05-01. Seconded by Ald. DiPietro.

Ken Balasokivtz, 1111 N. Western raised the issue of traffic congestion in the area of this development. The City needs a comprehensive traffic plan for this area and the entire City. Developers need to look beyond their own project when traffic studies and plans are created.

Jack Owens, representing the Heinz Group, stated there were opportunities to voice these questions during those hearings. The traffic studies stated the impact would have minimal effect.

Ald. Crampton stated it has been suggested that a Master Traffic Study be completed once Target Area 2 is completed.

Ald. Wsol stated this development is going to make the traffic problems at Greenwood and Northwest Highway worse.

On Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Ald. Allegritti, Baldi, Anderson, Ryan, Parker, Crampton, Machon, DiPietro,
Markech, Bateman, Jones and Radermacher
NAYS: Ald. Wsol and Cox
ABSENT: None

There being 12 favorable votes, the motion carried

Ald. Crampton moved final approval of Special Use for Planned Residential Development at 464-516 North Northwest Highway, Case Number PUD-05-01. Seconded by Ald. DiPietro.

Ald. Crampton explained that an updated version of the ordinance was distributed with more complete conditions and language added stating the City's home-rule powers for approval of the special use.

Charles Baldacchino, 10 N. Summit stated this development is illegal.

On Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Ald. Baldi, Anderson, Ryan, Parker, Crampton, Machon, DiPietro, Markech,
Bateman, Jones, Radermacher and Allegritti
NAYS: Ald. Wsol and Cox
ABSENT: None

There being 12 favorable votes, the motion carried.

Ald. Crampton moved approval of the final Plat of the Campus Resubdivision, 804-812 North Washington Avenue, Case Number S-05-05. Seconded by Ald. Machon. Ald. Crampton explained this is the final step to divide the Youth Campus property to allow for three single-family residences.

Ald. Markech inquired as to why the area was divided into three unequal lots. Director Derifield stated that is what the developer requested to build several types of houses.

On Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Ald. Anderson, Ryan, Parker, Wsol, Cox, Crampton, Machon, DiPietro,
Markech, Bateman, Jones, Radermacher, Allegretti and Baldi

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

There being 14 favorable votes, the motion carried.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS – Ald. Baldi - Liaison (Dominick's sign)

Ald. Baldi moved final approval of a variance for a sign at Dominick's at 1900 S. Cumberland. Seconded by Ald. Cox.

Ald. Baldi explained this is to allow two signs to be placed on the wall at Dominick's.

On Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Ald. Ryan, Parker, Wsol, Cox, Crampton, Machon, DiPietro, Markech, Bateman,
Jones, Radermacher, Allegretti, Baldi and Anderson

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

There being 14 favorable votes, the motion carried.

STANDING COMMITTEES:

FINANCE & BUDGET COMMITTEE - Ald. Crampton, Chairman (Property tax levies and abatements)

* Approve warrants for period ending November 15, 2005 in the amount of \$3,628,417.99.

On Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Ald. Crampton, Machon, DiPietro, Markech, Bateman, Jones, Radermacher,
Allegretti, Baldi, Anderson, Ryan, Parker, Wsol and Cox

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

There being 14 favorable votes, the motion carried

Ald. Crampton moved approval of an ordinance providing for the annual tax levy for the City of Park Ridge for fiscal year beginning May 1, 2005 and ending April 30, 2006. Seconded by Ald. DiPietro.

On Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Ald. Parker, Wsol, Cox, Crampton, Machon, DiPietro, Markech, Bateman, Jones, Radermacher, Allegretti, Baldi, Anderson and Ryan

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

There being 14 favorable votes, the motion carried.

Ald. Crampton moved approval of two ordinances that abate taxes and debt service fund.

On Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Ald. Wsol, Cox, Crampton, Machon, DiPietro, Markech, Bateman, Jones, Radermacher, Allegretti, Baldi, Anderson, Ryan and Parker

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

There being 14 favorable votes, the motion carried.

Ald. Crampton moved approval of several ordinances that levy taxes for alley Special Service Areas 43 to 81. Seconded by Ald. DiPietro.

On Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Ald. Cox, Crampton, Machon, DiPietro, Markech, Bateman, Jones, Radermacher, Allegretti, Baldi, Anderson, Ryan, Parker and Wsol

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

There being 14 favorable votes, the motion carried.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE - Ald. Anderson, Chairman (Peer Jury, Amendment to municipal code-fire regulations)

Ald. Anderson moved final approval of an ordinance approving the amended Peer Jury Partnership Agreement. Seconded by Ald. Wsol. Ald. Anderson explained this amendment reflects withdrawal of Niles and the addition of Maine Township in the partnership.

On Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Ald. Crampton, Machon, DiPietro, Markech, Bateman, Jones, Radermacher, Allegretti, Baldi, Anderson, Ryan, Parker, Wsol and Cox

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

There being 14 favorable votes, the motion carried.

Ald. Anderson moved final approval for revisions to the Municipal Code, Article 7-1-2 AP, AT and AN Fire Regulations Commercial and Multi-family. Seconded by Ald. Wsol.

On Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Ald. Machon, DiPietro, Markech, Bateman, Jones, Radermacher, Allegretti, Baldi, Anderson, Ryan, Parker, Wsol, Cox and Crampton

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

There being 14 favorable votes, the motion carried.

Ald. Anderson stated the Public Safety Committee will have a Committee of the Whole meeting with the consultant who conducted the needs study at the January meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Ald. Markech stated the issue of closing Western Avenue has come up. The area of Western Avenue is in the second ward from Manor Lane to Weeg Way. She requested the Mayor begin discussing the matter with Niles Mayor Blase, and direct staff to look into the issue. The issue was referred to the Public Works Committee.

Ald. Wsol stated that on the 900 block of South Crescent there has been a lot of storage of construction equipment and Director Derifield and his staff have been helpful in resolving the issue and thanked him for that effort.

Ald. Cox moved to adjourn to closed session at 8:25 p.m. Seconded by Ald. DiPietro.

The Council took a 10 minute recess.

The Council began closed session at 8:36 p.m.

The City Council returned to open session at 9:12 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Ald. DiPietro moved to adjourn the City Council meeting.

Seconded by Ald. Parker.

On voice vote the motion passed.

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Park Ridge was adjourned at 9:13 p.m.

Howard P. Frimark, Mayor

Attest:

Betty W. Henneman, City Clerk