

**THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE
VILLAGE OF FOREST PARK, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
HELD ON TUESDAY EVENING, MAY 27, 2025**

Mayor Hoskins led all assembled in the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Commissioners Maxham, Nero, Melin-Rogovin, Voogd and Mayor Hoskins answered the Roll Call.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

It was moved by Commissioner Maxham and seconded by Commissioner Nero that the minutes from the May 12, 2025, Regular meeting of the Council be approved.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham, Nero, Melin-Rogovin, Voogd and Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Thomas Kovac stated that he strongly opposes the amendment to the zoning code.

COMMUNICATIONS:

None

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

The Police and Fire Departments submitted their reports. Commissioner Melin-Rogovin expressed her gratitude for the extraordinary service to the community from both departments.

APPROVAL OF BILLS:

It was moved by Commissioner Maxham and seconded by Commissioner Nero that the Resolution for the payment of bills be adopted. The bills totaled \$1,260,157.36.

**R-49-25
RESOLUTION FOR THE
PAYMENT OF BILLS IN THE
AMOUNT OF \$1,260,157.36
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham, Nero, Melin-Rogovin,
Voogd and Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

It was moved by Commissioner Nero and seconded by Commissioner Maxham that the Ordinance amending Title 9, Chapter 3 of the Village of Forest Park Zoning Code (PZC 2024-03) be adopted. There was discussion about density, minimum lot sizes and lot coverage. Director Glinke provided statistics related to Forest Park and answered questions from the elected officials.

**MOTION TO AMEND
FOREST PARK ZONING
CODE
FAILS**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham and Nero

NAYES: Commissioner Voogd and Mayor Hoskins

ABSTAIN: Commissioner Melin-Rogovin

The motion failed.

It was moved by Commissioner Maxham and seconded by Commissioner Nero that the Ordinance approving and authorizing the execution of a Maintenance Agreement with Telcom Innovations Group for the maintenance of the village phone system be adopted.

**O-30-25
ORDINANCE APPROVING
MAINTENANCE
AGREEMENT WITH
TELCOM INNOVATIONS
GROUP
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham, Nero, Melin-Rogovin,
Voogd and Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Melin-Rogovin and seconded by Commissioner Voogd that the Ordinance approving specifications, waiving bid, and authorizing the acceptance and execution of a proposal by and between LPS Pavement Company and the Village of Forest Park for the Dixon Street Brick Patching Project be adopted.

**O-31-25
ORDINANCE ACCEPTING
DIXON STREET BRICK
PATCHING PROPOSAL
FROM LPS PAVEMENT
COMPANY
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham, Nero, Melin-Rogovin,
Voogd and Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Melin-Rogovin and seconded by Commissioner Voogd that the Ordinance amending the village code of the Village of Forest Park with respect to water and sewer rates and charges be adopted.

**O-32-25
ORDINANCE AMENDING
WATER AND SEWER
RATES AND CHARGES
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham, Nero, Melin-Rogovin,
Voogd and Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Voogd and seconded by Commissioner Melin-Rogovin that the Ordinance waiving bid and authorizing the execution of an amendment to the software license and agreement with Passportparking, Inc. for a mobile payment parking program with the Village of Forest Park, Illinois be adopted.

**O-33-25
ORDINANCE AMENDING
SOFTWARE LICENSE AND
AGREEMENT WITH
PASSPORTPARKING, INC.
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham, Nero, Melin-Rogovin,
Voogd and Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Melin-Rogovin and seconded by Commissioner Voogd that the Resolution approving the execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement between the Village of Forest Park and the Illinois Department of Transportation for the maintenance of municipal streets be adopted.

**R-50-25
RESOLUTION APPROVING
AGREEMENT WITH IDOT
FOR MAINTENANCE OF
MUNICIPAL STREETS
APPROVED**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham, Nero, Melin-Rogovin,
Voogd and Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

**R-51-25
RESOLUTION APPROVING
PAY REQUEST #4 TO
BOLDER CONTRACTORS,
INC.
APPROVED**

It was moved by Commissioner Melin-Rogovin and seconded by Commissioner Voogd that the Resolution authorizing the approval of Pay Request #4 for the 2024 Water Main Replacement Project to Bolder Contractors, Inc. (400-500 Blocks of Ferdinand) be adopted.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham, Nero, Melin-Rogovin,
Voogd and Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

**R-52-25
RESOLUTION APPROVING
AGREEMENT WITH PLCCA
FOR YOUTH EMPLOYMENT
APPROVED**

It was moved by Commissioner Voogd and seconded by Commissioner Melin-Rogovin that the Resolution approving the execution of an Illinois Youth Investment Program Linkage Agreement by and between the Proviso Leyden Council for Community Action and the Village of Forest Park be adopted.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham, Nero, Melin-Rogovin,
Voogd and Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

**BOARD OF FIRE AND
POLICE COMMISSIONERS
DIRECTED TO HIRE THREE
PROBATIONARY POLICE
OFFICERS
APPROVED BY MOTION**

It was moved by Commissioner Maxham and seconded by Commissioner Nero to direct the Forest Park Board of Fire and Police Commissioners to appoint three candidates from its current Probationary Police Officer Eligibility List to fill vacancies in the Police Department.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham, Nero, Melin-Rogovin,
Voogd and Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

**KATHARINE URICH
APPOINTED TO LIBRARY
BOARD
APPROVED BY MOTION**

It was moved by Commissioner Maxham and seconded by Commissioner Melin-Rogovin to appoint Ms. Katharine Uhrich to the Library Board (expires 5/14/2031).

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham, Nero, Melin-Rogovin,
Voogd and Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Maxham and seconded by Commissioner Melin-Rogovin to approve the execution of agreements with White Fence Farm, Patty Waszak and Bottle & Bottega, association with events organized by the Community Center and with Park District of Forest Park associated with Public Affairs Events.

**COMMUNITY CENTER AND
PUBLIC AFFAIRS
AGREEMENTS
APPROVED BY MOTION**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham, Nero, Melin-Rogovin,
Voogd and Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Voogd and seconded by Commissioner Melin-Rogovin to reconsider the motion to adopt the Ordinance amending Title 9, Chapter 3 of the Village of Forest Park Zoning Code (PZC 2024-03).

**MOTION TO RECONSIDER
ZONING AMENDMENT
ORDINANCE**

Commissioner Voogd and Commissioner Melin-Rogovin withdrew their respective motion and second to reconsider the Ordinance amending Title 9, Chapter 3 of the Village of Forest Park Zoning Code (PZC 2024-03).

**MOTION TO RECONSIDER
WITHDRAWN**

It was moved by Commissioner Voogd and seconded by Commissioner Maxham to approve a Raffle Permit application submitted by the Howard Mohr Community Center for Groovin' in the Grove events on June 17, 2025, July 15, 2025, and August 19, 2025.

**RAFFLE PERMIT FOR
GROOVIN' IN THE GROVE
EVENTS
APPROVED BY MOTION**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham, Nero, Melin-Rogovin,
Voogd and Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Commissioner Melin-Rogovin and seconded by Commissioner Voogd to approve the application for use of the public way from Kingdom Running Club of LWCC for a 5k run and 1 mile walk to be held on July 12, 2025.

**KINGDOM RUNNING CLUB
APPLICATION FOR USE OF
THE PUBLIC WAY
APPROVED BY MOTION**

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Commissioners Maxham, Nero, Melin-Rogovin,
Voogd and Mayor Hoskins

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

The motion carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

Administrator Entler stated that she will work to get a diagram of the Arts Alliance request to the elected officials as soon as possible. The administrator added that it has been a very busy month of May and she expressed her appreciation to the staff for all the time and effort they spent on the events and for working on the weekend at the events.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS:

Commissioner Maxham expressed her gratitude to her colleagues for attending the great meeting on Friday. The commissioner also commented on the two Memorial Day events held at Woodlawn Cemetery and at the Park District, adding that it's nice that the village has such a great relationship with the Park District.

Commissioner Melin-Rogovin commented on the Blue and Gold Cub Scouts dinner that she attended at Grant White School, the Historical Society presentation to the District 91 students at the cemetery and the successful Public Works Week, which ended with a tremendous Touch a Truck event. Last, the Commissioner reminded residents that the Bike Safety Carnival is this Saturday at 9:00 at the Roos.

Commissioner Voogd commented on a busy past month. The Clean Up Event was phenomenal, with 80 volunteers participating. Thanks to U3, Twisted Cookie and Mark Boroughf for their donations and support. The commissioner added that the Electronic Recycling event was a huge success, thanking Public Works staff for all of their involvement. Last, the Commissioner thanked the mayor and elected officials for participating in the special meeting last Friday.

Mayor Hoskins reported that he met with the Director of Thrive, which provides counseling services to residents and employees in the tri-village area. Thrive can be a good resource for the Board of Health. The mayor further reported that he participated in the River Forest Memorial Parade with President Cathy Adducci and has been monitoring discussions around transit reform with the CTA and legislators to address the needs in Forest Park, and in particular the issues and excessive EMT calls at 711 Des Plaines.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to be addressed, Commissioner Nero moved, and Commissioner Maxham seconded to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Hoskins declared the meeting adjourned at 8:16 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Vanessa Belmonte
Village Clerk