

**CITY OF FAIRVIEW HEIGHTS
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES AMENDED
March 18, 2026**

The regular meeting of the Fairview Heights City Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Mark T. Kupsy in the City Council Chambers, 10025 Bunkum Road, Fairview Heights, IL and also conducted virtually for guest attendees and City Council members per Resolution 4391-2021 with the Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation by City Clerk Karen Kaufhold.

ROLL CALL

Roll call of Aldermen present: Brenda Wagner, Pat Peck, Bill Poletti, Frank Menn, Derrick King, Barbara Brumfield and Jeff Harris. Alderman Anthony LeFlore and Josh Frawley excused to attend virtually. Alderman James Winkeler was absent – excused. City Clerk Karen Kaufhold and Attorney Andrew Hoerner were present.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Christina Harrison – discussed concerns with Pleasant Lane – questions regarding house at the end of the block.

CONSENT AGENDA

Alderman Barbara Brumfield moved to approve the February 17, 2026 City Council Meeting Minutes and Finance Director's Report and the bills and invoices presented for the payment in the amount of \$2,598,321.43. Seconded by Alderman Bill Poletti

Alderman Pat Peck motioned to amend the Bill List to move line item in the amount of \$3400 for Hank's Excavating from the Land Use Department line item 005-160-5-503-00 to the TIF #1 expenditure account 011-160-5-372-00. Seconded by Barbara Brumfield.

Roll call to amend the amend the Bill List to move \$3400 for Hank's Excavating from the Land Use Department line item 005-160-5-503-00 to the TIF #1 expenditure account 011-160-5-372-00 showed Alderman Wagner, Peck, LeFlore, Poletti, Menn, Frawley, King and Brumfield voting "Yea". Alderman James Winkeler was absent from the vote. Motion passes with 9 yeas and 1 absent.

Roll call on the February 17, 2026 City Council Meeting Minutes and the Finance Directors Report and the amended Bill List and invoices presented for the payment in the amount of \$2,598,321.43 showed Alderman Wagner, Peck, LeFlore, Poletti, Menn, Frawley, King and Brumfield voting "Yea". Alderman James Winkeler was absent from the vote. Motion passes with 9 yeas and 1 absent.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The Mayor announced that the Community Committee Meeting will immediately follow this City Council Meeting, March 18, 2026.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

Mayor Mark Kupsy began wishing Alderman Frank Menn a Happy Birthday. Mayor announced The REC's Ground Breaking Ceremony for the Field House and Pleasant Ridge Park Revitalization being held on March 21, 2026 at 10:30 A.M. The 28th Annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held at Moody Park on March 28, 2026 at 11:00 A.M. Mayor Kupsy notified everyone that construction will start next week at The REC and Pleasant Ridge Park, the park will be entirely closed off. Mayor Mark stated at the recent

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR- CONTINUED

Election, Pontiac William Holiday bill had passed. Mayor shared with everyone he will take leave on Sunday for a trip to Rome to meet with the Pope.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM ELECTED OFFICIALS

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Proposed Ordinance No. 34-'26 an Ordinance Repealing Chapter 16, Fees and Salaries, Article I – Salaries; an Ordinance establishing Salaries of Appointed Officials and Employees of the City of Fairview Heights, IL 2026-2027. Motion by Alderman Peck. Seconded by Alderman Brumfield. Proposed Ordinance No. 34-'26 was read for the first time.

Proposed Ordinance No. 35-'26 an Ordinance establishing a Budget for the City of Fairview Heights for the Fiscal Year 2026-2027. Motion by Alderman Poletti. Seconded by Alderman Harris. Proposed Ordinance No. 35-'26 was read for the first time.

Motion by Alderman Peck moved to amend Proposed Ordinance No. 35-'26 to change line items: add \$155,000 to GL Number 001-000-4-355-00 - Special Grants; add \$75,000 to GL Number 001-110-5-105-00 – Bonus and add \$80,000 to GL Number 001-110-5-320-00 Tech and Outside Services. This reflects the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Grant. Seconded by Alderman Wagner. Roll call to amend Proposed Ordinance No. 35-'26 to change line items: add \$155,000 to GL Number 001-000-4-355-00 - Special Grants; add \$75,000 to GL Number 001-110-5-105-00 – Bonus and add \$80,000 to GL Number 001-110-5-320-00 Tech and Outside Services showed Alderman Wagner, Peck, LeFlore, Poletti, Menn, Frawley, King and Brumfield voting “Yea”. Alderman James Winkeler was absent from the vote. Motion passes with 9 yeas and 1 absent.

Proposed Resolution No. 17-'26 a Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a purchase agreement with Warning Lites of Southern Illinois for the purchase of Six (6) Radar Speed Sign Evolution 11 with Cloud Solar LED Portable Speed Signs for use by the Fairview Heights Police Department. Motion was made by Alderman Poletti. Seconded by Alderman Wagner.

Roll call on Proposed Resolution No. 17-'26 showed Alderman Wagner, Peck, LeFlore, Poletti, Menn, Frawley, King and Brumfield voting “Yea”. Alderman James Winkeler was absent from the vote. Motion passes with 9 yeas and 1 absent.

Proposed Resolution No. 17-'26 passed on 9 yeas and 1 absent.

Proposed Resolution No. 17-'26 now becomes **RESOLUTION NO. 4698-2026**

Proposed Resolution No. 18-'26 a Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a purchase agreement with Leon's Uniform Company, 142 Hanley Industrial Court, St. Louis, Missouri 63144. A Distributor of Point-Blank Ballistic Products for the purchase of (49) Point Blank Omega Rifle-Rated Ballistic Plates for use by the Fairview Heights Police Department. Motion was made by Alderman Peck. Seconded by Alderman Wagner.

Roll call on Proposed Resolution No. 18-'26 showed Alderman Wagner, Peck, LeFlore, Poletti, Menn, Frawley, King and Brumfield voting “Yea”. Alderman James Winkeler was absent from the vote. Motion passes with 9 yeas and 1 absent.

Proposed Resolution No. 18-'26 passed on 9 yeas and 1 absent.

Proposed Resolution No. 18-'26 now becomes **RESOLUTION NO. 4699-2026**

NEW BUSINESS – CONTINUED

Proposed Resolution No. 19-'26 a Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a purchase agreement with 5W Trailers, 1505 N Tower Dr. Okawville, Illinois 62271, for the purchase of One (1) Rock Solid 8.5 X 18 Enclosed Trailer for use by the Fairview Heights Police Department. Motion was made by Alderman Wagner. Seconded by Alderman Poletti.

Roll call on Proposed Resolution No. 19-'26 showed Alderman Wagner, Peck, LeFlore, Poletti, Menn, Frawley, King and Brumfield voting "Yea". Alderman James Winkeler was absent from the vote. Motion passes with 9 yeas and 1 absent.

Proposed Resolution No. 19-'26 passed on 9 yeas and 1 absent.

Proposed Resolution No. 19-'26 now becomes **RESOLUTION NO. 4700-2026**

Proposed Resolution No. 20-'26 a Resolution amending Resolution No. 4685-2026 authorizing the Mayor on behalf of the City of Fairview Heights to enter into a Revised Agreement with the County of St. Clair, Village of Swansea, City of Fairview Heights and the JMT Enterprise Group, LLC for the Construction of a Signalized Intersection at Frank Scott Parkway, DePaul Drive and Jennings Station Drive. Motion was made by Alderman Poletti. Seconded by Alderman Harris.

Roll call on Proposed Resolution No. 20-'26 showed Alderman Wagner, Peck, LeFlore, Poletti, Menn, Frawley, King and Brumfield voting "Yea". Alderman James Winkeler was absent from the vote. Motion passes with 9 yeas and 1 absent.

Proposed Resolution No. 20-'26 passed on 9 yeas and 1 absent.

Proposed Resolution No. 20-'26 now becomes **RESOLUTION NO. 4701-2026**

Proposed Resolution No. 21-'26 a Resolution authorizing the Mayor on behalf of the City to enter into an Agreement for Supplemental Services with Gonzalez Companies, LLC to provide Professional Engineering Services for Drainage Improvements related to the Kadlec Drive Improvements Project. Motion was made by Alderman Wagner. Seconded by Alderman Harris.

Roll call on Proposed Resolution No. 21-'26 showed Alderman Wagner, Peck, LeFlore, Poletti, Menn, Frawley, King and Brumfield voting "Yea". Alderman James Winkeler was absent from the vote. Motion passes with 9 yeas and 1 absent.

Proposed Resolution No. 21-'26 passed on 9 yeas and 1 absent.

Proposed Resolution No. 21-'26 now becomes **RESOLUTION NO. 4702-2026**

Proposed Resolution No. 22-'26 a Resolution authorizing the Mayor on behalf of the City to enter into an Agreement with Woolpert Architecture LLC to provide Professional Architectural Services for the Renovation of the City's Council Chambers and Court Room. Motion was made by Alderman Wagner. Seconded by Alderman Harris.

Roll call on Proposed Resolution No. 22-'26 showed Alderman Wagner, Peck, LeFlore, Poletti, Menn, Frawley, King and Brumfield voting "Yea". Alderman James Winkeler was absent from the vote. Motion passes with 9 yeas and 1 absent.

Proposed Resolution No. 22-'26 passed on 9 yeas and 1 absent.

Proposed Resolution No. 22-'26 now becomes **RESOLUTION NO. 4703-2026**

Proposed Resolution No. 23-'26 a Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with United Health Care and Guardian Insurance Company for the Provisions of Group Medical, Dental, Vision and Life Insurance Coverage for Employees of the City of Fairview Heights effective May 1, 2026 through April 30, 2027. Motion was made by Alderman Brumfield. Seconded by Alderman Peck.

Roll call on Proposed Resolution No. 23-'26 showed Alderman Wagner, Peck, LeFlore, Poletti, Menn, Frawley, King and Brumfield voting "Yea". Alderman James Winkeler was absent from the vote. Motion passes with 9 yeas and 1 absent.

Proposed Resolution No. 23-'26 passed on 9 yeas and 1 absent.

Proposed Resolution No. 23-'26 now becomes **RESOLUTION NO. 4704-2026**

NEW BUSINESS – CONTINUED

Proposed Resolution No. 24-'26 a Resolution abating the tax hereto levied for the year 2025 to pay the principal of and interest on General Obligation Bonds, Series 2025, of the City of Fairview Heights, St. Clair County, Illinois. Motion was made by Alderman Harris. Seconded by Alderman Peck.

Roll call on Proposed Resolution No. 24-'26 showed Alderman Wagner, Peck, LeFlore, Poletti, Menn, Frawley, King and Brumfield voting "Yea". Alderman James Winkeler was absent from the vote. Motion passes with 9 yeas and 1 absent.

Proposed Resolution No. 24-'26 passed on 9 yeas and 1 absent.

Proposed Resolution No. 24-'26 now becomes **RESOLUTION NO. 4705-2026**

Proposed Resolution No. 25-'26 a Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Purchase Agreement with Fantasy Drone Shows, LLC, Norfolk, Nebraska, for the provision of a Drone Show for the City of Fairview Heights, Illinois. Motion was made by Alderman Brumfield. Seconded by Alderman Wagner.

Roll call on Proposed Resolution No. 25-'26 showed Alderman Wagner, Peck, LeFlore, Poletti, Menn, Frawley, King and Brumfield voting "Yea". Alderman James Winkeler was absent from the vote. Motion passes with 9 yeas and 1 absent.

Proposed Resolution No. 25-'26 passed on 9 yeas and 1 absent.

Proposed Resolution No. 25-'26 now becomes **RESOLUTION NO. 4706-2026**

Motion made by Alderman Wagner moved to adjourn. Seconded by Alderman Poletti. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:27 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Karen J. Kaufhold". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Karen" and last name "Kaufhold" clearly legible.

Karen Kaufhold
CITY CLERK