

**THE CITY OF LAKE FOREST
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA**

Monday, June 1, 2026
220 E. Deerpath
Lake Forest, IL 60045

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

6:30 pm

Honorable Mayor, Stanford R. Tack

Nancy Novit, Alderman First Ward
Peter Clemens, Alderman First Ward
John Powers, Alderman Second Ward
Rosemary C. Kehr, Alderman Second Ward

Alice LeVert, Alderman Third Ward
Nick Bothfeld, Alderman Third Ward
Richard Walther, Alderman Fourth Ward
Lloyd Culbertson, Alderman Fourth Ward

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS

1. COMMENTS BY MAYOR

A. Introduction of Mayor for a Day, Beckett Conley

B. Resolution of Sympathy for former Fire Chief Michael J. Beatty

A copy of the Resolution of Sympathy can be found **on page 12**

C. School Proclamation for Lake Forest High School 90 years

A copy of the Proclamation can be found **on page 13**

2. COMMENTS BY CITY MANAGER

**A. Community Spotlight
Lake Forest Preservation Foundation
- Jennifer McGregor**

**B. Police Station Construction Update
- John Burke, Chief of Police**

3. OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO ADDRESS THE CITY COUNCIL

4. COMMITTEE REPORTS

5. ITEMS FOR OMNIBUS VOTE CONSIDERATION



1. Approval of Monday, May 18, 2026, City Council Meeting Minutes.

A copy of the minutes is included in the packet on **page 14**.

COUNCIL ACTION: Approval of May 18, 2026 City Council Meeting Minutes.



2. Approval of the Check Register for the Period of April 25 – May 22, 2026.

STAFF CONTACT: *Mark Krygeris, Staff Accountant (847-810-3617)*

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION: City Code Section 38.02 sets forth payment procedures of the City. The Director of Finance is to prepare a monthly summary of all warrants to be drawn on the City treasury for the payment of all sums due from the City (including all warrants relating to payroll and invoice payments) by fund and shall prepare a detailed list of invoice payments which denotes the person to whom the warrant is payable. The warrant list detail of invoice payments shall be presented for review to the Chairperson of the City Council Finance Committee for review and recommendation. All items on the warrant list detail recommended for payment by the Finance Committee Chairperson shall be presented in summary form to the City Council for approval or ratification. Any member of the City Council shall, upon request to the City Manager or Director of Finance, receive a copy of the warrant list detail as recommended by the Finance Committee Chairperson. The City Council may approve the warrant list as so recommended by the Finance Committee Chairperson by a concurrence of the majority of the City Council as recorded through a roll call vote.

The Council action requested is to ratify the payments as summarized below. The associated payroll and invoice payments have been released during the check register period noted.

Following is the summary of warrants as recommended by the Finance Committee Chairperson:

Check Register for April 25th - May 22, 2026

	Fund	Invoice	Payroll	Total
101	General	842,973	1,770,494	2,613,467
501	Water & Sewer	160,563	166,793	327,355
220	Parks & Recreation	359,252	415,394	774,646
311	Capital Improvements	2,241,423		2,241,423
202	Motor Fuel Tax	3,985		3,985
230	Cemetery	31,561	39,169	70,731
210	Senior Resources	12,831	35,799	48,629
510	Deerpath Golf Course	6,751	2,626	9,376
601	Fleet	125,359	45,457	170,816
416 - 434	Debt Funds	950		950
248	Housing Trust			0
201	Park & Public Land	0		0
	All other Funds	1,527,114	194,916	1,722,030
		\$5,312,762	\$2,670,647	\$7,983,409

Included in the subtotal denoted as "All other Funds" is \$764,591 in Water & Sewer Capital Improvement Fund expenditures.

COUNCIL ACTION: Approval of the Check Register for the Period of April 25 – May 22, 2026.



3. Consideration of a Request to Waive the Fidelity Bond Requirement in Connection with Holding the Raffles in the City of Lake Forest for the Jr. Garden Club of Lake Forest (Approval by Motion)

STAFF CONTACT: Margaret Boyer, City Clerk (847.810.3674)

PURPOSE AND ACTION REQUESTED: Staff requests City Council consideration of waiving the fidelity bond requirement in connection with a proposed raffle from the Jr. Garden Club of Lake Forest.

BACKGROUND: In January 2020 the City Council approved an Ordinance Amending Chapter 110, titled "Licenses and Miscellaneous" related to Raffles, to align these sections with recent State of Illinois Legislation. Section 110.0149, J, allows the raffle manager designated by the organization to seek a waiver of the bond requirement from the City Council.

At this time the Jr. Garden Club of Lake Forest is requesting a waiver of the bond requirement and has submitted a request. A copy of the request can be found beginning on **page 20**

BUDGET/FISCAL IMPACT: N/A

COUNCIL ACTION: Consideration of a Request to Waive the Fidelity Bond Requirement in Connection with Holding a Raffle in the City of Lake Forest for the Jr. Garden Club of Lake Forest.



4. Approval of a Purchase of a Special Use Vehicle (Polaris UTV) in the Amount of \$28,110.31

STAFF CONTACT: John Burke, Chief of Police 847-810-3803

PURPOSE AND ACTION REQUESTED: City staff requests City Council approval of the purchase of one Polaris General XP 4 Utility Terrain Vehicle (UTV) in the amount of \$28,110.31.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION: The Polaris General XP 4 1000 Utility Terrain Vehicle (UTV) is requested to enhance the Lake Forest Police Department's operational capabilities in areas that are not accessible by standard patrol SUVs. This vehicle will be utilized during special events, patrol operations, and critical incidents occurring at beaches, parks, open lands, and other off-road or limited-access locations throughout the City of Lake Forest.

The City of Lake Forest is the second largest incorporated community in Lake County by land area (17.24 miles). There is approximately 4 miles of direct shoreline with Lake Michigan, and there are several open land spaces making it difficult for traditional search methods. According to Lake Forest Open Lands, there is over 800 acres of nature preserve and approximately 12 miles of walking trails throughout our community. The department has an established operational requirement for a UTV during searches for lost or endangered individuals, as well as for suspects fleeing into open lands or wooded areas. These environments require a vehicle capable of traversing uneven terrain safely and efficiently while transporting officers and equipment.

With the future police department facility being located away from the center of town, the department's current special-use golf cart is no longer a viable option. The existing golf cart has limited range due to battery capacity, cannot safely operate on public roadways due to speed limitations, and is unsuitable for uneven or off-road terrain. As a result, it does not meet the department's current or future operational needs.

OPERATIONAL BENEFITS AND USE CASES:

- Support police operations during large-scale special events at beaches, parks, and open lands where traditional patrol vehicles cannot operate.
- Provide a safe and effective means of transportation for officers conducting searches for missing, endangered, or at-risk individuals.
- Enhance response capabilities during incidents involving suspects fleeing into wooded, open, or environmentally sensitive areas.
- Allow for the transport of multiple officers and necessary equipment in terrain that is inaccessible to standard police SUVs.
- Improve response times and officer safety during operations requiring mobility over uneven ground.

BUDGET/FISCAL IMPACT: The purchase price provided by Polaris Sales Inc. is Sourcewell pricing. Sourcewell pricing for the UTV is \$28,110.31. Sourcewell, formerly National Joint Powers Alliance, was created by State law as a service cooperative to provide programs and services to members in education and government. Sourcewell follows the competitive contracting law process to solicit, evaluate, and award cooperative purchasing contracts for goods and services. Sourcewell is a public agency governed by an eight-member board. The City has previously utilized national bids to include Sourcewell, Omnia Partners, State bid, and the Suburban Purchasing Cooperative for equipment and services.

Has City staff obtained competitive pricing for proposed goods/services? **Yes**
Administrative Directive 3-5, Section 6.1D – Government Joint Purchase

Below is an estimated summary of Project budget:

FY 2026 Funding Source	Amount Budgeted	Amount Requested	Budgeted? Y/N
Police Equipment Fund 101-7603-475-75-49	\$30,000	\$28,110.31	Y

The purchase of a Polaris General XP 4 1000 UTV represents a practical and necessary investment in the department's operational readiness. As policing demands expand beyond traditional roadway environments, the department must maintain equipment that allows

officers to respond effectively across all areas of the city. This UTV will directly support public safety operations, special event management, and critical incident response while aligning with the department’s future facility location and long-term operational needs.

The \$30,000 investment will provide durable, versatile equipment that enhances public safety, improves response capabilities, and ensures the department can continue to meet the expectations of the community it serves.

COUNCIL ACTION: Approval of a Purchase of one Polaris General XP 4 UTV from Polaris Sales Inc. in the Amount of \$28,110.31



5. Approval of purchasing a new safety boat from Professional Boats in the amount of \$42,100 for the Recreation Department Sailing Program

STAFF CONTACT: *Jason Busdeker, Facility Manager (847-810-3934)*

PURPOSE AND ACTION REQUESTED: Staff is requesting City Council approval to purchase a new safety boat for the Recreation Department Sailing Program in the amount of \$42,100. The purchase is being made to replace an existing Safety Boat that was damaged in April 2026.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION: The Recreation Department currently utilizes rigid hull inflatable boats of varying sizes for the Sailing Program. These boats are used by sailing coaches and instructors to allow them to be on the water alongside participants, providing real-time coaching and feedback during practices and competitions.

On April 1, 2026, one of the boats sustained significant damage due to inclement weather and the estimated cost of repairs exceeded the overall value of the boat. As a result, staff are recommending the purchase of a replacement boat through the FY27 Recreation Department Operating Budget.

Public notice to solicit bids was provided on May 7, 2026, with a bid opening date of May 20, 2026. The chosen timetable was driven by the upcoming Summer Camp season, which is the highest volume use of the safety boats.

BUDGET/FISCAL IMPACT: Funding for the purchase of the new safety boats has been budgeted in the FY27 Recreation Department Operating Budget.

Has City staff obtained competitive pricing for proposed goods/services? **Yes**

Staff received two bids for the purchase of a new safety boat. The proposed pricing is listed in the chart below.

Company Name	Dollar Amount Bid
Professional Boats	\$42,100.00
RibCraft	\$81,119.00

Below is an estimated summary of Project budget:

FY 2027 Funding Source	Amount Budgeted	Amount Requested	Budgeted? Y/N

220-8065-484.84-05	\$47,000.00	\$42,100.00	Y
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COUNCIL ACTION: Approval to purchase a new safety boat from Professional Boats in the amount of \$42,100 for the Recreation Department Sailing Program.



6. Approval of a Purchase of Two Replacement Sanitation Section Scooters to Russo Equipment in the Amount of \$79,425

STAFF CONTACT: *Matt Brugioni, Superintendent of Public Works (810-3561)*

PURPOSE AND ACTION REQUESTED: The Public Works Committee and City staff request City Council approval of the purchase of two replacement Sanitation Section scooters to Russo Equipment in the amount of \$79,425.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION: The Sanitation Section has in its fleet twelve refuse scooters. The units are not only used for daily Sanitation operations, but in addition, they assist with clean-up efforts after special events and small projects that require frequent stops (e.g. mosquito larva abatement in catch basins, pre-winter sidewalk tree trimming, etc.).

The requested scooters to be replaced were purchased in 2020 and 2019 and have each accrued on average, over 6,000 hours. Over the scooters' years of use, various parts have been replaced to include clutches, transmissions, axles, ball joints, control arms, etc.

Recently, the City has transitioned to using Kubota RTV scooters within the Sanitation Department. These vehicles have proven to be highly reliable and require significantly less maintenance compared to other scooters previously used in the division.

The Kubota RTV is a well-established service vehicle for municipal sanitation operations, with consistently positive reviews and strong references from other agencies. In addition, the scooters are delivered fully equipped and ready for service, eliminating the need for additional outfitting or modifications.

PROJECT REVIEW/RECOMMENDATIONS:

Reviewed	Date	Comments
Public Works Committee	12/01/25	Reviewed & Approved FY27 Capital Equipment List
Finance Committee	11/10/25	FY27 Capital Equipment Replacement List Included in Meeting Packet

BUDGET/FISCAL IMPACT: The purchase price provided by Russo Equipment is Sourcewell pricing. Sourcewell pricing for each scooter is \$39,712.50. Sourcewell, formerly National Joint Powers Alliance, was created by State law as a service cooperative to provide programs and services to members in education and government. Sourcewell follows the competitive contracting law process to solicit, evaluate, and award cooperative purchasing contracts for

goods and services. Sourcewell is a public agency governed by an eight-member board. The City has previously utilized national bids to include Sourcewell, Omnia Partners, State bid, and the Suburban Purchasing Cooperative for equipment and services.

Has City staff obtained competitive pricing for proposed goods/services? **Yes**
Administrative Directive 3-5, Section 6.1D – Government Joint Purchase

Below is an estimated summary of Project budget:

FY 2027 Funding Source	Amount Budgeted	Amount Requested	Budgeted? Y/N
Capital Fund 311-5003-475-75-02	\$80,000	\$79,425	Y

If approved by City Council, the scooters are anticipated to be delivered Summer of 2026.

COUNCIL ACTION: Approval of a Purchase of Two Replacement Sanitation Section Scooters to Russo Equipment in the Amount of \$79,425



7. Approval of a Recommendation from the Public Works Committee to Award a Bid Extension for the FY27 Longline Striping Program to High Star Traffic in the Amount of \$85,000

STAFF CONTACT: *Matt Brugioni, Superintendent of Public Works (810-3561)*

PURPOSE AND ACTION REQUESTED: The Public Works Committee and City staff request award of a bid extension for the FY27 Longline Striping Program to High Star Traffic in the amount not to exceed \$85,000.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION: The City of Lake Forest, as a member of the Northwest Municipal Conference (NWMC) can participate in NWMC’s Suburban Purchasing Cooperative (SPC). The SPC is made up of 134 communities in the Northwest Municipal Conference, the South Suburban Mayors and Managers Association, the DuPage Mayors Conference, and the Will County Government League.

One of the SPC’s annual joint purchasing initiatives is the Thermoplastic Lane Marking Program for participating member agencies. The City has participated in the cooperative lane marking program for approximately 25 years. The SPC lane marking specifications are developed to meet Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) standards, with bids reviewed and the lowest responsible and responsive bidder selected in accordance with IDOT requirements

The current SPC cooperative contract for Thermoplastic and/or Urethane Lane Marking Material and Labor (Contract #229) includes provisions for up to three one-year contract extensions. The Suburban Purchasing Cooperative (SPC) Governing Board has approved the second of the allowable one-year extensions with High Star Traffic d/b/a Superior Road Striping, Bartlett, Illinois, for the 2026–2027 contract term. The extension period will remain in effect from April 12, 2026, through April 11, 2027.

The SPC cooperative purchasing program allows participating municipalities to utilize competitively solicited pricing and contract terms on a cooperative basis, providing operational efficiency and procurement compliance while maintaining favorable regional pricing for roadway marking services. The SPC also reserves the right to extend the contract for one (1) additional one-year term upon mutual agreement and negotiated pricing.

PROJECT REVIEW/RECOMMENDATIONS:

Milestone	Date	Comments
Public Works Committee	5/4/26	Reviewed and Recommended Approval

BUDGET/FISCAL IMPACT: The table below shows the unit price cost of the contract that City Council approved in 2025 compared to the recently obtained 2026 bid pricing.

Description	UOM	2025 Cost per Unit	2026 Cost per Unit
4" Line	LF	\$0.75	\$0.77
6" Line	LF	\$0.97	\$1.00
12" Line	LF	\$2.15	\$2.21
24" Line	LF	\$5.11	\$5.26
Letters & Symbols	SF	\$5.11	\$5.26

The City of Lake Forest's thermoplastic lane marking zones are split into four areas. Each zone includes all City streets, parking lots and crosswalks. Zone 3 (west of Route 41 and East of rt.43) was completed in 2025. This year, staff is seeking to complete approximately 90,000 linear feet of thermoplastic pavement marking within Zone 4 (West of Waukegan Road) which includes 4", 6", 12", and 24" wide lines, as well as various letters and symbols. Over 80% of the pavement markings in Zone 4 consist of 4" white and yellow lines.

Has competitive pricing been obtained for proposed goods/services? **Yes**

FY2027 Funding Source	Amount Budgeted	Amount Requested	Budgeted? Y/N
Streets Operating Capital Fund 101-5103-467.67-22	\$85,000	\$85,000	Y

The total proposed cost for the Fiscal Year 2027 contract for striping and marking will not exceed \$85,000.

COUNCIL ACTION: Approval of a Recommendation from the Public Works Committee to Award a Bid Extension for the FY27 Longline Striping Program to High Star Traffic in the Amount of \$85,000

COUNCIL ACTION: Approve the seven (7) omnibus items as presented

6. OLD BUSINESS

7. NEW BUSINESS

8. ADDITIONAL ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/ COMMENTS BY COUNCIL MEMBERS

9. ADJOURNMENT

A copy of the Decision Making Parameters is included with this agenda following this page.

Office of the City Manager

May 27, 2026

The City of Lake Forest is subject to the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. Individuals with disabilities who plan to attend this meeting and who require certain accommodations in order to allow them to observe and/or participate in this meeting, or who have questions regarding the accessibility of the meeting or the facilities, are required to contact City Manager Jason Wicha, at (847) 234-2600 promptly to allow the City to make reasonable accommodations for those persons.



THE CITY OF LAKE FOREST

DECISION-MAKING PARAMETERS FOR CITY COUNCIL, AND APPOINTED BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

Adopted June 18, 2018

The City of Lake Forest Mission Statement:

“Be the best-managed, fiscally-responsible and appealing community and promote a community spirit of trust, respect and citizen involvement.”

The Lake Forest City Council, with the advice and recommendations of its appointed advisory Boards and Commissions, Lake Forest Citizens, and City Staff, is responsible for policy formulation and approval. Implementation of adopted strategy, policy, budgets, and other directives of Council is the responsibility of City Staff, led by the City Manager and Senior Staff. The Mayor and Aldermen, and appointed members of Boards and Commissions should address matters in a timely, deliberate, objective and process-driven manner, making decisions guided by the City of Lake Forest Strategic and Comprehensive Plans, the City’s Codes, policies and procedures, and the following parameters:

- Motions and votes should comprise what is in the best long-term interests of all Lake Forest citizens, measured in decades, being mindful of proven precedents and new precedents that may be created.
- All points of view should be listened to and considered in making decisions with the long-term benefit to Lake Forest’s general public welfare being the highest priority.
- Funding decisions should support effectiveness and economy in providing services and programs, while mindful of the number of citizens benefitting from such expenditures.
- New initiatives should be quantified, qualified, and evaluated for their long-term merit and overall fiscal impact and other consequences to the community.
- Decision makers should be proactive and timely in addressing strategic planning initiatives, external forces not under control of the City, and other opportunities and challenges to the community.

Community trust in, and support of, government is fostered by maintaining the integrity of these decision-making parameters.

The City of Lake Forest’s Decision-Making Parameters shall be reviewed by the City Council on an annual basis and shall be included on all agendas of the City Council and Boards and Commissions.

Priority Areas



FISCAL STEWARDSHIP

Implement an operating budget and capital improvement strategy that is balanced over the long-term.



INFRASTRUCTURE & CITY FACILITIES

Invest in and maintain infrastructure and facilities to ensure they are safe, reliable, and capable of meeting current and future needs of the community.



PUBLIC SAFETY

Ensure the safety and security of all residents by providing efficient and effective police, fire, and emergency services while promoting community-based crime prevention initiatives.



RECREATION AND COMMUNITY WELL-BEING

Promote a healthy and active community by providing diverse recreational opportunities, maintaining parks and open spaces, and supporting programs that enhance residents' quality of life.



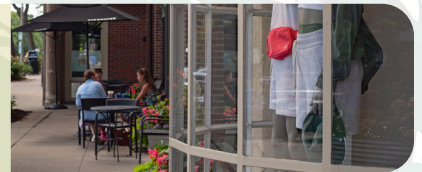
COMMUNITY'S VISUAL CHARACTER AND DEVELOPMENT

Enhance the aesthetic appeal of Lake Forest by balancing preservation of historic buildings, distinct streetscapes and landscapes with being open to opportunities and new ideas.



BUSINESS & ECONOMIC VITALITY

Enhance the business community so that it remains economically viable, enticing to visit, and meets the needs of the community and visitors.



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Encourage active participation and communication between the City government and residents, fostering a sense of community and ensuring that voices are heard in the decision-making process.





Resolution of Sympathy

WHEREAS, on behalf of The City of Lake Forest, the City Council expresses its profound sadness at the loss of Fire Chief Michael J. Beatty, at the age of 76 on May 24, 2026; and

WHEREAS, MIKE BEATTY began his career in the fire service in 1975, and held many roles throughout his career, and in 1996, he became the Fire Chief and proudly served in that role until his retirement in 2004; and

WHEREAS, CHIEF MIKE BEATTY honorably served in the United States Navy as a Fire Controlman, including two deployments to Vietnam and the Middle East, prior to joining the Lake Forest Fire Department; and following his retirement, continued his dedicated service to the community as a member of the Firefighter Pension Board;

WHEREAS, through his leadership, professionalism, and commitment to public safety, CHIEF MIKE BEATTY exemplified the highest standards of the fire service and served as a mentor and role model to countless firefighters and emergency personnel; and

WHEREAS, CHIEF MIKE BEATTY's legacy of integrity, selflessness, and unwavering service will continue to inspire future generations of firefighters and public servants; and

WHEREAS, CHIEF MIKE BEATTY devoted his life to public service, protecting the lives and property of the residents of the City of Lake Forest, earning the respect and admiration of fellow firefighters, public officials, and community members alike; and

WHEREAS, the passing of CHIEF is deeply felt by his family, friends, colleagues, and the entire community he so faithfully served;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of The City of Lake Forest, that the Council, in session on June 1, 2026, and on behalf of the administration and residents of the community, hereby expresses its deepest sympathy and heartfelt condolences to the family of CHIEF MICHAEL J. BEATTY and honors his lifetime of dedicated public service; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution be appropriately inscribed and conveyed to the Beatty Family and spread upon the permanent record of the Lake Forest City Council.

Stanford R. Tack, Mayor



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, for ninety years, Lake Forest High School has served the community of Lake Forest by providing generations of students with outstanding educational opportunities, fostering academic excellence, civic engagement, leadership; and

WHEREAS, since opening its doors in 1936, Lake Forest High School has played a vital role in shaping the lives of students, families, educators, and alumni, while serving as a cornerstone institution within the community; and

WHEREAS, the ninety-year milestone provides an opportunity to celebrate the achievements and traditions of Lake Forest High School while also looking ahead with excitement toward its centennial celebration in 2036; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lake Forest recognizes and appreciates the dedication of the teachers, staff, administrators, students, families, alumni, and community members who have contributed to the school's lasting legacy of excellence.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY PROCLAIMED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKE FOREST, that it does hereby recognize the 90th Anniversary of Lake Forest High School and acknowledges this milestone as the beginning of the school's journey toward its 100th Anniversary

IN WITNESS HEREOF, I have hereunder set my hand and have had the Seal of The City of Lake Forest affixed this 1ST day of June 2026.

Stanford R. Tack, Mayor

The City of Lake Forest
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Proceedings of Monday, May 18, 2026 6:30 pm
 City Council Meeting – City Council Chambers
 220 E Deerpath, Lake Forest, IL 60045

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL: Honorable Mayor Tack called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., and City Clerk Margaret Boyer called the roll of Council members.

Present: Mayor Tack, Alderman Novit, Alderman Clemens, Alderman Powers, Alderman Kehr, Alderman LeVert, Alderman Bothfeld, Alderman Walther, and Alderman Culbertson.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was recited by all those present.

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS

1. COMMENTS BY MAYOR

- A. America 250th Lake Forest Celebration**
 - **Mike Wick, Director of Parks & Recreation, and Ara Goshgarian, Chairman of the Resident Advisory Group**

Chairman Goshgarian thanked City Manager Jason Wicha and acknowledged the other members of the Resident Advisory Group who helped organize the America 250th Lake Forest Celebration. He gave an overview of events starting on Thursday, July 2, with a special Concert in the Square and Bites on Bank Food Festival, on Friday, July 3, a ticketed Farm-to-Table dinner at Elawa Farm, and Saturday, July 4, is the Festival and Fireworks display, and lastly on Sunday, July 5, is an Ice Cream Social in partnership with the American Legion at Forest Park Beach.

Parks & Recreation Director Mike Wick stated the City’s website at cityoflakeforest.com/America250 has further details and information on event tickets.

B. 2026-2027 Board and Commission Appointments and Reappointments

AUDIT

NAME OF MEMBER	APPOINT/REAPPOINT
Mike Slover	APPOINT
Jon Poth	APPOINT
Joy Larisey	APPOINT AS CHAIR
Robert Nowlin	REAPPOINT

BUILDING REVIEW BOARD

NAME OF MEMBER	APPOINT/REAPPOINT
Todd Puch	APPOINT

CEMETERY

NAME OF MEMBER	APPOINT/REAPPOINT

Debbie Saran	APPOINT TO OWN TERM
Maddie Dugan	APPOINT TO OWN TERM

GORTON BOARD

NAME OF MEMBER	APPOINT/REAPPOINT
Tom Fineis	APPOINT

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION

NAME OF MEMBER	APPOINT/REAPPOINT
John Norkus	APPOINT AS CHAIR
Bridget Hutchen	APPOINT
Hector Hernandez	APPOINT
Elizabeth Dalieri	REAPPOINT
Geoffrey Hanson	REAPPOINT

CROYA

NAME OF MEMBER	APPOINT/REAPPOINT
Christine Carr	REAPPOINT AS CHAIR 1- additional term
Katie Donovan	REAPPOINT
Megan Carney	REAPPOINT
Ann Kiesling	REAPPOINT

LIBRARY

NAME OF MEMBER	APPOINT/REAPPOINT
Edward Cragwall	APPOINT
William Parthun	APPOINT
Emily Van Bel	REAPPOINT

PLAN COMMISSION

NAME OF MEMBER	APPOINT/REAPPOINT
Stewart Dixon	APPOINT

SENIOR RESOURCE COMMISSION

NAME OF MEMBER	APPOINT/REAPPOINT
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Dennis Herrmann	REAPPOINT
Mark Dewart	REAPPOINT AS CHAIR

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

NAME OF MEMBER	APPOINT/REAPPOINT
Jay Soave	REAPPOINT
Patrick Marshall	REAPPOINT

COUNCIL ACTION: Approve the Mayor's Appointments and Reappointments

Alderman Clemens made a motion to approve the Mayor’s appointments and reappointments, seconded by Alderman Walther. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

C. Announcement of City Council Committee Appointments

Mayor Tack will announce the appointments at a later date.

2. COMMENTS BY CITY MANAGER

City Manager Wicha introduced Rosalind Doane, Executive Director of the Deerpath Art League, who presented the 19th Annual Emerging Artists Blue Ribbon Awards. The program, celebrating 71 years of arts promotion in the community, featured nearly 175 young artists from 13 schools with artwork displayed in Market Square storefronts. Blue ribbon recipients representing schools from Cherokee Elementary through Lake Forest High School and Woodlands Academy were recognized and presented with the Mayoral awards.

- A. Community Spotlight**
 - Deer Path Art League - Emerging Artists**
 - Rosalind Doane, Executive Director**

Artists in attendance received their Award from the Mayor, and photos were taken.

3. OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO ADDRESS THE CITY COUNCIL

Diane addressed the Council, raising concerns about House Bill 1429 and encouraging aldermen to submit witness slips in opposition. She also noted an emerging trend in Chicago. She concluded by thanking Public Works and Parks & Recreation for their continued service.

4. COMMITTEE REPORTS

ITEMS FOR OMNIBUS VOTE CONSIDERATION

- 1. Approval of Monday, May 4, 2026, City Council Meeting Minutes, First and Second Sessions.**
- 2. Approval of a Resolution of Appreciation for Retiring Members of Boards and Commissions as follows:**

BOARD, COMMISSION OR COMMITTEE	NAME OF MEMBERS(S)
AUDIT COMMITTEE	Mark Dillon
BUILDING REVIEW BOARD	Sally Downey
CEMETERY COMMISSION	Robert Worobow
CROYA BOARD	Kristen Weisberg
GORTON BOARD	Mike Slover
LIBRARY BOARD	JoAnn Desmond and "JJ" John Johnson
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION	Lloyd Culbertson, Chairman, and Robin Petit
PLAN COMMISSION	James Moorhead

3. Approve the Purchase of Starcom Radios, Equipment and Programming in the Amount of \$48,056.89 for the Fire Department from State Bid Vendor Motorola Solutions.
4. Approval of Veeam Backup and Recovery annual maintenance for fiscal year 2027 from Heartland Business Systems in the amount of \$89,000.
5. Approve the Purchase of Structural Firefighting Turnout Gear for the Fire Department from Conway Shield in the amount not to exceed \$33,401.00.
6. Authorization to Dispose of City Surplus Property to the Highest Bidders via Obenauf Auction Service, Inc.
7. Approval of a Public Works Committee Recommendation to Purchase of 2,700 Tons of Road Salt from Compass Minerals America, Inc. in the Amount of \$259,686 for the Fiscal Year 2027 Winter Season
8. Approval of Fiscal Year 2027 Sanitary Sewer Lining Program with Hoerr Construction, Inc. in the Amount not to Exceed \$125,000
9. Approval of a Recommendation from the Public Works Committee to Award of Bid for the Recreation Center Rooftop HVAC Unit Replacements Project to Cahill Heating, in the Amount of \$41,600, to Include a 10% Contingency in the amount of \$4,160 for a Total Cost of \$45,760
10. Approval of a Recommendation from the Parks & Recreation Committee to Award of Bid for the Deerpath Golf Course Irrigation Pump Station Replacement Project to MCI Flowtronex in the Amount of \$128,628, to include a 10% Contingency in the amount of \$12,872, for a Total Cost of \$141,500.
11. Consideration of Ordinances Approving Recommendations from the Building Review Board for 725 Broadsmoore Drive, 300 Majestic Oak Court, and 340 Majestic Oak Court. (First Reading and if Desired by the City Council, Final Approval)

Mayor Tack asked if anyone would like an item removed or taken separately. Seeing none, he asked for a motion.

CITY COUNCIL ACTION Approve the eleven (11) omnibus items as presented.

Alderman Powers made a motion to approve the eleven (11) omnibus items as presented, seconded by Alderman LeVert. The following voted "Aye": Aldermen Novit, Clemens, Powers, Kehr, LeVert, Bothfeld, Walther, and Culbertson. The following voted "Nay": none. 8-Ayes, 0-Nays, motion carried.

6. OLD BUSINESS

7. NEW BUSINESS

1. Approval to Execute Agreement for Migration to BS&A Cloud Enterprise Resource Planning System in the amount of \$169,785.

Cameron Burell, Director of Innovation and Technology, presented a proposal to migrate the City's enterprise resource planning system from its legacy desktop BS&A platform to BS&A Cloud. The current desktop system, implemented in 2018, has become increasingly variable, and BS&A is directing all customers toward the cloud platform where ongoing development is now concentrated. Key benefits identified include improved data security with cybersecurity liability transferred to BS&A, enhanced integration between modules, a new resident-facing customer portal, and improved budgeting transparency for Council. He reported on the timeline to include data cleanup through early fall, a November start for implementation, and staff training in late winter/early spring 2027. Mr. Burrell noted that BS&A is the only viable software solution for a municipality of Lake Forest's size.

Mayor Tack asked if there was anyone from the public who would like to comment. Seeing none, he asked for a motion.

COUNCIL ACTION: Approval to Execute Agreement for Migration to BS&A Cloud Enterprise Resource Planning System in the amount of \$169,785.

Alderman Clemens made a motion to execute the agreement for Migration to the BS&A Cloud Enterprise Resource Planning System in the amount of \$169,785, seconded by Alderman Kehr. The following voted "Aye": Aldermen Novit, Clemens, Powers, Kehr, LeVert, Bothfeld, Walther, and Culbertson. The following voted "Nay": none. 8-Ayes, 0-Nays, motion carried.

8. ADDITIONAL ITEMS FOR COUNCIL DISCUSSION/COMMENTS BY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mayor Tack asked members of the City Council if there are any additional items for Council discussion.

Alderman Levert introduced a proposal for a community recognition coin program to honor residents, volunteers, and community members for meaningful contributions in the categories of service, community, and kindness. The Council received the concept favorably, with discussion centering on limiting distribution to preserve the coins' significance, potentially renaming "challenge coin" to something more reflective of appreciation, and publishing recipients periodically on the city website. Staff was directed to develop program guidelines while maintaining flexibility in execution, and the nominal per-coin cost of approximately \$8 was noted.

Mayor Tack noted that there will be no further business following the Executive Session.

Ask for a motion to adjourn into EXECUTIVE SESSION pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (2), The City Council will be discussing Collective Bargaining.

1. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Alderman Walther made a motion to adjourn into EXECUTIVE SESSION pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (2), The City Council will be discussing Collective Bargaining, seconded by Alderman Clemens. The following voted "Aye": Aldermen Novit, Clemens, Powers, Kehr, LeVert, Bothfeld, Walther, and Culbertson. The following voted "Nay": none. 8-Ayes, 0-Nays, motion carried.

Adjournment into Executive Session 7:32 p.m.

Reconvene into Open Session 8:20 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Tack asked for a motion to adjourn. Alderman Bothfeld made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Alderman Culbertson. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote at 8:21 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Margaret Boyer, City Clerk

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May 12th, 2026

Mayor Tack

The City of Lake Forest

220 E. Deerpath

Lake Forest, IL 60045

Dear Mayor Tack,

The Jr. Garden Club of Lake Forest is asking for the City Council's consideration of a waiver for the requirements of the fidelity bond, with regards to our Jr. Garden Club of Lake Forest's Garden Walk license application. The Jr. Garden Club of Lake Forest's Garden Walk includes items with an estimated value of approximately \$125 - \$2,000.00 and we anticipate the number of tickets to be sold to be around 200+.

Thank you in advance, for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Heidi Clifton

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'H. Clifton', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Jr. Garden Club of Lake Forest Garden Walk Co-Chair