

**City of Westwood Hills
City Council Meeting Minutes
May 8, 2023
Meeting #884**

The Westwood Hills City Council meeting was held on May 8, 2023, in the Community Room at Westwood City Hall.

A regular session of the city council was called to order in due form by Mayor Rosemary Podrebarac at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Podrebarac, Michael Anfang, Ed Gogol, Dave Schmitz, Karen Sexton, John Weedman, and Beth O'Bryan. City Attorney Jim Orr and City Treasurer John Martin were present. Chief Curtis Mansell was present.

No citizens were in attendance.

Motion by Sexton to approve the agenda. Second by Gogol. All aye. Motion approved.

Motion by Gogol to approve the Consent Agenda Second by Schmitz. All aye. Motion approved.

No Old Business

New Business:

Flag Replacement

At the April 2023 meeting, Schmitz reported that the American and Kansas flags on flag island are in need of replacement. The cost for replacing the USA flag is \$59.00, and the cost for the Kansas flag is \$118.00. Both flags will be size 4x6 ft. The shipping is free. The flags will be purchased from All Nations Flag Company. **Weedman moved to encumber \$180.00 to purchase both a USA and Kansas polyester flag. Second by Gogol. All aye. Motion adopted. The expense will be reported in the miscellaneous budget line item 8062.**

Constant Contact

Constant Contact is used to send out electronic communications from the City. The account expires on June 16, 2023. The cost to renew for another year is \$168.00, which includes a 30% discount for paying annually. **Gogol moved and Schmitz seconded to encumber \$168.00 to renew the agreement with Constant Contact. All in favor. Motion carried. The expenditure will be reported in the communications budget line item 8032.**

Zoom Renewal

The City's Zoom account will expire on June 10, 2023. Clerk O'Bryan asked Council to renew Zoom for one year at the cost of \$149.90, the same as last year. **Gogol moved, seconded by Sexton, to ratify the expenditure of \$149.90 to renew the City's Zoom account for another year. All in favor. Motion carried. The expenditure will be reported in the communications budget line item 8032.**

Emerald Ash Borer Treatment

Arborists recommend that Ash trees be treated every two years to help prevent an EAB infestation. Clerk O'Bryan received three quotes to treat the Ash tree located on The Green. The cost for a two-year treatment from both Country Club Tree Service and KC Arborist is \$465.00. Hendrickson Tree gave the City a quote for \$527.00. **Gogol moved and Schmitz seconded to encumber \$465.00 for County Club Tree Service to apply the EAB treatment. All in favor. Motion carried. The expenditure will be reported in the Tree Program budget line item #8055.**

Tree Board Photo for Tree City USA

A Tree Board photo is required for the City's Tree City USA designation. City Clerk Beth O'Bryan gathered the group for the photo.

Informational items – no action to be taken

Budget Workshop – May 13, 2023, at 9:30 am – Higdon & Hale CPA
The election filing deadline is noon on June 1, 2023

Motion to adjourn by Anfang. The meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.