

**City of Westwood Hills  
City Council Meeting Minutes  
September 9, 2024  
Meeting #900**

The Westwood Hills City Council meeting was held on September 9, 2024, 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 7:05 p.m.

Present: Mayor Podrebarac, Council persons Adam England, Ed Gogol, Dave Schmitz, and Karen Sexton. City Clerk Beth O'Bryan, City Attorney Jim Orr, and City Treasurer John Martin were present. Police Chief Curtis Mansell and Fire Chief Steve Chick were present. Zachary Mallory from Johnson County Mental Health and their guest, Amelia Jones, were present. Councilman John Weedman was absent.

No citizens were in attendance.

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

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

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Chief Steve Chick - CFD#2

Fire Chief Chick briefly overviewed the CFD#2 budget, ongoing and future projects, and employee retention rates.

**Old Business:**

Tree Trimming near the Street Lights

No update - John Weedman was not present.

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**New Business:**

National Suicide Prevention Month Proclamation

With consent from the Council, Mayor Podrebarac executed the Proclamation designating September as Suicide Prevention and Action Month in Westwood Hills and provided a copy to Johnson County Mental Health Co-Chair of the Suicide Coalition, Zachary Mallory.

Happy Bottoms Proclamation

With consent from the Council, Mayor Podrebarac executed the Proclamation designating September 23rd through September 29th as Diaper Need Awareness Week in Westwood Hills.

Leaf Collection

Roeland Park has agreed to pick up the leaves for The City. The Roeland Park preferred dates are December 8 or 15, 2024, with a possibility of November 24, 2024. The Council's first choice is November 24, 2024, with a backup date of December 8, 2024.

KGS Franchise Extension Ordinance #302

Ordinance 302 extends the City's current franchise agreement with Kansas Gas Service. **Sexton moved and Gogol seconded to adopt Ordinance No. 302 and extend the KGS Franchise Agreement to September 30, 2025. All aye. Motion carried.**

Planning Commission Nomination

The City's Planning Commission has a vacancy created by Lyle Miller's move from Westwood Hills. Planning Commissioner Bryce Crady recommended resident Andrew Moddrell to replace Lyle Miller on the Planning Commission. Mayor Podrebarac asked for the council's approval to appoint Mr. Moddrell.

**Sexton moved and Gogol seconded to approve Mayor Podrebarac's appointment of Andrew Moddrell. All aye. Motion carried.**

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**Informational items – no action to be taken**

There were no items from Citizens in attendance.

Sexton reported that Rosehill would fix all the lighting on The Green and add a flat stone in front of the bench at no charge.

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**The meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.**