

**MINUTES OF THE 1,668th MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF NORTHLAKE HELD ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2025**

At a 6:45pm public hearing, Alderman Feldmann made a motion to approve the 2026 Budget; seconded by Alderman Patti. The Mayor noted there was no real estate tax increase for the 8th year in a row; the city has a robust infrastructure program; all bonds will be paid off in 2 years, leaving the city with zero debt. Mayor Sherwin called for a voice vote. All were in favor. The motion carried.

The regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Sherwin called for the roll.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: **ALDERMAN STRAUBE**
 ALDERMAN FELDMANN
 ALDERMAN SOSA
 ALDERMAN JOHNSON
 ALDERMAN GROCHOWSKI
 ALDERMAN PATTI

PRESENT VIA CONFERENCE BRIDGE: **ALDERMAN CONTRERAS**

ABSENT: **ALDERMAN URBINA**

OTHERS PRESENT: **KEN BERES, CHIEF OF POLICE**
 TONY FACIANO, PUBLIC WORKS SUPERINTENDENT
 ISMAEL JIMENEZ, FINANCE DIRECTOR
 MARK STERK, CITY ATTORNEY

Alderman Patti made a motion to approve participation by aldermen via conference bridge; seconded by Alderman Johnson. Mayor Sherwin called for a voice vote. All were in favor. The motion carried.

Mayor Sherwin presented the minutes of the city council meeting held on December 1, 2025. Alderman Patti made a motion to accept the minutes of the city council meeting held on December 1, 2025; seconded by Alderman Grochowski. Mayor Sherwin asked if there were any additions or corrections. Mayor Sherwin called for a voice vote. All were in favor.

**MOTION TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL
MEETING HELD ON DECEMBER 1, 2025 CARRIED**

Alderman Patti made a motion to accept the Warrants and Vouchers; seconded by Alderman Grochowski. Mayor Sherwin called for the roll.

ROLL CALL: ALDERMEN STRAUBE, FELDMANN, CONTRERAS, SOSA, JOHNSON, GROCHOWSKI AND PATTI

ABSENT: ALDERMAN URBINA

NAYS: NONE

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE WARRANTS AND VOUCHERS CARRIED

Mayor Sherwin noted the next meeting is on January 12, 2026 and will be the only meeting that month; he attended the ribbon cutting for the new ramp coming off of 294 South; Winterfest was a success; and wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Alderman Patti made a motion to approve Ordinance O-26-2025; an Ordinance for the Levy and Assessment of 2025 Taxes Paid in the Year Beginning January 1, 2026 and Ending December 31, 2026 for the City of Northlake, Cook County, Illinois; seconded by Alderman Grochowski. Mayor Sherwin called for the roll.

ROLL CALL: ALDERMEN STRAUBE, FELDMANN, CONTRERAS, SOSA, JOHNSON, GROCHOWSKI AND PATTI

ABSENT: ALDERMAN URBINA

NAYS: NONE

MOTION TO APPROVE ORDINANCE O-26-2025; AN ORDINANCE FOR THE LEVY AND ASSESSMENT OF 2025 TAXES PAID IN THE YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2026 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2026 FOR THE CITY OF NORTHLAKE, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS CARRIED

Alderman Patti made a motion to approve Ordinance O-27-2025; An Ordinance Adopting the Annual Budget for Calendar Year 2026 for the City of Northlake, Cook County, Illinois; seconded by Alderman Sosa. Mayor Sherwin called for the roll.

ROLL CALL: ALDERMEN STRAUBE, FELDMANN, CONTRERAS, SOSA, JOHNSON, GROCHOWSKI AND PATTI

ABSENT: ALDERMAN URBINA

NAYS: NONE

MOTION TO APPROVE ORDINANCE O-27-2025; AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2026 FOR THE CITY OF NORTHLAKE, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS CARRIED

Alderman Straube made a motion to approve the purchase of a new 2026 Ford F250 Pickup Truck with 8' Snowplow in the amount of \$55,928.84; seconded by Alderman Patti. Mayor Sherwin called for the roll.

ROLL CALL: ALDERMEN STRAUBE, FELDMANN, CONTRERAS, SOSA, JOHNSON, GROCHOWSKI AND PATTI

ABSENT: ALDERMAN URBINA

NAYS: NONE

MOTION TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF A NEW 2026 FORD F250 PICKUP TRUCK WITH 8' SNOWPLOW IN THE AMOUNT OF \$55,928.84 CARRIED

Alderman Patti made a motion to approve Resolution R-23-2025; A Resolution Approving a Change in the Terms Agreement Between the City of Northlake and First American Bank; seconded by Alderman Contreras. Mayor Sherwin called for the roll.

ROLL CALL: ALDERMEN STRAUBE, FELDMANN, CONTRERAS, SOSA, JOHNSON, GROCHOWSKI AND PATTI

ABSENT: ALDERMAN URBINA

NAYS: NONE

MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION R-23-2025; A RESOLUTION APPROVING A CHANGE IN THE TERMS AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF NORTHLAKE AND FIRST AMERICAN BANK

A resident had a question regarding the number of police officers on duty for each shift.

There being no further business, Alderman Straube made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Alderman Patti. Mayor Sherwin called for a voice vote. All were in favor.

MOTION TO ADJOURN CARRIED

MEETING ADJOURNED 7:12 P.M.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

NANCY PAULETTO, CITY CLERK