City of Parma Heights
City Council Meeting Minutes
October 26, 2026

Council President Rounds called to order the City Council meeting of Monday, October 26, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Councilmembers Kolezynski, Maruschak, Durichko, Palmisano, DeSouza, Vanek, Rounds

ALSO PRESENT: Mayor Gallo, Director of Law Schneider, Service Director Sepik, Recreation Director Sedlak, Safety Director Bova and Clerk Allen.

Clerk Allen called the Roll Call: Aye: Kolezynski, Maruschak, Durichko, Palmisano, DeSouza, Vanek, Rounds

Pledge of Allegiance was spoken

COUNCIL MINUTES

October 13, 2026 Parma Heights City Council Minutes
Councilwoman DeSouza motioned; seconded by Councilwoman Maruschak to approve the City Council Minutes.
Clerk Allen called Roll Call: Aye: Maruschak, Durichko, Palmisano, DeSouza, Kolezynski, Rounds
Minutes Approved

REPORTS FROM MAYOR AND DIRECTORS

Council President Rounds continued with Reports from Mayor and Directors, we will begin with Director Bova.

Safety Director Bova: Parma Heights Frights were assisted by the Police and Fire Departments with no major incidents reported. From the Safety Departments advantage point, the event was a safe event one for everyone. The Fire Department underwent their 5 year insurance service protective classification review, unofficially we will maintain our excellent insurance service office Class II rating. Only 109 departments in the country achieve a Class II rating. The Parma Heights Fire Department is in the top 7% nationwide.

Council President Rounds thanked the director and congratulated the Fire Department for obtaining that rating once again. Any comments or questions for Director Bova? Seeing none. Recreation Director Sedlak……..

Recreation Director Sedlak: As the Director mentioned the 2026 Parma Heights Frights is now complete. Although we don't have official numbers for it, its widely accepted that this far exceeded prior years in attendance. This is the last week for fall sports; soccer is wrapping up this Saturday and flag football already had their last games last Sunday. We have begun hanging our Christmas lights around the Commons for the Tree Lighting Ceremony on November 22nd at 5:00 p.m.

Council President Rounds thanked the director and asked if there any comments or questions for Director Sedlak? Councilwoman Maruschak……..

Councilwoman Maruschak stated that Parma Heights Frights was an excellent event. Everyone involved including our Service Department and Recreation Department did a great job.

Council President Rounds added that the partnership with the Young Professions of Parma is such an amazing opportunity that help bring this to us and we help supplement them. Just a great event. Seeing none. Service Director Sepik……..

Service Director Sepik: The City-Wide leaf collection will be starting this Monday, November 2nd. Trucks will go around the city until most of the leaves are picked up, probably until the first week of December. We are stocked

with salt, and we are working on the trucks for snow removal. Saturday, November 14th, we will have a campaign recycling event for the signs.

Council President Rounds asked if there were any other comments for Director Sepik? Seeing none. Director Schneider, nice to see you this evening.

Director Schneider added his congratulations to the mayor, Director Sedlak, and all the other departments that worked so hard on the Frights. I can tell you from having a backstage view, how much work goes into this event. It's success is not an accident, nor is it guaranteed. It's due to the hard work from all the people involved.

Council President Rounds: Mayor Gallo.....

Mayor Gallo: Regarding the Senior Center they delivered and/or served 1,340 meals over the past two weeks. They went to see the Wizard of Oz at the Cassidy Theatre this past Sunday and dinner afterwards. The seniors were treated to Mission BBQ last Friday, 80 seniors participated. Transportation will be provided for the seniors on election day. We have three more council meetings before the end of the year. The budget is looking to be introduced at the November 9th Council Meeting, the Law Department, Senior Center, Recreation Department and Finance will present their budgets before council. November 23rd we will have Service, Police and Fire scheduled to come in. I'd like to thank City Council for your participation at the Parma Heights Frights event. The tree lighting has been moved up from the Sunday after Thanksgiving to the prior Sunday before Thanksgiving. I'm hoping it will be better attended. I want to thank Director Sedlak for putting that together and for arranging a date. We are putting lights up in the commons while the weather is holding up.

Council President Rounds: Any questions or comments for the mayor this evening? Seeing none.

COMMUNICATIONS

Council President Rounds stated that we have no communications this evening.

PUBLIC SESSION

Council President Rounds: Please state your name and address clearly for the Council Clerk to hear. Public Session is not a discussion nor a back and forth, but it's an opportunity for you to be heard in this public forum. Notes are being taken by the council and the administration. You will address your comments to me as Council President. You will have 3 minutes to speak with Clerk Allen keeping the time. Is there anyone here this evening that would like to make a public comment?

Tamara Lentini: 18541 West Rd., Wellington, Ohio. I am the Health Services Manager with the Cuyahoga County Board of Development and Disability. I came tonight to talk a little bit about what the Cuyahoga County Board does. We support and empower individuals who's developmental disabilities range from birth to end of life. To be able to live, work and play in the communities that they live in. To keep them independent as possible within there communities. We serve over 15,000 people across Cuyahoga County and here in Parma Heights we serve over 230 individuals. We are primarily supported by a tax levy that originally passed 21 years ago. We use those funds to provide for things like early intervention therapies, other therapies like occupational, physical, language, health services, housing and employment support. About 25% of the people we serve are independently employed. Since 2021 we have granted over 1 million dollars to over 50 Cuyahoga County Libraries, Arts and Culture, and recreation leisure organizations to make their programs and physical spaces more accessible to people with all abilities. We strive to be a resource for all communities, and we welcome the opportunity to talk to anyone about the services we provided and how we can help your community.

Chris Rumaniszyn, 11080 Appleton Drive, Parma Heights. I'm currently participating in the program the Citizen's Police Academy. I'd like to see it happen a couple times a year. I was wondering if you can also do something like

this for the Fire Department? I know it's a lot more, but I would be interested if it was offered. Thank you very much, City Council and Mayor for the program and thank you for allowing this to happen.

Council President Rounds thanked everyone and asked if there were anyone else that would like to make public comment? Seeing none.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Council President Rounds: I would like to make a motion to adjourn to executive session to discuss pending or imminent court action; Seconded by DeSouza
Clerk Allen called the Roll Call: Aye: Durichko, Palmisano, DeSousa, Vanek, Kolezynski, Maruschak, Rounds
We are adjourned into Executive Session at 7:12 p.m. We are back from Executive Session at 7:15 p.m.

LEGISLATION

Clerk Allen read: **ORDINANCE NO. 2026 - 58**
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1131.02 ENTITLED "DEFINITIONS" OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PARMA HEIGHTS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, AS AMENDED

Council President Rounds stated that this is this ordinance's second reading.

Clerk Allen read: **ORDINANCE NO. 2026 -59**
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1185.02 ENTITLED "PERMITTED USES" OF THE PARMA HEIGHTS CODIFIED ORDINANCES, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, AS AMENDED

Council President Rounds stated that this is this ordinance's second reading.

Clerk Allen read: **ORDINANCE NO. 2026 -60**
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1195.05 ENTITLED, "COMMERCIAL USE-SPECIFIC REGULATIONS" OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PARMA HEIGHTS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, AS AMENDED

Council President Rounds stated that this is this ordinance's second reading.

Clerk Allen read: **RESOLUTION NO. 2026 – 81**
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATION TO DISPOSE OF OBSOLETE VEHICLES AND/OR EQUIPMENT AT A PUBLIC SALE THROUGH GOVPLANET/IRONPLANET, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Council President Rounds stated that this is this resolution's second reading.

Clerk Allen read: **ORDINANCE NO. 2026 – 84**
AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING COMPENSATION PAID TO VARIOUS EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF PARMA HEIGHTS, REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 2026-14, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Council President Rounds stated that this is this resolution's first reading.

Councilwoman DeSouza motioned to suspend the rules; seconded by Maruschak
Clerk Allen called the Roll Call: Aye: Palmisano, DeSousa, Vanek, Kolezynski, Maruschak, Durichko, Rounds

Council President Rounds asked if there any questions or comments on this ordinance? Seeing none.

Councilwoman DeSouza motioned to move this forward for passage; seconded by Maruschak
Clerk Allen called the Roll Call: Aye:, DeSouza, Vanek, Kolezynski, Maruschak, Durichko, Palmisano, Rounds
Ordinance Passes

Clerk Allen read: **RESOLUTION NO. 2026 – 85**
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATION TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS TO SECURE INSURANCE COVERAGES FOR THE EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF PARMA HEIGHTS WITH MEDICAL MUTUAL OF OHIO AND TO EXPEND FUNDS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

Council President Rounds stated that this is this resolution's first reading.

Councilwoman Palmisano motioned to suspend the rules; seconded by Vanek
Clerk Allen called the Roll Call: Aye: Vanek, Kolezynski, Maruschak, Durichko, Palmisano, DeSousa, Rounds

Council President Rounds asked if there any questions or comments on this resolution? Seeing none.

Councilwoman Palmisano motioned to move this forward for passage; seconded by Vanek
Clerk Allen called the Roll Call: Aye: Kolezynski, Maruschak, Durichko, Palmisano, DeSouza, Vanek, Rounds
Resolution Passes
Clerk Allen read: **ORDINANCE NO. 2026 - 86**
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 648.11 ENTITLED "DELIVERY HOURS" OF THE PARMA HEIGHTS CODIFIED ORDINANCES

Council President Rounds stated that this is this ordinance's first reading.

Clerk Allen read: **ORDINANCE NO. 2026 – 87**
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 648.14 PREVIOUSLY TITLED "NOISE FROM CONSTRUCTION OPERATIONS" OF THE PARMA HEIGHTS CODIFIED ORDINANCES

Council President Rounds stated that this is this ordinance's first reading.

Clerk Allen read: **ORDINANCE NO. 2026 – 88**
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 648.16 ENTITLED "SOUND AMPLIFYING DEVICES" OF THE PARMA HEIGHTS CODIFIED ORDINANCES

Council President Rounds stated that this is this ordinance's first reading.

ADJOURNMENT

Council President Rounds asked for a motion to adjourn? Councilwoman DeSouza motioned; seconded by Councilwoman Maruschak to adjourn the meeting.
Clerk Allen called Roll Call: Aye: Maruschak, Durichko, Palmisano, DeSouza, Vanek, Kolezynski, Rounds

The City Council Meeting is adjourned at 7:19 p.m.

Barbara Allen
Clerk of Council

Tom Rounds
President of Council