

City of Deer Park City Council Municipal Building Meeting April 6th, 2026

Mayor Donnellon opened the meeting at 7:00 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the Invocation. Mayor Donnellon asked for a moment of silence for Mike Allen: Former DP Council Member, Civil Service Chairman, Fire District Board Rep, and retired Blue Ash Police Chief

Clerk of Council read the roll. Tom Camp, Dana Dedrick, Mark Feldhaus, Natasha Kohorst, Chris Westmark, and Mayor Donnellon are all present. Mr. Feldhaus made a motion to excuse Neil Kelly; Ms. Kohorst seconded the motion; motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Camp made a motion to accept the minutes from the March 16th, 2026 council meeting, and the March 16th 2026, Public Hearing Ms. Dedrick seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Public Comment: none

Standing Committee Reports

Legislative and Finance Committee Chair Chris Westmark

Income Tax Report: in balance

Auditor Report: All in balance.

JEDZ report up \$4000 over ly YTD

JEDD report up \$75 over ly YTD

Ms. Westmark made a motion to accept all reports Ms. Kohorst seconded the motion, motion carried

Clerk was asked to read by title only Resolution 2026-05 A Resolution Authorizing fund transfers from the Plainfield Road, Oakwood Avenue, and Chamberlain Park Improvements funds to the General fund and the Road Fund.

Ms. Westmark made a motion to adopt, Mayor Donnellon seconded the motion, Discussion: Dr. Jetter stated that funds are there already we just need to move to the general fund to cover the shortfall, then state will approve.

Roll call vote taken: Mr. Camp- yes, Ms. Dedrick- yes, Mr. Feldhaus- yes, Ms. Kohorst-yes, Ms. Westmark- yes, Mayor Donnellon -yes. Resolution passed.

Clerk was asked to read by title only: resolution 2026-6 A resolution to authorize the City Manager to enter into an Electric Aggregation Agreement with the Electric Supplier Recommended by Energy Alliances Inc, The Community's Energy Aggregation Consultant. The City Manager can enter into subsequent agreements regarding the program to stabilize and reduce costs as needed. Discussion: Dr Jetter said council needs to pass today so we can get the lowest cost through aggregation. Now Duke will have to lower costs to compete. This helps the residents receive the best price; we do not know the price yet. Ms. Westmark made a motion to adopt,

Mr. Feldhaus seconded the motion; roll call vote was taken. Mr. Camp- yes, Ms. Dedrick- yes, Mr. Feldhaus- yes, Ms. Kohorst-yes, Ms. Westmark- yes, Mayor Donnellon - yes. Resolution passed.

Safety Committee Chair Tom Camp:

No reports, Mr. Feldhaus asked Chief Battin if there is a law on the books regarding the electric scooters? They go so fast on the sidewalk, streets, and in the park. Chief Battin said they will be coming. Ms. Kohorst asked if there is a helmet law. Currently no. Ms. Westmark asked if there could be more patrols in the park by bike or cruiser. There are a lot of kids in the park, 50-75, and is concerned there could be trouble. Most of them are ok, some extremely loud, Chief will keep an eye out.

Public Works Committee Chair Neil Kelly Dr.Jetter presenting:

In the past the city has been courteous to handicapped residents and putting signs in front of home when requested. There is a resident being contentious on Colton and Dr. Jetter is meeting with him tomorrow. Council may need to pass a resolution regarding more definitive rules regarding the signage.

Park Board Committee Chair Mark Feldhaus

The Easter Egg hunt was a tremendous success, more people than before, it took 3 minutes this year since eggs were more spread out. Big Guy Helpers gave away a bike. There were 2 Easter Bunnies, male, and female. Party in the Park is May 16th; JJ and Jake are putting up sign up genius for volunteers. The band is Under the Sun, voted the top band in Cincinnati.

Correspondence & Miscellaneous: none

OLD BUSINESS: Community Center, 501 C will pay an amount to use; the Chess club pays \$1000 for the year, Jump -n -Jive does as well. The Friends of Chamberlain Park 501c is exempt since they donate their funds to the city. The council will receive the resolution for the next meeting. The Farmers Market will begin first Sunday in May, May 3rd, 2026, Decal Impressions has donated a sign to hang on the tennis courts. We have 10 vendors signed up so far. They are trying to limit too many of the same type of vendor. Working to find ten more vendors, especially farmers.

NEW BUSINESS: Tim Castro is coming to discuss roads.

Special Announcements & Reports from Other City Official.

City Manager: none

Solicitor – Mr. Pacheco stated we can look at scooter laws in place in other cities to help us decide what to do,

Mayor: Thank You all for coming

Schedule:

April 20th, 2026, Council Meeting at 7:00 PM in Council Chambers

April 11th, 2026, Strategic Planning Session 8 am till Noon Community Center, would like to start 7:45 food will be there 7:30 AM, meeting will end promptly at Noon.

May 5th, 2026, Council Meeting at 7:00 PM in Council Chambers

May 5th, 2026, Planning and Zoning Meeting 6:00 PM

Events:

Party in the Park Saturday May 16th, 2026

May 25th, 2025, Memorial Day Parade starts in Silverton Veterans Park at 10 AM arrive by 9:45 to line up.

Round Robin

Ms. Westmark: Thank You Ms. Kohorst for all the work on the Farmers Market

Ms. Dedrick: none

Mr. Camp: none

Mr. Feldhaus: I will not be able to attend the Strategic Planning Meeting, I have a funeral to attend.

Ms. Kohorst: I am glad to be back; I hope everyone had a good Easter.

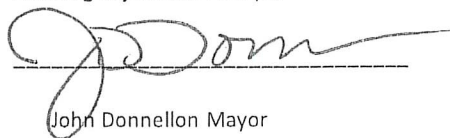
Mayor Donnellon made a motion to enter Executive Session: 7:32 PM Employment of a Public Official and pending litigation, Ms. Kohorst seconded motion, roll call vote taken.

Mr. Camp- yes, Ms. Dedrick- yes, Mr. Feldhaus- yes, Ms. Kohorst-yes, Ms. Westmark- yes, Mayor Donnellon -yes., council went into Executive Session.

7:59 PM Mayor Donnellon made a motion to end Executive Session, Mr. Camp seconded the motion, roll call vote taken Mr. Camp- yes, Ms. Dedrick- yes, Mr. Feldhaus- yes, Ms. Kohorst-yes, Ms. Westmark- yes, Mayor Donnellon -yes. Motion passed

Mayor Donnellon made a motion to adjourn, Ms. Dedrick seconded the motion, all in favor: aye

Meeting adjourned 7:59 pm


John Donnellon Mayor


Angie Tegenkamp Chachoff Clerk of Council