

NEWS & VIEWS

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SUMMER EVENT SEASON IS IN FULL SWING!

FRIDAYS ROCK! & ROLL IN MEADOWS

Free Concerts in Kimball Hill Park (6–10pm)

July 18th

- 6–7:30pm: *Electric Dawn* (classic rock, blues rock);
- 8–10 pm: *Wedding Banned* (“80s music & guilty pleasures”)

August 15th

- 6–7:30pm: *Big Brother’s Vinyl* (60s & 70s)
- 8–10pm: *The Chicago Experience* (Chicago tribute band)



BITES & BEATS ON KIRCHOFF

Food Trucks, Music, & More at Community Church (5–9pm)



July 23rd

- 5pm: *DJ Rico*
- 7pm: *Big Dog Mercer* (Blues & Rock)

August 27th

- 5pm: *DJ Rico*
- 7pm: *Gener8r Band* (Multi-genre)

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

Celebrate Police/Community Partnerships (6–8:30pm)

Enjoy live entertainment, give-aways, free refreshments (while supplies last) and more at the Rolling Meadows Community Center (3705 Pheasant Dr).



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INDEPENDENCE DAY IS SOMETHING TO CELEBRATE!

4th of July Parade (11:30am)

Witness the spectacle of Rolling Meadows’ most popular community event! This year’s parade begins at Rolling Meadows High School and travels north on Jay Lane to Grouse Lane, west on Grouse to Meadow Drive, north on Meadow to Kirchoff Road, and west on Kirchoff to Plaza Drive.

Fireworks (9:15pm/Dusk)

Wrap up your Fourth with an “explosive” grand finale! Journey over to the Community Center (3705 Pheasant Drive) to enjoy the City’s thundering fireworks display.

4th of July



in Rolling Meadows

View a complete list of upcoming events at www.cityrm.org.

‘COP ON A ROOFTOP’ FUNDRAISER HELPS RMPD RAISE \$5,500 FOR SPECIAL OLYMPICS

Rolling Meadows Police raised more than \$5,500 for Special Olympics Illinois during the Department’s May 15th “Cop on a Rooftop” event at Dunkin’ Donuts (3350 Kirchoff Road).

Special Olympics Illinois



From pre-dawn (5:30am) until nearly lunchtime, visiting guests were able to purchase t-shirts, hats, and drink tumblers.

The Police Department thanks everyone for their kindness, support, and generosity.

Special Olympics Illinois is a not-for-profit organization offering free, life-changing opportunities to more than 60,000 athletes, coaches, and volunteers. To learn more, visit www.soill.org.



CITY REZONES DOWNTOWN KIRCHOFF CORRIDOR

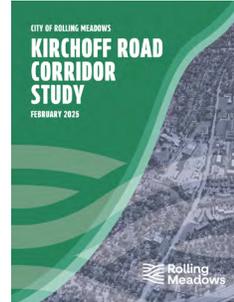
A new “Town Center” zoning district approved by City Council members in late May establishes parameters for future redevelopment along Kirchoff Road and a framework for creating a vibrant, engaging downtown.

The TC district will accommodate new development by supporting a wide range of commercial, residential, and institutional uses between Rohlwing Road and Oriole Lane. It also highlights preferred development styles and design requirements to ensure pedestrian-friendly access.

The area’s new zoning regulations are based on recommendations presented in Rolling Meadows’ Kirchoff Road Corridor Study that was released earlier this year. That document, in turn, was guided by community feedback received during an extensive, year-long effort to engage residents, business owners, and other stakeholders.

Recommended approaches to improve the Corridor are guided by four key elements:

- **Placemaking & Open Space:** Enhancing the corridor’s identity and creating inviting public spaces.
- **Economic Development:** Encouraging business growth and attracting investment.
- **Zoning/Regulatory Framework:** Updating area zoning codes to support a walkable, mixed-use downtown.
- **Transportation & Mobility:** Improving access and connectivity for all visitors. *Note: The new Town Center District does not impact any proposed future reconfiguration of Kirchoff Road.*



Learn more about the new Town Center District and access the Kirchoff Road Corridor Study by visiting www.planrollingmeadows.com.

CASA DI LUIGI: FUSING CLASSIC CUISINE & CULINARY INNOVATION

Classic Italian cuisine – pastas, fish, meats, desserts, and homemade limoncello – is the heart and soul of Casa di Luigi, which aims to deliver a high-level culinary and service experience for all its customers.

The restaurant, which opened in 2023, also features a full bar and catering services. View the full menu at www.casadiuigirestaurant.com and follow on Instagram (www.instagram.com/casadiuigirestaurant).

Hours of Operation
Mon–Thurs: 3–9pm
Fri & Sat: 12–10pm
Closed Sundays



Casa di Luigi
5500 New Wilke Road
Rolling Meadows, IL 60008
224-735-2338
www.casadiuigirestaurant.com



CITY DEDICATES NEW FLAG ASH REPOSITORY

Boy Scout Troop #209 joined the City's May 24th Memorial Day Ceremony to help dedicate a new repository designed to hold the ashes of retired American flags.

The ash repository was a community service project designed and built by Eagle Scout candidate Zach Hildebrandt (5th from left in

above photo) with help from his fellow troop members.

The repository will serve as the final resting place for old and worn American flags that are retired at annual Flag Day ceremonies hosted by the Rolling Meadows Veterans Committee each June.

NEW EATS!

Rolling Meadows is pleased to welcome the following new restaurants to our City:

Meetch's Wings & Things

1911 W. Algonquin Rd
224-248-9620
Signature wings, smash burgers, and more.

Parlor Doughnuts

1301 W. Algonquin Rd
847-262-5967
www.parlordoughnuts.com
Craft doughnuts & coffee, plus juices and assorted breakfast items.

Uyghur Lagman House

(formerly Jannat)
2997 Kirchoff Road
224-735-7040
Middle Eastern cuisine



COUNCIL APPROVES ORDINANCE ALLOWING ELECTRONIC SCOOTERS

An ordinance approved by the City Council in May allows the use of low-speed electric scooters with a maximum speed of 10 miles-per-hour within City limits and highlights common sense safety measures for riders to follow.

The Illinois Vehicle Code allows municipalities to regulate the operation of electric scooters, but their use is prohibited unless specifically authorized by local governmental leaders.

"Before City Council's approval of the ordinance, it was technically illegal to operate these 'e-scooters' in Rolling Meadows," Deputy Police Chief Anthony Peluso explained.

"Having these guidelines on the books allows residents to utilize these increasingly popular vehicles and also provides a framework for ensuring public safety."

Key safety guidelines contained in the City's electronic scooter ordinance include:

- Scooter use is prohibited on roadways with posted speed limits over 35 MPH.
- Riders must be at least 18 years old.
- Scooters can only carry one person at a time.
- Users must adhere to all traffic laws, including yielding to pedestrians and obeying traffic signals and signs.
- After dark, scooters must be equipped with a front lamp (white light) and red rear reflector.
- The law prohibits riders from operating a scooter while under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

For more information, contact the Rolling Meadows Police Department (pd@cityrm.org or 847-255-2416).

JULY 2025

All meetings take place at City Hall, unless noted.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
		1 Planning & Zoning Commission, 7pm	2	3 Environmental Committee, 6pm	4 Independence Day , City offices closed; refuse/recycling collection delayed one day; 4th of July Parade, 11:30am (Meadow Dr route); Fireworks, 9:30pm	5	
	6	7	8	9 RM Garden Club, 6pm (3705 Pheasant Dr) Library Board, 7pm (3110 Martin Ln)	10 Adjudication Hearings 11am (Red Light); 1pm (Code); 2pm (Parking)	12	
	13	14 Board of Fire & Police Commissioners, 8:30am	15 CEF Volunteer Committee, 6pm	16	17	18 Fridays ROCK! Concert, 6–10pm (Kimball Hill Park)	19
	20	21 <i>Water bills due</i>	22 Capital Projects Committee, 5:30pm Veterans Committee, 6pm City Council Committee of the Whole, 6:30pm City Council Meeting, 7pm	23 Bites & Beats on Kirchoff, 5-9pm (2720 Kirchoff Rd)	24	25	26
	27	28 Police Pension Board, 3:30pm	29	30	31		

AUGUST 2025

All meetings take place at City Hall, unless noted.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
VIEW UPCOMING MEETING AGENDAS Find agendas for upcoming City Council meetings, and minutes of past meetings, at www.cityrm.org/ AgendaCenter .					1 Firefighters' Pension Board, 8:30am	2
3	4 Economic Development Committee, 6pm	5 National Night Out , 6–8:30pm (3705 Pheasant Dr)	6 Planning & Zoning Commission, 7pm	7 Environmental Committee, 6pm	8	9
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Staff Member Spotlight FORMER COMMUNICATIONS PROFESSIONAL FINDS NEW CAREER IN HUMAN RESOURCES



Rachel Reiter

Rachel Reiter's recent arrival in Rolling Meadows as the City's new Human Resources Management Analyst represents the latest step along a career path that took an unexpected detour following the COVID-19 pandemic.

While working in public sector marketing/communications for several years, Rachel recalls being fascinated by the rapidly changing workforce landscape and how some organizations, including her own, were adapting – and succeeding – despite such immense challenges.

The 'People Side' of Work

That fascination caused her to switch gears and move into the HR field, where "I could focus on the 'people side' of work," she explained.

Rachel got her footing as a Human Resources intern with the Village of Arlington Heights while earning a master's degree in the field from DePaul University. She then worked as a full-time HR specialist with the village before coming to Rolling Meadows in early May.

"I've always enjoyed supporting local organizations and collaborating with others to bring fresh, innovative ideas to a shared

community," she said. "Now, it's very rewarding to help develop resources and programs that support City employees and the work they do on behalf of our residents and businesses."

Promoting a Positive Workplace Culture

Rachel works closely with Human Resources Manager Lisa Kaiser on a wide range of duties: managing employee benefits, ensuring labor law compliance, recruiting new staff members, planning staff engagement and well-being initiatives, and promoting a positive workforce culture across all City departments.

"The people here are wonderful. Everyone has been so kind, open-minded, and welcoming," she said of her first few months at City Hall.

In her free time, Rachel enjoys being outdoors, participating in community events, and discovering new restaurants. She will have plenty of opportunities to explore all three here in Rolling Meadows.

"I love how much green space is woven throughout the City, which helps foster a welcoming, inviting character in its neighborhoods. I'm excited to join such a vibrant community and get to know everything — and everyone — here." Welcome, Rachel!

COMMITTEE REGISTRY FOSTERS ENGAGEMENT, CAMARADERIE AMONG FORMER SERVICE MEMBERS

The Rolling Meadows Veterans Committee maintains a registry of resident veterans to ensure these former service members receive invitations to Rolling Meadows' annual Memorial Day ceremony, November Veterans Dinner,



and other City events throughout the year.

Veterans who are not currently listed on the registry, and would like to add their names, may contact Lori Ciezak at ciezakl@cityrm.org.

FUN IN THE SUN

Rolling Meadows
Park District

Rolling Meadows

Rep's PLACE
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MEADOWS Fest



3-DAY EVENT
SEPT. 12, 13, 14



Bands, Brews & Family Fun

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Kimball Hill Park

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SUPPORT CITY'S COMMUNITY EVENTS

There are plenty of easy — and fun — ways to support Rolling Meadows' annual community events:

Attend

View a complete listing of this year's community events at www.cityrm.org/669/Community-Events.

Volunteer

Contact Lori Ciezak (ciezakl@cityrm.org) or 847-870-9005) to learn more.

Contribute

The Rolling Meadows Community Events Foundation relies on tax-deductible donations to provide funding for City events. Visit www.cityrm.org/679/Community-Events-Foundation to contribute.

ROLLING MEADOWS ‘SUITS UP’ FOR CHICAGO BEARS STADIUM PROJECT

By Mayor Lara Sanoica

The Chicago Bears’ purchase of the Arlington Racetrack property in 2021 – and recent announcement of the site as the team’s primary focus for building a world-class NFL stadium – offers untold opportunities for local growth and development.



Lara Sanoica

In response, Rolling Meadows has taken important steps to strengthen our position as a participating partner. Our goals are to ensure that any future stadium project supports responsible regional growth and maximize its potential for our residents and businesses.

‘Drafting’ Supplemental Expertise

We’ve brought together specialists in legislative advocacy, traffic engineering, and acoustic design to supplement our internal expertise:

- **Liz Brown-Reeves Consulting**, with over 25 years of legislative strategy and government relations experience, will serve as Rolling Meadows’ lobbyist in Springfield.
- **Tyler Krage**, a consultant with prior NFL Stadium project experience (SoFi Stadium, Inglewood, CA, and U.S. Bank Stadium, Minneapolis, MN) will provide traffic engineering services along with our longtime partner, **Christopher B. Burke Engineering**.
- **Threshold**, a Chicago-based acoustic and audio-visual consulting firm, will advise the City on stadium sound design to help minimize environmental sound impacts on our residents.

These industry leaders will guide the City’s preparation and support every stage of the project:

from initial concept review to final construction.

Game Planning

Rolling Meadows anticipates that more than 65,000 fans, employees, media, and staff will travel to the site each game day. Upgrades to Illinois Route 53, Metra’s Union Pacific Northwest line, Pace bus service, and local roads will be essential to the project’s success.

Through legislative outreach to the Illinois General Assembly and the Governor’s Office, Rolling Meadows will advocate for (1) thoughtful regional planning, (2) year-round investments in transit and transportation, (3) community benefits for the northwest suburban region, and (4) fair cost-sharing for the public services needed to support this development.

“Rolling Meadows will be a proud partner to bring this game-changing stadium to life for our community and our region.”

We are also committed to working with our counterparts in Arlington Heights, Palatine, and other neighboring communities to realize this vision.

Realizing Papa Bear’s Dream

We are on the cusp of achieving a dream that has captured Chicago’s northwest suburban imagination since George S. Halas first proposed moving the Bears to Arlington Heights 50 years ago.

As that dream moves closer to becoming reality, Rolling Meadows will be a proud partner in bringing this game-changing stadium to life for our community and our region. It’s time to “Bear Down.”



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2nd Ward Alderman Nick Budmats	224-580-8484
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4th Ward Alderman Jenifer Vinezeano	630-546-8133
5th Ward Alderman Stefanie Boucher	224-200-9015
6th Ward Alderman Mandy Reyez	847-209-5435
7th Ward Alderman Mike Koehler	847-912-8750
City Manager Rob Sabo	847-394-8500

SERVICES

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Crime Stoppers	847-590-7867
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Fire Department fd@cityrm.org	847-397-3352
Human Resources hr@cityrm.org	847-394-8500
Human Services socialworkrm@cityrm.org	847-870-2695
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Police Department pd@cityrm.org	847-255-2416
Public Works pw@cityrm.org	847-963-0500