

CITY OF WEST CHICAGO

WHERE HISTORY & PROGRESS MEET

APPROVED 6/20/11

MINUTES

PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

May 23, 2011, 7:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order, Roll Call, and Establishment of a Quorum

Chairman Chassee called the meeting to order at 7:02 P.M. Roll Call found Alderman Connelly, Fuesting, Monroe, Radkiewicz, and Meissner present. Alderman Murphy joined the committee at 7:28pm.

Also in attendance were LuAnn Bombard, Museum Director and Cultural Services; Joanne Kalchbrenner, Community Development Director; David Sabathne, Executive Director of the West Chicago Chamber; Alderman James Beifuss.

2. Selection of Chairman.

Alderman Connelly nominated Alderman Chassee as the Chairman of the Public Affairs Committee, seconded by Alderman Fuesting and the vote was unanimous for approval.

3. Approval of Minutes

A. **Public Affairs Committee of April 25, 2011.** Alderman Connelly made a motion, seconded by Alderman Radkiewicz to approve the minutes of the Public Affairs Committee Meeting of April 25, 2011 with no changes. Voting Yea: Chairman Chassee, Alderman Connelly, Fuesting, Monroe, Radkiewicz, and Meissner. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

3. Public Participation / Presentations

None.

4. Items for Consent

A. Ordinance No. 11-O-0026 – An Ordinance amending the code of Ordinances of the City of West Chicago – Chapter 17, Article XIV, Stopping, Standing and Parking.

This ordinance will identify who can obtain a parking permit for the Turner Court Parking Lot. Residents as well as business owners within the Turner Junction Historical District are able to obtain permits. The time would also be amended from 2:00am and 5:00am to 3:00am and 5:00am.

Alderman Fuesting made a motion, seconded by Alderman Radkiewicz to approve and direct this item to City Council. Voting Yea: Chairman Chassee, Alderman Connelly, Fuesting, Monroe, Radkiewicz, and Meissner. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

B. Ordinance 11-O-0028 - Amending the Regulations Regarding the Hours When Lawn Equipment may be used.

Section 10-2 (13), Exceptions 2, will be amended to clarify the type of equipment that should be used for the purpose of snow removal. Section 10-40(3) will also be revised to reflect the hours and distance of the construction ordinance.

Chairmen Chassee gave direction to amend this ordinance and present in the June Public Affairs Meeting for consent. Voting Yea: Chairman Chassee, Alderman Connelly, Fuesting, Monroe, Murphy, Radkiewicz, and Meissner. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

C. Ordinance 11-O-0013 – Adding a Crime Free Multi Housing Components.

Alderman Fuesting made a motion, seconded by Alderman Monroe to approve and direct this item to City Council. Voting Yea: Chairman Chassee, Alderman Connelly, Fuesting, Monroe, Murphy, Radkiewicz, and Meissner. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

5. Items for Discussion.

A. 2011 Railroad Days – LuAnn Bombard informed the staff that they are working with the Fire Department on a revised parade route. There will be clarification on the hours of the beer tents, an update on the site plan and more details on the scheduling of the events and vendors.

B. Naming Wilson Street Bridge

Alderman Radkiewicz made a motion, seconded by Alderman Meissner to direct staff to prepare a resolution for council. Voting Yea: Chairman Chassee, Alderman Connelly, Fuesting, Monroe, Murphy, Radkiewicz, and Meissner. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

6. Unfinished Business

None.

7. New Business

None.

8. Reports from Staff

A. Red Light Cameras – The Committee was very impressed with the decrease of traffic and accidents at the intersections of the Red Light Cameras.

B. Traffic Management Report by Chief of Police. Traffic Reports for the month of May 2011.

9. Adjournment. Alderman Fuesting made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Alderman Monroe. The motion was approved by voice vote, and the meeting adjourned at approximately 7:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

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