

CITY OF WEST CHICAGO

WHERE HISTORY & PROGRESS MEET

Approved 7/26/10

MINUTES

PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

June 28, 2010, 7:00 P.M.

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

Chairman Chassee called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Roll Call found Alderman Fuesting, Monroe, and Smith present. Alderman Radkiewicz was not present.

Alderman Murphy joined the meeting at 7:03pm and Alderman Connelly at 7:05pm.

Also in attendance were Chief of Police Donald Goncher, Deputy Chief Laz Perez, Rosemary Mackey, Coordinator of Marketing and Communications, Luann Bombard, Director of Museum and Cultural Services, David Sabathne, Executive Director of the West Chicago Chamber and Wayne A. Lofton Jr., Director of Business Affairs of the West Chicago Chamber.

2. Approval of Minutes

A. **Public Affairs Committee of May 24, 2010.** Alderman Fuesting made a motion, seconded by Alderman Smith to approve the minutes of the Public Safety Committee Meeting of May 24, 2010 with no changes. Voting Yea: Chairmen Chassee, Alderman Connelly, Fuesting, Monroe, Smith and Murphy. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

3. Public Participation / Presentations

None.

4. Items for Consent

A. **Ordinance 10-O-0055 Proposed Ordinance Regulating Parking – Turner Court Parking Lot**

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

B. Ordinance 10-O-0056 Proposed Ordinance for Carnivals, Fairs or Other Exhibitions; Parades, Processions, Demonstrations, Open-Air Meetings, Runs, Walks and Bike Races, Mass Gatherings; Fireworks.

Voting Yea: Chairmen Chassee, Alderman Connelly, Fuesting, Monroe, Smith and Murphy. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

5. Items for Discussion.

A. Railroad Days Update – Mr. Sabathne provided a list of approved entertainment and food vendors that will be attending the festivity. The lay out was presented to the park district and approved. There will also be extra rides added to the lay out. All vendors and rides will be in the same place they were last year with the addition of the extra rides. Sergeant Shipman and Officer Robbi Peterson from the West Chicago Police Department have been working with Canadian National to have a train at the drop off area of the buses and transfer people to the event. The event will begin to be advertised on cable TV, radio and local newspapers.

6. Unfinished Business.

Chairman Chassee asked what were the requirements on placing information on the Informational Sign on Main Street. Rosemary Mackey, Coordinator of Marketing and Communications, informed the committee that any requests made are reviewed by her and if a request is questionable then it is reviewed by the City Administrator, Michael Guttman for a decision. The Information Sign was viewed as something to promote information that would be of community wide benefit; however the message schedule would be limited to three messages at any one given time. There is a rule on the ordinance that states that the message has to be ten full seconds in between each change. The reasoning behind this rule is because many changes or flashes at a short period of time can cause distracting to traffic.

The committee was in agreement to email Chairman Chassee with a list of ideas of whom and what can be placed on the Informational Sign and will be presented at the next meeting.

7. New Business.

None.

8. Reports from Staff.

A. Traffic Management Report by Chief of Police. Chief Goncher reported the Traffic Report for the month of May 2010.

Red Light Camera

9. **Adjournment.** Alderman Monroe made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Alderman Fuesting. The motion was approved by voice vote, and the meeting adjourned at approximately 7:28P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

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