

CITY OF  
**WEST CHICAGO**

WHERE HISTORY & PROGRESS MEET

Approved 10/22/12

**MINUTES**

**PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**  
**September 24, 2012 7:00 P.M.**

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

Chairman Chassee called the meeting to order at 7:00P.M. Roll Call found Alderman Connelly, Fuesting, Monroe, Radkiewicz, Meissner and Murphy present.

Also in attendance were Chief of Police Laz Perez; Rosemary Mackey, Marketing & Communications Coordinator; Joseph C. Vallez, Executive Director of the North Berwyn Park District.

**2. Approval of Minutes**

**A. Public Affairs Committee of August 27, 2012.** Alderman Connelly made a motion, seconded by Alderman Radkiewicz to approve the minutes of the Public Affairs Committee Meeting with no changes. Voting Yea: Chairman Chassee, Alderman Connelly, Fuesting, Monroe, Radkiewicz, Meissner and Murphy. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

**3. Public Participation / Presentations**

**4. Items for Consent**

**A. Resolution No. 12-R-0077 – Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)**

Annual Application to request funding to the Main Park Neighborhood Resource Center and Riverwoods Resource Center to the DuPage Community Development Commission.

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

**5. Items for Discussion**

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A. West Chicago Junior Citizen Recognition Program

Mr. Vallez presented a brief presentation to Committee about the Best of Berwyn Junior Citizen Recognition Program which is a search for the top 8th grade students within the City of Berwyn. It's an annual program sponsored by the North Berwyn Park District to distinguish teens that have focused their attention towards family, academics and bettering their community. The initial process consists of students being nominated through applications and letters of recommendation. The judges which consist of community leaders, teachers and public officials who have the difficult task of sorting through the applications and interviewing the candidates to determine the person who best fits the criteria for the program. The candidates, winner and their family members are then invited to the annual banquet in their honor.

Committee agreed with Chairman Chassee on working with Mr. Vallez in developing a program similar to the Best of Berwyn or the City of West Chicago.

**6. Unfinished Business**

**7. New Business**

**8. Reports from Staff**

A. Traffic Management Report for August 2012

**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 7:34P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

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