

These minutes were approved at the 12/2/13 City Council meeting with no changes.

CITY OF WEST CHICAGO – 475 Main Street
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
Regular Meeting
November 18, 2013

1. **Call to Order.** Mayor Ruben Pineda called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.** Alderman Grodoski led all in the pledge of allegiance.
3. **Invocation.** The City Clerk gave the invocation.
4. **Roll Call and Establishment of a Quorum.**

Roll Call found Aldermen Lori J. Chassee, Donald F. Earley, James Smith, Laura Grodoski, Alton Hallett, Sandy Dimas, Alan Murphy, John C. Smith, Kurt Meissner, Mark Edwalds, Rebecca Stout, John F. Banas, and Matt Fuesting present. Alderman James E. Beifuss, Jr. was absent. The Mayor announced a quorum.

City Clerk Nancy M. Smith was also present. .

Also in attendance were City Attorney Mary E. Dickson, City Administrator Michael L. Guttman, Community Development Director John D. Said, Marketing and Communications Coordinator Rosemary Mackey, Administrative Services Director Linda Martin, and Krista Coltrin, Marketing and Communications Assistant.

5. Public Participation.

The following person spoke during Public Participation:

Melissa Birch, 411 E. Grand Lake Boulevard, West Chicago, invited everyone to the Community High School Educational Foundation's December 8, 2013, Annual Holiday Fundraiser at Prairie Landing. Cost is \$50.00 for dinner and \$25.00 for dessert only.

A. Recognition: Haggerty Family. The Mayor spoke highly about the Haggerty family and their business, Haggerty Ford. They have always been fabulous with the City. Anytime the City needs them, Haggerty Ford provides beautiful cars for parades. The Mayor then presented a City flag to Bill Haggerty, Jerry Haggerty, Jack Emerson, General Manager, and John Czech. The Mayor thanked them for all that they do for West Chicago.

B. Presentation: Brilliance in Business Awards. The Mayor called upon Marketing and Communications Coordinator Mackey who presented a film with the following 2013 winners of the Brilliance in Business Awards:

Small Business of the Year: FreshGround Roasting, 100 Arbor Avenue. Owners Krista and Eric Andersen. They import coffee beans from around the world and work with a foundation that ensures that poor farmers in developing nations directly benefit from their sale. They supply coffee on-line and to cafes in Geneva, Elmhurst, and Wayne and farmers' markets in Kane and DuPage Counties. They embrace a global mission while maintaining a local community focus.

Green Initiatives: USAgain, 1555 Hawthorne Lane, Suite 4W. CEO Mattias Wallender. They work to keep textiles out of the landfills. They also created and hosted the *Homecoming Goes Green* dress give-away event that offered teens an opportunity to select a new or lightly-used dress for their homecoming dance while raising awareness about the impact of textile waste.

Community Service: State Bank of Illinois, 600 East Washington Street. President Larry Boward. Staff actively contributes in community events to include the City's Blooming Fest, Frosty Fest and Mexican Independence Day committees. They are also involved with the Western DuPage Chamber of Commerce and hold board positions with several not-for-profits. They have a Community Display Board located within the bank.

Economic Development: El Coco Loco Mexican Grille, 205 Main Street. Owners Irma and Miguel Proa. They worked with the Historical Preservation Commission and added an outdoor dining area that has great curb appeal and offers people al fresco dining.

Community Image Award: Cascade Drive-in, 1100 East North Avenue. Owner Jeff Kohlberg. The theater converted to new digital equipment from a series of reels. The move simplified the process and enhances the quality of the picture and the experience. The drive-in- keeps the nostalgia of a great American, family-friendly tradition alive.

After the film, the Mayor, with assistance from Ms. Mackey, presented the awards to the owners/representatives of the businesses. He thanked them for their contributions and related stories germane for each one. He wished them all well and said it was another great year with great businesses.

6. City Council Meeting Minutes – November 4, 2013. Alderman Fuesting made a motion, seconded by Alderman Edwalds, to approve the minutes of November 4, 2013, with no changes. Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Earley, James Smith, Grodoski, Hallett, Dimas, John Smith, Meissner, Edwalds, Stout, Banas, and Fuesting. Voting Nay: 0. Alderman Murphy abstained. Motion carried.

7. Corporate Disbursement Report. Alderman John Smith made a motion, seconded by Alderman Banas, to approve the November 18, 2013, Corporate Disbursement Report in the amount of \$ 775,902.80. Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Earley, James Smith, Grodoski, Hallett, Dimas, John Smith, Meissner, Edwalds, Stout, Banas, and Fuesting. Voting Nay: 0. Alderman Murphy abstained. Motion carried.

8. Consent Agenda – Consideration of an Omnibus Vote.

* **Development Committee:** Alderman Stout read and explained the following items:

A. Ordinance 13-O-0037 – An Ordinance Granting a Certain Waiver to Section 7.13, Design Standards and Review, of the Zoning Code – 1200 W. Hawthorne Lane – Hawthorne's Backyard

B. Resolution 13-R-0081 – A Resolution Approving the final Plat of Arbor-National Resubdivision

Alderman Stout made a motion, seconded by Alderman Grodoski, to adopt the above items. Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Earley, James Smith, Grodoski, Hallett, Dimas, Murphy, John Smith, Meissner, Edwalds, Stout, Banas, and Fuesting. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

* **Infrastructure Committee:** Alderman John Smith read and explained the following items:

C. Resolution 13-R-0082 – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute Contract Amendment No. 1 with Schramm Construction Corporation for Construction Services Associated with the 2013 Well No. 12 Well house

D. Resolution 13-R-0083 – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute Contract Amendment No. 2 with Strand Associates, Inc., for Professional Engineering Oversight Services Associated with the 2013 Well No. 12 Well House (for an amount not to exceed \$112,900.00)

E. Approve – Purchase of Two 2014 Ford F-150 Pick-up Trucks through the Suburban Purchasing Cooperative Joint Purchasing Program from Freeway Ford (for an amount not to exceed \$42,437.00)

F. Approve – The Purchase of Two 2014 F-150 Pick-up Trucks through the State of Illinois Joint Purchasing Contract from Bob Ridings Ford (for an amount not to exceed \$45,787.00)

Alderman John Smith made a motion, seconded by Alderman Earley, to adopt the above items. Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Earley, James Smith, Grodoski, Hallett, Dimas, Murphy, John Smith, Meissner, Edwalds, Stout, Banas, and Fuesting. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

* **Public Affairs Committee:** No report

* **Finance Committee:** No report

* **Items Not Sent to Committee:** Mayor Pineda read and explained the following items:

G. Approve – The Appointment of Kristine Zimmerman to the Environmental Commission for an Unexpired Term ending April 2015

H. Resolution 13-R-0084 – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Accept an Easement for Watermain, Natural Areas, and Stormwater Detention – 622 Town Road

I. Resolution 13-R-0085 – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Professional Services Agreement between the City of West Chicago and American Appraisal Associates, Inc., to Conduct a Comprehensive Capital Asset Appraisal (for an amount not to exceed \$ 22,300.00)

Alderman Banas made a motion, seconded by Alderman Chassee, to concur with the Mayor's appointment of Kristine Zimmerman to the Environmental Commission and to approve the resolutions. Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Earley, James Smith, Grodoski, Hallett, Dimas, Murphy, John Smith, Meissner, Edwalds, Stout, Banas, and Fuesting. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

9. Reports by Committees. None

10. Unfinished Business. None

11. New Business. None

12. Correspondence and Announcements.

Upcoming Meetings

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| - November 19, 2013 | Plan Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals (cancelled) |
| - November 19, 2013 | Historical Preservation Commission (special) |
| - November 25, 2013 | Public Affairs Committee |
| - November 26, 2013 | Historical Preservation Commission (cancelled) |
| - November 28, 2013 | Finance Committee (cancelled) |

City Clerk Smith announced that Frosty Fest would be held on December 7, 2013, from 4 to 7 pm downtown.

City Clerk Smith announced that the annual community holiday party sponsored by the American Legion and VFW would be held on December 14, 2013, starting at 6:00 pm. The public is invited. Cost is \$25.00 per person. There will be dinner, dancing, and entertainment by Chuck Salvo.

City Clerk Smith announced that the annual West Chicago Sister Cities holiday party would be held on December 8, 2013, at Tango Argentina. Cost is \$10.00 per person plus tip. All people from the community are invited to attend. You do not have to be a member of Sister Cities.

13. Executive Session. At 7:25 pm, Alderman Banas made a motion, seconded by Alderman Dimas, to adjourn into executive session to discuss land acquisition [5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5) (6)], personnel matters [5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)], and review of Official Record [5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21)].

Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Earley, James Smith, Grodoski, Hallett, Dimas, Murphy, John Smith, Meissner, Edwalds, Stout, Banas, and Fuesting. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

Minutes for the executive session are filed separately.

14. Items to be Referred for Final Action from Executive Session. Not applicable.

15. Adjournment. See above.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy M. Smith
City Clerk