WEST CHICAGO

WHERE HISTORY & PROGRESS MEET

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MINUTES

PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE November 26, 2012 6:00 P.M.

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

Chairman Chassee called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Roll Call found Alderman Connelly, Fuesting, Radkiewicz, and Murphy present. Alderman Monroe and Meissner were not present.

Also in attendance were Chief of Police Laz Perez; John D. Said, Director of Community Development; Krista Coltrin, Assistant Marketing Coordinator.

2. Approval of Minutes

A. Public Affairs Committee of October 22, 2012. Alderman Connelly made a motion, seconded by Alderman Murphy to approve the minutes of the Public Affairs Committee Meeting with no changes. Voting Yea: Chairman Chassee, Alderman Connelly, Fuesting, Radkiewicz, and Murphy. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

3. Public Participation / Presentations

4. Items for Consent

A. Resolution No. 12-R-0088 - Authorized provider agreement between the City of West Chicago and the American Red Cross

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

B Ordinance No. 12-O-0049 – Ordinance Amending The Code of Ordinances of the City of West Chicago – Chapter 4 Buildings and Building Regulations

City Staff are proposing to revise the bond requirements to provide a flat fee of \$1500 for residential properties, and \$3000 for commercial properties. This bond provides a method to ensure that any needed repairs will be completed before final occupancy is granted. Exceptions will apply for life safety issues, which must be addressed prior to any occupancy of a building. City staff met with local real estate representatives for their review and input concerning this ordinance. Comments were received and addressed in the draft ordinance.

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

- 5. Items for Discussion
- 6. Unfinished Business
- 7. New Business
- 8. Reports from Staff
 - A. Traffic Management Report for October 2012

Chief Perez informed staff that the police department will increase their Traffic Unit from two officers to four officers. A License Plate Recognition System has been tested and has been placed in the 2013 budget if approved will be placed in one of the unmarked vehicles to do extra enforcement.

The police department did a study on the Records Department and have noticed during the hours of 7:00pm to midnight the volume of calls and walk-ins are very low, so starting January 1, 2013 the hours of operation for the Records Department will change to Monday through Friday from 7am to 7pm.

9. Adjournment. Alderman Connelly made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Alderman Fuesting. The motion was approved by voice vote, and the meeting adjourned at approximately 7:23pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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