

These minutes were approved at the 1/7/13 City Council meeting with no changes.

CITY OF WEST CHICAGO – 475 Main Street
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
Regular Meeting
December 17, 2012

1. **Call to Order.** Acting Mayor Ruben Pineda called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.** Alderman Stout 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, H. Ronald Monroe, James Smith, Russell Radkiewicz, Ruben Pineda, Sandy Dimas, Alan Murphy, John C. Smith, Kurt Meissner, Nanette B. Connelly, Rebecca Stout, Nicholas Dzierzanowski, and Matt Fuesting present. Alderman James E. Beifuss, Jr. arrived at 7:08 pm. The Acting Mayor announced a quorum.

City Clerk Nancy M. Smith and City Treasurer Donald F. Earley were also present. .

Also in attendance were City Attorney Mary E. Dickson, Public Works Director Rob Flatter, Chief of Police Laz Perez, City Administrator Michael L. Guttman, Community Development Director John D. Said, and Administrative Services Director Linda Martin.

5. Public Participation.

A. Public Hearing: 2013 Budget. The Acting Mayor opened the public hearing at 7:02 pm. No one spoke for or against the 2013 Budget. The Acting Mayor closed the public hearing at 7:03 pm.

B. Proclamation: Gift of Hope. At the Mayor's request, the City Clerk read *Mayoral Proclamation A Commendation for Gift of Hope Organ and Tissue Donor Network for Supporting Organ and Tissue Donation in Illinois*, in which the Acting Mayor commended the work of Gift of Hope and the Carney family of Winfield whose son, Jake Carney, lost his life due to injuries sustained in a car accident. His liver, pancreas and kidneys were donated to two people who desperately needed them; The Carney story has inspired DuPage County municipalities to join Gift of Hope to help increase donation awareness by participating in the Workplace Partners campaign. Acting Mayor Pineda said he and his wife have been donors for many years through *Life Goes On*. He said the program is very important in saving lives and makes a difference. He then presented the Proclamation to Mrs. Carney.

The following persons spoke during Public Participation:

- 1) Don Earley, *4 the People*, thanked all those who have been donating to the food baskets located at various locations to include City Hall and the Library. He was able to load up his van for Thanksgiving. He said it is nice to have such people in town. The Acting Mayor thanked *4 the People* for sponsoring this program.
- 2) Alderman Chassee said tomorrow is Acting Mayor Pineda's birthday. The City Council and audience members all sang *Happy Birthday* to him. The Mayor thanked everyone and said he wished he could be taller rather than older.

6. City Council Meeting Minutes – December 3, 2012. Alderman Monroe made a motion, seconded by Alderman Dimas, to approve the minutes of December 3, 2012, with no changes. Voting Aye: Aldermen Beifuss, Chassee, Monroe, Jim Smith, Radkiewicz, Pineda, Dimas, John Smith, Meissner, Connelly, Stout, Dzierzanowski, and Fuesting. Voting Nay: 0. Alderman Murphy abstained. Motion carried.

7. Corporate Disbursement Report. Alderman Connelly made a motion, seconded by Alderman Radkiewicz, to approve the December 17, 2012, Corporate Disbursement Report in the amount of \$ 826,508.18. Voting Yea: Aldermen Beifuss, Chassee, Monroe, James Smith, Radkiewicz, Dimas, John Smith, Meissner, Connelly, Stout, Dzierzanowski, and Fuesting. Voting Nay: 0. Alderman Murphy and Acting Mayor Pineda abstained. Motion carried.

8. Consent Agenda – Consideration of an Omnibus Vote.

- * **Development Committee:** No Report
- * **Infrastructure Committee:** Alderman Dzierzanowski read and explained the following items:

A. Resolution 12-R-0117 – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Contract Agreement with RJN Group, Inc. for Professional Engineering Services Related to the 2013 Sanitary Sewer and Manhole Rehabilitation program (for an amount not to exceed \$27,925.00)

B. Resolution 12-R-0118 – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute Contract Amendment No. 2 and Final with R.A. Manciani, Inc. for Services Related to the Illinois Route 64 Utility Relocation Project (for an amount not to exceed \$2,372,533.92)

C. Resolution 12-R-0119– A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute an Agreement with Operations Management International, Inc. for the Management and Operation of the City's Wastewater Treatment Plant During Fiscal Years 2013-2017 (for an amount not to exceed \$2,700,000.00)

D. Resolution 12-R-0120 – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute Contract Amendment No. 1 and Final with Patrick Engineering, Inc. for Professional Engineering Services Related to the Grand Trunk Railroad (CN) Quiet Zone (for an amount not to exceed \$77,900.00)

Alderman Dzierzanowski made a motion, seconded by Alderman Connelly, to adopt the above items. Voting Aye: Aldermen Beifuss, Chassee, Monroe, Jim Smith, Radkiewicz, Pineda, Dimas, Murphy, John Smith, Meissner, Connelly, Stout, Dzierzanowski, and Fuesting. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

* **Public Affairs Committee:** No report

* **Finance Committee:** City Treasurer Earley read and explained the following items:

E. Ordinance 12-O-0051 – An Ordinance Authorizing the Execution of a First Amendment to the Economic Incentive Agreement between the City of West Chicago and Haggerty Ford, Inc.

F. Ordinance 12-O-0052– An Ordinance Adopting the Annual Budget for the City of West Chicago, DuPage County, Illinois, for the Fiscal Year Commencing January 1, 2013 and Ending December 31, 2013

G. Ordinance 12-O-0053 – An Ordinance for the Levy and Assessment of Taxes for the Fiscal Year Beginning January 1, 2013, and Ending December 31, 2013, in and for the City of West Chicago Special Service Area No. 2

H. Ordinance 12-O-0054– An Ordinance for the Levy and Assessment of Taxes for the Fiscal Year Beginning January 1, 2013, and Ending December 31, 2013, in and for the City of West Chicago Special Service Area No. 27

I. Ordinance 12-O-0056– An Ordinance Levying Taxes within the Corporate Limits for the City of West Chicago as that Property is Assessed and Equalized for State and County Purposes for the Fiscal Year Beginning January 1, 2013, and Ending December 31, 2013

Answering Acting Mayor Pineda, Treasurer Earley said the budget total this year is similar to last year's budget and provided some statistics for the various budget accounts.

Alderman Fuesting made a motion, seconded by Alderman Dzierzanowski, to adopt the above items. Voting Aye: Aldermen Beifuss, Chassee, Monroe, Jim Smith, Radkiewicz, Pineda, Dimas, Murphy, John Smith, Meissner, Connelly, Stout, Dzierzanowski, and Fuesting. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

Acting Mayor Pineda thanked the staff and City Administrator Guttman for another great budget.

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

J. Resolution 12-R-0116 – A Resolution Making a Determination Relative to the Release of Executive Session Minutes Pursuant to the Illinois Open Meetings Act

K. Resolution 12-R-0122 – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Accept an Easement for Utilities and Drainage – 651 W. Washington Street

Alderman Chassee made a motion, seconded by Alderman Dimas, to adopt the above items. During discussion, Alderman Chassee clarified that Resolution 12-R-0116 shows those minutes that are being released. Voting Aye: Aldermen Beifuss, Chassee, Monroe, Jim Smith, Radkiewicz, Pineda, Dimas, Murphy, John Smith, Meissner, Connelly, Stout, Dzierzanowski, 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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| - December 18, 2012 | Plan Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals (cancelled) |
| - December 24, 2012 | Public Affairs Committee (cancelled) |
| - December 25, 2012 | Historical Preservation Commission (cancelled) |
| - December 27, 2012 | Finance Committee (cancelled) |
| - January 3, 2013 | Infrastructure Committee (cancelled) |

The City Clerk announced that today began the filing for the Consolidated Election to be held on April 9, 2013. Up for election are the Mayor, Clerk, and seven Aldermen. The filing deadline has been extended to 5:00 pm on December 26, 2012. City Hall will be closed on December 24th and December 25th.

Acting Mayor Pineda said he handed out turkey dinners for Thanksgiving at the Food Pantry. He will be passing them out again this Saturday at 9:00 am for Christmas. He said the Food Pantry provides food for people who need it. The Pantry is located on Route 59 behind the church next door to the VFW Hall.

13. Executive Session. At 7:30 pm, Alderman Dimas made a motion, seconded by Alderman Meissner, to recess into executive session to discuss Personnel matters (collective bargaining) [5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)], and review of Official Record [5 ILCS120/2(c)(21)]. Motion was carried by voice vote.

The regular meeting resumed at 7:49 pm. Roll call found Alderman Chassee, Beifuss, Monroe, James Smith, Radkiewicz, Pineda, Dimas, Murphy, John Smith, Meissner, Connelly, Stout, Dzierzanowski, and Fuesting present.

14. Item to be Referred for Final Action from Executive Session:

Resolution 12-R-0121 – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Certain Labor Agreement between the City of West Chicago and the Fraternal Order of Police.

Alderman Chassee made a motion, seconded by Alderman Beifuss, to adopt Resolution 12-R-0121. Voting Yea: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Monroe, James Smith, Radkiewicz, Pineda, Dimas, Murphy, John Smith, Meissner, Connelly, Stout, Dzierzanowski, and Fuesting. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

15. Adjournment. At 7:52 pm, Alderman Chassee made a motion, seconded by Alderman Stout, to adjourn. Motion was carried by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy M. Smith
City Clerk