

These minutes were approved at the 7/7/14 City Council meeting with no changes.

CITY OF WEST CHICAGO – 475 Main Street
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
Regular Meeting
June 16, 2014

1. **Call to Order.** Mayor Ruben Pineda called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.** Alderman Hallett 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 Donald F. Earley, Laura Grodoski, Alton Hallett, Sandy Dimas, John C. Smith, Kurt Meissner, Mark Edwalds, Rebecca Stout, John F. Banas, and Matt Fuesting present. Aldermen Lori J. Chassee, James Smith, and Alan Murphy were absent. Alderman James E. Beifuss, Jr., arrived at 7:11 pm. The Mayor announced a quorum.

City Clerk Nancy M. Smith was also present.

Also in attendance were City Attorney Keith E. Letsche, Public Works Director Rob Flatter, City Administrator Michael L. Guttman, and Community Development Director John D. Said.

5. Public Participation.

The following people spoke during Public Participation:

Melissa Birch and Kathy Hummel, of the West Chicago American Legion Auxiliary, said they were so grateful to West Chicago because their Poppy program was very successful. They raised more than \$1,700.00, which will go right back into the community.

A. ComEd Smart Meter Installation Presentation. Mr. George Gaulrapp, ComEd External Affairs Manager, said he was here with Miguel A. Ortega, ComEd Director External Affairs, South Region, and then introduced Michael B. McMahan, ComEd Vice President of Advanced Metering Infrastructure Implementation who would make the presentation. Mr. McMahan said they would begin installing 8,000 new smart meters in July, with another 2,000 installed in 2015. He passed around an old analog meter and a smart meter. He said what made it a “smart” reader was a computer chip to record usage and two radios to transmit the usage data every four hours (6 times a day). Total transmission time per day is about five minutes. Mr. McMahan outlined the notifications and time frames ComEd will make to customers. Corix and ComEd are the contractors for West Chicago and their representatives will have identification, and never ask for money. Power will be out for about ten minutes or less during the changeover. They will accommodate anyone with special needs. ComEd owns the meter, but the socket belongs to the homeowner. ComEd has licensed electricians to repair defective fittings at no additional charge to the customers. They will also repair wires that are loose from the house. Mr. McMahan said they are not eavesdropping devices, they cannot tell what is going on in a house, their usage data will not be sold to third parties, and numerous studies show they do not cause medical issues. ComEd has state of the art anti-hacking capability. Municipalities must carefully read their contracts with electric aggregators.

6. City Council Meeting Minutes – June 2, 2014. Alderman Banas made a motion, seconded by Alderman Dimas, to approve the minutes of June 2, 2014, with no changes. Voting Aye: Aldermen Beifuss, Grodoski, Hallett, Dimas, John Smith, Meissner, Edwalds, Stout, Banas, and Fuesting. Alderman Earley passed. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

7. Corporate Disbursement Report. Alderman John Smith made a motion, seconded by Alderman Edwalds, to approve the June 16, 2014, Corporate Disbursement Report in the amount of \$ 890,546.49. Voting Aye: Aldermen Beifuss, Earley, Grodoski, Hallett, Dimas, John Smith, Meissner, Edwalds, Stout, Banas, and Fuesting. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

8. Consent Agenda – Consideration of an Omnibus Vote.

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

A. Ordinance 14-O-0013 – An Ordinance Denying Rezoning Land from the ORI Office Research and Light Industrial District to the Manufacturing District for a Certain Property Located at the Western Terminus of Commerce Drive

B. Ordinance 14-O-0015 – An Ordinance Denying an Amendment to the Comprehensive Plan of the City of West Chicago for a Certain Property Located at the Western Terminus of Commerce Drive

C. Ordinance 14-O-0016 – An Ordinance Granting a Second Amendment to a Special Use Permit for a Concrete Mixing Plant – 1201 W. Washington Street

D. Ordinance 14-O-0019 – An Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of West Chicago – Appendix A, Articles 4, 7, and 11 of the Zoning Code

E. Resolution 14-R-0035 – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Certain Downtown Façade Grant Program Agreement – Alberto Rodriguez – 568 Main Street

F. Resolution 14-R-0036 – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Certain Downtown Façade Grant Program Agreement – Ronald Segert – 132 Fremont Street

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

* **Infrastructure Committee:** Alderman Beifuss read and explained the following items:

G. Ordinance 14-O-0014 – An Ordinance Authorizing the Disposal of Surplus Equipment, Stock Inventory, and/or Personal Property Owned by the City of West Chicago

H. Resolution 14-R-0030 – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute Contract Amendment No. 2 with Strand Associates, Inc., for Professional Engineering Construction Oversight Services Related to the 2013 Main Street Tunnel and Stairway Improvement Project (for an amount not to exceed \$30,000.00)

I. Resolution 14-R-0031 – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute Contract with Strand Associates, Inc., for Professional Engineering Design Services Related to the 2015 A. Eugene Rennels Bridge Improvement Project (for an amount not to exceed \$51,000.00)

J. Resolution 14-R-0032 – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute Contract Agreement with Alaniz Landscape Group, for Services Related to the 2014 Main Street PCC Paver Sidewalk Rehabilitation Project (for an amount not to exceed \$23,159.25)

K. Resolution 14-R-0033 – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute Contract Amendment No. 2 with Schramm Construction Corporation for Construction Services Associated with the 2013 Well No. 12 Well House

L. Resolution 14-R-0034 – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute Contract Amendment No. 1 with Engineering Resource Associates, Inc., for Engineering Design and Construction Oversight Services Related to the Geneva Spur and Great Western Trail Bikeway Connection Project (for an amount not to exceed \$33,947.83)

M. Approve – The Purchase of One 2014 Bobcat E35 Compact Excavator and Appurtenances from Atlas Bobcat (for an amount not to exceed \$54,494.00)

N. Approve – The Purchase and Delivery of Unleaded Gasoline and Diesel Fuel from Palatine Oil Company through the SPC Joint Purchasing Contract (for an amount not to exceed \$367,000.00)

O. Approve – Change Order No. 1 and Final for the 2014 Forestry Maintenance Program (for an amount not to exceed \$1,745.65)

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

9. Reports by Committees. The Mayor read and explained the following items:

A. Ordinance 14-O-0017 – An Ordinance Rezoning Land from the ER-1 Estate Residence District to the Manufacturing District for a Certain Property Located at the Northeast Corner of Pilsen Road and Lee Road

B. Ordinance 14-O-0018 – An Ordinance Granting a Special Use Permit for a Utility Substation – 777 Pilsen Road

Alderman Stout made a motion, seconded by Alderman John Smith, to adopt the above items. During discussion, Alderman Dimas said she understood the City Council's direction for manufacturing for the comprehensive plan, however, as a representative of the people

who live in that area, she will be voting no. Voting Aye: Aldermen Beifuss, Earley, Grodoski, Hallett, John Smith, Meissner, Edwalds, Stout, Banas, and Fuesting. Voting Nay: Alderman Dimas. Motion carried.

10. Unfinished Business. None

11. New Business. None

12. Correspondence and Announcements.

Upcoming Meetings

June 17, 2014	Plan Commission/ZBA (cancelled)
June 23, 2014	Public Affairs Committee
June 24, 2014	Historical Preservation Commission
June 26, 2014	Finance Committee (cancelled)
July 3, 2014	Infrastructure Committee (cancelled)

The City Clerk said the new Farmer's Market in West Chicago is very nice. It is open from 7:00 am to 1:00 pm every Thursday at Mosaic Crossing.

The City Clerk said the VFW would be having a car show on August 16, 2014.

The City Clerk announced that visitors from our Sister City in Germany would be arriving here on August 28, 2014. They will be attending the September 3, 2014, City Council meeting, and the Clerk would like to have a "Taste of West Chicago" event at City Hall prior to the meeting, if the Council approves.

13. Mayor's Comments. The Mayor said he went to the Farmer's Market to meet the vendors. Thousands of cars go by the Farmer's Market and if they stop, they will shop. There are a number of stores there such as Hobby Lobby, Old Time Pottery, and McDonald's. Winfield has a Farmer's Market on Wednesday and West Chicago's on Thursday. The Mayor pointed out that this is part of a healthy initiative. There are nice breads, fruits, and vegetables available.

The Mayor said school is out and we are going into the first week of summer. There will be people out and about on motorcycles, bicycles, and walking so we should be very careful and keep it safe.

14. Executive Session. There was no executive session.

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

16. Adjournment. At 7:42 pm, Alderman Stout made a motion, seconded by Alderman Dimas, to adjourn. Motion was carried by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy M. Smith
City Clerk