

These minutes were approved at the 9/2/14 City Council meeting with no changes.

CITY OF WEST CHICAGO – 475 Main Street  
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
Regular Meeting  
August 18, 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 Edwalds 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, Mark Edwalds, Rebecca Stout, John F. Banas, and Matt Fuesting present. Aldermen James E. Beifuss, Jr. and Kurt Meissner were absent. The Mayor announced a quorum.

City Clerk Nancy M. Smith was also present.

Also in attendance were City Attorney Patrick K. Bond, Public Works Director Rob Flatter, City Administrator Michael L. Guttman, and Community Development Director John D. Said.

5. **Public Participation.** The following person spoke during Public Participation:

Ms. Marilyn Kroll, 199 W. North Avenue, #107, West Chicago, said she attended a Finance Committee meeting for the first time. She thanked people for their patience as she is trying to learn and become a person who makes a difference. She wished to follow up on her request for the City to create a task force to create job growth for people with special needs and her suggestion for a job fair. The Mayor thanked her for her comments, and said the City Council will bring this up during New Business, if it wishes, for further discussion.

6. **City Council Meeting Minutes – August 4, 2014.** Alderman Banas made a motion, seconded by Alderman Murphy, to approve the minutes of August 4, 2014, with no changes. Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Earley, James Smith, Grodoski, Hallett, Dimas, Murphy, John Smith, Edwalds, Stout, Banas, and Fuesting. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

7. **Corporate Disbursement Report.** Alderman John Smith made a motion, seconded by Alderman Edwalds, to approve the August 18, 2014, Corporate Disbursement Report in the amount of \$ 652,021.21. Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Earley, James Smith, Grodoski, Hallett, Dimas, John Smith, 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 14-O-0025** – An Ordinance Granting a Special Use Permit for a Meeting Space and Place of Worship – West Chicago Community Center – 306 Main Street (removed from the Consent Agenda and voted upon separately)

B. **Ordinance 14-O-0024** – An Ordinance Granting a Special Use Permit for a Gas Station with Variances – 184 W. North Avenue

C. **Resolution 14-R-0044** – A Resolution Approving the City of West Chicago True North Plat of Subdivision

D. **Resolution 14-R-0043** – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Accept a Plat of Abrogation for a Public Utility Easement – 184 w. North Avenue

Alderman Stout made a motion, seconded by Alderman Jim Smith, to adopt Items 8. B, C, and D. Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Earley, James Smith, Grodoski, Hallett, Dimas, Murphy, John Smith, Edwalds, Stout, Banas, and Fuesting. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

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

E. **Resolution 14-R-0042** – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Contract Agreement with DMD Consultants, Inc., for Services Related to the 2014 Hydrant Maintenance Program (for an amount not to exceed \$30,750.00)

F. **Approve** – Change Order No. 1 and Final for the 2012 Digester #2 Improvement Project (for an amount not to exceed \$34,339.21)

**G. Approve** – The Purchase of Four Knapheide Utility Van (KUTV) Bodies from Regional Truck Equipment (for an amount not to exceed \$100,320.00)

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, Edwalds, Stout, Banas, and Fuesting. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

\* **Finance Committee:** Alderman Dimas read and explained the following item:

**H. Deny** – Request for Waiver of the Zoning Application Fee for the West Chicago Community Center/Western DuPage Chamber of Commerce Special Use Permit (removed from the Consent Agenda and voted upon separately)

## **9. Reports by Committees.**

(from 8.A) **Ordinance 14-O-0025** – An Ordinance Granting a Special Use Permit for a Meeting Space and Place of Worship – West Chicago Community Center – 306 Main Street

(from 8.H) **Deny** – Request for Waiver of the Zoning Application Fee for the West Chicago Community Center/Western DuPage Chamber of Commerce Special Use Permit

Alderman Dimas made a motion, seconded by Alderman Chassee, to table the above items and refer back to the next Finance Committee meeting and then back to the whole City Council. During discussion, Alderman Dimas requested that the fee waiver be considered in the future. The applicant will be notified of the date and time. Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Earley, James Smith, Grodoski, Hallett, Dimas, Murphy, John Smith, Edwalds, Stout, and Fuesting. Voting Nay: 0. Alderman Banas voted present. Motion carried.

**10. Unfinished Business.** None

**11. New Business.** None

## **12. Correspondence and Announcements.**

### **Upcoming Meetings**

August 19, 2014	Plan Commission/ZBA (cancelled)
August 25, 2014	Public Affairs Committee
August 26, 2014	Historical Preservation Commission
August 28, 2014	Finance Committee (cancelled)

Alderman Earley said the Lion's Club would be sponsoring the 49<sup>th</sup> Annual New Teachers Luncheon. There are 60 new teachers. Mayor Pineda will be speaking.

The City Clerk reminded everyone that the first meeting in September would be on Tuesday, September 2, 2014, because of Labor Day. At that meeting, the German visitors from our Sister City, Taufkirchen(Vils), Bavaria, Germany, will be in attendance.

The City Clerk announced that the Consolidated Election will be held on April 7, 2015. At this election, one alderman will be elected, for a four year term, from Wards 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 7. Two aldermen will be elected from Ward 6, one for a two year term and one for a four year term. Nominating papers can be circulated starting on September 23, 2014. They can be circulated through the filing period of December 15 through December 22, 2014. On the last day of filing, this office will be opened until 5:00 pm.

Mayor Pineda announced that Tony Quarto will be retiring from the West Chicago Police Department. A retirement party will be held at the American Legion on August 30, 2014, starting at 6:00 pm. Officer Quarto has been with the City for a long time. He ran and worked on the Touch a Truck events and National Night Out programs.

**13. Mayor's Comments.** The Mayor said tomorrow there will be a wonderful event: a block party to welcome The United Way to West Chicago. The party will be at the Lehman Middle School from 4:30 – 7:00 pm. The United Way has been a part of West Chicago and surrounding areas for a long time, but the relationship is being enhanced. We had 22 families on a waiting list for mental health, and no more grants. United Way stepped up. The United Way had 50 communities to choose from for a special pilot program. They chose us because we already had things in place such as Educare and We Go for Kids. United Way will be helping our community and families and are one of the 40 partners in Healthy West Chicago.

**14. Executive Session.** At 7:20 pm, Alderman Dimas made a motion, seconded by Alderman Murphy, to adjourn into executive session to discuss land acquisition [5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5) (6)], litigation [5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11)], and review of Official Record [5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21)].

Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Earley, James Smith, Grodoski, Hallett, Dimas, Murphy, John Smith, 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