

These minutes were approved at the 10/17/16 City Council meeting with no changes.

CITY OF WEST CHICAGO – 475 Main Street
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
Regular Meeting
October 3, 2016

1. **Call to Order.** Mayor Ruben Pineda called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.** Alderman Garcia 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, James E. Beifuss, Jr., Jayme Sheahan, Laura Grodoski, Alton Hallett, Sandy Dimas, Melissa Ferguson, John C. Smith, Kurt Meissner, George L. Garcia, Rebecca Stout, John F. Banas, and Noreen Ligino-Kubinski present. The Mayor announced a quorum.

City Clerk Nancy M. Smith was also present.

Also in attendance were City Attorney Patrick K. Bond, City Administrator Michael L. Guttman, Chief of Police Mike Uplegger, Community Development Director John D. Said, and Administrative Services Director Linda Martin.

5. **Public Participation.** No one spoke during Public Participation.

6. **City Council Meeting Minutes – September 19, 2016.** Alderman Chassee made a motion, seconded by Alderman Banas, to approve the minutes of September 19, 2016, with no changes. Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Sheahan, Grodoski, Hallett, Dimas, Ferguson, Smith, Garcia, Stout, Banas, and Ligino-Kubinski. Alderman Meissner abstained. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

7. **Corporate Disbursement Report.** Alderman Smith made a motion, seconded by Alderman Dimas, to approve the October 3, 2016, Corporate Disbursement Report in the amount of \$596,719.89. Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Sheahan, Grodoski, Hallett, Dimas, Ferguson, Smith, Meissner, Garcia, Stout, Banas, and Ligino-Kubinski. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

8. **Consent Agenda – Consideration of an Omnibus Vote.**

* **Public Affairs Committee:** Alderman Chassee read and explained the following items:

A. Approve – The West Chicago City Museum Halloween Parade – Scheduled for Saturday, October 22, 2016

B. Approve – The West Chicago City Museum Tales Tombstones Tell Event – Scheduled for Saturday, October 8, 2016

C. Approve – The Wheaton Academy Homecoming Fireworks Display – Scheduled for Friday, October 14, 2016

Alderman Chassee made a motion, seconded by Alderman Hallett, to adopt the above items. Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Sheahan, Grodoski, Hallett, Dimas, Ferguson, Smith, Meissner, Garcia, Stout, Banas, and Ligino-Kubinski. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

* **Finance Committee:** Alderman Dimas read and explained the following items:

D. Approve – The Community Outreach Specialist/Latino Ombudsman Job Description

E. Approve – The Special Events Coordinator Job Description

F. Ordinance 16-O-0033 – An Ordinance Amending the Annual Budget for the City of West Chicago, DuPage County, Illinois, for the Fiscal Year Commencing January 1, 2016, and Ending December 31, 2016, Passed and Adopted by Ordinance 15-O-0062

Alderman Dimas made a motion, seconded by Alderman Stout, to adopt the above items. Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Sheahan, Grodoski, Hallett, Dimas, Ferguson, Smith, Meissner, Garcia, Stout, Banas, and Ligino-Kubinski. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

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

G. Concur – With the Mayor’s Appointment of Adriana Sarellana to the Cultural Arts Commission for an Unexpired Term Ending April 2019

Alderman Banas made a motion, seconded by Alderman Ferguson, to adopt the above item. Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Sheahan, Grodoski, Hallett, Dimas, Ferguson, Smith, Meissner, Garcia, Stout, Banas, and Ligino-Kubinski. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

9. Reports by Committees. None

10. Unfinished Business. None

11. New Business. None

12. Correspondence and Announcements.

Upcoming Meetings

- October 4, 2016	Plan Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals
- October 6, 2016	Infrastructure Committee
- October 10, 2016	Development Committee

The City Clerk announced that the West Chicago VFW post is planning to place wreaths on every veteran’s grave in West Chicago this winter (980). Fundraisers for this project include a 5K run on November 5, 2016, at Reed-Keppler Park. The Mayor said he would like to promote this event as it is great for West Chicago to honor all of its veterans. He said a lot of volunteers will be putting this together so he urged everyone to come out and participate.

Alderman Chassee said the West Chicago Lions Club is putting a new twist on its fall pancake breakfast. It will now be known as the “Pancake and Pumpkin Breakfast” and be held at the West Chicago Community High School. It will also be moved up earlier to October 30, 2016, from 8:00 am to noon. There will be judging for those who come in costumes. Grade school students will also be submitting art work for the Lions Club Peace Poster Contest that will be judged for scholarships.

Alderman Dimas said this has been a challenging time for all of us in West Chicago concerning the water billing. This week she saw the women in our Administrative Services Department at the counter dealing with a person upset about their bill and she wanted to commend the employees for being so professional. The Mayor said they have been doing a great job at the counter. Everyone knows there is a problem, but the City is fixing it. If anyone has any questions, the Mayor invited them to call him or their alderman. There is also information on the web site. The City is working to make sure the residents are informed.

13. Mayor’s Comments. The Mayor said the Move with the Mayor challenge is over and West Chicago beat all the other cities involved: Green Bay, WI, Oklahoma City, OK, Lorain, OH, Columbia, SC, (and Indianapolis, IN). The National Forum for Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention invited the Mayor to speak in Washington, D.C. on October 19, 2016. The Mayor said he was very proud of everyone. District 33 and all the schools have been great. He had lunch with every student. They got their parents out, also. They wanted to walk with the Mayor and others, and they made new relationships. The Mayor thanked all who walked and participated. There was also great participation on World Heart Day. But the walks are not going to stop. The walks began with every week with Team Pineda and now with Healthy West Chicago. The Mayor wants to keep the momentum going until the weather is too cold. There will be a walk this Saturday at 9:00 am, starting at St. Michael’s Church. Information can be found on the City’s web site community calendar. Team Pineda and Healthy West Chicago are also on Face Book.

14. Executive Session. There was no executive session.

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

16. Adjournment. At 7:15 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