

These minutes were approved at the 3/6/2017 City Council meeting with no changes.

CITY OF WEST CHICAGO – 475 Main Street
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
Regular Meeting
February 20, 2017

1. **Call to Order.** Mayor Ruben Pineda called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.** Alderman Meissner 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, and Marketing and Communications Coordinator Rosemary Mackey.

5. **Public Participation.** No one spoke during Public Participation.
6. **City Council Meeting Minutes – February 6, 2017.** Alderman Banas made a motion, seconded by Alderman Dimas, to approve the minutes of February 6, 2017, with no changes. Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Sheahan, Grodoski, Hallett, Dimas, Ferguson, Smith, Garcia, Stout, Banas, and Ligino-Kubinski. Voting Nay: 0. Alderman Meissner abstained. Motion carried.
7. **Corporate Disbursement Report.** Alderman Smith made a motion, seconded by Alderman Hallett, to approve the February 20, 2017, Corporate Disbursement Report in the amount of \$552,858.27. 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 item:

A. Resolution 17-R-0011 – A Resolution to Enter an Agreement between the City of West Chicago and Mungo Creative Group (MCG) for Marketing Services (for an amount not to exceed \$72,000.00)

Alderman Chassee made a motion, seconded by Alderman Ferguson, to approve 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.** Alderman Garcia said that West Chicago Community High School teacher Mary Ellen Daneels was selected as this year's Illinois nominee for the National Education Association Foundation Awards for Teaching Excellence. This is a major award. Ms. Daneels had organized a Legislative Simulation that he attended, and it was excellent. He wished to have the City recognize this accomplishment. Mayor Pineda agreed to have the City recognize her.

12. **Correspondence and Announcements.**

Upcoming Meetings

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| - February 21, 2017 | Plan Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals (cancelled) |
| - February 23, 2017 | Finance Committee (cancelled) |
| - February 27, 2017 | Public Affairs Committee |
| - February 28, 2017 | Historical Preservation Commission |
| - March 2, 2017 | Infrastructure Committee |

The City Clerk announced that at Tuesday's District 94 School Board meeting, members of the VFW and Auxiliary will be presenting certificates and cash awards to the over 50 students who participated in the Voice of Democracy program this year from West Chicago Community High School. This is a program that teacher Ms. Mary Ellen Daneels has spearheaded for many years and she does an excellent job.

The City Clerk announced that the Friends of the West Chicago City Museum are sponsoring a fundraising Tea featuring "Hamilton's Women" on March 26, 2017, 1:00 p.m. at the American Legion. Cost is \$20.00 per person, and she has tickets.

The Mayor said this Sunday is the WeGrow Dreams fundraiser at Bowling Green. This is a great opportunity to see what they do. They have partnered with, and started seeds for, Garden Works.

13. Mayor's Comments. Healthy West Chicago is getting a lot of visibility and is becoming known locally, State-wide, and nationally. The Mayor had a meeting with the American Diabetes Association and they are very excited about what West Chicago is doing. The Mayor is meeting with the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus, the West Chicago Park District, and Healthy West Chicago tomorrow at 10:00 a.m. at the ARC to talk about Healthy West Chicago. The word is spreading throughout the community.

14. Executive Session. There was no executive session.

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

16. Adjournment. At 7:08 p.m., Alderman Chassee made a motion, seconded by Alderman Stout, to adjourn. Motion was carried by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy M. Smith
City Clerk