

These minutes were approved at the 8/6/18 City Council meeting with no changes.

CITY OF WEST CHICAGO – 475 Main Street

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Regular Meeting

July 16, 2018

1. **Call to Order.** Mayor Ruben Pineda called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.** Alderman Beifuss 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., Heather Brown, Jayme Sheahan, Michael D. Ferguson, Melissa Birch-Ferguson, Matthew E. Garling, George L. Garcia, Rebecca Stout, Bonnie A. Gagliardi, and Noreen Ligino-Kubinski present. Aldermen Alton Hallett, Sandy Dimas, and Kurt Meissner were absent. The Mayor announced a quorum.

City Clerk Nancy M. Smith was also present.

Also in attendance were City Attorney Keith E. Letsche, City Administrator Michael L. Guttman, Chief of Police Mike Uplegger, and Community Development Director Tom Dabareiner.

5. **Public Participation.**

The following person spoke during Public Participation:

Tim Devitt, 1675 Whispering Oaks Court, West Chicago, said he recently learned that his residential area is not in the West Chicago Mosquito Abatement District (WCMAD) and he wanted information on what would be involved in getting included and how much it would cost. He had called DuPage County and was directed to a salesman. The agreement with WCMAD was made almost 70 years ago. The Mayor said this item is on the agenda and would be discussed at that time.

6. **City Council Meeting Minutes – July 2, 2018.** Alderman Brown made a motion, seconded by Alderman Sheahan, to approve the minutes of July 2, 2018, with no changes. Voting Aye: Aldermen Beifuss, Brown, Sheahan, Ferguson, Garcia, Stout, Gagliardi, and Ligino-Kubinski. Voting Nay: 0. Aldermen Chassee, Birch-Ferguson, and Garling abstained. Motion carried.

7. **Corporate Disbursement Report.** Alderman Garling made a motion, seconded by Alderman Chassee, to approve the July 16, 2018, Corporate Disbursement Report in the amount of \$854,048.58. Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Brown, Sheahan, Ferguson, Birch-Ferguson, Garling, Garcia, Stout, Gagliardi, and Ligino-Kubinski. . 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 18-O-0040** – An Ordinance Granting a Certain Waiver to Section 7.13 (c)(4), Design Standards and Review of the Zoning Code for 1250 W. North Avenue

B. **Ordinance 18-O-0041** – An Ordinance Approving a Special Use for a Car Wash at 705 E. Roosevelt Road

C. **Ordinance 18-O-0042** – An Ordinance Granting a Second Amendment to a Special Use for a Car Wash at 1307 S. Neltner Boulevard

D. **Ordinance 18-O-0044** – An Ordinance Approving a Special Use for a Truck Repair Facility at 1401 Harvester Road

E. **Resolution 18-R-0048** – A Resolution Approving the Concept Plan for Norix Group, Inc. at 1 Innovation Drive in the DuPage Business Center

Alderman Stout made a motion, seconded by Alderman Gagliardi, to adopt the above items. Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Brown, Sheahan, Ferguson, Birch-Ferguson, Garling, Garcia, Stout, Gagliardi, and Ligino-Kubinski. . Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

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

F. Approve – Change Order No. 1 and Final to the Contract with Acres Group for the 2018 Parkway Tree Planting Program (for a total not to exceed \$255.00)

G. Approve – The Purchase of HMA Asphalt Materials from Plote Construction through the DuPage County Joint Purchasing Program for In-House Street Overlay Projects for FY 2018 (for an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00)

H. Authorize – The City Administrator to Enter into a Best Term Contract, with the Lowest Cost Supplier, for the Supply of Electricity under the City's Electricity Aggregation Program

I. Resolution 18-R-0049 – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Contract Agreement with Operations Management International, Inc. for Professional Services Related to the Reconditioning of Primary Clarifier Tank #4 at the City's Wastewater Treatment Plant (for an amount not to exceed \$154,659.00)

J. Resolution 18-R-0052 – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Contract Agreement with A Lamp Concrete Contractors, Inc. for Services Related to the Roadway and Water Main Rehabilitation Project (Stimmel, Pomeroy, Weyrauch, Lester and Hazel (for an amount not to exceed \$1,298,516.57)

Alderman Beifuss made a motion, seconded by Alderman Garcia, to approve the above items. Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Brown, Sheahan, Ferguson, Birch-Ferguson, Garling, Garcia, Stout, Gagliardi, and Ligino-Kubinski. . Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

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

K. Ordinance 18-O-0038 – An Ordinance Adding a New Article to Chapter 9, Licenses, Permits and Business Regulations, of the West Chicago Code of Ordinances – Chapter 9, Article XII – Relocators and Repossessors

L. Ordinance 18-O-0043 – An Ordinance Amending the City of West Chicago's "Municipal Gas Use Tax", Chapter 16, Section 16-77 – 16-78 (removed and voted upon separately)

M. Resolution 18-R-0054 – A Resolution Authorizing the City Administrator to Execute a Municipal Gas Use Tax Collection Agreement with the Northern Illinois Gas Company (removed and voted upon separately)

Alderman Chassee made a motion, seconded by Alderman Ligino-Kubinski, to adopt Ordinance 18-O-0038 and Resolution 18-R-0054. Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Brown, Sheahan, Ferguson, Birch-Ferguson, Garling, Garcia, Stout, Gagliardi, and Ligino-Kubinski. . Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

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

N. Concur – With the Mayor's Reappointment of Keith Letsche to the Historical Preservation Commission for a Term Ending April 2021

O. Concur – With the Mayor's Reappointment of Richard Vigsnes to the Historical Preservation Commission for a Term Ending April 2021

P. Concur – With the Mayor's Reappointment of Reverend Bill Andrews to the Historical Preservation Commission for a Term Ending April 2021

Q. Concur – With the Mayor's Reappointment of Christine Dettman to the Plan Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals for a Term Ending April 2023

R. Concur – With the Mayor's Reappointment of John Symowicz to the Environmental Commission for a Term Ending April 2021

S. Concur – With the Mayor's Reappointment of Kristine Zimmerman to the Environmental Commission for a Term Ending April 2021

T. Concur – With the Mayor's Reappointment of Gene Plumlee to the Cultural Arts Commission for a Term Ending April 2022

U. Concur – With the Mayor's Reappointment of Joseph Cavataio to the Environmental Commission for a Term Ending April 2019

V. Resolution 18-R-0055 – A Resolution of the City of West Chicago, DuPage County, Illinois, Authorizing the Sale of Municipally Owned Real Estate Commonly Known as 727 Wendall Avenue

W. Ordinance 18-O-0045 – An Ordinance Amending Appendix G of the Code of Ordinances of the City of West Chicago – Fee Schedule – Section 20.1 – Small Wireless Facility Fees and Penalties

X. Resolution 18-R-0057 – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Accept a Plat of Abrogation for a Drainage and Public Utility Easement at 430 Industrial Drive - Mapei

Y. Resolution 18-R-0058 – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Accept a Plat of Easement for Public Utilities at 1440 S. Neltnor Boulevard

Z. Resolution 18-R-0059 – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Accept a Plat of Easement for Public Utilities at 1440 S. Neltnor Boulevard

AA. Resolution 18-R-0060 – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Accept a Plat of Easement for Public Utilities at 490 E. Roosevelt Road

BB. Resolution 18-R-0061 – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Accept a Plat of Easement for Public Utilities at 500 E. Roosevelt Road

Alderman Ferguson made a motion, seconded by Alderman Chassee, to adopt the above items. Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Brown, Sheahan, Ferguson, Birch-Ferguson, Garling, Garcia, Stout, Gagliardi, and Ligino-Kubinski. . Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

9. Reports by Committees. From 8 L. and M.

Ordinance 18-O-0043 – An Ordinance Amending the City of West Chicago's "Municipal Gas Use Tax", Chapter 16, Section 16-77 – 16-78

Resolution 18-R-0054 – A Resolution Authorizing the City Administrator to Execute a Municipal Gas Use Tax Collection Agreement with the Northern Illinois Gas Company

Alderman Chassee made a motion, seconded by Alderman Stout, to adopt Ordinance 18-O-0043 and Resolution 18-R-0054. During discussion, Alderman Garling said he is hesitant to lay on more taxes and so wanted to vote on these items separately. Alderman Chassee explained that the Finance Committee came up with ways to increase revenue since the State of Illinois is taking more than \$750,000 from the City. This one is a small increase. Mayor Pineda also blamed the State legislators for taking away the money. He said staff came up with great ideas to make up for the shortfall and these are two of them. City Administrator Guttman explained how they used his house as an example to calculate the costs. Originally the increase was to be about 5%, but because the State would now get taxes from internet sales, they do not need as much and the increase is about 2.5%.

Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Brown, Sheahan, Ferguson, Birch-Ferguson, Garcia, Stout, Gagliardi, and Ligino-Kubinski. . Voting Nay: Alderman Garling. Motion carried.

10. Unfinished Business. None

11. New Business.

A. Mosquito Abatement in Residential Areas Within the City Limits and Not Within the West Chicago Mosquito Abatement Boundaries. The Mayor called upon City Attorney Letsche to explain what is going on with mosquito abatement provided by WCMAD. Attorney Letsche said the City itself does not provide this service. In order for the City to provide the service, it would have to provide it to the entire City. As far as solutions, one would be to try to annex to the WCMAD. There are statutory procedures to that. Another solution would be to become a Special Service District, and that would be taxed. Attorney Letsche said there are legal requirements to getting a petition. He advised that an attorney be consulted.

Alderman Chassee said it is confusing because the WCMAD is not the City, but is funded through the County.

City Administrator Guttman said in order to be included in the WCMAD the area would have to be contiguous to their boundaries. Unincorporated neighbors may have to be included.

Alderman Garcia did not like the way the information was put out to the public. It caused a lot of people to be upset and caused many telephone calls. He would like to see more communication. Secondly, there are some subdivisions where they are already buying mosquito abatement services from the same company.

Mayor Pineda said Alderman Stouts sits on the WCMAD board. He suggested that Mr. Devitt could go through his homeowners association. Being in the district would not raise his taxes very much. Alderman Stout said it is about the cost of a can of Raid per year. The Mayor said the homeowners association can have a year to year contract with the same company. It would be a lot less work and less expensive.

Alderman Garcia said people are getting stung now. He said he would be willing to work with Alderman Stout. He thought a survey might be made first to see if there is interest before going through the petition process.

City Administrator Guttman said all the subdivisions predate him. When the City pre-annexed St. Andrew they found they were not part of the Fire Protection District. Now for any new subdivisions, the City checks the tax law.

12. Correspondence and Announcements.

Upcoming Meetings

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| - July 17, 2018 | Plan Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals (cancelled) |
| - July 23, 2018 | Public Affairs Committee (meeting time is 7:30 a.m.) |
| - July 24, 2018 | Historical Preservation Commission |
| - July 26, 2018 | Finance Committee (cancelled) |
| - August 2, 2018 | Infrastructure Committee |

13. Mayor's Comments. The Mayor said the Railroad Days Festival just concluded and it was very hot outside. The parade was one of the hottest he had ever been in. Attendance was light Thursday and Friday, but picked up for Saturday. Due to storm threats, the festival was closed down earlier on Saturday. Sunday was good, but hot. All in all, it was another great festival, and people are getting used to having it at Pioneer Park.

14. Executive Session. There was no executive session.

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

16. Adjournment. At 7:38 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