

These minutes were approved at the 3/20/23 City Council meeting with no changes.

CITY OF WEST CHICAGO – 475 Main Street
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
Special Meeting
February 27-28, 2023

The Special City Council meeting of February 27-28, 2023, was held partly remote (via Zoom) and partly in person.

1. Call to Order. Mayor Ruben Pineda (in person) called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. on February 27, 2023. The Mayor said that he determined that fully in person meetings are not practical and prudent at this time.

2. Pledge of Allegiance. Alderman Morano led all in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Roll Call and Establishment of a Quorum.

Roll call found Lori Chassee, James E. Beifuss, Jr., Jayme Sheahan, Rebecca Stout, Melissa Birch Ferguson, Jeanne Short, Sandy Dimas, Christine Dettmann, Heather Brown, Matthew Garling, Joseph C. Morano, John E. Jakabcsin, Alton Hallett, and Christopher Swiatek present. Aldermen Brown and Garling were present via Zoom. The Mayor announced a quorum.

Also in attendance were City Administrator Michael Guttman and Special Legal Counsel Dennis Walsh and Dan Bourgault from Klein, Thorpe & Jenkins, and Derke Price, from Ancel Glink.

4. Executive Session (Roll Call Vote).

a. **5 ILCS 120/2 (C) (4)** – Evidence or testimony presented in open hearing or in closed hearing where specifically authorized by law, to a quasi adjudicative body, as defined in this Act, provided that the body prepares and makes available for public inspection a written decision setting forth its determinative reasoning.

At 7:03 p.m., Alderman Swiatek made a motion, seconded by Alderman Chassee, to go into Executive Session.

Voting Aye by Roll Call Vote: Chassee, Beifuss, Stout, Birch Ferguson, Short, Dimas, Dettmann, Morano, Garling, Sheahan, Hallett, Brown, Jakabcsin and Swiatek. Motion carried.

5. Roll Call to Return to Open Session. At 8:50 p.m., Alderman Dimas made a motion, seconded by Alderman Birch Ferguson, to return to Open Session.

Voting Aye by Roll Call Vote: Chassee, Beifuss, Stout, Birch Ferguson, Short, Dimas, Dettmann, Morano, Garling, Sheahan, Hallett, Brown, Jakabcsin and Swiatek. Motion carried.

6. Continue to February 28, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at Community High School. Alderman Chassee made a motion, seconded by Alderman Short, to continue the meeting to February 28, 2023 at Community High School.

Voting Aye by Roll Call Vote: Chassee, Beifuss, Stout, Birch Ferguson, Short, Dimas, Dettmann, Morano, Garling, Sheahan, Hallett, Brown, Jakabcsin and Swiatek. Motion carried.

February 28, 2023 Agenda Continued

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7. Call to Order. Mayor Ruben Pineda (in person) called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. on February 28, 2023. The Mayor said that he determined that fully in person meetings are not practical and prudent at this time.

8. Roll Call and Establishment of a Quorum

Roll call found Lori Chassee, James E. Beifuss, Jr., Jayme Sheahan, Rebecca Stout, Melissa Birch Ferguson, Jeanne Short, Sandy Dimas, Christine Dettmann, Heather Brown, Matthew Garling, Joseph C. Morano, John E. Jakabcsin, Alton Hallett, and Christopher Swiatek present. Aldermen Chassee and Garling were present via Zoom. The Mayor announced a quorum.

Also in attendance were Director of Community Development Tom Dabareiner, City Administrator Michael Guttman and Special Legal Counsel Dennis Walsh.

9. Adoption of an Ordinance relating to the APPLICATION FOR LOCAL SITING APPROVAL FOR LAKESHORE RECYCLING SYSTEMS, LLC, FOR THE WEST DUPAGE RECYCLING AND TRANSFER STATION, 1655 POWIS ROAD, WEST CHICAGO.

Alderman Dimas made a motion, seconded by Alderman Swiatek, to approve Ordinance No. 23-O-0006 approving the siting application for Lakeshore Recycling Systems.

Alderman Beifuss stated that the applicant has not met Criteria #1, 2 or 8. Alderman Garling expressed that he feels that Criteria #1 and 3 have not been met. Alderman Chassee conveyed that she believes the applicant has met all of the Siting Criteria.

Voting Aye by Roll Call Vote: Chassee, Stout, Birch Ferguson, Short, Dimas, Dettmann, Morano, Sheahan, Hallett, Brown, and Swiatek. Alderman Beifuss, Garling and Jakabcsin voted Nay. Motion carried.

10. Public Participation (three minutes per speaker)

None

11. Adjournment

At 6:05 p.m., Alderman Stout made a motion, seconded by Alderman Dimas, to adjourn the meeting. All Aldermen voted aye by Roll Call Vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Guttman
City Administrator