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CITY OF WEST CHICAGO – 475 Main Street

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Regular Meeting

March 16, 2009

1. **Call to Order.** Mayor Michael B. Kwasman called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.** Alderman Pineda 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, H. Ronald Monroe, James Smith, Russell Radkiewicz, Ruben Pineda, Sandy Dimas, Alan Murphy, Gregory D. Bunch, Joey Gianforte, Nanette B. Connelly, Rebecca Stout, Nicholas Dzierzanowski, and Matt Fuesting present. Alderman James E. Beifuss, Jr., was absent. The Mayor announced a quorum.

City Clerk Nancy M. Smith and City Treasurer Donald F. Earley were also present.

Also in attendance were City Attorney Patrick K. Bond, Public Works Director Rob Flatter, Chief of Police Donald Goncher, City Administrator Michael L. Guttman, and Community Development Director Joanne Kalchbrenner. There were many representatives of the West Chicago Police Department in attendance.

5. **Public Participation.** The Mayor rearranged the agenda to accommodate various schedules.

Chief Goncher welcomed, congratulated, and introduced the newest recruit, Officer Robert Winton.

Chief Goncher then introduced Sergeant Stephen Laub who had recently been promoted to the rank of sergeant. Chief Goncher administered the oath of office to Sergeant Laub.

Chief Goncher introduced Officer Joseph Trefelik who has been with the Police Department for 30 years and will be retiring in May. On behalf of the Police Department and the City of West Chicago, the Chief commended Officer Trefelik for his actions on March 11, 2009, regarding his handling of suspicious persons near the middle school. As a result of his actions, a loaded handgun was found and suspects later arrested. Chief Goncher then presented the Meritorious Service Bar to Officer Trefelik who received a standing ovation.

A number of the West Chicago Police Department officers and Alderman Murphy had their heads shaved recently as part of the St. Baldrick's Foundation, a charity which raises money for childhood cancer research. The Mayor thanked Alderman Murphy for representing the City Council. Alderman Murphy said he enjoyed it and it was a worthy cause.

B. Proclamation 496 – Honoring Dr. Lee Rieck. At the Mayor's request, the City Clerk read Proclamation 496 (copy attached) in which the Mayor, on behalf of the City Council and the entire community, proclaimed admiration, esteem, and gratitude to Dr. Lee Rieck for his years of service to District 94 and the entire community of West Chicago. Dr. Rieck thanked the Mayor for that nice citation, and said he has been in education for 32 years, in three different states, and four school districts. He said it was a wonderful privilege to serve the students and parents. He said he was deeply appreciative to being able to serve in West Chicago. He said the school received exemplary cooperation from the City, the Fire Protection District, and the Police Department. The Mayor presented the Proclamation to Dr. Rieck on behalf of the City of West Chicago. The Mayor said no other Superintendent has brought the school and City together to make it work and represent progress. The Mayor said although he has not gone through this school system, others here have, and Dr. Rieck has made it award winning.

C. Proclamation 497 – Honoring Tony Reyes. At the Mayor's request, the City Clerk read Proclamation 497 (copy attached) in which the Mayor, on behalf of the City Council and the entire community, proclaimed admiration, esteem, and gratitude to Tony Reyes for his years of service to District 94 and the entire community of West Chicago. Mr. Reyes thanked the City Clerk for reading the Proclamation. Mr. Reyes said that when one is in public service, the biggest payday comes from being recognized. He said this City Council has recognized students, teachers, and people like himself. He said he was very proud to be here to accept this acclamation and well wishes. Mr. Reyes said Dr. Rieck and others made his time on the school board easier. Mr. Reyes thanked the Mayor and City Council for all they do for the schools and children in West Chicago. He said he came to West Chicago in 1960 and went

through the school system. He said it was a pleasure to work with the Mayor and Aldermen. The Mayor then presented the Proclamation to Mr. Reyes on behalf of the City of West Chicago. He said this was a double pleasure for him since he is the Mayor and he is giving a proclamation to a close friend for over 15 years. He said Mr. Reyes was there for him when he needed him. Mr. Reyes did a great job for the school and the community. The Mayor observed that when people run for office, they make a difference. Mr. Reyes has made a difference with the children of West Chicago. The Mayor thanked Mr. Reyes for what he has done for him personally, and for the City. He congratulated him and wished him the best in government.

The following persons spoke during public participation:

- 1) Don Earley, *4 the People*, gave an update on the food project. The Rotary has offered to help, as did Crossroad Chevrolet, Santo Maria's, Remax Cornerstone, and Murphy Ace Hardware Store.
- 2) John Kruser, CableCom, spoke of a new program on Wednesday and Friday at 7:00 pm this week and Tuesday and Thursday next week at 7:00 pm. Mr. Kruser said he has always wanted CableCom to have more Spanish language programming, and now they will. Hispanic Christian Churches contacted CableCom, and a new program will start on Sunday, April 5, 2009, at 11:00 am featuring a host and distinguished guests. The program will be motivational and inspirational.

The Mayor then relinquished his chair to Alderman Stout who took her place in the Mayor's chair.

A. Proclamation 495 – Honoring Theodore and Sally Phillips' 50th Wedding Anniversary. Alderman Stout read Proclamation 495 (copy attached) in which the Mayor, on behalf of the City Council and the entire community, proclaimed recognition, respect, and congratulations to Ted and Sally Phillips (Alderman Stout's parents) on the auspicious occasion of their **Golden Wedding Anniversary** commemorating 50 years of marriage. The Phillips' children and grandchildren also appeared as part of the surprise tribute and the audience gave a standing ovation. A reception was then held outside the Chambers.

6. Correspondence and Announcements.

Upcoming Meetings. The Mayor announced the following meetings.

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| - March 17, 2009 | Plan Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals |
| - March 18, 2009 | Environmental Commission |
| - March 19, 2009 | Community Affairs Committee |
| - March 23, 2009 | Public Safety Committee |
| - March 24, 2009 | Historical Preservation Commission |
| - March 26, 2009 | Finance Committee |
| - April 2, 2009 | Infrastructure Committee |

7. Corporate Disbursement Report. Alderman Connelly made a motion, seconded by Alderman Gianforte, to approve the March 16, 2009, Corporate Disbursement Report in the amount of \$ 793,410.04. Voting Yea: Aldermen Chassee, Monroe, Smith, Radkiewicz, Pineda, Dimas, Bunch, Gianforte, Connelly, Stout, Dzierzanowski, and Fuesting. Voting Nay: 0. Alderman Murphy abstained. Motion carried.

8. Consent Agenda – Consideration of an Omnibus Vote.

* **Development Committee:** Alderman Pineda read and explained the following items:

A. Ordinance 08-O-0079 – An Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of West Chicago – Appendix A, Article XIV, of the Zoning Code

B. Ordinance 08-O-0081 – An Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of West Chicago – Appendix A, Article IX, of the Zoning Code

C. Ordinance 09-O-0003 – An Ordinance of the City of West Chicago, Illinois, Providing for Annexation of Certain Territory Located on Blair and Stimmel Streets Between Lyman Avenue and Sherman Street

D. Ordinance 09-O-0017 – An Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of West Chicago – Appendix A Sections 4 and 11 of the Zoning Code

E. Ordinance 09-O-0018 – An Ordinance Approving an Amendment to a Special Use Permit for an Outside Storage Yard and a Setback Variance – 903 W. Washington Street

F. Ordinance 09-O-0023 – An Ordinance Rezoning Land from the ER-1 Estate Residential District to the R-5 Single Family Residence District Land on Stimmel and Blair Streets Between Sherman Street and Lyman Avenue

G. Ordinance 09-O-0006 – An Ordinance Approving a Second Amendment to the Final PUD of Bishop Place – Northwest Corner of Roosevelt Road and Bishop Street

Alderman Pineda made a motion, seconded by Alderman Monroe, to adopt those items on the consent agenda. Voting Yea: Aldermen Chassee, Monroe, Smith, Radkiewicz, Pineda, Dimas, Murphy, Bunch, Gianforte, Connelly, Stout, Dzierzanowski, and Fuesting. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

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

H. Authorize – The Purchase of Two (2) 2009 Ford Crown Victoria Police Pursuit Vehicles, from Landmark Ford, Inc., Through the State of Illinois Joint Purchasing Program (for an amount not to exceed \$45,645.00)

I. Authorize – The Purchase of One (1) 2009 Ford F150 4WD Extended Cab Pickup Truck, from Morrow Brothers Ford, Inc., Through the State of Illinois Joint Purchasing Program (for an amount not to exceed \$24,200.00)

J. Authorize – The Purchase of One (1) 2009 Whirlwind MV Pure Vacuum Street Sweeper, from the Standard Equipment Company, Through the State of Illinois Joint Purchasing Program (for an amount not to exceed \$219,085.00)

K. Resolution 09-R-0014 – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Contract with Electrical Systems, Inc., for Professional Services Related to the Lift Station No. 7 Generator Project (for an amount not to exceed \$96,800)

L. Resolution 09-R-0015 – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Contract with Layne-Western company, Ltd., for Professional Services Related to the Maintenance and Repairs of the Well Assembly at Well Station No. 11 (for an amount not to exceed \$72,000)

M. Resolution 09-R-0017 – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Professional Engineering Services Agreement with AECOM for Design Engineering Services for the Illinois Route 64 Utility Relocation Project

N. Resolution 09-R-0018 – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Contract Amendment No. 1 / First Extension to the 2008 Fire Hydrant Painting Project with Alpha Paintworks, Inc.

O. Resolution 09-R-0121 – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute Amendment Number 1 / First Extension to the Contract with Continental Carbonic Projects, Inc., for Delivery of Liquid Carbon Dioxide for FY 2009-2010

Alderman Dzierzanowski made a motion, seconded by Alderman Bunch, to adopt those items on the consent agenda. Voting Yea: Aldermen Chassee, Monroe, Smith, Radkiewicz, Pineda, Dimas, Murphy, Bunch, Gianforte, Connelly, Stout, Dzierzanowski, and Fuesting. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

* **Public Safety Committee:** No report

* **Community Affairs Committee:** No report

* **Finance Committee:** No report

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

P. Approve – City Council Meeting Minutes of March 2, 2009

Q. Authorize – The Release, in the Amount of \$25,000.00, to the Irrevocable Letter of Credit Posted by Vidhya Corporation and Dixit Patel, for Landscape Improvements at the CITGO Gas Station Located at 1491 West Roosevelt Road (Lot 6 in Franciscan Way)

R. Authorize – The Release, in the Amount of \$46,875.00, to the Irrevocable Letter of Credit Posted by Level 3 Communications, LLC, for Installation of Fiber Optic Cable from 1215 Carolina to Illinois Route 59, Near Hillview Avenue

S. Authorize – The Release, in the Amount of \$13,000.00, to the Permit Bond Posted by National Gas Pipeline Company of America, for Maintenance Activities Performed on the Twenty Inch (20”) Diameter Volo #1 Pipeline Crossing Powis Road, the Union Pacific Railroad, and Norton Creek Drive

T. Authorize – The Release, in the Amount of \$63,760.00, to the Irrevocable Letter of Credit Posted by INX International Ink Company for Site Improvements (i.e. Stormwater Management, Erosion Control, etc.) Related to a Building Expansion Project Located at 1860 Western Drive

Alderman Stout made a motion, seconded by Alderman Pineda, to adopt those items on the consent agenda. Voting Yea: Aldermen Chassee, Monroe, Smith, Radkiewicz, Pineda, Dimas, Murphy, Bunch, Gianforte, Connelly, Stout, Dzierzanowski, and Fuesting. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

9. Reports by Committees. Alderman Dzierzanowski read a March 16, 2009, letter (copy attached) from Rob Zorowski, Land Development Area Manager of LENNAR, regarding a misunderstanding of a City need to remove landscape material around trees in Prestonfield. Alderman Dzierzanowski wanted to reassure everyone that they did not have to remove the mulch from around parkway trees.

10. Unfinished Business. None

11. New Business. None

12. Mayor’s Comments. The Mayor said he made his comments earlier about students, the communities of volunteers, and the school board members and president.

13. Executive Session. At 7:45 pm, Alderman Gianforte made a motion, seconded by Alderman Radkiewicz, to adjourn into executive session to discuss land acquisition [5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5) (6)], personnel matters [5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)], and review of Official Record [5 ILCS120/2(c)(21)]. Voting Yea: Aldermen Chassee, Monroe, Smith, Radkiewicz, Pineda, Dimas, Murphy, Bunch, Gianforte, Connelly, Stout, Dzierzanowski, 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