

# CITY OF WEST CHICAGO

WHERE HISTORY & PROGRESS MEET

Approved 1/26/12

## MINUTES

### FINANCE COMMITTEE

**December 13, 2011 6:00 P.M.**

**1. Call to Order, Roll Call, and Establishment of Quorum.**

Chairman Don Earley called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. Roll call found Aldermen Chassee, Smith, Pineda, Fuesting, Dimas, Meissner and Stout present.

Staff in attendance was Public Works Director Robert Flatter, Chief of Police Laz Perez, Administrative Services Director Linda Martin and City Administrator Michael Guttman.

Also in attendance were Alderman Beifuss and Frank Hillegonds, Municipal Manager - Groot Industries, Inc.

**2. Approval of Minutes.**

**A. Finance Committee – September 22, 2011. The minutes were approved as presented by voice vote.**

**3. Public Participation / Presentations. None.**

**4. Items for Consent.**

**A. Resolution No. 11-R-0133 – Contract with Groot Industries, Inc. for Residential Solid Waste, Recycling and Yard Waste Collection.**

Alderman Beifuss questioned the reasoning for the monthly senior rate increase of one dollar beginning July 1, 2013. Treasurer Earley stated that the rate no longer was subsidized by the City and that the cost needed to be in-line with the current charge of non-senior sized cart rates. It was further stated that the City's senior rate cost was still substantially lower, compared to the non-senior rate, and that most municipalities did not offer a lower rate for homeowners 65 years or older. It was further stated that cart size options would remain the same.

**Alderman Chassee moved and Alderman Stout seconded a motion to recommend to City Council the approval of Resolution No. 11-R-0133.**

**Voting Yea: Aldermen Chassee, Stout, Smith, Dimas, Meissner, Pineda and Fuesting.**

**Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.**

**B. Ordinance No. 11-O-0067 – Adopting the Annual Budget for the City of West Chicago for Fiscal Year Commencing January 1, 2012 and Ending December 31, 2012.**

Alderman Beifuss questioned the amount of vehicles proposed to be purchased in the year 2012. City Administrator Guttman read the list of the various types of city vehicles included and considered for purchase in year 2012.

**Alderman Meissner moved and Alderman Fuesting seconded a motion to recommend to City Council the approval of Ordinance No. 11-O-0067.**

**Voting Yea: Aldermen Meissner, Fuesting, Smith, Dimas, Chassee, Pineda and Stout.  
Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.**

5. **Unfinished Business.** None
6. **New Business.** None
7. **Reports from Staff.** None
8. **Executive Session (if needed).** None
9. **Items to be Referred for Final Committee Action from Executive Session.** None
10. **Adjournment.** Alderman Dimas moved and Alderman Stout seconded a motion to adjourn. The motion was approved by voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 6:19 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

*Arlene Fisher*