

These minutes were approved at the 7/5/16 City Council meeting with no changes.

CITY OF WEST CHICAGO – 475 Main Street

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Regular Meeting

June 20, 2016

1. **Call to Order.** Mayor Ruben Pineda called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.** Chief of Police Mike Uplegger 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, Mark Edwalds, Rebecca Stout, and John F. Banas present. Alderman Noreen Ligino-Kubinski was 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, Police Commander Eric Shipman, Community Development Director John D. Said, and Administrative Services Director Linda Martin.

5. **Public Participation.** The following person spoke during Public Participation: Marilyn Kroll, 199 N. North Avenue, West Chicago, expressed her concerns.

\* Swearing in of One Recently Promoted Police Officer to Sergeant. Chief Uplegger introduced the newly promoted Anthony Cargola and his family in attendance. He provided information on his background and the awards he has received. City Clerk Smith administered the oath of office of sergeant to Anthony Cargola. The Mayor congratulated him and said he always brags about the West Chicago Police Department.

6. **City Council Meeting Minutes – June 6, 2016.** Alderman Banas made a motion, seconded by Alderman Hallett, to approve the minutes of June 6, 2016, with no changes. Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Sheahan, Grodoski, Hallett, Dimas, Ferguson, Smith, Meissner, Edwalds, Stout, and Banas. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

7. **Corporate Disbursement Report.** Alderman Smith made a motion, seconded by Alderman Edwalds, to approve the June 20, 2016, Corporate Disbursement Report in the amount of \$677,570.29. Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Sheahan, Grodoski, Hallett, Dimas, Ferguson, Smith, Meissner, Edwalds, Stout, and Banas. 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 16-R-0034** – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Enter into a Funding Agreement with the Mexican Cultural Center to Support the 2016 Mexican Independence Day Event (in the amount of \$12,000)

Alderman Chassee made a motion, seconded by Alderman Dimas, to adopt the above item. Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Sheahan, Grodoski, Hallett, Dimas, Ferguson, Smith, Meissner, Edwalds, Stout, and Banas. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

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

**B. Concur** – With the Mayor's Appointment of George L. Garcia to the Historical Preservation Commission for a Term Ending in April 2019

**C. Ordinance 16-O-0025** – An Ordinance of the City of West Chicago, DuPage County, Illinois, Ascertaining the Prevailing Rate of Wages for Laborers, Mechanics and Other Workers Employed in Public Works for the City of West Chicago

**D. Resolution 16-R-0035** – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute the First Amendment to the Reimbursement Agreement with Menard, Inc. for the Installation of a Traffic Signal at North Avenue and the Entrance to the St. Andrews Square Shopping Center

**E. Resolution 16-R-0036** – A Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Letter of Intent to Participate in the DuPage Justice Information System (DUJIS)

Alderman Stout made a motion, seconded by Alderman Ferguson, to adopt the above items. Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Sheahan, Grodoski, Hallett, Dimas, Ferguson, Smith, Meissner, Edwalds, Stout, and Banas. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

**9. Reports by Committees.** None

**10. Unfinished Business.** None

**11. New Business.** None

**12. Correspondence and Announcements.**

**Upcoming Meetings**

- June 21, 2016	Plan Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals
- June 23, 2016	Finance Committee (cancelled)
- June 27, 2016	Public Affairs Committee
- June 28, 2016	Historical Preservation Commission

City Clerk Smith announced that the Flag Retirement Ceremony was meaningfully conducted by Boy Scout Troop 33 under the direction of Steve Usedom at the VFW last Saturday. There were several hundred flags retired.

Alderman Ferguson passed around a sign-up sheet for the Aldermen to participate in the dunk tank with the Police Department for Special Olympics during Railroad Days. The water will not be as cold as the Polar Plunge. The Mayor said Railroad Days would be at Pioneer Park this year, and it will run a full four days, July 7-10, 2016. The Mayor encouraged everyone to come out and enjoy the fun.

**13. Mayor's Comments.** The Mayor reminded everyone of the walking event in September with five other cities participating: Green Bay, Wisconsin, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, Columbia, South Carolina, Lorraine, Ohio, Indianapolis, Indiana, and West Chicago, Illinois. The Mayor would like the whole community involved to count steps, miles, or minutes. He is working on getting a pedometer for all the school children from the American Heart Association, American Cancer Society, and local businesses. West Chicago's event will be called, "Every Step Counts."

**14. Executive Session.** At 7:20 pm, Alderman Dimas made a motion, seconded by Alderman Beifuss, to recess into executive session to discuss personnel matters [5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)] and review of Official Record [5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21)]. Motion was carried by voice vote.

Minutes for the executive session are filed separately.

The regular meeting resumed at 7:36 pm. Roll call found Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Sheahan, Grodoski, Hallett, Dimas, Ferguson, Smith, Meissner, Edwalds, Stout, and Banas present.

**15. Items to be Referred for Final Action from Executive Session.**

**Resolution 16-R-0037** – A Resolution Authorizing the City Administrator to Execute a Confidential Resignation/Separation Agreement and General Release – Michelle Baldino

Alderman Banas made a motion, seconded by Alderman Dimas, to adopt the above item. During discussion, City Administrator Guttman said the terms of the agreement were that there would be a \$25,000 severance payment and one year of health insurance (\$1,300). Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Sheahan, Grodoski, Hallett, Dimas, Ferguson, Smith, Meissner, Edwalds, Stout, and Banas. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

**16. Adjournment.** At 7:37 pm, Alderman Chassee made a motion, seconded by Alderman Stout, to adjourn. Motion was carried by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy M. Smith  
City Clerk