

These minutes were approved at the 8/19/19 City Council meeting with changes.

CITY OF WEST CHICAGO – 475 Main Street  
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
Regular Meeting  
August 5, 2019

1. **Call to Order.** Mayor Ruben Pineda called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.** Alderman Birch Ferguson led all in the pledge of allegiance.
3. **Invocation.** None
4. **Roll Call and Establishment of a Quorum.**

Roll Call found Aldermen Lori J. Chassee, James E. Beifuss, Jr., Heather Brown, Michael D. Ferguson, Alton Hallett, Sandy Dimas, Melissa Birch-Ferguson, Christopher Swiatek, Matthew E. Garling, Jeanne M. Short, Rebecca Stout, Bonnie A. Gagliardi, and Noreen Ligino-Kubinski present. Aldermen Sheahan was absent. The Mayor announced a quorum.

City Clerk Nancy M. Smith was absent.

Also in attendance were City Attorney Patrick K. Bond, Chief of Police Mike Uplegger, and Community Development Director Tom Dabareiner.

**5. Public Participation.**

The following people spoke during Public Participation:

- 1) Cynthia Thomas spoke about the ComEd Powering People Campaign.
- 2) Amy Patel, Rashmin Patel, Saloni Patel, Janvi Patel, and Rachel Patel, UMSCM, 1800 Joliet Street, West Chicago – They all spoke on the impact of the date and time of the Pran Pratistha Pray Event in their religion and asked the City Council to approve the event.

**6. City Council Meeting Minutes – July 15, 2019.** Alderman Brown made a motion, seconded by Alderman Ferguson, to approve the minutes of July 15, 2019, with no changes.

Voting Aye: Alderman Chassee, Beifuss, Brown, Ferguson, Hallett, Dimas, Birch-Ferguson, Swiatek, Short, Stout, Gagliardi, and Ligino-Kubinski. Voting Nay: 0. Alderman Garling abstained. Motion carried.

**7. Corporate Disbursement Report.** Alderman Dimas made a motion, seconded by Alderman Garling, to approve the August 5, 2019, Corporate Disbursement Report in the amount of \$749,985.31. Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Brown, Ferguson, Hallett, Dimas, Birch-Ferguson, Swiatek, Garling, Short, Stout, Gagliardi, and Ligino-Kubinski. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

**8. Consent Agenda – Consideration of an Omnibus Vote.**

\* **Public Affairs Committee:** Alderman Chassee read and explained the following items:

**A.** Approve the Wheaton Academy Homecoming Fireworks Display – Scheduled for October 4, 2019.

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

**9. Reports by Committees.** None

**10. Unfinished Business.**

Item 8.B. Approval of the Special Event Permit for the Pran Pratistha Pray Event – Scheduled from August 9, 2019 – August 11, 2019 - Subject to the Full Compliance with the City Code.

Alderman Chassee made a motion, seconded by Alderman Brown, to adopt the above item. (per Alderman Garling, add:) *“Discussion ensued regarding the Special Event Permit and planned tent for the event.”* Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Brown, Ferguson, Hallett, Dimas, Birch-Ferguson, Swiatek, Garling, (per Alderman Garling) Short, Stout, Gagliardi, and Ligino-Kubinski. Voting Nay: Garling. Motion carried.

**11. New Business.** None

**12. Correspondence and Announcements.**

**Upcoming Meetings**

- August 6, 2019                      Plan Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals
- August 12, 2019                    Development Committee

**13. Mayor's Comments.** Mayor Pineda spoke about the tragedies around the world and in West Chicago. He mentioned the arrival of the Big Boy was a successful event. Alderman Stout mentioned National Night Out is tomorrow, August 6<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. an event to better understand local police.

**14. Executive Session.** There was no executive session.

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

**16. Adjournment.** At 7:40 pm, Alderman Chassee made a motion, seconded by Alderman Stout, to adjourn. Motion carried by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Guttman  
City Administrator