

CITY OF WEST CHICAGO - 475 Main Street
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
Regular Meeting
March 2, 2020

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.** The City Clerk gave the invocation.
4. **Roll Call and Establishment of a Quorum**

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

City Clerk Nancy M. Smith was also present.

Also in attendance were City Attorney Patrick K. Bond, City Administrator Michael L. Guttman, Chief of Police Mike Uplegger, Deputy Chief of Police Chris Shackelford, Community Development Director Tom Dabareiner, and Public Works Director Rob Flatter.

5. **Public Participation.** Diane Ferguson, Board Chair, McAuley School Renovation Initiative, 30W276 Pomeroy Street, West Chicago, spoke of the Initiative's disassociation with the West Chicago Historical Society due to differing directions. Ms. Ferguson said the Initiative will continue their mission to save McAuley School under their own entity and tax status. They will come back to the City to complete the three way process with District 33. District 33 said any delay is of no consequence to them.

6. **City Council Minutes - February 17, 2020.** Alderman Ferguson made a motion, seconded by Alderman Swiatek, to approve the minutes of February 17, 2020, with no changes. Voting Aye: Aldermen, Sheahan, Ferguson, Hallett, Dimas, Birch-Ferguson, Swiatek, Short, Jakabcsin, and Ligino-Kubinski. Aldermen Chassee and Garling abstained. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

7. **Corporate Disbursement Report.** Alderman Dimas made a motion, seconded by Alderman Chassee, to approve the March 2, 2020, Corporate Disbursement Report in the amount of \$446,075.64. Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Sheahan, Ferguson, Hallett, Dimas, Birch-Ferguson, Swiatek, Garling, Short, Jakabcsin, and Ligino-Kubinski. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

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

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

A. **Resolution 20-R-0009** - A Resolution Authorizing the City Administrator to Enter Into a Contract for the Supply of Electricity for the City's Water Treatment Plant, All Well Stations, and All Sanitary Lift Stations

B. **Resolution 20-R-0010** - A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Accept a Plat of Easement for Watermain and Drainage/Public Utilities at 560 W. Roosevelt Road and 600 W. Roosevelt Road

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

9. **Reports by Committees.** None
10. **Unfinished Business.** None
11. **New Business.** None
12. **Correspondence and Announcements**

Upcoming Meetings

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| - March 3, 2020 | Plan Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals |
| - March 5, 2020 | Infrastructure Committee |
| - March 9, 2020 | Development Committee |

Alderman Ferguson said two weeks ago a funeral service was held for a homeless veteran in Elgin. There will be another one for Army veteran Ron Olsen this Wednesday at 10:00 am.

13 Mayor's Comments. The Mayor said he just did a video on the upcoming Census Count and how important it is not just for our community, but for the whole country. The Census lets us know how much revenue comes to our community. Every single head needs to be counted so get the word out.

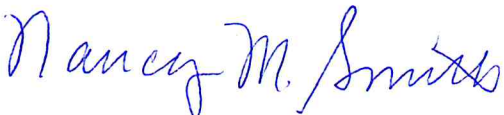
The Mayor said the City of Chicago, Mayor Lightfoot, reached out and there was a conference call with 117 Mayors concerning the coronavirus. The City wanted to make sure that we're a team. The virus is here; there are three cases in Cook County. The biggest thing is not to panic. Also, the elderly should not go out unless it is necessary. That advice is for everyone as is frequent hand washing and getting symptoms checked as soon as possible.

14. Executive Session. There was no executive session.

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

16. Adjournment. At 7:14 pm, Alderman Chassee made a motion, seconded by Alderman Dimas, to adjourn. Motion was carried by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,



Nancy M. Smith
City Clerk