

CITY OF WEST CHICAGO – 475 Main Street  
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
Regular Meeting  
November 16, 2020

The City Council meeting of November 16, 2020, was held partly remote (via Zoom) and partly on site due to the coronavirus pandemic.

1. **Call to Order.** Mayor Ruben Pineda (on site) called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. The Mayor said it was determined that in person meetings are not practical and prudent at this time.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance.** Alderman Dimas 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., Heather Brown, Jayme Sheahan, Alton Hallett, Michael D. Ferguson, Melissa Birch-Ferguson, Sandy Dimas, Matthew Garling, Christopher Swiatek, Jeanne Short, Rebecca Stout, John E. Jakabcsin, and Noreen Ligino-Kubinski present remotely. The Mayor announced a quorum.

Also in attendance was City Administrator Michael Guttman (remotely), and on site were Chief of Police Mike Uplegger and Deputy Chief of Police Chris Shackelford. City Attorney Patrick Bond attended remotely.

City Clerk Nancy M. Smith was also attending on site arriving at 7:02 pm.

5. **Public Participation.** There was no public participation.
6. **City Council Meeting Minutes of November 2, 2020.** Alderman Chassee made a motion, seconded by Alderman Ligino-Kubinski, to approve the minutes of November 2, 2020, with no changes.

Voting Aye: Alderman Chassee, Beifuss, Brown, Sheahan, Ferguson, Hallett, Birch-Ferguson, Dimas, Garling, Swiatek, Short, Stout, Jakabcsin, and Ligino-Kubinski. Motion carried.

7. **Corporate Disbursement Report.** Alderman Dimas made a motion, seconded by Alderman Chassee, to accept the November 16, 2020, Corporate Disbursement Report in the amount of \$,802,122.75. Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Brown, Sheahan, Hallett, Ferguson, Birch-Ferguson, Dimas, Garling, Swiatek, Short, Stout, Jakabcsin, and Ligino-Kubinski. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

8. **Consent Agenda.**

\* **Development Committee:** Alderman Stout read and explained the following items:

A. **Ordinance 20-O-0024** – An Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of West Chicago – Appendix A, Article VIII of the Zoning Code Relating to Legal Nonconforming Uses

B. **Ordinance 20-O-0025** – An Ordinance Granting an Extension to the Special Use for the Final Planned Unit Development for Renaissance Square

C. **Resolution 20-R-0068** – A Resolution Approving the Final Development Plan for Greco DeRoss Investment Group, 2575 Enterprise Circle – DuPage Business Center

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

\* **Infrastructure Committee:** Alderman Beifuss read and explained the following items:

D. **Approve** – The Rejection of Bids for the 2021 Forestry Maintenance Program

E. **Ordinance 20-O-0023** – An Ordinance Authorizing the Disposal or Sale of Surplus Equipment, Stock Inventory, and/or Property Owned by the City of West Chicago

F. **Resolution 20-R-0058** – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Contract Agreement with Cemetery Management Inc., for Professional Services Related to Cemetery

Sexton at the City's Glen Oak and Oakwood Cemeteries for Fiscal Years 2021, 2022, and 2023 (for an amount not to exceed \$80,000.00) (removed and voted upon separately)

**G. Resolution 20-R-0059** – A Resolution of the City of West Chicago, DuPage County, Illinois, Authorizing the Execution of a Plat of Dedication to Transfer Ownership of Certain Right of Way Deemed Surplus to the County of DuPage

**H. Resolution 20-R-0060** – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Contract Agreement with Kramer Tree Specialists, Inc. for Professional Services Related to the 2021 thru 2023 Citywide Monthly Brush Collection Program (for an amount not to exceed \$96,775.00)

**I. Resolution 20-R-0061** – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Contract Agreement with Acres Group for Professional Services Related to the 2021 Parkway Tree Planting Program (for an amount not to exceed \$40,430.00)

**J. Resolution 20-R-0062** – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Contract with Polydyne, Inc. for the Procurement of Dry Anionic Polymer for Fiscal Year 2021 (for an amount not to exceed \$20,640.00)

**K. Resolution 20-R-0063** – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Contract with MacCARB, Inc. for the Procurement of Liquid Carbon Dioxide for Fiscal Year 2021 (for an amount not to exceed \$37,500.00)

**L. Resolution 20-R-0064** – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Contract with Mississippi Lime Company for the Procurement of Rotary Hydrated Lime for Fiscal Year 2021 (for an amount not to exceed \$378,100.00)

**M. Resolution 20-R-0065** – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Contract with Olin Chlor-Alkali Products & Vinyls for the Procurement of Liquid Sodium Hypochlorite for FY 2021 (for an amount not to exceed \$54,965.00)

**N. Resolution 20-R-0066** – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Contract Agreement with Atalian US Midwest, LLC for 2021 Janitorial Services for Municipal Buildings (for an amount not to exceed \$67,181.00)

**O. Resolution 20-R-0067** – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Construction Engineering Services Contract for Federal Participation with Thomas Engineering Group, LLC, for the Phase III Construction Engineering Services for the Prince Crossing Road LAFO Project (for an amount not to exceed \$48,927.00)

Alderman Beifuss made a motion, seconded by Alderman Garling, to adopt the above items (except Item 8.F). Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Brown, Sheahan, Hallett, Ferguson, Dimas, Birch-Ferguson, Garling, Swiatek, Short, Stout, Jakabcsin, and Ligino-Kubinski. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

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

**P. Resolution 20-R-0073** – A Resolution Authorizing the Execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement Between the City of West Chicago and the West Chicago Fire Protection District Regarding the Sale of 2015 Smith Road

**Q. Resolution 20-R-0070** – A Resolution of the City of West Chicago, DuPage County, Illinois, Authorizing the Sale of Surplus Municipally Owned Real Estate – 308 West Stimmel Street, Lot 1

**R. Resolution 20-R-0071** – A Resolution of the City of West Chicago, DuPage County, Illinois, Authorizing the Sale of Surplus Municipally Owned Real Estate – 2015 Smith Road

**S. Resolution 20-R-0072** – A Resolution of the City of West Chicago, DuPage County, Illinois, Authorizing the Sale of Surplus Municipally Owned Real Estate – Two Vacant Lots on Ann Street

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

**9. Reports by Committee:** None

**10. Unfinished Business:** From **Item 8.F. Resolution 20-R-0058** – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Contract Agreement with Cemetery Management Inc., for Professional Services Related to Cemetery Sexton at the City's Glen Oak and Oakwood Cemeteries for Fiscal Years 2021, 2022, and 2023 (for an amount not to exceed \$80,000.00)

Alderman Chassee made a motion, seconded by Alderman Birch-Ferguson, to approve Resolution 20-R-0058. During discussion, Alderman Ferguson remarked that the salary is \$7,200.00 per year, but it went to \$80,000.00 annually. City Administrator Guttman said the salary is \$7,200.00 per year, but increases due to the number of internments, but cannot go beyond \$80,000.00. Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Brown, Sheahan, Hallett, Ferguson, Dimas, Birch-Ferguson, Garling, Swiatek, Short, Stout, Jakabcsin, and Ligino-Kubinski. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

**11. New Business:** Alderman Swiatek inquired about discussion on the Chamber program for next year. At the Mayor's request, City Administrator Guttman said this item would be going to the Public Affairs Committee meeting later this month.

## **12. Correspondence and Announcements**

### Upcoming Meetings

November 17, 2020	Plan Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals (cancelled)
November 23, 2020	Public Affairs Committee
November 24, 2020	Historical Preservation Commission
November 26, 2020	Finance Committee (cancelled)
December 1, 2020	Plan Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals
December 3, 2020	Infrastructure Committee

**13. Mayor's Comments.** The Mayor acknowledged that everyone has seen the numbers regarding COVID-19, which are for real. He said everyone must be careful or the Governor will reissue a stay-at-home order. COVID-19 is three times more than three weeks ago. The hospitals are getting full again. Schools were expected to open tomorrow. Two vaccines came out today, but we do not know when they will be available to the public. There will be a testing station this Saturday at the Metra station from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. And St. Andrew Church is still a testing site.


The Mayor wished for people to re-think their Thanksgiving plans. Only the immediate family should be present, and if someone comes from another place, everyone should wear their mask and keep a social distance. The Mayor wished everyone a great Thanksgiving.

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

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

**16. Adjournment.** At 7:28 pm, Alderman Chassee made a motion, seconded by Alderman Stout, to adjourn. Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Brown, Sheahan, Hallett, Ferguson, Dimas, Birch-Ferguson, Garling, Swiatek, Short, Stout, Jakabcsin, and Ligino-Kubinski. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Nancy M. Smith  
City Clerk