

CITY OF WEST CHICAGO – 475 Main Street
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
Regular Meeting
February 15, 2021

The City Council meeting of February 15, 2021, 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 Hallett 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, Alton Hallett, Melissa Birch-Ferguson, Sandy Dimas, Christopher Swiatek, Jeanne Short, Rebecca Stout, Matthew Garling, John E. Jakabcsin, and Joseph C. Morano present remotely. Alderman Heather Brown was absent. The Mayor announced a quorum.

Also in attendance were City Administrator Michael Guttman, City Attorney Sean Conway, Community Development Director Tom Dabareiner, and Public Works Director Rob Flatter (remotely). Interim Chief of Police Chris Shackelford were present on site.

City Clerk Nancy M. Smith also was present on site.

5. **Public Participation.** There was no public participation.
6. **City Council Meeting Minutes of February 1, 2021.** Alderman Garling made a motion, seconded by Alderman Jakabcsin, to approve the minutes of February 1, 2021, with no changes. Voting Aye: Alderman Chassee, Beifuss, Sheahan, Hallett, Dimas, Garling, Swiatek, Short, Stout, Jakabcsin, and Morano. Alderman Birch-Ferguson abstained. Motion carried.
7. **Corporate Disbursement Report.** Alderman Dimas made a motion, seconded by Alderman Chassee, to accept the February 15, 2021, Corporate Disbursement Report for \$802,018.96. Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Sheahan, Hallett, Birch-Ferguson, Dimas, Garling, Swiatek, Short, Stout, Jakabcsin and Morano. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

8. Consent Agenda

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

- A. **Ordinance 21-O-0001** – An Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of West Chicago – Appendix A, Article XIII of the Zoning Code Relating to Recreation Vehicles
- B. **Resolution 21-R-0010** – A Resolution Approving the City of West Chicago Economic Development Plan 2021-2025

Alderman Stout made a motion, seconded by Alderman Birch-Ferguson to adopt Ordinance 21-O-001 and Approve Resolution 21-R-0010. Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Sheahan, Hallett, Birch-Ferguson, Dimas, Garling, Swiatek, Short, Stout, Jakabcsin and Morano. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

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

- C. **Approve** – The Purchase of Three 2021 Ford Utility AWD Police Interceptor Vehicles from Haggerty Ford (for an amount not to exceed \$102,252.00) and Authorize the City Administrator to Contract with a Third-Party to Install the Necessary Appurtenances/Equipment for Those Three Vehicles (at an estimated cost of \$36,000.00)
- D. **Approve** – The Purchase of One 2021 John Deere 544 P-TIER 4WD Wheel Loader from West Side Tractor Sale (for an amount not to exceed \$226,437.46)

E. **Ordinance 21-O-0005** – An Ordinance Amending Chapter 17, Sections 17-201 and 17-202 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of West Chicago

F. **Ordinance 21-O-0006** – An Ordinance Authorizing the Disposal or Sale of Surplus Equipment, Stock Inventory, and/or Personal Property Owned by the City of West Chicago

G. **Resolution 21-R-0006** – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Professional Engineering Services Agreement with Engineering Resource Associates, Inc. to

Provide Environmental Assessment and Hydraulic Modeling Services Related to the 2024 Town Road Reconstruction Project (for an amount not to exceed \$28,100.00)

H. Resolution 21-R-0007 – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Contract Agreement with Steve Piper and Sons, Inc. for Professional Services Related to the 2021 Tree Removal Program (for an amount not to exceed \$30,427.39)

I. Resolution 21-R-0008 – A Resolution Authorizing the City Clerk to Execute and Submit, to the Illinois Department of Transportation, the Illinois Department of Transportation Resolution for Maintenance of Streets and Highways by Municipality Under the Illinois Highway Code (BLR 14220), and the Mayor to Execute and Submit, to the Illinois Department of Transportation, the Illinois Department of Transportation Local Public Agency General Maintenance Estimate of Maintenance Costs (1422), for Expenditures Using Motor Fuel Tax Funds for Fiscal Year 2021

J. Resolution 21-R-0009 – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Professional Services Agreement with JACOBS to Provide Services Related to the Secondary Clarifier Rehabilitation project at the West Chicago/Winfield Wastewater Treatment Plant (for an amount not to exceed \$1,200,000.00) (Removed from the agenda by the Mayor as more information is needed from an entity.)

Alderman Beifuss made a motion, seconded by Alderman Dimas to adopt and approve items C, D, E, F, G, and H. Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Sheahan, Hallett, Birch-Ferguson, Dimas, Garling, Swiatek, Short, Stout, Jakabcsin and Morano. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

Item Not Sent to Committee: The Mayor read and explained the following items:

K. Resolution 21-R-0004 – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute an Intergovernmental Agreement Between the City of West Chicago, DuPage Airport Authority, West Chicago Library District, West Chicago Fire Protection District, West Chicago Elementary District 33, Community High School district 94, and OSI Industries, LLC in Regard to a Property Tax Abatement Relative to the Development of the OSI Industries Property

L. Resolution 21-R-0005 – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute an Economic Incentive Agreement By and Between the City of West Chicago and OSI Industries, LLC

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

9. Reports by Committees: None

10. Unfinished Business: None

11. New Business: None

12. Correspondence and Announcements

Upcoming Meetings

February 16, 2021	Plan Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals
February 22, 2021	Public Affairs Committee
February 23, 2021	Historical Preservation Commission
February 25, 2021	Finance Committee (cancelled)

13. Mayor's Comments. The Mayor said a Canadian National train derailed in West Chicago this morning during rush hour. Fortunately, there were no injuries. At this hour, CN crews are still working to clear the area. The Metra and Union Pacific lines are up and running. The Mayor praised the first responders who were great.

The Mayor spoke of the great news of last Friday. A Federal allocation of 2500 COVID-19 vaccine doses were allocated to Jewel Osco. The vaccine was dedicated to teachers and first responders. There were about 1200 doses left over. The Mayor reached out to the faith-based community to notify those people 65 and older that doses were available. Senator Karina Villa put out a robo call. The doses were all taken by 4:00 pm. The Mayor praised the school officials for doing an amazing job. The event was run very well at the high school. The Mayor described the process. He hoped that in the very near future, more vaccine would be available. He would like to see everyone in West Chicago get the vaccine. He said the factory workers would be next.

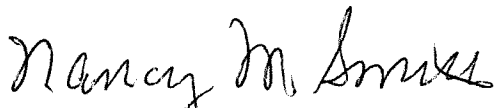
The Mayor said more snow is expected tonight and he urged everyone to be careful. He praised the Streets employees for their hard work. The City gets many compliments for how well snow is cleared from the streets. The Mayor told Public Works Director Flatter to pass on his thanks to the employees and tell them about the compliments.

14. Executive Session. There was no need for an 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, Sheahan, Hallett, Birch-Ferguson, Dimas, Garling, Swiatek, Short, Stout, Jakabcsin, and Morano. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Nancy M. Smith
City Clerk