

CITY OF WEST CHICAGO – 475 Main Street
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
Regular Meeting
February 7, 2022

The City Council meeting of February 7, 2022, 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 Short led all in the pledge of allegiance.
3. **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, Christine Dettman, Melissa Birch-Ferguson, Sandy Dimas, Jeanne Short, Rebecca Stout, Matthew Garling, Christopher Swiatek, John E. Jakabcsin, Matthew Garling and Joseph C. Morano present remotely. The Mayor announced a quorum.

Also in attendance remotely were City Administrator Michael Guttman, City Attorney Patrick Bond, Community Development Director Tom Dabareiner, and Public Works Director Mehul Patel. Chief of Police Colin Fleury was present on site.

City Clerk Nancy M. Smith was absent.

5. **Public Participation.** None

6. **City Council Meeting Minutes of January 17, 2022.** Alderman Jakabcsin made a motion, seconded by Alderman Swiatek, to approve the minutes of January 17, 2022, with no changes.

Voting Aye by Roll Call Vote: Alderman Chassee, Beifuss, Brown, Sheahan, Dettman, Hallett, Dimas, Birch-Ferguson, Garling, Short, Stout, Swiatek, Jakabcsin, and Morano. Motion carried.

7. **Corporate Disbursement Report.** Alderman Dimas made a motion, seconded by Alderman Brown to accept the February 7, 2022, Corporate Disbursement Report for \$1,276,563.37.

Voting Aye by Roll Call Vote: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Brown, Sheahan, Dettman, Hallett, Birch-Ferguson, Dimas, Garling, Short, Stout, Swiatek, Jakabcsin and Morano. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

8. **Consent Agenda**

*** Infrastructure Committee:**

A. Resolution 22-R-0003 – 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 (BLF 1422), for Expenditures Using Motor Fuel Tax Funds for Fiscal Year 2022.

B. Approve - The Rejection of All Bids and Re-Bid – Headworks Influent Gate Replacement Project at West Chicago/Winfield Wastewater Authority Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Alderman Beifuss made a motion, seconded by Alderman Morano, to adopt and approve the above items.

Voting Aye by Roll Call Vote: Alderman Chassee, Beifuss, Brown, Sheahan, Dettman, Hallett, Dimas, Birch-Ferguson, Garling, Short, Stout, Swiatek, Jakabcsin, and Morano. Motion carried.

*** Public Affairs Committee:**

C. Approve - The Blooming Fest Event – Scheduled for Saturday, May 21, 2022.

D. Approve - The Fireworks Display at the Railroad Days Event – Scheduled for Saturday, July 9, 2022.

E. Approve - The Food Fest Event – Scheduled for Saturday, August 27, 2022.

F. Approve - The St. Mary's Parish Pro-Life March – Scheduled for Sunday, March 27, 2022.

G. Resolution 22-R-0009 - A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Enter Into a Funding Agreement with the Western DuPage Chamber of Commerce to Support the 2022 Railroad Days Festival.

Alderman Chassee made a motion, seconded by Alderman Birch-Ferguson, to adopt and approve the above items.

Voting Aye by Roll Call Vote: Alderman Chassee, Beifuss, Brown, Sheahan, Dettman, Hallett, Dimas, Birch-Ferguson, Garling, Short, Stout, Swiatek, Jakabcsin, and Morano. Motion carried.

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

I. Concur - With the Mayor's Appointment of Thomas M. Slattery as an Ex-Officio Member to the Plan Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals for a Term Ending April 2023.

J. Concur - With the Mayor's Appointment of Ethan J. Young to the Environmental Commission for an Unexpired Term Ending April 2022.

Alderman Dimas made a motion, seconded by Alderman Chassee, to adopt and approve the above items. Voting Aye by Roll Call Vote: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Brown, Sheahan, Dettman, Hallett, Birch-Ferguson, Dimas, Short, Stout, Garling, Swiatek, 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 14, 2022	Development Committee
February 15, 2022	Plan Commission/ZBA

13. Mayor's Comments. The Mayor summarized the City's experience with COVID-19 and the impacts on local School Districts.

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 7:15 pm, Alderman Chassee made a motion, seconded by Alderman Stout, to adjourn. Voting Aye by Roll Call Vote: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Brown, Sheahan, Dettman, Hallett, Birch-Ferguson, Dimas, Garling, Swiatek, Short, Stout, Jakabcsin, and Morano. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Guttman
City Administrator