

CITY OF WEST CHICAGO – 475 Main Street  
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
Regular Meeting  
June 6, 2022

1. **Call to Order.** Mayor Ruben Pineda called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance.** Alderman Sheahan led all in the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **Roll Call and Establishment of a Quorum.**

Roll call found Aldermen James E. Beifuss, Jr., Jayme Sheahan, Heather Brown, Sandy Dimas, Melissa Birch Ferguson, Rebecca Stout, Matthew Garling, Christine Dettmann, Christopher Swiatek, Jeanne Short, and Joseph C. Morano present. Aldermen Lori J. Chassee, Alton Hallett and John E. Jakabcsin were absent. The Mayor announced a quorum.

Also in attendance were City Administrator Michael Guttman, City Attorney Patrick Bond, Community Development Director Tom Dabareiner, Public Works Director Mehul Patel, Chief of Police Colin Fleury and Sergeant Adam Reavley.

4. **Public Participation.**

Proclamation: IPAC 2022 Champions

5. **City Council Meeting Minutes of May 16, 2022.** Alderman Birch Ferguson made a motion, seconded by Alderman Brown, to approve the minutes of May 16, 2022, with no changes.

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

6. **Corporate Disbursement Report.** Alderman Dimas made a motion, seconded by Alderman Brown to approve the May 16, 2022, Corporate Disbursement Report in the amount of \$808,845.88.

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

7. **Consent Agenda**

**\* Infrastructure Committee:**

**A. Approve** – The Purchase of Road Salt from Morton Salt, Inc. of Chicago, Illinois, for the 2022-2023 Winter Season (for an amount not to exceed \$345,254.00).

**B. Ordinance No. 22-O-0021** – An Ordinance Authorizing the Disposal or Sale of Surplus Equipment, Stock Inventory, and/or Personal Property Owned by the City of West Chicago.

**C. Resolution No. 22-R-0029** – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Approve Change Order No. 1 and Final with Berglund Construction Company of Chicago, Illinois, in an Amount of \$4,200.00 for a Revised Contract Value of \$239,200.00 for the Structural Rehabilitation Project at 200 Main Street.

**D. Resolution No. 22-R-0031** – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Approved Change Order No. 1 with Berglund Construction Company of Chicago, Illinois, in an Amount of \$171,035.00 for a Revised Contract Value of \$474,935.00, for the Masonry Rehabilitation Project at 200 Main Street.

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

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

**\* Public Affairs Committee:**

**E. Approve** – The Railroad Days West Chicago Special Event Application.

**F. Resolution No. 22-R-0028** – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Certain Contract Agreement with Flock Safety.\*\*

\*\*Item I.F. was moved to Reports by Committee.\*\*

Alderman Birch Ferguson made a motion, seconded by Alderman Dimas, to adopt and approve the above item.

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

**\* Items Not Sent to Committee:**

- G. **Approve** – The Mayor’s Reappointment of Heidi Kuharich to the Cultural Arts Commission for a Term Ending April 2026.
- H. **Approve** – The Mayor’s Reappointment of Gene Plumlee to the Cultural Arts Commission for a Term Ending April 2026.
- I. **Approve** – The Mayor’s Appointment of Maria Paulina Garcia to the Cultural Arts Commission for a Term Ending April 2023.
- J. **Approve** – The Mayor’s Reappointment of Dan Beebe to the Environmental Commission for a Term Ending April 2025.
- K. **Approve** – The Mayor’s Reappointment of Robert A. Blaus to the Environmental Commission for a Term Ending April 2025.
- L. **Approve** – The Mayor’s Reappointment of Ethan J. Young to the Environmental Commission for a Term Ending April 2025.
- M. **Approve** – The Mayor’s Reappointment of Bethany Brown to the Environmental Commission for a Term Ending April 2025.
- N. **Approve** – The Mayor’s Reappointment of Crystal Noland-Riani to the Historical Preservation Commission for a Term Ending April 2025.
- O. **Approve** – The Mayor’s Reappointment of SueEllen C. Edwards to the Historical Preservation Commission for a Term Ending April 2025.
- P. **Approve** - The Mayor’s Appointment of Wendy Christman to the Historical Preservation Commission for a Term Ending April 2025.
- Q. **Resolution No. 22-R-0032** – A Resolution Approving a Plat of Stormwater and Watermain Easement with Ball Horticultural Company, 622 Town Road.
- R. **Resolution No. 22-R-0033** – A Resolution Approving a Plat of Easement for Stormwater Management with Lakeshore Recycling Systems, Inc. – 1655 Powis Road.
- S. **Resolution No. 22-R-0034** – A Resolution Appointing a Delegate and Alternate to the Board of Directors of the Intergovernmental Risk Management Risk.
- T. **Resolution No. 22-R-0035** – A Resolution Making a Determination Relative to the Release of Executive Session Minutes Pursuant to the Illinois Open Meetings Act.

Alderman Swiatek made a motion, seconded by Alderman Stout, to adopt and approve the above items.

Voting Aye by Roll Call Vote: Alderman Beifuss, Sheahan, Birch Ferguson, Garling, Swiatek, Dettmann, Short, Dimas, Stout, and Morano. Alderman Brown voted to abstain. Motion carried.

**8. Reports by Committees:**

- A. **\*\*Resolution No. 22-R-0028 – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Certain Contract Agreement with Flock Safety \*\***

**\*\*This item was removed from the Consent Agenda to this section.\*\***

Alderman Garling expressed concerns about there not being a policy or direction to staff on how to use the data. Alderman Beifuss expressed similar concerns and cited the Champaign, IL policy and the needs to understand the scope of its use. Other discussion ensued about the benefits of having a policy in place. Staff will present an internal policy to the Public Affairs Committee for feedback before the cameras are installed and the program is implemented.

Alderman Birch Ferguson made a motion, seconded by Alderman Stout, to adopt and approve the above item.

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

**9. Unfinished Business:**

- A. Ordinance No. 22-O-0022 – An Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of West Chicago – Chapter 2, Section 2-8, Wards Designated.

Alderman Beifuss made a motion, seconded by Alderman Morano to adopt this ordinance.

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

**10. New Business:** None.

**11. Correspondence and Announcements**

**Upcoming Meetings**

June 7, 2022	Plan Commission/ZBA
June 13, 2022	Development Committee

**12. Mayor's Comments.** Mayor Pineda commented on school being out and to look out for kids playing or walking in the street. He also mentioned how the COVID-19 figures are concerning.

**13. Executive Session.** There was no need for an executive session.

**14. Items to be Referred for final Action from Executive Session.**

**15. Adjournment.** At 7:27 pm, Alderman Beifuss made a motion, seconded by Alderman Swiatek, to adjourn. Voting Aye by Voice Vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Guttman  
City Administrator