

CITY OF WEST CHICAGO

WHERE HISTORY & PROGRESS MEET

Approved 09/26/2022

MINUTES

PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Monday, August 22, 2022 7:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order, Roll Call, and Establishment of a Quorum.

Chairman Chassee called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Roll Call found Alderman Hallett, Birch Ferguson, Swiatek, Short and Jakabcsin.

Alderman Brown was not in attendance.

2. Approval of Minutes.

A. Public Affairs Committee Minutes of July 25, 2022. Alderman Swiatek made a motion, seconded by Alderman Short to approve the minutes of the Public Affairs Committee meeting. Voting Aye: Chairman Chassee, Alderman Hallett, Birch Ferguson, Swiatek, Short and Jakabcsin. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

3. Public Participation / Presentations.

A. Hazel Street Between Bishop Street and Joliet Street – Michael Guttman, City Administrator, made the decision to temporarily change Hazel Street into a one way. District 33 and the City had entered into an agreement to do a traffic study and had inconclusive results after multiple attempts. This change will go into effect once City Council has approved it and reviewed quarterly.

4. Items for Consent.

5. Items for Discussion.

A. Park Planning Agreement with Upland Design – Staff is in the process with finalizing the agreement with Upland Design Group and next month will bring that agreement back to the Committee for consideration.

6. Unfinished Business.

7. New Business.

A. A council member brought up the issue of the traffic control sign on Joliet Street with the bright strobe light and possibly causing a seizure. Chief Fleury did some

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research and the number of flashes per second is not at a rate high enough that would cause a seizure. There are no known issues with those lights. At this time, Committee has agreed to leave the traffic control sign in place as is based on the research done.

8. Reports from Staff.

A. West Chicago Police Department Monthly Report.

9. Adjournment. Alderman Birch Ferguson made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Alderman Short. The motion was approved by voice vote, and the meeting adjourned at approximately 7:20pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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