

These minutes were approved at the 10/02/23 City Council meeting with no changes.

CITY OF WEST CHICAGO – 475 Main Street
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
Regular Meeting
September 18, 2023

1. **Call to Order.** Mayor Ruben Pineda called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on September 5, 2023.

2. **Pledge of Allegiance.** Alderman Dimas led all in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. **Roll Call and Establishment of a Quorum.**

Roll call found Lori Chassee, Sandy Dimas, Melissa Birch Ferguson, Heather Brown, John C. Smith, Jr., Dan Beebe, Joseph C. Morano, Alton Hallett, Jayme Sheahan, Christine Dettmann, Christopher Swiatek, and Jeanne Short were present. Alderman Rebecca Stout was absent. The Mayor announced a quorum.

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

4. **Public Participation.**

A. Cristina Berry – Ms. Berry raised concerns about the increase in the water rates.

5. **City Council Meeting Minutes of September 5, 2023.** Alderman Swiatek made a motion, seconded by Alderman Chassee, to approve the minutes of September 5, 2023.

Voting Aye by Roll Call Vote: Chassee, Dimas, Birch Ferguson, Brown, Smith, Jr., Beebe, Morano, Hallett, Sheahan, Dettmann, Swiatek, and Short. Motion carried.

6. **Corporate Disbursement Report.** Alderman Dimas made a motion, seconded by Alderman Swiatek to approve the September 18, 2023, Corporate Disbursement Report in the amount of \$1,082,796.29.

Voting Aye by Roll Call Vote: Chassee, Dimas, Birch Ferguson, Brown, Smith, Jr., Beebe, Morano, Hallett, Sheahan, Dettmann, Swiatek, and Short. Motion carried.

7. **Consent Agenda**

*** Infrastructure Committee:**

A. **Approve** – The Purchase of Three 2023 Ford F150 Police Responder Vehicles from Haggerty Ford (for an amount not to exceed \$142,149.00) and Authorize the City Administrator to Contract with a Third-Party to Install the Necessary Appurtenances/Equipment for Those Three Vehicles (for an amount not to exceed \$36,000.00).

B. **Approve** – The Purchase of Two 2023 Ford F-150, Regular Cab, 4x4 Pick-up Trucks (for an amount not to exceed \$86,750.00) from Haggerty Ford and Authorize the City Administrator to Contract with a Third-Party to Install the Necessary Appurtenances/Equipment for Those Two Vehicles.

C. **Resolution No. 23-R-0072** – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Contract with Layne Company for Professional Services Related to the Well Station No. 3 Rehabilitation Project (for an amount not to exceed \$259,555.00).

D. **Resolution No. 23-R-0073** – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Winfield Township Road District for Right-of-Way Maintenance Operations.

E. **Resolution No. 23-R-0074** – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Winfield Township Road District for Snow Removal Operations.

F. **Resolution No. 23-R-0078** – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Approve Change Order No. 1 with Construction, Inc. of Lombard, Illinois (for an amount not to exceed \$150,000.00) for a Revised Contract Value of \$1,340,000.00, for the First and Lower Level Renovation Project at 200 Main Street.

- G. Resolution No. 23-R-0079** – A Resolution Authorizing Change Order No. 1 with Swallow Construction Corporation (for an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00) for a Revised Contract Value of \$1,605,803.65, for the 2023 Sophia Street Area Water Main and Streets Rehabilitation Project.
- H. Resolution No. 23-R-0080** – A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Contract with KWCC, Inc. of Montgomery, Illinois, for the Base Bid and Alternate Bid No. 1 for the Metra Station Repairs Project (for an amount not to exceed \$166,490.00) and to Reject Alternate Bid No. 2.

Alderman Morano made a motion, seconded by Alderman Short, to approve the above items.

Voting Aye by Roll Call Vote: Chassee, Dimas, Birch Ferguson, Brown, Smith, Jr., Beebe, Morano, Hallett, Sheahan, Dettmann, Swiatek, and Short. Motion carried.

***Public Affairs Committee:**

- I. Approve** – The Wheaton Academy Homecoming Fireworks Display – Scheduled for Friday, October 6, 2023.
- J. Ordinance No. 23-O-0032** – An Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of West Chicago – Chapter 17 Traffic, Article XVII, Schedules of Designated Streets; Division 3. Stop Intersections; Sections 17-176.- Designated; Compliance Required of the City Code.
- K. **Ordinance No. 23-O-0034** – An Ordinance of the City of West Chicago Amending Chapter 11, Article 6 of the Code of Ordinances Regarding Animal Control and Care.

**Item 7.K. was removed from the Consent Agenda and placed under Unfinished Business.

Alderman Chassee made a motion, seconded by Alderman Smith, Jr., to approve the above items.

Voting Aye by Roll Call Vote: Chassee, Dimas, Birch Ferguson, Brown, Smith, Jr., Beebe, Morano, Hallett, Sheahan, Dettmann, Swiatek, and Short. Motion carried.

***Items Not Sent to Committee:**

- L. Ordinance No. 23-O-0033** – An Ordinance of the City of West Chicago, DuPage County, Illinois, Authorizing the Acceptance of a Portion of Hahndorf Street for Roadway Purposes.
- M. Resolution No. 23-R-0081** – A Resolution Approving a Plat of Easement for Watermain, Drainage/Detention and Natural Area with Ditch Witch Midwest – 1555 Atlantic Drive.
- N. Concur** – With the Mayor's Appointment of Bruce Treudt to the Cultural Arts Commission for an Unexpired Term Ending April 2024.
- O. Concur** – With the Mayor's Reappointment of Debbie Walsh to the Cultural Arts Commission for a Term Ending April 2027.
- P. Concur** – With the Mayor's Reappointment of Maria Paulina Garcia to the Cultural Arts Commission for a Term Ending April 2027.
- Q. Concur** – With the Mayor's Reappointment of Uwe Gsedl to the Cultural Arts Commission for a Term Ending April 2027.

Alderman Birch Ferguson made a motion, seconded by Dimas, to approve the above items.

Voting Aye by Roll Call Vote: Chassee, Dimas, Birch Ferguson, Brown, Smith, Jr., Beebe, Morano, Hallett, Sheahan, Dettmann, Swiatek, and Short. Motion carried.

8. Reports by Committees: None

9. Unfinished Business:

- A. ****Ordinance No. 23-O-0034** – An Ordinance of the City of West Chicago Amending Chapter 11, Article 6 of the Code of Ordinances Regarding Animal Control and Care.

Alderman Dimas made a motion, seconded by Smith, Jr., to approve the above items.

Alderman Chassee shared the details of the ordinance. Alderman Brown made a motion to table this item, but it was not possible as there was a lack of a second motion. Alderman Brown explained the details of the DuPage County Ordinance on Animal Control. Alderman Dettmann shared another incident of a dog attacking another dog last weekend. Alderman Smith, Jr. said the County Ordinance is not effective. Mayor Pineda shared his personal story about a dog attack.

Voting Aye by Roll Call Vote: Chassee, Dimas, Brown, Smith, Jr., Beebe, Morano, Stout, Hallett, Sheahan, Swiatek, and Short. Motion carried.

10. New Business:

- A. Concur with the Mayor's Appointment of Alderman Rebecca Stout to Handle the Duties of the Office of the Mayor from October 4-12, 2023.

Alderman Chassee made a motion, seconded by Swiatek, to approve the above items.

Voting Aye by Roll Call Vote: Chassee, Dimas, Brown, Smith, Jr., Beebe, Morano, Stout, Hallett, Sheahan, Swiatek, and Short. Motion carried.

11. Correspondence and Announcements

Upcoming Meetings

September 19, 2023	Plan Commission/ZBA (cancelled)
September 26, 2023	Historical Preservation Commission
October 2, 2023	Finance Committee (cancelled)

12. Mayor's Comments.

Mayor Pineda gave a recap of the Mexican Independence Day event that took place this past weekend.

At 7:27 p.m., Alderman Chassee made a motion, seconded by Alderman Hallett to adjourn the meeting. All Aldermen voted aye by Voice Vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Guttman
City Administrator

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