

CITY OF WEST CHICAGO - 475 Main Street
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
Regular Meeting
August 3, 2020

The City Council meeting of August 3, 2020, was held partly remote (via Zoom) and partly in person due to the coronavirus pandemic.

1. **Call to Order.** Mayor Ruben Pineda (in person) called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance.** Alderman Stout led all in the pledge of allegiance.
3. **Invocation.** There was no invocation.
4. **Roll Call and Establishment of a Quorum.**

Roll call found Aldermen Lori J. Chassee, James E. Beifuss, Jr., Heather Brown, Alton Hallett, Michael D. Ferguson, Sandy Dimas, Melissa Birch-Ferguson, Christopher Swiatek, Jeanne Short, Rebecca Stout, John E. Jakabcsin, and Noreen Ligino-Kubinski present remotely. Aldermen Jayme Sheahan and Matthew Garling were absent. The Mayor announced a quorum.

Also in attendance in person were City Attorney Patrick Bond, City Administrator Michael Guttman and Deputy Chief of Police Chris Shackelford.

City Clerk Nancy M. Smith, Community Development Director Tom Dabareiner, and Public Works Director Rob Flatter attended remotely.

5. Public Participation.

A. **Public Hearing: Pre-Annexation Agreement - Trillium Farms (Pulte).** The Mayor opened the public hearing at 7:02 pm. No one spoke for or against the agreement and no written comments were received. The Mayor closed the public hearing at 7:03 pm.

6. **City Council Meeting Minutes of July 29, 2020.** Alderman Ferguson made a motion, seconded by Alderman Swiatek, to approve the minutes of July 29, 2020, with no changes.

Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Brown, Ferguson, Dimas, Hallett, Birch-Ferguson, Swiatek, Short, Stout, Jakabcsin, and Ligino-Kubinski. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

7. **Corporate Disbursement Report.** Alderman Dimas made a motion, seconded by Alderman Chassee, to approve the August 3, 2020, Corporate Disbursement Report in the amount of \$323,522.64). Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Brown, Ferguson, Hallett, Dimas, Birch-Ferguson, Swiatek, Short, Stout, Jakabcsin, and Ligino-Kubinski. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

8. Consent Agenda.

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

A. **Resolution 20-R-0043** - A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute an Agreement with Aptim for Siting Application Review Services - Waste Transfer Station (for a total contract amount not to exceed \$60,000.000)

B. **Resolution 20-R-0044** - A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Contract Agreement with Lorusso Cement Contractors, Inc. for Services Related to the 2020 Sidewalk and Curb Maintenance Program (for an amount not to exceed \$136,114.00)

C. **Resolution 20-R-0045** - A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Enter into a Certain Pre-Annexation Agreement - Pulte Home Company, LLC - 28W541 Roosevelt Road and 28W700 Purnell Road (removed and voted upon separately)

Alderman Chassee made a motion, seconded by Alderman Stout, to approve items A. and B. above. Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Brown, Ferguson, Hallett, Dimas, Birch-Ferguson, Swiatek, Short, Stout, Jakabcsin, and Ligino-Kubinski. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

9. Reports by Committee: None

10. Unfinished Business:

From 8.C. **Resolution 20-R-0045** - A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Enter into a Certain Pre-Annexation Agreement - Pulte Home Company, LLC - 28W541 Roosevelt Road and 28W700 Purnell Road.

Alderman Stout made a motion, seconded by Alderman Chassee, to approve Resolution 20-R-0045. During discussion, Alderman Beifuss said he still had concerns for the same reasons as when it came up before about the water and reimbursements. Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Brown, Hallett, Dimas, Birch-Ferguson, Swiatek, Short, Stout, Jakabcsin, Ligino-Kubinski, and Mayor Pineda (after Pulte attorney Russell Whitaker indicated a higher vote count was needed due to the two absences). Voting Nay: Aldermen Beifuss and Ferguson. Motion carried.

11. New Business: Alderman Birch-Ferguson requested staff to work with the City Attorney to come up with a code of conduct for West Chicago elected officials. To the City Clerk's comment that there was one, the Mayor said it would be a good idea to review and update it as needed.

12. Correspondence and Announcements

Upcoming Meetings

August 4, 2020	Plan Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals
August 6, 2020	Infrastructure Committee (cancelled)
August 10, 2020	Development Committee

13. Mayor's Comments: The Mayor again spoke of the need for the community to be more cautious during the COVID-19 pandemic. The Mayor provided the latest figures on the number of infections (878) and deaths (12) in West Chicago and said the Governor will go back to Phase III if needed. People need to follow the guidelines of washing hands frequently, wearing masks, and keeping social distances.

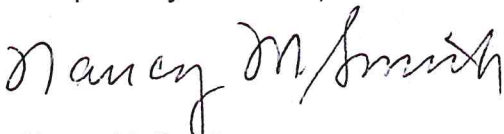
The Mayor said he is meeting with several mayors and there are still questions about the schools. There is still a lot of things we do not know about this virus.

14. Executive Session. There was no executive session.

15. Items to be Referred for Final Action from Executive Session. Not applicable.

16. Adjournment. At 7:14 pm. Alderman Chassee made a motion, seconded by Alderman Stout, to adjourn. Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Brown, Ferguson, Hallett, Dimas, Birch-Ferguson, Swiatek, Short, Stout, Jakabcsin, and Ligino-Kubinski. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Nancy M. Smith
City Clerk.