



City of Aurora

City Hall - Second Floor
Council Chambers
44 East Downer Place
Aurora, IL

Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes - Draft

Tuesday

December 16, 2025

5:00 PM

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ROLL CALL

Mayor Laesch called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m. and the roll was called.

Present 13 - Alderman Daniel Barreiro, Alderwoman Juany Garza, Alderman Ted Mesiacos, Alderman Jonathan Núñez, Alderman Carl Franco, Alderman Mike Saville, Alderman Javier Bañuelos, Alderwoman Patty Smith, Alderman Edward J. Bugg, Alderwoman Shweta Baid, Alderman-At-Large Keith Larson, Alderman-At-Large Will White, and Mayor John Laesch

MINUTES OF THE TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2025 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

25-1000 Approval of the Minutes of the Tuesday, December 2, 2025, Committee of the Whole Meeting.

A motion was made by Alderwoman Smith and seconded by Alderwoman Garza to approve and file the minutes as presented. The motion carried by voice vote.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Laesch presented the Mayor's Award of Excellence to the Oak Park Elementary School Boy's Soccer Team for winning first place in the 2025 District Soccer Tournament.

Mayor Laesch presented the Mayor's Award of Excellence to the combined Rollins and Beaupre Elementary Schools 2025 East Aurora School District Girls Soccer Champions.

Mayor Laesch presented the Mayor's Award of Excellence to members of Federacion Azteca, 8U 3v3 Aurora Girls Soccer BOWNET National Championship Team.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The City Clerk read the Rules of Public Comment and Rick Lawrence presented comments to the Committee of the Whole regarding the proposed Ethics Ordinance.

CLOSED SESSION

A motion was made by Alderwoman Smith and seconded by Alderman Franco to enter into Closed Session pursuant to the Open Meetings Act Sections 2(c)(1) regarding employment matters, 2(c)(2) regarding collective bargaining and 2(c)(11) regarding pending litigation. The motion to enter into Closed Session carried by the following vote:

Aye: 12 - Alderman Barreiro, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Núñez, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Bañuelos, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman-at-Large Larson and Alderman-at-Large White

The Open Session of the Committee of the Whole meeting adjourned to Closed Session at 5:21 p.m. The Closed Session meeting convened in the Mayor's Office conference room at 5:24 p.m. A Closed Session meeting was held regarding the above-referenced exceptions to the Open Meetings Act. The Closed Session meeting adjourned at 7:49 p.m. and the members of the Committee of the Whole returned to the City Council Chambers to reconvene the Open Session of the Committee of the Whole meeting. The Committee of the Whole meeting reconvened at 7:55 p.m. in City Council Chambers and the following members were physically in attendance:

Present: 12 - Alderman Barreiro, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Núñez, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Bañuelos, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman-at-Large Larson, Alderman-at-Large White and Mayor Laesch

REPORT OF THE BUILDING, ZONING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

The Building, Zoning and Economic Development Committee Met On December 10, 2025 and Reviewed the Following Items:

25-0967

An Ordinance amending Section 5-56 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Aurora to increase the fuel flowage fee from \$0.05 to \$0.06 per gallon of fuel sold at the Aurora Municipal Airport.

(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

25-0981

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to amend a Design Phase Engineering Agreement in the not-to-exceed amount of \$6,000 and to amend a Construction Phase Engineering Agreement in the not-to-exceed amount of \$10,100 with Crawford, Murphy and Tilly, Inc. for the Rehabilitate Airfield Lighting Vault (ARR-4915) and Replace Vault Generator (ARR-5117) projects located at the Aurora Municipal Airport.

(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

25-0997

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to amend a Design Phase Engineering Agreement in a not-to-exceed amount of \$15,700 with Crawford, Murphy and Tilly, Inc. and to execute a non-competitive procurement contract with Hali Brite, Inc. for the purchase of one Rotating Beacon and four Wind Cones in the not-to-exceed amount of \$30,000 in association with Project ARR-5201, Replace Airfield Signage, Wind Cones, Runway 15 and 27 Runway End Identifier Lights (REILs) & Airport Rotating Beacon; Construct Runway Guard Lights at Runway 15/33 at the Aurora Municipal Airport.

(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

Building, Zoning and Economic Development Committee Planning & Development Resolutions

25-0966

A Resolution Approving a Final Plan on property located at 3080 Bilter Road for Warehouse, Distribution and Storage Services (3300) Use.

This P&D Resolution was finalized (appealable).

Enactment Number: PDFNL25-029

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Finance Committee Met On December 11, 2025 and Reviewed the Following Items:

25-0765

A Resolution authorizing the execution of a Joint Funding Agreement with the State of Illinois, the execution of a Phase 3 Construction Engineering Services Agreement with Baxter & Woodman, Inc. in the not to exceed amount of \$29,731.00, and the appropriation of \$352,731.00 of MFT Funds for the Edgelawn BNSF Bike Path Crossing Project.

(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

25-0766

A Resolution authorizing the execution of a Joint Funding Agreement with the State of Illinois, the execution of a Phase 3 Construction Engineering Services Agreement HR Green, Inc. in the not to exceed amount of \$361,489.00, and the appropriation of \$1,085,000 of MFT Funds for the Indian Trail (Ohio to Pennsbur) Signal Modernization Project.

(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

25-0787

A Resolution authorizing the execution of labor agreement between the City of Aurora and Metropolitan Alliance of Police (MAP), Aurora Information Technology Chapter #525 (Union), for the period of January 1, 2024, to December 31, 2027.

(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

25-0834

A Resolution Authorizing Purchase of Property/Boiler Machinery, Fine Arts, cyber and Excess Cyber Liability, Crime, Special Events Liability, Drone Liability, General Liability/Law Enforcement/Auto Liability, Excess Liability, Excess Workers Compensation, and Liquor Liability insurance policies for the period of December 31, 2025, through December 31, 2026.

(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

25-0858

A Resolution authorizing approval of the Year 2 true-up invoice under the three-year Enterprise Agreement for Microsoft software, purchased through the State of Illinois Department of Innovation and Technology Joint Purchasing Contract (CMT #1176800) with Dell Marketing L.P., in the amount of \$303,804.24.

(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

25-0891

A Resolution authorizing the execution of a Phase 2 Design Engineering Supplement with Crawford, Murphy, & Tilly, Inc. in the not to exceed amount of \$239,431.00 and the appropriation the same amount of REBUILD Illinois Bond Funds for the Sullivan Road Reconstruction Project.

Jason Bauer, Director of Public Works - City of Aurora, responded to questions.

(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

25-0892

A Resolution approving and Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Aurora and Fox Valley Park District for the construction of a shared use path crossing of the BNSF Railroad at Edgelawn Drive.

(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

25-0893 A Resolution approving and Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Aurora and Aurora Township for a detour during the construction of a shared use path crossing of the BNSF Railroad at Edgelawn Drive.
(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

25-0894 A Resolution authorizing the execution of real estate contracts to purchase property in the amount of \$11,000.00 and appropriating MFT Funds for the Edgelawn BNSF Bike Path Crossing Project.
(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

25-0895 A Resolution authorizing the City of Aurora to enter into a construction and maintenance agreement with BNSF Railway Company for improvements of the crossing of the new Edgelawn Drive bike path and the BNSF Railroad.
(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

25-0912 A Resolution authorizing the execution of real estate contracts to purchase properties and appropriating MFT Funds required for the Indian Trail Road Signal Modernization and Resurfacing (Ohio to Pennsbury) Project in the amount of \$1,400.00.
(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

25-0953 A Resolution authorizing Shannon Chrismore to provide Employee Assistance Services for the period of January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026.
(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

25-0955 A Resolution authorizing the City to accept a grant award from the Metropolitan Mayor's Caucus of \$22,000.00 to support energy efficiency outreach and education.
(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

25-0961 A Resolution authorizing the City to accept a grant award of \$75,540.81 from the FY26 Illinois Department of Transportation Sustained Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP).
(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

25-0975 A Resolution authorizing the execution of a Services Agreement Between the City and OnLight Aurora to Provide Internet Services to the Habitat Green Freedom Subdivision.
(PLACED ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS)
Mayor Laesch and Alderman-at-Large Larson recused themselves from the discussion on this issue

25-0979 A Resolution Superseding All Previous Resolutions Pertaining To and Amending Pay Plans for Employees In the Non-Exempt Pay Plan.

(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

25-0980 A Resolution Superseding All Previous Resolutions Pertaining To and Amending Pay Plans for Employees In The Executive Pay Plan.

(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

25-0994 A Resolution to approve Change Order #1 with Builders Paving, LLC in the amount of \$60,000.00 for the 2025 City-Wide Resurfacing (EAST) project.

(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

25-0998 A Resolution Approving a Professional Services Contract with Stratagem Consulting Group, LLC for State and Federal Legislative Consulting Services.

(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

25-1001 A Resolution to approve the award of cellular phone services, to Celco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless (Verizon) using the most recent State of Illinois contract and a one-time retention credit and a one-year term.

(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

25-1002 A Resolution to Enter into a Three (3) Year ATM Space Lease Agreement with Old Second Bank.

(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

25-1006 A Resolution authorizing the Director of Purchasing to enter into an agreement with L3Harris of Melbourne, FL to purchase new radio computer consoles for \$457,821.48.

(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

The Public Health, Safety and Transportation Committee Met On December 9, 2025 and Reviewed the Following Items:

25-0995 A Resolution establishing the maximum number of Class B: Onsite Consumption liquor licenses, (unofficially related to the application from Reuland Food Service at 115 Oak Ave.). [Ward 2]

(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

**REPORT OF THE
INFRASTRUCTURE & TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE**

The Infrastructure & Technology Committee Met On December 8, 2025 and Reviewed the Following Items:

25-0678 A Resolution authorizing the purchase of computer equipment from Insight Public Sector, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$90,000.

(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

25-0871 A Resolution to award a contract for well maintenance services for Well 20 to Layne Christensen Company in the not to exceed amount of \$225,113.00.

(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

25-0877 A Resolution adopting unit price bids for the purchase of various water and sewer repair materials for the 2026 calendar year.

(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

25-0917 A Resolution Authorizing a Two-Year Instrumentation Service Agreement with the HACH Company for \$200,093.40 for the Water Production Division.

(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

25-0923 A Resolution authorizing the execution of an Engineering Services Agreement with HR Green, Inc. in the not to exceed amount of \$74,304.08 by encumbering \$80,000 of Ward funds for Phase 1 Preliminary Engineering support on the 2025 Safe Routes to School projects.

Yordana Wysocki, Corporation Counsel - City of Aurora, responded to questions.

(PLACED ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS)

25-0950 A Resolution to award a contract for the East Well Collector Combination Pressure Reducing & Pressure Sustaining Valve Replacement project to DePue Mechanical, Inc., in the not to exceed amount of \$128,592.00.

(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

25-0985 A Resolution to award a contract to Thomas Engineering Group, LLC for Resident Inspection and Engineering Services.

(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

25-0993 A Resolution Authorizing a Contract and IEPA PWSLP loan forgiveness agreement with Brandt Excavating, Inc for the Lead Service Replacement Project - Contract 3 for the bid amount of \$2,719,008.50, pending approval of an IEPA loan forgiveness loan.
(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

REPORT OF THE RULES, ADMINISTRATION AND PROCEDURES COMMITTEE

The Rules, Administration and Procedure Committee Met On December 2, 2025 and Reviewed the Following Items:

25-0779 An Ordinance amending and adding Sections 2-185, 15-130, 15-320, 15-321, 15-322, and 15-354 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Aurora pertaining to the disclosure of economic interests, campaign contributions, lobbying, and the use of City property and the City seal.
(HELD)

Rules, Administration and Procedures Committee Resolutions

25-0948 A Resolution establishing the Aurora Solar and EV Charging Rebate Program for Alderman At-Large Will White.
(INFORMATION ONLY)
Approved by RAP on December 2, 2025
Enactment Number: RAP25-009

25-0970 A Resolution authorizing a four-year Ward 2 Residential Property Improvement Grant Program in the amount of \$25,000 per year to assist qualified residents with driveway and fence projects in Ward 2.
(INFORMATION ONLY)
Approved by RAP on December 2, 2025
Enactment Number: RAP25-010

25-0978 A Resolution approving the Ward 3 Façade and Site Improvement Grant Program in partnership with the Aurora Regional Economic Alliance Foundation.
(INFORMATION ONLY)
Approved by RAP on December 2, 2025
Enactment Number: RAP25-011

NEW BUSINESS25-1008

A Resolution approving the appointment of Daniel Scaramelli as Manager of Data and Analytics.

(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Alderwoman Smith and seconded by Alderman Saville to adjourn this meeting. The motion carried by voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

Submitted by:

Jennifer Stallings, City Clerk

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