

City of Aurora

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

City Council Meeting Minutes - Draft

Tuesday November 25, 2025 6:00 PM

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ROLL CALL

Mayor Laesch called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. and the roll was called.

Present: 10 - Alderman Daniel Barreiro, Alderwoman Juany Garza, Alderman Jonathan Núñez, Alderman Carl Franco, Alderman Mike Saville, Alderman Javier Bañuelos, Alderman Edward Bugg, Alderman-At-Large Keith Larson,

Alderman-At-Large Will White and Mayor John Laesch

Absent: 3 - Alderman Ted Mesiacos, Alderwoman Patty Smith and Alderwoman Shweta

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APPOINTMENT OF SERGEANT-AT-ARMS

A motion was made by Alderwoman Garza and seconded by Alderman Franco to appoint a Sergeant-at-Arms for this meeting. The motion carried by voice vote and Officer Ortinau served as Sergeant-at-Arms for this meeting.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Alderman Núñez.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Tony Martinez, Chief Communications & Marketing Officer - City of Aurora, honored Touche French Creole, the winners of the City of Aurora Holiday Window Decorating Contest. Mayor Laesch presented the award to the Chef of Touche French Creole and the artist, Ginger Ingram.

Mr. Martinez reported on a busy Friday night last week for the Winter Lights Parade, Press Night at the Paramount showing of White Christmas, a performance at Second City at Copley Theatre, opening night of Christkindlmarket and a performance of the Million Dollar Quartet.

Opening weekend of Festival of Lights at Phillips Park is this weekend through December 25th.

A Special Census Recount will be moving forward now that the Federal Government Shutdown is over.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The City Clerk read the Rules of Public Comment and the following people presented comments to the City Council:

- 1. Vernita McGee Andrews spoke regarding Stable Able Housing.
- 2. Lupe Garcia thanked the Council and said a prayer.

CONSENT AGENDA

The City Clerk read the Consent Agenda and the Direct to Council Consent Agenda in full. A motion was made by Alderwoman Garza and seconded by Alderman Franco to approve the Consent Agenda and Direct to Council Consent Agendas in full. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 9 - Alderman Barreiro, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Núñez, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Bañuelos, Alderman Bugg, Alderman-At-Large Larson and Alderman-At-Large White

A Resolution authorizing the purchase of a Utility Task Vehicle (UTV) with patient compartment from Alternative Support Apparatus LLC. for \$61,485.

This Resolution was approved on the Direct to Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R25-352

<u>25-0783</u> A Resolution authorizing the award of contracts to supply process chemicals for the Water Production Division.

This Resolution was approved on the Direct to Consent Agenda.

<u>25-0799</u>	A Resolution authorizing the appropriation and expenditure of MFT funds for snow removal operations in 2026 in an amount up to \$1,399,600.00.
	This Resolution was approved on the Direct to Consent Agenda.
	Enactment No: R25-354
<u>25-0821</u>	A Resolution authorizing the City to apply for a second \$600,000 grant from the Illinois Department of Natural Resources Open Space Lands Acquisition and Development (OSLAD) program for improvements at Garfield Park.
	This Resolution was approved on the Direct to Consent Agenda.
	Enactment No: R25-355
<u>25-0847</u>	A Resolution authorizing the City to accept a grant award of \$147,375.00 under a grant agreement between the Driving a Cleaner Illinois through IEPA and the City of Aurora.
	This Resolution was approved on the Direct to Consent Agenda.
	Enactment No: R25-356
<u>25-0848</u>	A Resolution to accept award number # 24-203712 (HD240371) from the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity Program for \$2,000,000.
	This Resolution was approved on the Direct to Consent Agenda.
	Enactment No: R25-357
<u>25-0876</u>	A Resolution establishing the maximum number of Class B: Onsite Consumption liquor licenses, (unofficially related to the application from FJC Restaurant, LLC at 470 Hinman St., Ste C). [Ward 3]
	This Resolution was approved on the Direct to Consent Agenda.
	Enactment No: R25-358
<u>25-0878</u>	A Resolution to accept the Proposals received for the 2026 Water & Sewer Maintenance Division Emergency Repair Program.
	This Resolution was approved on the Direct to Consent Agenda.
	Enactment No: R25-359
<u>25-0882</u>	A Resolution authorizing the execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Village of Montgomery and the appropriation of \$200,000.00 of MFT funds for the Douglas Avenue Resurfacing project.
	This Resolution was approved on the Direct to Consent Agenda.
	Enactment No: R25-360

<u>25-0883</u>	A Resolution adopting unit price bids for the on-call full replacement of disturbed lead water service lines in 2026 within the City.
	This Resolution was approved on the Direct to Consent Agenda.
	Enactment No: R25-361
<u>25-0885</u>	An Ordinance Granting a Conditional Use Permit for a Community Residence, minor (1510) Use on the Property located at 1130 North Randall Road.
	This Ordinance was approved on the Direct to Consent Agenda.
	Enactment No: O25-076
<u>25-0887</u>	A Resolution establishing the maximum number of Class B: Onsite Consumption liquor licenses, (unofficially related to the application from Ishwar Hotel LLC dba Holiday Inn Aurora North located at 2424 W Sullivan Rd). [Ward 5]
	This Resolution was approved on the Direct to Consent Agenda.
	Enactment No: R25-362
<u>25-0889</u>	A Resolution establishing the maximum number of Class D: Downtown Core Onsite Consumption liquor licenses, (unofficially related to the application from Vibez on the River LLC located at 29 W New York St). [Ward 6]
	This Resolution was approved on the Direct to Consent Agenda.
	Enactment No: R25-363
<u>25-0910</u>	A Resolution authorizing the Director of Purchasing to process a change order to the contract with Crawford Murphy & Tilly, Inc. for Resident Inspection and Engineering Services in the amount of \$60,000.00.
	This Resolution was approved on the Direct to Consent Agenda.
	Enactment No: R25-364
<u>25-0911</u>	A Resolution establishing the maximum number of Class A: Package Sales (Gas Station - Beer & Wine Only) liquor licenses, (unofficially related to the application from RDK Ventures, LLC d/b/a Circle K at 2946 E New York St.). [Ward 7]
	This Resolution was approved on the Direct to Consent Agenda.

<u>25-0914</u>	A Resolution authorizing the Director of Purchasing to execute a change order with Rubino Engineering in the amount of \$65,000 for material testing services at RiverEdge Park.		
	This Resolution was approved on the Direct to Consent Agenda.		
	Enactment No: R25-366		
<u>25-0922</u>	A Resolution authorizing the fourth amendment to the second amended and restated lease between Amrize Mid-America, Inc., formerly known as Holcim-MAMR, Inc., and the City of Aurora.		
	This Resolution was approved on the Direct to Consent Agenda.		
	Enactment No: R25-367		
<u>25-0949</u>	An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 025-066 Authorizing the 2025 Voluntary Reduction in Force Incentive Plan.		
	This Ordinance was approved on the Direct to Consent Agenda.		
	Enactment No: O25-077		
DIRECT TO COUNCIL CONSENT AGENDA			
<u>25-0956</u>	Approval of the Minutes of the Tuesday, November 4, 2025, Special City Council Meeting.		
	The Minutes were approved and filed as presented on the Direct to Council Consent Agenda.		
<u>25-0957</u>	Approval of the Minutes of the Wednesday, November 12, 2025, Special City Council Meeting.		
	The Minutes were approved and filed as presented on the Direct to Council Consent Agenda.		
<u>25-0963</u>	A Resolution accepting the improvements and waiving the maintenance security for Primrose Child Care, 3181 North Aurora Road.		
	This Resolution was approved on the Direct to Council Consent Agenda.		

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

25-0378

A Resolution authorizing the Director of Purchasing to enter into a purchase agreement with Five Eight Group for the procurement of a drive test scanner for the Aurora Police Department, in a total amount not to exceed \$170,000.

Lt. Tom McNamara and Investigator Darrell Moore responded to questions. Jolene Coulter, Director of Purchasing - City of Aurora, responded to guestions regarding updated pricing.

A motion was made by Alderwoman Garza and seconded by Alderman Franco to approve this item.

A motion was made by Alderman-at-Large Larson and seconded by Alderman-at-Large White to award this contract to LexisNexis instead of Five Eight Group. Discussion was held. Alderman-at-Large Larson and Alderman-at-Large White withdrew their motion and second.

A motion was made by Alderwoman Garza and seconded by Alderman Franco to table this item until City Council on December 9, 2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 9-Alderman Barreiro, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Núñez, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Bañuelos, Alderman Bugg, Alderman-At-Large Larson and Alderman-At-Large White

25-0750

An Ordinance amending Sec. 8-131 of the Code of Ordinances, pertaining to video gaming terminal regulations.

Nicholas Richard-Thompson, Deputy Chief of Staff - City of Aurora, responded to questions.

A motion was made by Alderwoman Garza and seconded by Alderman Barreiro to approve this item. The motion carried by the following vote:

Alderman Barreiro, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Núñez, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Bañuelos, Alderman-At-Large Larson and Alderman-At-Large White

Nay: 1 - Alderman Bugg

Enactment No: O25-078

25-0881

A Resolution authorizing the adjustment of parking fees for the Route 25 and Route 59 Transportation Centers.

A motion was made by Alderman Franco and seconded by Alderman Saville to approve this item. The motion carried by the following vote:

Alderman Barreiro, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Núñez, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Bañuelos, Alderman Bugg, Alderman-At-Large Larson and Alderman-At-Large White

25-0924 An Ordinance Amending the Ward 6 Budget for Fiscal Year 2025.

A motion was made by Alderman Franco and seconded by Alderwoman Garza to approve this item. Alderman Saville abstained from the vote on this item. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Alderman Barreiro, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Núñez, Alderman Franco, Alderman Bañuelos, Alderman Bugg, Alderman-At-Large Larson and Alderman-At-Large White

Abstain: 1 - Alderman Saville

Enactment No: O25-079

25-0926 An Ordinance Amending the Ward 1 Budget for Fiscal Year 2025.

A motion was made by Alderman Franco and seconded by Alderwoman Garza to approve this item. Alderman Barreiro abstained from the vote on this item. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Núñez, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Bañuelos, Alderman Bugg, Alderman-At-Large Larson and Alderman-At-Large White

Abstain: 1 - Alderman Barreiro

Enactment No: O25-080

25-0927 An Ordinance Amending the Ward 10 Budget for Fiscal Year 2025.

A motion was made by Alderman Franco and seconded by Alderwoman Garza to approve this item. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 9 - Alderman Barreiro, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Núñez, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Bañuelos, Alderman Bugg, Alderman-At-Large Larson and Alderman-At-Large White

Enactment No: O25-081

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Alderman Saville and seconded by Alderman Franco to suspend the rules to hear items of New Business. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 9 - Alderman Barreiro, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Núñez, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Bañuelos, Alderman Bugg, Alderman-At-Large Larson and Alderman-At-Large White

25-0900

A Resolution Approving a of a Moratorium Hardship Appeal for a warehouse on property located at 560 Exchange Court and 580 Exchange Court.

Tracey Vacek, Director of Zoning & Planning - City of Aurora, presented briefly. Mike Havala, President & CEO of Loaves & Fishes presented.

A motion was made by Alderwoman Garza and seconded by Alderman Franco to approve this item. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 9 - Alderman Barreiro, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Núñez, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Bañuelos, Alderman Bugg, Alderman-At-Large Larson and Alderman-At-Large White

Enactment No: R25-370

25-0972

A Resolution authorizing the execution of a lease agreement with Fox Valley United Way for space at 13 So. Broadway Aurora, IL 60506.

Shannon Cameron, Chief of Staff - City of Aurora, presented.

A motion was made by Alderman Franco and seconded by Alderwoman Garza to approve this item. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 9 - Alderman Barreiro, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Núñez, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Bañuelos, Alderman Bugg, Alderman-At-Large Larson and Alderman-At-Large White

Enactment No: R25-371

APPROVAL OF THE BILL SUMMARY AND LARGE BILL LIST

<u>25-0973</u> Bill Summary and Large Bill List.

A motion was made by Alderwoman Garza and seconded by Alderman Franco to approve and pay the bills. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 9 - Alderman Barreiro, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Núñez, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Bañuelos, Alderman Bugg, Alderman-At-Large Larson and Alderman-At-Large White

CLOSED SESSION

There was no need for a Closed Session.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Alderman Franco and seconded by Alderwoman Garza to adjourn this meeting. The motion carried by voice vote and this meeting adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

Submitted by:	
Jennifer Stallings, City Clerk	

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