



# City of Aurora

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

## Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes - Draft

Tuesday

December 07, 2021

5:00 PM

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**Members of the public wishing to provide public comment for this meeting must be physically present at the meeting and registered to speak prior to the meeting being called to order. Please call the City Clerk's Office at (630) 256-3070 with questions.**

### ROLL CALL

Mayor Irvin called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m. and the roll was called.

A motion was made by Alderman Saville and seconded by Alderman Jenkins to allow Alderwoman Hart-Burns to participate in this meeting remotely per section 2-80 of the City Code. The motion carried by voice vote and Alderwoman Hart-Burns remained present via Zoom for the meeting.

**Present** 12 - Alderwoman Juany Garza, Alderman Ted Mesiacos, Alderman Bill Donnell, Alderman Carl Franco, Alderman Mike Saville, Alderwoman Scheketa Hart-Burns, Alderwoman Patty Smith, Alderman Edward J. Bugg, Alderwoman Shweta Baid, Alderman Ron Woerman, Alderman Sherman Jenkins, and Mayor Richard Irvin

**Absent** 1 - Alderman Emmanuel Llamas

### MINUTES OF THE TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2021 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

[21-0956](#)

Approval of the Minutes of the Tuesday, November 16, 2021, Committee of the Whole Meeting.

A motion was made by Alderman Jenkins and seconded by Alderwoman Garza to approve the Minutes of the November 16, 2021 Committee of the Whole Meeting as presented. The motion carried by voice vote.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

*There were no members of the public present and wishing to address the Committee of the Whole.*

**REPORT OF THE  
BUILDING, ZONING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE  
TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

**The Building, Zoning and Economic Development Committee Met On November 22,  
2021 and Reviewed the Following Items:**

[21-0958](#)

An Ordinance Annexing Contiguous, Uninhabited, and Unincorporated Real Property Owned by the City of Aurora located at 1951 Bilter Road, 1971 Bilter Road, 1981 Bilter Road, 1995 Bilter Road, 2025 Bilter Road, 2055 Bilter Road, 2091 Bilter Road, 2115 Bilter Road, and 2145 Bilter Road, being directly north of the Chicago Premium Outlet Mall on Bilter Road

**(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)**

[21-0959](#)

An Ordinance amending O20-116 granting additional time for compliance of the Conditional Use for a Cannabis Dispensing Facility (2115) at 1415 Corporate Boulevard that was granted on December 22, 2020

*Tracey Vacek, Senior Planner - City of Aurora, spoke briefly regarding this item.  
Bob Fitzsimmons of New Era spoke on behalf of the Petitioners.*

**(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)**

**REPORT OF THE  
FINANCE COMMITTEE  
TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

**The Finance Committee Met On November 23, 2021 and Reviewed the Following  
Items:**

[21-0780](#)

An Ordinance Adopting An Annual Budget For the Fiscal Year Beginning January 1, 2022 And Ending December 31, 2022 In Lieu Of Passage Of An Appropriation Ordinance.

*Chris Minick, Chief Financial Officer - City of Aurora, presented an overview of the Budget.*

**This item was placed on the Consent Agenda of the Special City Council meeting on December 7, 2021.**

[21-0781](#)

An Ordinance Levying Taxes For the City of Aurora, Illinois, For The Fiscal Year January 1, 2021 Through December 31, 2021.

**(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)**

- [21-0782](#) An Ordinance Levying Certain Special Service Area Taxes For The Fiscal Year January 1, 2021 Through December 31, 2021. (Special Service Area Number One)  
*Chris Minick, Chief Financial Officer - City of Aurora, presented regarding this item.*  
**(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)**
- [21-0783](#) An Ordinance Levying Certain Special Service Area Taxes For Fiscal Year January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021. (Special Service Area Number Forty-Four)  
**(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)**
- [21-0784](#) An Ordinance Levying Certain Special Service Area Taxes for The Fiscal Year January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021. (Special Service Area Number Sixty-Three)  
**(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)**
- [21-0785](#) An Ordinance Levying Certain Special Service Area Taxes for The Fiscal Year January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021. (Special Service Area Number Sixty-Five)  
**(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)**
- [21-0786](#) An Ordinance Levying Certain Special Service Area Taxes for The Fiscal Year January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021. (Special Service Area Number Sixty-Six A)  
**(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)**
- [21-0787](#) An Ordinance Levying Certain Special Service Area Taxes for Fiscal Year January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021. (Special Service Area Number Sixty-Six B)  
**(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)**
- [21-0788](#) An Ordinance Levying Certain Special Service Area Taxes for The Fiscal Year January 1, 2021 Through December 31, 2021. (Special Service Area Number Sixty-Six C)  
**(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)**
- [21-0789](#) An Ordinance Levying Certain Special Service Area Taxes for Fiscal Year January 1, 2021 Through December 31, 2021. (Special Service Area Number Sixty-Six D)  
**(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)**

- [21-0790](#) An Ordinance Levying Certain Special Service Area Taxes For The Fiscal Year January 1, 2021 Through December 31, 2021. (Special Service Area Number Sixty-Seven)  
**(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)**
- [21-0791](#) An Ordinance Levying Certain Special Service Area Taxes For The Fiscal Year January 1, 2021 Through December 31, 2021. (Special Service Area Number Seventy)  
**(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)**
- [21-0792](#) An Ordinance Levying Certain Special Service Area Taxes For The Fiscal Year January 1, 2021 Through December 31, 2021. (Special Service Area Number Eighty-Eight)  
**(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)**
- [21-0793](#) An Ordinance Levying Certain Special Service Area Taxes For The Fiscal Year January 1, 2021 Through December 31, 2021. (Special Service Area Number Ninety)  
**(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)**
- [21-0794](#) An Ordinance Levying Certain Special Service Area Taxes For The Fiscal Year January 1, 2021 Through December 31, 2021. Special Service Area Number One Hundred Forty-One)  
**(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)**
- [21-0795](#) An Ordinance Levying Certain Special Service Area Taxes For The Fiscal Year January 1, 2021 Through December 31, 2021. (Special Service Area Number Twenty- Four)  
**(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)**
- [21-0796](#) An Ordinance Authorizing And Providing For The Abatement of General Obligation Bond Tax Levies. 2021 Tax Levy Extension.  
*Chris Minick, Chief Financial Officer - City of Aurora, spoke regarding this item.*  
**(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)**
- [21-0916](#) A Resolution approving a renewal agreement with Marketplace.city of 1218 West Oakdale Avenue, Chicago, IL 60657 to perform purchasing searches for technology related goods/services..  
*Chris Minick, Chief Financial Officer - City of Aurora, spoke regarding this item.*  
**(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)**

[21-0960](#)

A Resolution authorizing an extension and amendment to a contract for refuse, recyclables and yard waste collection services presently assigned to Groot, Inc.

*Alex Alexandrou, Chief Management Officer - City of Aurora, spoke and responded to questions regarding this item.*

*Walter Willis of Groot Inc. responded to questions regarding this item.*

(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

**The Finance Committee also had Special Committee meetings on November 16, 2021, November 18, 2021 and November 19, 2021 to discuss City Budget.**

**REPORT OF THE  
PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE  
TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

**The Public Health, Safety and Transportation Committee Met On November 23, 2021 and Reviewed the Following Items:**

[21-0929](#)

A Resolution establishing the maximum number of Class D: Downtown Core Entertainment District liquor licenses (unofficially related to the application from Wyckwood House, LLC at 80 S River St #108, Aurora). [Ward 6]

(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

**REPORT OF THE  
INFRASTRUCTURE & TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE  
TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

**The Infrastructure & Technology Committee Met On November 22, 2021 and Reviewed the Following Items:**

[21-0813](#)

A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to execute an intergovernmental agreement, between the City of Aurora and the State of Illinois Department of Transportation, for the maintenance & energy of traffic signals, on State roadways, in the City.

(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

[21-0934](#)

A Resolution adopting unit price bids for the for the on-call full replacement of disturbed lead water service lines within the City.

(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

- [21-0935](#) A Resolution to Award a Contract to Tecorp, Inc. for the Fox Valley East Ground Storage Tanks Rehabilitation project in the amount of \$2,651,176.00 for the Water Production Division  
(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

## **REPORT OF THE RULES, ADMINISTRATION AND PROCEDURES COMMITTEE**

### **The Rules, Administration and Procedure Committee Met On November 16, 2021 and Reviewed the Following Items:**

- [21-0839](#) An Ordinance amending Chapter 13 of the Code of Ordinances pertaining to the licensure of retailers engaged in the business of selling certain vapor and alternate tobacco and nicotine products.  
*Deb Lang, Assistant Corporation Counsel - City of Aurora, spoke regarding this item.*  
**After discussion, this item was returned to the Rules, Administration, and Procedure Committee.**
- [21-0914](#) An Ordinance Amending "Chapter 25, Article XI, Section 265, Definitions" of the Code of Ordinances.  
*Alex Voigt, Deputy Chief of Staff - City of Aurora, spoke regarding this item.*  
(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)
- [21-0939](#) A Resolution approving the appointment of a Ward 9 representative to the Block Grant Working Committee.  
(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)
- [21-0940](#) A Resolution approving the appointment of members to the African American Heritage Advisory Board.  
(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)
- [21-0941](#) A Resolution approving the appointments of members to the Hispanic Heritage Advisory Board.  
(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)
- [21-0943](#) A Resolution approving the appointment of Sumitra Murali to the Indian American Community Outreach Advisory Board.  
(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)
- [21-0944](#) A Resolution approving the appointment of members to the Grand Army of the Republic Memorial Commission (GAR).  
(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

## MAYOR'S REPORT

*Mayor Irvin led a moment of silence in honor of Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day - December 7, 2021.*

*Mayor Irvin discussed the 2022 Budget and thanked the Finance Committee, the Finance Department, City staff, and Alex Alexandrou for all of their work on the budget.*

## STAFF REPORT

*Katrina Boatright, Senior Services & Disability Coordinator - City of Aurora, presented regarding the City of Aurora's Operation Senior Shovel 2021-2022.*

## CLOSED SESSION

*There was no need for a closed session at this meeting.*

## ADJOURN

A motion was made by Alderwoman Garza and seconded by Alderman Jenkins to adjourn this meeting. The motion carried by voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 6:39 p.m.

Submitted by:

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Jennifer Stallings, City Clerk

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**\*\*\*SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING TO BE HELD IMMEDIATELY UPON THE ADJOURNMENT OF THE 5:00 PM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING\*\*\***