



City of Aurora

City Hall - 2nd Floor City
Council Chambers
44 East Downer Place
Aurora, IL

City Council Meeting Minutes - Draft

Tuesday
July 13, 2021
6:00 PM

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 contact the City Clerk at (630) 256-3070 with questions.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Irvin called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. and the roll was called.

Present: 12 - Alderman Emmanuel Llamas, Alderman Ted Mesiacos, Alderman Bill Donnell, Alderman Carl Franco, Alderman Mike Saville, Alderwoman Scheketa Hart-Burns, Alderwoman Patty Smith, Alderman Edward Bugg, Alderwoman Shweta Baid, Alderman-At-Large Ron Woerman, Alderman-At-Large Sherman Jenkins and Mayor Richard Irvin

Absent: 1 - Alderwoman Juany Garza

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Savannah Crooks, a Senior at West Aurora High School.

INVOCATION

The Invocation was led by Alderwoman Hart-Burns.

APPOINTMENT OF SERGEANT-AT-ARMS

A motion was made by Alderman Jenkins and seconded by Alderwoman Hart-Burns to appoint Officer Sullivan as Sergeant-At-Arms for this meeting. The motion carried by voice vote.

PRESENTATIONS

[21-0521](#)

Mayor's Office Community Presentations.

The Mayor's Award of Excellence was presented to Savannah Crooks, a West Aurora High School senior, for her efforts at raising funds for the Marie Wilkinson Food Pantry.

The Mayor's Award of Excellence was presented to Aurora Police Department Officer Will Whitfield for his work in hosting the 'Christmas in July' event to raise funds and supplies for Mutual Ground.

These presentations were discussed and filed.

[21-0522](#)

Update on the CHANGE Reform Initiative.

There was no update presented regarding the CHANGE Reform Initiative.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The City Clerk read the rules for public comment. The following citizens were present and offered public comment:

Ms. Mary Ann Vincent spoke in opposition to item 21-0436.

Mr. Adam Pauley introduced himself to Council as a recent appointee to the Kane County Regional Board of School Trustees.

CONSENT AGENDA

The City Clerk read the Consent Agenda and the Direct to Council Consent Agenda in full. A motion was made by Alderwoman Hart-Burns and seconded by Alderman Franco to approve the items on the Consent Agenda and Direct to Council Consent Agenda as read.

A motion was made by Alderman Bugg and seconded by Alderman Saville to remove item 21-0484 from the Consent Agenda to Unfinished Business. Item 21-0484 was removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on Unfinished Business.

With the removal of item 21-0484 from the Consent Agenda, the motion to approve the items on the Consent Agenda and Direct to Council Consent Agenda carried by the following vote:

Aye: (11) - Alderman Llamas, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderwoman Hart-Burns, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman Woerman, Alderman Jenkins.

[21-0337](#) An Ordinance Amending Chapter 49 of the Code of Ordinances, City of Aurora, by Modifying the Zoning Map Attached Thereto by Rezoning the Property Located at 632 South Ohio Street from B-3, Business and Wholesale District to R-2, One Family Dwelling District

This Ordinance was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: O21-033

[21-0400](#) Request for authorization to advertise for bids for the purchase of a new replacement wheel loader for the Water and Sewer Maintenance Division.

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda.

[21-0403](#) A Resolution Authorizing Payment to Testing for Public Safety, LLC (dba IPSP) as the Provider of Services for 2021 Fire Department Promotional Testing Process.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-168

[21-0419](#) A Resolution to reject all bids for the Wilder Park Restroom and Concessions Facility project.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-169

[21-0427](#) A Resolution authorizing an extension of an agreement with Seize the Future Development Foundation, Inc. for services related to economic development through September 30, 2021.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-170

[21-0433](#) A Resolution Authorizing an Agreement with Infosend to Provide Utility Invoice Production and Distribution Services for the Water Billing Division.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-171

[21-0436](#) An Ordinance amending the Aurora Liquor Control Ordinance pertaining to E-Commerce Delivery Stores.

This Ordinance was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: O21-034

[21-0441](#)

An Ordinance amending Chapter 34 of the Code of Ordinances pertaining to planning and zoning procedures.

This Ordinance was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: O21-035

[21-0453](#)

A Resolution to approve the Ward 8 Residential Grant Program.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-172

[21-0461](#)

A Resolution To approve payment to Tavarez and Son's Lawn Care for removal of junk and trash services through code violation for the remainder of 2021.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-173

[21-0466](#)

A Resolution to Award the contract for the San Souci Water Main Improvements project located in Ward 5 to Gerardi Sewer & Water Co., 1785 W. Armitage Court, Addison, IL 60101 in the amount of one million, six hundred thirty thousand, two hundred sixty-two dollars and eighty cents (\$1,630,262.80).

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-174

[21-0477](#)

A Resolution to accept a Kane County Grand Victoria Riverboat Grant for the Aurora Financial Empowerment Center.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-175

[21-0478](#)

A request to obtain bids for the construction of the Phillips Park Golf Course Simulator Addition and purchase of two golf simulators.

This item was approved on the Consent Agenda.

[21-0483](#)

A Resolution authorizing the purchase and construction of the supporting infrastructure, as previously mentioned in R20-249, for the body worn camera inventory and operating requirements as defined by the Aurora Police Department.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-176

[21-0485](#)

A Resolution authorizing the purchase and installation of a fleet dash camera system and the Taser 7 equipment.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-177

[21-0500](#)

A Resolution approving the 2021 Ward 9 Block Party Assistance Program.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-178

[21-0509](#)

A Resolution to approve the renewal and expansion of the \$10.0 million Line of Credit to \$15.0 million with Fifth Third Bank for one year.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-179

DIRECT TO COUNCIL CONSENT AGENDA

[21-0499](#)

Approval of the Minutes of the Tuesday, June 22, 2021 City Council Meeting.

The minutes were approved and filed on the Direct to Council Consent Agenda.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

[21-0362](#)

An Ordinance approving a Plan Description Revision to the Conditional Use Planned Development, to change the underlying zoning district for a portion of the property from R-1(C) One family Dwelling District to O(C) Office District located west of Hanks Road, south of Galena Boulevard, east of Blackberry Creek, and north of Raven.

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

Aye: 11 - Alderman Llamas, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderwoman Hart-Burns, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman-At-Large Woerman and Alderman-At-Large Jenkins

Enactment No: O21-036

[21-0364](#)

A Resolution Approving the Final Plat for the property located at 2600 West Galena Boulevard

A motion was made by Alderwoman Hart-Burns and seconded by Alderman Jenkins to approve this item. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 11 - Alderman Llamas, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderwoman Hart-Burns, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman-At-Large Woerman and Alderman-At-Large Jenkins

Enactment No: R21-180

[21-0365](#)

A Resolution approving a Final Plan for the property located at 2600 West Galena Boulevard for an Animal Hospital (2720) Use

A motion was made by Alderwoman Hart-Burns and seconded by Alderman Jenkins to approve this item. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 11 - Alderman Llamas, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderwoman Hart-Burns, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman-At-Large Woerman and Alderman-At-Large Jenkins

Enactment No: R21-181

[21-0484](#)

An Ordinance Amending The Annual Budget For The Fiscal Year Beginning January 1, 2021 and Ending December 31, 2021 (Amendment #1 For The 2021 Fiscal Year).

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

Alisia Lewis, Director of Human Resources - City of Aurora, presented and responded to questions regarding this item.

This item was removed from the Consent Agenda to Unfinished Business. A motion was made by Alderwoman Hart-Burns and seconded by Alderman Saville to approve this item. The motion carried by the following vote:

Enactment No: O21-037

NEW BUSINESS

There were no items of New Business at this meeting.

REPORT

There were no reports at this meeting.

APPROVAL OF THE BILL SUMMARY AND LARGE BILL LIST

[21-0525](#)

Bill Summary and Large Bill List

A motion was made by Alderwoman Hart-Burns and seconded by Alderman Jenkins to approve and pay the bills as presented. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 11 - Alderman Llamas, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderwoman Hart-Burns, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman-At-Large Woerman and Alderman-At-Large Jenkins

CLOSED SESSION

There was a need for a closed session meeting to discuss appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees pursuant to Section 2(c)(1) of the Open Meetings Act.

A motion was made by Alderwoman Hart-Burns and seconded by Alderman Franco that Council convene in closed session immediately prior to the adjournment of this meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 11 - Alderman Llamas, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderwoman Hart-Burns, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman Woerman, Alderman Jenkins.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Alderwoman Hart-Burns and seconded by Alderman Jenkins that this meeting adjourn upon the conclusion of the closed session meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 11 - Alderman Llamas, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderwoman Hart-Burns, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman Woerman, Alderman Jenkins.

The regular meeting of the City Council adjourned to go into Closed Session at 6:42 p.m. and members of the public and staff were asked to leave the City Council chambers at the conclusion of the open portion of the City Council meeting. Council went into Closed Session at 6:53 p.m. and the Closed Session meeting concluded at 9:45 p.m. and this meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

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