

City of Aurora

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

Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes - Draft

Tuesday November 18, 2025 5:00 PM

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ROLL CALL

Mayor Laesch called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m. and the roll was called. A motion was made by Alderwoman Smith and seconded by Alderman Franco to allow Alderman Bugg to participate in this meeting remotely pursuant to Sec 2-80 of the Code of Ordinances. The motion carried by voice vote and Alderman Bugg participated in this meeting remotely.

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, NOVEMBER 4, 2025 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

<u>25-0938</u> Approval of the Minutes of the Tuesday, November 4, 2025, Committee of the Whole Meeting.

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

MAYOR'S REPORT

Jon Zaghloul, Communications Manager - City of Aurora, announced the recognition of East Aurora School District John Kent Cooke Scholars and Mayor Laesch honored each recipient:

Yahir Ferreira - Fred Rodgers Magnet Academy Taleen Kandakji - Cowherd Middle School

A reminder was made that there will be a 2026 Budget Town Hall Meeting at the Public Works Facility at 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, November 22, 2025.

Adrian Perez, Superintendent of Streets - City of Aurora, presented an overview of the snow removal process in the City of Aurora.

Prior to the conclusion of the meeting, Mayor Laesch reminded everyone of the downtown events on Friday, November 21st including the Winter Lights Parade, the Celebration Tree Lighting, and Paramount and Copley Theatre shows.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The City Clerk read the Rules of Public Comment and the following people presented public comment to the Committee of the Whole:

- 1. Angela Collier thanked some of the Alderpeople for their assistance with events and discussed the Toys For Tots program.
- 2. Senayit spoke regarding racism at Aurora University.
- 3. Rick Lawrence spoke regarding the proposed provider of the drive test scanner for the Aurora Police Department.
- 4. Adam Pauley spoke regarding his accomplishments throughout his political career in Aurora.

REPORT OF THE BUILDING, ZONING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

The Building, Zoning and Economic Development Committee Met On November 12, 2025 and Reviewed the Following Items:

25-0885

An Ordinance Granting a Conditional Use Permit for a Community Residence, minor (1510) Use on the Property located at 1130 North Randall Road.

(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Finance Committee Met On November 13, 2025 and Reviewed the Following Items:

<u>25-0378</u>	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.
	Lieutenant Tom McNamara, Aurora Police Department, responded to questions. Yordana Wysocki, Corporation Counsel - City of Aurora, responded to questions. Jolene Coulter, Director of Purchasing - City of Aurora, responded to questions. Investigator Darrell Moore, Aurora Police Department, responded to questions.
	(PLACED ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS)
<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.
	(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)
<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.
	(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)
<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.
	April Fitzhugh, Grant Writer - City of Aurora, presented briefly.
	(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)
<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.
	(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)
<u>25-0881</u>	A Resolution authorizing the adjustment of parking fees for the Route 25 and Route 59 Transportation Centers.
	(PLACED ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS)

<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. (PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)
<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. (PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)
<u>25-0924</u>	An Ordinance Amending the Ward 6 Budget for Fiscal Year 2025. (PLACED ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS)
<u>25-0926</u>	An Ordinance Amending the Ward 1 Budget for Fiscal Year 2025. (PLACED ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS)
<u>25-0927</u>	An Ordinance Amending the Ward 10 Budget for Fiscal Year 2025. (PLACED ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS)

The Finance Committee also met on November 4th, 6th & 13th to Review the Proposed 2026 Budget.

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

The Public Health, Safety and Transportation Committee Met On November 12, 2025 and Reviewed the Following Items:

<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]
	(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)
<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]
	(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

<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]
	(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)
<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]
	(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

REPORT OF THE INFRASTRUCTURE & TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

The Infrastructure & Technology Committee Met On November 10, 2025 and Reviewed the Following Items:

<u>25-0585</u>	A Resolution authorizing the purchase of a Utility Task Vehicle (UTV) with patient compartment from Alternative Support Apparatus LLC. for \$61,485.
	(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)
<u>25-0783</u>	A Resolution authorizing the award of contracts to supply process chemicals for the Water Production Division.
	(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)
<u>25-0878</u>	A Resolution to accept the Proposals received for the 2026 Water & Sewer Maintenance Division Emergency Repair Program.
	(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)
<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.
	Jason Bauer, Director of Public Works - City of Aurora, responded to questions.
	(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)
<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.
	(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

25-0914

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.

(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

REPORT OF THE RULES, ADMINISTRATION AND PROCEDURES COMMITTEE

The Rules, Administration and Procedure Committee Met On November 4, 2025 and Reviewed the Following Items:

25-0831

A Resolution authorizing the re appointments of Jonathan Hylton, John Savage and Mike Baum to the Aurora Civic Center Authority Board.

(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

Rules, Administration and Procedures Committee Resolutions

25-0862

A Resolution authorizing the Ward 4 Residential and Business Storm Damage Grant Program for qualifying residences and businesses within the 4th Ward reimbursement up to a maximum \$1,500.00 per project, per year for any storm damage replacement costs.

(INFORMATION ONLY)

ENACTMENT NUMBER: RAP25-008

The Rules, Administration and Procedure Committee Also Met On November 7, 2025 and Reviewed Item 25-0898, which was approved at the City Council meeting on November 12, 2025. (Ordinance O25-075: An Ordinance Restricting the use of City of Aurora Property for Civil Immigration Enforcement Activities.)

NEW BUSINESS

<u>25-0949</u>

An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 025-066 Authorizing the 2025 Voluntary Reduction in Force Incentive Plan.

Michelle Clark, Interim HR Dir. - City of Aurora, presented and responded to questions.

(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

ALDERMAN'S CORNER

Alderwoman Shweta Baid presented an update on Ward 10.

CLOSED SESSION

There was no need for a Closed Session.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Alderman Franco and seconded by Alderwoman Smith to adjourn this meeting. The motion carried by voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Submitted by:	
lennifer Stallings. City Clerk	

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