



City of Aurora

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

City Council Meeting Minutes - Final

Tuesday

October 26, 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 call the City Clerk's Office 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: 13 - Alderman Emmanuel Llamas, Alderwoman Juany Garza, 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 Ron Woerman, Alderman Sherman Jenkins and Mayor Richard Irvin

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Clayton Muhammad, Chief Communications Officer and Chief Equity Officer - City of Aurora.

INVOCATION

The Invocation was led by Pastor Rodrigo Cano from the Community Christian Church in Aurora.

APPOINTMENT OF SERGEANT-AT-ARMS

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

PRESENTATIONS

[21-0874](#)

Quarterly City Staff Spotlight presentation honoring City staff who have received awards or made other significant achievements.

Robert Leible, Assistant Superintendent of Water Production Division - City of Aurora, was presented with the 2021 Illinois Section of the AWWA Meritorious Service Award by Randy Lusk, AWWA. Mayor Irvin presented Mr. Leible with the Mayor's Award of Excellence and the Spotlight Award.

Maria Lindsay, Mayor's Office - City of Aurora, was recognized by representatives of Wintrust Bank as the recipient of the Wintrust Bank LatinX Leader of the Year Award. Mayor Irvin presented Ms. Lindsay with the Mayor's Award of Excellence and the Spotlight Award.

Simon Rodriguez, Youth Services Manager - City of Aurora, was recognized by Dr. Scott Peska from Waubensee Community College as the recipient of the Waubensee Community College Alumni Recognition for September, 2021. Mayor Irvin presented Mr. Rodriguez with the Mayor's Award of Excellence and the Spotlight Award.

Mr. Kelvin Beene, Training Manager - City of Aurora, was recognized as the recipient of the National Convention of the American Association of Code Enforcement 2021 Robert Klein Award. Mayor Irvin presented Mr. Beene with the Mayor's Award of Excellence and the Spotlight Award.

Mayor Joseph Marchese recognized the City of Aurora's Mayor's Office Team for winning the DuPage Mayor's and Manager's Conference 2021 Award for Best Innovation for the City of Aurora's CHANGE Reform Initiative.

These presentations were discussed and filed.

[21-0875](#)

Mayor's Office of Community Affairs announcements, presentations and special recognitions.

Clayton Muhammad, Chief Information Officer and Chief Equity Officer - City of Aurora, discussed upcoming Halloween activities in the City of Aurora.

This Presentation was discussed and filed.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The City Clerk read the rules of public comment and the following citizens presented comment to the City Council:

Ms. Maryanne Signorelli spoke regarding the development at Todd & Lincoln School Buildings and the WPA artwork contained within the schools.

Mr. Al Signorelli spoke regarding the development at Todd & Lincoln School Buildings and the WPA artwork contained within the schools.

Mr. Scott Sherwood spoke regarding the murals at Todd School and the condition of the artwork.

MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS

[21-0797](#)

A Resolution approving the appointment of Gerald Butters Jr. to the Grand Army of the Republic Memorial Commission (GAR).

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

Aye: 12 - Alderman Llamas, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderwoman Hart-Burns, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman Woerman, Alderman Jenkins

Enactment No: R21-278

[21-0803](#)

A Resolution approving the appointments of members to the city's Human Relations Commission.

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

Aye: 12 - Alderman Llamas, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderwoman Hart-Burns, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman Woerman, Alderman Jenkins

Enactment No: R21-279

[21-0806](#)

A Resolution approving the appointment of a Ward 1 representative to the Block Grant Working Committee.

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

Aye: 12 - Alderman Llamas, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderwoman Hart-Burns, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman Woerman, Alderman Jenkins

Enactment No: R21-280

CONSENT AGENDA

The City Clerk read the Consent Agenda and Direct to Council Consent Agenda in full. A motion was made by Alderwoman Hart-Burns and seconded by Alderwoman Smith to approve the Consent Agenda and Direct to Council Consent Agenda as read. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 12 - Alderman Llamas, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderwoman Hart-Burns, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman Woerman and Alderman Jenkins

[21-0565](#)

A Resolution authorizing approval of an upgraded annual subscription (renewal) for Executive Programs Membership Basic and Leadership Team Service for IT Research and Advisory Services from Gartner, Inc of Stamford, CT.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-281

[21-0752](#)

A Resolution Authorizing an Agreement with Assured Partners, formerly Group Alternatives, Inc. to Provide Benefit Consulting Services For the Period of January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2024.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-282

[21-0763](#)

An Ordinance Authorizing A Loan Agreement (Public Water Supply Loan Program - Home Rule Entity) For The Lead Service Line Replacement Project.

This Ordinance was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: O21-055

[21-0765](#)

A Resolution Granting the Authority to Make Modification to Liens Issued Through City Loan and Grant Programs.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-283

[21-0770](#)

A Resolution establishing the maximum number of Class A: Package Sales (Beer & Wine Only/Gas Station) liquor licenses, (unofficially related to the application from 7-Eleven, Inc., d/b/a 7-Eleven #32334H at 2130 W Galena Bl, in Aurora). [Ward 5]

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-284

[21-0805](#)

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 2, for Record Keeping Purposes, and Amending Article 2-VI-3 to Codify and update Aurora's Advisory Boards and Commissions including The Advisory Commission on Disabilities; the Airport Advisory Board; Bicycle Pedestrian and Transit Board; Economic Development Commission; Education Commission; Sustainable Aurora; Tree Board; Veterans' Advisory Council; and Youth Council

This Ordinance was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: O21-056

[21-0809](#)

A Resolution authorizing the execution of a Local Public Agency Agreement for Federal Participation with the State of Illinois, the execution of a Phase 1 Engineering Agreement with V3 Companies, Ltd., maximum amount of \$39,154.00, and the appropriation of \$39,154.00 of Motor Fuel Tax (MFT) Funds for Montgomery Road at Wisconsin Central (CN) Railway Tracks Crossing Project, MFT #20-00332-00-FL.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-285

[21-0810](#)

A Resolution extending the current Citywide Traffic Signal and Street Light Maintenance contract with Meade Electric Inc., two additional years, for the period December 1, 2021 through November 30, 2023.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-286

[21-0811](#)

A Resolution Authorizing the Rehabilitation of River Intake Pump #5 for the Water Production Division in an amount not to exceed \$60,000.00.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-287

[21-0812](#)

A Resolution authorizing the Director of Purchasing to enter into an agreement with Kovilic Construction Company, Inc., 3721 N. Carnation Street, Franklin Park, IL 60131 in the amount of \$65,000 for Fox River West Dam and Canoe Chute Repairs.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-288

[21-0815](#)

A Resolution approving the renewal of a 36-month contract for the City of Aurora's Internet bandwidth from Urbancom Communications Inc., Oak Forest, Illinois for an amount of \$206,637.50.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-289

[21-0816](#)

An Ordinance Terminating the Designation of the Aurora Downtown Tax Increment Financing Redevelopment Project Area and Dissolving the Aurora Downtown Special Tax Increment Allocation Fund.

This Ordinance was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: O21-057

[21-0820](#)

A Resolution to extend the agreement between the City of Aurora and Seize the Future, doing business as Invest Aurora for a period of five (5) months from October 1, 2021 to March 1, 2022.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-290

[21-0826](#)

A Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Sales Tax Reimbursement Agreement with Windfall LLC.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-291

DIRECT TO COUNCIL CONSENT AGENDA

[21-0831](#)

Approval of the Minutes of the Tuesday, October 12, 2021, City Council Meeting.

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

[21-0869](#)

An Ordinance prohibiting the City Treasurer from issuing license endorsements under Sec. 13-9.1 of the Code of Ordinances until December 15, 2021.

This Ordinance was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: O21-058

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Alderman Woerman left the meeting at 6:58 p.m. and recused himself from the discussion and voting on items 21-0713, 21-0714, 21-0715, 21-0716, 21-0717 and 21-0718. Alderman Woerman returned to the meeting at 7:08 p.m. at the conclusion of the discussion and after the votes were taken on these items.

[21-0713](#)

An Ordinance Establishing a Conditional Use Planned Development, Approving the Fox Valley Apartments-Lincoln School Plan Description and amending Chapter 49 of the Code of Ordinances, City of Aurora, by modifying the zoning map attached thereto to an underlying zoning of R-5 Multiple-Family Dwelling District for the property located at 631 and 641 S. Lake Street

Jill Morgan, Planner - City of Aurora, responded to questions regarding this item.

Therese Thompson - Cordogan, Clark & Associates, presented regarding this item.

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

Alderman Woerman left the meeting and recused himself from voting and discussion on this item.

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

Aye: 11 - Alderman Llamas, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Mesiascos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderwoman Hart-Burns, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid and Alderman Jenkins

Enactment No: O21-059

[21-0714](#)

A Resolution Approving the Final Plat for Lot 1 of Fox Valley Apartments-Lincoln School Subdivision located at 631 and 641 S. Lake Street

Alderman Woerman left the meeting and recused himself from voting and discussion on this item.

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, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Mesiascos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderwoman Hart-Burns, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid and Alderman Jenkins

Enactment No: R21-292

[21-0715](#)

A Resolution Approving a Final Plan on Lot 1 of Fox Valley Apartments-Lincoln School Subdivision, located at 631 and 641 S. Lake Street, for a Multi-Family Dwelling (1140) Use

Alderman Woerman left the meeting and recused himself from voting and discussion on this item.

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

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

Enactment No: R21-293

[21-0716](#)

An Ordinance Establishing a Conditional Use Planned Development, Approving the Fox Valley Apartments-Todd School Plan Description and amending Chapter 49 of the Code of Ordinances, City of Aurora, by modifying the zoning map attached thereto to an underlying zoning of R-5 Multiple-Family Dwelling District for the property located at 100 Oak Avenue

Alderman Woerman left the meeting and recused himself from voting and discussion on this item.

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

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

Enactment No: O21-060

[21-0717](#)

A Resolution Approving the Final Plat for Lot 1 and Lot 2 of Fox Valley Apartments-Todd School located at 100 Oak Avenue

Alderman Woerman left the meeting and recused himself from voting and discussion on this item.

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, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderwoman Hart-Burns, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid and Alderman Jenkins

Enactment No: R21-294

[21-0718](#)

A Resolution Approving a Final Plan on Lot 1 and Lot 2 of Fox Valley Apartments-Todd School, located at 100 Oak Avenue, for a Multi-Family Dwelling (1140) use and Social Service Agencies, Charitable Organizations, Health Related Facilities, and similar uses when not operated for pecuniary profit (6630) Use

Alderman Woerman left the meeting and recused himself from voting and discussion on this item.

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, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderwoman Hart-Burns, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid and Alderman Jenkins

Enactment No: R21-295

NEW BUSINESS

There were no items of new business.

REPORT

[21-0870](#)

Treasurer's Report - September 2021.

Chris Minick, Chief Financial Officer - City of Aurora, presented regarding this item.

This report was accepted and filed.

[21-0872](#)

Corporate Funds Investment Report - Third Quarter 2021.

This report was accepted and filed.

APPROVAL OF THE BILL SUMMARY AND LARGE BILL LIST

[21-0868](#)

Bill Summary and Large Bill List

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

Aye: 12 - Alderman Llamas, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderwoman Hart-Burns, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman Woerman and Alderman Jenkins

CLOSED SESSION

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

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Alderwoman Hart-Burns and seconded by Alderman Jenkins to adjourn this meeting. The motion carried by voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

Submitted by:

Jennifer Stallings, City Clerk

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