



City of Aurora

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

City Council Meeting Minutes - Final

Tuesday

April 22, 2014

6:00 PM

ROLL CALL

The City Council meeting was called to order at 6:09 p.m. by Mayor Weisner, and the Roll was called.

Present: 12 - Mayor Tom Weisner, Alderman Tina Bohman, Alderman Ted Mesiacos, Alderman Bill Donnell, Alderman John Peters, Alderman Mike Saville, Alderman Scheketa Hart-Burns, Alderman Rick Mervine, Alderman Edward Bugg, Alderman Lynne Johnson, Alderman Richard Irvin and Alderman Bob O'Connor

Absent: 1 - Alderman Juany Garza

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION

MINUTES OF MEETING OF APRIL 8, 2014

[14-00335](#)

Approval of the minutes of the April 8, 2014 City Council meeting.

Alderman Saville moved, seconded by Alderman Mervine, to approve the minutes of the Council Meeting held on April 8, 2014. Motion carried by voice vote.

Aye: 9 - Alderman Bohman, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Peters, Alderman Saville, Alderman Bugg, Alderman Johnson, Alderman Irvin and Alderman O'Connor

Abstain: 2 - Alderman Hart-Burns and Alderman Mervine

APPOINTMENT OF SERGEANT-AT-ARMS

A motion was made by Alderman Hart Burns, seconded by Alderman Mervine, to appoint a Sergeant-At-Arms for this meeting. The motion carried by voice vote.

PRESENTATIONS

[14-00220](#)

Proclamation naming April 26, 2014 as Dia de los Niños Day

Mayor Weisner recognized the Aurora Hispanic Heritage Advisory Board for their involvement in organizing events surrounding El Día de los Niños, and proclaimed Saturday, April 26, 2014 as El Día de los Niños in the City of Aurora. AHHAB president, Hector Ochoa, invited all those present to the community event to be held on the same day to celebrate El Día de los Niños.

[14-00223](#)

Proclamation naming April 25, 2014 as Arbor Day

Mayor Weisner proclaimed the last Friday in April as Arbor Day, and urged the residents of Aurora to observe Arbor Day by planting one or more trees. Alderman Saville spoke about the origins of Arbor Day in Spain, the first American Arbor Day in Nebraska, and the first proclamation by President Theodore Roosevelt.

[14-00271](#)

Proclamation Recognizing Warriors Hockey Team 2014 State Champions in the Combined High School Varsity Division

Mayor Weisner recognized the Warriors hockey varsity team, which has players from Waubonsie Valley, Metea Valley, Oswego East and Oswego High Schools, for winning the State Championship Blackhawk cup. Mayor Weisner introduced the Mayor of Oswego, Mr. Brian LeClercq, who presented a certificate of recognition to the team. Mayor Weisner then proclaimed April 22, 2014 to be Warriors Hockey day in the City of Aurora. Chief Financial Officer Brian Caputo, who is the bookkeeper for the club, spoke about the team's outstanding performance, and wished all players well going forward. Alderman Mervine presented certificates of recognition to head coach James Frasco, assistant coach Brian Finnerty, and all team players.

MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS

[14-00237](#)

A Resolution Appointing Raquel Tamer and Josie Alcaez Tanksley and Reappointing Hector Ochoa, Maria del Carmen Tinajero and Dalila Alegria to the Aurora Hispanic Heritage Advisory Board.

Mayor Weisner thanked those being reappointed for their willingness to continue serving, and welcomed the new appointments to the board.

A motion was made that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried.

Aye: 11 - Alderman Bohman, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Peters, Alderman Saville, Alderman Hart-Burns, Alderman Mervine, Alderman Bugg, Alderman Johnson, Alderman Irvin and Alderman O'Connor

Enactment No: R14-089

[14-00266](#)

A Resolution Appointing Keith Gerald and Jacquelyn Spires to the Aurora African American Heritage Advisory Board.

Mayor Weisner recognized AAHAB Chairman Toussaint Smith, present at the meeting, and thank the new appointees for their willingness to serve going forward.

A motion was made that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried.

Aye: 11 - Alderman Bohman, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Peters, Alderman Saville, Alderman Hart-Burns, Alderman Mervine, Alderman Bugg, Alderman Johnson, Alderman Irvin and Alderman O'Connor

Enactment No: R14-090

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Alderman Saville, seconded by Alderman Irvin, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 11 - Alderman Bohman, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Peters, Alderman Saville, Alderman Hart-Burns, Alderman Mervine, Alderman Bugg, Alderman Johnson, Alderman Irvin and Alderman O'Connor

[14-00126](#)

A Resolution Authorizing an Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Aurora and the Fox Valley Park District Concerning a Fireworks Show and other Programmed Activities on Park District Property on July 4, 2014 and July 4, 2015

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R14-091

[14-00142](#)

A Resolution Approving a Preliminary Plat and Plan for Property located at 1901 Bilter Road, Aurora, Illinois 60502

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R14-092

[14-00143](#)

A Resolution Approving the Final Plat and Plan for the 1st Resubdivision of Chicago Premium Outlets being Vacant Land located at 1901 Bilter Road, Aurora, Illinois 60502.

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R14-093

[14-00217](#)

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute an Agency Agreement with the State of Illinois and to execute a Cooperative Service Agreement with the U.S. Department of Agriculture for a Wildlife Management Study & Plan at the Aurora Municipal Airport.

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R14-094

[14-00219](#)

A Resolution Authorization to purchase three Wausau Home-Safe Snow Plows from Lindco Equipment Sales, as a sole source, in the amount of \$30,949.00.

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R14-095

[14-00228](#)

A Resolution establishing the maximum number of City of Aurora liquor licenses by class.

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R14-096

[14-00232](#)

A Resolution which authorizes the purchase of two FORD utility vehicles for the Aurora Police Department Special Operations Group.

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R14-097

[14-00242](#)

An Ordinance Granting a Special Use Permit for a Religious Institution Use on the Property located at 502 Westgate Drive, Aurora, Illinois, 60506

This Ordinance was adopted.

Enactment No: O14-016

[14-00243](#)

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a not-to-exceed contract in the amount of \$30,000 with Geneva Construction Company for the 2014 Downtown Sidewalk Removal and Replacement Project.

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R14-098

[14-00248](#)

A Resolution to Purchase 300 SmartPoint Transceiver Units and 300 iPerl Water Meters from HD Supply Waterworks Ltd., Carol Stream, Illinois in an Amount not to Exceed \$70,000 for the Water and Sewer Division.

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R14-099

[14-00263](#)

A Resolution authorizing an extended hour of sale and consumption of alcoholic liquor for Liquor License classifications A, B, E and F on Monday, May 5, 2014 only, upon approval by the Local Liquor Control Commissioner.

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R14-100

[14-00295](#)

An Ordinance authorizing the lease of vacant city-owned property with Marie Wilkinson Food Pantry, Inc, for a community garden.

This Ordinance was adopted.

Enactment No: O14-017

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

[14-00150](#)

A Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Development Agreement with Simon Property Group, Inc. / Chicago Premium Outlets for 1901 Bilter Road

A motion was made by Alderman Hart-Burns, seconded by Alderman Mervine, to allow speakers to address City Council. The motion carried by voice vote.

Dean Johnson, of Derby Ct. in Aurora, addressed City Council in regards to parking related concerns related to this item.

Chief Development Services Officer Bill Wiet addressed Mr. Johnson's concerns, and explained that much of what Mr. Johnson mentioned has been reviewed and mitigated.

Greg Wolterstorff of V3 companies added that pursuant to comments from Mr. Johnson and other community neighbors, adjustments were made to the exterior loop road, and access to through lanes. The area in question will be striped "No Parking," and "No Parking" signs will be placed on it.

Attorney Stein, representing the Simon Group, spoke briefly about the project.

A motion was made by Alderman Hart-Burns, seconded by Alderman Bohman, to approve this resolution. The motion carried.

Aye: 11 - Alderman Bohman, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Peters, Alderman Saville, Alderman Hart-Burns, Alderman Mervine, Alderman Bugg, Alderman Johnson, Alderman Irvin and Alderman O'Connor

Enactment No: R14-101

[14-00117](#)

A Resolution approving the issuance of a Carnival License to Variety Children's Charity / Fantasy Amusement Company for a carnival to be held at the Westfield Fox Valley Mall on May 1-4, and May 8-11, 2014.

A motion was made by Alderman Hart-Burns, seconded by Alderman Mervine, to approve this resolution. The motion carried.

Aye: 11 - Alderman Bohman, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Peters, Alderman Saville, Alderman Hart-Burns, Alderman Mervine, Alderman Bugg, Alderman Johnson, Alderman Irvin and Alderman O'Connor

Enactment No: R14-102

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Alderman Hart-Burns, seconded by Alderman Bugg, that this agenda item be Suspended the Rules. The motion carried.

Aye: 11 - Alderman Bohman, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Peters, Alderman Saville, Alderman Hart-Burns, Alderman Mervine, Alderman Bugg, Alderman Johnson, Alderman Irvin and Alderman O'Connor

[14-00303](#)

A Resolution establishing the maximum number of City of Aurora liquor licenses by class.

A motion was made by Alderman Hart-Burns, seconded by Alderman Mervine, to approve this resolution. The motion carried.

Aye: 11 - Alderman Bohman, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Peters, Alderman Saville, Alderman Hart-Burns, Alderman Mervine, Alderman Bugg, Alderman Johnson, Alderman Irvin and Alderman O'Connor

Enactment No: R14-103

[14-00304](#)

A Resolution establishing the maximum number of City of Aurora liquor licenses by class.

A motion was made by Alderman Hart-Burns, seconded by Alderman Saville, to approve this resolution. The motion carried.

Aye: 11 - Alderman Bohman, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Peters, Alderman Saville, Alderman Hart-Burns, Alderman Mervine, Alderman Bugg, Alderman Johnson, Alderman Irvin and Alderman O'Connor

Enactment No: R14-104

REQUESTS AND REFERRALS

[14-00333](#)

AU22/3-14.107-M - Plat of Easement across the city owned Tivoli Plaza to install, construct, maintain and use a deck grease basin and inspection manhole located at 28-42 W. New York Street by WEST NEW YORK, LLC AND THE CITY OF AURORA (Ward 6 - ES)

The above Requests and Referrals were referred to the Planning Council and Planning Commission.

REPORT

[14-00336](#)

Progressive Raffle Moratorium Update

Chief Management Officer Carie Anne Ergo presented an update on the progressive raffle moratorium approved by Council on Tuesday, February 25th.

Ergo explained that the first week after the moratorium was approved, staff met, put together a team of representatives from the City Clerk's office, Mayor's office and Law department, and worked on a game plan. On week two, research was compiled, and it was decided to send a raffle survey to those organizations who had requested a raffle permit within the last two years. While staff waited for surveys to come back, staff met with representatives from the gaming industry who sell these games. After surveys came back, we met with those interested in participating in the stakeholder roundtables.

Ergo added that moving forward, we will continue to research and look at best practices, will send another survey to gather more data, and will start formulating the recommended legislation that will be presented to the City Council.

BILLS

[14-00334](#)

Bill Summary and Large Bill List

A motion was made by Alderman Hart-Burns, seconded by Alderman Mervine, to approve and pay the bills as presented. The motion carried.

Aye: 11 - Alderman Bohman, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Peters, Alderman Saville, Alderman Hart-Burns, Alderman Mervine, Alderman Bugg, Alderman Johnson, Alderman Irvin and Alderman O'Connor

ADJOURN

Alderman Hart-Burns moved, seconded by Alderman Mervine, to adjourn the meeting at 7:17 p.m. Motion carried by voice vote.

Isabel M. Garcia-Kodron
City Clerk