



City of Aurora

City Hall - Second Floor
Council Chambers
44 East Downer Place
Aurora, IL 60505

City Council Meeting Minutes - Draft

Tuesday

June 23, 2026

6:00 PM

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ROLL CALL

Mayor Laesch called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. and the roll was called.

A motion was made by Alderman Saville and seconded by Alderwoman Smith to allow Alderwoman Baid to participate in this meeting remotely pursuant to Sec. 2-80 of the code of ordinances. The motion carried by voice vote and Alderwoman Baid participated in this meeting via remote teleconference.

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 Bugg, Alderwoman Shweta Baid, Alderman-At-Large Keith Larson, Alderman-At-Large Will White and Mayor John Laesch

APPOINTMENT OF SERGEANT-AT-ARMS

A motion was made by Alderwoman Smith and seconded by Alderwoman Garza to appoint a Sergeant-at-Arms for this meeting. The motion carried by voice vote and Officer Soderlund served as Sergeant-at-Arms for this meeting.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by members of the Aurora Central Catholic High School track team.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Tony Martinez, Chief Communications and Marketing Officer - City of Aurora, presented the following items:

1. Mayor Laesch presented a Mayoral Proclamation to members of the Illinois Tejano Organization and proclaimed June 21, 2026 through June 27, 2026 as Tejano Week in Aurora.
2. Mayor Laesch presented the Mayor's Award of Excellence to Mahika Jain, Metea Valley High School Student, for earning a national entry through the Illinois PTA Reflections Program.
3. Mayor Laesch congratulated the members of the Aurora Central Catholic High School team who won State Championships in Track and Field.
4. A reminder was given of the City's "If You Light It, We Will Write It" campaign regarding illegal fireworks.
5. The City of Aurora 4th of July Fireworks will be held on July 3rd and the parade will be held on July 4th.
6. Nicholas Richard-Thompson, Deputy Chief of Staff and Baldemar Lopez of Stratagem Consulting Group presented an update on the 2026 Legislative Session accomplishments on behalf of the City of Aurora and responded to questions from the City Council.

MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS

[26-0266](#)

A Resolution authorizing the appointment of Zayra Juarez, Cynthia Rocha, Jennifer Orta, Eduardo Orozco, Raquel Rodriguez, Melissa Sosa and Lizet Zuniga to the Aurora Hispanic Heritage Advisory Board.

Nicholas Richard-Thompson, Deputy Chief of Staff, responded to questions.

Alderman Bañuelos recused himself from the discussion and vote on this item and left the City Council Chambers during the discussion and vote. A motion was made by Alderman Larson and seconded by Alderman Barreiro to approve this item. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 10 - Alderman Barreiro, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman-at-Large Larson and Alderman-at-Large White.

Abstain: 1 - Alderman Núñez

Recusal: 1 - Alderman Bañuelos

Alderman Bañuelos returned to City Council Chambers at the conclusion of the vote on this item.

Enactment No: R26-153

[26-0295](#)

A Resolution authorizing the appointment of Diane Lantz, Christopher Childress, Nastasha Prunty, Juan Sifuentes and the reappointment of Gina Moga and Jonathon Hylton to the Aurora Civic Center Authority Board.

Alderman Mesiacos recused himself from the discussion and vote on this item and left the City Council Chambers during the discussion and vote. A motion was made by Alderwoman Garza and seconded by Alderman Larson to approve this item. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Alderman Barreiro, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Núñez, Alderman Bañuelos, Alderman Bugg, Alderman-at-Large Larson and Alderman-at-Large White.

Nay: 3 - Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville and Alderwoman Baid

Abstain: 1 - Alderwoman Smith

Recusal: 1 - Alderman Mesiacos

Alderman Mesiacos returned to City Council Chambers at the conclusion of the vote on this item.

Enactment No: R26-154

PUBLIC COMMENT

The City Clerk recited the Rules of Public Comment and the following people presented public comment to the City Council:

1. Cassandra Echeverria spoke regarding solidarity in the City of Aurora.
2. Matt Orr spoke regarding petitions being circulated.
3. Ray Hull spoke regarding diversity on the ACCA Board.
4. Mercy Galicia spoke regarding the Illinois Tejano Organization event on Saturday, June 26th from noon-10:00 p.m. at Wilder Park.

CONSENT AGENDA

The City Clerk read the Consent Agenda and the Direct to Council Consent Agenda in full. A motion was made by Alderman Franco and seconded by Alderwoman Garza to approve the Consent Agenda and the Direct to Council Consent Agenda in full. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 12 - Alderman Barreiro, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Núñez, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Bañuelos, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman-At-Large Larson and Alderman-At-Large White

[26-0303](#)

A Resolution authorizing the execution of an Airport Maintenance Operations Agreement with Airfield Maintenance Services, LLC for five years with two automatic one-year renewals in the initial amount of \$461,500.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R26-155

[26-0328](#)

A Resolution to award Hazel CSO Sewer Separation, Sanitary Extension, and Water Main Improvements project, located in Ward 4 to Performance Construction & Engineering, LLC. in the bid amount of \$4,618,028.00.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R26-156

[26-0337](#)

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor or his designee to execute a Construction Phase Engineering Agreement in the not-to-exceed amount of \$127,800 with Crawford, Murphy and Tilly, Inc. This resolution will also authorize an Agency Agreement with the State of Illinois for the Replace Airfield Signage, Wind Cones, Runway 15 and 27 Runway End Identifier Lights (REILS) & Airport Rotating Beacon, Construct Runway Guard Lights at Runway 15/33 under project ARR-5201 located at the Aurora Municipal Airport.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R26-157

[26-0344](#)

A Resolution to award the Richard St, Robert St, N Russell Ave Water Main Improvements project, located in Ward 6, to Gerardi Sewer & Water Co., in the bid amount of \$3,187,318.50.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R26-158

[26-0349](#)

A Resolution authorizing a five-year amendment to the original agreement for electronic citation and administrative hearing adjudication software from Quicket Solutions, Chicago, IL, for an amount not to exceed \$524,440.00

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R26-159

[26-0350](#)

A Resolution authorizing an agreement for a five-year integration solution from Quicket Solutions, Chicago, IL to the City's new Police Records Management System for an amount not to exceed \$80,203.72.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R26-160

[26-0352](#)

A Resolution authorizing the execution of a service agreement between the City of Aurora, and Family Service Association of Elgin in support of the Aurora Police Department Crisis Intervention Unit for the period of July 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R26-161

DIRECT TO COUNCIL CONSENT AGENDA

[26-0347](#)

Approval of Draft Closed Session Meeting Minutes.

The Draft Closed Session Minutes were approved to be finalized on the Direct to Council Consent Agenda.

[26-0376](#)

Approval of the Minutes of the Tuesday, June 9, 2026, City Council Meeting.

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

[26-0381](#)

A Resolution accepting the improvements and maintenance security for PAS Plaza, 1895 Butterfield Rd.

This Resolution was approved on the Direct to Council Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R26-162

[26-0382](#)

A Resolution accepting the improvements and maintenance security for Fox Valley Mall- Phase 2 Residential Fox Valley Mall- Phase 2 Residential, 3995 Fox Valley Center Dr.

This Resolution was approved on the Direct to Council Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R26-163

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There were no items of Unfinished Business.

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Alderwoman Garza and seconded by Alderman Franco to suspend the rules to hear items of New Business. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 12 - Alderman Barreiro, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Núñez, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Bañuelos, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman-at-Large Larson and Alderman-at-Large White

[26-0388](#)

A Resolution authorizing the divestment and sale of City owned properties located at 438 North Ave., Aurora, IL 60505.

Patrick Collins, Assistant Corporation Counsel - City of Aurora, presented and responded to questions.

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

Aye: 12 - Alderman Barreiro, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Núñez, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Bañuelos, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman-at-Large Larson and Alderman-at-Large White.

Enactment No: R26-164

[26-0389](#)

An Ordinance Proposing a New “SSA 1 - Aurora Downtown District” and Calling for a Public Hearing Thereon.

Patrick Collins, Assistant Corporation Counsel - City of Aurora presented.

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

Aye: 12 - Alderman Barreiro, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Núñez, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Bañuelos, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman-At-Large Larson and Alderman-At-Large White

Enactment No: O26-043

REPORT

No Reports were presented.

APPROVAL OF THE BILL SUMMARY AND LARGE BILL LIST

[26-0393](#)

Bill Summary and Large Bill List.

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

Aye: 12 - Alderman Barreiro, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Núñez, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Bañuelos, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman-At-Large Larson and Alderman-At-Large White

CLOSED SESSION

There was no need for a Closed Session.

ADJOURN

Alderwoman Baid thanked Mayor Laesch for expressing her concerns to the State Legislature regarding the Data Centers.

A motion was made by Alderwoman Smith and seconded by Alderman Saville to adjourn this meeting. The motion carried by voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

Submitted by:

Jennifer Stallings, City Clerk

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