



City of Aurora

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

Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes - Final

Tuesday

January 06, 2026

5:00 PM

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ROLL CALL

Mayor Laesch called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m. and the roll was called.

Present 12 - 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, and Mayor John Laesch

Absent 1 - Alderman-At-Large Will White

MINUTES OF THE TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2025 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

25-1038 Approval of the Minutes of the Tuesday, December 16, 2025, Committee of the Whole Meeting.

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

MAYOR'S REPORT

The Fleet Maintenance Division and Fleet Maintenance Division Supervisor, Chris Linville, were recognized and congratulated for being awarded the Illinois Alliance for Clean Transportation Leadership Award.

The 41st Annual MLK Day Ceremony will be held on January 19, 2026 - 6:00 p.m., at East Aurora High School.

Aurora Restaurant Week will be held January 20th through February 3rd, 2026.

A Data Center and Warehouse Moratorium Mid-Term Update was presented by John Curley, Chief Development Services Officer, Tracey Vacek, Director of Zoning & Planning and Alison Lindburg, Director of Sustainability. Mr. Curley presented and responded to questions.

PUBLIC COMMENT

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

1. Manuel Fernando Cardoza spoke regarding the lack of public participation in the City Council process.
2. Curtis Wilson spoke regarding Item 25-0987.

REPORT OF THE BUILDING, ZONING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

The Building, Zoning and Economic Development Committee Meeting Scheduled for December 24, 2025 was Cancelled.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Finance Committee Meeting Scheduled for December 24, 2025 was Cancelled.

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

The Public Health, Safety and Transportation Committee Meeting Scheduled for December 22, 2025 was Cancelled.

**REPORT OF THE
INFRASTRUCTURE & TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE**

The Infrastructure & Technology Committee Meeting Scheduled for December 23, 2025 was Cancelled.

REPORT OF THE RULES, ADMINISTRATION AND PROCEDURES COMMITTEE

The Rules, Administration and Procedure Committee Met On December 16, 2025 and Reviewed the Following Items:

25-0996 An Ordinance Amending Sec 25-267, Regarding Applications and Fees for Tattoo and Body Piercing Establishments.

*Nicholas Richard-Thompson, Deputy Chief of Staff, presented.
Yordana Wysocki, Corporation Counsel, responded to questions.*

(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

25-1018 A Resolution authorizing the reappointment of Zayra Chavez and Rafael Martinez to the Aurora Hispanic Heritage Advisory Board (AHHAB).

(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

25-1019 A Resolution authorizing the reappointment of Zachary Bishop and Frederick Yanos to the Aurora LGBTQ Advisory Board.

(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

25-1020 A Resolution authorizing the appointment of Ella Fahlstrom to the African American Heritage Advisory Board.

(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

HELD

25-0779 An Ordinance amending and adding Sections 2-185, 15-130, 15-320, 15-321, 15-322, and 15-354 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Aurora pertaining to the disclosure of economic interests, campaign contributions, lobbying, and the use of City property and the City seal.

(HELD)

NEW BUSINESS

25-1059 A Resolution approving the appointment of Lukasz Tatara as Superintendent of Facilities Maintenance.

*Edith Rivera, HR Generalist - City of Aurora, responded to questions.
Lukasz Tatara introduced himself.*

(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

25-0987 A Resolution Authorizing an Advance of \$80,000 to OnLight Aurora for Operational Support

(PLACED ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS)

Mayor Laesch and Alderman-at-Large Larson recused themselves and left City Council Chambers during the discussion of this item. Alderman Saville served as Mayor Pro Tem while Mayor Laesch was absent from the meeting.

Brian Caputo, Chief Management Officer - City of Aurora, presented and responded to questions.

Austin FitzCorbett, Volunteer Director - OnLight Aurora, presented and responded to questions.

Yordana Wysocki, Corporation Counsel - City of Aurora, responded to questions.

Mayor Laesch and Alderman-at-Large Larson returned to City Council Chambers at the conclusion of the discussion of this item.

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 6:18 p.m.

Submitted by:

Jennifer Stallings, City Clerk

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