



City of Aurora

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

City Council Meeting Minutes - Draft

Tuesday

June 11, 2024

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 6:00 p.m. and the roll was called.

Present: 12 - Alderman Emmanuel Llamas, Alderwoman Juany Garza, Alderman Ted Mesiacos, Alderman Bill Donnell, Alderman Carl Franco, Alderman Mike Saville, Alderman Brandon Tolliver, Alderwoman Patty Smith, Alderman Edward Bugg, Alderwoman Shweta Baid, Alderman John Laesch and Mayor Richard Irvin

Absent: 1 - Alderman Ron Woerman

APPOINTMENT OF SERGEANT-AT-ARMS

A motion was made by Alderwoman Smith and seconded by Alderman Laesch to appoint a Sergeant-At-Arms for this meeting. The motion carried by voice vote and Officer Dispensa served as Sergeant-At-Arms for this meeting.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by U.S. Army Veteran Gerald Paulsen.

INVOCATION

The Invocation was led by Alderman Bugg.

MAYOR'S OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS PRESENTATIONS

[24-0413](#)

Aurora STEAM Academy 2023 Annual Report.

Nicole Astra, Executive Director of the Aurora STEAM Academy, presented the Aurora STEAM Academy 2023 Annual Report.

MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS[24-0372](#)

A Resolution approving the appointment of Mayte Acosta, Lincoln Majersky, and Harshitha Chanda to the Aurora Youth Council.

A motion was made by Alderwoman Garza 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, Alderman Tolliver, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman Laesch

Enactment No: R24-190

[24-0374](#)

A Resolution approving appointment of Gerald Paulson to the Aurora Veteran's Advisory Council (AVAC).

A motion was made by Alderwoman Smith and seconded by Alderwoman Garza 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, Alderman Tolliver, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman Laesch

Enactment No: R24-191

[24-0380](#)

A Resolution approving the appointment of Jean Hess, Emily Hinton, and Gabriela Gaytan to the city's Advisory Commission for Disabilities.

A motion was made by Alderwoman Garza 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, Alderman Tolliver, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman Laesch

Enactment No: R24-192

[24-0388](#)

A Resolution authorizing appointment of Jazmine Garcia to the FoxWalk Overlay District Design Review Committee.

A motion was made by Alderwoman Smith and seconded by Alderwoman Garza 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, Alderman Tolliver, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman Laesch

Enactment No: R24-193

[24-0400](#)

A Resolution authorizing appointment of Michael Handzic to the Bicycle, Pedestrian and Transit Advisory Board as a student member representative.

A motion was made by Alderwoman Smith and seconded by Alderwoman Garza 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, Alderman Tolliver, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman Laesch

Enactment No: R24-194

PUBLIC COMMENT

The City Clerk read the Rules of Public Comment and the following people addressed the City Council:

1. Brandon Rodriguez spoke in support of Paradise Tattoos.
2. Kimberly Munoz spoke in support of Paradise Tattoos.
3. Edgar Munoz spoke in support of Paradise Tattoos.
4. Fabian Carlos spoke regarding a lead service line disturbance at his home.
5. Ben Thompson spoke in support of Paradise Tattoos.
6. Keith Larson requested a ceasefire in Gaza.
7. Mercy Galicia requested sponsorship for the Illinois Tejano Organization.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

Aye: 11 - Alderman Llamas, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Tolliver, Alderman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman Laesch

[24-0169](#)

A Resolution authorizing F.H. Paschen, S.N. Nielsen & Associates, LLC, using the City of Aurora Job Order Contracting program, to remodel the City Hall 5th Floor Storage Area for \$94,604.22, and a ten percent (10%) contingency of \$9,460.42.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R24-195

[24-0313](#)

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 49 of the Code of Ordinances, City of Aurora, by Modifying the Zoning Map Attached thereto to Rezone the Property Located at 1218 North Lake Street, from R-1, One Family Dwelling District and B-3, Business and Wholesale, to B-3, Business and Wholesale

This Ordinance was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: O24-034

[24-0314](#)

A Resolution Approving the Final Plat for Delgadillo Subdivision, located at 1218 North Lake Street.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R24-196

[24-0350](#)

A Resolution authorizing F.H. Paschen, S.N. Nielsen & Associates, LLC, using the City of Aurora Job Order Contracting program, to perform restorative repairs to the GAR Memorial Museum, in the amount of \$113,314.77, and a ten percent (10%) contingency of \$11,331.48.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R24-197

[24-0367](#)

An Ordinance Granting a Conditional Use Permit for a Telecommunication Facility Use and the establishment of modified standards on Lot 1 of Cyrusone Subdivision - Phase 2 located at 2905 Diehl Road

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: O24-035

[24-0373](#)

A Resolution approving the acceptance of proposals from contractors for Snow and Ice Control Services of Various Parking Lots, for a two-year term with the option of two additional one-year extensions.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R24-199

[24-0384](#)

An Ordinance Approving an Amendment to the Plan Description for the Butterfield Planned Development District on 32.08 Acres for the property located at 2725 Bilter Road being south of Bilter Road, west of Eola Road, and north of Interstate 88

This Ordinance was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: O24-036

[24-0385](#)

An Ordinance Granting a Conditional Use Permit for a Telecommunications Facility (4211) Use and the establishment of modified standards on the Property located at 2725 Bilter Road being south of Bilter Road, west of Eola Road, and north of Interstate 88

This Ordinance was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: O24-037

[24-0386](#)

A Resolution Approving a Preliminary Plan and Plat for Butterfield Phase II Unit 5B, on vacant land located at 2725 Bilter Road being south of Bilter Road, west of Eola Road, and north of Interstate 88

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R24-200

[24-0392](#)

A Resolution to award the State Street Water Main Replacement project, located in Ward 3, to Brandt Excavating, Inc., in the bid amount of three hundred forty-seven thousand four hundred sixty-five dollars and zero cents (\$347,465.00).

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R24-201

[24-0393](#)

A Resolution establishing the maximum number of Class B: On-Site Consumption liquor licenses (unofficially related to the application from Hills Banquet Hall, LLC at 649 Hill Ave., Aurora). [Ward 3]

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R24-202

[24-0394](#)

A Resolution authorizing the Director of Purchasing to award a contract to Geneva Construction Company in the amount of \$3,157,899.95 for the remaining site work associated with the new Public Works Combined Maintenance Facility.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R24-203

[24-0395](#)

A Resolution authorizing the Director of Purchasing to enter into an agreement with McGinty Bros., Inc. for Native Plantings Landscaping Maintenance in the amount of \$88,036.00.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R24-204

[24-0411](#)

A Resolution to approve proposals to use existing funds for Lumenaura Festival, the City's first annual interactive light and sound experience.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R24-205

DIRECT TO COUNCIL CONSENT AGENDA

[24-0426](#)

Approval of the Minutes of the Tuesday, May 28, 2024, City Council Meeting.

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

[24-0438](#)

A Resolution Accepting the Dedication of a Stormwater Control Easement on Marmion Academy's Property, Located the Northeast Corner of Butterfield Road and Hart Road

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

Enactment No: R24-206

[24-0441](#)

A Resolution accepting the improvements and waiving the maintenance security for Blackberry Farm Train Barn, 100 Barnes Rd.

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

Enactment No: R24-207

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

[24-0362](#)

A Resolution authorizing the Director of Purchasing to enter into an agreement with LDV Custom Specialty Vehicles (LDV, Inc.) in the amount not to exceed \$268,800 for the construction of a rapid deployment and surveillance vehicle for the APD Special Operations Group.

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

Aye: 10 - Alderman Llamas, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Tolliver, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg and Alderwoman Baid

Nay: 1 - Alderman Laesch

Enactment No: R24-208

[24-0398](#)

A Resolution authorizing the Director of Purchasing to execute various contracts and make additional purchases related to improvements to the Stolp Island Parking Deck including painting and installing new lights, window tinting and signage.

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

Aye: 10 - Alderman Llamas, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Tolliver, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg and Alderwoman Baid

Nay: 1 - Alderman Laesch

Enactment No: R24-209

[24-0421](#)

A Resolution approving the appointment of Iliana Rivera Nunez as Community Engagement Manager.

Alderman Llamas recused himself from discussion and vote on this item and left Council Chambers during discussion and vote.

A motion was made by Alderwoman Garza and seconded by Alderwoman Smith to approve this item. The motion carried by the following vote and Alderman Llamas returned to Council Chambers.

Aye: 10 - Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Tolliver, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid and Alderman Laesch

Enactment No: R24-198

HELD ITEM

[24-0266](#)

A Resolution establishing the maximum number of licenses for tattoo and body art establishments in the City of Aurora in accordance with Chapter 25, Article XI "Tattoo and Body Art Establishments".

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

Rick Veenstra, Corporation Counsel - City of Aurora, responded to questions regarding this item.

Brandon Rodriguez, Applicant, presented and responded to questions regarding this item.

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

Aye: 4 - Alderman Franco, Alderman Tolliver, Alderman Bugg and Alderman Laesch

Nay: 7 - Alderman Llamas, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Saville, Alderwoman Smith and Alderwoman Baid

NEW BUSINESS

There were no items of New Business.

REPORTS

[24-0448](#)

Corporate Funds Investment Report - First Quarter 2024

Linda Read, Deputy Treasurer - City of Aurora, presented the Corporate Funds Investment Report - First Quarter 2024.

This Report was accepted and filed.

[24-0449](#)

Treasurer's Report - March 2024

Linda Read, Deputy Treasurer - City of Aurora, presented the Treasurer's Report - March 2024.

This Report was accepted and filed.

[24-0450](#)

Treasurer's Report - April 2024

Linda Read, Deputy Treasurer - City of Aurora, presented the Treasurer's Report - April 2024.

This Report was accepted and filed.

APPROVAL OF THE BILL SUMMARY AND LARGE BILL LIST

[24-0447](#)

Bill Summary and Large Bill List.

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

Aye: 11 - Alderman Llamas, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Tolliver, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid and Alderman Laesch

CLOSED SESSION

A Closed Session was needed pursuant to Sec. 2(c)(5) of the Open Meetings Act to discuss the purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body. A motion was made by Alderwoman Smith and seconded by Alderman Franco to enter into closed session and thereafter adjourn this City Council meeting with no further final action or public business to take place. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 11 - Alderman Llamas, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Tolliver, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid and Alderman Laesch

ADJOURN

The Open Session of this City Council meeting adjourned to Closed Session at 7:24 p.m.

The Closed Session meeting was called to order at 7:29 p.m. and adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Submitted by:

Jennifer Stallings, City Clerk

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