



# City of Aurora

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

## Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes - Draft

Tuesday

October 01, 2024

5:00 PM

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### ROLL CALL

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

**Present** 12 - Alderman Daniel Barreiro, Alderwoman Juany Garza, Alderman Bill Donnell, Alderman Carl Franco, Alderman Mike Saville, Alderman Brandon Tolliver, Alderwoman Patty Smith, Alderman Edward J. Bugg, Alderwoman Shweta Baid, Alderman John Laesch, Alderman Ron Woerman, and Mayor Richard Irvin

**Absent** 1 - Alderman Ted Mesiacos

### MINUTES OF THE TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2024 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

[24-0717](#)

Approval of the Minutes of the Tuesday, September 17, 2024, 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

Clayton Muhammad reported on October events as well as two successful events that occurred last weekend, the City of Aurora Fall Food Truck Festival and the City of Aurora House Music Festival.

Mayor Irvin presented the Mayor Richard C. Irvin MVP Award to City of Aurora Employees Mike Nelson, Karla Thomas, Felicia Freitag, and Kalith Price for their excellent work with the Fall Food Truck Festival on Friday, September 27, 2024.

Mayor Irvin thanked everyone involved with the City of Aurora House Music Festival on Saturday, September 28, 2024 and recognized Kickin' Kenny Cahill for his participation in the event.

## PUBLIC COMMENT

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

1. Peter Andrews spoke regarding the proposed sound barrier on Orchard Rd. and accompanying SSA.
2. Adam Pauley spoke regarding mental health and harm reduction as well as Kane County public meetings regarding the opioid crisis.

## REPORT OF THE BUILDING, ZONING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

**The Building, Zoning and Economic Development Committee Met On September 25, 2024 and Reviewed the Following Items:**

[24-0519](#)

An Ordinance Establishing a Conditional Use Planned Development and Approving the Wheatland Athletic Association Plan Description for the Property Located at 2323 Liberty Street

**(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)**

[24-0520](#)

A Resolution Approving a Final Plan for the Property Located at 2323 Liberty Street for a Special Purpose Recreational Institution (5200) Use.

**(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)**

[24-0521](#)

An Ordinance Vacating a Detention Easement on the Property Located at 2323 Liberty Street, in DuPage County, Aurora, Illinois, 60502.

*Ed Sieben, Zoning & Planning Director - City of Aurora, presented and responded to questions.*

*Petitioners responded to questions.*

**(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)**

- [24-0566](#) An Ordinance Annexing Property, being Vacant Land Located at the Southeast Corner of Bilter Road and Nan Street, to the City of Aurora, Illinois, 60502.  
**(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)**
- [24-0567](#) An Ordinance Establishing a Conditional Use Planned Development and Approving the Aurora Fire Station #13 Plan Description for the Property Located at the Southeast Corner of Bilter Road and Nan Street.  
**(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)**
- [24-0568](#) A Resolution Approving a Final Plan for the Property Located at the Southeast Corner of Bilter Road and Nan Street for a Public Facilities and Services (6200) Use.  
**(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)**
- [24-0569](#) A Resolution Approving the Final Plat for Aurora Fire Station #9 Subdivision, Located at 7S300 Eola Road.  
**This P&D Resolution was finalized (appealable).  
PDFNL 24-018**
- [24-0570](#) A Resolution Approving a Final Plan on Lot 1 of Aurora Fire Station #9 Subdivision, Located at 7S300 Eola Road, for a Public Facilities and Services (6200) Use.  
**This P&D Resolution was finalized (appealable).  
PDFNL 24-019**
- [24-0679](#) A Resolution authorizing the purchase two Case 921 GXR Wheel Loaders with Attachments from McCann Industries in the amount of \$945,400 and the execution of related agreements with the State.  
*Chris Minick, Chief Financial Officer and Rick Veenstra, Corporation Counsel - City of Aurora, responded to questions.*  
**(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)**

**BUILDING, ZONING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCES  
[NO ACTION NEEDED AT C.O.W.]**

- [24-0675](#) An Ordinance approving a Revision to the Special Sign District for Chicago Premium Outlets located at 1650 Premium Outlets Boulevard  
**INFORMATION ONLY  
Enactment Number: BZE 24-001**

## **REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE**

### **The Finance Committee Met On September 26, 2024 and Reviewed the Following Items:**

[24-0599](#) A Resolution authorizing payment to Kane County Division of Transportation in the amount of \$94,445.88 for the City's 50% cost share of recent major roadway repairs to Orchard Road and the execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Aurora and the County of Kane for Orchard Road Fence Replacement.

**(PLACED ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS)**

[24-0684](#) A Resolution authorizing the Director of Purchasing to purchase a 60-month subscription for telephony services and equipment from Avaya LLC, Morristown, NJ for \$775,748.40 plus a 3% contingency.

**(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)**

[24-0718](#) A Resolution authorizing the City to accept a grant of \$600,000 from the Illinois Department of Natural Resources FY' 24 Open Space Lands Acquisition and Development (OSLAD) grant program for improvements to Garfield Park.

**(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)**

[24-0719](#) Acceptance of the 2023 Annual Financial Reports for the City, TIF funds, Single Audit and GATA Reports.

**(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)**

**The Finance Committee also discussed item 24-0606, listed under "Items Returned to C.O.W." section of this agenda.**

## **REPORT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**

### **The Public Health, Safety and Transportation Committee Met On September 24, 2024 and Reviewed the Following Items:**

**24-0712: A Resolution establishing the maximum number of Class A: Beer & Wine Only liquor licenses (unofficially related to the application from El Paso Mas Grande Inc. at 2134 W Galena Blvd., Aurora). [Ward 5]**

## **REPORT OF THE INFRASTRUCTURE & TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE**

### **The Infrastructure & Technology Committee Met On September 23, 2024 and Reviewed the Following Items:**

- [24-0711](#) A Resolution authorizing the director of purchasing to order equipment from Graybar, Itasca, IL in the amount of \$140,000 for RiverEdge Park in Ward 1.  
(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

## **REPORT OF THE RULES, ADMINISTRATION AND PROCEDURES COMMITTEE**

### **The Rules, Administration and Procedure Committee Met On September 17, 2024 and Reviewed the Following Items:**

- [24-0656](#) A Resolution approving the appointment of Scott Hellinger to the Aurora Veteran's Advisory Council (AVAC).  
(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)
- [24-0657](#) A Resolution approving the appointment of Juan Liz, Caleb Brown, and Sai Ganbote to the Aurora Youth Council.  
(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)
- [24-0705](#) A Resolution approving the appointments of Peeyush Khandelwal, Adithya Subramanian, Vinod Pandey, and Swati Singh to the Indian American Community Outreach Advisory Board.  
(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

**ITEMS RETURNED TO C.O.W.**[24-0606](#)

An Ordinance setting the compensation of the alderpersons for the terms commencing in and after May of 2025 in accordance with the Illinois Municipal Code and the Local Government Officer Compensation Act.

**(PLACED ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS)**

**Motion to Amend #1:**

A motion was made by Alderman Bugg and seconded by Alderman Franco to amend the proposed ordinance to set compensation for the period of two to two and one-half years (initially June 1, 2027 to June 1, 2028). The motion carried by the following vote and the proposed ordinance will be amended:

**Aye: 11 - Alderman Barriero, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Tolliver, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman Laesch, Alderman Woerman**

**Motion to Amend #2:**

A motion was made by Alderman Bugg and seconded by Alderman Laesch to amend the proposed ordinance to set compensation initially beginning June 1, 2027 at \$32,500 which is a 27.1% increase over the 2026 compensation and an increase of 5% on June 1, 2028. The motion carried by the following vote and the proposed ordinance will be amended:

**Aye: 8 - Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Tolliver, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid Alderman Laesch**

**Nay: 3 - Alderman Barreiro, Alderman Saville, Alderman Woerman**

**NEW BUSINESS**[24-0729](#)

An Ordinance authorizing the Director of Special Events to issue a permit allowing one additional carnival upon the premises of Chicago Premium Outlets in calendar year 2024.

**(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)**

**ALDERMAN'S CORNER**

Ward 8 Alderwoman Patty Smith presented an updated on events and happenings in her ward.

**CLOSED SESSION**

*There was no need for a closed session.*

**ADJOURN**

A motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Franco and seconded by Alderwoman Smith. The motion carried by voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Submitted by:

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Jennifer Stallings, City Clerk

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