



# City of Aurora

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

## City Council Meeting Minutes - Draft

Tuesday  
July 09, 2024  
6:00 PM

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**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. Call the City Clerk's Office: (630) 256-3070 with questions.**

### ROLL CALL

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

**Present:** 12 - 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, Alderman Ron Woerman and Mayor Richard Irvin

**Absent:** 1 - Alderman Emmanuel Llamas

### 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 Dispensa served as Sergeant-At-Arms for this meeting.**

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

*The Pledge of Allegiance was led by appointees to the Aurora Youth Council.*

### INVOCATION

*The Invocation was presented by Reverend Dr. Julian Spencer from Maine Baptist Church, Aurora.*

## MAYOR'S OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Irvin presented the Mayor's Award of Excellence to the following staff members for their accomplishments in going above and beyond as members of the City of Aurora team:

1. Anthony Garcia, IT
2. Erin Miller, Payroll
3. Julian Spencer, IT
4. Jessica Lopez, Revenue & Collections
5. Eric Pry, GAR Museum
6. Simon Rodriguez, Community Services
7. William Whitfield, Aurora Police Department
8. Natalie Wiza, Emergency Management
9. City of Aurora Finance Department

## MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS

[24-0465](#)

A Resolution authorizing the appointment of Carlos Anaya to the Innovation and Technology Advisory Commission.

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

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

Enactment No: R24-226

[24-0466](#)

A Resolution approving the appointment of Gloria Ramos, Keshav Varma, and Delainey Baran to the Aurora Youth Council.

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

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

Enactment No: R24-227

## PUBLIC COMMENT

The City Clerk read the Rules of Public Comment and the following people presented comments to the City Council:

1. Patty Droogan spoke requesting a ceasefire resolution.
2. Charlotte Droogan spoke requesting a ceasefire resolution.
3. Rick Lawrence spoke regarding property standards.
4. Curtis Wilson spoke regarding the recently discussed solar farm.

## CONSENT AGENDA

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

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

### [24-0414](#)

An Ordinance Establishing the Sister Cities Commission Under Chapter 2, Article VI of the Code of Ordinances.

**This Ordinance was adopted on the Consent Agenda.**

Enactment No: O24-040

### [24-0424](#)

A Resolution authorizing the purchase of computer equipment from Insight Public Sector, Inc., and Dell, Inc., in a total aggregate amount not to exceed \$350,000.

**This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.**

Enactment No: R24-228

### [24-0435](#)

A Resolution authorizing the Director of Purchasing to award a contract to Semper Fi Landscaping, Inc. in the amount of \$227,650.00 for Phase 2 of Landscape Plantings at the new Public Works Combined Maintenance Facility

**This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.**

Enactment No: R24-229

### [24-0440](#)

A Resolution to award a contract to Municipal Well & Pump for the Well No. 105 Shallow Well Drilling project in the amount of \$712,000.

**This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.**

Enactment No: R24-230

### [24-0445](#)

A Resolution authorizing the award of a contract to Schroeder Asphalt Services, Inc. in the amount of \$2,314,894.95 for the 2024 Citywide Right-of-Way Maintenance Project.

**This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.**

Enactment No: R24-231

[24-0474](#)

A Resolution requesting approval to accept the proposal from TDA Consulting to create the 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan and to update the Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area Plan in the amount of \$62,115.

**This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.**

Enactment No: R24-232

[24-0497](#)

A Resolution approving the appointment of Christopher Linville as Superintendent of Fleet Operations.

**This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.**

Enactment No: R24-233

[24-0499](#)

A Resolution approving the appointment of Jon Zaghoul as Communications Manager.

**This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.**

Enactment No: R24-234

[24-0500](#)

A Resolution approving the appointment of Matthew Winthers as Video Production Manager.

**This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.**

Enactment No: R24-235

[24-0504](#)

A Resolution approving the appointment of Thomas King as Brand and Marketing Manager.

**This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.**

Enactment No: R24-236

[24-0507](#)

A Resolution authorizing the City of Aurora to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the Census Bureau to conduct a Special Census for \$1,005,968.00.

**This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.**

Enactment No: R24-237

### **DIRECT TO COUNCIL CONSENT AGENDA**

[24-0492](#)

Approval of the Minutes of the Tuesday, June 25, 2024, City Council Meeting.

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

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## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

### [24-0433](#)

A Resolution authorizing the Director of Purchasing to accept proposals from Alarm Detection Systems (ADS), National Technologies, Inc. (NTI), and Scientel Solutions, Inc. totaling \$952,690.45 for IT and Security Infrastructure at the new Public Works Combined Maintenance Facility.

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

**Aye:** 9 - Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Tolliver, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid and Alderman Woerman

**Nay:** 2 - Alderman Mesiacos and Alderman Laesch

Enactment No: R24-238

### [24-0473](#)

A Resolution authorizing the third amendment to the second amended and restated lease between Holcim-MAMR, Inc., formerly known as LaFarge Aggregates Illinois, Inc., and the City of Aurora.

*Alex Alexandrou, Chief Management Officer - responded to questions regarding this item.*

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

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

Enactment No: R24-239

### [24-0484](#)

A Resolution Accepting the Assignment of the Contractual Rights and Responsibilities of the Seize the Future Economic Development Foundation, Inc. (Invest Aurora), for the Purchase of Certain Real Property Located on Bilter Rd. and Authorizing the City's Officers and Employees to Complete the Transactions Contemplated by Said Contracts.

**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 - Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Tolliver, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid and Alderman Woerman

**Nay:** 1 - Alderman Laesch

Enactment No: R24-240

[24-0506](#)

A Resolution authorizing the engagement of Korn Ferry for consulting services related to the compensation of the City's elected officials in a total contract amount not to exceed \$23,940.00.

**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 - Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Tolliver, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman Laesch and Alderman Woerman

**Nay:** 1 - Alderman Mesiacos

Enactment No: R24-241

## APPROVAL OF THE BILL SUMMARY AND LARGE BILL LIST

[24-0526](#)

Bill Summary and Large Bill List.

*Chris Minick, Chief Financial Officer - responded to questions regarding this item.*

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

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

## CLOSED SESSION

*There was no need for a Closed Session.*

## ADJOURN

**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 6:51 p.m.**

Submitted by:

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Jennifer Stallings, City Clerk

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