



# City of Aurora

City Hall - 5th Floor  
Conference Room  
44 East Downer Place  
Aurora, IL

## Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes - Draft

Tuesday

April 02, 2024

5:00 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. Please call the City Clerk's Office at (630) 256-3070 with questions.**

### ROLL CALL

Mayor Irvin called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m. and the roll was called.

A motion was made by Alderman Saville and seconded by Alderwoman Garza to allow Alderman Bugg to participate in this meeting via remote access. The motion carried by voice vote and Alderman Bugg participated in this meeting remotely.

**Present** 13 - 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 J. Bugg, Alderwoman Shweta Baid, Alderman John Laesch, Alderman Ron Woerman, and Mayor Richard Irvin

### MINUTES OF THE TUESDAY, MARCH 19, 2024 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

[24-0212](#)

Approval of the Minutes of the Tuesday, March 19, 2024, Committee of the Whole Meeting.

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

### MAYOR'S REPORT

Clayton Muhammad, Chief Communications Officer - City of Aurora, presented a report of recent events in the City of Aurora.

The Invocation was presented by Mr. Mohinder Singh. Mayor Irvin presented a Mayoral Proclamation in honor of National Sikh Awareness and Appreciation Month, April 2024, to representatives of the Sikh Community.

Mayor Irvin presented the Mayor's Award of Excellence to the City of Aurora's 1st Poet Laureate, Karen Christensen, in recognition of National Poetry Month.

## PUBLIC COMMENT

The City Clerk read the Rules of Public Comment and the following individuals presented comments to the Committee of the Whole requesting a cease fire resolution be passed regarding the war in Gaza:

1. Sue Harvey
2. Nancy Baez
3. Nadia Kanhai
4. Ghousia Wajid
5. Hatem Eagha
6. Nada Jazeh
7. Abdullah Khan
8. Keith Larson
9. Salek Khalid

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

**The Building, Zoning and Economic Development Committee Met On March 27, 2024 and Reviewed the Following Items:**

[24-0108](#)

A Resolution Authorizing Execution of a Roadway Agreement for Access and Roadway Improvements on Sullivan Road between Highland Avenue and IL. Rte. 31 (Lake Street) in Kane County, Aurora, Illinois 60506

(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

## REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

**The Finance Committee Met On March 28, 2024 and Reviewed the Following Items:**

[23-0961](#)

A Resolution authorizing the Director of Purchasing to purchase a 5-year subscription for grants management software to Dulles Technology Partners, Inc., of Leesburg, VA, for \$102,800.00.

(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

[24-0124](#)

A Resolution to enter into a three-year Enterprise Agreement for the purchase of Microsoft software from the State of Illinois Department of Innovation and Technology Joint Purchasing Contract CMT #1176800 with Dell Marketing L.P. in an amount of \$1,889,555.20.

(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

[24-0142](#) A Resolution to award a contract for Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, Mathematics (STEAM) training services from APS Training Academy, 105 E Galena Blvd Fourth Floor, Aurora, IL 60505 for a three-year term with two one-year options for a total amount of \$2,525,000.00.

*Jeff Anderson, Deputy CIO - City of Aurora, responded to questions regarding this item.*

**(PLACED ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS)**

[24-0163](#) A Resolution authorizing the City to accept a grant award of \$37,680.00 from the Illinois Law Enforcement Training and Standards Board.

**(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)**

[24-0167](#) A Resolution authorizing change orders for the remodeling of the City of Aurora Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) for an amount of \$85,012.48.

**(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)**

[24-0204](#) A Resolution Authorizing a Contract with Cannon Cochran Management Services, Inc. (CCMSI) to Provide Third-Party Administrative Services for the City's General & Auto Liability and Workers' Compensation Claims as of April 15, 2024.

**(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)**

[24-0208](#) A Resolution authorizing the increase of \$66,836 to the purchase price for the 2024 E-ONE Cyclone Pumper for a total of \$864,844

**(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)**

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

**The Public Health, Safety and Transportation Committee Meeting Scheduled for  
March 26, 2024 was Cancelled.**

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

**The Infrastructure & Technology Committee Met On March 25, 2024 and  
Reviewed the Following Items:**

- [24-0153](#) A Resolution to execute the intergovernmental Agreement between City of Aurora, IL and Fox Valley Park District for Waubonsie Lake Park.  
**(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)**
- [24-0160](#) A resolution authorizing the purchase of valve actuators from Dorner Company Inc. for the Water Production Division in the not-to-exceed amount of \$569,163.  
**(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)**
- [24-0164](#) A Resolution Authorizing a Memorandum of Understanding with the Fox Valley Music Foundation for the Calendar Year of 2024.  
**(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)**
- [24-0171](#) A Resolution authorizing the acceptance of the low bid from Anchor Mechanical Inc. of Chicago, IL., for the replacement of roof top HVAC units at the Aurora Police Department TAS and the Aurora Animal Control Facilities for \$256,060.00, and a contingency of \$12,803.00.  
**(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)**
- [24-0173](#) A Resolution authorizing F.H. Paschen S.N. Nielsen & Associates LLC, using the City of Aurora Job Order Contracting program, to perform masonry repairs to the riverside of City Hall, in the amount of \$130,909.77, and a ten percent (10%) contingency of \$13,090.97.  
**(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)**
- [24-0185](#) A Resolution to award the Best Pl. and Greenwood Dr. Water Main Replacement project, located in Ward 5, to Brandt Excavating, Inc., in the bid amount of five hundred sixty-three thousand five hundred seventy-three dollars and three cents (\$563,573.03).  
**(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)**
- [24-0196](#) A Resolution authorizing the Director of Purchasing to enter into agreements with Aurora Wire and Fixture Company (AWF), Electric Conduit Construction (ECC), and Platt Electric, Inc in a cumulative amount not to exceed \$450,000 for the relocation of existing electrical infrastructure from vaults located under the sidewalk along Broadway from Benton Street to New York Street.  
**(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)**

**REPORT OF THE RULES, ADMINISTRATION AND PROCEDURES COMMITTEE****The Rules, Administration and Procedure Committee Met On March 19, 2024 and Reviewed the Following Items:**

- [24-0176](#) A Resolution authorizing the reappointment of Charlie Zine to the FoxWalk Overlay District Design Review Committee.  
**(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)**
- [24-0178](#) A Resolution approving the the reappointment of Tony Martinez, Michael Nelson, Scott Samson, and Christine Goerlich Weber to the Aurora Area Convention and Visitors Bureau Board (AACVB)  
**(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)**
- [24-0182](#) A Resolution approving the appointment Kermith Bilbao, Mireya Banuelos, Alexis Morales, Paul Dominguez, and Noelia Ruiz to the Hispanic Heritage Advisory Board.  
**(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)**
- [24-0188](#) A Resolution Approving the reappointments of Terrence Lindsay, Jonathan Bieritz, Hank Artlip to the city's Administrative Boards including the Building Code Board of Appeals; and the Permanent Building & Fire Code Committee.  
**(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)**
- [24-0189](#) A Resolution approving the reappointment of Matthew Clegg and Bert Wickam to the city's Administrative Boards: Fire Code Board of Appeals and the Permanent Building and Fire Code Committee.  
**(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)**
- [24-0190](#) A Resolution approving the reappointments of David Mertz and Shaun Thomas to the Electrical Commission.  
**(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)**
- [24-0192](#) A Resolution approving the reappointment of Christopher Minick to the Aurora Firefighters Pension Fund Board.  
**(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)**
- [24-0194](#) A Resolution approving the appointment of Te'yonna Bailey to the Aurora Youth Council.  
**(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)**

[24-0186](#)

Discussion of the rules applicable to the solicitation and receipt of public and private gifts.

(INFORMATION ONLY)

**R.A.P. Committee Resolutions Approved on March 19, 2024:**

**24-0127: A Resolution establishing the City of Aurora Ward Scholarship Template and Application for all Wards to use as a guideline for their Scholarship Programs.**

**(Approved 4-1 with enactment number RAP24-002)**

**[No Action needed at C.O.W. on this item.]**

**24-0184: A Resolution establishing the Aurora Solar and EV Charging Rebate pilot program for Alderman-At-Large, John Laesch.**

**(Approved 5-0 with enactment number RAP24-003)**

**[No Action needed at C.O.W. on this item.]**

**NEW BUSINESS**

[24-0227](#)

A Resolution approving the appointment of Ariel Rikki Benjamin as Customer Relations Manager.

(PLACED ON CONSENT AGENDA)

Rikki Benjamin introduced herself to the Committee of the Whole.

**STAFF REPORT**

[24-0236](#)

Presentation on "Aging in a Changing Region" report.

Katrina Boatright, Senior Services and Disabilities Manager - City of Aurora and Brad Winick, Consultant from the Metropolitan Mayor's Conference, presented, "Aging in a Changing Region" and responded to questions from the Committee of the Whole.

**CLOSED SESSION**

There was no need for a Closed Session at this meeting.

## ADJOURN

Prior to the adjournment of this meeting, Mayor Irvin announced that beginning on April 9, 2024, the Committee of the Whole and City Council Meetings will be held in the newly renovated City Council chambers on the 2nd floor of City Hall.

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 6:42 p.m.

Submitted by:

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Jennifer Stallings, City Clerk

**THIS MEETING AGENDA SHALL ALSO SERVE AS NOTICE THAT A MAJORITY OF A QUORUM OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AURORA, ILLINOIS MAY ATTEND OR PARTICIPATE IN THIS COMMITTEE MEETING. NO OFFICIAL ACTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL SHALL OCCUR AT THIS COMMITTEE MEETING. MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING SHALL CONSTITUTE THE OFFICIAL RECORD OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING AND ANY MEETING OF THE MAJORITY OF THE QUORUM OF THE CITY COUNCIL OCCURRING AT THE SAME TIME AND LOCATION.**

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