



City of Aurora

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

City Council Meeting Minutes - Final

Tuesday

February 13, 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 6:01 p.m. and the roll was called.

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 Bugg, Alderwoman Shweta Baid, Alderman John Laesch, Alderman Ron Woerman and Mayor Richard Irvin

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 members of the Aurora Veterans Advisory Council.

INVOCATION

The Invocation was presented by Pastor Dr. Gregory Jones.

MAYOR'S OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS PRESENTATIONS

Clayton Muhammad, Chief Communications and Equity Officer - City of Aurora, presented an overview of recent happenings and upcoming events in the City.

Mayor Irvin presented the Mayor's Award of Black Excellence to Pastor Dr. Gregory Jones of the Greater Mt. Olive Church of God and Christ which is celebrating 80 years of service to the City of Aurora.

Mayor Irvin presented the Mayoral Proclamation for Black History Month 2024 to leading black executives in the City of Aurora - Police Chief Keith Cross, Chief Human Resources Officer Alisia Lewis, Chief Information Officer Mike Pegues, and Chief Engagement and Equity Officer Clayton Muhammad. Mayor Irvin also recognized City Council Members, Alderman Brandon Tolliver and Alderman Edward Bugg.

Mr. Leo Wright, Senior Vice President of F.H. Paschen presented a check to the City of Aurora in the amount of \$467,562.00 for the City's participation in the Cooperative Job Order Contracting Program.

MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS

[24-0020](#)

A Resolution approving the reappointments of Patricia Devore and Richard Lawrence to the Aurora Veteran's Advisory Board.

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

Aye: 12 - Alderman Llamas, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Tolliver, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman Laesch, Alderman Woerman

Enactment No: R24-020

[24-0021](#)

A Resolution approving the re-appointments of Sandra Harrison, Dr. Todd Leden, Dr. Jennifer Norrell, and Ald. Edward Bugg to the Aurora Education Commission.

Alderman Bugg recused himself from the discussion and vote on this item and left the meeting during discussion and vote.

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

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

Nay: 1 - Alderman Llamas

Enactment No: R24-021

[24-0025](#)

A Resolution approving the reappointment of Sandra Harrison to the city's Advisory Commission for Disabilities.

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

Aye: 12 - Alderman Llamas, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Tolliver, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman Laesch, Alderman Woerman

Enactment No: R24-022

[24-0027](#)

A Resolution authorizing the reappointments of Seth Hoffman, Amber Foster, and Simon Munoz to the Aurora Preservation Commission.

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

Aye: 12 - Alderman Llamas, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Tolliver, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman Laesch, Alderman Woerman

Enactment No: R24-023

[24-0030](#)

A Resolution approving the reappointment of William Small Jr., Robert Lundquist, and Annette McMahon to the Human Relations Commission.

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

Aye: 12 - Alderman Llamas, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Tolliver, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman Laesch, Alderman Woerman

Enactment No: R24-024

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no members of the public present and wishing to present comments to the City Council.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

Aye: 12 - Alderman Llamas, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Tolliver, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman Laesch and Alderman Woerman

[23-0721](#)

An Ordinance amending Chapter 41.5 of the Code of Ordinances pertaining to special events.

Approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: O24-013

[23-0962](#)

A Resolution authorizing the Director of Purchasing to purchase a Fire Station Alerting System (FSAS) with eight years of support services from Purvis Systems Incorporated for \$1,094,136.18, plus a 3% contingency.

Approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R24-025

[24-0014](#)

An Ordinance amending Chapter 2 of the Code of Ordinances pertaining to the City's Officers and Departments.

Approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: O24-014

[24-0022](#)

A Resolution to append R20-311, dated December 22, 2020, from Data Defenders LLC, 111 Jackson Blvd, Suite 1700, Chicago IL 60604. Total amount is \$0.

Approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R24-026

[24-0024](#)

A Resolution authorizing the Director of Purchasing to increase the Purchase Order for RC Wegman Construction Company, 750 Morton Avenue, Aurora, IL, 60506 by the amount of \$3,617,578.00 for seven individually bid construction trade packages as well as seven allowances as part of the Public Works Combined Maintenance Facility Project.

Approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R24-027

[24-0034](#)

A Resolution authorizing the Director of Purchasing to purchase a one-year renewal of a DocuSign Contract Lifecycle Management (CLM) subscription from Carahsoft Technology Corporation of Reston, Virginia, for an amount not to exceed \$119,999.74.

Approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R24-028

[24-0035](#) A Resolution to award a contract to RJN Group, Inc. in the amount of \$288,500 for the 2024 and 2025 Overlay Manhole Inspections located throughout the City of Aurora.

Approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R24-029

[24-0050](#) A Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Memorandum of Reimbursement Between CyrusOne and the City of Aurora for the Property Located West of the Eola Interchange at 2725 Bilter Road, Aurora, 60502 for which CyrusOne is the Contract Buyer.

Approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R24-030

DIRECT TO COUNCIL CONSENT AGENDA

[23-0929](#) An Ordinance Proposing the Establishment of a Special Service Area for Stormwater Management Purposes to be Designated as SSA #218 Related to Real Property commonly known as Fourteen Forty-Nine Senior Estates, 1449 Jericho Circle, Aurora, Illinois and calling for a public hearing thereon PINS: Parcel A: 15-29-300-010; 15-29-300-018; 15-29-300-023; 15-29-401-061; and (a portion of 15-29-300-022; 15-29-401-059; and 15-29-401-060). Parcel B: A portion of 15-29-300-022, 15-29-401-059, and 15-29-401-060.

Approved on the Direct to Council Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: O24-015

[24-0054](#) A Resolution accepting the improvements and maintenance security for New Warehouse, 2800 Diehl Rd.

Approved on the Direct to Council Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R24-031

[24-0086](#) A Resolution approving reduction No. 01 for Redwood Subdivision, Thimbleberry Blvd.

Approved on the Direct to Council Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R24-032

[24-0088](#) A Resolution Accepting the Dedication of a City Watermain Easement at 1002 West Illinois Avenue.

Approved on the Direct to Council Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R24-033

[24-0091](#)

Approval of the Minutes of the Tuesday, January 23, 2024, City Council Meeting.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

[24-0002](#)

A Resolution Approving the 2024 Quality of Life Grants in the amount of \$1,017,000

Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Garza, and Alderman Woerman recused themselves from discussion and vote on this item and left the meeting during the discussion and vote.

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

Aye: 9 - Alderman Llamas, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Tolliver, Alderwoman Smith, Alderwoman Baid and Alderman Laesch

Enactment No: R24-034

[24-0003](#)

A Resolution Authorizing Approval of the 2024 Annual Action Plan and Annual Action Plan Substantial Amendment 2023-#3 Funding Recommendations.

Alderwoman Garza recused herself from discussion and vote on this item and left the meeting during discussion and vote.

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

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

Enactment No: R24-035

[24-0046](#)

An Ordinance providing for the issuance of not to exceed \$58,000,000 Taxable General Obligation Bonds, Series 2024, of the City of Aurora, Kane, DuPage, Kendall and Will Counties, Illinois, for the purpose of financing certain casino redevelopment costs, providing for the levy of a direct annual tax sufficient to pay the principal of and interest on said bonds, providing for the pledge of certain incremental property taxes to the payment of said principal and interest, and authorizing the proposed sale of said bonds to the purchaser thereof

A motion was made by Alderwoman Smtih and seconded by Alderman Franco 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 and Alderman Woerman

Nay: 1 - Alderman Laesch

Enactment No: O24-016

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Alderwoman Smith and seconded by Alderwoman Garza to suspend the rules to hear items of New Business. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 12 - Alderman Llamas, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Tolliver, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman Laesch and Alderman Woerman

[24-0100](#)

A Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Property Purchase and Sales Contract for 64 E. Downer Place, Aurora, Illinois.

Alex Minnella, Planner - City of Aurora, 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 - Alderman Llamas, 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: R24-036

[24-0101](#)

A Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Property Purchase and Sales Contract for 61-65 E. Downer Place, Aurora, Illinois.

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 - Alderman Llamas, 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: R24-037

REPORT

There were no reports at this meeting.

APPROVAL OF THE BILL SUMMARY AND LARGE BILL LIST

[24-0104](#)

Bill Summary and Large Bill List.

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

Aye: 12 - Alderman Llamas, 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 at this meeting.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Alderwoman Smith and seconded by Alderman Franco to adjourn this meeting. The motion carried by voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Submitted by:

Jennifer Stallings, City Clerk

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