



City of Aurora

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

City Council Meeting Minutes - Draft

Tuesday

December 10, 2024

6:00 PM

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ROLL CALL

Mayor Irvin called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. and the roll was called.

Present: 13 - Alderman Daniel Barreiro, 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 The Aurora Gators 11U D3 Chicagoland Pop Warner 2024 State Football Champions.

INVOCATION

The Invocation was presented by Ward 9 Alderman Edward Bugg.

MAYOR'S OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS PRESENTATIONS

The Aurora Gators 11U D3 Chicagoland Pop Warner 2024 State Football Champions were presented with awards and honored for their championship. Mayor Irvin presented the Gators with a Mayoral Proclamation proclaiming Saturday December 14th as Aurora Gators 11U Day in the City of Aurora.

MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS

[24-0898](#)

A Resolution authorizing the appointment of Dan Halfeldt as member to the Block Grant Working Committee (BGWC).

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

Aye: 12 - Alderman Barreiro, 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: R24-394

PUBLIC COMMENT

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

1. Adam Pauley spoke regarding harm reduction.
2. Greg Bolger spoke regarding item 24-0708.
3. Bhavik Shah spoke regarding item 24-0708.
4. Janine Keating spoke regarding items 24-0708 and 24-0709.
5. Vince Mamon spoke regarding item 24-0708.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

24-0941

A Public Hearing Pursuant to 35 ILCS 200/18-55 through 18-90 for proposed tax increase for the City of Aurora- Special Service Area 63 (Near West Side Lighting). (Public Hearing for Legistar File 24-0801)

The City Clerk read the Public Hearing item. Chris Minick, Chief Financial Officer - City of Aurora, presented and answered questions from members of the City Council. A motion was made by Alderwoman Smith and seconded by Alderman Franco to close the public hearing. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

24-0942

A Public Hearing Pursuant to 35 ILCS 200/18-55 through 18-90 for proposed tax increase for the City of Aurora- Special Service Area 65 (Eastview Estates). (Public Hearing for Legistar File 24-0802)

The City Clerk read the Public Hearing item. Chris Minick, Chief Financial Officer - City of Aurora, presented and answered questions from members of the City Council. A motion was made by Alderwoman Smith and seconded by Alderman Laesch to close the public hearing. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

CONSENT AGENDA

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

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

[24-0742](#)

A Resolution Authorizing the Execution of an Encroachment Easement and Maintenance Agreement for 1125 Aurora Avenue, in Kane County.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R24-395

[24-0799](#)

An Ordinance Levying Certain Special Service Area Taxes For The Fiscal Year January 1, 2024 Through December 31, 2024 (Special Service Area Number One).

This Ordinance was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: O24-080

[24-0800](#)

An Ordinance Levying Certain Special Service Area Taxes For Fiscal Year January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024. (Special Service Area Number Forty-Four)

This Ordinance was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: O24-081

[24-0801](#)

An Ordinance Levying Certain Special Service Area Taxes for The Fiscal Year January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024. (Special Service Area Number Sixty-Three).

This Ordinance was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: O24-082

[24-0802](#)

An Ordinance Levying Certain Special Service Area Taxes for The Fiscal Year January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024. (Special Service Area Number Sixty-Five)

This Ordinance was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: O24-083

[24-0803](#)

An Ordinance Levying Certain Special Service Area Taxes for The Fiscal Year January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024. (Special Service Area Number Sixty-Six A)

This Ordinance was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: O24-084

[24-0804](#)

An Ordinance Levying Certain Special Service Area Taxes for Fiscal Year January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024. (Special Service Area Number Sixty-Six B).

This Ordinance was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: O24-085

[24-0805](#)

An Ordinance Levying Certain Special Service Area Taxes for The Fiscal Year January 1, 2024 Through December 31, 2024. (Special Service Area Number Sixty-Six C)

This Ordinance was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: O24-086

[24-0806](#)

An Ordinance Levying Certain Special Service Area Taxes for Fiscal Year January 1, 2024 Through December 31, 2024. (Special Service Area Number Sixty-Six D).

This Ordinance was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: O24-087

[24-0807](#)

An Ordinance Levying Certain Special Service Area Taxes For The Fiscal Year January 1, 2024 Through December 31, 2024. (Special Service Area Number Sixty-Seven)

This Ordinance was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: O24-088

[24-0808](#)

An Ordinance Levying Certain Special Service Area Taxes For The Fiscal Year January 1, 2024 Through December 31, 2024. (Special Service Area Number Twenty- Four)

This Ordinance was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: O24-089

[24-0809](#)

An Ordinance Authorizing and Providing For The Abatement of General Obligation Bond Tax Levies. 2024 Tax Levy Extension.

This Ordinance was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: O24-090

[24-0878](#)

A Resolution authorizing the Director of Purchasing to enter into an agreement with Blink Network, LLC of Bowie, MD in the amount of \$68,396.25 to furnish and install five (5) dual-port electric vehicle chargers at the new Public Works Facility and allow City staff to negotiate the installation of additional Blink electric vehicle chargers at other locations throughout the City to establish a single, standardized charging network and revenue collection system.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R24-396

[24-0879](#)

A Resolution authorizing the Director of Purchasing to utilize Sourcewell and Omnia Cooperative Purchasing Contracts to purchase equipment for the new Public Works Facility and allow for several additional future equipment purchases.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R24-397

[24-0890](#)

A Resolution to readopt the Illinois Emergency Management Mutual Aid System agreement.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R24-398

[24-0896](#)

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor or his designee to sign Memorandums of Understanding for placement of school crossing guard shelters within City ROW.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R24-399

[24-0901](#)

A Resolution to Approve the Contract from Ray O'Herron Co. Inc. for the Purchase of Clothing and Uniforms for the Fire Department 2025.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R24-400

[24-0903](#)

An Ordinance Annexing Property located at 1681 Jericho Road to the City of Aurora, pursuant to a Water Service Agreement

This Ordinance was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: O24-091

[24-0911](#)

A Resolution authorizing the Director of Purchasing to execute a change order increasing the contract with R.C. Wegman for the RiverEdge Park Phase II Expansion to \$23,524,379.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R24-401

[24-0917](#)

A Resolution authorizing the Director of Purchasing to execute a contract with National Technologies, Inc. in the amount of \$800,000 to reroute fiber at RiverEdge Park.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R24-402

[24-0919](#)

An Ordinance Annexing Property located at 1691 Jericho Road to the City of Aurora, pursuant to a Water Service Agreement

This Ordinance was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: O24-092

DIRECT TO COUNCIL CONSENT AGENDA

[24-0931](#)

A Resolution accepting the improvements and maintenance security for Sullivan Rd - Roadway Improvement, East of Sullivan Rd Roundabout and West of Rte. 31.

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

Enactment No: R24-403

[24-0958](#)

Approval of the Minutes of the Tuesday, November 26, 2024, City Council Meeting.

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

[24-0959](#)

Approval of the Minutes of the Tuesday, December 3, 2024, Special City Council Meeting.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

[24-0708](#)

An Ordinance Establishing a Conditional Use Planned Development, Approving the Eola Preserve Plan Description and Amending Chapter 49 of the Code of Ordinances, City of Aurora, by Modifying the Zoning Map Attached thereto to an Underlying Zoning of R-4A and OS-1, for the Property Located at 620 North Eola Road.

Alex Alexandrou, Chief Management Officer - City of Aurora, spoke.

Tracey Vacek, Senior Planner - City of Aurora, presented and responded to questions.

Brian Witkowski, Engineer - City of Aurora, responded to questions.

Russ Whitaker, Rosanova & Whitaker on behalf of Pulte Developers, presented.

Ken Schroth, Director of Public Works - City of Aurora, responded to questions.

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 - Alderman Barreiro, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Mesiascos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg and Alderwoman Baid

Nay: 3 - Alderman Tolliver, Alderman Laesch and Alderman Woerman

Enactment No: O24-093

[24-0709](#)

A Resolution Approving a Preliminary Plat and Plan for Eola Preserve Subdivision, Located at 620 North Eola Road.

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 - Alderman Barreiro, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Mesiascos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg and Alderwoman Baid

Nay: 3 - Alderman Tolliver, Alderman Laesch and Alderman Woerman

Enactment No: R24-404

[24-0810](#)

An Ordinance Levying Taxes For the City of Aurora, Illinois, For The Fiscal Year January 1, 2024 Through December 31, 2024.

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

Aye: 10 - Alderman Barreiro, 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: O24-094

[24-0813](#)

A Resolution authorizing the Director of Purchasing to enter into an agreement with Operation Hope to become a service partner as managing agent for the Aurora's Promise Children's Savings Account (CSA) program for a twenty (20) year term in an amount not to exceed \$1,983,600.85.

Viviana Ramirez, Chief Community Services Officer - City of Aurora, presented and responded to questions.

Alex Alexandrou, Chief Management Officer - City of Aurora, presented.

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

Aye: 10 - Alderman Barreiro, 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: R24-405

[24-0891](#)

A Resolution authorizing the execution of an addendum to a Phase 2 Design Engineering Services contract with HR Green, Inc in the not to exceed amount of \$256,291.09 for the Farnsworth-Bilter-Church Roadway Widening, Resurfacing and Intersection Improvements.

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 Barreiro, 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: R24-406

NEW BUSINESS

There were no items of New Business.

REPORT

There were no Reports.

APPROVAL OF THE BILL SUMMARY AND LARGE BILL LIST

[24-0962](#)

Bill Summary and Large Bill List.

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

Aye: 12 - Alderman Barreiro, 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 Laesch to adjourn this meeting. The motion carried by voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 7:49 p.m.

Submitted by:

Jennifer Stallings, City Clerk

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