



City of Aurora

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

City Council Meeting Minutes - Draft

Tuesday
July 08, 2025
6:00 PM

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ROLL CALL

Mayor Laesch called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and the roll was called.

Present: 12 - Alderman Daniel Barreiro, Alderwoman Juany Garza, Alderman Ted Mesiacos, Alderman Jonathan Núñez, Alderman Carl Franco, Alderman Mike Saville, Alderwoman Patty Smith, Alderman Edward Bugg, Alderwoman Shweta Baid, Alderman-At-Large Keith Larson, Alderman-At-Large Will White and Mayor John Laesch

Absent: 1 - Alderman Javier Bañuelos

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 an Aurora Police Officer served as Sergeant-at-Arms for this meeting.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

*The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Laesch.
The Invocation was presented by Angela Collier.*

MAYOR'S REPORT

Jon Zaghloul, Communications Manager - City of Aurora, reported on the following:

- 1. The 4th of July Celebration was successful.**
- 2. Wednesdays at the Plaza will begin soon.**
- 3. The Summer Food Truck Festival will happen on July 18, 2025.**
- 4. Mayor Laesch complimented and thanked the Police and Fire Departments for their excellent service for the 4th of July Celebrations.**

MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS

[25-0509](#)

A Resolution authorizing the appointment of Tracey Vacek and Nicholas Richard-Thompson to the Tree Board.

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 Barreiro, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Núñez, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman-At-Large Larson and Alderman-At-Large White

Enactment No: R25-228

PUBLIC COMMENT

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

1. Angela Collier spoke regarding events in the community.
2. David Quiroz spoke regarding Birth to Five IL.
3. Mercy Galicia spoke regarding the Illinois Tejano Organization.

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 Franco to approve the Consent Agenda and the Direct to Council Consent Agenda in full. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 11 - Alderman Barreiro, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Núñez, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman-At-Large Larson and Alderman-At-Large White

[25-0433](#)

A Resolution authorizing acceptance of the low bid from Bennett & Brosseau Roofing, Inc. for the roof replacement of the 5th Floor City Hall and 77 S. Broadway DSC, in the amount totaling \$687,300.00 and a five percent (5%) contingency of \$34,365.00.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R25-229

[25-0497](#)

A Resolution authorizing the renovation of existing space in APD Investigations Unit to support a Digital Forensic Program workspace at a cost of \$312,503.02.

Lieutenant Tom McNamara - Aurora Police Department, responded to questions regarding this item.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R25-230

DIRECT TO COUNCIL CONSENT AGENDA

[25-0542](#)

Approval of the Minutes of the Tuesday, June 24, 2025, City Council Meeting.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

[25-0468](#)

An Ordinance amending Sec. 2-277(c) of the Code of Ordinances pertaining to the qualifications of the department heads of the City.

Nicholas Richard-Thompson, Deputy Chief of Staff - City of Aurora, presented and responded to questions.

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

Aye: 9 - Alderman Barreiro, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Núñez, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderman-At-Large Larson and Alderman-At-Large White

Nay: 2 - Alderwoman Garza and Alderwoman Baid

Enactment No: O25-045

NEW BUSINESS

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

Aye: 11 - Alderman Barreiro, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Núñez, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman-At-Large Larson and Alderman-At-Large White

[25-0551](#)

A Resolution establishing the maximum number of Class B: Onsite Consumption liquor licenses, (unofficially related to the application from Ach-N-Lou's Pizza Pub Inc. at 1592 N Farnsworth). [Ward 1]

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

Aye: 11 - Alderman Barreiro, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Núñez, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman-At-Large Larson and Alderman-At-Large White

Enactment No: R25-231

REPORT

There were no Reports.

APPROVAL OF THE BILL SUMMARY AND LARGE BILL LIST

[25-0553](#)

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: 11 - Alderman Barreiro, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Núñez, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman-At-Large Larson and Alderman-At-Large White

CLOSED SESSION

A Closed Session was required pursuant to Section 2(c)(1) of the Open Meetings Act to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline or dismissal of specific employees of the public body.

A motion was made by Alderwoman Smith and seconded by Alderwoman Garza to enter into Closed Session and thereafter adjourn the City Council meeting with no further final action or public business to take place for purposes of the City Council. The motion carried by the following vote and the Open Session of the meeting adjourned to Closed Session at 6:52 p.m. The Closed Session convened at 6:59 p.m. and adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

Aye: 11 - Alderman Barreiro, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Núñez, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman-At-Large Larson and Alderman-At-Large White

ADJOURN

Submitted by,

Jennifer Stallings, City Clerk

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