



City of Aurora

Office of the Aldermen -
Meeting Room
60 East Downer Place
Aurora, IL

Government Operations Committee Meeting Minutes - Final

Tuesday

August 26, 2014

4:30 PM

Chairperson Scheketa Hart-Burns
Alderman Ted Mesiacos
Alderman Lynne Johnson
Alderman Rick Mervine (Alt)

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Hart-Burns called the meeting to order at 4:34 pm

ROLL CALL

Present: 3 - Chairperson Scheketa Hart-Burns, Alderman Ted Mesiacos and Alderman Lynne Johnson

OTHERS PRESENT

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Adam Voirin, Abbey Farms; Tim Nelsa, Windy City Amusements; John Leopold, Covenant Christian School; Andre Thomas, Thomas Barbeque; Steve Lord, Beacon News; Phil Lundquist, Covenant Christian; Shari Frieders, Compassion Foundation; Kristina Velazquez, Fox Chase HOA; Nicole Mullins, Culture Stock; Maria A Saltijeral, 605 N Bridge, Yorkville; Sandi Saltijeral-Contreras, The Nico Foundation

CITY OF AURORA:

Gio Santana, Neighborhood Standards; Jim Pilmer, Neighborhood Standards; Gina Moga, Special Events; Sara Townsend, Dep. City Clerk; Isabel Kodron, City Clerk; Dep.Chief Tom Greiner, Aurora Fire Dept.; Ken Maurice, Youth & Senior Services; Eric Gallt, Traffic Engineer; Rick Guzman, Asst. Chief of Staff, Mayor's Office; Alderman Mike Saville, 6th Ward; Alderman Rick Mervine, 8th Ward; Alderman Tina Bohman, 1st Ward, Alderman Bill Donnell, 4th Ward; Alderman Whitey Peters, 5th Ward

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[14-00693](#)

Approval of Minutes of the Government Operations Committee meeting held on Tuesday, August 12, 2014.

A motion was made by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Mesiacos, that this agenda item be accepted and filed. The motion carried.

Ayes: 3

AGENDA[14-00667](#)

A Resolution establishing the maximum number of Class F City of Aurora liquor licenses (unofficially related to application from: Andre Thomas d/b/a Thomas Barbeque, located at 2711 E. New York St.).

A motion was made by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Mesiacos, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. The motion carried.

Ayes: 3

[14-00474](#)

A Resolution establishing the maximum number of Class K City of Aurora liquor licenses (*unofficially* related to application from: Marmion, d/b/a Abbey Farms, located at 2855 Hart Rd.).

A motion was made by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Mesiacos, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. The motion carried.

Ayes: 3

14-00533

A Resolution approving the issuance of a Carnival License to Fox Valley United Way / Windy City Amusements, Inc. for a carnival to be held at the Northgate Shopping Center's Eastside Parking Lot on September 4 - 7, 2014.

A motion was made by Alderman Lynne Johnson, seconded by Alderman Ted Mesiacos, that this item be tabled.. The motion carried:

Ayes: 3

14-00671

A Resolution establishing the maximum number of Class E City of Aurora liquor licenses (unofficially related to application from: Trendy Burger Corp. d/b/a Pointe 23, located at 2340 S. Eola Rd.).

A motion was made by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Mesiacos, that this agenda item be tabled. The motion carried.

Ayes: 3

[14-00711](#)

A Resolution approving the issuance of a Carnival License to Covenant Christian School / Windy City Amusements, Inc. for a carnival to be held at the West Aurora Plaza, LLC parking lot on September 18 - 21, 2014.

A motion was made by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Mesiacos, that this agenda item be recommended for approval. The motion carried.

Ayes: 3

[14-00321](#)

A Traffic Study on the 600 Block of Smith Blvd. Ward 3, Alderman Mesiacos (Held in Committee at the May 13, 2014, June 10, 2014, June 24, 2014, July 8, 2014, July 22, 2014 and August 26, 2014 meetings until the September 9, 2014 meeting.)

A motion was made by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Mesiacos, that this agenda item be held. The motion carried.

Ayes: 3

[14-00393](#)

A Traffic Study for W. Indian Trail for extending existing guardrail on the south side, between Pennsylvania Avenue and N. Highland Avenue. Ward 6, Alderman Saville (Held in Committee at the June 10, 2014, and June 24, 2014 meeting. Held in Committee at the July 8, 2014 meeting until the August 26, 2014 meeting.)

A motion was made by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Mesiacos, that this agenda item be recommended for approval (information only). The motion carried.

Ayes: 3

[14-00479](#)

A Traffic Study for Asbury Drive with regards to pedestrian movements. Ward 7, Alderman Hart-Burns

A motion was made by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Mesiacos, that this agenda item be recommended for approval (information only) with installation of one road stop for pedestrian sign on the northbound approach to Kendridge lane on Asbury Drive. The motion carried.

Ayes: 3

[14-00492](#)

A Traffic Study on Autumn Lane. Ward 1, Alderman Bohman

A motion was made by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Mesiacos, that this agenda item be recommended for approval as amended (information only) paint yellow 5 feet either side of driveways. The motion carried.

Ayes: 3

[14-00522](#)

A Traffic Study on Grand Avenue in the 400 to 600 Block. Ward 6, Alderman Saville (Returned from Committee of the Whole 8-5-14. Held in Committee 8-12-14.)

A motion was made by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Mesiacos, that this agenda item be denied as information only. The motion carried.

Ayes: 3

[14-00586](#)

A Parking Study in the 400 block of Plum Street for the installation of Handicap Parking. Ward 6, Alderman Saville (Held in Committee at the August 26, 2014 meeting.)

A motion was made by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Mesiacos, that this agenda item be held. The motion carried.

Ayes: 3

[14-00662](#)

A Parking Study for Oak Avenue. Ward 6, Alderman Saville (Held in Committee at the August 26, 2014 meeting.)

A motion was made by Alderman Mesiacos, seconded by Alderman Johnson, that this agenda item be held. The motion carried.

Ayes: 3

[14-00660](#)

A Traffic Study for the Randall Road/Illinois Avenue intersection for Speeds. Wards 4, 5, & 6, Aldermen Donnell, Peters, and Saville

A motion was made by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Mesiacos, that this agenda item be recommended for approval (information only). The motion carried.

Ayes: 3

[14-00689](#)

A Parking Study for Pleasure Court. Ward 4, Alderman Donnell

A motion was made by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Mesiacos, that this agenda item be recommended for approval (information only). The motion carried.

Ayes: 3

[14-00585](#)

A Traffic Study for bicycle signage at the Montgomery Road and Kautz Road intersection. Ward 7, Alderman Hart-Burns

A motion was made by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Mesiacos, that this agenda item be recommended for approval (information only). The motion carried.

Ayes: 3

[14-00588](#)

A Parking Study on Park Ridge Lane for NO PARKING signage. Ward 10, Alderman Johnson

A motion was made by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Mesiacos, that this agenda item be recommended for approval (information only). The motion carried.

Ayes: 3

[14-00599](#)

A Traffic Study for the intersection of N. Root Street and Superior Street. Ward 2, Alderman Garza

A motion was made by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Mesiacos, that this agenda item be recommended for approval (information only). The motion carried.

Ayes: 3

[14-00612](#)

A Traffic Study the intersection of Bradbury Cr. and N. Commerce St. Ward 10, Alderman Johnson

A motion was made by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Mesiacos, that this agenda item be recommended for approval (information only). The motion carried.

Ayes: 3

[14-00684](#)

A Parking Study in the 700 Block of Periwinkle Lane. Ward 7, Alderman Hart-Burns

A motion was made by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Mesiacos, that this agenda item be recommended for approval (information only). The motion carried.

Ayes: 3

[14-00494](#)

The Compassion Foundation has submitted a revision on its planned event and is requesting permission to block off the parking spaces on the southwest side section of the Downer Place Bridge to place an end loader on the bridge at 12:00pm, filled with approximately 2,500 miniature rubber ducks that will be dumped over the bridge into the Fox River by 12:15pm, as a part of their Lucky Ducky Derby on Saturday, September 13, 2014 from 12:00pm to 3:00pm.

A motion was made by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Mesiacos, that this agenda item be recommended for approval as amended (information only) The motion carried.

Ayes: 3

[14-00679](#)

Requesting approval to use Water Street Mall on October 20, 2014 by Aurora Cultural Creatives to stage the first annual Water Street Music Show.

A motion was made by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Mesiacos, that this agenda item be recommended for approval as amended (information only) the date is October 4th not the 20th. The motion carried.

Ayes: 3

[14-00725](#)

The Nico Foundation is requesting permission to hold a walk to protest violence in the community and the desire to bring Peace back on Saturday, August 30, 2014. Please see attached maps for route.

A motion was made by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Mesiacos, that this agenda item be recommended for approval as amended (information only) with the changing of route around the 4th Street construction per Alderman Mesiacos. The motion carried.

Ayes: 3

[14-00712](#)

Tag Day - Request by the Aurora Fire Department to hold the annual "Fill the Boot" drive to benefit the Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA) on September 5th, 6th and 7th at various intersections within Aurora.

A motion was made by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Mesiacos, that this agenda item be recommended for approval (information only). The motion carried.

Ayes: 3

HELD

[14-00518](#)

A Traffic Study for Four Seasons Blvd. and Montgomery Road. Ward 3, Alderman Mesiacos (Held in Committee at the July 22, 2014 meeting until the October 14, 2014 meeting.)

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Mesiacos, that this meeting be adjourned. Chairman Hart-Burns adjourned the meeting at 5:38 pm The motion carried.

Ayes: 3

CLOSED SESSION

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