



City of Aurora

City Hall - 2nd Floor
Council Chambers
44 East Downer Place
Aurora, IL

City Council Meeting Minutes - Final

Tuesday

December 12, 2017

6:00 PM

ROLL CALL

Mayor Irvin called the City Council meeting to order at 6:02 P.M. and the roll was called.

Present: 12 - Alderman Tina Bohman, Alderman Juany Garza, Alderman Ted Mesiacos, Alderman Bill Donnell, Alderman Carl Franco, Alderman Mike Saville, Alderman Rick Mervine, Alderman Edward Bugg, Alderman Judd Lofchie, Alderman Sherman Jenkins, Alderman Bob O'Connor and Mayor Richard Irvin

Absent: 1 - Alderman Scheketa Hart-Burns

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2017, TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2017 AND CLOSED SESSION MINUTES OF TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2017 AND TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2017

[17-01108](#)

Approval of the Tuesday, November 21, 2017 Special City Council Meeting Minutes.

A motion was made by Alderman Franco, seconded by Alderman Donnell, to approve the minutes as presented. The motion carried by voice vote.

[17-01109](#)

Approval of the Tuesday, November 28, 2017 City Council Meeting Minutes.

A motion was made by Alderman Franco, seconded by Alderman Bohman, to approve the minutes as presented. The motion carried by voice vote.

[17-01117](#)

Approval of the following Closed Session Minutes: November 7, 2017 and November 21, 2017.

A motion was made by Alderman Jenkins, seconded by Alderman Saville to approve the minutes. The motion carried by voice vote.

APPOINTMENT OF SERGEANT-AT-ARMS

A motion was made by Alderman Franco, seconded by Alderman Bohman to appoint Officer Hornburg as Sergeant-at-Arms for this meeting. The motion carried by voice vote.

PRESENTATIONS

[17-01160](#)

A Resolution in Support of Illinois Bicentennial Celebrations.

A motion was made by Alderman Mervine, seconded by Alderman Franco, to approve the resolution as presented. The motion carried by the following vote.

Aye: 11 - Alderman Bohman, Alderman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Mervine, Alderman Bugg, Alderman Lofchie, Alderman Jenkins and Alderman O'Connor

Enactment No: R17-379

[17-01171](#)

A Proclamation Recognizing Bill Wiet for his Service to the City of Aurora.

Mayor Irvin, Bill Wiet, Alderman O'Connor, Alderman Saville and Alderman Jenkins spoke regarding the proclamation.

This Proclamation was discussed and filed.

MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS

[17-01103](#)

A Resolution Appointing Jacqueline Gibson and Francis "Frank" Johnson to the Aurora Housing Authority Board.

A motion was made by Alderman Franco, seconded by Alderman Mervine, to approve the appointments as presented. The motion carried by the following vote.

Aye: 11 - Alderman Bohman, Alderman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Mervine, Alderman Bugg, Alderman Lofchie, Alderman Jenkins and Alderman O'Connor

Enactment No: R17-380

[17-01104](#)

A Resolution Appointing Kimberly Harris, Brandon Hayes and Kyle Welton to the Aurora African American Heritage Advisory Board.

A motion was made by Alderman Franco, seconded by Alderman Mervine, to approve the appointments as presented. The motion carried by the following vote.

Aye: 11 - Alderman Bohman, Alderman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Mervine, Alderman Bugg, Alderman Lofchie, Alderman Jenkins and Alderman O'Connor

Enactment No: R17-381

[17-01105](#)

A Resolution Appointing Hector Velazquez to the Aurora Hispanic Heritage Advisory Board.

A motion was made by Alderman Garza, seconded by Alderman Jenkins, to approve the appointments as presented. The motion carried.

Aye: 11 - Alderman Bohman, Alderman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Mervine, Alderman Bugg, Alderman Lofchie, Alderman Jenkins and Alderman O'Connor

Enactment No: R17-382

SPEAKERS

A motion was made by Alderman Mervine, seconded by Alderman Franco, to allow members of the public to address City Council. The motion carried by voice vote.

Mercy Galicia, Rita's Ministry, spoke regarding the National Angel Tree Program.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Alderman Mervine, seconded by Alderman Garza, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 11 - Alderman Bohman, Alderman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Mervine, Alderman Bugg, Alderman Lofchie, Alderman Jenkins and Alderman O'Connor

[17-00947](#)

A Resolution Authorizing a Two-Year Instrumentation Service Agreement with the HACH Company for the Water Production Division

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R17-383

[17-00948](#)

A Resolution Authorizing a Scheduled Inventory Reagent Replacement Plan with the HACH Company for the Water Production Division

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R17-384

[17-00973](#)

A Resolution establishing the maximum number of Class G-1 City of Aurora liquor licenses (*unofficially related to application from: Hashmi Oil Company d/b/a 7-Eleven #33141C , located at 1680 Montgomery Rd., Aurora, Illinois*).

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R17-385

[17-00976](#)

An Ordinance Granting a Special Use Permit for a Liquor License within 500 feet of residential property located at 518 S. Lake Street generally located east of Lake Street south of Prairie Street

This Ordinance was adopted.

Enactment No: O17-084

[17-01027](#)

A Resolution to accept the Proposals received for the 2018 Water & Sewer Division Emergency Repair Program.

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R17-386

[17-01049](#)

A Resolution Authorizing Well Maintenance Services for Well No. 21 for the Water Production Division.

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R17-387

[17-01058](#)

A Resolution approving the remodel of the Development Service Center first floor, Phase 1 by FH Paschen, S.N. Nielsen & Associates LLC in the amount not to exceed, \$431,500.00.

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R17-388

[17-01063](#)

A Resolution Accepting Plumbing Service Bids for the Water and Sewer Maintenance Division.

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R17-389

[17-01064](#)

A Resolution adopting unit price bids for the purchase of various water and sewer repair materials.

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R17-390

[17-01074](#)

A Resolution Authorizing the Approval of Bid Package 17-44 Phillips Park Mastodon Island Adventure Project in the Amount not to exceed \$758,000.00 to the lowest bidder, Elanar Construction, Chicago, IL and Purchase Playground Equipment in the Amount not to exceed \$167,149.41 through an RFP from GameTime c/o Cunningham Recreation, Charlotte, NC for the Division of Parks & Recreation.

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R17-391

[17-01076](#)

A Resolution Authorizing the Assignment of Commercial Sales Contract to Purchase Real Property Located at 15-17 South Broadway, Aurora, Illinois

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R17-392

[17-01077](#)

A Resolution Authorizing the Assignment of Commercial Sales Contract to Purchase Real Property Located at 110 South LaSalle, Aurora, Illinois

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R17-393

[17-01078](#)

A Resolution Authorizing the Assignment of Commercial Sales Contract to Purchase Real Property Located at 120 South LaSalle, Aurora, Illinois

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R17-394

[17-01080](#)

A Resolution Authorizing Lease Agreement of City Owned Real Estate Located at 13 South Broadway Street, Aurora Illinois

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R17-395

[17-01082](#)

A Resolution Approving a Lease between Fifth Third Bank and the City of Aurora for a portion of Property Located at the Southwest Corner of Downer and Broadway

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R17-396

[17-01084](#)

A Resolution Approving Contract for the Purchase and Sale of a Portion of City Owned Real Estate Located at 10 East Downer Place, Aurora, Illinois

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R17-397

[17-01112](#)

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 44, Article V, Section 44-63 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Aurora Entitled "Taxation" (Municipal Gas Use Tax).

A motion was made by Alderman Mervine, seconded by Alderman Garza, that this agenda item be approved on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried.

Aye: 11 - Alderman Bohman, Alderman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Mervine, Alderman Bugg, Alderman Lofchie, Alderman Jenkins and Alderman O'Connor

Enactment No: O17-085

[17-01114](#)

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 44, Article III, Section 44-32, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Aurora Entitled "Taxation" (Municipal Electricity Tax).

A motion was made by Alderman Mervine, seconded by Alderman Garza, that this agenda item be approved on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried.

Aye: 11 - Alderman Bohman, Alderman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Mervine, Alderman Bugg, Alderman Lofchie, Alderman Jenkins and Alderman O'Connor

Enactment No: O17-086

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

[17-01091](#)

A Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Single License Agreement for a Wireless and Pole Mounted Communication Facility Located at 2800 Diehl Road being the northeast corner of Diehl Road and north Eola Road with World Class Wireless LLC

Stephane Phifer, Community Development, spoke regarding the changes in the application previously submitted to City Council for consideration. Bruce Goldsmith, attorney for World Class Wireless spoke regarding the project history and current intentions of his client for the property.

Alderman Mervine spoke regarding the reasons he was not in favor of the proposal.

Alderman Lofchie, Alderman Franco, and Alderman Donnell all spoke in favor of the item.

A motion was made by Alderman Jenkins, seconded by Alderman Garza, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote.

Aye: 8 - Alderman Garza, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Bugg, Alderman Lofchie, Alderman Jenkins and Alderman O'Connor

Nay: 2 - Alderman Mesiacos and Alderman Mervine

Abstain: 1 - Alderman Bohman

Enactment No: R17-398

[17-01095](#)

An Ordinance Adopting An Annual Budget For the Fiscal Year Beginning January 1, 2018 And Ending December 31, 2018 In Lieu Of Passage Of An Appropriation Ordinance (PUBLIC HEARING).

A motion was made by Alderman O'Connor to open the public hearing regarding the 2018 Proposed Budget. The motion carried by a voice vote. The public hearing

opened. There was one person wishing to speak regarding the budget.

Dan Miller, Chair of the Aurora Preservation Commission, spoke in favor of the budget specifically related to the presence of funds available for preservation efforts.

There being no further speakers. A motion was made by Alderman Mervine, seconded by Alderman Franco to close the public hearing. The motion carried by voice vote.

Aldermen O'Connor and Mervine spoke regarding being in favor of the budget and thanked the efforts of the staff in preparation of the budget. Alderman Lofchie voiced concerns regarding the budget and stressed wanting to reduce costs. However, he stated he was in favor of the budget.

A motion was made by Alderman O'Connor, seconded by Alderman Garza, that this agenda item be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote.

Aye: 11 - Alderman Bohman, Alderman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Mervine, Alderman Bugg, Alderman Lofchie, Alderman Jenkins and Alderman O'Connor

Enactment No: O17-087

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Alderman O'Connor, seconded by Alderman Franco, to Suspend the Rules to consider items on the New Business section of the agenda. The motion carried by the following vote.

Aye: 11 - Alderman Bohman, Alderman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Mervine, Alderman Bugg, Alderman Lofchie, Alderman Jenkins and Alderman O'Connor

[17-01135](#)

A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to amend Resolution R17-348 for the execution of the Local Agency Agreement with the State of Illinois (IDOT) and Construction Engineering Services Agreement with HRGreen Inc. and the approval of Addendum# 3 for the Aurora Transportation Center (ATC) Regional Facility Enhancement Project.

A motion was made by Alderman Lofchie, seconded by Alderman Mervine, that this agenda item be returned to the Finance Committee for consideration on the December 19, 2017 agenda. The motion carried by voice vote.

Enactment No: R18-006

[17-01159](#)

A Resolution Urging Governor Rauner to Veto Senate Bill 1451 .

A motion was made by Alderman Jenkins, seconded by Alderman Franco, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried.

Aye: 11 - Alderman Bohman, Alderman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Mervine, Alderman Bugg, Alderman Lofchie, Alderman Jenkins and Alderman O'Connor

Enactment No: R17-399

REQUESTS AND REFERRALS

17-01155 Requesting to downzone the property at 117 5th Street from R-4 Two Family Dwelling District to R-3 One Family Dwelling District (Joseph Khouri - 17-01155 / AU27/1-17.263-DZ - TV - Ward 2)
This Petition was referred to to the DST Staff Council (Planning Council)

BILLS

[17-01167](#) Bill Summary and Large Bill List.

A motion was made by Alderman Jenkins, seconded by Alderman Franco, that the bills as presented be approved and paid. The motion carried.

Aye: 11 - Alderman Bohman, Alderman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Mervine, Alderman Bugg, Alderman Lofchie, Alderman Jenkins and Alderman O'Connor

CLOSED SESSION

A motion was made by Alderman Franco, seconded by Alderman Jenkins, to move into Closed Session at the conclusion of the open portion of the meeting. The motion carried.

Aye: 11 - Alderman Bohman, Alderman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Mervine, Alderman Bugg, Alderman Lofchie, Alderman Jenkins and Alderman O'Connor

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Alderman Jenkins, seconded by Alderman Franco, that this meeting be adjourned at the conclusion of the closed session portion of the meeting. The motion carried by voice vote. The open portion of the meeting ended at 7:13 P.M. The closed session of the meeting began at 7:27 P.M. and adjourned at 7:55 P.M.

Submitted by: _____
Wendy McCambridge, City Clerk