



City of Aurora

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

City Council Meeting Minutes - Final

Tuesday

November 28, 2023

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 6:03 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 Sullivan served as the Sergeant-at-Arms for this meeting.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Irvin.

INVOCATION

The Invocation was presented by Pastor Dallas Scott.

MAYOR'S OFFICE OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Irvin presented the Mayor's Award of Excellence to Pastor Dallas Scott and wished him the best for his retirement.

Mayor Irvin presented a Proclamation for World AIDS Day on December 1st to representatives from the Open Door Health Center in Aurora. The Open Door Health Center was recognized for their 30th Anniversary in the City of Aurora.

District 129 Superintendent, Dr. Jeff Craig, presented challenge coins to Mayor Irvin and Alex Alexandrou, Chief Management Officer - City of Aurora, to acknowledge the collaboration between the West Aurora School District and the City of Aurora.

Representatives from Factor/Hello Fresh updated the City Council on the progress they have made at their Aurora facility and responded to questions from the City Council. Alex Alexandrou, Chief Management Officer - City of Aurora, spoke regarding this item.

MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS

[23-0816](#)

A Resolution approving reappointments of Nadia Kanai, Sunil Patel, Nitin Fuldeore and Anu Krishnamurthy to the Indian American Community Outreach Advisory Board.

A motion was made by Alderwoman Smith and seconded by Alderman Laesch 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: R23-343

[23-0894](#)

A Resolution approving the reappointments of Dr. Yolanda Stovall, Keith Wise, Sandra Harrison and Glenda Blakemore to the African American Heritage Advisory 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: 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: R23-344

[23-0897](#)

A Resolution authorizing the appointment of Megan Paul and Shannon Gutierrez to the FoxWalk Overlay District Design Review Committee.

A motion was made by Alderwoman and seconded by Alderwoman 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: R23-345

[23-0900](#)

A Resolution approving the reappointments of Sherrill Dodson-Lewis, Meloyne Wimbley and the appointment of Gabriel Robinson to the Aurora Housing Authority Board.

A motion was made by Alderwoman and seconded by Alderwoman 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: R23-346

[23-0904](#)

A Resolution approving the appointment of Jersey Kimbrough to the Aurora Youth Council.

A motion was made by Alderwoman and seconded by Alderwoman 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: R23-347

PUBLIC COMMENT

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

Brad Earl spoke regarding infrastructure changes and walkability.

Ben Carson spoke regarding pedestrian and bicycle safety.

Jillian Gibson spoke regarding a safety study at Montgomery, Odgen and Eola Roads.

Nate Pichler spoke regarding Factor/Hello Fresh.

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 Alderwoman Garza to approve the Consent Agenda and the Direct to Council Consent Agenda in full. 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

[23-0710](#)

An Ordinance amending Chapter 13 of the Code of Ordinances pertaining to the licensure of retailers authorized to sell all tobacco, nicotine, alternative nicotine products or vape products.

This Ordinance was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: O23-083

[23-0842](#)

A Resolution Authorizing Presence Behavioral Health Employee Assistance Program (EAP) from January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2026.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R23-348

[23-0844](#)

A Resolution Awarding Contracts to Supply Process Chemicals for the Water Production Division.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R23-349

[23-0845](#)

A Resolution adopting unit price bids for the on-call full replacement of disturbed lead water service lines in 2024 within the City.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R23-350

[23-0858](#)

A Resolution establishing the maximum number of Class B: On-Site Consumption liquor licenses (unofficially related to the application from Muchacho Alegre, LLC at 1941 W Galena Blvd., Aurora). [Ward 5]

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R23-351

[23-0872](#)

An Ordinance amending Chapter 47 of the City of Aurora Code of Ordinances entitled "Trees, Shrubs and Weeds".

This Ordinance was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: O23-084

[23-0874](#)

A Resolution approving the Arboricultural Specification Manual for the City of Aurora.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R23-352

[23-0879](#)

A Resolution approving the purchase of bulk rock salt in the amounts of \$70.15 & \$70.72. per ton from Morton Salt Inc., Chicago, IL for the Division of Street Maintenance under the State of Illinois Joint Purchasing Agreement Bid for the 2023-2024 winter season.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R23-353

[23-0885](#)

A Resolution Authorizing a Two-Year Instrumentation Service Agreement with the HACH Company for \$161,678.51 for the Water Production Division.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R23-354

[23-0888](#)

A Resolution authorizing the City to accept a donation of real property owned by H. Linden & Sons Development, Inc. on South Spencer St., Aurora, Illinois.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R23-355

[23-0895](#)

A Resolution establishing the maximum number of Class B: On-Site Consumption liquor licenses (unofficially related to the application from Nori Aurora, LLC d/b/a Nori Sushi and Grill at 2933 Kirk Rd, Aurora). [Ward 1]

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R23-356

[23-0896](#)

An Ordinance amending Chapter 6 of the Code of Ordinances pertaining to the licensure of retailers authorized to sell alcoholic liquor.

This Ordinance was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: O23-085

[23-0905](#)

A Resolution authorizing the execution of a Phase II Supplemental Engineering Agreement with Baxter and Woodman, Inc., and appropriating Motor Fuel Tax Funds in the amount of \$18,833 for the Montgomery Road and Kautz Road Traffic Signal Installation project.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R23-357

[23-0906](#)

A Resolution Awarding the 2024 Sanitary Sewer Televising contract to Pipe View, LLC DBA Pipe View America in the amount of five hundred seventeen thousand, seventy-five dollars and fifty cents (\$517,075.50).

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R23-358

[23-0913](#)

A Resolution establishing the maximum number of Class A: Package Sales/Gas Station Beer & Wine Only liquor licenses (unofficially related to the application from Shiva Aurora, Inc. d/b/a Shiva Aurora at 300 W Galena, Aurora). [Ward 2]

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R23-359

[23-0924](#)

A Resolution to renew a 12-month agreement with AT&T for Intrastate services in the amount of \$172,440.00.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R23-360

[23-0950](#)

A Resolution approving the appointment of Jestin Kolar as Director of Building and Permits.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R23-361

[23-0951](#)

A Resolution establishing the maximum number of Class D: Downtown Core On-Site Consumption liquor licenses (unofficially related to the application from Little Piano NY at 33 W. New York Street). [Ward 6]

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R23-362

DIRECT TO COUNCIL CONSENT AGENDA

[23-0955](#)

Approval of the Minutes of the Tuesday, November 14, 2023, City Council Meeting.

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

[23-0956](#)

Approval of the Draft Closed Session Meeting Minutes from the Tuesday, November 14, 2023 City Council Meeting.

The City Council Draft Closed Session Meeting Minutes of the Tuesday, November 14, 2023 were approved and filed.

Alderman Bugg left the meeting at 7:29 p.m. after the City Council vote on the Consent Agenda and Direct to Council Consent Agenda.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There were no items of Unfinished Business.

NEW BUSINESS

There were no items of New Business.

REPORT

[23-0967](#)

Treasurer's Reports - Third Quarter 2023

Chris Minick, Chief Financial Officer - City of Aurora, presented briefly regarding this item.

This Report was accepted and filed.

[23-0968](#)

Corporate Funds Investment Report - Third Quarter 2023.

Chris Minick, Chief Financial Officer - City of Aurora, presented briefly and responded to questions regarding this item.

This Report was accepted and filed.

APPROVAL OF THE BILL SUMMARY AND LARGE BILL LIST

[23-0969](#)

Bill Summary and Large Bill List.

A motion was made by Alderwoman Smith and seconded by Alderman Laesch to approve and pay the bills. 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, 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 Franco to adjourn this meeting. The motion carried by voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Submitted by:

Jennifer Stallings, City Clerk

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