



City of Aurora

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

City Council Meeting Minutes - Draft

Tuesday
May 23, 2017
6:00 PM

ROLL CALL

Mayor Irvin called the City Council Meeting to order at 6:04 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 Scheketa Hart-Burns, Alderman Rick Mervine, Alderman Edward Bugg, Alderman Judd Lofchie, Alderman Bob O'Connor and Mayor Richard Irvin
- Absent:** 1 - Alderman Sherman Jenkins

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION

APPOINTMENT OF SERGEANT-AT-ARMS

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

PRESENTATIONS

[17-00457](#)

Recognition and Proclamation for Coach Marty Miller

This Proclamation was discussed and filed. The proclamation was read by Alderman Mervine. Coach Marty Miller was present to accept.

[17-00182](#)

Recognition of the Memorial Day Parade Grand Marshal.

This Recognition was discussed and filed to recognize the World War II veterans named Grand Marshals for the 2017 Memorial Day Parade, Bill Moore, Ray Moore and William Walbaum. The recognition was read by Alderman O'Connor.

[17-00458](#)

A Proclamation Naming the City of Aurora "A Purple Heart City"

This Proclamation was discussed and filed for the naming of the City of Aurora as "A Purple Heart City". The proclamation was read by Mayor Irvin.

MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS

[17-00432](#)

A Resolution Appointing David Voirin to the Aurora Veterans Advisory Council.

This Resolution was approved by the following vote:

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

Enactment No: R17-165

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Alderman Hart-Burns, seconded by Alderman Bugg, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion carried by the following vote with an abstention by Alderman Mervine on item 17-00410:

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

[17-00226](#)

A Resolution Approving the Final Plat for Lot 1 of Church Corporate Park Resubdivision Number 2, Located at 975 and 985 Corporate Boulevard

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R17-166

[17-00227](#)

A Resolution Approving a Final Plan on Lot 1 of Church Corporate Park Resubdivision Number 2, Located at 975 and 985 Corporate Boulevard for a Business and Professional, Office (2400) and Warehouse, Distribution and Storage Services (3300) Use

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R17-167

[17-00284](#)

An Ordinance Granting a Special Use Permit for an Educational Services (6100) Use on the Property located at 250 and 254-300 E. Indian Trail Road being the north side of Indian Trail Road between Aurora Avenue and Mitchell Road

This Ordinance was adopted.

Enactment No: O17-022

[17-00333](#)

An Ordinance Amending Ordinance Number 3100, being the Aurora Zoning Ordinance and the Zoning Map attached thereto, by downzoning properties located at the northeast corner of Orchard Road and Prairie Street, 137 N. 4th Street, and 14 Blackhawk Street respectively from R-1 One Family Dwelling, R-3 One Family Dwelling, R-4A(S) Two Family Dwelling and R-5(S) Multiple Family Dwelling District to P Park and Recreation

This Ordinance was adopted.

Enactment No: O17-023

[17-00354](#)

A Resolution authorizing the purchase of One (1) 2017 Wheeled Coach Ford F-450 type 1 ambulance, from Fire Services Inc., St. John, Indiana In the amount of \$241,695.00 for the Aurora Fire Department

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R17-168

[17-00355](#)

A Resolution consenting to an aviation agreement between TEAM Advantage Inc. and the City of Aurora.

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R17-169

[17-00357](#)

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a one year extension of the Direct Aviation Operating Agreement between Executive Flight Management (EFM) and the City of Aurora

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R17-170

[17-00371](#)

A Resolution for accepting the improvements and maintenance security for Advanced Auto - 1386 Butterfield Rd.

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R17-171

[17-00390](#)

A Resolution Authorizing a Contract with Suburban General Construction Inc. in the amount of four hundred ninety-eight thousand, six hundred forty-two dollars and zero cents (\$498,642.00) for the Citywide Sanitary Sewer Spot Repair - Contract A project.

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R17-172

[17-00392](#)

A Resolution to award a contract to J. Congdon Sewer Service, Inc. in the amount of \$497,497.00 for the Sard Avenue Water Main Replacement Project.

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R17-173

[17-00395](#)

A Resolution establishing the maximum number of Class C City of Aurora liquor licenses (*unofficially* related to application from: Shree Ekdant LLC, d/b/a Aj's Liquor Land, located at 1669 #1, Montgomery Road, Aurora, IL.

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R17-174

[17-00397](#)

A Resolution to Award the Contract for the 2017 City Wide Sidewalk, Patching, Crack Filling and Bike Path Projects to Geneva Construction Company, PO Box 998, Aurora, IL 60507 in the amount of \$1,080,792.95.

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R17-175

[17-00405](#)

A Resolution establishing the maximum number of Class C City of Aurora liquor licenses (*unofficially* related to application from: Shree Balchandra LLC d/b/a Aj's Liquorland, 2150 W Galena Blvd., Aurora).

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R17-176

[17-00406](#)

A Resolution to accept the low bid from Schroeder Asphalt Services, P.O. Box 831, Huntley, IL 60142 for the site and parking lot improvements of the M-lot that is located at 50 N. LaSalle adjacent to the Aurora Historical Fire Museum in the amount not to exceed \$115,000.00

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R17-177

[17-00410](#)

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 19, Article III, entitled "Communication and Data Transfer" of the City of Aurora Code of Ordinances

This Ordinance was adopted. Alderman Mervine abstained from the vote on this item.

Enactment No: O17-024

A public statement was made by Alderman Mesiacos regarding Item #17-00362 that had been on the Consent Agenda at the May 9, 2017 City Council Meeting. His statement indicated his desire to abstain from voting on the item due to his previous relationship with the petitioner, Aurora Township.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

[17-00415](#)

An Ordinance providing for the issuance of \$16,500,000 aggregate principal amount of General Obligation Bonds, Series 2017, of the City of Aurora, Kane, DuPage, Kendall and Will Counties, Illinois, for the purpose of financing capital improvements, confirming the sale thereof, and providing for the levy and collection of a direct annual tax for the payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds.

A motion was made by Alderman Saville, seconded by Alderman Mervine, that this agenda item be adopted.

A presentation on the item was made by Stacey Hamling, Interim Chief Financial Officer, and Raphaliata McKenzie, Speer Financial, regarding the issuance of General Obligation Bonds. Questions were answered regarding the process.

Additional information was provided by Ken Schroth, Director of Public Works, regarding the anticipated projects to be funded, and Stacey Hamling, Interim Finance Director, regarding the projected neutral impact on the tax rate.

A member of the public requested to speak about the item. A motion was made by Alderman Hart-Burns, seconded by Alderman Saville to allow for public comment. The motion carried by a voice vote. Lynne Johnson spoke urging City Council members to vote against the item.

Discussion was had between Alderman Mervine and Acting Corporation Counsel Walsh regarding whether an abstention would be necessary on the item.

Alderman Lofchie spoke against the item. Alderman O'Connor and Alderman Bohman spoke in favor of the item. Questions raised were addressed by Acting Corporation Counsel Walsh and Stephane Phifer, Planning and Zoning Director.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 10 - Alderman Bohman, Alderman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Hart-Burns, Alderman Mervine, Alderman Bugg and Alderman O'Connor

Nay: 1 - Alderman Lofchie

Enactment No: O17-025

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Alderman Hart-Burns, seconded by Alderman Garza to Suspend the Rules to discuss and decide on items on the New Business portion 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 Hart-Burns, Alderman Mervine, Alderman Bugg, Alderman Lofchie and Alderman O'Connor

[17-00411](#)

A Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Master License Agreement for Wireless and Pole Mounted Communications Facilities Located within the City of Aurora with On Light Aurora

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

Aye: 10 - Alderman Bohman, Alderman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Hart-Burns, Alderman Bugg, Alderman Lofchie and Alderman O'Connor

Abstain: 1 - Alderman Mervine

Enactment No: R17-178

[17-00412](#)

A Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Master License Agreement for Wireless and Pole Mounted Communications Facilities Located within the City of Aurora with Vigilant Global LLC

A motion was made by Alderman Hart-Burns, seconded by Alderman Garza, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried.

Aye: 10 - Alderman Bohman, Alderman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Hart-Burns, Alderman Bugg, Alderman Lofchie and Alderman O'Connor

Abstain: 1 - Alderman Mervine

Enactment No: R17-179

[17-00459](#)

A Resolution Approving a Purchase Agreement for the acquisition of 511 7th Ave., Aurora, Illinois.

A motion was made by Alderman Hart-Burns, seconded by Alderman Garza, that this agenda item be approved. The motion carried.

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

Enactment No: R17-180

REQUESTS AND REFERRALS

[17-00456](#)

Requesting approval of a Preliminary Plan and Plat for Butterfield Phase II, Unit 4B-2 Subdivision located south of Ferry Road and Frieder Lane for a Warehouse, Distribution and storage services (3300) Use (DuPage Properties Venture - 17-00456 / NA05/4-15.117-Psd/Ppn - JM - Ward 10).

This Petition was referred to to the DST Staff Council (Planning Council)

BILLS

[17-00460](#)

Bill Summary and Large Bill List

A motion was made by Alderman Hart-Burns, seconded by Alderman Garza, to approve and pay the bills as presented. The motion carried.

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

SPEAKERS

A motion was made by Alderman Hart-Burns, seconded by Alderman Garza, that members of the public be allowed to address City Council. The motion carried by voice vote.

The following members of the public addressed members of the City Council: Sharon Jacobs- urged City Council Members not to raise taxes.

Alderman Franco spoke to inform members of City Council that there will be members of the public speaking from time to time from his ward on the topic of building a concrete sound barrier along Orchard Road because of loud traffic noise.

Kerry Krueger- spoke regarding loud traffic noise as a result of increased traffic along Orchard Road.

Tim Gallaher- spoke regarding building a sound barrier along Orchard Road to reduce traffic noise heard on his property.

Nichole Mullins- spoke regarding the planned Harry Potter festival and the need to raise additional funds for the event.

CLOSED SESSION

There was no need for a Closed Session.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Alderman Hart-Burns, seconded by Alderman Mervine to adjourn this meeting of the City Council. The motion carried by voice vote. This meeting was adjourned at 7:38 P.M.