



City of Aurora

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

City Council Meeting Minutes - Final

Tuesday

March 25, 2014

6:00 PM

ROLL CALL

The City Council meeting was called to order at 6:09 p.m. by Mayor Weisner, and the Roll was called.

Present: 10 - Mayor Tom Weisner, Alderman Tina Bohman, Alderman Juany Garza, Alderman Ted Mesiacos, Alderman Bill Donnell, Alderman John Peters, Alderman Mike Saville, Alderman Rick Mervine, Alderman Edward Bugg and Alderman Richard Irvin

Absent: 3 - Alderman Scheketa Hart-Burns, Alderman Lynne Johnson and Alderman Bob O'Connor

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF MARCH 11, 2014

[14-00088](#)

Approval of the Minutes of the March 11, 2014 City Council meeting.

Alderman Irvin moved, seconded by Alderman Bugg, to approve the minutes of the Council Meeting held on March 11, 2014. Motion carried.

Aye: 8 - Alderman Bohman, Alderman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Peters, Alderman Mervine, Alderman Bugg and Alderman Irvin

Abstain: 1 - Alderman Saville

APPOINTMENT OF SERGEANT-AT-ARMS

A motion was made by Alderman Mervine, seconded by Alderman Irvin, to appoint Officer Brian as Sergeant-At-Arms for this meeting. The motion carried by voice vote.

PRESENTATIONS

[14-00157](#)

Presentation by Frank Gordon regarding Toys for Tots

Mr. Frank Gordon, representing the Fox Valley Marine Corps, spoke on behalf of the Fox Valley Marines, the National Marine Corps Reserve, and the Toys for Tots foundation. Mr. Gordon presented Mayor Weisner with a plaque in appreciation for the service and dedication of the City of Aurora and Council members.

Mr. Gordon said that, in 2013, they collected over 18,000 toys, \$8,000, and that almost 10,000 children in the area received two(2) or more toys for Christmas.

Mayor Weisner commended the Fox Valley Marines for their continuous effort throughout the year to make this possible.

Steve Rashkow, Judge Advocate of the Fox Valley Marines, announced the fourth annual Hoops for the Troops event at the Vaughn Athletic Center on April 26 and 27.

[14-00176](#)

Recognition of the Waubonsie Valley High School Girls Bowling Team State Champions

Alderman Mervine welcomed back the Waubonsie Valley High School Girls Bowling Team, IHSA back-to-back State Champions. The team's Head Coach, Marty Miller, introduced team members Talyssa Melgoza, Violet Kirk, Sara Barsotti, Julia Bond, Rachael Felton, Veronica Dreyfus, and Mirica Yancey.

Mayor Weisner thanked the team for representing Aurora so well, and all team members received certificates and medals from Mayor Weisner and Alderman Mervine.

[14-00229](#)

A Proclamation in Recognition of Earth Hour on Saturday, March 29, 2014.

Mayor Weisner explained that the idea behind Earth Hour is for people across the globe to turn off non-essential lights, as each one of us has the power to reduce the amount of power that we use. Mayor Weisner added conservation is a key element to keeping our planet green. Mayor Weisner introduced Mavis Bates, who started Aurora GreenFest five years ago. Bates announced this year's event will take place on June 14th at the Prisco Community Center.

Mayor Weisner proclaimed the hour of 8:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. this Saturday, May 29th, 2014 to be Earth Hour in the City of Aurora.

Ms. Bates added that on the above mentioned day, they will be celebrating EarthNite at the Culture Stock center.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the Consent Agenda

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

Aye: 9 - Alderman Bohman, Alderman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Peters, Alderman Saville, Alderman Mervine, Alderman Bugg and Alderman Irvin

[14-00059](#)

A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute an Agreement to Reduce Density and Memorandum of Agreement (721-723 Pennsylvania Avenue, PIN 15-16-431-020)

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R14-063

[14-00068](#)

A Resolution to ratify the purchase of video camera/surveillance system network for the Aurora Police Department in the amount of \$57,922.47 to MidCo, Inc.

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R14-064

[14-00112](#)

An Ordinance amending Chapter 37, Entitled "Preservation"

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

Enactment No: O14-010

[14-00124](#)

A Resolution Granting Neighborhood Festival Funds to Community Groups for 2014 in the Amount of \$12,250 for the Community Services Department.

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R14-065

[14-00133](#)

A Resolution for acceptance of improvements and maintenance security for Pep Boys Located at 2945 Kirk Road.

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R14-066

[14-00144](#) A Resolution authorizing purchase of Altosid XR Ingot insecticides from Clarke Mosquito Inc., Roselle, Illinois for the 2014 Mosquito Abatement Program in the amount of \$34,100.00 under the Illinois Central Management Contract for the Division of Street Maintenance.

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R14-067

[14-00158](#) A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the Local Agency Agreement for Federal Participation and the Phase II Engineering Agreement with V3 Companies for IL. Rte. 59 Metra Commuter Parking Lot Modifications and Station Blvd Extension Project Section 13-00300-00-PK

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R14-068

[14-00161](#) A Resolution Awarding a Contract to Gerardi Sewer and Water Company, Inc. of 4520 N. Osage Avenue, Norridge, IL. 60706 for the Tanglewood and Carriage Hill Drive Water Main Replacement Project.

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R14-069

[14-00166](#) An Ordinance Reserving 2014 Volume Cap in Connection with Private Activity Bond Issues, and Related Matters.

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

Enactment No: O14-011

[14-00170](#) A Resolution for acceptance of improvements and maintenance security for Verona Ridge Units 1&2.

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R14-070

[14-00171](#) A Resolution for acceptance of improvements and maintenance security for Verona Ridge - Deerpath Road Improvements.

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R14-071

[14-00178](#)

A Resolution to Award a Not-to-Exceed Contract in the amount of \$500,000 for the 2014 Citywide Patching -Water and Sewer Maintenance Project to Builders Paving, LLC dba Hardin Paving Services, 4413 Roosevelt Road #108 Hillside, IL 60162.

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R14-072

[14-00179](#)

A Resolution Authorizing the City to Enter Into a Consulting Agreement with Emergency Services Consulting International ("ESCI") for an Organizational Study and Operations Review of the Aurora Fire Department.

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R14-073

[14-00181](#)

A Resolution Authorizing the Execution of an Energy Agreement with Good Energy, L.P. for the provision of Electricity Aggregation Consulting Services.

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R14-074

[14-00182](#)

A Resolution filing written protest to the DuPage County Variation Petition filed by Jim Luurs requesting to reduce the north side yard setback from 28 feet to 15.5 feet for a telecommunication tower on the property located at 9S774 Route 59, Naperville, IL 60564

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R14-075

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

[14-00190](#)

A Resolution Appointing Barbara Hernandez, Nestor Garcia, Ashley Martinez and Andrea Rios McMillian to the Hispanic Heritage Advisory Board.

Mayor Weisner introduced the new appointees to the AHHAB, and thanked them for their willingness to serve. Mayor Weisner also introduced other members of the board present at today's meeting - Chairman Hector Ochoa, Adrienne Holloway, David Ferrell, and Dalila Alegria.

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

Aye: 9 - Alderman Bohman, Alderman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Peters, Alderman Saville, Alderman Mervine, Alderman Bugg and Alderman Irvin

Enactment No: R14-076

[14-00044](#)

A Resolution Authorizing Approval of the City of Aurora Fourth Program Year (2013) Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER)

Neighborhood Redevelopment manager Jeff McLaughlin spoke briefly about this item.

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

Aye: 9 - Alderman Bohman, Alderman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Peters, Alderman Saville, Alderman Mervine, Alderman Bugg and Alderman Irvin

Enactment No: R14-077

NEW BUSINESS

Alderman Irvin moved, seconded by Alderman Mervine, to suspend the rules to consider items under New Business. Motion carried unanimously.

Aye: 9 - Alderman Bohman, Alderman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Peters, Alderman Saville, Alderman Mervine, Alderman Bugg and Alderman Irvin

[14-00218](#)

An Ordinance providing for the voluntary acquisition of, authorizing negotiations to be conducted, and authorizing the filing of a complaint in condemnation by Attorney John Ruddy and his law firm regarding the acquisition of the property located at 330 N. Broadway in Aurora, Illinois.

A motion was made by Alderman Mervine, seconded by Alderman Irvin, to adopt this ordinance. The motion carried.

Aye: 9 - Alderman Bohman, Alderman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Peters, Alderman Saville, Alderman Mervine, Alderman Bugg and Alderman Irvin

Enactment No: O14-012

REQUESTS AND REFERRALS

[14-00222](#)

NA29/4-13.265-Fsd - Final Plat Revision to consolidate Lots 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 of the Ogden Avenue Professional Center into 1 lot by SHORELINE DRIVE ASSOCIATES, LLC (Ward 8 - TM).

The above Requests and Referrals were referred to the Planning Council and Planning Commission.

BILLS

[14-00224](#)

Bill Summary and Large Bill List

A motion was made by Alderman Irvin, seconded by Alderman Saville, to approve and pay the bills as presented. The motion carried.

Aye: 9 - Alderman Bohman, Alderman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Peters, Alderman Saville, Alderman Mervine, Alderman Bugg and Alderman Irvin

SPEAKERS

A motion was made by Alderman Irvin, seconded by Alderman Mervine, to allow speakers to address City Council. The motion carried by voice vote.

Tony Nicolalde introduced the Boy Scouts Troop 22, and said that some of the Boy Scouts are working on their citizenship and community merit badge, which requires them to attend a City Council meeting. Nicolalde thanked the City Council for allowing them to be present at today's meeting.

Ms. Mavis Bates, of Harrison Av. in Aurora addressed City Council members in regards to the aggregation contract. Bates thanked the City of Aurora for having 100% green energy in our last aggregation contract, and encouraged the use of Illinois solar and wind power.

ADJOURN

Alderman Mervine moved, seconded by Alderman Irvin, to adjourn the meeting at 6:47 p.m. Motion carried by voice vote.

**Isabel M. Garcia-Kodron
City Clerk**