

## City of Aurora

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

# City Council Meeting Minutes - Draft

Tuesday
August 12, 2025
6:00 PM

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#### **ROLL CALL**

Mayor Laesch called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and the roll was called:

Present: 13 - Alderman Daniel Barreiro, Alderwoman Juany Garza, Alderman Ted Mesiacos, Alderman Jonathan Núñez, Alderman Carl Franco, Alderman Mike Saville, Alderman Javier Bañuelos, Alderwoman Patty Smith, Alderman Edward Bugg, Alderwoman Shweta Baid, Alderman-At-Large Keith Larson, Alderman-At-Large Will White and Mayor John Laesch

#### APPOINTMENT OF SERGEANT-AT-ARMS

A motion was made by Alderman Franco and seconded by Alderwoman Garza to appoint a Sergeant-At-Arms for this meeting. The motion carried by voice vote and Officer Ortinau served as Sergeant-At-Arms for this meeting.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Alderman Franco.

#### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Laesch presented Mutual Ground with a Mayoral Proclamation in honor of their 50th Anniversary and thanked Mutual Ground for their services.

Mayor Laesch administered the Oath of Office to Stacey Peterson, Chief Financial Officer and City Treasurer.

Mayor Laesch administered the Oath of Office to Jason Bauer, Director of Public Works and City Engineer.

Stacey Peterson, Chief Financial Officer - City of Aurora and Mayor Laesch presented regarding the 2024 City of Aurora Audit.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

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

- 1. Andrea Pikscher spoke regarding the Paramount Theatre.
- 2. Jason Pikscher spoke regarding the Paramount Theatre.
- 3. Ray Anderson spoke regarding the Paramount Theatre.
- 4. Keith Jones spoke regarding the status of his events in town.
- 5. Rick Lawrence spoke regarding the perception of the City.
- 6. Janet Kenyon spoke regarding the Paramount Theatre.
- 7. Stephen Kenyon spoke regarding the Paramount Theatre.
- 8. Danie Perez expressed his appreciation for the City Town Hall events, his opposition to the grocery tax and requested increased transparency by the City and ACCA.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

The City Clerk read the Consent Agenda and the Direct to Council Consent Agendas in full. A motion was made by Alderman Saville and seconded by Alderwoman Garza to approve the Consent Agenda and the Direct to Council Consent Agendas. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 12 - Alderman Barreiro, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Núñez, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Bañuelos, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman-At-Large Larson and Alderman-At-Large White

A Resolution authorizing the Director of Purchasing to enter into an agreement with L3Harris of Melbourne, FL to construct a communications tower for a total cost of \$481,166.48.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R25-242

A Resolution authorizing the Director of Purchasing to purchase services for Amendment 4 of the System Maintenance Agreement with L3Harris, Melbourne, FL for \$544,624.70.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R25-243

25-0492 A Resolution authorizing the Emergency Management Coordinator to enter into agreements with non-profit and non-governmental organizations for emergency and disaster relief services and support.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R25-244

25-0285

A Resolution authorizing the Director of Purchasing to enter into a renewal of the ShotSpotter service agreement with Soundthinking, Inc. for

a period of three years.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R25-245

25-0573 A Resolution authorizing the acceptance of a Bid for Tree and Brush

Removal by Homer Tree Service, Inc. at the Aurora Municipal Airport in

the amount of \$63,500.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R25-246

25-0574 A Resolution to authorize the purchase of museum collection storage

equipment from Bradford Systems, at a total cost of \$84,889.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R25-247

<u>25-0575</u> A Resolution authorizing the director of purchasing to enter into a five

year agreement with Mark43, Inc. of New York, New York and ancillary vendors at a cost of \$4,020,267.64 for the purposes of obtaining a CAD/RMS system and developing interfaces required for system

functionality.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R25-248

25-0586 A Resolution authorizing the purchase of a salt storage structure from

ClearSpan Corporation, through Sourcewell, in the amount of

\$40,681.56, and associated concrete work for the Aurora Municipal

Airport in a total amount not to exceed \$60,000.00.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R25-249

#### DIRECT TO COUNCIL CONSENT AGENDA

<u>25-0603</u> Approval of the Minutes of the Tuesday, July 22, 2025, City Council

Meeting.

The Minutes were approved and filed as presented on the Direct to Council

Consent Agenda.

<u>25-0607</u>	A Resolution Concerning the Review of "Closed" Executive Session Meeting Minutes.
	This Resolution was approved on the Direct to Council Consent Agenda.
	Enactment No: R25-250
<u>25-0609</u>	A Resolution accepting the improvements and waiving the maintenance security for Swami Temple Building Addition, 1145 Sullivan Rd.
	This Resolution was approved on the Direct to Council Consent Agenda.
	Enactment No: R25-251
<u>25-0617</u>	An Ordinance for the Establishment of Special Service Area Number 221, SEK Surebond for Stormwater Management Purposes Related to Real Property Commonly Known as 624 W. Illinois Avenue Aurora, Illinois.
	This Ordinance was approved on the Direct to Council Consent Agenda.
	Enactment No: O25-049
<u>25-0618</u>	A Resolution accepting the improvements and maintenance security for ATMI Precast Parking and Storage Yard Improvements, 732 Prairie St.
	This Resolution was approved on the Direct to Council Consent Agenda.
	Enactment No: R25-252
<u>25-0621</u>	An Ordinance for the Establishment of Special Service Area Number 222, Seefried Butterfield Lot 502 for Stormwater Management Purposes Related to Real Property Commonly Known as 2815 Bilter Road, Aurora, Illinois.
	This Ordinance was approved on the Direct to Council Consent Agenda.
	Enactment No: O25-050
<u>25-0623</u>	An Ordinance for the Establishment of Special Service Area Number 223 for Stormwater Management Purposes Related to Real Property Commonly Known as 791 N. Farnsworth, Aurora, Illinois.
	This Ordinance was approved on the Direct to Council Consent Agenda.
	Enactment No: O25-051

#### 25-0624

An Ordinance for the Establishment of Special Service Area Number 224 for Stormwater Management Purposes Related to Real Property Commonly Known as 743 McClure Road, Aurora, Illinois.

This Ordinance was approved on the Direct to Council Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: O25-052

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **25-0594**

Acceptance of the 2024 Annual Financial Reports for the City, TIF funds, Single Audit and GATA Reports.

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 Barreiro, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Núñez, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Bañuelos, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman-At-Large Larson and Alderman-At-Large White

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

A motion was made by Alderwoman Smith and seconded by Alderwoman Garza to suspend the rules to hear items of New Business. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 12 - Alderman Barreiro, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Núñez, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Bañuelos, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman-At-Large Larson and Alderman-At-Large White

#### 25-0325

A Resolution authorizing the Director of Purchasing to purchase technology equipment and services for the RiverEdge Park Phase II Expansion for a total not to exceed \$527,777.16.

Jason Bauer, Director of Public Works - City of Aurora, presented.

A motion was made by Alderwoman Smith and seconded by Alderwoman Garza to approve this item. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 12 - Alderman Barreiro, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Núñez, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Bañuelos, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman-At-Large Larson and Alderman-At-Large White

Enactment No: R25-253

#### **REPORT**

There were no Reports.

#### APPROVAL OF THE BILL SUMMARY AND LARGE BILL LIST

<u>25-0631</u> Bill Summary and Large Bill List.

A motion was made by Alderwoman Garza and seconded by Alderwoman Smith to approve and pay the bills. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 12 - Alderman Barreiro, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Núñez, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Bañuelos, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman-At-Large Larson and Alderman-At-Large White

#### **CLOSED SESSION**

A motion was made by Alderman Franco and seconded by Alderwoman Smith to enter into Closed Session and thereafter adjourn the City Council meeting with no further final action or public business to take place for purposes of the City Council. The motion carried by the following vote and the Open Session of the meeting adjourned to Closed Session at 7:24 p.m.

Aye: (12) - Alderman Barreiro, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Núñez, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Bañuelos, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman-at-Large Larson and Alderman-at-Large White.

A Closed Session was held pursuant to Section 2(c)(1) of the Open Meetings Act to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body.

The Closed Session meeting convened at 7:33 p.m. and adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

# Submitted by: Jennifer Stallings, City Clerk

**ADJOURN** 

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