



City of Aurora

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

City Council Meeting Minutes - Draft

Tuesday
June 22, 2021
6:00 PM

This meeting will be convened on the 5th floor of City Hall and immediately adjourn to City Council chambers for the convenience of the public.

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 contact the City Clerk at (630) 256-3070 with questions.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Irvin called the meeting to order on the 5th Floor of City Hall at 6:04 p.m. and the roll was called. All Council members were present.

A motion was made by Alderwoman Hart-Burns and seconded by Alderman Mesiacos to adjourn the meeting and reconvene on the 2nd Floor of City Hall in City Council Chambers. The motion carried by voice vote and the meeting adjourned to the 2nd Floor of City Hall in City Council Chambers at 6:05 p.m.

Council reconvened on the 2nd Floor of City Hall in City Council Chambers and Mayor Irvin called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m. and the roll was called. All Council members were present.

Present: 13 - Alderman Emmanuel Llamas, Alderwoman Juany Garza, Alderman Ted Mesiacos, Alderman Bill Donnell, Alderman Carl Franco, Alderman Mike Saville, Alderwoman Scheketa Hart-Burns, Alderwoman Patty Smith, Alderman Edward Bugg, Alderwoman Shweta Baid, Alderman-At-Large Ron Woerman, Alderman-At-Large Sherman Jenkins and Mayor Richard Irvin

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION

The Invocation was presented by Mike Singletary, former Chicago Bear, '85 Super Bowl Champion and Pro Football Hall of Famer.

APPOINTMENT OF SERGEANT-AT-ARMS

A motion was made by Alderwoman Hart-Burns and seconded by Alderwoman Garza to appoint Officer Sullivan as Sergeant-at-Arms for this meeting. The motion carried by voice vote and Officer Sullivan was appointed Sergeant-at-Arms.

PRESENTATIONS

[21-0459](#)

Mayor's Office Community Presentations.

Mike Singletary spoke regarding his event, THE HARVEST, on July 17, 2021 at Soldier Field in Chicago to be co-hosted by Mayor Irvin. Mayor Irvin issued a Mayoral Proclamation proclaiming October 9th as Mike Singletary Day in the City of Aurora.

Mayor Irvin issued a Mayoral Proclamation to the Association for Individual Development (AID) in recognition of the organization's 60th Anniversary. Mayor Irvin proclaimed June 19th as Association for Individual Development Day in the City of Aurora. The Proclamation was accepted by Ms. Lore Baker, President & CEO of AID, who presented briefly regarding the Association for Individual Development. Ms. Baker also acknowledged and thanked Ms. Wanda Thomas, Senior Vice President of AID, and congratulated Ms. Baker on her upcoming retirement after serving AID for 47 years.

Gabriel Bradford - Aurora Youth Advisory Council was present and recognized.

City of Aurora Deputy Mayor Emeritus, Chuck Nelson, was also present and recognized at the meeting.

This Presentation was discussed and filed.

[21-0460](#)

Update on the CHANGE Reform Initiative.

There were no items discussed regarding the Change Reform Initiative at this meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The City Clerk read the Rules of Public Comment and the following citizens were present to offer public comment:

Socorro Rodriguez spoke with Ricardo Garcia and Ben Maravilla regarding the protection of the homeless population in Aurora.

PUBLIC HEARING

[21-0439](#)

A Public Hearing as required by Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended regarding the proposed issuance by the City of Aurora, Kane, DuPage, Will and Kendall Counties, Illinois (The City) of its revenue bonds, in one or more series, in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$15,000,000.

The City Clerk read the title of the Public Hearing. There were no members of the public present and wishing to comment during the Public Hearing. There were no questions or comments from the City Council.

A motion was made by Alderwoman Hart-Burns and seconded by Alderman Franco to close the Public Hearing. The motion carried by voice vote and the Public Hearing was closed.

CONSENT AGENDA

The City Clerk read the Consent Agenda and the Direct to Council Consent Agenda in full. A motion was made by Alderwoman Hart-Burns and seconded by Alderwoman Garza to approve the items on the Consent Agenda and Direct to Council Consent Agenda as read. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: (12) - Alderman Llamas, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderwoman Hart-Burns, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman Woerman, Alderman Jenkins.

[21-0049](#)

A Resolution to use NTI National Technologies, Downers Grove, IL, as the primary fiber vendor and Adesta LLC of Willowbrook IL as the secondary vendor for 2021 City fiber optic projects for \$379,648.00 plus a 5% contingency.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-149

[21-0251](#)

A Resolution to purchase (20) Dell Latitude 5420 Rugged Laptops from Dell Technologies in the amount of \$37,258.20.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-150

[21-0275](#)

A Resolution establishing the maximum number of Class A: Package Sales liquor licenses, (unofficially related to the application from Shree Balchandra, LLC d/b/a AJ's Liquorland at 2150 W. Galena Blvd., Aurora, due to partial ownership change) - Ward 5.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-151

[21-0282](#)

A Resolution to approve the purchase of a mobile application and associated implementation fees from Tyler Technologies of Plano, TX and CentralSquare Technologies, Lake Mary, FL for an amount not to exceed \$25,140.00.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-152

[21-0320](#)

A Resolution to award a contract to D'Land Construction, L.L.C. in the bid amount of \$1,298,556.60 for the 2021 Contract #2 - City Wide Sidewalk, Patching, Striping, Bike Path Overlay & Ward Projects.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-153

[21-0329](#)

A Resolution authorizing payment to Environmental Systems Research Institute, Inc. (ESRI) of Redlands, CA in the amount of \$21,486.00, and to GIS, Inc. of Birmingham, AL, in the amount of \$12,500.00 for the purchase, maintenance and implementation of GeoEvent Server for Arc Geographic Information System (ArcGIS).

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-154

[21-0334](#)

A Resolution Consenting to an Operator Contract between Eclipse Aerospace, Inc. and the City of Aurora.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-155

[21-0360](#)

A Resolution to Award the contract for the Wilder Park Site Improvements project located in Ward 6 to Copenhaver Construction Inc., 75 Koppie Drive, Gilberts, IL 60136 in the amount of five hundred forty-three thousand, seven hundred eight dollars and fifty cents (\$543,708.50).

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-156

[21-0379](#)

A Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Memorandum of Understanding with the Aurora Housing Authority and the Northern Lights Development Corporation for the Use of an Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity Grant for the Renovation of the of the Northern Lights and Aurora Housing Authority Youth and Community Center located at 551 Fourth Avenue in Aurora, Illinois.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-157

[21-0398](#)

A Resolution increasing the authority conferred to the Chief Financial Officer by R20-249 to purchase body-worn cameras and related software and equipment to a total aggregate amount not to exceed \$2,901,373.00.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-158

[21-0401](#)

An Ordinance amending Chapter 2, Article 2-VI-1 of the Code of Ordinances and establishing rules and procedures generally applicable to advisory boards and commissions and changing the terms of their membership.

This Ordinance was adopted on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: O21-029

[21-0404](#)

A Resolution Reappointing Alderwoman Scheketa Hart-Burns and Appointing Alderman Sherman Jenkins and Robert J. O'Connor to the Aquatics Administrative Board.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-159

[21-0407](#)

A Resolution authorizing the execution of a Local Public Agency Agreement for Federal Participation with the State of Illinois, the execution of a Phase 1 Engineering Agreement with Baxter & Woodman, Inc., maximum amount of \$38,609.00, and the appropriation of \$38,609.00 of Motor Fuel Tax (MFT) Funds for the South Edgelawn Drive at BNSF Railway Tracks Crossing Project, MFT # 20-00335-00-FL).

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-160

[21-0411](#) A Resolution establishing the maximum number of Class D: Downtown Core Entertainment District (Arts Facility) liquor licenses (unofficially related to the application from The Studio Gallery, Inc. d/b/a French 75 at 56 E. Galena Blvd., Aurora) - Ward 2.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-161

[21-0421](#) A Resolution authorizing the Director of Purchasing to enter into an agreement with Cardno, Inc., 6605 Steger Road, Unit A, Monee, IL 60449 for Native Plantings Landscaping Maintenance in the annual amount of \$79,789.00

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-162

[21-0422](#) An Ordinance amending Section 48-57 of the Code of Ordinances, City of Aurora, effective July 1, 2021, and establishing the utility rates for water and sewer services provided within the City thereafter.

This Ordinance was adopted on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: O21-030

[21-0426](#) A Resolution approving the Third Amendment to the Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Aurora, the City of Naperville, and the Naperville Township Road District to widen North Aurora Road in the vicinity of the CN Railway Crossing and to appropriate \$750,000.00 of MFT Funds for the project.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-163

[21-0431](#) An Ordinance Authorizing the Issuance of Not to Exceed \$15,000,000 Principal Amount City of Aurora, Kane, DuPage, Will and Kendall Counties, Illinois Revenue Bond Series 2021 (VNA Health Care); Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of a Bond and Loan Agreement, a Tax Exemption Certificate and Agreement and Related Documents; and Approving Related Items.

This Ordinance was adopted on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: O21-031

[21-0435](#) A Resolution to approve the renewal of the \$10.0 million Line of Credit (LOC) with Old Second Bank for one year.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-164

[21-0437](#)

A Resolution authorizing a Redevelopment Agreement (RDA) with Kishore Kumar for improvements to the property at 133 W Galena.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-165

[21-0444](#)

A Resolution Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement between the City and the Fox Valley Park District Concerning the Staging of Fireworks on Park District Property on July 2, 2021.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-166

DIRECT TO COUNCIL CONSENT AGENDA

[21-0456](#)

Approval of the Minutes of the Tuesday, June 8, 2021 City Council Meeting.

The Minutes were approved and filed on the Direct to Council Consent Agenda.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

[21-0406](#)

An Ordinance Amending Sec. 13-14 of Chapter 13 Code of Ordinances, City of Aurora entitled Tobacco, Alternative Nicotine Product or Vapor Product Use, Prohibitions and Compliance Monitoring.

Deb Lang, Assistant Corporation Counsel - City of Aurora, responded to questions regarding this item.

Rick Veenstra, Corporation Counsel - City of Aurora, responded to questions regarding this item.

A motion was made by Alderwoman Hart-Burns and seconded by Alderwoman Garza 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, Alderwoman Hart-Burns, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman-At-Large Woerman and Alderman-At-Large Jenkins

Enactment No: O21-032

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Alderwoman Hart-Burns and seconded by Alderman Saville to suspend the rules to consider items under New Business. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 12 - Alderman Llamas, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderwoman Hart-Burns, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman-At-Large Woerman and Alderman-At-Large Jenkins

[21-0480](#)

A Resolution authorizing an amendment to a lease agreement with LaFarge Aggregates Illinois, Inc.

A motion was made by Alderman Jenkins and seconded by Alderwoman Hart-Burns 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, Alderwoman Hart-Burns, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman-At-Large Woerman and Alderman-At-Large Jenkins

Enactment No: R21-167

REPORT

[21-0481](#)

Treasurer's Report - May 2021

Mayor Irvin acknowledged receipt of the May 2021 Treasurer's Report and there were no questions or discussion by Council.

APPROVAL OF THE BILL SUMMARY AND LARGE BILL LIST

[21-0479](#)

Bill Summary and Large Bill List.

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

Aye: 12 - Alderman Llamas, Alderwoman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderwoman Hart-Burns, Alderwoman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderwoman Baid, Alderman-At-Large Woerman and Alderman-At-Large Jenkins

CLOSED SESSION

There was no need for a closed session at this meeting.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Alderman Jenkins and seconded by Alderwoman Hart-Burns to adjourn this meeting. The motion carried by voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

Submitted by:

Jennifer Stallings, City Clerk

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