



City of Aurora

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

City Council Meeting Minutes - Draft

Tuesday
February 28, 2017
6:00 PM

ROLL CALL

Mayor O'Connor called the meeting of the City Council to order at 6:06 P.M.
and the roll was called.

Present: 11 - Alderman Tina Bohman, Alderman Juany Garza, Alderman Ted Mesiacos,
Alderman Bill Donnell, Alderman Scheketa Hart-Burns, Alderman Rick
Mervine, Alderman Edward Bugg, Alderman Lynne Johnson, Alderman
Richard Irvin, Alderman Bob O'Connor and Alderman Carl Franco

Absent: 1 - Alderman Mike Saville

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION

MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS OF TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2017

[17-00166](#)

Approval of the Tuesday, February 14, 2017 City Council Meeting
Minutes.

A motion was made by Alderman Hart-Burns , seconded by Alderman Irvin, that
the minutes from the February 14, 2017 meeting be approved and filed. The
motion carried by voice vote.

APPOINTMENT OF SERGEANT-AT-ARMS

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

PRESENTATIONS

[17-00159](#)

Waubonsee Community College Presentation.

This Presentation was discussed and filed. Dr. Lulu Blacksmith, Director of
Government and Community Engagement spoke briefly.

[17-00024](#)

Recognition of Rosary High School girls varsity swim team for winning the 2016 I. H. S. A. State Championship.

This Recognition was discussed and filed. The Rosary High School team and coaches were presented with certificates and medals by Mayor O'Connor and Alderman Franco.

[17-00151](#)

Recognition of Brian Caputo for service to the City of Aurora.

This Recognition was discussed and filed. Mayor O'Connor, Alderman Hart-Burns and Alderman Irvin presented the tokens of recognition to Dr. Caputo. Dr. Caputo spoke briefly and thanked the Mayor, Council Members and City staff.

MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS

[17-00137](#)

A Resolution Appointing Avis Miller and Joe Filapek Reappointing John Savage, Archie Needam and Andrew Smith to the Aurora Public Library Board.

A motion was made by Alderman Hart-Burns, seconded by Alderman Garza, to approve the appointments and reappointments as presented. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Enactment No: R17-039

[17-00139](#)

A Resolution Reappointing Patricia Holt, Joseph Grisson, Ricky Rodgers, Deborah Goss-Johnson, Telenae Williams Reid, Avis Miller, Toshia Moss, Jacquelyn Spires and Keith Gerald to the Aurora African American Heritage Advisory Board.

A motion was made by Alderman Hart-Burns, seconded by Alderman Mervine, to approve the reappointments as presented. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Enactment No: R17-040

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Alderman Hart-Burns, seconded by Alderman Garza, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[16-01224](#)

An Ordinance Establishing a Special Use Planned Development, Approving the Plan Description and Amending Ordinance Number 3100, being the Aurora Zoning Ordinance and the Zoning Map attached thereto, to an underlying zoning of B-3 Business and Wholesale for the property located at 932 S. Lake Street

Enactment No: O17-005

[16-01225](#)

A Resolution Approving a Final Plan on 932 S. Lake Street for a Landscaping with Outside Storage (2910) Use

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R17-041

[16-01229](#)

A Resolution Approving a Final Plan on Lot 12 of Orchard Road Business Park Subdivision located at 2413 Bushwood Drive being at the northwest corner of Bushwood Drive and Orchard Road.

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R17-042

[17-00035](#)

A Resolution to authorize the purchase of a 2017 Mercury Thermoplastic Striper Trailer from M-B Companies for the Street Maintenance Division in the amount not to exceed \$80,000.00

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R17-043

[17-00077](#)

A Resolution approving the issuance of a Carnival License to Fantasy Amusement Company for a carnival to be held at the Westfield Fox Valley Mall on May 4th - 7th, 2017 through May 11th - 14th, 2017.

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R17-044

[17-00082](#)

A Resolution authorizing a new Commercial Lease Agreement with Alan & Kim Bok Sole Proprietors d/b/a The Best Cleaners, for commercial Space at Route 59 Commuter Station located at 1090 N. Route 59 Aurora, Illinois 60504.

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R17-045

[17-00083](#)

A Resolution authorizing the City of Aurora to enter into a contract with KLF Enterprises of Markham, Illinois for the Demolition and Site Restoration of 450 Jackson St.

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R17-046

[17-00084](#)

A Resolution authorizing a new Commercial Lease Agreement with Riverfront Playhouse for approximately 6,000 square feet of space located on the first floor of the Vargas Building located at 13 S. Water St.

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R17-064

[17-00091](#)

A Resolution establishing the maximum number of Class S-1 City of Aurora liquor licenses *(unofficially related to application from: Round One Entertainment Inc. d/b/a Round 1 Bowling and Amusement, to be located at 2480 Fox Valley Center, Aurora, Illinois 60504).*

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R17-047

[17-00093](#)

A Resolution to seek Kane County Riverboat Fund grant assistance to return the Sentry Statue to his post atop the GAR Memorial Museum.

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R17-048

[17-00094](#)

An Ordinance for the Establishment of a Special Service Area Number #188 Children's Learning Adventure, DuPage County, in the City of Aurora.

This Ordinance was adopted.

Enactment No: O17-006

[17-00095](#)

An Ordinance for the Establishment of a Special Service Area Number #189 Unilock Chicago, Inc., Kane County, in the City of Aurora.

This Ordinance was adopted.

Enactment No: O17-007

[17-00096](#) An Ordinance for the Establishment of a Special Service Area Number #190 Sequel - 998 Corporate Boulevard, Kane County, Illinois.

This Ordinance was adopted.

Enactment No: O17-008

[17-00098](#) A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to execute the Local Agency Agreement for Federal Participation with the State of Illinois, the Director of Procurement to sign the Engineering Agreement with Crawford, Murphy and Tilly, Inc., and the Appropriation of Motor Fuel Tax Funds for the Farnsworth Avenue Improvement Project, MFT #13-00302-00-BR.

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R17-049

[17-00100](#) A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to execute the Local Agency Agreement for Federal Participation with the State of Illinois, the Director of Procurement to sign the Engineering Agreement with HR Green, Inc., and the Appropriation of Motor Fuel Tax Funds for the East New York Street Resurfacing Project, MFT #16-00310-00-RS.

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R17-050

[17-00101](#) A Resolution approving the issuance of a Music Festival permit to the Warehouse Church for Sunday, May 7th, 2017 at the Phillips Park Pavilion area from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R17-051

[17-00108](#) A Resolution Approving a change order for the Highland and Sullivan Roundabout with Geneva Construction for \$34,204.99

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R17-052

[17-00109](#) An Ordinance Amending Chapter 17, Article IV Regarding Fire Alarm Systems And Chapter 36, Article IV Regarding Police Alarm Systems.

This Ordinance was adopted.

Enactment No: O17-009

[17-00114](#) A Resolution accepting the dedication of an easement at 515 Phoenix Court located east of High Street and south of Phoenix Court on Lot 1 of the Groch and Edwards Addition to Aurora Subdivision and on Lot 9

of Lewis Wilder's Addition to Aurora Subdivision

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R17-053

[17-00116](#)

A Resolution authorizing a new Commercial Lease Agreement with Peter Lo Destro, d/b/a Jumpin Java Coffee, for commercial space at the Aurora Transportation Center located at 233 N. Broadway Aurora, Illinois 60505.

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R17-054

[17-00117](#)

A Resolution authorizing a new Commercial Lease Agreement with Peter Lo Destro, d/b/a Jumpin Java Coffee for commercial Space at Route 59 Commuter Station located at 1090 N. Route 59 Aurora, Illinois 60504.

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R17-055

[17-00118](#)

A Resolution authorizing a new Commercial Lease Agreement with Peter Lo Destro, d/b/a Jumpin Java Coffee for commercial space at the Aurora Transportation Center located at 233 N. Broadway Aurora, Illinois 60505.

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R17-056

[17-00122](#)

An Ordinance Reserving 2017 Volume Cap In Connection With Private Activity Bond Issues, And Related Matters.

This Ordinance was adopted.

Enactment No: O17-010

[17-00132](#)

A Resolution establishing the maximum number of Class S-1 City of Aurora liquor licenses (*unofficially related to application from: Salerno's Aurora, Inc. d/b/a Salerno's Pizzeria & R Bar, located at 85 Executive Drive, Aurora, Illinois 60504*).

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda

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

Enactment No: R17-057

UNFINISHED BUSINESS**16-01076**

A Resolution Approving the Final Plat for Balaji Homes Condominiums Subdivision, being Vacant Land located at southwest corner of Sequoia Drive and Randall Road

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

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

Nay: 1 - Alderman Mesiacos

Enactment No: R17-058

16-01077

A Resolution Approving a Final Plan for Balaji Homes Condominiums Subdivision located at southwest corner of Sequoia Drive and Randall Road for a Multi-Family Dwelling (1140) Use

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

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

Nay: 1 - Alderman Mesiacos

Enactment No: R17-059

16-01202

A Resolution Approving the Final Plat for Unit Five of Deerbrook Place Subdivision, Being Vacant Land Located South of Hafenrichter Road and East of Farnsworth Avenue

Alderman Donnell asked if information previously requested by Alderman Saville had been provided regarding the Home Owners Association (HOA). Tracey Vacek, Planner, stated an e-mail from the HOA had been attached to the item in response to the request by Alderman Saville.

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

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

Enactment No: R17-060

A motion was made by Alderman Hart-Burns, seconded by Alderman Irvin, to allow members of the public to address City Council regarding item 16-01223. The motion carried by voice vote.

Speakers included:

Michael Simelton and Tracy DeVolt who addressed City Council requesting the special use permit to be issued for a religious institution to be located at 170 E. Indian Trail.

[16-01223](#)

An Ordinance granting a Special Use Permit for a Religious Institutions (6400) Use on the Property located at 170 E. Indian Trail being at the southwest corner of Indian Trail Road and Aurora Avenue

Aldermen Bohman, Franco and Irvin spoke regarding the item. Alderman Bohman spoke of concerns regarding high traffic volume in the area on week nights. Eric Galt, Traffic Engineer, provided information available regarding the traffic in the area around the proposed site for Lighthouse Worship Center. Toussant Smith, representative of Lighthouse Worship Center, also provided information regarding the estimated number of congregation members who would be participating in events to be held at the location during the evening hours on weekdays. Alderman Hart-Burns spoke in favor of Lighthouse Worship Center to be able to obtain the Special Use Permit for the location.

A motion was made by Alderman Hart-Burns, seconded by Alderman Irvin, that this agenda item be adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Nay: 1 - Alderman Bohman

Enactment No: O17-011

[17-00090](#)

A Resolution Authorizing the 2017 Ward Neighborhood Cleanup Programs for Wards 1, 3, 5, 7, 9 and 10 and Shred Event Programs for Wards 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 for the City of Aurora.

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

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

Enactment No: R17-061

[17-00107](#)

A Resolution authorizing a new Commercial Lease Agreement with Subway Real Estate, LLC for the space approximately 1,400 square feet located at 5 E. Downer Pl. commonly known as Stolp Island Place.

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

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

Enactment No: R17-062

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Alderman Hart-Burns, seconded by Alderman Irvin, to Suspend the Rules to be able to discuss and vote on items under New Business on the agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

[17-00157](#)

A Resolution Authorizing Signers On City Accounts With Banks And Other Financial Institutions.

Brian Caputo, Chief Financial Officer, spoke briefly regarding the item.

A motion was made by Alderman Mervine, seconded by Alderman Donnell, that this agenda item be approved. Alderman Hart-Burns was not present for the voting on this item. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 10 - Alderman Bohman, Alderman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Mervine, Alderman Bugg, Alderman Johnson, Alderman Irvin, Alderman O'Connor and Alderman Franco

Enactment No: R17-063

REQUESTS AND REFERRALS

[17-00170](#)

Requesting approval of a Final Plat Revision for Lots 1 and 2 of River Street Plaza Subdivision Phase 1 located at west bank of the Fox River south of Benton Street (River & Benton, LLC - Centru Bank - 14-01088 / AU21/4-14.142-Fpn/R/AG - TV - Ward 4)

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

[17-00171](#)

Requesting approval of the Revocation of Ordinance Number O16-015 - a Special Use for a Religious Institution (6400) Use for the property located at 850 Ridgeway Avenue.

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

REPORT

[17-00133](#)

Treasurer's Report - January 2017.

A motion was made by Alderman Mervine, seconded by Alderman Bugg to accept and file the Treasurer's Report as presented. Tha motion carried by a voice vote.

BILLS

[17-00174](#)**Bill Summary and Large Bill List**

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

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

SPEAKERS

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

Ricky Rodgers spoke briefly regarding the African Men of Unity and an upcoming event of the organization.

CLOSED SESSION

There was not a need for a Closed Session.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Alderman Hart-Burns , seconded by Alderman Mervine, that this meeting of the City Council be adjourned. The motion carried by voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 7:19 P.M.