



City of Aurora

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL
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Aurora, IL

City Council Meeting Minutes - Draft

Tuesday

April 14, 2020

5:00 PM

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ROLL CALL

Mayor Irvin called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and the roll was called.

Present: 13 - Alderman Emmanuel Llamas, Alderman Juany Garza, Alderman Ted Mesiacos, Alderman Bill Donnell, Alderman Carl Franco, Alderman Mike Saville, Alderman Scheketa Hart-Burns, Alderman Patty Smith, Alderman Edward Bugg, Alderman Judd Lofchie, Alderman Sherman Jenkins, Alderman Bob O'Connor and Mayor Richard Irvin

MINUTES OF THE WEDNESDAY APRIL 1, 2020 CITY COUNCIL MEETING

[20-0244](#)

Approval of the Wednesday, April 1, 2020 City Council Meeting Minutes.

A motion was made by Alderman Jenkins and seconded by Alderman Hart-Burns to approve the minutes as presented. The motion carried by voice vote. Alderman Mesiacos abstained from voting.

PRESENTATIONS

City staff presented an addition to the City of Aurora's website in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The Clerk read a statement on the rules of public comment. The following individuals presented public comment:

Ms. Terri Voitik presented representing the Big Woods Marmion Neighborhood regarding small business concerns due to COVID-19.

Ms. Kathy Gardner presented regarding city-wide WIFI.

Mr. Roger Vernon presented representing the Big Woods Marmion Neighborhood regarding concerns relating to the proposed amendments to the City of Aurora liquor code as well as supporting small businesses during COVID-19. Mr. Vernon submitted a hand-out via email prior to the meeting that was distributed to Council.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Alderman Saville and seconded by Alderman Hart-Burns to approve the items on the consent agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 12 - Alderman Llamas, Alderman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Hart-Burns, Alderman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderman Lofchie, Alderman Jenkins and Alderman O'Connor

[20-0216](#)

A Resolution for accepting the improvements and waiving the maintenance security for WASD 129 - Jefferson School Improvements - 1151 Plum St.

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R20-080

[20-0217](#)

A Resolution accepting the improvements and maintenance security for QT-9 Software - 2731 Beverly Dr.

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R20-081

[20-0230](#)

A Resolution approving Reduction No.1 for 3 securities associated with Mitchell Rd. Industrial Park.

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R20-082

NEW BUSINESS

20-0077

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 6 "Alcoholic Liquor", Sec. 6-2 "Definitions" and Sec. 6-8 "Classifications" of the City of Aurora Code of Ordinances.

City of Aurora Assistant Corporation Counsel Deb Lang presented regarding this item.

Alderman Llamas presented five (5) text amendments to the ordinance amendments contained in item 20-0077 as follows:

1. A motion was made by Alderman Llamas and seconded by Alderman Lofchie to remove proposed language contained in item 20-0077 regarding drive-thru service. The motion failed by the following vote:

Aye: 3 - Alderman Llamas, Alderman Lofchie, Alderman O'Connor

Nay: 9 - Alderman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Hart-Burns, Alderman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderman Jenkins

2. A motion was made by Alderman Llamas and seconded by Alderman Lofchie to remove proposed language contained in item 20-0077 regarding Exhibit B and reservation of the Farnsworth/Bilter Entertainment District. The motion failed by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Alderman Llamas, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Saville, Alderman Lofchie, Alderman O'Connor

Nay: 7 - Alderman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Franco, Alderman Hart-Burns, Alderman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderman Jenkins

3. A motion was made by Alderman Llamas and seconded by Alderman O'Connor to remove proposed language contained in item 20-0077 regarding self-service. The motion failed by the following vote:

Aye: 3 - Alderman Llamas, Alderman Lofchie, Alderman O'Connor

Nay: 9 - Alderman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Hart-Burns, Alderman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderman Jenkins

4. A motion was made by Alderman Llamas and seconded by Alderman O'Connor to remove proposed language contained in item 20-0077 regarding Exhibit B 6-2 self-service restaurant. The motion failed by the following vote:

Aye: 2 - Alderman Llamas, Alderman O'Connor

Nay: 10 - Alderman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Hart-Burns, Alderman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderman Lofchie, Alderman Jenkins

5. A motion was made by Alderman Llamas and seconded by Alderman O'Connor to remove proposed language contained in item 20-0077 regarding a strolling license. The motion failed by the following vote:

Aye: 3 - Alderman Llamas, Alderman Lofchie, Alderman O'Connor

Nay: 9 - Alderman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Hart-Burns, Alderman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderman Jenkins

A motion was made by Alderman Hart-Burns and seconded by Alderman Garza to adopt this ordinance. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Nay: 1 - Alderman Llamas

Enactment No: O20-023

[20-0078](#)

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 8, Article 5 of the City of Aurora Code of Ordinances entitled "Video Gaming."

A motion was made by Alderman Hart-Burns and seconded by Alderman Jenkins to adopt this Ordinance. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 12 - Alderman Llamas, Alderman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Hart-Burns, Alderman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderman Lofchie, Alderman Jenkins and Alderman O'Connor

Enactment No: O20-024

[20-0098](#)

A Resolution approving a Professional Services Agreement with Layne Christensen Company for the Water Production Division

City of Aurora staff, Dave Schumacher, presented briefly regarding this item.

A motion was made by Alderman Jenkins and seconded by Alderman Hart-Burns to approve this Resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 12 - Alderman Llamas, Alderman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Hart-Burns, Alderman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderman Lofchie, Alderman Jenkins and Alderman O'Connor

Enactment No: R20-083

[20-0125](#)

A Resolution authorizing Stenstrom Petroleum Services Group to perform fuel dispensing system repairs and upgrades at the Aurora Central Fire Station for \$54,605.00 plus a contingency amount of \$5,460.50.

City of Aurora Director of Public Works, Ken Schroth, spoke briefly regarding this item.

A motion was made by Alderman Hart-Burns and seconded by Alderman Garza to approve this Resolution. The motion passed by the following vote:

Aye: 12 - Alderman Llamas, Alderman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Hart-Burns, Alderman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderman Lofchie, Alderman Jenkins and Alderman O'Connor

Enactment No: R20-084

[20-0174](#)

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 6, Section 6 (a)(3) of the City of Aurora Municipal Code.

City of Aurora Assistant Corporation Counsel Deb Lang presented regarding this item.

A motion was made by Alderman Hart-Burns and seconded by Alderman Jenkins to adopt this Resolution. The motion passed by the following vote:

Aye: 12 - Alderman Llamas, Alderman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Hart-Burns, Alderman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderman Lofchie, Alderman Jenkins and Alderman O'Connor

Enactment No: O20-025

[20-0181](#)

A Resolution to use MDI Access Data Center Solutions, 123000 S Keeler Ave, Alsip, IL 60803 for the UPS Battery and Maintenance vendor for the UPS units at the Aurora Police Department, 1200 E Indian Trail, Aurora, IL 60505 in the annual yearly amount of \$62,300.00 from 2020 to 2024 totaling \$311,500.00 over the five years.

City of Aurora Chief Information Officer, Mike Pegues, presented briefly regarding this item.

A motion was made by Alderman Hart-Burns and seconded by Alderman Jenkins to approve this Resolution. The motion passed by the following vote:

Aye: 12 - Alderman Llamas, Alderman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Hart-Burns, Alderman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderman Lofchie, Alderman Jenkins and Alderman O'Connor

Enactment No: R20-085

[20-0186](#)

A Resolution authorizing the purchase of the maintenance agreement with Environmental Systems Research Institute, Inc. (ESRI) of Redlands, California in the amount of \$39,587.67, for the annual maintenance of Arc Geographic Information System.

City of Aurora Chief Information Officer, Mike Pegues, presented briefly regarding this item.

A motion was made by Alderman Jenkins and seconded by Alderman Hart-Burns to approve this Resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 12 - Alderman Llamas, Alderman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Hart-Burns, Alderman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderman Lofchie, Alderman Jenkins and Alderman O'Connor

Enactment No: R20-086

[20-0212](#)

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with the Illinois Department of Natural Resources to accept an Open Space Land Acquisition and Development grant in an amount not to exceed \$365,000 for improvements at Wilder Park.

City of Aurora Director of Development Strategy and Facilitation, Trevor Dick, presented and answered questions regarding this item.

City of Aurora Chief of Staff, Alex Alexandrou, spoke briefly regarding this item.

A motion was made by Alderman Hart-Burns and seconded by Alderman Jenkins to approve this Resolution. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 12 - Alderman Llamas, Alderman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Hart-Burns, Alderman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderman Lofchie, Alderman Jenkins and Alderman O'Connor

Enactment No: R20-087

[20-0245](#)

An Ordinance amending Section 26-19 of the City Code of the City of Aurora pertaining to Disorderly Conduct.

City of Aurora Corporation Counsel, Rick Veenstra, presented briefly and answered questions regarding this item.

A motion was made by Alderman Hart-Burns and seconded by Alderman Jenkins to adopt this Ordinance. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 12 - Alderman Llamas, Alderman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Hart-Burns, Alderman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderman Lofchie, Alderman Jenkins and Alderman O'Connor

Enactment No: O20-026

[20-0246](#)

An Ordinance creating Section 2-82 of the City Code of the City of Aurora pertaining to the authority of the City Council to conduct public hearings.

City of Aurora Corporation Counsel, Rick Veenstra, presented briefly and answered questions regarding this item.

A motion was made by Alderman Jenkins and seconded by Alderman Hart-Burns to adopt this Ordinance. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 12 - Alderman Llamas, Alderman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Hart-Burns, Alderman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderman Lofchie, Alderman Jenkins and Alderman O'Connor

Enactment No: O20-027

REPORT

No reports were presented.

BILLS

[20-0248](#)

Bill Summary and Large Bill List

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

Aye: 12 - Alderman Llamas, Alderman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Hart-Burns, Alderman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderman Lofchie, Alderman Jenkins and Alderman O'Connor

CLOSED SESSION

There was no need for a Closed Session at this meeting.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Alderman Hart-Burns and seconded by Alderman Jenkins to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Submitted by:

Jennifer Stallings, City Clerk

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