



City of Aurora

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

City Council Meeting Minutes - Final

Tuesday

January 28, 2020

6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

City Clerk Stallings called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: 11 - 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 and Alderman Sherman Jenkins

Absent: 2 - Alderman Bob O'Connor and Mayor Richard Irvin

ELECTION OF TEMPORARY CHAIRPERSON

City Clerk Stallings presided over the election of a Temporary Chairperson for the meeting. Alderman Garza nominated Alderman Saville, and was seconded by Alderman Mesiacos. Hearing no further nominations, and without objection, nominations were declared closed. Alderman Saville being the sole nominee. Without objection, Alderman Saville was declared elected to preside over this meeting.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION

Alderman Hart-Burns provided the Invocation.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF TUESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2020

[20-0033](#)

Approval of the Tuesday, January 14, 2020 City Council Meeting Minutes.

A motion was made by Alderman Franco and seconded by Alderman Bugg to approve and file the minutes as presented. The motion carried by voice vote.

APPOINTMENT OF SERGEANT-AT-ARMS

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

PRESENTATIONS

[20-0058](#)

Proclamation for Chinese New Year and recognition of the United Chinese Americans | Illinois Chapter (UCA-IL) for civic engagement work in Aurora.

This Presentation was discussed and filed.

[20-0059](#)

Recognition of City Staff in the Quarterly Staff Recognition presentation at Aurora City Council.

City Staff member, Anna Payton - Manager, Aurora Animal Control, was recognized. This recognition was discussed and filed.

[20-0060](#)

Swearing-In and Promotions for the Aurora Police Department

City of Aurora Police Department promotional ceremony and swearing-in of new officers was conducted. This Recognition was discussed and filed.

PUBLIC COMMENT

City Clerk Stallings read a statement on the rules of public comment. The following individuals addressed members of the City Council:

Arlicia Dockery presented on behalf of Unity Group regarding the youth of Aurora.

Angela Collier presented regarding protection of children in Aurora.

Thomas Mihelic presented regarding agenda item #19-1104.

Ray Hinsch presented regarding Wayside Cross.

Dale Hammond presented regarding Wayside Cross.

James Jensen presented regarding recreational cannabis.

John Bell presented regarding Wayside Cross.

Maryann Vincent presented regarding Wayside Cross.

Jeff Volkman presented regarding recreational cannabis.

David Wood presented regarding Wayside Cross.

Marcus Sabo presented regarding Wayside Cross.

Roger Vernon presented regarding recreational cannabis and Wayside Cross.

Steve Madawick presented regarding Wayside Cross.

The thirty (30) minute time limit for public comment was reached.

MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS

[19-1149](#)

A Resolution Appointing Kelvin Beene and Sandra Harrison to the Aurora African American Heritage Advisory Board.

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R20-008

CONSENT AGENDA

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

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

[19-1154](#)

A Resolution authorizing the purchase of One (1) 2020 Wheeled Coach Ford F-550 4x4 diesel type 1 ambulance from Fire Service Inc., St. John, Indiana In the amount of \$292,826.00 for the Aurora Fire Department..

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R20-009

[19-1177](#)

A Resolution Approving the Release of a Request for Proposals (RFP) for an Availability and Disparity Study on behalf of the City of Aurora.

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R20-010

[19-1178](#)

A Resolution to approve the ratification for payment and expenses to Patterson Veterinary Supply, Inc. for various medications and vaccines for the animals in the care of Animal Care and Control not to exceed \$35,100.00.

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R20-011

[19-1179](#)

A Resolution authorizing the modification of an agreement between the Aurora Public Library and School District 129 pertaining to the responsibilities of the same with respect to the real property constituting Washington Middle School and the West Branch of the Aurora Public Library.

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R20-012

[20-0004](#)

A Resolution approving a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Aurora, through the Aurora Police Department, and Family Service Association of Greater Elgin Area regarding a police social worker, employed by FSA, to provide social work services to residents of the City of Aurora..

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R20-013

[20-0011](#)

An Ordinance Designating the City of Aurora's 75th Street and Ogden Avenue Tax Increment Financing District, Redevelopment Project Area.

This Ordinance was adopted.

Enactment No: O20-002

[20-0012](#)

An Ordinance Approving the City of Aurora's 75th Street and Ogden Avenue Tax Increment Financing District, Redevelopment Project Area, Redevelopment Plan and Project.

This Ordinance was adopted.

Enactment No: O20-003

[20-0013](#)

An Ordinance Adopting the City of Aurora's 75th Street and Ogden Avenue Tax Increment Financing District.

This Ordinance was adopted.

Enactment No: O20-004

[20-0019](#)

An Ordinance Designating the City of Aurora's Galena and Broadway Tax Increment Financing District, Redevelopment Project Area.

This Ordinance was adopted.

Enactment No: O20-005

[20-0020](#)

An Ordinance Approving the City of Aurora's Galena and Broadway Tax Increment Financing District, Redevelopment Project Area, Redevelopment Plan and Project.

This Ordinance was adopted.

Enactment No: O20-006

[20-0021](#)

An Ordinance Adopting the City of Aurora's Galena and Broadway Tax Increment Financing District.

This Ordinance was adopted.

Enactment No: O20-007

[20-0022](#)

An Ordinance Designating the City of Aurora's River and Benton Tax Increment Financing District, Redevelopment Project Area.

This Ordinance was adopted.

Enactment No: O20-008

[20-0023](#)

An Ordinance Approving the City of Aurora's River and Benton Tax Increment Financing District, Redevelopment Project Area, Redevelopment Plan and Project.

This Ordinance was adopted.

Enactment No: O20-009

[20-0024](#)

An Ordinance Adopting the City of Aurora's River and Benton Tax Increment Financing District.

This Ordinance was adopted.

Enactment No: O20-010

[20-0027](#)

A Resolution authorizing a Redevelopment Agreement with Stolp Island Social Restaurant at 5 E. Galena Blvd providing \$200,000 for capital build out of the restaurant.

This Resolution was approved.

Enactment No: R20-014

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

[19-1104](#)

An Ordinance Granting a Special Use Permit for a Cannabis Dispensing Facility (2115) Use on the Property located at 1415 Corporate Boulevard

Tracey Vacek, Senior Planner - City of Aurora, presented and responded to questions from City Council regarding this item.

Jim Hughes, Next Generation Development, responded to questions from City Council regarding this item.

A motion was made by Alderman Llamas and seconded by Alderman Franco to amend the proposed ordinance to add the following language:

"That the petitioner install a sidewalk prior to occupancy along the east side of Church Road right of way from the northern access of 2485 Church Road to Bilter Road and install a sidewalk along the south side Corporate Boulevard right of way from Farnsworth Avenue to the eastern access of the Subject Property."

A roll call vote was taken on the proposed amendment:

Aye - 11 - Alderman Llamas, Alderman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Hart-Burns, Alderman Smith, Alderman Bugg, Alderman Lofchie, and Alderman Jenkins.

Nay - 0.

Absent - 1 - Alderman O'Connor.

The motion to amend the proposed ordinance passed.

A motion was made by Alderman Franco and seconded by Alderman Jenkins, that this agenda item be adopt as amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 10 - Alderman Llamas, Alderman Garza, Alderman Mesiacos, Alderman Donnell, Alderman Franco, Alderman Saville, Alderman Hart-Burns, Alderman Smith, Alderman Bugg and Alderman Jenkins

Nay: 1 - Alderman Lofchie

Enactment No: O20-011

[20-0008](#)

A Resolution approving the conversion of the Aurora Public Library to a library maintained and operated under the Public Library District Act of 1991.

John Savage, President - Aurora Public Library, presented regarding this item.

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

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

Enactment No: R20-015

[20-0010](#)

A Resolution authorizing approval of the 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan, 2020 Annual Action Plan, update to the Neighborhood Revitalization Strategy Area, and Annual Action Plan Substantial Amendment (2019-#3)

Chris Ragona, Community Development Manager - City of Aurora, presented regarding this item.

This Resolution was approved.

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

Enactment No: R20-016

NEW BUSINESS

There were no items under New Business.

REQUESTS AND REFERRALS

[20-0048](#)

Requesting approval of a Special Use for a Cannabis Dispensing Facility (2115) use on property located at 35 N. Broadway (Bloom Holdings, LLC - 20-0048 / AU22/3-19.218-SU - TV - Ward 2)

This Petition was referred to to the Planning Council.

REPORT

[20-0054](#)

Treasurer's Report - December 2019

A motion was made by Alderman Jenkins and seconded by Alderman Hart-Burns, that this agenda item be accepted and filed. The motion carried by voice vote.

BILLS

[20-0055](#)

Bill Summary and Large Bill List

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

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

CLOSED SESSION

There was no need for a Closed Session.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Alderman Hart-Burns and seconded by Alderman Franco to adjourn this meeting. The motion carried by voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

Submitted by:

Jennifer Stallings - City Clerk

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