



City of Aurora

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
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44 East Downer Place
Aurora, IL

City Council Meeting Minutes - Final

Tuesday

March 23, 2021

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.

Mayor Irvin found that an in-person meeting of the Council was neither
practical nor prudent and that it was not feasible for members of the public to
attend this meeting in person at City Hall. The meeting was conducted by
Internet teleconference without the physical presence of a quorum. Mayor
Irvin was present at City Hall, the regular meeting location.

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Alderman Juany Garza.

INVOCATION

The Invocation was led by Apostle Eluvinda L. Fernandez - Founder, Adonai Ministries International.

PRESENTATIONS

[21-0224](#)

Mayor's Office Community Presentations

The Mayor's Award of Excellence was presented to Apostle Eluvinda L. Fernandez - Adonai Ministries International. Mayor Irvin thanked Apostle Fernandez for her service to the Aurora community for over 20 years.

Dr. Mark Henry - Pharmacy District Manager, Jewel-Osco, was honored as a City of Aurora Healthcare Hero. Mayor Irvin and Alex Alexandrou thanked Dr. Henry for his help in vaccinating Aurora residents against COVID-19.

The Mayor's Award of Excellence was presented to Storage of America for their donation of space and resources to the City of Aurora's COVID mass vaccination efforts. Derek Walker and Thomas Fitzpatrick from Storage of America thanked the City of Aurora for allowing Storage of America to be of assistance. Mayor Irvin and Alex Alexandrou thanked Storage of America for all of their help and support.

The Women's History Month Proclamation was presented by the women leaders of the City of Aurora. Mayor Richard C. Irvin proclaimed March, 2021 as Women's History Month.

The Mayor's Award of Excellence was presented to Zinyra Ross - the recipient of the Aurora Advisory Commission on Disabilities - Bright Light Award. Zinyra Ross expressed her appreciation for the award. Mayor Irvin thanked Zinyra for being present at the meeting and honored her for her accomplishments.

This Presentation was discussed and filed.

[21-0225](#)

Update on the CHANGE Reform Initiative

The announcement of all appointees to the Civilian Review Board occurred during items 21-0148, 21-0151, and 21-0152.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Clerk Stallings read the rules of public comment and the following persons presented comment to the City Council:

Jorge Gutierrez - regarding the A-Town Boxing Club

Raymond Hull - opposed items 21-0064 and 21-0110

Sarah Thompson - opposed items 21-0064 and 21-0110

Jackie Descoto - opposed items 21-0064 and 21-0110

Rachel Wigglesworth - opposed items 21-0064 and 21-0110

Jennifer Jaquez Fearday - read a statement by Mr. Jim Forsythe in opposition to items 21-0064 and 21-0110

Eddie Rios - opposed items 21-0064 and 21-0110

Cynthia Martinez - opposed items 21-0064 and 21-0110

MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS

[21-0148](#)

A Resolution Appointing three inaugural members for a three-year term to the Aurora Civilian Review Board.

Clayton Muhammad presented briefly regarding this item.

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

Enactment No: R21-047

[21-0151](#)

A Resolution Appointing the three inaugural members for a two-year term to the Aurora Civilian Review Board.

Clayton Muhammad presented briefly regarding this item.

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

Enactment No: R21-048

[21-0152](#)

A Resolution Appointing the three inaugural members for a one-year term to the Aurora Civilian Review Board.

Clayton Muhammad presented briefly regarding this item.

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

Enactment No: R21-049

CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda and Direct to Council Consent Agenda were read in full.

A motion was made by Alderman Hart-Burns and seconded by Alderman Franco to approve the items on the Consent Agenda and the Direct to Council Consent Agenda with the following correction:

Alderman O'Connor identified an error in Item 21-0199 as it references "C.W. Bardwell" and should be corrected to "C.M Bardwell." Item 21-0199 has been corrected accordingly. 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, Alderman O'Connor

[21-0085](#)

A Resolution Authorizing Well Maintenance Services for Well No. 23 for the Water Production Division.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-050

[21-0092](#)

A Resolution Authorizing a Professional Services Agreement with Crawford, Murphy & Tilly, Inc., for the development of a Source Water Protection Plan for the Water Production Division

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-051

[21-0108](#)

A Resolution approving the installation of Plymovent systems by Hastings Air Energy Control, Inc. at Aurora Fire Station 4 and Station 5 for reserve vehicles.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-052

[21-0112](#)

A Resolution Authorizing the Replacement of Obsolete Programmable Logic Controllers for the Water Production Division

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-053

[21-0116](#)

A Resolution authorizing the 2021 Ward Neighborhood Cleanup Program and Shred Events in all Wards in the City of Aurora.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-054

[21-0131](#)

A Resolution allowing the Aurora Police Department to enter into intergovernmental agreements with other local public safety agencies for radio interoperability for mutual aid purposes.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-055

[21-0134](#)

A Resolution establishing the maximum number of Class A: Package Sales liquor licenses (unofficially related to the application from Aurora Mart, LLC d/b/a Galena Liquors, 133 W. Galena Blvd., Aurora IL 60506) - Ward 6.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-056

[21-0138](#)

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 27, Sections 27-171 and Sec. 27-183 of the Code of Ordinances, City of Aurora.

This Ordinance was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: O21-011

[21-0139](#)

Resolution authorizing the City of Aurora's Division of Communications in the Office of the Mayor and the Division of Information Technology in the Office of Innovation & Core Services to enter into an agreement with Duke Energy Corporation (Duke Energy), for the purpose of permitting Duke Energy to publish a digital kiosk case study and related promotional releases.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-057

[21-0140](#)

A Resolution authorizing the Director of Purchasing to enter into an agreement with Schroeder Asphalt Services, Inc., P.O. Box 831, Huntley, IL 60142 in the amount of \$894,040.00 for the 2021 Citywide Pavement Patching for Water and Sewer Maintenance.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-058

[21-0149](#)

A Resolution to purchase an Eagle Air Talon II self-contained breathing air (SCBA) compressor and fill station, in the amount of \$45,030.00 from SCBAS Inc., of Washington, IL.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-059

[21-0153](#)

A Resolution authorizing the Director of Purchasing to enter into an agreement with Abbey Paving & Sealcoating Company, Inc., Aurora, IL in the amount of \$143,344.15 for the replacement of concrete at Aurora Fire Department Station 5.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-060

[21-0160](#)

An Ordinance Vacating a storm easement, sanitary easement, and a watermain easement on the Property located on the east side of Fox Valley Mall, west Route 59, south of New York Street in DuPage County, Aurora, Illinois

This Ordinance was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: O21-012

[21-0161](#)

A Resolution to award a three year contract to Cox Landscaping, LLC in the amount of \$83,300.00 per year for the Landscape Maintenance of Rain Gardens and Miscellaneous Storm BMPs project.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-061

[21-0163](#)

A Resolution Approving of Third-Party Administrative Services for Cities in Schools to administer the 2021 Summer & After-school Programs in the amount not to exceed \$163,000.00 for the Community Services Division.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-062

[21-0164](#)

A Resolution Authorizing various laboratory water analyses from Eurofins Eaton Analytical, LLC for budget year 2021 for the Water Production Division

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-063

[21-0170](#)

A Resolution to Enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Fox Valley Music Foundation for the Calendar Year of 2021.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-064

[21-0171](#)

A Resolution to allow the Aurora Financial Empowerment Center to apply for a Kane County Grand Victoria Riverboat Grant, to help with staffing of the new financial counseling program.

This Resolution was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Enactment No: R21-065

DIRECT TO COUNCIL CONSENT

[21-0186](#)

Approval of the Minutes of the Tuesday, March 9, 2021 City Council Meeting.

The Minutes were approved and filed as presented.

[21-0197](#)

An Ordinance for the Establishment of Special Service Area Number #202 for stormwater management purposes related to Mitchell Road Industrial Park (Vacant Lots 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 northeast corner of I-88 and Mitchell Road) Aurora, Illinois

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

Enactment No: O21-013

[21-0198](#)

An Ordinance for the Establishment of Special Service Area Number #203 for stormwater management purposes related to Bardwell Community Subdivision (Fox Valley Developers, LLC) in the City of Aurora, Illinois

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

Enactment No: O21-014

[21-0199](#)

An Ordinance for the Establishment of a Special Service Area Number #204 for stormwater management purposes related to C.M. Bardwell School in the City of Aurora, Illinois

Alderman O'Connor indicated that "C.W. Bardwell" should be corrected to "C.M. Bardwell". This Ordinance was approved on the Direct to Council Consent Agenda with the correction as suggested.

Enactment No: O21-015

[21-0200](#)

An Ordinance for the Establishment of Special Service Area Number #205 for stormwater management purposes related to Ground Effects in the City of Aurora, Illinois

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

Enactment No: O21-016

UNFINISHED BUSINESS**21-0064**

A Resolution Approving a Preliminary Plan and Plat for vacant land located at 1340 Molitor Road being at the northwest corner of Farnsworth Avenue and Molitor Road

Ed Sieben - City of Aurora, presented regarding this item.

Mark Phipps - City of Aurora, responded to questions regarding this item.

Tony Scarlata - Circle K, presented and responded to questions regarding this item.

Ryan Swanson - Circle K, presented and responded to questions regarding this item.

A motion was made by Alderman O'Connor and seconded by Alderman Jenkins that items 21-0064 and 21-0110 be held until the next City Council meeting. The motion to hold this item 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

21-0110

An Ordinance Approving a Revision to the Estate of Adeline Diehl and Chicago Land Trust Plan Description on 3.4 Acres for Property located at 1340 Molitor Road being at the northwest corner of Farnsworth Avenue and Molitor Road

Ed Sieben - City of Aurora, presented regarding this item.

Mark Phipps - City of Aurora, responded to questions regarding this item.

Tony Scarlata - Circle K, presented and responded to questions regarding this item.

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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

21-0175

A Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a First Amendment to the Redevelopment Agreement Previously Entered into Between the City of Aurora and Bernie Laskowski/Craft Urban.

David Dibo - City of Aurora, responded to questions regarding this item.

A motion was made by Alderman Jenkins and seconded by Alderman O'Connor to approve this item. 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: R21-066

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Alderman Hart-Burns and seconded by Alderman Garza to suspend the rules to consider items under New Business. 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, Alderman O'Connor

21-0166

A Resolution Authorizing the Acceptance of the Donation of Frames from Feltes Photography to Public Art.

A motion was made by Alderman Hart-Burns and seconded by Alderman Garza to approve this item. 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: R21-067

21-0179

A Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Revised Second Amendment to the Y'All LLC (F/K/A Windy City Distribution, Inc.) Redevelopment Agreement.

A motion was made by Alderman Hart-Burns and seconded by Alderman Jenkins to approve this item. 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: R21-068

REPORT

21-0221

Corporate Funds Investment Report - Fourth Quarter 2020.

This Report was accepted and filed.

21-0222

Treasurer's Report - February 2021

Martin Lyons, Chief Financial Officer City of Aurora, presented a COVID-related financial update.

This Report was accepted and filed.

APPROVAL OF THE BILL SUMMARY AND LARGE BILL LIST

[21-0219](#)

Bill Summary and Large Bill List

A motion was made by Alderman Hart-Burns and seconded by Alderman Llamas to 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, Alderman O'Connor

CLOSED SESSION

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

ADJOURN

Prior to the adjournment of this meeting, Alderman Smith requested that information be provided to the Aldermen regarding any future open houses with respect to agenda items 21-0064 and 21-0110.

A motion was made by Alderman Hart-Burns and seconded by Alderman Llamas to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote and the meeting adjourned at 7:24 p.m:

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, Alderman O'Connor

Submitted by:

Jennifer Stallings - City Clerk

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