

MINUTES

Regular Meeting of the Aurora City Council Monday, December 6, 2021

1. **RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING OF DECEMBER 6, 2021, CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Coffman reconvened the regular meeting of City Council for December 6, 2021, at 6:30 p.m.

Public call-in instructions were provided in both English and Spanish.

2. **ROLL CALL** – Kadee Rodriguez, City Clerk

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Coffman, Bergan, Berzins, Coombs, Gardner, Gruber, Hiltz, Lawson, Marcano, Murillo

3. **INVOCATION/MOMENT OF SILENCE** – Mike Coffman, Mayor

4. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** (all standing)

5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

5.a. November 8, 2021, Meeting Minutes

Motion by Berzins, second by Gardner, to approve the minutes of the November 8, 2021, City Council meeting, as presented.

Voting Aye: Mayor Coffman, Bergan, Berzins, Coombs, Gardner, Gruber, Hiltz, Lawson
Marcano, Murillo

5.b. November 22, 2021, Meeting Minutes

Motion by Gruber, second by Berzins, to approve the minutes of the November 22, 2021, City Council meeting, as presented.

Voting Aye: Mayor Coffman, Bergan, Berzins, Coombs, Gardner, Gruber, Hiltz, Lawson
Marcano, Murillo

6. **CEREMONY FOR OUTGOING COUNCIL MEMBERS**

- Council Member Marsha Berzins

Mayor Coffman read the proclamation recognizing Council Member Berzins for her service to the City of Aurora as Council Member for Ward III from 2009 - 2021. He invited Council Member Berzins to come forward to accept the proclamation.

Council Member Berzins expressed appreciation to God, her family, friends, City staff and the Ward II voters for the opportunity to serve and stated it was an honor and blessing to have done so. She discussed her history of service and stated she looked forward to the new Council solving municipal problems rather than federal ones.

- Council Member Dave Gruber

Mayor Coffman read the proclamation recognizing Council Member Gruber for his service to the City of Aurora as At-Large Council Member from 2017 - 2021. He invited Council Member Gruber to come forward to accept the proclamation.

Council Member Gruber expressed appreciation to his family, the constituents who supported him and City staff. He asked for a round of applause on behalf of City staff. He stated it was an honor to serve.

- Council Member Allison Hiltz

Mayor Coffman read the proclamation recognizing Council Member Hiltz for her service to the City of Aurora as At-Large Council Member from 2017 - 2021. He invited Council Member Hiltz to come forward to accept the proclamation.

Council Member Hiltz discussed her experience serving Aurora as At-Large Council Member. She expressed appreciation to her constituents, City staff, her family, parents and husband. She addressed the existing and incoming council members and advised them to remember they were on Council to serve their constituents.

- Council Member Nicole Johnston

Mayor Coffman read the proclamation recognizing former Council Member Johnston for her service to the City of Aurora as Council Member for Ward II from 2017 - 2021. He invited former Council Member Johnston to come forward to accept the proclamation.

Former Council Member Johnston expressed appreciation to Council Members Berzins, Hiltz, and Gruber for their service and congratulated Council Member Murillo and the incoming council members for winning their seat. She discussed her service, expressed appreciation to City staff and Ward I constituents, and stated it was an honor to serve the City.

Council Member Coombs expressed appreciation to the outgoing council members for their service, hard work and the care they have shown the City.

Mayor Pro Tem Bergan expressed appreciation to the outgoing council members for their hard work in serving the City.

Council Member Lawson expressed appreciation to the outgoing council members for their service noting they left legacies on the City, and she learned a lot from them.

Council Member Gardner concurred and thanked the outgoing council members for their service. He stated he would miss Council Member Gruber being a strong advocate for great opportunities in the City, Council Member Berzins being a guiding force and the many nuanced conversations he had with Council Member Hiltz as she was one of the smartest people he knew.

Council Member Murillo wished the outgoing council members well in their next endeavors and congratulated them on ending their time in public service.

Mayor Coffman expressed appreciation to the outgoing council members for their dedication and service to the City of Aurora.

7. **ADJOURNMENT - SINE DIE**

Mayor Coffman adjourned the meeting Sine Die at 7:05 p.m.

8. **ANNOUNCEMENT OF ELECTION RESULTS** – Kadee Rodriguez, City Clerk

Mayor Coffman convened the regular meeting of City Council at 7:10 p.m. He asked the City Clerk to read the election results.

Kadee Rodriguez, City Clerk, announced the election results.

- Council Member Ward I - Crystal Murillo
- Council Member Ward II - Steve Sundberg
- Council Member Ward III - Rubin Medina
- Council Member At-Large - Danielle Jurinsky

- Council Member At-Large - Dustin Zvonek

9. **OATH OF OFFICE** - Presiding Judge Shawn Day

Swearing in and presentation of election certificates to newly elected and re-elected Council Members.

Judge Day administered the oath of office to the newly elected and re-elected council members.

- Council Member Ward I - Crystal Murillo
- Council Member Ward II - Steve Sundberg
- Council Member Ward III - Rubin Medina
- Council Member At-Large - Danielle Jurinsky
- Council Member At-Large - Dustin Zvonek

Mayor Coffman and City Council congratulated the members and thanked them for their service to Aurora.

10. **CONVENE COUNCIL MEETING**

Mayor Coffman convened the regular meeting of City Council for December 6, 2021, at 7:22 p.m.

11. **ROLL CALL**- Kadee Rodriguez, City Clerk

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Coffman, Bergan, Coombs, Gardner, Jurinsky, Lawson, Marcano, Medina, Murillo, Sundberg, Zvonek

12. **PUBLIC INVITED TO BE HEARD**

(non-agenda related issues only)

None

13. **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

Motion by Gardner, second by Marcano, to adopt the agenda.

Voting Aye: Mayor Coffman, Bergan, Coombs, Gardner, Jurinsky, Lawson, Marcano, Medina, Murillo, Sundberg, Zvonek

14. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

This portion of the agenda is a meeting management tool to allow the City Council to handle several routine items with one action. Any member of the Council may request an item to be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered separately. Any item removed will be considered immediately following the adoption of the remainder of the Consent Calendar.

15. **RESOLUTIONS**

None

16. **PUBLIC HEARING WITH RELATED ORDINANCE**

None

17. **PUBLIC HEARING WITHOUT RELATED ORDINANCE**

None

18. **INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES**

None

19. **FINALIZING OF ORDINANCES**

Ordinances on final reading which were introduced by unanimous vote of those present on the first reading may be taken under consideration and voted upon as a single item. Related ordinances may be acted upon as one item after the titles are read in series by the City Clerk. Any member of the Council may request an item to be considered separately. Any item removed will be considered immediately following the adoption of the remainder of the Finalizing of Ordinances.

19.a. 2021 International Building Code Adoption

2021-65 FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 22 OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF AURORA, COLORADO, REGARDING BUILDING AND BUILDING REGULATIONS, AND THE ADOPTION BY REFERENCE OF THE INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE, THE INTERNATIONAL PLUMBING CODE, THE INTERNATIONAL MECHANICAL CODE, THE INTERNATIONAL FUEL GAS CODE, THE INTERNATIONAL ENERGY CONSERVATION CODE, THE INTERNATIONAL

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RESIDENTIAL CODE, THE INTERNATIONAL EXISTING BUILDING CODE, AND THE INTERNATIONAL SWIMMING POOL AND SPA CODE.

Jose Rodriguez, Building Plan Review Manager / Michelle Gardner, Sr. Assistant Attorney

Jose Rodriguez, Building Plan Review Manager, provided a summary of the item.

Motion by Gardner, second by Murillo, to approve item 19a.

Mayor Pro Tem Bergan asked if information on the upcoming classes could be provided to Council so they could share it on their social media. Mr. Rodriguez stated the information would be posted on the City website and staff would send out email blasts as well.

Voting Aye: Bergan, Coombs, Gardner, Jurinsky, Lawson, Marcano, Medina, Murillo, Sundberg, Zvonek

19.b. 2021 International Fire Code Adoption

2021-66 FOR AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AURORA, COLORADO, AMENDING CHAPTER 66 OF THE CITY CODE ENTITLED "FIRE PREVENTION AND PROTECTION" RELATED TO THE ADOPTION OF THE 2021 EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE AND LOCAL AMENDMENTS THERETO.

Deputy Chief Caine G. Hills / Angela Garcia, Senior Assistant City Attorney

Steven Wright, Commander, Aurora Fire Rescue, provided a summary of the item.

Motion by Gardner, second by Marcano, to approve item 19b.

Voting Aye: Bergan, Coombs, Gardner, Jurinsky, Lawson, Marcano, Medina, Murillo, Sundberg, Zvonek

20. **PLANNING MATTERS**

None

21. **ANNEXATIONS**

None

22. **RECONSIDERATIONS AND CALL UPS**

None

23. **GENERAL BUSINESS**

23.a. Consideration to Elect the Mayor Pro Tem for a One Year Term

Kadee Rodriguez, City Clerk

Motion by Jurinsky, second by Zvonek, to appoint Council Member Bergan as Mayor Pro Tem for a one-year term.

Voting Aye: Mayor Coffman, Bergan, Gardner, Jurinsky, Lawson, Sundberg, Zvonek

Voting Nay: Coombs, Marcano, Medina, Murillo

Mayor Coffman congratulated Mayor Pro Tem Bergan.

24. **REPORTS**

24.a. Report by the Mayor

No report.

24.b. Reports by the Council

Council Member Jurinsky expressed appreciation to the police officers present at the meeting.

Council Member Murillo announced the upcoming Council study session regarding youth violence in the City and noted it came up quickly and she was therefore unable to attend. She noted the topic was of great importance to her and noted she would submit any questions or comments she had in that regard ahead of time.

Mayor Coffman discussed the special study session scheduled for Wednesday, December 15, 2021, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., noting it would be virtual and live streamed at auroragov.org.

Council Member Coombs welcomed and expressed appreciation to the incoming council members.

Mayor Pro Tem Bergan congratulated the incoming and re-elected council members.

25. **PUBLIC INVITED TO BE HEARD**

(non-agenda related issues only)

None

26. **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Coffman adjourned the regular meeting of City Council at 7:37 p.m.



MIKE COFFMAN, MAYOR

ATTEST:



KADÉE RODRIGUEZ, CITY CLERK

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