

MINUTES

Regular Meeting of the Aurora City Council

Monday, March 25, 2024

COUNCIL MEMBERS	Stephanie Hancock	Françoise Bergan
PRESENT:	Steve Sundberg	Crystal Murillo
	Danielle Jurinsky	Curtis Gardner
	Angela Lawson	Ruben Medina
	Mayor Coffman	Dustin Zvonek

ABSENT: Alison Coombs

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Coffman convened the regular meeting of City Council at 6:30 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

3. INVOCATION/MOMENT OF SILENCE

Mayor Coffman led in prayer.

4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

(All Standing)

5. EXECUTIVE SESSION UPDATE

Mayor Coffman provided an update on the Executive Session, stating personnel matters, property acquisition and litigation matters were discussed.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

6.a February 26, 2024 Meeting Minutes

Moved by Steve Sundberg

Second by Curtis Gardner

Does Council wish to approve the minutes of the February 26, 2024 meeting?

Voting Aye: (10): Stephanie Hancock, Steve Sundberg, Danielle Jurinsky, Angela Lawson, Mayor Coffman, Françoise Bergan, Crystal Murillo, Curtis Gardner, Ruben Medina, and Dustin Zvonek

7. PROCLAMATIONS OR CEREMONIES

The City Charter prescribes the Mayor may vote on resolutions and ordinances only to create or break a tie vote of Council Members present. The Mayor Pro-Tem is always permitted to vote on all items.

7.a Child Abuse Prevention Month

Mayor Coffman proclaimed April 2024 as Child Abuse Prevention Month.

7.b International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination

Mayor Coffman proclaimed March 21, 2024 as International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination.

7.c Cesar Chavez Day of Service and Learning

Mayor Coffman proclaimed March 31, 2024 as Cesar Chavez Day of Service and Learning.

8. PUBLIC INVITED TO BE HEARD

(non-agenda related issues only)

Council heard public testimony on non-agenda-related items.

9. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Moved by Curtis Gardner

Second by Françoise Bergan

Does Council wish to adopt the agenda as presented?

Voting Aye: (10): Stephanie Hancock, Steve Sundberg, Danielle Jurinsky, Angela Lawson, Mayor Coffman, Françoise Bergan, Crystal Murillo, Curtis Gardner, Ruben Medina, and Dustin Zvonek

10. CONSENT CALENDAR - MOTIONS

Any member of Council may request an item be removed from Consent Calendar and considered separately. Removed items are considered immediately following the adoption of the Consent Calendar.

10.a Motions

10.b Planning Matters

10.c Appointments to Boards and Commissions

11. CONSENT CALENDAR - RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

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Moved by Curtis Gardner

Second by Crystal Murillo

Does Council wish to approve the Resolutions and Ordinances consent calendar?

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Voting Aye: (9): Stephanie Hancock, Steve Sundberg, Danielle Jurinsky, Angela Lawson, Françoise Bergan, Crystal Murillo, Curtis Gardner, Ruben Medina, and Dustin Zvonek

11.a Resolutions

11.a.1 Central Colorado Mountains River Basin Weather Modification Program 2024

R2024-31 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AURORA, COLORADO, APPROVING THE CENTRAL COLORADO MOUNTAINS RIVER BASIN WEATHER MODIFICATION PROGRAM COST-SHARING AGREEMENT

Alexandra Davis, Assistant General Manager of Water Supply and Demand, Aurora Water / Ian Best, Assistant City Attorney

11.a.2 Grant Agreement Between the City of Aurora and Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO) for the Generation Wild Interim Program for 2024-2025

R2024-32 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AURORA, COLORADO, APPROVAL OF THE GRANT AGREEMENT FROM THE STATE BOARD OF THE GREAT OUTDOORS COLORADO TRUST TO AURORA AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE NORTHEAST METRO COALITION FUNDING THE GOWILD NORTHEAST PROJECT THAT IS PART OF THE GENERATION WILD PROGRAM

A waiver of reconsideration is being requested to ensure funding can be used for the project.

Brian Green, Deputy Director of Operations, Parks, Recreation, and Open Space / Tim Joyce, Assistant City Attorney

11.a.3 An Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) Between the City of Aurora Youth Violence Prevention Program and Cherry Creek School District for Data Sharing

R2024-33 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AURORA, COLORADO, APPROVING THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF AURORA, COLORADO, YOUTH VIOLENCE PREVENTION PROGRAM AND CHERRY CREEK SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 5 FOR THE PURPOSE OF SHARING STUDENT DATA AND INFORMATION TO REDUCE AND PREVENT YOUTH VIOLENCE

Austin Burdette, Youth Violence Prevention Program Data Analyst, Housing and Community Services / Angela Garcia, Senior Assistant City Attorney

11.a.4 First Amendment to the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with E-470 for the Temporary Traffic Signals at Gartrell Road and E-470

R2024-34 A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AURORA, COLORADO, APPROVING THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF AURORA AND THE E-470 PUBLIC HIGHWAY AUTHORITY REGARDING TEMPORARY TRAFFIC SIGNALS AT GARTRELL ROAD AND E-470

Carlie Campuzano, Traffic Manager, Public Works / Michelle Gardner, Senior Assistant City Attorney

11.b Finalizing of Ordinances

Ordinances approved unanimously at first reading

11.b.1 Station 60 Infrastructure Site Plan – Street Vacation

2024-06 FOR AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AURORA, COLORADO, VACATING A PORTION OF THE PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR NORFOLK STREET, LOCATED BETWEEN EAST COLFAX AVENUE AND EAST 17TH PLACE, CITY OF AURORA, COUNTY OF ADAMS, STATE OF COLORADO (NORFOLK STREET VACATION)

Stephen Gubrud, Planner, Planning and Development Services / Lena McClelland, Assistant City Attorney

12. PUBLIC HEARINGS

Public hearings with or without related ordinances

12.a Aurora Center for Health, Wealth and Well-Being (Zoning Map Amendment)

2024-07 A PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AURORA, COLORADO, FOR A ZONING MAP AMENDMENT TO REZONE APPROXIMATELY 2 ACRES OF LAND TO MIXED-USE CORRIDOR DISTRICT (MU-C), LOCATED AT THE SOUTHEAST CORRIDOR OF COLFAX AVENUE AND AIRPORT BOULEVARD

Liz Fuselier, Planner, Planning and Development Services / Lena McClelland, Assistant City Attorney

Mayor Coffman opened the public hearing.

Staff provided a brief summary of the item.

Mayor Coffman closed the public hearing.

Moved by Curtis Gardner

Second by Crystal Murillo

Does the City Council wish to approve Ordinance 2024-07 for the Zoning Map Amendment to re-zone the parcel of land from R-R and R-3 zone districts to the MU-C zone district?

Voting Aye: (9): Stephanie Hancock, Steve Sundberg, Danielle Jurinsky, Angela Lawson, Françoise Bergan, Crystal Murillo, Curtis Gardner, Ruben Medina, and Dustin Zvonek

13. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

13.a Lease-Purchase of Golf Maintenance Equipment

2024-08 FOR AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AURORA AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PARKS, RECREATION AND OPEN SPACE (PROS) TO ACQUIRE CERTAIN GOLF MAINTENANCE EQUIPMENT DURING THE 2024 FISCAL YEAR, PURSUANT TO THE TERMS OF LEASE-PURCHASE AGREEMENTS TO BE ENTERED INTO BETWEEN THE CITY, AS LESSEE, AND LEASE INVESTORS, VENDORS OR THE AURORA CAPITAL LEASING CORPORATION, EACH AS LESSOR, AUTHORIZING OFFICIALS OF THE CITY TO TAKE ALL ACTION NECESSARY TO CARRY OUT THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY

Teresa Sedmak, City Treasurer, Finance / Hanosky Hernandez, Senior Assistant City Attorney

Staff provided a brief presentation of the item.

Moved by Curtis Gardner

Second by Françoise Bergan

Does City Council wish to approve Ordinance 2024-08?

Voting Aye: (9): Stephanie Hancock, Steve Sundberg, Danielle Jurinsky, Angela Lawson, Françoise Bergan, Crystal Murillo, Curtis Gardner, Ruben Medina, and Dustin Zvonek

13.b Increase the E-911 Surcharge Imposed on Phone Service

2024-09 FOR AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AURORA AMENDING SECTION 58-1 OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF AURORA, COLORADO, RELATING TO AN INCREASE OF THE E-911 SURCHARGE

Scott Newman, Chief Information Officer / Hanosky Hernandez, Senior Assistant City Attorney

Director of 911 provided a brief statement on the item.

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Mayor Coffman commented on how impressed he is every time he watches them do their job.

Moved by Steve Sundberg

Second by Stephanie Hancock

Does Council Support Ordinance 2024-09 for the increase of the E911 fee as presented?

Voting Aye: (9): Stephanie Hancock, Steve Sundberg, Danielle Jurinsky, Angela Lawson, Françoise Bergan, Crystal Murillo, Curtis Gardner, Ruben Medina, and Dustin Zvonek

13.c An Ordinance Authorizing Eminent Domain for the Buckley and Iliff Intersection Improvements Project

2024-10 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF AURORA, COLORADO, TO EXERCISE THE POWER OF EMINENT DOMAIN FOR ACQUISITION OF CERTAIN PROPERTY INTERESTS NECESSARY FOR THE ILIFF AND BUCKLEY INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

Hector Reynoso, Real Property Services Manager / Michelle Gardner, Senior Assistant City Attorney

Outside Speaker: Don Ostrander, HROP Law, Outside Legal Counsel

The Council heard public testimony on the agenda item.

Staff provided a brief presentation on the item.

CM Bergan asked if two property owners were in agreement that they need this in case they have to do eminent domain to meet the deadline.

Mr. Reynoso stated that was correct, it is a negotiated settlement that allows them to obtain possession of the necessary property interest so they project can move forward.

CM Sundberg stated he receives emails on backup traffic and need for expansion of traffic flows around the city, and appreciates staff working with the owner of the land.

Moved by Crystal Murillo

Second by Angela Lawson

Does Council approve of Ordinance 2024-10 Authorizing Eminent Domain for the Buckley and Iliff Intersection Improvements Project?

Voting Aye: (9): Stephanie Hancock, Steve Sundberg, Danielle Jurinsky, Angela Lawson, Françoise Bergan, Crystal Murillo, Curtis Gardner, Ruben Medina, and Dustin Zvonek

14. FINALIZING OF ORDINANCES

Ordinances not approved unanimously at first reading

15. ANNEXATIONS

16. RECONSIDERATIONS AND CALL UPS

17. GENERAL BUSINESS

17.a Determination of Final Candidates to be Interviewed for the Planning and Zoning Commission

Kadee Rodriguez, City Clerk / Tim Joyce, Assistant City Attorney

CM Murillo voiced she was not comfortable with the proposal and thinks they should move forward with the process. She did not support the motion.

MPT Zvonek said he saw where CM Murillo was coming from, but looking at the reviews, it is obvious that Bob Roth has the majority of the Council already, and it was not fair to the other applicants or this body to have them make their case when it is clear that he has the votes to be appointed.

Moved by Danielle Jurinsky

Second by Dustin Zvonek

Appoint Bob Roth to Planning and Zoning Commission

Voting Aye: (8): Stephanie Hancock, Steve Sundberg, Danielle Jurinsky, Angela Lawson, Mayor Coffman, Françoise Bergan, Curtis Gardner, and Dustin Zvonek

Voting Nay (2): Crystal Murillo, and Ruben Medina

18. REPORTS

18.a Mayor

Mayor Coffman did not have a report.

18.b Council

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CM Jurinsky gave a reminder for the At-large Town Hall on April 18th, at the Southeast Rec Center, at 6:30, and the first annual Aurora Water Wise event on May 18th, at the Water Wise Garden, at 9 a.m.

CM Murillo announced her monthly town hall at Moorhead Recreation Center, March 28th, at 6 p.m. She stated there was a conflict with the Navigation Campus public meeting, and was told the meetings would be recorded and was given feedback to try to keep a status check on things are going.

CM Hancock expressed she had the opportunity to go to Buckley Space Force Base, and it was an exciting tour to talk about the synergy and collaboration between APD and Buckley Space Force Base for emergency preparedness and things to keep the city safe. She stated her town hall is on April 11th, at Colorado Early Colleges. She said the Council works for the people and they are good stewards of their money, time, and energy and there to serve, protect, and defend their city.

CM Lawson announced she has two town halls in April, one on April 20th, at Heather Garden, from 10-11:30, and one on April 30, at Central Rec Center, from 6:30-8, to talk about the budget.

CM Bergan said she attended one of the Crimes Against Businesses Meetings, and thanked 18th Judicial, APD, and BAB for putting that on. She expressed they had a great attendance at her town hall last week. She noted there was a lot going on with E-470, and they had a report from the community engagement effort, talked about the Quebec Interchange IGA, and eliminating sales force and be 100% net use. She stated she serves as the chair on the Opioid Governance Board for Arapahoe County, and they approved \$1.2 million continued funding of the current program, and additionally allocated \$100,000 for a campaign for prevention and awareness, as well as \$100,000 for workforce development.

Council members Gardner, Zvonek, Sundberg, and Medina did not have a report.

19. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Coffman adjourned the regular meeting of City Council.



MIKE COFFMAN, MAYOR

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ATTEST:



Kadee Rodriguez

KADEE RODRIGUEZ, CITY CLERK

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