

MINUTES

Regular Meeting of the Aurora City Council

Monday, April 8, 2024

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

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. ROLL CALL

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

3. INVOCATION/MOMENT OF SILENCE

Mayor Coffman led in prayer.

Mayor Coffman read a land acknowledgement.

4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

(All Standing)

5. EXECUTIVE SESSION UPDATE

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

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

6.a March 11, 2024 Meeting Minutes

6.b March 25, 2024 Meeting Minutes

Moved by Françoise Bergan

Second by Steve Sundberg

Does Council wish to approve the minutes of the March 11, 2024 and March 25, 2024 meetings?

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Voting Aye: (11): Stephanie Hancock, Steve Sundberg, Danielle Jurinsky, Alison Coombs, Angela Lawson, Mayor Coffman, Françoise Bergan, Crystal Murillo, Curtis Gardner, Ruben Medina, and Dustin Zvonek

7. PROCLAMATIONS OR CEREMONIES

7.a National Donate Life Month

Mayor Coffman proclaimed April 2024 as National Donate Life Month.

7.b Month of the Military Child

Mayor Coffman proclaimed April 2024 as Month of the Military Child.

7.c Aurora Arbor Week Proclamation

Mayor Coffman proclaimed April 15, 2024 through April 20, 2024 as Aurora Arbor Week.

7.d National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week

Mayor Coffman proclaimed April 14, 2024 through April 20, 2024 as National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week.

7.e Eid al-Fitr

Mayor Coffman proclaimed April 10, 2024 as Eid al-Fitr.

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 Steve Sundberg

Does Council wish to adopt the agenda with Item 11.a.5 (tabled) and Item 12.b. removed?

Voting Aye: (11): Stephanie Hancock, Steve Sundberg, Danielle Jurinsky, Alison Coombs, Angela Lawson, Mayor Coffman, Françoise Bergan, Crystal Murillo, Curtis Gardner, Ruben Medina, and Dustin Zvonek

10. CONSENT CALENDAR - MOTIONS

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Moved by Curtis Gardner

Second by Alison Coombs

Does Council wish to approve the Motions consent calendar?

For (11): Stephanie Hancock, Steve Sundberg, Danielle Jurinsky, Alison Coombs, Angela Lawson, Mayor Coffman, Françoise Bergan, Crystal Murillo, Curtis Gardner, Ruben Medina, and Dustin Zvonek

10.a Motions

10.b Planning Matters

10.c Appointments to Boards and Commissions

10.c.a Consideration to Appoint One (1) Member and Reappoint Two (2) Members to the Golf Course Advisory Committee

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

10.c.b Consideration to Appoint One (1) Member to the Veterans Affairs Commission

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

10.c.c Consideration to Appoint Two (2) Members to the Citizens Advisory Committee on Housing and Community Development

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

10.c.d Consideration to Appoint One (1) Member to the Board of Adjustment and Appeals

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

11. CONSENT CALENDAR - RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

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Moved by Curtis Gardner

Second by Françoise Bergan

Does Council wish to approve the Resolutions and Ordinances consent calendar with item 11.a.4. removed?

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

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11.a Resolutions

11.a.1 Fifth Amendment to the 22nd Ave Outfall to Westerly Creek Improvement Project between the City of Aurora and Mile High Flood District

R2024-35 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AURORA, COLORADO, EXPRESSING THE AURORA CITY COUNCIL'S SUPPORT OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF AURORA AND URBAN DRAINAGE AND FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT, d/b/a MILE HIGH FLOOD DISTRICT REGARDING FINAL DESIGN, RIGHT-OF-WAY ACQUISITION, AND CONSTRUCTION OF DRAINAGE AND FLOOD CONTROL IMPROVEMENTS FOR 22ND AVENUE OUTFALL TO WESTERLY CREEK

James DeHerrera, Planning Services Manager, Aurora Water / Ian Best, Assistant City Attorney

11.a.2 Joint Wet Weather Monitoring and Other Colorado Discharge Permit Activities Intergovernmental Agreement

R2024-36 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AURORA, COLORADO, EXPRESSING THE AURORA CITY COUNCIL'S SUPPORT OF AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT AMONG THE CITY OF AURORA, COLORADO, BY AND THROUGH ITS UTILITY ENTERPRISE, THE URBAN DRAINAGE AND FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT, d/b/a MILE HIGH FLOOD DISTRICT, THE CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER, AND THE CITY OF LAKEWOOD REGARDING FUNDING OF JOINT WET WEATHER MONITORING AND OTHER COLORADO DISCHARGE PERMIT ACTIVITIES

Todd Brewer, Deputy Director of Treatment and Environmental Services, Aurora Water / Ian Best, Assistant City Attorney

11.a.3 Supporting the Flight Operations at Buckley Space Force Base

R2024-37 RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AURORA, COLORADO, EXPRESSING THE AURORA CITY COUNCIL'S STRONG SUPPORT OF THE 140TH WING OF THE COLORADO AIR NATIONAL GUARD'S FLIGHT OPERATIONS AT BUCKLEY SPACE FORCE BASE

Sponsors: Danielle Jurinsky, Council Member / Mike Coffman, Mayor

George Koumantakis, Manager of Client Services, Office of the City Attorney

Council heard public comment on the agenda-related-item.

11.a.4 Solution for Unsafe Traffic Conditions on North Bound Interstate 225 Between E. 2nd and E. Alameda Ave.

R2024-38 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AURORA, COLORADO, STRONGLY CALLING ON THE COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO STUDY AND IMPLEMENT A SOLUTION FOR THE UNSAFE TRAFFIC CONDITIONS ON NORTH BOUND INTERSTATE 225 BETWEEN EAST 2ND AVENUE AND EAST ALAMEDA AVENUE

Sponsors: Mike Coffman, Mayor / Steve Sundberg, Council Member

Ryan Germeroth, Deputy Director of Transportation and Mobility, Public Works / Lena McClelland, Assistant City Attorney

CM Sundberg explained he pulled the item to bring attention to the important safety issue in their city. He talked about all the accidents that were occurring at excessive speeds here, and you can see marks and scrapes on the concrete barriers and debris from crashed vehicles when driving through. He expressed CDOT was planning to conduct a study this summer for an award to fix the issues next year sometime, but they want to implore CDOT to hurry up and get the project fixed so more people do not die from car crashes here.

Staff provided a brief statement on the item.

Mayor Coffman thanked staff for their work on this and CM Sundberg for bringing the issue forward.

CM Coombs added that the young woman that was killed in the most recent accident was a member of the Mon community that came to the US for safety for their family. She said they owe it to everyone in their community to provide safety.

CM Bergan stated it was also important that everyone wear a seatbelt.

Moved by Steve Sundberg

Second by Alison Coombs

Does Council wish to support Resolution R2024-38 to call on the Colorado Department of Transportation to Study and Implement a solution for the unsafe traffic conditions on northbound Interstate 225 between East 2nd Avenue and East Alameda Avenue?

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

11.a.5 Rules of Order and Procedure: Amendment to Public Comment for City Council Meetings

R2024-39 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AURORA, COLORADO, TO AMEND THE RULES OF ORDER AND PROCEDURE FOR THE AURORA, COLORADO, CITY COUNCIL CONCERNING PUBLIC COMMENT FOR CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS

Sponsor: Curtis Gardner, Council Member

Andrea Wood, Assistant City Attorney

11.b Finalizing of Ordinances

Ordinances approved unanimously at first reading

11.b.1 Aurora Center for Health, Wealth and Well-Being (Zoning Map Amendment)

2024-07 FOR 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 SOUTHWEST CORRIDOR OF COLFAX AVENUE AND AIRPORT BOULEVARD

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

11.b.2 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

11.b.3 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

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

11.b.4 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

12. PUBLIC HEARINGS

Public hearings with or without related ordinances

12.a Proposed Comprehensive Plan Amendment to Adopt the Parks, Recreation, and Open Space (PROS) Master Plan

2024-11 A PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AURORA, COLORADO, AMENDING THE 2018 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN TO ADOPT BY REFERENCE THE "OUR PARKS, OUR PLACES: A PLAN FOR AURORA'S PARKS, RECREATION, AND OPEN SPACE" PLAN ("PROS MASTER PLAN")

Daniel Krzyzanowski, Planning Supervisor, Planning and Business Development / Lena McClelland, Assistant City Attorney

Mayor Coffman opened the public hearing.

Staff provided a brief summary of the item.

Council heard public testimony on the agenda-related-item.

Mayor Coffman closed the public hearing.

Moved by Danielle Jurinsky

Second by Curtis Gardner

Does the City Council wish to support Ordinance 2024-11 amending the 2018 Comprehensive Plan to adopt by reference the "Our Parks, Our Places: A Plan for Aurora's Parks, Recreation and Open Space Plan" Plan ("PROS Master Plan")?

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

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12.b Adopt the 2020 Model Traffic Code

2024-12 A PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AURORA, COLORADO, AMENDING SECTIONS 134-1, and 134-8; AND REPEALING SECTION 134-2(n)(3) OF THE CITY CODE PERTAINING TO ADOPTION OF THE 2020 MODEL TRAFFIC CODE AND LOCAL AMENDMENTS

Chris Poppe, Police Commander / Andrea Wood, Assistant City Attorney

12.c Horizon Amended Vesting Development Agreement

2024-13 A PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AN AMENDED AND RESTATED VESTED RIGHTS DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF AURORA COLORADO, LENDLEASE HORIZON, LLC, AND HULAND1, LLC CONTAINING PROVISIONS FOR A VESTED PROPERTY RIGHT PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 68 OF TITLE 24, C.R.S. FOR CERTAIN LANDS LOCATED IN SECTION 1, TOWNSHIP 4 SOUTH, RANGE 66 WEST OF THE SIXTH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, COUNTY OF ARAPAHOE, STATE OF COLORADO

Jacob Cox, Interim Director of Development Services / Brian Rulla, Assistant City Attorney

Mayor Coffman opened the public hearing.

Staff provided a brief presentation on the item.

CM Coombs asked what guarantees they had that the development will be carried out within the timeframe set.

J. Cox stated the goal was to allow them more time to bring commercial to market in the area.

CM Sundberg mentioned he met with the developer and partners and toured the development, and the developer really wants to leave a legacy of building community in a positive way with a walkable neighborhood, Pre-K through 8th school, dog park, and other wonderful amenities.

Mayor Coffman closed the public hearing.

Moved by Curtis Gardner

Second by Danielle Jurinsky

Does City Council wish to approve Ordinance 2024-13 regarding the amended vesting development agreement?

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

13. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

13.a Elected Officials and Executive Personnel (EOEP) Code Amendments Related to Secure 2.0 Act

2024-14 FOR AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AURORA, COLORADO, AMENDING ARTICLE VIII OF CHAPTER 102, OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF AURORA RELATED TO THE ELECTED OFFICIALS AND EXECUTIVE PERSONNEL DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN

Sponsor: Curtis Gardner, Council Member

Nancy Wishmeyer, Controller, Finance / Hanosky Hernandez Senior Assistant City Attorney

Staff gave a brief presentation on the item.

Moved by Curtis Gardner

Second by Alison Coombs

Does Council support Ordinance 2024-14?

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

13.b General Employees' Retirement Plan (GERP) Code Amendments Related to Secure 2.0 Act

2024-15 FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE V OF CHAPTER 102 OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF AURORA, COLORADO, RELATING TO THE GENERAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT PLAN, AND OTHER RELATED MATTERS

Sponsor: Curtis Gardner, Council Member

Nancy Wishmeyer, Controller, Finance / Hanosky Hernandez Senior Assistant City Attorney

Staff gave a brief presentation on the item.

Moved by Curtis Gardner

Second by Danielle Jurinsky

Does the Council wish to support Ordinance 2024-15?

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

13.c Judicial Performance Commission

2024-16 FOR AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AURORA, COLORADO, AMENDING SECTION 50-102 OF THE CITY CODE PERTAINING TO THE COMPOSITION AND MEMBERSHIP OF THE JUDICIAL PERFORMANCE COMMISSION

Sponsor: Danielle Jurinsky, Council Member

Candace Atkinson, Director of Courts and Detention / Angela Garcia, Senior Assistant City Attorney

Staff gave a brief presentation on the item.

Moved by Danielle Jurinsky

Second by Alison Coombs

Does City Council approve Ordinance 2024-16 for the Judicial Performance Committee amendments?

Voting Aye: (10): Stephanie Hancock, Steve Sundberg, Danielle Jurinsky, Alison Coombs, 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

15.a Allen Parcel Annexation Findings of Fact

R2024-40 A PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AURORA, COLORADO, MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS OF FACT REGARDING THE PROPOSED ANNEXATION OF A PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED IN THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 2 AND THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 11, TOWNSHIP 4 SOUTH, RANGE 66 WEST OF THE SIXTH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, COUNTY OF ARAPAHOE (Allen Annexation) 41.028 ACRES

Jacob Cox, Interim Director of Development Services / Brian Rulla, Assistant City Attorney

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Staff gave a brief presentation on the item.

Moved by Alison Coombs

Second by Françoise Bergan

Does Council wish to continue Item 15.a. and Item 15.b. to April 22, 2024 (including public hearing)?

Voting Aye (11): Stephanie Hancock, Steve Sundberg, Danielle Jurinsky, Alison Coombs, Angela Lawson, Mayor Coffman, Françoise Bergan, Crystal Murillo, Curtis Gardner, Ruben Medina, and Dustin Zvonek

15.b Allen Parcel Annexation

2024-17 FOR AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING A PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED IN THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 2 AND THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 11, TOWNSHIP 4 SOUTH, RANGE 66 WEST OF THE SIXTH PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, COUNTY OF ARAPAHOE (Allen Annexation) 41.028 ACRES

Jacob Cox, Interim Director of Development Services / Brian Rulla, Assistant City Attorney

16. RECONSIDERATIONS AND CALL UPS

17. GENERAL BUSINESS

18. REPORTS

18.a Mayor

Mayor Coffman stated he spent time with AFR for a 24-hour shift, and encouraged other council members to do the same to see all they do. He also attended an awards event for the firefighters. He added he would be having Town Meeting on April 20th, with presentations by Chief Morris, Chief Oughton, and a representative from Highline Canal. He said he will confirm the location and time on his Facebook page tomorrow.

18.b Council

CM Coombs reported she visited several mosques and it was wonderful to see the coming together of community and deepening sense of compassion despite their struggles, and she thanked them for allowing her to join. She noted she will be unable to attend the At-Large Town Hall Meeting on the 18th, because she will be attending the city's lobbying trip to D.C.

CM Gardner stated he would also be unable to attend the At-Large Town Hall Meeting on the 18th, and addressed 11.a.5. He explained he decided to pull that because the city is currently paying several thousand dollars a month to

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maintain the public comment line, but they very rarely have public commenters call in, but will be looking to find a more cost effective option.

CM Jurinsky announced she will be co-hosting the Ward 4 Town Hall on April 11th, Ward 5 Town Hall on April 16th, and hosting the At-Large Town Hall on April 18th, at 6:30, at the Southeast Rec Center with MPT Zvonek. She also mentioned the Water Wise Event on May 18th, at 9 a.m., at City Hall in the Water Wise Garden, where they will have many vendors and opportunities to look at conserving water and saving money.

MPT Zvonek explained a bill that was introduced a few weeks ago that was introduced, HB14-37, which is an attempt to subvert local control. He said one of their options to avoid that is to review whether or not they want to continue subsidizing Arapahoe and Adams County for prosecuting domestic violence cases not reaching a felony level in their courts. He said he would be bringing an ordinance to the next Public Safety Meeting to start the conversation on whether or not they should continue or allow the legislature determine how they handle public defense and contract out with public defenders. He stated he would also be bringing a resolution asking the City Manager to cost out what the taxpayers of Aurora are subsidizing those two counties to handle those cases in our court.

CM Murillo announced her monthly Town Hall on April 25th at the Aurora Fox Center, that she will be co-hosting with CM Coombs. She extended an invitation for everyone to come to the Aurora Cultural Arts District to check out a city owned venue.

CM Sundberg noted a bar and grill that had a chronic dine and dasher that came back in recently and physically threatened the bartender when confronted, but police were not able to get him. He attended the Warrior Now End Suicide Event with CM Bergan and CM Hancock, which is to prevent veteran suicide. He said it was positive and they raised over \$50,000. He also mentioned a graduation for the Aurora Armed Forces Wellness Court on April 22nd for someone who has been sober for a year. He announced his Town Hall for April 18th, at the Central Recreation Center, at 6:30, to talk about grocery stores in Ward 2 and to meet the new Library Services Director.

CM Medina announced his Town Hall for April 9th, at the Central Library.

CM Hancock discussed attending the Veteran Suicide Gala, stating there was a compelling speech on how veterans return home with a lack of purpose and choose other means to get needs met, but this program wraps around veterans and helps them reintegrate into society. She said she went to the opening of the new Xfinity Store in Ward 4, which show businesses are still coming to Aurora. She stated she would be co-hosting her Ward 4 Town Hall with CM Jurinsky on April 11th, at Colorado Early College, with 911 attending and having a discussion on budget, safety, and other things they have been doing. She encouraged everyone to come out.

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CM Lawson gave the FSIR update, voicing there was 30 days left of the state legislative session with over 600 bills introduced, and the Colorado Senate approved the 40.6 billion dollar budget for the next fiscal year for the state. She stated SB24-035, strengthening the enforcement of human trafficking, was sent to the Governor for signature to be passed into law. Congress is back in session and will focus on foreign aid and homeland security. She announced the next FSIR Meeting is on April 12th, and the Ward 5 Town Halls will be April 20th, at Heather Garden, from 10-11:45 and April 30th, at Central Rec Center, from 6:30-8. Both Town Halls will be discussing the budget and the Aurora Fire Rescue Strategic Plan. She noted that anyone could attend.


CM Bergan announced the new Executive Director for the E-470 Executive Board. She attended the Veterans Suicide Gala, and said a lot of court judges were there. She said she also attended the State FBLA Awards Ceremony, and congratulated all the students who won awards.

19. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Coffman adjourned the regular meeting of City Council.


MIKE COFFMAN, MAYOR

ATTEST:


KADEE RODRIGUEZ, CITY CLERK



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