

MINUTES

Regular Meeting of the Aurora City Council

Monday, October 28, 2024

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

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Coffman reconvened the regular meeting of the 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 for the October 28, 2024 meeting.

4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

(All Standing)

Mayor Coffman read a land acknowledgement.

5. EXECUTIVE SESSION UPDATE

Mayor Coffman provided an update on the Executive Session, stating property transactions and negotiations were discussed.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

6.a October 14, 2024 Meeting Minutes

Moved by: Steve Sundberg

Second by: Angela Lawson

Does Council wish to approve the minutes of the 10/14/2024 meeting?

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Voting Aye: (9): Mayor Coffman, Françoise Bergan, Alison Coombs, Curtis Gardner, Stephanie Hancock, Danielle Jurinsky, Angela Lawson, Ruben Medina, and Steve Sundberg

Absent: (2): Crystal Murillo, and Dustin Zvonek

7. PROCLAMATIONS OR CEREMONIES

8. PUBLIC INVITED TO BE HEARD

(non-agenda related issues only)

Mayor Coffman read a decorum statement. Council heard public testimony on non-agenda related items.

9. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Moved by: Alison Coombs

Second by: Steve Sundberg

Does Council wish to adopt the agenda as presented?

Voting Aye: (9): Mayor Coffman, Françoise Bergan, Alison Coombs, Curtis Gardner, Stephanie Hancock, Danielle Jurinsky, Angela Lawson, Ruben Medina, and Steve Sundberg

Absent: (2): Crystal Murillo, 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.

Moved by: Danielle Jurinsky

Second by: Stephanie Hancock

Does Council wish to approve the Motions Consent Calendar as presented?

Voting Aye: (9): Mayor Coffman, Françoise Bergan, Alison Coombs, Curtis Gardner, Stephanie Hancock, Danielle Jurinsky, Angela Lawson, Ruben Medina, and Steve Sundberg

Absent: (2): Crystal Murillo, and Dustin Zvonek

10.a Motions

10.b Planning Matters

10.c Appointments to Boards and Commissions

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.

10.c.1 Consideration to Appoint Three (3) Members to the Aurora Immigrant and Refugee Commission

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

10.c.2 Consideration to Reappoint One (1) Member and Appoint One (1) Member to the Aurora Youth Commission

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

10.c.3 Consideration to Appoint Two (2) Members to the Library Board

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

11. CONSENT CALENDAR - RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

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.

Moved by: Danielle Jurinsky

Second by: Stephanie Hancock

Does Council wish to approve the Resolutions and Ordinances Consent Calendar with items 11.a.8, 11.a.9, and 11.b.2 removed?

Voting Aye: (8): Alison Coombs, Curtis Gardner, Stephanie Hancock, Danielle Jurinsky, Angela Lawson, Ruben Medina, Crystal Murillo, and Steve Sundberg

Voting Nay: (1): Françoise Bergan

Absent: (1): Dustin Zvonek

11.a Resolutions

11.a.1 Havana Business Improvement District (BID) Board Member Appointment

R2024-130 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AURORA, COLORADO, APPOINTING A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE HAVANA BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

Chad Argentar, Senior Project Manager, Planning & Business Services / Hans Hernandez, Senior Assistant City Attorney

11.a.2 2024-2025 City Pay Table and Classification

R2024-131 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AURORA, COLORADO, APPROVING THE 2025 CITY PAY TABLE AND CLASSIFICATIONS

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Max Agronin, Senior Compensation Analyst, Human Resources / Kim Skaggs, Assistant City Attorney

11.a.3 Purchase of Godfrey Ditch Company Stock from Phyllis Ann Burkgren

R2024-132 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AURORA, COLORADO, APPROVING THE CONTRACT FOR PURCHASE OF GODFREY DITCH COMPANY STOCK BETWEEN THE CITY OF AURORA ACTING BY AND THROUGH ITS UTILITY ENTERPRISE AND PHYLLIS ANN BURKGREN

Alexandra Davis, Assistant General Manager of Water Supply & Demand, Aurora Water / Steve Cann, Assistant City Attorney

11.a.4 United States Forest Service Collection Agreement for Forest Health Projects

R2024-133 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AURORA, COLORADO, EXPRESSING THE AURORA CITY COUNCIL'S APPROVAL OF THE COLLECTION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF AURORA, COLORADO, ACTING BY AND THROUGH ITS UTILITY ENTERPRISE AND THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, U.S. FOREST SERVICE, ROCKY MOUNTAIN REGION FOR FOREST HEALTH TREATMENTS IN THE SUGARLOAF MOUNTAIN AREA SURROUNDING TURQUOISE RESERVOIR

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

11.a.5 Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with Park County for Design & Construction Services to Offset Park County's CR 53 Alteration and Improvements Due to Wild Horse Reservoir

R2024-134 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AURORA, COLORADO, EXPRESSING THE AURORA CITY COUNCIL'S SUPPORT OF AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF AURORA ACTING BY AND THROUGH ITS UTILITY ENTERPRISE AND PARK COUNTY, COLORADO REGARDING WILD HORSE RESERVOIR AND COUNTY ROAD 53 IMPROVEMENTS

Sarah Young, Assistant General Manager of Planning & Engineering, Aurora Water / Ian Best, Assistant City Attorney

11.a.6 Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with Denver Water Regarding the Strontia Springs Permanent Bypass Study

R2024-135 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AURORA, COLORADO, EXPRESSING THE AURORA CITY COUNCIL'S SUPPORT OF AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE

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CITY OF AURORA COLORADO ACTING BY AND THROUGH ITS UTILITY ENTERPRISE AND THE CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER REGARDING THE STRONTIA SPRINGS PERMANENT BYPASS PROJECT

Matthew Allsopp, Source of Supply Superintendent, Aurora Water / Ian Best, Assistant City Attorney

11.a.7 Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with Central Colorado Water Conservancy District for the Purchase of Brighton Ditch Company Stock

R2024-136 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AURORA, COLORADO, EXPRESSING THE AURORA CITY COUNCIL'S SUPPORT OF THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF AURORA AND CENTRAL COLORADO WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT AND GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT SUBDISTRICT OF THE CENTRAL COLORADO WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT FOR PURCHASE OF BRIGHTON DITCH COMPANY STOCK

Dawn Jewell, Water Resources Manager, Aurora Water / Steve Cann, Assistant City Attorney

11.a.8 City Manager to Create a Policy with Specific Criteria for 501(c)(3) Nonprofit Financial Support

R2024-137 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AURORA, COLORADO, DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO CREATE A POLICY WITH SPECIFIC CRITERIA FOR 501(c)(3) NONPROFIT FINANCIAL SUPPORT FROM THE CITY OF AURORA AND OTHER RELATED MATTERS

Sponsor: Dustin Zvonek, Mayor Pro Tem / Stephanie Hancock, Council Member

Jason Batchelor, City Manager / Hanosky Hernandez, Senior Assistant City Attorney

MPT Zvonek explained the resolution would require the city manager to come up with a formal process for 501(c)(3) nonprofits for ongoing operational support. He added that they can submit a request for an event or purpose that aligns with the City's goal.

CM Coombs said that in her experience on Council, when funds are allocated to nonprofit organizations, it was a result of RFPs, open competitive grant applications, or council member directed sponsorship requests. She expressed there are guidelines and specific criteria for receiving funds and the City has built in rules. She asked if they have nonprofit organizations that are not undergoing a process and set guidelines for receiving funds.

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J. Batchelor answered that the majority of support going to nonprofits does go through a process like an RFP and notice of funding availability, and those amounts may come to Council. He explained the policy is directs him to codify those things, make sure they are brought back to Council, and that Council is comfortable with the award amounts.

Moved by: Dustin Zvonek

Second by: Danielle Jurinsky

Does the city council wish to approve the resolution as presented?

Voting Aye: (7): Françoise Bergan, Curtis Gardner, Stephanie Hancock, Danielle Jurinsky, Angela Lawson, Steve Sundberg, and Dustin Zvonek

Voting Nay: (3): Alison Coombs, Ruben Medina, and Crystal Murillo

11.a.9 Directing the City Manager to Allocate the Funds of the Occupational Privilege Tax

R2024-138 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AURORA, COLORADO, DIRECTING THE CITY MANAGER TO ALLOCATE THE REVENUES OF THE OCCUPATIONAL PRIVILEGE TAX OF ARTICLES V AND VI OF CHAPTER 130 OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF AURORA TO FUND TWO FIRE STATIONS, AND THE REMAINING BALANCE TO FUND PUBLIC SAFETY OPERATIONS

Sponsor: Françoise Bergan, Council Member / Curtis Gardner, Council Member

Jason Batchelor, City Manager / Hanosky Hernandez, Senior Assistant City Attorney

CM Bergan presented on the item. She stated an amendment was made to allow the sponsor find funding for the fire stations, and if that is possible the resolution would not be needed. She added that the resolution also directed the city manager to dedicate the OTP tax to the staffing of the two fire stations, but only if they are not able to find funds to make up the difference.

CM Jurinsky commented that this is a bad tax and hurts businesses in Aurora. She said businesses have been notified for two years that the tax is set to end in two months and are expecting it. She expressed there are ways to find funding and she has already identified several sources. She vowed to make sure the fire stations are built and noted that the 2025 budget already includes the building of the Highlands Fire Station. She asked her colleagues to hold true to the word that they gave to businesses owners on this tax ending. CM Jurinsky stated

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she is willing to turn it into some sort of flat fee, which would be much easier for the City to manage.

CM Sundberg shared that looking back at the original ordinance, Section 4 directed the city manager to bring forth a budget alternative for the 2024 budget showing the equivalent of up to a 4% budget reduction in each department other than public safety and road maintenance. He inquired if they did that.

J. Batchelor responded that would have been the direction if the 2025 budget needed balance with cuts and was part of the cause for the resolution.

CM Gardner voiced that he found it ironic to say it is a bad tax, but suggest a fee, when a fee by the government is a tax that would not be discussed by the public. He said this is not a burden on taxpayers and charging a flat fee would be incredibly regressive towards the smallest businesses in the city, because they would be paying the same amount as bigger businesses. He stated that these fire stations are needed and being a good policy maker is recognizing when you have made a bad decision.

CM Bergan voiced that the amendment she agreed to at the last meeting was to give additional time to find funds, and if it was found by June 1, they could repeal the OPT tax. She noted that she had unanimous support at the last meeting when she agreed to the amendment of more time. She asked her colleagues to consider supporting this again.

CM Jurinsky commented it would not be regressive to have a fee that cannot get mismanaged. She said a lot of things in business are based off of occupancy and they can make it where smaller businesses are not paying the same as larger businesses. She stated that she only mentioned being open to a fee if she cannot find funding.

CM Bergan asked if the fee is a tax.

J. Batchelor responded yes, that it would require an election under Tabor to be able to re-instill the type of fee CM Jurinsky proposed.

Moved by: Danielle Jurinsky

Second by: Stephanie Hancock

Does Council wish to support the motion to end the debate?

Voting Aye: (5): Mayor Coffman, Danielle Jurinsky, Angela Lawson, Ruben Medina and Steven Sundberg

Voting Nay: (5): Françoise Bergan, Alison Coombs, Curtis Gardner, Stephanie Hancock, and Crystal Murillo

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Absent: (1): Dustin Zvonek

Moved by: Curtis Gardner

Seconded by: Françoise Bergan

CM Coombs stated this issue keeps coming up, that when people get tired of having the conversation, even if people have not had the opportunity to speak, they call for the question, which is a non-debatable motion. She asked if those rules are intended to prevent any debate from happening or intended so that some people get to speak and others do not.

P. Schulte explained the rule allows for the procedure they just saw, but if it is defeated in the motion, the debate can continue.

CM Jurinsky asked if a council member is allowed to change their vote.

P. Schulte answered that if the council member is clear that was not their intention and wants to change their vote, they can.

Mayor Coffman voiced that since this is a critical issue, they need to proceed with some debate on this.

CM Murillo stated that this was brought up at the eleventh hour and if it had went through the normal process, city staff would have been able to support with proactively finding ways they could overcome the deficit, but there was no fiscal note or contemplation of the long term impact and staff was left to just figure it out. She said it felt haphazard, emotional, and targeted and every year there has been an effort to try to cut funding from other areas to make it up. CM Murillo voiced she is not comfortable supporting the ordinance if the way to make up the deficit is to cut funding for nonprofits.

Mayor Coffman added that if they go down the route of a fee, it has to be tied to a very specific function of government, whereas if it goes into the General Fund, it is a tax and not a fee.

CM Jurinsky said there is a lot of wasteful spending in their budget and the Council has ever sat down and looked at that. She added that they are to live within their means and not with an additional bad tax.

CM Murillo asked for clarity that the funding will not be at the expense of their social services and nonprofit communities.

CM Bergan said she believes a lot of games are being played right now, because she had everyone's support at the last meeting. She noted they could pass this tonight and still have time to find funding.

CM Jurinsky again stated business owners have been told this for two years, so that is why it is important to vote no and keep their word.

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CM Bergan voiced she is extremely disappointed in manipulation of how this has been handled. She expressed that the residents that live in South Shore and Blackstone have been waiting for staffing of a fire station for 20 plus years, and she hopes no one dies or any houses or businesses burn down because this did not pass.

CM Gardner asked to make a substitute motion to continue the item.

Does Council wish to continue this item to second Council Meeting in January 2025?

Voting Aye: (6): Mayor Coffman, Françoise Bergan, Alison Coombs, Curtis Gardner, Ruben Medina, and Crystal Murillo

Voting Nay: (4): Stephanie Hancock, Danielle Jurinsky, Angela Lawson, and Steve Sundberg

Absent: (1): Dustin Zvonek

11.b Finalizing of Ordinances

Ordinances approved unanimously at first reading.

11.b.1 Aurora Missing Sidewalks Gap Improvements Project

2024-66 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF AURORA, COLORADO, TO EXERCISE THE POWER OF EMINENT DOMAIN FOR ACQUISITION OF CERTAIN PROPERTY INTERESTS NECESSARY FOR THE AURORA MISSING SIDEWALKS PROGRAM PROJECT

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

11.b.2 Employee Occupational Privilege Tax

2024-67 FOR AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AURORA, COLORADO, AMENDING ORDINANCE 2022-77 RELATED TO ARTICLE V "EMPLOYER OCCUPATIONAL PRIVILEGE TAX" AND ARTICLE VI "EMPLOYEE OCCUPATIONAL PRIVILEGE TAX" OF CHAPTER 130 OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF AURORA, AND OTHER RELATED MATTERS

Sponsor: Françoise Bergan, Council Member / Curtis Gardner, Council Member

Jason Batchelor, City Manager / Hans Hernandez, Senior Assistant City Attorney

CM Jurinsky encouraged her colleagues to vote no and end this tonight. She added they are in a balanced budget all the way through 2025 and have plenty of time to figure out the funding.

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CM Gardner asked about the projected budget shortfalls starting in January 2026.

J. Batchelor answered approximately 11 million dollars.

CM Bergan urged her colleagues to support the push to November 18th. She said it is really important that they staff these fire stations and she did not know how they would do that without this.

CM Jurinsky stated that sending domestic violence to the county would roughly be saving \$3 million in the budget. She asked the city attorney to talk about what they did in the City Attorney's Office prior to his role, how much they have been spending on outside counsel per year, and the plan moving forward for the financial future and savings.

P. Schulte explained that before taking office, they were spending about \$3.7 million a year on outside counsel. He said his intent is to bring more litigation in house and they are already taking steps to be able to do that.

CM Gardner expressed that to run a fire station is not only the upfront capital cost, but the ongoing costs. He said for year 2026, they need to come up with the \$11 million they are already short and over \$5 million to operate the stations.

Moved by: Françoise Bergan

Second by: Curtis Gardner

Does Council wish to continue this item to the Nov. 18 Council Meeting?

Voting Aye: (6): Mayor Coffman, Françoise Bergan, Alison Coombs, Curtis Gardner, Ruben Medina, and Crystal Murillo

Voting Nay: (4): Stephanie Hancock, Danielle Jurinsky, Angela Lawson, and Steve Sundberg

Absent: (1): Dustin Zvonek

12. PUBLIC HEARINGS

Public hearings with or without related ordinances.

13. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

13.a Introduction of the 2025 Rates and Fees

2024-68 A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CERTAIN SECTIONS OF CHAPTER 138 OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF AURORA, COLORADO, RELATING TO RATES AND CONNECTION FEES FOR THE PROVISION OF WATER, SANITARY SEWER AND WASTEWATER SERVICES

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Cat Olukotun, Deputy Director of Business Services, Aurora Water / Ian Best,
Assistant City Attorney

Staff gave a brief presentation on the item.

Moved by: Steve Sundberg

Second by: Stephanie Hancock

Does Council support the APPROVAL OF AN ORDINANCE amending certain sections of Chapter 138 of the City Code of the City of Aurora, Colorado, relating to rates and connection fees for the provision of water, sanitary sewer and wastewater services?

Voting Aye: (8): Françoise Bergan, Alison Coombs, Curtis Gardner, Stephanie Hancock, Danielle Jurinsky, Angela Lawson, Ruben Medina, and Steve Sundberg

Absent: (2): Crystal Murillo, and Dustin Zvonek

13.b Series 2024 First-Lien Water Revenue Bonds

2024-69 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE BY THE CITY OF AURORA, COLORADO, ACTING BY AND THROUGH ITS UTILITY ENTERPRISE, OF FIRST-LIEN WATER REVENUE BONDS, IN ONE OR MORE SERIES, IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$150,000,000, FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING, IN WHOLE OR IN PART, THE COST OF CERTAIN ADDITIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS TO THE WATER SYSTEM OPERATED BY THE UTILITY ENTERPRISE, PLEDGING CERTAIN FUNDS AND REVENUES OF THE ENTERPRISE TO THE PAYMENT OF SUCH BONDS, PRESCRIBING THE FORM OF SUCH BONDS, AND PROVIDING OTHER DETAILS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH

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

Staff gave a brief presentation on the item.

Moved by: Steve Sundberg

Second by: Danielle Jurinsky

Do the members of the Management and Finance Committee recommend this item for approval and presentation to the full City Council for consideration?

Voting Aye: (8): Françoise Bergan, Alison Coombs, Curtis Gardner, Stephanie Hancock, Danielle Jurinsky, Angela Lawson, Ruben Medina, and Steve Sundberg

Absent: (2): Crystal Murillo, and Dustin Zvonek

13.c 2025 Tax Levy Ordinance

2024-70 FOR AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE TAX LEVY ON ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF AURORA, COLORADO, FOR THE TAX COLLECTION YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2025, AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2025

Greg Hays, Budget Officer, Finance / Hanosky Hernandez, Senior Assistant City Attorney

Staff gave a brief presentation on the item.

Moved by: Alison Coombs

Second by: Angela Lawson

Does Council wish to establish the tax levy in accordance with the attached ordinance for the tax collection year beginning January 1, 2025 and ending December 31, 2025?

Voting Aye: (8): Françoise Bergan, Alison Coombs, Curtis Gardner, Stephanie Hancock, Danielle Jurinsky, Angela Lawson, Ruben Medina, and Steve Sundberg

Absent: (2): Crystal Murillo, and Dustin Zvonek

13.d 2025 Adopting Budget Ordinance

2024-71 A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF AURORA, COLORADO, ADOPTING AN OPERATING AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROJECTS BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2025, AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2025

Greg Hays, Budget Officer, Finance / Hanosky Hernandez, Senior Assistant City Attorney

Staff gave a brief presentation on the item.

Moved by: Alison Coombs

Second by: Angela Lawson

Does Council wish to forward the 2025 Budget to the Second Reading as shown in the ordinance?

Voting Aye: (8): Françoise Bergan, Alison Coombs, Curtis Gardner, Stephanie Hancock, Danielle Jurinsky, Angela Lawson, Ruben Medina, and Steve Sundberg

Absent: (2): Crystal Murillo, and Dustin Zvonek

13.e 2025 Budget Appropriations Ordinance

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2024-72 A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF AURORA, COLORADO, APPROPRIATING SUMS OF MONEY TO DEFRAY EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2025, AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2025

Greg Hays, Budget Officer, Finance / Hanosky Hernandez, Senior Assistant City Attorney

Staff gave a brief presentation on the item.

Moved by: Steve Sundberg

Second by: Alison Coombs

Does Council wish to forward the 2025 budget appropriations as shown in the ordinance to the second reading?

Voting Aye: (8): Françoise Bergan, Alison Coombs, Curtis Gardner, Stephanie Hancock, Danielle Jurinsky, Angela Lawson, Ruben Medina, and Steve Sundberg

Absent: (2): Crystal Murillo, and Dustin Zvonek

13.f General Improvement District 2-2011 (Aurora Conference Center) 2025 Operating Budget

2024-73 AN ORDINANCE OF THE AURORA CONFERENCE CENTER GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT (NO. 2-2011) ADOPTING AN OPERATING BUDGET, ESTABLISHING THE TAX LEVY, AND APPROPRIATING SUMS OF MONEY TO DEFRAY EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2025, AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2025

Andrew Jamison, Debt & Treasury Supervisor, Finance / Hanosky Hernandez, Senior Assistant City Attorney

Staff gave a brief presentation on the item.

Moved by: Steve Sundberg

Second by: Angela Lawson

Does Council wish to support an ordinance adopting the General Improvement District 2-2011 2025 Operating Budget??

Voting Aye: (8): Françoise Bergan, Alison Coombs, Curtis Gardner, Stephanie Hancock, Danielle Jurinsky, Angela Lawson, Ruben Medina, and Steve Sundberg

Absent: (2): Crystal Murillo, and Dustin Zvonek

13.g General Improvement District 1-2007 (Cherry Creek Racquet Club) 2025 Operating Budget

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2024-74 AN ORDINANCE OF GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT 1-2007 (CHERRY CREEK RACQUET CLUB) ADOPTING AN OPERATING BUDGET, ESTABLISHING THE TAX LEVY, AND APPROPRIATING SUMS OF MONEY TO DEFRAY EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2025, AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2025

Andrew Jamison, Debt & Treasury Supervisor, Finance / Hanosky Hernandez, Senior Assistant City Attorney

Staff gave a brief presentation on the item.

Moved by: Alison Coombs

Second by: Angela Lawson

Does Council wish to support an ordinance adopting the General Improvement District 1-2007 Cherry Creek Raquet Club 2025 Operating Budget?

Voting Aye: (8): Françoise Bergan, Alison Coombs, Curtis Gardner, Stephanie Hancock, Danielle Jurinsky, Angela Lawson, Ruben Medina, and Steve Sundberg

Absent: (2): Crystal Murillo, and Dustin Zvonek

13.h General Improvement District 1-2016 (Cobblewood) 2025 Operating Budget

2024-75 AN ORDINANCE OF COBBLEWOOD GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT 1-2016 (COBBLEWOOD GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT) ADOPTING AN OPERATING BUDGET, ESTABLISHING THE TAX LEVY, AND APPROPRIATING SUMS OF MONEY TO DEFRAY EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2025, AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2025

Andrew Jamison, Debt & Treasury Supervisor, Finance / Hanosky Hernandez, Senior Assistant City Attorney

Staff gave a brief presentation on the item.

Moved by: Alison Coombs

Second by: Angela Lawson

Does Council wish to support an ordinance adopting General Improvement District 1-2016 Cobblewood 2025 Operating Budget?

Voting Aye: (8): Françoise Bergan, Alison Coombs, Curtis Gardner, Stephanie Hancock, Danielle Jurinsky, Angela Lawson, Ruben Medina, and Steve Sundberg

Absent: (2): Crystal Murillo, and Dustin Zvonek

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13.i General Improvement District 3-2008 (Meadow Hills Country Club) 2025 Operating Budget

2024-76 AN ORDINANCE OF GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT 3-2008 (MEADOW HILLS COUNTRY CLUB) ADOPTING AN OPERATING BUDGET, ESTABLISHING THE TAX LEVY, AND APPROPRIATING SUMS OF MONEY TO DEFRAY EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2025, AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2025

Andrew Jamison, Debt & Treasury Supervisor, Finance / Hanosky Hernandez, Senior Assistant City Attorney

Staff gave a brief presentation on the item.

Moved by: Angela Lawson

Second by: Alison Coombs

Does Council wish to support an ordinance adopting the Meadow Hills GID budget and mill levy for 2025?

Voting Aye: (8): Françoise Bergan, Alison Coombs, Curtis Gardner, Stephanie Hancock, Danielle Jurinsky, Angela Lawson, Ruben Medina, and Steve Sundberg

Absent: (2): Crystal Murillo, and Dustin Zvonek

13.j General Improvement District 1-2008 (Peoria Park) 2025 Operating Budget

2024-77 AN ORDINANCE OF GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT 1-2008 (PEORIA PARK) ADOPTING AN OPERATING BUDGET, ESTABLISHING THE TAX LEVY, AND APPROPRIATING SUMS OF MONEY TO DEFRAY EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2025, AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2025

Andrew Jamison, Debt & Treasury Supervisor, Finance / Hanosky Hernandez, Senior Assistant City Attorney

Staff gave a brief presentation on the item.

Moved by: Alison Coombs

Second by: Angela Lawson

Does Council wish to support an ordinance adopting the Meadow Hills GID budget and mill levy for 2025?

Voting Aye: (8): Françoise Bergan, Alison Coombs, Curtis Gardner, Stephanie Hancock, Danielle Jurinsky, Angela Lawson, Ruben Medina, and Steve Sundberg

Absent: (2): Crystal Murillo, and Dustin Zvonek

13.k General Improvement District 2-2009 2025 (Pier Point 7) Operating Budget

2024-78 AN ORDINANCE OF PIER POINT 7 GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT 2-2009 ADOPTING AN OPERATING BUDGET, ESTABLISHING THE TAX LEVY, AND APPROPRIATING SUMS OF MONEY TO DEFRAY EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2025, AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2025

Andrew Jamison, Debt & Treasury Supervisor, Finance / Hanosky Hernandez, Senior Assistant City Attorney

Staff gave a brief presentation on the item.

Moved by: Angela Lawson

Second by: Alison Coombs

Does Council wish to support an ordinance adopting the Pier Point 7 GID budget and mill levy for 2025?

Voting Aye: (8): Françoise Bergan, Alison Coombs, Curtis Gardner, Stephanie Hancock, Danielle Jurinsky, Angela Lawson, Ruben Medina, and Steve Sundberg

Absent: (2): Crystal Murillo, 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 Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Future In-Person or Virtual Council Meetings

Peter Schulte, City Attorney

CM Hancock requested going virtual for that time, because it would be highly disruptive to be moving all around on election night.

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.

CM Coombs noted they had an earlier conversation on the different logistical things needed to do for the use of the Aurora Room for election purposes.

Moved by: Stephanie Hancock

Second by: Alison Coombs

Does Council wish to move Council Meeting on Nov. 4th be virtual.

*Requires 2/3 vote members present

Voting Aye: (9): Mayor Coffman, Françoise Bergan, Alison Coombs, Curtis Gardner, Stephanie Hancock, Danielle Jurinsky, Angela Lawson, Ruben Medina, and Steve Sundberg

Absent: (2): Crystal Murillo, and Dustin Zvonek

Moved by: Alison Coombs

Second by: Angela Lawson

Allow individuals to use the public call in line for public comment on agenda items and PITBH (Suspend Council Rules)

Voting Aye: (8): Mayor Coffman, Alison Coombs, Curtis Gardner, Stephanie Hancock, Danielle Jurinsky, Angela Lawson, Ruben Medina, and Steve Sundberg

Absent: (3): Françoise Bergan, Crystal Murillo, and Dustin Zvonek

18. REPORTS

18.a Mayor

Mayor Coffman said he had a great Town Hall Meeting at the Central Library, where Aurora Public Schools gave a presentation and Chief Chamberlain spoke and answered a lot of questions.

18.b Council

CM Coombs reported the Colorado Freedom Memorial Light Their Way Home will put out lights to recognized folks that have died in service from Colorado and they are still looking for volunteers. She mentioned vacancies for the Planning and Zoning Commission and the Aurora Housing Authority.

CM Sundberg stated he had a well-attended Town Hall. He attended a tree planting for the Daughters of the American Revolution, Visit Aurora Event, and supported the Chamber of Commerce through Leadership Aurora first class of the year. He gave props to CM Hancock for spearheading an effort with some business owners and concerned citizens where there was a big increase in homeless and transient people coming from Denver with serious

drug addiction coming a lot of crimes. He said she helped the area and business owners are happier.

CM Hancock said it was nice to see the efforts that the City Council do to be of service of their community, and they are seeing great improvement on Black Hawk. She announced her quarterly town halls will start again in January and they will be at Mount Olive Church. She also talked about the Aurora Borealis Festival coming up that will be amazing. She added that the Night Market was a huge success.

CM Lawson announced her final Town Hall for the year will be on November 19th, at the Central Rec Center, at 6:30. She thanked everyone who has attended her meetings.

CM Gardner, Jurinsky, Medina had no report.

19. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Coffman adjourned the regular meeting of City Council.


MIKE COFFMAN, MAYOR

ATTEST:


KADEE RODRIGUEZ, CITY CLERK