Aurora, Nebraska May 27, 2025

A meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Aurora, Nebraska, was convened in open and public session at 7:30 p.m. on May 27, 2025 at the City Hall. Present were Councilors: Paul Lackore, Wayne Roblee, Daniel Bartling, Mark Dunn, Dick Phillips and Esther Bergen. Mayor Marlin Seeman conducted the meeting. City Officials present were City Administrator Eric Melcher, City Attorney Ross Luzum, Chief of Police Paul Graham, Public Works Director Adam Darbro and Clerk/Treasurer Barbra Mikkelsen.

Notice of said meeting was given by publication in the Aurora News Register on May 21, 2025. Notice of meeting was simultaneously given to the Mayor and all members of the Council and a copy of their acknowledgment of receipt of notice and the agenda is attached to these minutes. Availability of the agenda of this meeting was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the Mayor and Council. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Mayor Seeman stated "AS PERSCRIBED BY LAW A COPY OF THE NEBRASKA OPEN MEETINGS ACT IS POSTED BY THE DOUBLE DOORS IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS."

MINUTES:

Councilor Dunn moved to approve the minutes from the May 13, 2025 meeting. Councilor Lackore seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Roblee, Bartling, Dunn, Phillips, Bergen and Lackore. Nay: None. The motion carried.

PETITIONS, COMPLAINTS, COMMUNICATIONS:

City Attorney Luzum read Ordinance No. 1216: AN ORDINANCE TO EXTEND AND INCREASE THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF AURORA, COUNTY OF HAMILTON, STATE OF NEBRASKA, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 17-405, R.R.S.1943, BY ANNEXING THERETO A CERTAIN PARCEL OF LAND CONTIGUOUS TO AND NOT EMBRACED WITHIN THE PRESENT LIMITS OF THE CITY OF AURORA, CONSISTING OF OHLSON ACRES, AN ADDITION TO THE CITY OF AURORA, HAMILTON COUNTY, NEBRASKA, A TRACT OF LAND COMPRISING A PART OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER (SE1/4), SECTION THIRTY-TWO (32), TOWNSHIP ELEVEN (11) NORTH, RANGE SIX (6) WEST OF THE 6TH P.M. AND PART OF LOT TWO (2), AURORA BUSINESS PARK NORTH SUBDIVISION, HAMILTON COUNTY, NEBRASKA; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES AND SECTIONS, TO ORDER THE ORDINANCE PUBLISHED IN BOOK, PAMPHLET, OR ELECTRONIC FORM, AND TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Councilor Roblee moved to bring Ordinance No. 1216 before the council and to approve the second reading of this ordinance. Councilor Bergen seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Bartling, Dunn, Phillips, Bergen, Lackore and Roblee. Nay: None. The motion carried.

City Attorney Luzum read Ordinance No. 1219: AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND TITLE VII TRAFFIC CODE, CHAPTER 70 GENERAL PROVISIONS, ADDING SECTION 70.20 UTILITY-TYPE VEHICLES, TO THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF AURORA, NEBRASKA; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES AND SECTIONS; TO ORDER THE ORDINANCE PUBLISHED IN BOOK, PAMPHLET, OR ELECTRONIC FORM; AND TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Councilor Phillips moved to bring Ordinance No. 1219 before the council and to suspend the statutory three reading rule for consideration of this Ordinance. Councilor Lackore seconded the motion. Discussion was held on the topic of allowing UTVs on city streets. Voting Aye: Dunn, Phillips, Bergen, Lackore, Roblee and Bartling. Nay: None. The motion carried.

Councilor Lackore moved for final adoption of Ordinance No. 1219. Councilor Bergen seconded the motion. Mayor Seeman then stated the question, "Shall Ordinance No. 1219 be passed and adopted?" Upon roll call vote, the following Councilors voted Aye: Phillips, Bergen, Lackore, Roblee, Bartling and Dunn. Nay: None.

The passage and adoption of said Ordinance having been concurred in by a majority of all members elected to the Council was by the Mayor declared passed and adopted and the Mayor signed and approved said Ordinance and the Clerk attested the passage and approval of same and affixed her signature thereto. Said Ordinance shall be preserved and kept in a separate and distinct volume known as the Ordinance Record of the City of Aurora, Nebraska and same be incorporated herein by reference.

City Attorney Luzum read Ordinance No. 1220: AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND TITLE VII TRAFFIC CODE, CHAPTER 70 GENERAL PROVISIONS, ADDING SECTION 70.21 GOLF CART VEHICLES, TO THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF AURORA, NEBRASKA; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES AND SECTIONS; TO ORDER THE ORDINANCE PUBLISHED IN BOOK, PAMPHLET, OR ELECTRONIC FORM; AND TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Councilor Lackore moved to bring Ordinance No. 1220 before the council and to suspend the statutory three reading rule for consideration of this Ordinance. Councilor Roblee seconded the motion. Discussion was held on allowing golf carts on city streets. Voting Aye: Bergen, Lackore, Roblee, Bartling, Dunn and Phillips. Nay: None. The motion carried.

Councilor Phillips moved for final adoption of Ordinance No. 1220. Councilor Roblee seconded the motion. Mayor Seeman then stated the question, "Shall Ordinance No. 1220 be passed and adopted?" Upon roll call vote, the following Councilors voted Aye: Lackore, Roblee, Bartling, Dunn, Phillips and Bergen. Nay: None.

The passage and adoption of said Ordinance having been concurred in by a majority of all members elected to the Council was by the Mayor declared passed and adopted and the Mayor signed and approved said Ordinance and the Clerk attested the passage and approval of same and affixed her signature thereto. Said Ordinance shall be preserved and kept in a separate and distinct volume known as the Ordinance Record of the City of Aurora, Nebraska and same be incorporated herein by reference.

Courtney Richardson presented the request from Snackology to occupy City Right-of Way to place picnic table outside of their business at 1014 12th Street. Councilor Lackore moved to approve the request from Snackology to occupy City Right-of Way to place picnic table outside of their business at 1014 12th Street. Councilor Dunn seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Roblee, Bartling, Dunn, Phillips, Bergen and Lackore. Nay: None. The motion carried.

Councilor Lackore moved to approve the Mayor's re-appointments of Jeff Bart and Wayne Brehm to the Aurora Planning Commission. Councilor Phillips seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Bartling, Dunn, Phillips, Berge, Lackore and Roblee. Nay: None. The motion carried.

MISCELLANEOUS:

ADJOURNMENT:

Having completed all items on the agenda, and there being no further business to conduct, Mayor Seeman declared the meeting adjourned at 7:56p.m.

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ATTEST:

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City Clerk

