

Aurora, Nebraska
May 26, 2026

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 26, 2026 at the Bremer Community Center, 1604 L Street. Present were Councilors: Paul Lackore, Daniel Bartling, Mark Dunn, Dick Phillips and Esther Bergen. Mayor Marlin Seeman conducted the meeting. City Officials present were City Administrator Adam Darbro, Police Lieutenant Ryan Dummer, Public Works Director Jeremy Cattau and Deputy Clerk Di Ana Leininger.

Notice of said meeting was given by publication in the Aurora News Register on May 20, 2026. 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 12, 2026 meeting. Councilor Lackore seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Bartling, Dunn, Phillips, Bergen and Lackore. Nay: None. Absent and not voting: Robicc. The motion carried.

PETITIONS, COMPLAINTS, COMMUNICATIONS:

Councilor Lackore moved to approve the Mayor's appointment of Todd W. Jensen, Council Member Ward 1. Councilor Bergen seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Bartling, Dunn, Phillips, Bergen and Lackore. Nay: None. The motion carried.

Deputy Clerk Leininger administered the oath of office to the newly appointed official, Todd W. Jensen as Councilor Ward 1.

Teresa Anderson of Central District Health Department (CDHD) presented a request for funding from CDHD in the amount of \$7,000. Discussion was held. Councilor Bergen moved to table the agenda item until more information could be obtained. Councilor Jensen seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Dunn, Bergen and Jensen. Nay: Phillips, Lackore and Bartling. Motion failed due to lack of majority. Mayor Seeman chose not to vote.

Councilor Phillips moved to approve the request for funding from Central District Health Department for FY 2026-2027 for \$7,000. Councilor Lackore seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Phillips, Lackore and Bartling. Nay: Bergen, Jensen and Dunn. Motion failed due to lack of majority. Mayor Seeman chose to vote and voted aye. The motion carried.

Deputy Clerk Leininger read Ordinance No. 1236: 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 STREETER'S SEVENTH ADDITION, AN ADDITION TO THE CITY OF AURORA, HAMILTON COUNTY, NEBRASKA, A TRACT OF LAND COMPRISING LOT 39 OF STREETER'S FOURTH ADDITION TO THE CITY OF AURORA AND PART OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER (NE1/4), SECTION FIVE (5), TOWNSHIP TEN (10) NORTH, RANGE SIX (6) WEST OF THE 6TH P.M., 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 Lackore moved to bring Ordinance No. 1236 before the council and to approve the second reading of this ordinance. Councilor Dunn seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Bergen, Lackore, Jensen, Bartling, Dunn and Phillips. Nay: None. The motion carried.

Andrew, Wilshusen, JEO Consulting Group, reviewed Pay Application No. 13 to Mid Nebraska Land Developers for the 1st Street Project. Councilor Bergen moved to approve Pay Application No. 13 to Mid-Nebraska Land Developers for 1st Street Project, for \$82,465.37. Councilor Lackore seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Lackore, Jensen, Bartling, Dunn, Phillips and Bergen. Nay: None. The motion carried.

Keisey Bergen, Aurora Development Corporation explained Ordinance No. 1237 vacating a portion of right-of-way located at: Madison Avenue, Woodard 5th Addition, City of Aurora, Hamilton County, Nebraska.

Deputy Clerk Leininger read Ordinance No. 1237: AN ORDINANCE VACATING A TRACT OF LAND LOCATED IN PART OF MADISON AVENUE, WOODARD 5TH ADDITION, CITY OF AURORA, HAMILTON COUNTY, NEBRASKA; REVERTING TITLE OF SAID PROPERTY TO THE OWNERS OF THE ABUTTING REAL ESTATE; AND REPEALING ALL PRIOR ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS OR PARTS THEREOF IN CONFLICT HERewith; TO ORDER THE ORDINANCE PUBLISHED IN BOOK, PAMPHLET, OR ELECTRONIC FORM; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Councilor Lackore moved to bring Ordinance No. 1237 before the council for the first reading and to suspend the statutory three reading rule for consideration of this Ordinance. Councilor Phillips seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Jensen, Bartling, Dunn, Phillips, Bergen and Lackore. Nay: None. The motion carried.

Councilor Phillips moved for final adoption of Ordinance No. 1237. Councilor Bergen seconded the motion. Mayor Seeman then stated the question, "Shall Ordinance No. 1237 be passed and adopted?" Upon roll call vote, the following Councilors voted Aye: Bartling, Dunn, Phillips, Bergen, Lackore and Jensen. 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.

Councilor Lackore moved to approve the reimbursement for the CDBG Downtown Revitalization Program for Façade Improvements for client DTR-#011 for \$29,827.50. Councilor Phillips seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Dunn, Phillips, Bergen, Lackore, Jensen and Bartling. Nay: None. The motion carried.

Councilor Roblee moved to approve Draw Request #13 for CDBG Funds for \$30,747.50. Councilor Dunn seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Phillips, Bergen, Lackore, Jensen, Bartling and Dunn. Nay: None. The motion carried.

Nick Hocherl gave a presentation about a citizens focus group findings for EMS operations.


Presentation by IAFF Local 4956 regarding proposal for Emergency Medical Services to remain under City ownership.

Discussion was held and multiple questions were asked and answered.

MISCELLANEOUS:

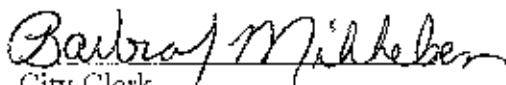
ADJOURNMENT:

Having completed all items on the agenda, and there being no further business to conduct, Mayor Seeman declared the meeting adjourned at 10:25p.m.



Mayor

ATTEST:



City Clerk

