City of Auburn
Council Meeting Minutes
Monday, August 17, 2026

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Berola with the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance of all present.

Clerk Sponsler took roll. Present were Mayor Berola, Clerk Sponsler, Treasurer Johnson, Alderwoman Bradley, Alderman Anders, Alderman Nadalini, Alderwoman Norris, Alderman Sheppard, and Alderman Hemmerle.

Also present were Attorney Jarmer, Superintendent Henson, and Office Manager Travous.

Alderwoman Williams, Alderman Centko, and Chief Kirchner were absent.

Mayor's Comments: Mayor Berola told the council there was a meeting with Hope Trust to discuss employee health insurance. The numbers look promising, though we need to have a minimum of 50 employees, so we are looking for another community to co-op with.

Visitors' Comments:

City Clerk's Report:

Clerk Sponsler presented the August 3, 2026 meeting minutes for review and approval. Alderman Sheppard made a motion to approve the minutes, second by Alderman Hemmerle.

AYES: Bradley, Anders, Nadalini, Sheppard, Hemmerle
NAYES: None
PRESENT: Norris
ABSENT: Williams, Centko

Treasurer's Report:
Treasurer Johnson presented the Bills List from August 4, 2026 through August 17, 2026 for review and approval. Alderman Anders made a motion to approve, second by Alderman Hemmerle.

AYES: Bradley, Anders, Nadalini, Norris, Sheppard, Hemmerle
NAYES: None
PRESENT: None
ABSENT: Williams, Centko

Treasurer Johnson told the council that a CD will mature at the end of the month and asked the council for their input on rolling it over or cashing it out.

Attorney's Report:

Attorney Jarmer presented updates to the Love Where you Live ad hoc committee Resolution. Attorney Jarmer discussed the changes to the resolution. Mayor Berola asked for a motion to appoint Alderman Anders and Alderman Sheppard to the committee with Sheppard as the chairperson. Alderman Nadalini made a motion, second by Alderwoman Norris.

AYES: Bradley, Anders, Nadalini, Norris, Sheppard, Hemmerle
NAYES: None
PRESENT: None
ABSENT: Williams, Centko

Attorney Jarmer presented Ordinance 1575-26, An Ordinance Approving a Utility Easement with Larry E Lomelino at 215 Redbud Lane. Alderman Nadalini made a motion, second by Alderman Anders.

AYES: Bradley, Anders, Nadalini, Norris, Sheppard, Hemmerle
NAYES: None
PRESENT: None
ABSENT: Williams, Centko

Attorney Jarmer presented Ordinance 1576-26, An Ordinance Approving a Utility Easement with Ramiro Giron at 1100 W. Jefferson Street. Alderman Anders made a motion, second by Alderwoman Bradley.

AYES: Bradley, Anders, Nadalini, Norris, Sheppard, Hemmerle
NAYES: None
PRESENT: None
ABSENT: Williams, Centko

Department Heads:

Chief Kirchner:
Not in Attendance

Superintendent Henson:
Superintendent Henson presented upgrades to the ESDA Tornado Siren Radios in the amount of $15,395.00. Alderman Sheppard made a motion to approve, also with the $1200 annual fee, second by Alderwoman Norris.

AYES: Bradley, Anders, Nadalini, Norris, Sheppard, Hemmerle
NAYES: None
PRESENT: None
ABSENT: Williams, Centko

Superintendent Henson presented an update about the WWTP project. There was a meeting with Bentons, Alderman Anders was also in attendance. It will go to bid in October, and shovels should be in the ground by March.

Office Manager Travous:
Office Manager said they had good feedback on the new billing system. There were about 25 people who came to the extended hours for assistance.

Committee Reports:

Administration- Norris- No Report

Public Works- Anders- No Report

Public Utilities-Nadalini: No Report

Health & Safety-Sheppard: No Report

Health & Housing-

Parks-Hemmerle: No Report

Economic Development-

Building Committee-

Other Business:

Adjournment:

Alderman Nadalini made a motion to go into executive session at 7:36 pm, second by Alderman Anders. A voice vote was taken.

AYES: Bradley, Anders, Nadalini, Norris, Sheppard, Hemmerle
NAYES: None
PRESENT: None
ABSENT: Williams, Centko

Alderman Anders made a motion to leave executive session at 7:42 pm, second by Alderman Sheppard. A voice vote was taken.

AYES: Bradley, Anders, Nadalini, Norris, Sheppard, Hemmerle
NAYES: None
PRESENT: None
ABSENT: Williams, Centko

Alderman Sheppard made a motion to leave regular session at 7:44 pm, second by Alderman Anders. A voice vote was taken.

AYES: Bradley, Anders, Nadalini, Norris, Sheppard, Hemmerle
NAYES: None
PRESENT: None
ABSENT: Williams, Centko