



**Town of Aurora  
Special Meeting of Council  
Minutes**

**Date:** Tuesday, February 24, 2026  
**Time:** 6 p.m.  
**Location:** Council Chambers, Aurora Town Hall

**Council Members:** Mayor Tom Mrakas (Chair)  
Councillor Ron Weese  
Councillor Rachel Gilliland (arrived at 6:01 p.m.)  
Councillor Michael Thompson  
Councillor John Gallo (arrived at 6:03 p.m.)  
Councillor Harold Kim

**Members Absent:** Councillor Wendy Gaertner

**Other Attendees:** Doug Nadorozny, Chief Administrative Officer  
Patricia De Sario, Director, Corporate Services/Town Solicitor  
/Deputy Clerk  
Marco Ramunno, Director, Planning and Development Services  
Rachel Wainwright-van Kessel, Director, Finance  
Andrew Poray, Manager, Economic Development  
Julia Shipcott, Council/Committee Coordinator

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**1. Call to Order**

This meeting served as the Annual General Meeting of the Aurora Economic Development Corporation.

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 6 p.m.

**2. Land Acknowledgement**

Mayor Mrakas acknowledged that the meeting took place on Anishinaabe lands, the traditional and treaty territory of the Chippewas of Georgina Island, recognizing the many other Nations whose presence here continues to this day, the special relationship the Chippewas have with the lands and waters of this

territory, and that Aurora has shared responsibility for the stewardship of these lands and waters. It was noted that Aurora is part of the treaty lands of the Mississaugas and Chippewas, recognized through Treaty #13 and the Williams Treaties of 1923.

**3. Approval of the Agenda**

**Moved by** Councillor Thompson  
**Seconded by** Councillor Gilliland

That the agenda as circulated by Legislative Services be approved.

Yeas (5): Mayor Mrakas, Councillor Weese, Councillor Gilliland, Councillor Thompson, and Councillor Kim

Absent (2): Councillor Gaertner, and Councillor Gallo

**Carried (5 to 0)**

**4. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof**

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest under the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.50*.

**5. Delegations**

None.

**6. Consideration of Items Requiring Discussion**

**6.1 PDS26-017 - Aurora Economic Development Corporation Annual Report 2025**

Keith Loo, Chair, Aurora Economic Development Corporation (A.E.D.C.) presented an overview of the A.E.D.C.'s purpose, redefined focus and governance improvements, outlined its collaboration on a variety of downtown initiatives including the Aurora CNX event, and defined 2026 initiatives.

**Moved by** Councillor Weese  
**Seconded by** Councillor Thompson

1. That Report No. PDS26-017 be received; and
2. That the appointment of the auditor or the requirement to have a review engagement be waived for the financial year; and
3. That Council appoint Andrew Avgousti to the Aurora Economic Development Corporation (AEDC) Board of Directors for a term of three years.

Yeas (6): Mayor Mrakas, Councillor Weese, Councillor Gilliland, Councillor Thompson, Councillor Gallo, and Councillor Kim

Absent (1): Councillor Gaertner

**Carried (6 to 0)**

**7. Confirming By-law**

- 7.1 By-law Number 6762-26 - Being a By-law to confirm actions by Council resulting from a Special Meeting of Council on February 24, 2026**

**Moved by Councillor Weese**

**Seconded by Councillor Gallo**

That the confirming by-law be enacted.

**Carried**

**8. Adjournment**

**Moved by Councillor Weese**

**Seconded by Councillor Gilliland**

That the meeting be adjourned at 6:23 p.m.

**Carried**

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Tom Mrakas, Mayor

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Patricia De Sario, Deputy Clerk