

**Auburn City Council
Regular Meeting
Thursday, October 25, 2018 6:00 P.M.
City Council Chambers
Memorial City Hall
24 South St.
Auburn, NY 13021**

Minutes

The meeting of the Auburn City Council was called to order at 6:00PM in the City Council Chambers 24 South St. Auburn NY by Mayor Quill.

1. Roll Call – The City Clerk called the roll. Mayor Quill and Councilors Giannettino, Cuddy and Carabajal were all present. Councilor McCormick was excused.

The following City Staff was present for the regular meeting:

- City Manager, Jeff Dygert
- Corporation Counsel, Stacy DeForrest
- City Clerk, Charles Mason
- Deputy Police Chief, Roger Anthony
- Director of Planning and Economic Development, Jennifer Haines
- Assistant Corporation Counsel, Nate Garland
- Code Enforcement, Geno Franczek
- Superintendent of Engineering, William Lupien
- Superintendent of Public Works, Mike Talbot
- Director of Municipal Utilities, Seth Jensen

2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag – Mayor Quill led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Moment of Silent Prayer or Reflection – Mayor Quill asked for a moment of silent prayer.

4. Public Announcements

5. Ceremonial Presentations and Proclamations – None

6. Public to be Heard – Mayor Quill opened the Public to be Heard portion of the Council meeting and the Clerk read the Public to be Heard rules. No members of the public spoke.

7. Approval of Meeting Minutes –

October 11, 2018 Council Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve the October 11, 2018 minutes by Councilor Giannettino, seconded by Councilor McCormick. Motion to approve carried 5-0.

8. Reports of City Officials

A. City Manager's Report

- The Court St parking lot expansion is wrapping up. Approximately half of the lot has received the first coat of asphalt and by next week the parking surface should be mostly complete.
- The North St water main improvement project is also moving along. This week the new 12" main was activated and is now supplying water from Carpenter St to the City line. The next phase of the project is the connection from North St. down York St. to approximately the Chase St. Extension.
- The North Division St Bridge project is progressing. The center pier and northern abutment have been formed and poured. Work is underway to excavate for the relocated southern abutment. As with all of our construction projects weather has been a significant factor on the ability for certain work to progress.
- On November 15 we will have a presentation from our auditors and our comptroller to go over both the recent audit and provide an update on the final budget numbers for last fiscal year.
- Our most recent sales tax numbers for the first quarter of this fiscal year are showing a 10% or roughly \$200k increase from the same period last year. We are cautiously optimistic that this is a trend that will continue.

B. Reports from members of Council

- Councilor McCormick discussed the first Downtown Revitalization Initiative Public Workshop that was held on October 23, 2018 at the Auburn Holiday Inn. She also praised the completed boardwalk area that was constructed on the Loop Road as part of the Owasco River Greenway Trail project.
- Councilor Giannettino discussed the groundbreaking event held on Monday, October 22, 2018 at Falcon Park for the new turf installation project.

9. Matters to Come Before Council

A. State Environmental Quality Review Act Resolutions (SEQR) - None

B. Ordinances - None

C. Local Laws – None

D. Resolutions –

AGREEMENT RESOLUTION #147 OF 2018

**AUTHORIZING A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE CORNELL COOPERATIVE
EXTENSION OF TOMPKINS COUNTY FOR USE OF SPACE AT THE NEW YORK
STATE EQUAL RIGHTS HERITAGE CENTER TO OPERATE A TASTE NY
MARKET**

By Councilor Cuddy

October 18, 2018

WHEREAS, the New York State Equal Rights Heritage Center (the “ERHC”) is currently under construction at 25 South Street in downtown Auburn and will be owned and operated by the City of Auburn after opening in the fall of 2018; and

WHEREAS, the City of Auburn and the Cornell Cooperative Extension of Tompkins County (aka “TCCE”) have negotiated the terms and conditions of a proposed lease agreement, which is attached hereto, whereby TCCE will lease space at the ERHC for the purpose of operating a Taste NY market; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the proposed lease agreement, the TCCE will lease space at the ERHC for a term of three (3) years and 5 months, commencing on November 1, 2018, and ending on March 31, 2022, with the option to renew for an additional three year term thereafter; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the proposed lease agreement, the City shall receive rent in the amount of \$5,500 for the first 17 months, and \$5,500 annually for the last two years of the initial term of the lease; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Auburn City Council does hereby approve a Lease Agreement with the Cornell Cooperative Extension of Tompkins County, whereby the City will lease space at the New York State Equal Rights Heritage Center to the TCCE for a term of three (3) years and five (5) months in exchange for rent in the amount of \$5,500 for the first seventeen (17) months of the term, and \$5,500 annually for the last two (2) years of the term, together with all of the terms and conditions set forth in the Lease Agreement, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign the Lease Agreement with the Cornell Cooperative Extension of Tompkins County, and any and all documents necessary to carry out this Resolution.

Seconded by Councilor Giannettino

	Ayes	Noes	Abstain
Councilor McCormick	X		
Councilor Giannettino	X		
Councilor Cuddy	X		
Councilor Carabajal	X		
Mayor Quill	X		
Carried and Adopted	X		

15. STAFF/VENDOR PRESENTATIONS

- **CAFO Permit Informational Meeting – DEC.** Representatives from the State DEC were not able to attend the meeting and will instead reschedule for a future Council meeting. Councilor Giannettino reported on a meeting that was held by the State DEC earlier in the week on Wednesday, October 24, 2018 at the Cayuga Community College.
- **Neighborhood Clean-Up Efforts -** Code Enforcement and Corporation Counsel Staff Assistant Corporation Counsel Nate Garland, Director of Planning and Economic Development Jenny Haines and Code Enforcement Officer Geno Franczek presented an update on the program and accomplishments for 2018.
- **Monthly Activity and Bar Graph Report for September 2018**

F. Tabled Items – None

10. Other Business

Adjournment: By unanimous vote the Council adjourned the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

Minutes submitted to the City Council on November 15, 2018 by:

Charles Mason
City Clerk

On November 15, 2018 a motion to approve the minutes of the October 25, 2018 Auburn, NY City Council meeting was made by Councilor Giannettino, seconded by Councilor Cuddy.

	Ayes	Noes
Councilor McCormick	X	
Councilor Giannettino	X	
Councilor Cuddy	X	
Councilor Carabajal	X	
Mayor Quill	X	
Carried and Adopted	X	

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct copy of the minutes of the proceedings of the City Council of the City of Auburn, N.Y., at a regular meeting thereof, held in the Council Chambers, Memorial City Hall, in said city, on the 25th day of October, 2018 and that the City Council approved such by the vote listed above.

Charles Mason, City Clerk Date: November 16, 2018