



CITY OF AURORA, ILLINOIS

ORDINANCE NO. 022-001
DATE OF PASSAGE January 11, 2022

An Ordinance Establishing the Aurora Innovation and Technology Advisory Commission Under Chapter 2, Article VI of the Code of Ordinances.

WHEREAS, the City of Aurora has a population of more than 25,000 persons and is, therefore, a home rule unit under subsection (a) of Section 6 of Article VII of the Illinois Constitution of 1970; and

WHEREAS, subject to said Section, a home rule unit may exercise any power and perform any function pertaining to its government and affairs for the protection of the public health, safety, morals, and welfare; and

WHEREAS, the use of emerging technology can advance City goals relating to quality of life, health care, education, safety, economic development; and

WHEREAS, emerging technology can also create opportunities, increase efficiency, save time and minimize waste; and

WHEREAS, at the same time, emerging technology also presents new challenges and risks of adverse impacts on the public, the City and its residents; and

WHEREAS the City should be prepared to assess and address with diligence, care, transparency and accountability; and

WHEREAS, the creation of an Innovation and Technology Advisory Commission, could benefit and serve the City and its residents by collecting and assessing the challenges, risks, benefits and detriments of emerging technologies.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Aurora, Illinois, as follows: that Section 2-499 of Chapter 2, Article VI the City Code of Ordinances shall be adopted as set forth in Exhibit A, hereby creating the Innovation and Technology Advisory Commission.

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LEGISTAR NO. 21-1046

PASSED AND APPROVED ON January 11, 2022

AYES 12 NAYS 0 NOT VOTING 0 ABSENT 0

ALDERMAN	Vote
Alderman Llamas, Ward 1	yes
Alderwoman Garza, Ward 2	yes
Alderman Mesiacos, Ward 3	yes
Alderman Donnell, Ward 4	yes
Alderman Franco, Ward 5	yes
Alderman Saville, Ward 6	yes
Alderwoman Hart-Burns, Ward 7	yes
Alderwoman Smith, Ward 8	yes
Alderman Bugg, Ward 9	yes
Alderwoman Baid, Ward 10	yes
Alderman Woerman, At Large	yes
Alderman Jenkins, At Large	yes

ATTEST:


City Clerk


Mayor

Sec 2-499 Innovation and Technology Advisory Commission

- (a) Creation and Purpose. The Innovation and Technology Advisory Commission is hereby established to investigate, research and gather information in relation to significant emerging technologies that may benefit and/or have an impact on the city.
- (b) Membership.
 - (1) The commission shall consist of nine voting members and five ex-officio non-voting members. A maximum of two voting members may be city employees: one from the innovation department and one from the information and technology department.
 - (2) Members appointed should include a diverse panel of representatives with relevant expertise in different specialties including but not limited to:
 - a. Innovation & Technology
 - b. Advanced Manufacturing
 - c. Bioscience & Healthcare
 - d. Advanced Business Services
 - e. Aerospace & Defense
 - f. Film & Digital Media
 - g. Energy & Cleantech
 - h. Agribusiness & Food Processing
 - i. Transportation & Logistics
 - j. Wholesale & Retail
 - k. Finance & Insurance
 - l. Legal
 - m. Government
 - n. Other Services
 - (3) Members cannot be associated with any entity doing business with or seeking to do business with the city. Members should disclose and consider recusing themselves from taking any position with relation to a form of technology which they have an association or relationship with a benefitting party.
 - (4) The vice-chair of the commission shall be selected by the chairman.
- (c) Duties. The commission shall:
 - (1) Collect and asses the challenges, risks, benefits and detriments of emerging technological opportunities.
 - (2) Gather well-informed, timely, diverse, and meaningful input from residents and other community stakeholders, and include in its reports and recommendations on such decisions, the disclose of the substance of the input and manner it was sought and obtained;
 - (3) Provide city decision makers with well-informed advice on significant emerging technology decisions involving city

uses of emerging technology, city regulation of new
technology uses by private entities and by public-private
partnerships, consistent with the core principle set
forth above; and

- (4) Regularly engage community stakeholders to help form such
advice.