



CITY OF AURORA, ILLINOIS

ORDINANCE NO. 023-042
DATE OF PASSAGE June 27, 2023

An Ordinance Establishing the Music, Events and Entertainment (MEE) 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 creation of the MEE Commission will create an avenue for the city to better address the needs of the entertainment community; and

WHEREAS, creation of this board will continue to enhance the city's efforts towards being a prime location for live entertainment and the arts in general.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Aurora, Illinois, as follows: that Section 2-491 of Chapter 2, Article VI the City Code of Ordinances shall be adopted as set forth in Exhibit A, hereby creating the Music, Events and Entertainment (MEE) Commission.

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PASSED AND APPROVED ON June 27, 2023

AYES 11 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
Vacant, Ward 7	N/A
Alderwoman Smith, Ward 8	yes
Alderman Bugg, Ward 9	yes
Alderwoman Baid, Ward 10	yes
Alderman Laesch, At Large	yes
Alderman Woerman, At Large	yes

ATTEST:

James B. Halley
City Clerk

Shi C. L.
Mayor

1 **Sec. 2-491 Music, Events and Entertainment Commission.**

2 (A) The Music, Events and Entertainment (MEE) Commission
3 membership should reflect the various areas of interest and
4 expertise of the Aurora entertainment community and the diversity
5 of the Aurora entertainment community and industry. Commissioners
6 may be selected from representatives of membership-based music
7 organizations, music-related professional services, club owners or
8 operators, the media, and artists in the field of music or other
9 forms of live performance and entertainment.

10 (B) The commission duties are advisory and include:

- 11 1. create and manage a master calendar of all live performances
12 including but not limited to, music (instrumental, vocal and
13 DJ), poetry, comedy throughout Aurora;
- 14 2. support live performances by creating opportunities in
15 various venues citywide;
- 16 3. hosting public meetings to learn more about matters that
17 affect the live performance community in Aurora, and making
18 recommendations on the matters to the city council; and
- 19 4. reviewing other matters that may affect the growth of the
20 live performance community in Aurora and making appropriate
21 recommendations to city council.

22 (C) The mayor's office of community affairs shall support and
23 supervise the activities of the MEE and inform the commission of
24 any developments relating to the commission's advisory duties.