

## WARD 10

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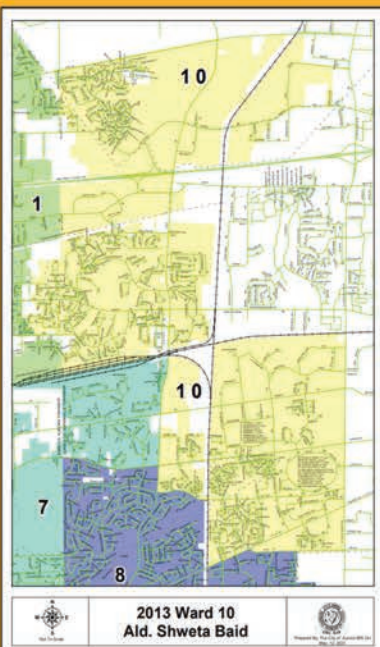
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## GREETINGS FROM ALDERWOMAN SHWETA BAID

Dear 10th Ward Residents,

Let me start out by saying that I am honored to represent the 10th Ward where my husband and I have lived and raised our family. I have been an educator of Math and Computer Science, IT professional, a small business owner and an artist. I have known many of you for a number of years as we have worked together with a variety of community organizations. I look forward to meeting and working with all our neighbors to meet the challenges facing our ward and city.

While talking with the residents, I heard a desire to have more meetings and vehicles of communication. I recently met with some Homeowner Association groups and members of the community to help develop a structure for meetings and communication. The meetings would consist of 10th Ward news and happenings along with city staff members in attendance to answer questions about their particular department. Aurora community police officers would also be present to give updates and answer questions. The initial plan is to have two meetings per year. The first is scheduled for August 17th at 6:30 PM at Fire Station #8. Over the past few months, I have had the opportunity to visit a number of impressive facilities that most of our residents have probably not had the opportunity to visit. I am

considering scheduling meetings at places such as the Aurora Fire Museum, the new main Aurora Public Library, and the Police Station. In addition, I am working with the City of Aurora's Information Technology department to create a link on the city's website for the 10th ward, so residents can see a calendar of events and news pertinent to our ward.

All local communities are in competition for business retention and growth. Our role is to create an environment attractive to business. We understand that the taxes generated by business ease the tax burden put on the residents.

I am encouraging all Aurora residents to Shop Local Aurora when possible. If you have choices, choose Aurora. We need to keep our tax dollars at home when able. The city's website [www.aurora-il.org](http://www.aurora-il.org) has a wealth of information.

I would like to give a special thank you to all the volunteers and the community for participating in the community events.

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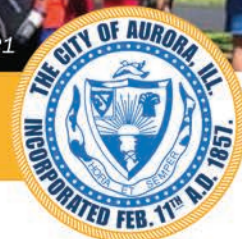
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## WHAT DO ALDERMAN/ ALDERWOMAN DO?

Common issues handled by the Alderman's office includes:

- Junk and/or trash in a neighbor's yard.
- A house or garage that is not kept up to code standards.
- Junk vehicle(s) parked in a driveway.
- Cars parked on the grass or lawn.
- Vehicle parked on the street over the 48-hour parking limit.
- Dead trees in yard or on public right of way.
- Tall grass or weeds over 8 inches in a lot or yard.
- Requests for stop and yield signs or other signage such as handicapped parking, no parking and disabled child.
- Requests for a streetlight.

## Committee of the Whole:

Meets on the 1st and 3rd  
Tuesdays of the month at 5:00 p.m.

## City Council:

Meets on the 2nd and 4th  
Tuesdays of the month at 6:00 p.m.

Both meetings take place in the Council Chambers on the second floor of City Hall, 44 E. Downer Place, Aurora.

To speak at a COW or Council meeting, please notify the City Clerk's office at 630-256-3070 prior to the start of the meeting.



**WARD 10  
SPEED TRAILER**

## STREET RESURFACING IN WARD 10:

City of Aurora Street Resurfacing Program in Ward 10. If you travel one of these streets during resurfacing please take note as delays may occur.

### RESURFACING COMPLETED IN 2021

RAINTREE RD, GREGORY ST, HANDLEY LN, BLUE SPRUCE CT, BRADBURY CR, WHITE OAK CR, MERRIAM DR, COMMONS DR

### RESURFACING PROPOSED FOR 20212

EXCHANGE CT, PENNSBURY LN, GREGORY ST, SHEFFER RD



Back to School 2021



Shred Event 2021



Vax Event 2022



Memorial Day Parade 2022!!!

## SAVE THE DATES!

### Ward 10s 2nd Annual Back to School Event & Ice Cream Social

- Saturday July 30, 2022 from 1pm to 4pm @ Springlake Park  
396 Springlake Ln, Aurora

### East Aurora Shred Event in Collaboration with COOL DuPage Wards 8, 9, & 10 and all DuPage County (Residents Only)

- Saturday October 1, 2022 from 8am to Noon, Rain or Shine  
Fire Station 8 at 3770 McCoy Dr., Aurora

### LindsayStrong Blood Drive

- August 7, 2022 from 10am-3pm at Faith Lutheran Church

### Ward 10 Community Meeting

- August 17, 2022 from 6pm-7pm @ Fire Station #8 3770 McCoy Dr., Aurora

### Ward 10 Fall Family Fest

- Saturday September 24, 2022 from 1pm to 4pm; Springlake Park,  
396 Springlake Ln, Aurora

### Ward 10 Winter Fest

- Saturday December 10, 2022 from 1pm to 4pm—St. John African Methodist Episcopal Church 2950 Bilster Rd., Aurora





## Welcome New Businesses in Ward 10 (2021-2022)

A Touch of Ginger LLC	Ding Dang Japanese Bento	Oloop LLC
Amsino Medical	Dukers Appliance Co., USA Ltd	PHO Noodle Station
Asha Acharya Performing Arts	Everest Custard and Bubble Tea	Phoenix Packaging
Ashton Puredry Cleaners	Family Means Forever	Rep Pepper
AUM Home Loan, Corp.	First Institute	SHG CHICAGO LLC
Aurora Circuits Inc	Forever Royal Roses	Signature Cuts
Ay Yin's Chinese BBQ	Frontida BioPharm, Inc.	Smash Factor Indoor Golf
Axeplosion	GoForward Logistics LLC	Spades Tealife
Banana Pudding Twist	i-talk & Repairs of IL, Inc.	Strings Ramen
Belle Tires	IT People Network	Sweet General
Bumper 2 Burger	Julie Bakery	Tej Academy of Dance and Music
Burritos Los Azaderos	Lao Liang Cuisine	Tesla Charging Stations
Chi Noodle	Laptop Sales & Repair	Texas Roadhouse
Chill'Axe Sports Bar	Loaves and Fishes Community Services	Thrive Rehab Center
CM Chicken	New Drip Boutique	Thingamajiggz VR
Crab Boil Express	Night Market Taiwanese Bistro	Vivi Bubble Tea
Creation's Witness LLC	Ollie's Bargain Outlet	Wweet General
Daily Hot Deals		and more...

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, the City of Aurora was undercounted in the 2020 Census. City experienced a population loss of 9% or about 17,000 residents.

This loss means that the City will lose approximately \$3.6 million dollars a year in federal funding. The results of the 2020 Census are especially worrisome because they contradict the Census Bureau's own 2019 estimate that is based on local data such as school enrollment, birth and death records, and residential real estate sales.

The City is in the process of contesting the 2020 Census, as a result, a special census will take place. The City Council will need to redraw the ward maps to match the 2020 Census data. Some wards were more affected than others. The far east and far west sections of the City experienced a population increase. Those with the greatest loss were Ward 1 (15%), Ward 2 (29%), Ward 3 (24%), and Ward 7 (18%). The new map for Ward 10 may be different than the existing map which can be found on the City's website. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions regarding this.

## ALDERMAN MISSION STATEMENT:

*To serve the residents and businesses of the City of Aurora in a responsive and effective manner through leadership and legislative action for the present and future well-being of the community.*

With all the hardships so many have confronted, we have had an enormous amount of residents step up and help out in a variety of ways. Every event I attended I saw greater numbers of those willing to assist. I would like to thank you all for your patience with the city services. With restrictions in place and staffing levels below where we would normally be due to falling revenues, some projects or jobs were not carried out as expeditiously as in the past. Almost every time I spoke with a resident about the timing on projects, you responded with patience and understanding. That might not sound like much, but for city employees and myself who want to address issues as soon as we can, it goes a long way.



**WARD 10's**  
**BACK TO SCHOOL**  
&  
**ICE CREAM SOCIAL**

Registration required for school supplies!  
Raffles and supplies for Ward 10 residents only.  
**While supplies last!**

**SATURDAY, JULY 30, 2022**  
**1:00 pm - 4:00 pm**  
**Springlake Park, Aurora, IL**

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**FREE RAFFLE:**  
iPad, TV, bikes and many more!

**REGISTER NOW:**  
Scan/Open URL to register for school supplies and volunteering.  
[tiny.cc/aid\\_baid\\_events](https://tiny.cc/aid_baid_events)






## BLOCK PARTIES

Ward 10 residents, if you are looking to throw a block party this summer, you can go to the city's website to complete an online block party application at [aurora-il.org/231/block-parties](http://aurora-il.org/231/block-parties). Please be sure to complete the application at least 3 to 4 weeks in advance to allow for processing. If you have any questions on completing the application, you can call the Alderman's office staff who will assist you in the process. Don't forget to invite your Alderwoman.

HOA(s) & PTA(s) - I would love to periodically attend your meetings. I'm eager to hear what's going on in your neighborhood and in our schools! Please reach out to me and we will make the arrangements.

## SAFETY

As discussed at a lot of community meetings, one of the most frequent concerns/complaints, I receive from you is about speeding. It's important to understand this is not just a Ward 10 issue or an Aurora issue, it's a nationwide problem. There is no absolute solution to eliminate speeding. I continue to work with the Aurora Police Department to conduct targeted area speed monitoring which only works while APD is present. To slow traffic in Ward 10, I placed a SPEED TRAILER at various scheduled locations. This trailer will consistently rotate throughout Ward 10, to remind drivers of their speed. Here are some of the locations where the Speed Trailer was placed:

- Eola Rd. just north of the Liberty St.
- Eola Rd. near Metea Valley High School.
- On the DuPage Pkwy. between Bilter Rd and Butterfield Rd.
- Stonebridge near Birmingham Dr near the Park
- Indian Trail road near Stonebridge
- Indian Trail road near Stonegate
- McCoy Dr at the curve between Farnsworth and Eola Rd.

*We must all acknowledge that most of the speeding vehicles are our own. To keep our community streets safe, I challenge all of you to be the example and keep an eye on your own speedometer.*

## Ward 10 Grant Program

The Ward 10 Alderwoman and the committee shall receive, review and approve requests for grants for community enhancements and/or improvements in the 10th Ward. The program, without limitations, will be geared around the following:

- Enhancements and/or improvements and/or significant repairs or replacements which affect a community, such as, landscaping, pond maintenance including aerators/diffusers, existing damaged guard rails, neighborhood water drainage issues, safety lighting, or infrastructure projects for community use.
- Demonstrate a benefit for the immediate area and/or community benefit.
- Promote the character, safety, and integrity of the neighborhood and community.

The Alderwoman may consider other information when approving or denying grant requests, such as, previous approvals, history, and future development plans.



## CITY OF AURORA CUSTOMER SERVICE CALL CENTER

A great way to get information and make service requests is through the City of Aurora's Customer Service Call Center.

Call customer service to report the following:

- Zoning violations
- Abandoned vehicles
- Overgrown grass/weeds
- Garbage, trash, or debris
- Unsafe structures
- Street maintenance and repairs, such as, streetlights out, and damaged street signs.
- To receive mobile text updates:  
Text AURORAIL to 888777
- To receive email updates:  
Text MYAURORA to 22828

For police emergencies call 911, for non-emergencies call (630) 256-5000

## CUSTOMER SERVICE

Phone: 630-256-INFO (4636)  
Monday - Friday 8 AM to 5 PM

App: InfoAurora App for iPhone and Android

Website: [www.aurora-il.org](http://www.aurora-il.org) home page, click the InfoAurora link in the gold menu bar to the left