

# THE Q TIMES

A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER  
FROM MAYOR MIKE TROUP

## MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR



Welcome to our first Issue of The Q Times! We decided to present a Monthly Newsletter to highlight several items in the City of Quincy. My first month of Mayor has been an exciting one, groundbreaking of a \$35 million airport runway project, another major \$25 million investment made by ADM in one of their local operations, and the City Council approval of a \$500,000 TIF investment to the private real estate project of the Illinois State Bank Building and its conversion into a boutique hotel. Quincy has a lot going on and it is an exciting place to be!

We welcome our guests, visitors, and neighbors to enjoy everything that Quincy has to offer. I hope that you will find Quincy as a fun place to visit and a safe community. We are excited to see people moving out and about again. We want everyone to remain safe no matter what you find yourself doing.

We have great restaurants to enjoy, a variety of Arts Group activities and museums, or spend time in one of our parks (We have over 1,000 acres of public parks!). Want more activity? You can take a bike ride or a run on one of our trails. If slower pace is more of what you are looking for, how about shopping? We have several local shops in our downtown area and several others retailers around town. Are you a golfer? We have several area golf courses to enjoy. At the end of you day, please visit one of our many local breweries, bars or restaurants for a relaxing beverage.

Let us know how you enjoy the Newsletter. We will work to improve it each month. Thank you for reading, and I look forward in seeing you out and about Quincy!

*Michael A. Troup*

Mayor Mike Troup



Mike Troup being sworn in by City Clerk, Laura Oakman on May 3, 2021. (Photo credit: The Herald-Whig)

## HISTORY CORNER

Quincy City Hall on the northeast corner of 3rd and Hampshire Street. Construction started in 1886 and was completed in 1891; Harvey Chatten was the Quincy architect. The building was gutted by fire on January 18, 1906. After the construction of the city-county building in 1951, city offices were moved from this building. Mercantile Wholesale, Inc. occupied the space. Exterior BW 8" x 10".



Image Courtesy of Quincy Public Library.

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**EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT: SANDY SHORE, A.A.E.  
AIRPORT DIRECTOR AT QUINCY REGIONAL AIRPORT**

**Q. How long have you worked for the City?**

**A. I've been with the City since October 2018.**

**Q. What do you love about your job?**

**A. The support of my staff & colleagues who help me every day to make the airport the best it can be for the community.**

**Q. What would you do as a career if you weren't doing this?**

**A. I would love to be a carpenter.**

**Q. How do you define success?**

**A. First, you have to set goals for yourself. Achieving those goals is success.**

**Q. What is your personal mantra & why?**

**A. "I do what I want." I think it's important to live by your own standards not those of others.**

**Q. What is at the top of your Bucket List right now?**

**A. Antarctic cruise. Also, become an aunt.**

**Q. What's your favorite order and place in town?**

**A. Bud Select at the Silver Moon or the filet at Maine Course.**

**For more info about the Quincy Regional Airport click [HERE.](#)**

**QUINCY REGIONAL AIRPORT RUNWAY GROUNDBREAKING**

The three-phase, \$35M runway project broke ground on May 5th. Sandra Shore, Executive Director of the airport, said the project will consist of reconstructing and rehabilitating the airport's 7,100 foot long, 150 foot wide primary runway; removing the airport's third runway surface and parallel taxiway and reconstructing another taxiway. This is expected to take place over the next four years.

**\$35.7M**  
Total Program Cost = Direct Economic Impact

Generating Indirect Impacts & Induced Impacts  
**= \$15.3M**



**\$51M**  
Total Output

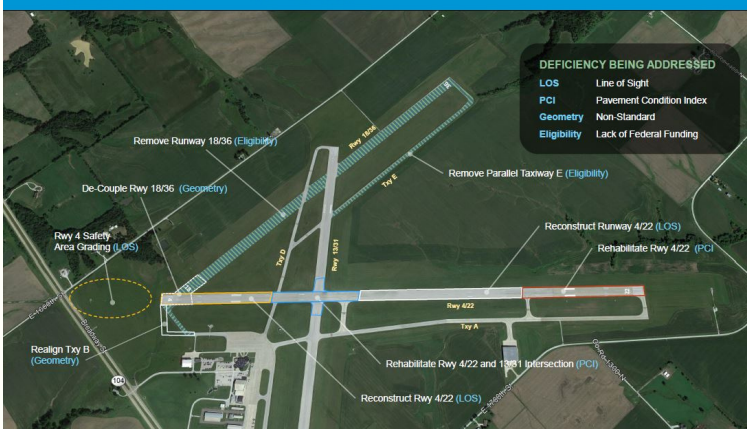


**68**  
Jobs Supported Annually



**\$22M**  
Total Labor Income

**Major Project Elements**



### CONGRATULATIONS TO BLESSING HOSPITAL ON YOUR SAFETY AWARDS!

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FALL 2020



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### QUINCY REGIONAL AIRPORT AERONAUTICS MEETING TODAY

The Quincy Regional Airport has been reviewing proposals from 3 companies (Air Choice One, Boutique Air, and Cape Air) over the last few weeks. On May 18th they held a Town Hall to hear the Airline Presentations (See their Facebook page to see these presentations.)

The airport ran a public survey to gain feedback from the community, which ran through June 1st, to help them in making the best decision for Quincy residents.

Today, June 2nd, the Aeronautics Committee will be meeting to vote on a contract. It will then submit its official recommendation to the U.S. Department of Transportation by June 11.

## CLARIFICATION ON ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE BUSINESS LETTER

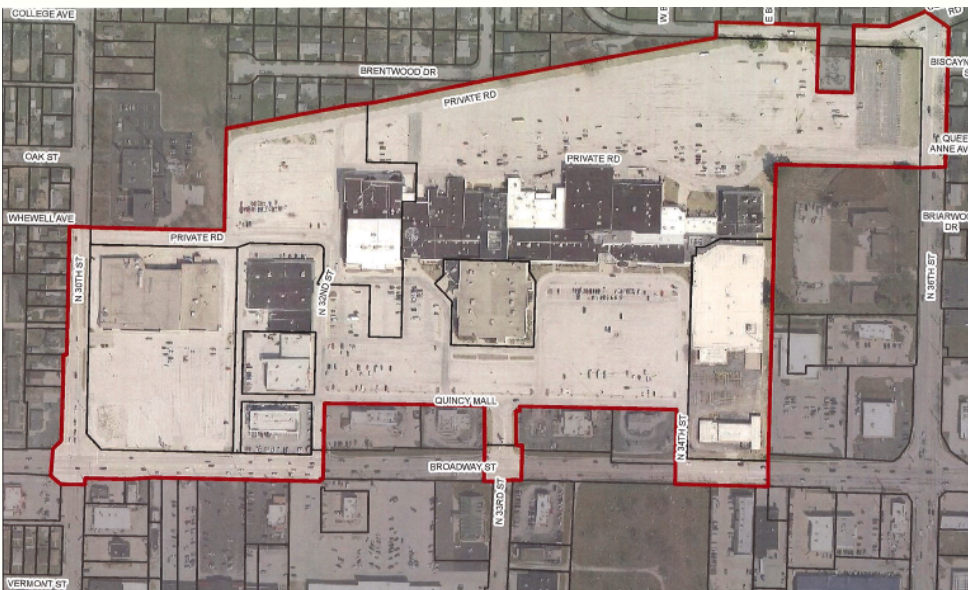


Exhibit A - Business District Boundary

Every Quincy business with a registered retail account received a letter from the Illinois Department of Revenue advising them of the Mid-Town Business District.

Only those businesses located within the Mid-Town Business District are required to remit this incremental 1% business district tax to the Illinois Department of Revenue. All other businesses should be aware of the Mid-Town Business District and the associated tax.

See this bulletin from the Illinois Department of Revenue for further information.

## ILLINOIS STATE BANK WILL BE GETTING A MAKEOVER



City Council approved the proposal to make some upgrades to the Illinois State Bank building on 531 Hampshire St at the May 17th City Council meeting.

The developers, Ryan Jude Tanner & Jay Krottinger, have plans to turn the bank into a 25-30 room boutique hotel with a restaurant space on the first floor.

The city approved for TIF funds to be used towards this project. Quincy Planning and Development Director, Chuck Bevelheimer, said TIF participation for a development project is generally 20-25% of the project's overall cost. The city would only be committing 5% of the hotel renovation's costs.

You can read more about this project by visiting [this article of the Herald-Whig.](#)

This photo is from an old postcard for Quincy, ILL of the Illinois State Bank building.

## JUNE EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

Click event for more info.

- 2 - Aeronautics Committee Mtg | City Hall Council Chambers
- 4-6- [Fishing for Freedom Tournament](#) | Kesler Park
- 5-6- [Quincy Grand Prix of Karting](#) | South Park
- 5- [Summer Reading Club Kickoff](#) | Quincy Public Library
- 8- [Princess & the Frog Movie Night](#) | Jackson-Lincoln Pool
- 12- [Quincy Preserves Behind Garden Gates Tour](#)
- 13- [Annual Car Show](#)
- 16-20- [OCT Presents The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane](#)
- 21-23- [Little People's Golf Championships](#)
- 25-27- [QFest](#) | Washington Park
- 25-27- [Titan Firecracker Classic Swim Meet](#)

### FOR MORE EVENTS, VISIT THESE LINKS:

- [Quincy Farmer's Market | Saturdays 8a-1p | Through October](#)
- [Quincy Park Band's June Calendar](#)
- [Quincy Gems Baseball Game Calendar](#)
- [Summer Flavor Tours | Saturdays 10a-1p | June 19- Sept 25](#)
- [Colors of our Community Scavenger Hunt | June 21-26](#)
- [Arts Quincy Community Calendar of Events](#)
- [Quincy Area Convention & Visitors Bureau Community Calendar](#)



### Quincy Fire Department

#### Citizen's Fire Academy





The Citizen's Fire Academy is a program designed to give participants a working knowledge of the Quincy Fire Department.

Sessions include brief classroom discussions with a primary focus on live demonstrations.

The 5-week classes are held in the Spring on Tuesday evenings from 6 pm - 9 pm. There is no fee for enrollment.

The Quincy Fire Department offers Quincy citizens insight into how firefighters/paramedics perform their duties, as well as, how the department serves the community.

**For more information - Call 217.228.4459**

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