

THE CITY COUNCIL

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

REGULAR MEETING

Quincy, Illinois, February 6, 2023

The regular meeting of the City Council was held this day at 7:00 p.m. with Mayor Michael A. Troup presiding.

The following members were physically present:

Ald. Fletcher, Bergman, Bauer, Rivera, Farha, Sassen, Rein, Mast, Reis, Maples, Uzelac, Holtschlag. 12.

Absent: Ald. Entrup, Mays. 2.

Ald. Bergman moved the absent Aldermen be excused from this meeting. Motion carried.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council held January 30, 2023, were approved on a motion of Ald. Entrup. Motion carried.

Corporation Counsel: Lonnie Dunn.

The City Clerk presented and read the following:

QUINCY FIREFIGHTER SWEARING IN

FF Ryan Hill #163 and FF Wade Murfin #164

PUBLIC FORUM

Brennan Hills stated that the Council is yet to take action on Safe & Affordable Housing. Outside organizations have had to step in and help.

Ben stated that the City violated his 1st amendment rights and the Police violated his 4th amendment rights.

MONTHLY REPORTS

The monthly reports of the City Clerk, the City Treasurer, the City Comptroller, the Forestry Division and the Sign & Paint Department for the month of January, 2023, and the Forestry Division and the Sign & Paint Department for the month of December, 2022, were ordered received and filed on a motion of Ald. Uzelac. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENTS

TO THE ANIMAL CONTROL COMMISSION

By Mayor Michael A. Troup making the re-appointments of Ronna Robertson, expiring May 31, 2024, and Dr. Jodi Markle, expiring March 31, 2025; appointments of Lt. Chad Scott, expiring March 31, 2024, and Rev. Carl Terry, expiring March 31, 2025.

Ald. Sassen moved the appointments be confirmed. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Central Fire Station was constructed in 1924; and,

WHEREAS, Central Fire Station is the department's largest building and houses much of our reserve apparatus and firefighting equipment; and,

WHEREAS, the building has various maintenance issues that will need to be addressed in the upcoming years; and,

WHEREAS, there is a need to determine the amount of work necessary and feasibility of maintaining the station into the foreseeable future; and,

WHEREAS, Poepping, Stone, Bach and Associates (PSBA) has submitted a bid of \$4,000.00 to complete an evaluation of the building and a probable cost estimate for repairs and improvements; and

WHEREAS, the current Fiscal Year budget has the dollar amount to cover the cost; and,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Fire Aldermanic Committee and the Fire Chief recommend to the Mayor and City Council that the bid from PSBA in the amount of \$4,000.00 be approved.

Bernard Vahlkamp

Fire Chief

Ald. Bergman moved for the adoption of the resolution, seconded by Ald. Bauer, and on the roll call each of the 12 Aldermen voted yea, with 2 absent. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, one of the most important aspects of preparing an individual to be a firefighter is training; and,
WHEREAS, effective firefighter training requires exposure to live fire evolutions and drilling with others; and,
WHEREAS, the Illinois Fire Service Institute is the State’s designated fire training academy and they offers these things; and,

WHEREAS, the Quincy Fire Department has two firefighters that need to attend the Spring 2023 Basic Firefighter Academy; and,

WHEREAS, the new firefighters’ training will require that they spend ten weeks at the academy and the related expenses are as follows:

Illinois Fire Service Institute Basic Fire Academy Tuition	\$10,200.00
Lodging (10 weeks)	\$ 4,803.00
Meal allotment for 10 weeks	\$ 4,500.00

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Fire Aldermanic Committee and the Fire Chief recommend to the Mayor and City Council that the Fire Chief be authorized to expend the aforementioned dollars to put FF Ryan Hill and FF Wade Murfin through the Spring 2023 Basic Firefighter Academy.

Bernard Vahlkamp
Fire Chief

Ald. Bergman moved for the adoption of the resolution, seconded by Ald. Fletcher, and on the roll call each of the 12 Aldermen voted yea, with 2 absent. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Quincy Fire Department is an emergency response agency whose operational capabilities rely heavily on communications equipment; and,

WHEREAS, most of the radio units in use at the Quincy Fire Department are at the end of their useful service life; and,

WHEREAS, the current technology is migrating from analog to digital to improve communication capabilities; and,

WHEREAS, all fire departments in Adams County are currently experiencing similar issues with their communication equipment; and,

WHEREAS, the Tri-Township Fire Protection District has offered to act as the “host” department for the purposes of writing and submitting the Assistance to Firefighters Grant application on behalf of all fire departments in the County of Adams; and,

WHEREAS, the Assistance to Firefighters Grant will fund the conversion of the Quincy Fire Department’s communications system to digital “P-25” technology; and

WHEREAS, the Assistance to Firefighters Grant requires that population totals, as such is found in the County of Adams, provide a 10% match; and,

WHEREAS, should the grant be awarded, the City of Quincy matching amount would be approximately \$18,000; and,

WHEREAS, the Quincy Fire Department is submitting within its proposed FY 2023-2024 budget, moneys to provide this match;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Quincy Fire Department be authorized to enter into this regional grant application with fire departments within the County of Adams, through the Assistance to Firefighters Grant program.

Bernard Vahlkamp
Fire Chief

Ald. Bergman moved for the adoption of the resolution, seconded by Ald. Fletcher, and on the roll call each of the 12 Aldermen voted yea, with 2 absent. Motion carried.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION OF FIX OR FLATTEN PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the City of Quincy is committed to improving the quality of life of its residents and elimination of blight; and

WHEREAS, the City of Quincy has established a program to address unsafe and dangerous buildings; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Planning and Development annually prepares a list of unsafe properties, and seeks authorization to demolish, repair, enclose and/or remediate, pursuant to City of Quincy Ordinance 9196; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Inspection & Enforcement has reviewed building conditions of twelve (12) substandard structures and determined that said structures constitute a hazard to the public health, safety and welfare; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Planning and Development proposes a new list of dangerous and unsafe properties for

2023.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

That the Department of Planning and Development shall take all necessary action, including commencing of proceedings under Division 21 (Unsafe Property) of Article XI (Corporate Powers and Functions) of the Illinois Municipal Code (65 ILCS 5/1-1-1 et. seq) to demolish, repair, enclose or remediate the list of buildings, attached as "Resolution Exhibit 1."

That the law firm of Schmiedeskamp, Robertson, Neu and Mitchell be engaged to litigate on behalf of the City in cases concerning properties listed in "Resolution Exhibit 11."

This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, as provided by law.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF QUINCY, ADAMS COUNTY, ILLINOIS, IN REGULAR AND PUBLIC SESSION THIS 6TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2023.

APPROVED:

Michael A. Troup, Mayor

ATTEST:

Laura Oakman, City Clerk

Ald. Bergman moved for the adoption of the resolution, seconded by Ald. Bauer, and on the roll call each of the 12 Aldermen voted yea, with 2 absent. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, in August of 2018, the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency approved the City of Quincy's Long Term Control Plan (LTCP) for the elimination of combined sewer overflow (CSO); and,

WHEREAS, part two of the second phase of improvements includes the modification of the remaining CSO structures and floatable control systems; and,

WHEREAS, Crawford, Murphy and Tilly of Springfield, Illinois, has submitted a proposal in the amount of \$150,000.00 for the design of the improvements and modifications; and,

WHEREAS, funding for this service is available in the 2022/2023 Sewer Fund fiscal year budget.

NOW, THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED, that the Director of Public Works and the Utilities Committee recommend to the Mayor and Quincy City Council that the proposal from Crawford, Murphy and Tilly of Springfield, Illinois, in the amount of \$150,000.00 be accepted.

Jeffrey Conte, P.E.

Director of Public Works

Ald. Bauer moved for the adoption of the resolution, seconded by Ald. Rivera, and on the roll call the following vote resulted: Ayes: Ald. Bauer, Rivera, Farha, Sassen, Rein, Mast, Reis, Maples, Uzelac, Fletcher. 10. Nay: Ald. Bergman. 1. Abstain: Ald. Holtschlag 1. Absent: Ald. Mays, Entrup. 2. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, significant settlement in the Quincy Regional Airport terminal building foundation and slab is causing large cracking in the building's floor and problems with exterior doors and windows; and,

WHEREAS, the City has received a proposal from Klingner and Associates of Quincy, Illinois, in the amount of \$9,000.00 for structural design services and recommendations for foundation repairs; and,

WHEREAS, Klingner and Associates has the expertise and resources required to provide the structural design services in a timely manner; and,

WHEREAS, funding for this service is available in the 2022/2023 Airport Fund fiscal year budget.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Airport Director and the Aeronautics Committee recommend to the Mayor and Quincy City Council that the proposal from Klingner and Associates of Quincy, Illinois, in the amount of \$9,000.00 for structural design services be accepted.

Chuck Miller

Airport Director

Ald. Bauer moved for the adoption of the resolution, seconded by Ald. Maples, and on the roll call each of the 12 Aldermen voted yea, with 2 absent. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE

Adoption of an Ordinance entitled: An Ordinance Authorizing Lease Agreement. (Lease of basement space at 433 Hampshire Street to the Mid-Summer Arts Faire at \$50 per month.)

Ald. Uzelac moved for the adoption of the ordinance, seconded by Ald. Holtschlag, and on the roll call each of the 12

Aldermen voted yea, with 2 absent.

Chair, Mayor Michael A. Troup, declared the motion carried and the ordinance adopted.

ORDINANCE

Adoption of an Ordinance entitled: An Ordinance Authorizing Lease Agreement. (Lease of basement space at 433 Hampshire Street to The District at \$50 per month.)

Ald. Uzelac moved for the adoption of the ordinance, seconded by Ald. Holtschlag, and on the roll call each of the 12 Aldermen voted yea, with 2 absent.

The Chair, Mayor Michael A. Troup, declared the motion carried and the ordinance adopted.

ORDINANCE

Adoption of an Ordinance entitled: An Ordinance Amending The 2022-2023 Fiscal Year Budget, as amended. (\$200,000 of excess PPRT revenues to increase the General Fund Recycle Division for site improvements for city wide free recycling drop-off sites and \$150,000 for Central Garage Fuel.

Ald. Uzelac moved for the adoption of the ordinance, seconded by Ald. Holtschlag, and on the roll call each of the 12 Aldermen voted yea, with 2 absent.

The Chair, Mayor Michael A. Troup, declared the motion carried and the ordinance adopted.

ORDINANCE

Adoption presentation of Ordinance entitled: An Ordinance Granting A Variation From Zoning Regulations. (Quincy Electric & Sign Co., 3001-3007 Broadway, allow a sign of 270 sq. ft. which exceeds the maximum allowable pole sign face area of 150 sq. ft.)

Ald. Rivera moved for the adoption of the ordinance, seconded by Ald. Bauer, and on the roll call each of the 12 Aldermen voted yea, with 2 absent.

The Chair, Mayor Michael A. Troup, declared the motion carried and the ordinance adopted.

ORDINANCE

Second presentation of an Ordinance entitled: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 32 (City Council) Of The Municipal Code Of The City of Quincy 2015. (Dissolving the Street Lights/Right-of-Way Committee.)

ORDINANCE

First presentation of an Ordinance entitled: An Ordinance Amending Ordinance 99-109 (Amending Special Permit For Planned Development. (Allow for body shop repair/work at 935 State Street and to require all doors be closed during regular business hours unless a vehicle is entering/exiting the building at 935 State Street.)

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

Quincy, Illinois, February 6, 2023

	Transfers	Expenditures	Payroll
City Hall.....		25.00	32,072.10
Planning & Dev	24,000.00		
9-1-1.....	29,500.00		
Recycle	14,500.00		
Cash Reserve to Transit Loan.....	35,000.00		
Building Maintenance.....		650.36	
Comptroller		8,862.44	9,502.27
Legal Department		0.00	9,150.92
Commissions.....		125.46	729.10
IT Department.....		4,630.50	8,482.85
Police Department.....		6,311.35	249,649.82
Fire Department		4,171.38	181,108.24
Public Works.....		2,860.21	42,414.17
Engineering		1,294.76	17,711.94
GENERAL FUND SUBTOTAL	103,000.00	28,931.46	550,821.41
Planning and Devel.....		7,223.27	23,233.75
911 System.....		0.00	38,206.70
Housing Resource Fund.....		284.00	
911 Surcharge Fund.....		12,425.76	
Transit Fund.....		10,203.66	73,748.26

Capital Projects Fund.....		3,003.00	
Special Capital Funds		122.46	
Special Tax Alloc - TIF #3.....		2,800.00	
Water Fund		135,871.17	93,768.62
Sewer Fund		177,108.59	19,979.01
Quincy Regional Airport Fund		135,694.08	16,244.83
Municipal Dock		475.00	
Garbage Fund.....		0.00	13,097.46
Recycle Fund		0.00	9,181.43
Central Garage		20,327.98	27,339.39
Self Insurance		355.89	13,459.10
Health Insurance Fund.....		362,890.37	
Lincoln Bicentennial Comm.....		486.88	
BANK 01 TOTALS	103,000.00	898,203.57	879,079.96
Motor Fuel Tax.....		4,294.15	
IHDA Grant Fund.....		500.00	
ALL FUNDS TOTALS	103,000.00	902,997.72	879,079.96

Michael Farha
Jack Holtschlag
Anthony E. Sassen
Mike Rein
Richie C. Reis
Finance Committee

Ald. Farha, seconded by Ald. Sassen, moved the reports be received and vouchers be issued for the various amounts and on the roll call each of the 12 Aldermen voted yea, with 2 absent. Motion carried.

MOTION

Ald. Uzelac referred to Central Services, a divot forming on Washington Street between 11th and 12th. Motion carried.

The City Council adjourned at p.m. on a motion of Ald. Holtschlag. Motion carried.

LAURA OAKMAN
City Clerk