

THE CITY COUNCIL

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

REGULAR MEETING

Quincy, Illinois, March 20, 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, Entrup, Bergman, Bauer, Mays, Farha, Sassen, Rein, Mast, Reis, Maples, Uzelac, Holtschlag. 13.

Absent: Ald. Rivera. 1.

Ald. Entrup moved Alderwoman Rivera be allowed the usual compensation for this meeting. Motion carried.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council held March 13, 2023, were approved on a motion of Ald. Entrup. Motion carried.

Assistant Corporation Counsel: Bruce Alford.

The City Clerk presented and read the following:

PUBLIC FORUM

Katie Stegner asked for the timeline of getting the ramps placed at the two recycling locations.

Laurie Poe stated that there were 3 gas leaks at her residence and AMEREN was called.

Kevin Lasley stated that his landlord is refusing to fix a hole in the roof.

Jesse McCormick stated that he resides with Kevin Lasley and is constantly texting the landlord about the hole in the ceiling.

Andrew Howser stated that his landlord is getting agitated and the maintenance man will not come. He feels he is being taken advantage of since he is disabled.

Rev. Carl Terry stated that he is concerned about the gas leaks and housing is a problem.

Louise Seaver wanted to thank the Blessing Hospital hospitality house for housing her daughter and that Quincy has good medical care. She invited everyone to eat at the Legion.

PETITIONS

By the following organizations requesting permission to conduct a raffle and have the bond requirement waived: Jokers Lounge/Erica Schroeder Benefit from May 20, 2023, through May 21, 2023; Quincy Humane Society from March 22, 2023, to April 15, 2023. The City Clerk recommends approval of the permits.

Ald. Holtschlag moved the prayer of the petitions be granted. Motion carried

Special Event Application from Scott Edlin, owner of On the Rail, 129 South 4th Street, requesting permission to hold the Summer Music Series on Saturday, May 27, 2023 (12:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m.); Saturday, June 3, 2023 (12:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m.) and Saturday, June 17, 2023 (12:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m.) with the closure and use of the following street, alley, and property from 12:00 p.m. (noon) on Friday prior to the events and through 12:00 p.m. (noon) on Sunday following the events: Maine Street, 4th to 5th Streets; alley adjacent to 129 South 4th Street; Newcomb Lot and corner of 4th and Maine Streets and that the City provide barricades for the street closures. "No Parking" signs are requested to be placed on both sides of Maine Street between 4th and 5th Streets on the Friday morning prior to the event dates. It is requested that the Noise Ordinance 111.009 be waived until 12:00 a.m. The Quincy Police Department has approved waiving liquor ordinances to allow for the consumption and possession of liquor on a public street or lot, permitting open liquor to leave the licensed premises, and selling of liquor outside the licensed premises. Based upon results of a neighborhood canvas, the Quincy Police Department did not make a recommendation for approval or denial of a Live Entertainment/Public Gathering License for the event. Permission to assemble a stage for live entertainment on Maine Street near the City-owned Newcomb lot is requested and approval for the assembly of the stage is recommended pending an inspection of the structure by the Quincy Fire Department once the stage is in place and prior to the start of the event.

Ald. Holtschlag stated that the main band will play until 10:30 p.m. and the opening act will be moved to the patio.

Ald. Holtschlag moved the prayer of the petition be granted and the proper authorities notified. Motion carried.

REPORTS OF THE TRAFFIC COMMISSION

Recommending the request to install a stop sign for westbound traffic at the intersection of 11th and Hampshire Street be granted, making the intersection an "all-way" stop.

Ald. Uzelac moved the report be received and concurred in and an ordinance drafted. Motion carried.

Recommending the referral to install a streetlight at the intersection of North 12th Street and Winsor Drive be granted and that Ameren Illinois be notified of the lighting request.

Ald. Entrup moved the report be received and concurred in and an ordinance drafted. Motion carried.

Recommending the referral to install a streetlight in the north-south alley between 9th and 10th, York to Jersey Streets be granted and that Ameren Illinois be notified of the lighting request.

Ald. Uzelac moved the report be received and concurred in and an ordinance drafted. Motion carried.

REPORT OF THE CITY TREASURER ON BANKING

City Treasurer Linda Moore assured the council that the city's money is safe and all of our local banks have issued statements and none of them have any interests in or investments in Signature Bank (NY) or Silicon Valley Bank (CA).

RESOLUTION

Resolution stating that the City agrees to sell the City Annex building for \$347,000, said price derived from recent sales of similar downtown property; that the Town Board charge monthly the City's Planning and Development offices for the space currently used in the same manner as currently, and that the city's traffic office and storage space in the basement be maintained until said offices are vacated when reconstruction of City Hall is completed.

Ald. Bauer moved to table the resolution for one week, seconded by Ald. Uzelac. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the provision of public transit service is essential to the people of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, 49 U.S.C. § 5311 ("Section 5311"), makes funds available to the State of Illinois to help offset certain operating deficits and administrative expenses of a system providing public transit service in non-urbanized areas; and

WHEREAS, the Downstate Public Transportation Act (30 ILCS 740/2-1 et seq.) ("Act") authorizes the State of Illinois, acting by and through the Illinois Department of Transportation, to provide grants and make funds available to assist in the development and operation of public transportation systems; and

WHEREAS, grants for said funds will impose certain obligations upon the recipient, including the provision by it of the local share of funds necessary to cover costs not covered by funds provided under Section 5311 or the Act.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF QUINCY:

Section 1. That an application be made to the Division of Public and Intermodal Transportation, Department of Transportation, State of Illinois, for a financial assistance grant under Section 5311 and the Act for fiscal year 2024, for the purpose of off-setting a portion of the Public Transportation Program operating expenses and deficits of *Quincy Transit Lines*.

Section 2. That while participating in said operating assistance program *the City of Quincy on behalf of Quincy Transit Lines* will provide all required local matching funds.

Section 3. That *The Mayor of the City of Quincy and/or the Director of Quincy Transit Lines is hereby* authorized and directed to execute and file on behalf of the Quincy Transit Lines such application.

Section 4. That *The Mayor of the City of Quincy and/or the Director of Quincy Transit Lines is authorized* to furnish such additional information as may be required by the Division of Public and Intermodal Transportation and the Federal Transit Administration in connection with the aforesaid application for said grant.

Section 5. That *The Mayor of the City of Quincy and/or the Director of Quincy Transit Lines is hereby* authorized and directed to execute and file on behalf of the *Quincy Transit Lines* a Section 5311-Downstate Operating Assistance Grant Agreement ("Agreement") with the Illinois Department of Transportation and amend such Agreement, if necessary, in order to obtain grant assistance under the provisions of Section 5311 and the Act for fiscal year 2024.

Section 6. That *The Mayor of the City and/or the Director of Quincy Transit Lines is hereby* authorized to provide such information and to file such documents as may be required to perform the Agreement and to receive the grant for fiscal year 2024.

PRESENTED and ADOPTED this 20th day of March 20, 2023.

Signed By Michael A. Troup, Mayor

ATTESTED Laura Oakman, City Clerk

Ald. Farha moved for the adoption of the resolution, seconded by Ald. Reis, and on the roll call each of the 13 Aldermen voted yea, with 1 absent. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION

Airport Director and Director of Administrative Services recommending approval to purchase a new truck engine for

a Ford F250 truck in the amount of \$8,303.32 from Gem City Ford.

Ald. Bauer moved to table the resolution for one week, seconded by Ald. Bergman. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, on September 12, 2022, the Quincy City Council adopted an ordinance allowing the implementation of recycling drop-off locations that are used by residents for the collection of recyclable materials; and,

WHEREAS, the recycling drop-off sites utilize pre-fabricated aluminum platforms to provide safe and easy access to the roll-off recycling containers; and,

WHEREAS, to ensure that all residents of Quincy have the opportunity to safely dispose of their recyclable materials, the City desires to install pre-fabricated ADA and IBC compliant platform ramps at the Pepsi and Hy-Vee recycling drop-off sites; and,

WHEREAS, the City has received a quote in the amount of \$29,309.22 from EZ-Access of Morganfield, Kentucky, for the purchase of two (2) ADA compliant platform ramps, railing, and hardware for the recycling sites; and,

WHEREAS, the Director of Public Works has reviewed the quote and finds it to be acceptable; and,

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

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Director of Public Works recommends to the Mayor and Quincy City Council that normal bidding requirements be waived and the quote from EZ-Access of Morganfield, Kentucky, in the amount of \$29,309.22 for the purchase of two (2) pre-fabricated ADA compliant platform ramps be accepted.

Jeffrey Conte

Director of Public Works

Ald. Sassen moved for the adoption of the resolution, seconded by Ald. Reis, and on the roll call each of the 13 Aldermen voted yea, with 1 absent. Motion carried.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH ADAMS COUNTY FOR REIMBURSEMENT FROM COUNTY'S STRONG COMMUNITIES PROGRAM GRANT

WHEREAS, Adams County was awarded an IHDA Strong Communities Program Grant; and

WHEREAS, eligible uses of the Strong Communities Program include demolition, legal fees, asbestos testing, asbestos abatement, grading, seeding, foreclosure, and advertising associated with the removal of blighted, dilapidated, and abandoned properties; and

WHEREAS, the City of Quincy has properties in the Fix or Flatten Program that would qualify for the use of the County's Strong Communities Program funds; and

WHEREAS, the County has offered to reimburse the City from its Strong Communities Program funds up to a maximum of \$15,000 per property for the demolition of properties in the Fix or Flatten Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the:

1. City and County enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement to permit the City to seek reimbursement from the County's Strong Communities Program for the demolition and related costs associated with properties in the Fix or Flatten Program.

2. The City's Mayor is authorized to execute the Adams County Intergovernmental Agreement for the use of the County's Strong Communities Program funds.

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 20TH DAY OF MARCH, 2023.

APPROVED: March 21, 2023

Michael A. Troup, Mayor

ATTEST: Laura Oakman, City Clerk

Ald. Uzelac moved for the adoption of the resolution, seconded by Ald. Holtschlag, and on the roll call each of the 13 Aldermen voted yea, with 1 absent. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE

Second presentation of an Ordinance entitled: An Ordinance Amending The 2022-2023 Fiscal Year Budget. (Increase the budget for Tourism Tax Fund (Hotel/Motel Taxes) \$170,000 and allow the corresponding additional revenues to be disbursed per the Intergovernmental Agreements.)

Ald. Farha moved to amend the ordinance to add Fire Pension increase: \$188,651, Police Pension increase: \$22,282, seconded by Ald. Sassen. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE

Second presentation of an Ordinance entitled: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 52 (Water) Of The Municipal Code Of The City Of Quincy. (Providing electronic payment options.)

ORDINANCE

First presentation of an Ordinance entitled: An Ordinance Regarding The Privacy Policy For The Illinois Housing Development Authority’s Home Repair And Accessibility Program Grant. (Policy designed to ensure the security and confidentiality of borrower information.)

ORDINANCE

First presentation of an Ordinance entitled: An Ordinance Amending Section 162.194 (Designation Of Landmarks) Of Chapter 162 (Zoning Regulations) Of Title XV (Land Usage) Of The Municipal Code Of The Code Of Quincy Of 2015. (Adding Landmark designation to 1636 Hampshire Street.)

ORDINANCE

First presentation of an Ordinance entitled: An Ordinance Amending Ordinance 8412 (Designating Properties As Landmarks In The City Of Quincy). (Removal of the phrase “The Carriage House”.)

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

Quincy, Illinois, March 20, 2023

	Transfers	Expenditures	Payroll
City Hall.....		509.68	31,234.72
Planning & Dev	41,000.00		
9-1-1.....	33,000.00		
Airport.....	20,500.00		
Central Garage.....	10,500.00		
General Fund to Transit Loan.....	96,500.00		
Building Maintenance.....		6,203.56	
Comptroller.....		0.00	9,502.26
Legal Department.....		0.00	9,150.92
Commissions.....		300.00	729.10
IT Department.....		0.00	8,685.34
Police Department.....		290,002.75	238,357.85
Fire Department.....		360,831.59	200,409.73
Public Works.....		93,487.98	42,789.49
Engineering.....		3,949.21	17,776.63
Tax Distribution/Subsidies		91,096.07	
GENERAL FUND SUBTOTAL	201,500.00	846,380.84	558,636.04
Planning and Devel.....		441.46	22,803.01
911 System.....		0.00	41,394.85
911 Surcharge Fund.....		1,998.82	
Econ Dev Growth Fund.....		11,250.00	
Transit Fund.....		9,285.64	75,932.24
Special Capital Funds		958.53	
Water Fund		159,417.84	92,974.35
Sewer Fund		53,566.19	19,213.74
Quincy Regional Airport Fund.....		10,996.61	15,240.60
Municipal Dock		274.68	
Regional Training Facility.....		2,070.93	
Garbage Fund.....		0.00	13,448.79
Recycle Fund		91.60	6,640.04
Central Garage		6,799.41	27,631.73
Self Insurance		1,656.99	5,247.04
Lincoln Bicentennial Comm.....		1,046.36	
Animal Rescue Fund.....		394.00	
Tourism Tax Fund		65,462.95	
BANK 01 TOTALS	201,500.00	1,172,092.85	879,162.43
ALL FUNDS TOTALS	201,500.00	1,172,092.85	879,162.43

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 13 Aldermen voted yea, with 1 absent. Motion carried.

MOTIONS

Ald. Bauer moved to close College Street, 9th to 10th, on April 25th from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. for Blessing Daycare. Barricades needed. Motion carried.

Ald. Rein moved to refer to Engineering the stop light at 24th & State. Motion carried.

Ald. Uzelac moved to close 5th Street, Vermont to Broadway, on April 4th from 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. for election returns. Barricades needed. Motion carried.

The City Council adjourned at 8:46 p.m. on a motion of Ald. Holtschlag. Motion carried.

LAURA OAKMAN
City Clerk