

# THE CITY COUNCIL

## OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

### REGULAR MEETING

Quincy, Illinois, May 30, 2023

Monday, May 29, 2023, being a holiday, 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, Rivera, Mays, Farha, Ebbing, Reis, Reed, Uzelac, Holtschlag. 12.

Absent: Ald. Sassen, Rein. 2.

Ald. Farha moved the absent Aldermen be excused and be allowed the usual compensation for this meeting. Motion carried.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council held May 22, 2023, were approved as printed on a motion of Ald. Entrup. Motion carried.

Legal Counsel: Corporation Counsel Lonnie Dunn.

#### **The City Clerk presented and read the following:**

#### **PUBLIC FORUM**

Mark Aleman represents the Hotel/Motel Association. He stated that Bet on Q has caused more occupancy and higher rates. The program is working. He asked the Council to vote yes.

Sarah Havens is the manager of the Stoney Creek Inn. Because of Bet on Q, Stoney Creek has broken many records and this May was the highest month recorded in occupancy. She said, it's time for growth.

Chuck Lankey has worked for The Patio restaurant for 19 years. Bet on Q is bringing customers to The Patio and The Armory venue. The grant is small but a game changer. He thanked those who voted for it.

Reg Ankrom, president of SIMEC, stated that the price per kw for AMEREN has gone down. He wanted to let the citizens of Quincy know that they can opt out of Constellation and go to the AMEREN rates, which is now a better option.

#### **PETITIONS**

By J & M Displays Inc. requesting permission to hold firework displays on July 4th at Quinsippi Island, approximately 9:30 p.m. The Quincy Fire Department has given their approval.

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

By United Way of Adams County requesting to conduct a raffle and have the bond requirement waived from August 1, 2023 to July 31, 2024. The City Clerk recommends approval of the permit.

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

#### **REPORTS OF THE QUINCY PLAN COMMISSION**

Recommending approval of a request to amend a Special Permit to allow for a 1,200 square foot expansion of the building at 935 State Street and to allow for relief from the architectural standards established in City Code Chapter 162.026 with the following conditions: 1) An expansion of the existing structure is allowed so long as the expansion of up to 1,200 square feet is located to the east of the existing structure. 2) The approved expansion of the existing structure need not comply with the exterior architectural standards for new construction within the downtown districts. 3) The exterior of the expansion should match the exterior of the existing structure.

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

Recommending approval of a request to subdivide (one lot into seven lots) property located at 1700 Kochs Lane with the following conditions: 1) That the lot sizes for lot 3, lot 4, and lot 5 may be smaller than 10,000 square feet but that each lot must exceed 9,100 square feet. 2) That the developer be granted relief from City Code 161.06(B) to allow for the construction of a turnaround, which is acceptable under the International Fire Code, instead of a cul-de-sac, which is required in City Code Chapter 161.06(B). 3) That "No Parking-Fire Lane" signs be installed at the turnaround per the Quincy Fire Department.

Ald. Fletcher moved the report be received and concurred in. Motion carried.

Recommending approval of a Special Permit for a Planned Development to allow for the operation of an Investment

Advisory Practice at 2240 Broadway Street.

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

Recommending approval of a request for a Special Permit for a Planned Development to allow for the operation of a daycare facility at 3700 East Lake Centre Drive.

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

### RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, an essential part of emergency services operations is the ability to have a robust and practical training program; and,

WHEREAS, the Quincy Fire Department operates the Quincy Regional Training Facility for numerous practical hands-on applications during its training regimen; and,

WHEREAS, the Quincy Fire Department often relies on the crews from Central Services to assist with the movement of heavy materials (vehicles, concrete, etc.) to create realistic training scenarios; and,

WHEREAS, the Quincy Fire Department can obtain a piece of heavy-duty construction equipment with minimal cost to be used at the Quincy Regional Training Facility; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Quincy has limited fiscal resources available for the procurement of heavy-duty construction equipment, vehicles, commodities, and other property; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Quincy agrees to the following terms and conditions: to use the surplus property only in the official program which it represents; and upon receipt, agrees to place the surplus property into use within one year; and it agrees that the property shall be used for a period of one year (certain items, eighteen months); that it agrees it will not sell, loan, trade or tear down the property without written consent from the State of Illinois; and,

WHEREAS, the Quincy Fire Department understands that surplus property must be used in an authorized program and that personal use or non-use of surplus property is not allowed; and,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Fire Aldermanic Committee, and the Fire Chief recommend to the Mayor and City Council that the Fire Chief be authorized to participate in the State of Illinois Federal Surplus Property Program.

Bernie 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, one of the most important pieces of equipment to a firefighter is their firefighting “bunker gear”; and,

WHEREAS, bunker gear wears over time and must be replaced on a regular basis per NFPA standards and manufacturer recommendations; and,

WHEREAS, the Quincy Fire Department has ten sets of bunker gear due for replacement this fiscal year and needs three sets for new hires; and,

WHEREAS, quotes (per set) were sought for the needed gear from three different vendors and were submitted as follows:

AEC Fire Safety & Security, Inc.	\$3,420.00
Municipal Emergency Services (MES)	\$3,585.00
Dinges	\$3,489.00

WHEREAS, the amount for the gear was budgeted in the current fiscal year; and,

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 purchase the required thirteen sets of gear for the total amount of \$44,720.00 from AEC Fire Safety & Security, Inc.

Bernie 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 currently operates five pieces of apparatus in “front line” status serving the citizens, businesses and industries of the City; and

WHEREAS, reserve Engines #7 & #8 are 22 and 28 years old respectively; and

WHEREAS, Engine #3 is 13 years old and experiencing significant maintenance issues as well as current station configuration will not

accommodate this vehicle and Engine #6 is 18 years old and is due to be moved to reserve status; and

WHEREAS, the City of Quincy has been setting aside funds from providing fire service to the Illinois Veteran's Home and has \$241,827.65 in the apparatus replacement fund; and

WHEREAS, the City has appropriated \$1,182,000 toward the purchase of 2 new fire apparatus; and

WHEREAS, the pre-payment discount combined with a discounted purchase price provided on the second unit make it very feasible to purchase two apparatus allowing the City to recognize a significant cost savings based on forecasted manufacturing price increases as well as the forecasted price increases due to EPA emission mandates; and

WHEREAS, the City of Quincy is a member of the Sourcewell Purchasing Group (ID#90156); and

WHEREAS, the fire department administration and the apparatus selection committee determined that our two 2019 E-One pumpers have proven to provide outstanding performance and response to warranty issues; and

WHEREAS, the total purchase price, which includes an applied discount is \$1,406,529; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Fire Chief, the Fire Aldermanic Committee, recommend to the Mayor and the City Council that the Fire Chief be authorized to enter into a contract with Banner Fire Equipment for the purchase of two 2025 E-One fire apparatus.

Bernie 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, Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) is an essential piece of personal protective equipment (PPE) for firefighting; and,

WHEREAS, all SCBA must be inspected and tested annually for proper operation; and,

WHEREAS, Sentinel Emergency Solutions is the manufacturer's dealer for this area so this is considered to be a sole source service; and

WHEREAS, the fire department includes this annual service and maintenance in its budget; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Fire Chief and Fire Aldermanic Committee recommend to the Mayor and City Council that the Fire Chief be authorized to pay the invoice in the amount of \$7,550.59 to Sentinel Emergency Solutions, St. Louis MO.

Bernie 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 REAUTHORIZING BRING EVENTS TO QUINCY (BET on Q) GRANT PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, the Quincy City Council established the BET on Q Grant Program in the spring of 2021; and

WHEREAS, the program is funded through revenue generated by the Food & Beverage Tax; and

WHEREAS, the City Council committed \$100,000 to the program in both FY 21/22 and FY 22/23 and continued that commitment of \$100,000 in FY 23/24; and

WHEREAS, the goal of the BET on Q Grant Program is to bring more out-of-town visitors to Quincy to eat in local restaurants, drink in local bars, shops in local stores, and stay in local hotels/motels; and

WHEREAS, individuals or groups can apply for a BET on Q grant to establish a new event in Quincy or to expand an existing event; and

WHEREAS, a total of 21 BET on Q grants have been approved; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to continue to incentivize the establishing of new events in Quincy or the expanding of existing events as a way to bring more out-of-town visitors to Quincy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

- 1) That the Quincy City Council reauthorize the Bring Events to Quincy (BET on Q) Grant Program
- 2) That the City Council continue the annual funding allocation of \$100,000 in FY 23/24 as it did in FY 21/22 and FY 22/23 for the BET on Q Grant Program

3) That the funding for BET on Q shall come from Economic Growth Fund 213

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

Adopted this 30th day of May, 2023.

Laura Oakman

City Clerk

Approved this 31st day of May, 2023.

Michael A. Troup

Mayor

Ald. Uzelac moved for the adoption of the resolution, seconded by Ald. Holtschlag, and on the roll call the following vote resulted: Yeas: Ald. Reed, Uzelac, Holtschlag, Entrup, Rivera, Mays, Ebbing, Reis. 8. Nays: Ald. Fletcher, Bergman, Bauer, Farha. 4. Absent: Ald. Sassen, Rein. 2. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION REAUTHORIZING QUINCY WORKFORCE  
RELOCATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (Q-WRAP)**

WHEREAS, the City hired the firm, North Star, to develop a Strategic Marketing Campaign for Quincy that aims to recruit Quincy natives and newcomers to the City, to position the City as the Midwestern hub for regional and national business locations and to establish marketing efforts to sell the positive aspects of Quincy as a desirable place to live and work; and

WHEREAS, the creation of the Quincy Workforce Relocation Assistance Program (Q-WRAP) would incentivize individuals or families to move from outside Adams County to within the City of Quincy for employment in Adams County; and

WHEREAS, Q-WRAP is a program available to individuals or families with the requirement that the individuals or families or their employer sign-up through GREDF; and

WHEREAS, participants would receive a rebate of up to \$5,000 on their first year-long property tax bill while residing in Quincy or a rebate of up to \$3,500 on rent payments after their first full year residing in Quincy; and

WHEREAS, employers may advance up to \$3,500 to incentivize participants for use as rent/lease payments and seek reimbursement for the amount advanced on behalf of the incentivized participant as long as the incentivized participant provides evidence the advance was used for rent/lease payments; and

WHEREAS, a \$250 “finder’s fee” is available to local residents who identify potential new workers who live outside of Adams County and could relocate to the City of Quincy; and

WHEREAS, GREDF has received 164 qualified Q-WRAP applications to date; and

WHEREAS, the City as well as local businesses and industries desire to continue to incentivize individuals or families to move from outside Adams County to within the City of Quincy for employment in Adams County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

1) That the Quincy City Council reauthorize the Quincy Workforce Relocation Assistance Program (Q-WRAP) as a collaboration between the City and GREDF

2) That \$250,000 in funding be allocated for Q-WRAP

3) That the funding for Q-WRAP shall come from Economic Growth Fund 213

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

Adopted this 30th day of May, 2023.

Laura Oakman

City Clerk

Approved this 31st day of May, 2023.

Michael A. Troup

Mayor

Ald. Uzelac moved for the adoption of the resolution, seconded by Ald. Holtschlag, and on the roll call the following vote resulted: Yeas: Ald. Ebbing, Reed, Uzelac, Holtschlag, Entrup, Rivera, Mays. 7. Nays: Ald. Reis, Fletcher, Bergman, Bauer, Farha. 5. Absent: Ald. Sassen, Rein. 2. The Mayor cast the vote of Yea. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN ASSIGNMENT OF LEASE, WARRANTY DEED, AND  
INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE QUINCY TOWNSHIP RELATED  
TO THE CITY HALL ANNEX, 706 MAINE STREET, QUINCY**

WHEREAS, on April 3, 2023, the Township of Quincy passed Ordinance 23-1 that authorizes the Township to acquire property at 706 Maine Street, Quincy, Illinois (hereinafter “Property”); and,

WHEREAS, on April 10, 2023, the City Council passed a resolution to sell the Property for \$1 to the Quincy Township; and,

WHEREAS, the Property is subject to a Lease agreement between the City of Quincy and Two Rivers Regional Council

of Public Officials, which Lease will be assigned to the Township as part of the sale transaction; and,

WHEREAS, the Assignment of Lease will require the need for an Intergovernmental Agreement to specify certain services that the City will provide to the Township in order for the Township to fulfill their lease obligations as the building owner; and,

WHEREAS, a Warranty Deed will need to be executed to transfer the Property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Quincy council does hereby authorize the Mayor to execute:

1. The Intergovernmental Agreement with the Quincy Township attached hereto and incorporated herein, and,
2. The Assignment of Lease attached hereto, and,
3. The Warranty Deed attached hereto.

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

PASSED and APPROVED this 31st day of May, 2023.

SIGNED: Michael A. Troup, Mayor

ATTEST: Laura Oakman, City Clerk

Ald. Bauer moved for the adoption of the resolution, seconded by Ald. Uzelac, 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 Amending Chapter 32 (City Council) Of The Municipal Code Of The City Of Quincy, 2015. (Delete Planning & Development Committee from Standing Committees.)

Ald. Uzelac moved for the adoption of the ordinance, seconded by Ald. Entrup, 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

First presentation of an Ordinance entitled: An Ordinance Amending The 2023-2024 Fiscal Year Budget. (Appropriate \$182,000 for Fire Department Capital Outlay to purchase a second pumper apparatus and increase the Airport Fund for Phase 4 - Runway 4/22 project a total budget of \$13,654,600 with federal/state reimbursements of \$13,313,235.)

Ald. Reis moved to amend the Ordinance to add \$30,000 for summer help, seconded by Ald. Holtschlag. Motion carried.

Ald. Reis moved the requirements of Section 32.31 of the City Code of the City of Quincy be waived and the ordinance adopted, as amended, 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 as amended.

### REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

Quincy, Illinois, May 30, 2023

	Transfers	Expenditures	Payroll
City Hall.....		6,061.30	38,489.13
Planning & Dev .....	77,000.00		
9-1-1 .....	9,500.00		
Transit .....	(500,000.00)		
Airport.....	123,500.00		
Building Maintenance.....		280.67	
Comptroller .....		458.00	12,365.50
Legal Department .....		-	9,425.40
Commissions.....		-	750.96
IT Department.....		62,745.76	8,969.10
Police Department.....		30,720.42	258,646.84
Fire Department .....		2,360.18	184,791.52
Public Works.....		24,770.00	52,364.53
Engineering.....		161.63	18,266.11
<b>GENERAL FUND SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>(290,000.00)</b>	<b>127,557.96</b>	<b>584,069.09</b>
Planning and Devel.....		2,085.17	21,431.36
911 System.....		-	42,555.40
911 Surcharge Fund.....		687.04	
Police Criminal Reg Fee.....		279.92	

Transit Fund.....		99.40	73,663.55
Capital Projects Fund.....		8,215.63	
Water Fund .....		56,249.85	87,833.26
Sewer Fund .....		18,714.73	24,886.05
Quincy Regional Airport Fund.....		39,399.92	16,183.05
Airport P.F.C. Fund .....		4,649.82	
Regional Training Facility.....		67.68	
Garbage Fund.....		-	16,262.16
Central Garage .....		15,094.49	25,723.08
Self Insurance .....		2,027,020.86	7,851.18
Sister City Commission Fund.....		1,869.10	
<b>BANK 01 TOTALS .....</b>	<b>(290,000.00)</b>	<b>2,301,991.57</b>	<b>900,458.18</b>
Motor Fuel Tax .....		4,842.42	
<b>ALL FUNDS TOTAL .....</b>	<b>(290,000.00)</b>	<b>2,306,833.99</b>	<b>900,458.18</b>

Jack Holtschlag  
Eric Entrup  
Michael A. Troup  
Richie C. Reis  
**Finance Committee**

Ald. Reis seconded by Ald. Holtschlag, moved the reports be received and vouchers be issued for the various amounts and on the roll call the following vote resulted: Yeas: Ald. Entrup, Rivera, Mays, Ebbing, Reis, Reed, Uzelac, Holtschlag. 8. Nays: Ald. Fletcher, Bergman, Bauer, Farha. 4. Absent: Ald. Sassen, Rein. 2.

The City Council adjourned at 7:52 p.m. on a motion of Ald. Holtschlag. Motion carried.

**LAURA OAKMAN**  
City Clerk