

# THE CITY COUNCIL

## OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

### REGULAR MEETING

Quincy, Illinois, October 2, 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, Rivera, Mays, Sassen, Rein, Ebbing, Reis, Reed, Uzelac, Holtschlag. 13.

Absent: Ald. Farha. 1.

Ald. Entrup moved Ald. Farha be excused and allowed the usual compensation for this meeting, seconded by Ald. Sassen. Motion carried.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council held September 25, 2023, were approved on a motion of Ald. Entrup. Motion carried.

Legal Counsel: Corporation Counsel Bruce Alford.

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

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Susan Asher stated that she wants the safe haven ordinance in Quincy and that it be brought to a vote.

Collen Malouf stated that her husband and her support the safe haven ordinance.

Kathleen Xamis stated that the City Council should consider the ordinance and schedule a vote on making the city a safe haven.

Marliena Frier stated she would like to see the safe haven ordinance put on next week's agenda.

Dianne Deters, Patty Adam, Claudia Coggeshall, and Ralph Fairchild all stated that they support the safe haven ordinance and would like it brought up in the very near future for a vote.

Carrie Bross stated that the illegal safe haven ordinance is unconstitutional and unenforceable.

Genny Gramke states she is in support of the safe haven ordinance.

Martha Warden read and passed out a letter that was sent to the City of Danville, IL, from the Illinois Attorney General's office regarding a safe haven ordinance, stating it will violate Illinois law.

Janet Conover stated the next Tenant Workshop is October 5th and Blake Scheer will be taking over for her in 2024.

Blake Scheer stated he will have big shoes to fill but would like to continue the Tenant Workshop program.

#### **ADMINISTRATION REPORT**

##### **City Hall Renovations**

Public Works Director Jeffrey Conte gave a Power Point presentation updating the Council on the City Hall renovations.

#### **PRESENTATION**

##### **Tuskegee Airmen Event**

Cliff Weisenger gave a presentation on the Tuskegee Airman Event at the Quincy Airport.

#### **PETITIONS**

An application for Waiver of Liquor Ordinance by Tieraney Craig with The Quincy Riverfront Development Corporation requesting permission to have Liquor Ordinance for Consumption and Possession of Alcoholic Liquor on Public Streets, Alleys, Sidewalks and Lots on October 13th from 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. for the "Riverfront Rendezvous". The Quincy Police Department has given their approval.

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

By American Business Women's Association-Quincy Charter Chapter requesting permission to conduct a raffle and have the bond requirement waived from October 2nd, 2023, through February 24th, 2024. The City Clerk recommends approval of the permit.

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

Special Event Application from Quincy Early Tin Dusters requesting permission to hold their annual "Fall Color Run" on Friday, October 13th through Saturday, October 14th in downtown Quincy. The applicant requests the closure

of the following streets and parking lots from 5:00 a.m.- 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 14th and that the City provides barricades: Maine Street; 4th to 8th Streets; Hampshire Street; 4th to 8th Streets; 5th Street; Vermont to Jersey Streets; 6th Street, Hampshire to Jersey Streets; 7th Street; Hampshire to Jersey Streets; Municipal Parking Lots F, G, and I, and City Hall Plaza Parking Lot. The applicant also requests that “no parking” signs be placed on the affected streets and parking lots on the morning of Friday, October 13th. Approval is recommended by the Department of Utilities & Engineering.

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

### **MONTHLY REPORTS**

The monthly reports of the City Clerk, the City Treasurer, the City Comptroller, the Street Cleaning Department, the Sign & Paint Department for the month of September 2023. The Recycling Division for the month of August 2023 were ordered received and filed on a motion of Ald. Holtschlag. Motion carried.

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

Recommending approval of the request by Stephen Schutte for a Special Permit for Planned Development to allow for the construction of a two-family residential unit (duplex) at 1800 Jackson Street, which is zoned R1C (single-family residential).

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

Recommending approval of the request by Rickey Rettke, Jr. & Trisha Rettke for a Special Permit (Non-Conforming Use) to allow for the continued use of the dwelling at 1869 Vermont Street as a two-family residential unit (duplex).

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

### **PROCLAMATIONS**

By Michael A. Troup proclaiming the month of October as “German-American Heritage Month” and October 6, 2023, as “Quincy Branch of AAUW Day” (American Association of University Women).

Ald. Uzelac moved the proclamations be received and filed. Motion carried.

### **RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, the City of Quincy owns and operates Quincy Transit Lines; and,

WHEREAS, Quincy Transit Lines made application for a Public Transportation Capital Assistance Grant for the rehabilitation of Transit facilities; and,

WHEREAS, the Quincy Transit Lines has been awarded the grant in the amount of \$2,871,368.00; and,

WHEREAS, the City requires the services of an architectural design and engineering firm to assist with the design of the facility to meet the requirements that are set forth in the grant award; and,

WHEREAS, the City sought Requests for Qualifications and received three (3) responses; and,

WHEREAS, the Illinois Department of Transportation must concur with the selection of the firm and approve the contract. The City’s acceptance of this contract is dependent upon this approval and concurrence by IDOT; and,

WHEREAS, Melotte Morse Leonatti Parker Ltd. of Springfield IL, was the unanimous selection of the Transit Committee, the City Engineering Manager and the Transportation Director has proposed to perform the architectural and engineering designs for an amount not exceeding \$194,175; and,

WHEREAS, \$206,153.35 is included in the grant for this service; and,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Transportation Director, the Transportation Committee, and the Engineering Manager recommend to the Mayor and Quincy City Council that a contract in the amount of \$194,175.00 be awarded to Melotte Morse Leonatti Parker Ltd. of Springfield IL for architectural and engineering design services and that the Mayor be authorized to sign contract documents upon the concurrence of the Illinois Department of Transportation.

Marty Stegeman

Transportation Director

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

### **RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, the Department of Utilities and Engineering requires topographic surveying services at seven (7) locations for future proposed projects; and,

WHEREAS, the Department recently requested proposals for the surveying services and six (6) proposals were received; and,

WHEREAS, the proposal from Four Points Engineering and Land Surveying of Hannibal, Missouri, offers the services at the lowest cost of \$40,580; and,

WHEREAS, the Engineering Manager has reviewed the proposal and finds it meets all the required specifications of the proposal document; and,

WHEREAS, funding for this service is available in the 2023/2024 General Fund fiscal year budget.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Director of Public Works, the Engineering Manager, and the Central Services Committee recommend to the Mayor and Quincy City Council that the proposal from Four Points Engineering and Land Surveying of Hannibal, Missouri, in the amount of \$40,580 for topographic surveying services be accepted and the Mayor be authorized to sign contract documents.

Steve Bange, P.E.

Engineering Manager

Ald. Holtschlag 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 ACCEPTING A GRANT FROM THE ILLINOIS HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY'S STRONG COMMUNITIES PROGRAM.**

WHEREAS, the City of Quincy (the "Recipient") has been awarded a grant (the "Grant") from the Illinois Housing Development Authority (the "Authority") program administrator of the Strong Communities Program (the "Program"), as that Program is authorized by Article 30, Section 5 of Public Act 101-0638 (the "Act"), and governed by the Program guidelines described in the term sheet, as may be amended from time to time.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Recipient shall enter into the Funding Agreement (the "Agreement") with the Authority wherein the Authority agrees to make the Grant to the Recipient in an amount not to exceed Three Hundred Thirty Thousand and No/100 Dollars (\$330,000.00), which shall be used by the Recipient to preserve affordable housing efforts by assisting with the rehabilitation and/or demolition of abandoned properties within the Recipient's area, all in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in the Agreement.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor of the Recipient (the "Mayor") is hereby authorized and empowered to execute and deliver in the name of or on behalf of the Recipient the Agreement and any and all amendments, modifications and supplements thereto, and to execute and deliver such additional documents, instruments and certificates, as may be necessary or desirable for the Recipient to perform its obligations under the Agreement.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to take such additional actions, to make further determinations, to pay such costs and to execute and deliver such additional instruments (including any amendments, Agreements or supplements) as he or she deems necessary or appropriate to carry into effect the foregoing resolutions.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Recipient hereby ratifies, authorizes and confirms, and approves all documents and instruments executed in connection with the Grant and the Agreement, including those acts taken prior to the date hereof.

THIS RESOLUTION SHALL BE IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT FROM AND AFTER ITS PASSAGE, AS PROVIDED BY LAW.

PASSED this 2nd day of October, 2023.

SIGNED:

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.

### **RESOLUTION APPROVING MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN CITY OF QUINCY, ILLINOIS AND QUINCY FIREFIGHTERS LOCAL 63 IAFF**

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Quincy recently expanded the residency requirements for Police Officers of the City of Quincy, Illinois; and,

WHEREAS, Local 63 of the IAFF has approached the administration regarding granting the same residency requirements to firefighters effective with the passage of a new labor agreement; and,

WHEREAS, the administration of the City of Quincy and Local 63 of the IAFF have prepared a Memorandum of Understanding regarding residency requirements.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the City Council that Jeff Mays, Director of Administrative Services should execute the Memorandum of Understanding attached hereto on behalf of the City of Quincy, Illinois.

Dated: October 2, 2023

Michael A. Troup, Mayor

Laura Oakman, City Clerk

Ald. Bergman moved to amend the proposed MOU to include item #4 “Parties agree to add an article to CBA which includes the existing training reimbursement contract as currently used by the Police and Fire Commission to the instant CBA that expires April 30, 2024.”, seconded by Ald. Rein. Motion carried.

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

### **RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, the City of Quincy advertised a Request for Proposal (RFP) for Health Insurance for full-time, active employees and retirees; and,

WHEREAS, the City sought Requests for Proposal for quotes on self-funded and fully-insured plans to include a proposal similar to the City’s current Plan A, as well as options for plans that include a health savings account (H.S.A.) component; and

WHEREAS, the City received proposals from two (2) different proposers, James Baxter and Gallagher Insurance; and

WHEREAS, proposer Gallagher Insurance has satisfied the requirements of the RFP and is eligible to be the City’s insurance broker; and

WHEREAS, the Personnel Committee recommends to the Council that Gallagher Insurance be named the broker for the City’s Health Insurance program; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council approves Gallagher Insurance as the broker for the City’s Health Insurance program and an agreement be entered into with Gallagher Insurance for brokerage services for 2024.

Jennifer Winking

Director of Human Resources

Ald. Rein moved to amend the resolution by striking out the 4th Whereas, “Whereas, the City Council has deemed proposer James Baxter ineligible for 2024; and”, seconded by Alderman Sassen. Motion carried.

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

### **ORDINANCE**

Adoption of an Ordinance Entitled: An Ordinance Amending Title IX (General Regulations) Of Chapter 90 (Animals) Of The Municipal Code Of The City Of Quincy Of 2015. (Amending: Dangerous or Vicious Dogs.)

Ald. Rein moved for the adoption of the ordinance, seconded by Ald. Ebbing, and on a roll call each of the 13 Aldermen voted yea, with 1 absent.

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

### **ORDINANCE**

Adoption of an Ordinance Entitled: An Ordinance Amending Title IX (General Regulations) Of Chapter 90 (Animals) Of The Municipal Code Of The City Of Quincy Of 2015. (Deleting: Definitions.)

Ald. Rein moved for the adoption of the ordinance, seconded by Ald. Ebbing, and on a roll call each of the 13 Aldermen voted yea, with 1 absent.

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

### **ORDINANCE**

Adoption of an Ordinance Entitled: An Ordinance Amending Title IX (General Regulations) Of Chapter 90 (Animals) Of The Municipal Code Of The City Of Quincy Of 2015. (Add: Procedure for the Impoundment and Destruction of Dogs.)

Ald. Rein moved for the adoption of the ordinance, seconded by Ald. Ebbing, and on a roll call each of the 13 Aldermen voted yea, with 1 absent.

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

### **ORDINANCE**

Second presentation of an Ordinance Entitled: An Ordinance Granting A Variation From Zoning Regulations. (3505 Colonial Court, Allow for the construction of a front porch that reduces the required 25’ front yard setback.)

Ald. Rivera moved the requirements of Section 32.31 of the City Code of the City of Quincy be waived and the ordinance adopted, seconded by Ald. Mays, and on the roll call each of the 13 Aldermen voted yea, with 1 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 Chapter 44 (Purchasing and Bidding) of the Municipal code of the City of Quincy. (To require background checks for any Vendor with the City of Quincy where the amount is in excess of \$10,000.00).

**ORDINANCE**

First presentation of an Ordinance Entitled: An Ordinance Amending The 2023-2024 Fiscal Year Budget. (Bayview Bridge Light Fixture Replacements.)

**REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Quincy, Illinois, October 2, 2023

	Transfers	Expenditures	Payroll
City Hall.....		327.99	34,464.19
Cash Reserve to Transit Loan.....	<b>35,500.00</b>		
Building Maintenance.....		774.29	
Comptroller.....		888.78	12,365.50
Legal Department.....		-	9,425.40
Commissions.....		-	750.96
IT Department.....		-	9,261.02
Police Department.....		90,420.62	268,679.11
Fire Department.....		27,688.64	198,897.11
Public Works.....		70,128.75	47,426.03
Engineering.....		3,444.05	18,332.74
Tax Distribution/Subsidies.....		184,401.97	
<b>GENERAL FUND SUBTOTAL.....</b>	<b>35,500.00</b>	<b>378,075.09</b>	<b>599,602.06</b>
Planning and Development.....		826.05	20,968.81
911 System.....		-	40,419.51
Housing Resource Fund.....		40,000.00	
911 Surcharge Fund.....		22,547.18	
Econ Dev Growth Fund.....		22,686.54	
Police Dept. Grants.....		3,658.35	
Police Donations Fund.....		109.66	
Police DUI Fund.....		724.83	
Transit Fund.....		8.10	81,747.61
Bridge Lighting Fund.....		228.91	
Capital Projects Fund.....		4,850.77	
Special Tax Alloc - TIF #2.....		1,292.86	
Sewer EPA 2019 Proj Fund.....		360,914.07	
Water Fund.....		191,130.03	93,429.10
Sewer Fund.....		173,726.19	23,930.34
Quincy Regional Airport Fund.....		2,704.10	16,540.59
Garbage Fund.....		-	16,159.16
Central Garage.....		12,284.74	25,579.01
Self Insurance.....		2,974.18	8,265.23
Health Insurance Fund.....		43,563.85	
Econ Dev Revolv Loan Fund.....		4,204.55	
Sister City Commission Fund.....		100.00	
Lincoln Bicentennial Comm.....		329.85	
Animal Rescue Trust.....		3,133.48	
<b>BANK 01 TOTALS.....</b>	<b>35,500.00</b>	<b>1,290,063.38</b>	<b>926,641.42</b>
Motor Fuel Tax.....		379.95	
2019B GO Street Proj.....		19,651.30	
<b>ALL FUNDS TOTAL.....</b>	<b>35,500.00</b>	<b>1,310,094.63</b>	<b>926,641.42</b>

Mike Rein  
 Jack Holtschlag  
 Anthony E. Sassen  
 Eric Entrup  
 Richie C. Reis  
**Finance Committee**

Ald. Rein, 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. Sassen moved to close streets around the triangle including East Ave., West Ave., and Jersey Street (in Lawndale Neighborhood) October 21, 2023, from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. midnight. Barricades needed. Motion carried.

Ald. Reis moved to close South 20th - Payson to Washington on October 21st for a Halloween Trail. Barricades needed. Motion carried.

Ald. Reed moved to have an Ordinance drafted to make Quincy a Sanctuary City for the unborn. Motion carried.

The City Council adjourned at 8:43 p.m. on a motion of Ald. Holtschlag. Motion carried.

**LAURA OAKMAN**

City Clerk

By Sadie Platt, Deputy City Clerk