

THE CITY COUNCIL

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

REGULAR MEETING

Quincy, Illinois, September 3, 2024

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, Hultz, Mays, Farha, Ebbing, Reed, Reis, Uzelac, Holtschlag. 12.

Absent: Ald. Sassen, Rein. 2.

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

The minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council held August 26, 2024, were approved on a motion of Ald. Entrup. Motion carried.

Legal Counsel: Corporation Counsel Lonnie Dunn.

The City Clerk presented and read the following:

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Howard Rowden wanted to say thank you for helping with parking issues around town and the situation at 101 N. 4th.

Ernest Hicks asked why the City is working on the Amtrak parking lot when the railways are Federally funded.

Laura Seivert stated that the Arts Council invests money wisely to make Quincy a better place. She asked the Council to vote yes on the resolution.

Jessica Dedert asked the Council to vote yes on the Arts resolution as the money is going back into the economy.

Austin Young spoke about a homeless couple and Quincy needs to help them.

Chris Taylor stated that he has spoken to several state organizations about the homeless couple. There needs to be some responsibility for this.

Bill Stalder stated that the Arts Council has touched everyone in Quincy and asks for the Councils support.

Michael Perry stated that the Quincy Police Department has violated his civil rights.

Lee Lindsay stated that the Arts Council has so much to offer and hopes the Council will support it.

PETITIONS

Ernest Hicks requesting a Special Permit for Planned Development to allow for the operation of a commercial bar & grill at 906 Lind Street and to obtain a liquor license as a means to operate a commercial bar & grill and to operate video gaming terminals at 906 Lind Street, Zoned R3.

Ald. Bauer moved the petition be received and referred to the Plan Commission for study and to report back. Motion carried.

Marx Commercial Properties & Development Company requesting a Special Permit for Planned Development to allow for the placement of a pole sign at 420 North 34th Street that advertises for a commercial retailer located at 3415 Broadway Street, Zoned C3.

Ald. Mays moved the petition be received and referred to the Plan Commission for study and to report back. Motion carried.

The City of Quincy seeks to rezone property located at 1840 North 18th Street from R1C (single-family residential) to C2 (commercial) and to rezone 1900 Seminary Road from M1 (light industrial) to C2 (commercial) to allow for the operation of a vehicle washing facility.

Ald. Mays moved the petition be received and referred to the Plan Commission for study and to report back. Motion carried.

Gordon Dobby requesting to rezone property located at 1738 Broadway/305 North 18th Street from C1B (commercial) to C2 (commercial) to allow for the operation of a gaming parlor with video gaming terminals.

Ald. Farha moved the petition be received and referred to the Plan Commission for study and to report back. Motion carried.

Rickey Rettke, Jr. requesting a Non-Conforming Use Permit to allow for the continued use of 700-702 South 17th Street as a two-family residential dwelling (duplex), zoned R1C.

Ald. Reis moved the petition be received and referred to the Plan Commission for study and to report back. Motion carried.

Gray Television seeks to subdivide property (one lot to two lots) located at 501-503 Hampshire Street under the “small tracts” provision of the Subdivision Ordinance.

Ald. Uzelac moved the petition be received and referred to the Plan Commission for study and to report back. Motion carried.

Special Event Application from the Good Samaritan Home Foundation requesting permission to hold the “United Hearts Family Fest” fundraising event on Saturday, September 7, 2024, between 11:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on Trinity Church property located at 2020 South 24th Street. The applicant has submitted all required documentation, and approval is recommended by the Department of Utilities & Engineering.

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

Special Event Application from the Quincy Art Center requesting permission to hold “ArtFest” on Saturday, September 28, 2024, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Quincy Art Center and Lorenzo Bull Park located at 1515 Jersey Street. The applicant has submitted all required documentation, and approval is recommended by the Department of Utilities & Engineering.

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

By AirMedCare Network requesting permission to have the Air Evac helicopter at HyVee on Harrison September 28th from 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. for the HyVee Fall Festival. The Quincy Fire Department will be handling securing the landing zone during landing and takeoff.

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

By AirMedCare Network requesting permission to have the Air Evac helicopter at Blessing Reiman – Marx Rd. October 6th from 12:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. for the Teddy Bear Clinic. The Quincy Fire Department will be handling securing the landing zone during landing and takeoff.

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

MONTHLY REPORTS

The monthly reports of the City Clerk, the City Treasurer, the City Comptroller, the Street Cleaning Department, the Forestry Division and the Sign & Paint Department for the month of August, 2024 were ordered received and filed on a motion of Ald. Uzelac. Motion carried.

REPORTS OF THE QUINCY PLAN COMMISSION

Recommending APPROVAL of the proposed construction of a warehousing/distribution facility at 1700 North 45th Street, which is zoned M3 pending city approval of a site plan for the project.

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

Recommending APPROVAL of a Non-Conforming Use Permit to allow for the continued use of 727-729 North 22nd Street as a two-family residential dwelling (duplex).

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

Recommending APPROVAL of two amendments to City Code Chapter 162.096 (Off-Street Parking Provisions for the Physically Handicapped):

Amendment 1: Replace the current language in 162.096(C) with the following language: Each handicapped parking space shall be sized according to the current edition of the Illinois Accessibility Code.

Amendment 2: Replace the current language in 162.096(D)(1)(b) with the following language: R71101 sign.

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

Recommending APPROVAL of an amendment to Chapter 162.030 by adding the following Special Permit Use, Conditions that must be observed, and Districts in which the use will be allowed:

USES: Commercial Solar Energy Facilities.

SPECIFIC CONDITIONS: See Ordinance establishing Chapter 164 (Commercial Solar Energy Facilities).

DISTRICTS: M1 (Light Industrial), M2 (Heavy Industrial), and M3 (planned industrial)

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

Recommending APPROVAL of the adoption of City Code Chapter 164 (Commercial Solar Energy Facilities)

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

Recommending APPROVAL of a Special Permit for Planned Development to allow for a pet sitting/boarding business at 2110 State Street as proposed with the following conditions:

- No dog/pet shall be allowed outside, unsupervised, overnight or for an extended length of time

- The maximum number of dogs/pets at 2110 State Street be limited to the number allowed in City Code Section 90.025 (Keeping of Dogs)

- The Special Permit for Planned Development is non-transferable

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

Recommending APPROVAL of the subdivision of property located at 500-522 South 8th Street (one lot to two lots) under the “small tracts” provision of the Subdivision Ordinance.

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

Plan Committee reporting that it TABLED the request to rezone property located at 1700 Kochs Lane from R1A to NR1 to allow for the construction of multiple owner-occupied residential dwellings (condominiums) until the September 24, 2024 at the request of the petitioner.

Ald. Fletcher moved the report be tabled to the September 24th meeting.

PROCLAMATIONS

By Michael A. Troup proclaiming September 3rd – 8th as Chaddock Appreciation Week and September 8th as Lissencephaly Awareness Day.

Ald. Reis moved the proclamation be received and filed. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION

The Resolution Authorizing Funding For Quincy Society Of Fine Arts. (\$25,000 from the Economic Growth Fund.), was tabled for one week by Ald. Uzelac.

Ald. Uzelac moved for the adoption of the resolution, seconded by Ald. Holtschlag, and on the roll call the following vote resulted: Yeas: Ald. Uzelac, Holtschlag, Hultz, Farha, Reis, Reed. 6. Nays: Ald. Fletcher, Entrup, Bergman, Bauer, Mays, Ebbing. 6. Absent: Ald. Sassen, Rein. 2. The Mayor cast the vote of yea. Motion failed.

Ald. Farha moved to lay the resolution on the table for re-consideration at the next council meeting, seconded by Ebbing. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION

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

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

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

WHEREAS, the City of Quincy entered into this grant application with a resolution that was approved on February 6, 2023; 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, the grant was awarded, and the City of Quincy portion totaled \$196,980.92 for the purchase of equipment; and,

WHEREAS, the Quincy Fire Department also purchased the necessary software and equipment for programming the radios through the Tri-Township Fire Protection Department as part of the contract with winning bidder; and,

WHEREAS, the invoices were \$19,698.09 for the 10% Grant match and \$1,143.50 for the software and hardware; and,

WHEREAS, these costs were budgeted for this fiscal year; and,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Fire Aldermanic Committee and the Fire Chief recommend to the Mayor and City Council that the invoices from Tri-Township Fire Protection District be approved for payment.

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 Police Department needs to replace a 2010 Chevrolet Camaro with 40,000 miles being utilized as the Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) vehicle; and

WHEREAS, DARE personnel attend several community activities, school functions, and fundraising events each month and the current DARE vehicle does not serve the needs of the department to transport personnel, equipment, tables, displays

and promotional items to these events; and

WHEREAS, the Quincy Police Department issued a request for proposals (RFP) for a 2025 Dodge Durango Police Utility Vehicle to be utilized as the new DARE vehicle; and,

WHEREAS, Bob Ridings Fleet Sales, Taylorville, IL, was the only vender to submit a proposal; and

WHEREAS, Opioid settlement funds will be used to purchase the 2025 Dodge Durango Police Utility Vehicle; and

WHEREAS, the Quincy Police Department will transfer ownership of the 2010 Chevrolet Camaro to the Planning and Development Department; and

WHEREAS, the cost of the 2025 Dodge Durango Police Utility Vehicle from Bob Ridings Fleet Sales, Taylorville, IL, is \$42,990.00; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Chief of Police and Police Aldermanic Committee recommend to the City Council that the Quincy Police Department be granted authority to purchase one 2025 Dodge Durango Police Utility Vehicle from Bob Ridings Fleet Sales, Taylorville, IL, in the amount of \$42,990.00.

Adam Yates

Chief of Police

Ald. Mays moved for the adoption of the resolution, seconded by Ald. Hultz, 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 The 2024-2025 Fiscal Year Budget. (Wage increases related to labor contracts and proceeds increase to airport budget.)

Ald. Holtschlag moved to amend the ordinance to make no changes to the City Clerk budget and add the Quincy Police DARE car, seconded by Ald. Uzelac. Motion carried.

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

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

ORDINANCE

Second presentation of an Ordinance entitled: An Ordinance Amending title VII (Traffic Code) Of Chapter 82 (Parking Schedules) Of The Municipal Code Of The City Of Quincy Of 2015. (Add “No Parking” on north side of State Street from south 18th Street, west to the alley entrance.)

ORDINANCE

Second presentation of an Ordinance entitled: An Ordinance Amending title VII (Traffic Code) Of Chapter 82 (Parking Schedules) Of The Municipal Code Of The City Of Quincy Of 2015. (Add “No Parking” from the north and south sides of Maine Street beginning at the center of 24th Street and extending east a distance of three hundred ninety (390) feet.)

ORDINANCE

Second presentation of an Ordinance entitled: An Ordinance Amending Title VII (Traffic Code) Of Chapter 81 (Speed Limits) Of The Municipal Code Of The City Of Quincy Of 2015. (Speed limit reduced to 25 miles per hour in the Stone Crest Subdivision, Tuscany Fields Subdivision, and Cadbury Ridge Subdivision.)

ORDINANCE

First presentation of an Ordinance entitled: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 162 (Zoning) Of The Municipal Code Of The city Of Quincy (2015). (Add: Off Street Parking provisions for the physically handicapped.)

ORDINANCE

First presentation of an Ordinance entitled: An Ordinance Establishing Chapter 164 (Commercial Solar Energy Facilities) Of The Municipal Code Of The City Of Quincy (2015).

ORDINANCE

First presentation of an Ordinance entitled: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 162 (Zoning) Of The Municipal Code Of The city Of Quincy (2015). (Add: Special Use Permit use, conditions and districts for Commercial Solar Energy Facilities.)

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

Quincy, Illinois, September 03, 2024

	Transfers	Expenditures	Payroll
City Hall.....		780.00	34,998.65
9-1-1.....	8,000.00		
Garbage.....	1,000.00		
General Fund to Transit Loan.....	46,000.00		
Building Maintenance.....		2,189.41	
Comptroller.....		88.33	12,365.50
Legal Department.....		56.09	9,425.40
Commissions.....		-	858.38
IT Department.....		512.74	14,863.77
Police Department.....		22,225.37	317,642.46
Fire Department.....		2,407.02	200,993.10
Public Works.....		4,829.83	52,583.13
Engineering.....		169,846.99	19,457.65
Tax Distribution/Subsidies.....		71,225.00	
GENERAL FUND SUBTOTAL	55,000.00	274,160.78	663,188.04
Planning and Development.....		1,298.76	19,905.02
911 System.....		-	50,121.00
911 Surcharge Fund.....		867.44	
Traffic Signal Fund.....		38.99	
Federal Forfeiture Fund.....		979.00	
Transit Fund.....		1,037.46	88,357.18
Bridge Lighting Fund.....		233.20	
Capital Projects Fund.....		2,040.75	
Water Fund.....		720,937.07	94,471.74
Sewer Fund.....		78,895.44	26,722.84
Quincy Regional Airport Fund.....		37,932.05	15,786.31
Airport P.F.C. Fund.....		3,830.25	
Regional Training Facility.....		12.19	
Garbage Fund.....		81.73	17,003.19
Central Garage.....		15,909.02	31,465.15
Self Insurance.....		9,703.06	8,476.60
Health Insurance Fund.....		13,878.44	
Unemployment Comp Fund.....		1,287.50	
Econ Dev Revolv Loan Fund.....		4,204.55	
Lincoln Bicentennial Comm.....		89.99	
BANK 01 TOTALS	55,000.00	1,167,417.67	1,015,497.07
Motor Fuel Tax.....		750.00	
ALL FUNDS TOTAL	55,000.00	1,168,167.67	1,015,497.07

Jack Holtschlag
Eric Entrup
Richie C. Reis

Finance Committee

Ald. Farha, seconded by Ald. Reis, moved the report 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.

NEW BUSINESS

Ald. Entrup moved to close the alley during work time at 8th to 9th Street, Cherry to Cedar, on the south end from September 13th to 30th with barricades, for work on a rock wall. Motion carried.

Ald. Bergman moved to close Lumber Lane in front of Quincy Boat Club on September 6th from 5:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. for a QHS 50th class reunion with barricades. Motion carried.

Ald. Bauer asked Legal to see how to get the electric aggregation to be opt-in instead of an opt-out.

Ald. Entrup stated that he would like the electric aggregation process to be when you opt out, you stay opted out.

Ald. Farha stated that he is for another referendum concerning electric aggregation in the next city-wide election.

Ald. Bergman asked to have Reg Ankrom from SIMEC LLC come to the next council meeting to answer questions about the electric aggregation.

Ald. Uzelac moved to close the alley behind the First Union Congregational Church at 12th & Maine Street for Rally Day on September 15th from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. with barricades. Motion carried.

The City Council adjourned at 8:10 p.m. on a motion of Ald. Holtschlag. Motion carried.

LAURA OAKMAN
City Clerk