

THE CITY COUNCIL

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

REGULAR MEETING

Quincy, Illinois, April 28, 2025

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, Ehmen, Sassen, Rein, Ebbing, Reis, Reed, Uzelac, Holtschlag. 14.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council held April 21, 2025 were approved on a motion of Ald. Entrup. Motion carried.

Legal Counsel: Corporation Counsel Lonnie Dunn.

The City Clerk presented and read the following:

QUINCY POLICE DEPARTMENT SWEARING-IN

Officer Dale Schutte, Badge #142

Fire and Police Commission Chairman Barry Cheyne introduced Dale Schutte. Chief Adams Yates swore Officer Dale Schutte in as a Quincy Police Officer, Badge #142.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Rachelle Gage stated that most people do not know what the library does. She had a handout for the council.

Larry Rummler stated that the library helps children do well in school.

Donna Allen wanted to thank the Council and Mayor for the past four years.

David May stated that the library is a source of joy.

Ald. Reed left the council chambers at 7:25 p.m.

Ald. Reed returned at 7:32 p.m.

Margurita Ogilvie stated that the quality of life is better because of the library.

J. Matthew Ward stated that the library speaks well of the community.

David Harbin stated that the library is the life blood of the community.

Scott Walden stated that the library is a sanctuary and a safe place.

Samantha Barden stated that the library is a beacon of knowledge.

Pat Bell stated that we should be thankful and proud of our library.

Jan Hummel asked the council to please support the library.

Dr. Meenal Mandani asked to please do not cut funds to the library.

Gwen Henslee stated that we need to support the library.

Austin Young asked the council to not cut funds from the library.

Mark Philpott stated that there is a "Burner" in Quincy that puts responders at risk.

Thomas Hurley asked the council to support the Aden Automotive zoning change.

Conlon Carabine stated that there is a shortage of homes and we need an innovative way to increase the supply.

Richard Vogel stated that we need to appreciate the value of our library.

Gina Miller stated that teachers rely on the library's delivery service.

Karin Weid asked to council to support funding of the library.

Jill Arnold-Blickhan asked for support for the library.

Brennan Hills stated that he started a petition in support of the library and has received over 1,000 signatures in 6 days.

Jon Hoover stated that the library also provides materials to the Illinois Veterans Home.

Adam Duesterhaus stated that the Adams County Bicentennial Committee supports the library. Dean LaVelle asked for support for the library.

PETITIONS

Special Event Application requesting permission to hold The Score- board Dwarf Wrestling Show on Saturday, June 28, 2025, at The Score- board located at 234 South 8th Street. They request the closure of York Street, 7th to 8th Streets from 12:00 (noon) to 12:00 a.m. (midnight) on the day of the event and that the City provides barricades. The Quincy Police Department has approved the request to waive the liquor ordinances to allow for the consumption and possession of liquor on a public street and sidewalk, permitting open liquor to leave the licensed premises, and selling of liquor outside the licensed premises and the Live Entertainment/ Public Gathering License. Approval for the assembly of a wrestling ring is recommended by the Quincy Fire Department pending an inspection of the structure once the ring is in place. The applicant has submitted all required documentation, and approval is recommended by the Department of Utilities & Engineering.

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

Special Event Application from Fishing for Freedom Quincy requesting permission to hold the annual Fishing for Freedom Fishing Tournament on Friday, May 30th through Sunday, June 1st in Quincy's riverfront parks. The applicant has submitted all required documentation and approval is recommended by the Department of Utilities & Engineering.

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

Special Event Application from Dr. Orville Jones of First Baptist Church requesting permission to hold the Juneteenth Community Festival 2025 from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 14th in Washington Park. The applicant requests the closure of Maine Street, 4th to 5th Streets; 5th Street, Maine to Hampshire Streets (at 3:00 p.m.) and the City provides barricades. The applicant requests approval of a Live Entertainment/Public Gathering License for the event. The applicant has submitted all required documentation, and approval is recommended by the Department of Utilities & Engineering.

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

Special Event Application from Quincy Brewing and Arts Quincy requesting permission to hold MayFest on Saturday, May 10, 2025, between the hours of 12:00 p.m. (noon) and 10:00 p.m. on York Street between 9th and 10th Streets. The applicant requests the closure of York Street, 9th to 10th Streets and South 10th Street, York Street north to the alley from 8:00 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. on the day of the event and that the City provides barricades. The Quincy Police Department has approved the request to waive the liquor ordinance to allow for the consumption and possession of liquor on a public street, alley, sidewalk, and lot and recommends approval of a Live Entertainment/Public Gathering License for live music. Approval from the Quincy Fire Department is recommended to assemble a stage for the live entertainment at the intersection of 10th and York Streets pending an inspection of the structure once the stage is in place and prior to the start of the event. The applicant has submitted all required documentation, and approval is recommended by the Department of Utilities & Engineering.

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

Live Entertainment/Public Gathering application by Linda Moore requesting live music at Washington Park on May 4th from 3:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. for the swearing in ceremony.

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

REPORT OF THE QUINCY PUBLIC LIBRARY

Library Funding

Quincy Public Library Director Kathleen Helsabeck thanked all who spoke concerning the library and gave a power point presentation about library funding

Ald. Uzelac moved to receive and file the report. Motion carried.

REPORTS OF THE QUINCY PLAN COMMISSION

Recommending APPROVAL of a Special Permit for Planned Development to operate an autobody repair and paint shop at 1518 North 5th Street with the following conditions: 1) The Special Permit for Planned Development is non-transferable. 2) The hours of operation for the autobody repair and paint shop shall be 8:00 am 5:00 pm. The petitioner shall be allowed to work on his own vehicles or the vehicles of family members outside of the established hours of operation. 3) All vehicles being repaired, maintained, or serviced shall be parked on the lot at 1518 North 5th Street. 4) On-street parking of vehicles being repaired, maintained, or serviced shall be prohibited. 5) All autobody shop repairs and painting shall occur within an enclosed building. 6) Repeated complaints related to the autobody repair and paint shop, including but not limited to noise and odor, could result in a review of the Special Permit for Planned Development by the Quincy Plan Commission and/or the Quincy City Council.

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 an accessory dwelling (garage) located at 1603 Center Avenue to be used for commercial operations/construction with the conditions: 1) That the Special Permit for Planned Development is non-transferable. 2) The only allowed use of this Special Permit for Planned Development is the storage of commercial construction equipment and/or materials.

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

Recommending APPROVAL to rezone property located at 3101 Maine Street from single family residential (R1A) to commercial (C1A) to align with the current use of the property and with surrounding zoning classifications.

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

Recommending APPROVAL to rezone property located at 3011 Maine Street from single family residential (R1A) to commercial (C1A) to align with the current use of the property and with surrounding zoning classifications.

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

Recommending APPROVAL of a request to subdivide property (one lot to two lots) located at 2215 Oak Street.

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

The City Clerk read the following as information only.

Reporting that the Committee TABLED the request for a Special Permit for Planned Development to allow for the construction of a Commercial Solar Energy Facility on a 36-acre parcel contiguous to 3622 Ellington Road until the May meeting of the Quincy Plan Commission.

Reporting that the Committee TABLED the request to subdivide property (one lot to three lots) located at 2208 South 12th Street until the May 2025 meeting of the Quincy Plan Commission.

Reporting that the Committee TABLED a request to subdivide property (one lot to two lots) located at 1603 Center Avenue until the May 2025 meeting of the Quincy Plan Commission.

Reporting that on April 23, 2025, the petitioner withdrew the request to subdivide property (one lot to two lots) located at 3201 North 12th Street.

PROCLAMATION

By Michael A. Troup proclaiming the month of May, 2025, as Preservation Month.

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

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the City of Quincy currently uses two credit cards issued by UMB Bank, Kansas City, MO, for both the Mayoral Credit Card and the Purchasing Department; and,

WHEREAS, the Purchasing Credit Card currently has a limit of \$5,000 and occasionally is at card limit during the billing cycle; and,

WHEREAS, the Mayoral Credit Card currently has a limit of \$10,000 and over the past 48 months the monthly balance has averaged around \$200; and,

WHEREAS, the Finance Committee did recommend on April 21, 2025, for the Mayoral card to have card limit lowered to \$5,000 and the Purchasing card to have an increased limit of \$10,000; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council to authorize the following:

1. The City Comptroller, who serves as the City's UMB account record keeper to request cancellation

of the current credit card issued to Mayor Mike Troup.

2. The City Comptroller, who serves as the City's UMB account record keeper, along with the Purchasing agent to: a.) complete application with UMB Bank for a new Mayoral credit card for Linda Moore with a credit limit of \$5,000 and b.) increase the UMB Purchasing credit card limit from \$5,000 to \$10,000.

3. The execution of the "Organization Resolution and Agreement for Credit Card Program" as required by UMB Bank to authorize the City's account.

Sheri L. Ray

City Comptroller

Ald. Rein moved for the adoption of the resolution, seconded by Ald. Sassen, and on the roll call each of the 14 Aldermen voted yea. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, based on law, court decisions, case law, and the industry developed best practices, law enforcement policies are ever evolving; and

WHEREAS, with policy failure comes liability; and

WHEREAS, Lexipol is America's leading provider of policy management resources for law enforcement; and

WHEREAS, Lexipol provides comprehensive, defensible policies written by legal and public safety professionals; and

WHEREAS, Lexipol's periodic training bulletins bring the manual into practice through real-life scenario-based exercises; and

WHEREAS, the Quincy Police Department is currently working to become accredited, and Lexipol works directly with the Illinois Law Enforcement Accreditation Program; and

WHEREAS, Municipal Insurance Cooperative Agency (MICA) recommends we use policy management provider Lexipol; and

WHEREAS, Lexipol provides a reduced rate for agencies belonging to MICA; and

WHEREAS, Lexipol has an annual subscription fee of \$16,111.74; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Chief of Police recommends to the Mayor and City Council that we purchase services from Lexipol LLC, Irvine, CA 92606, for \$16,111.74.

Adam C. Yates

Chief of Police

Ald. Rein moved for the adoption of the resolution, seconded by Ald. Sassen, and on the roll call each of the 14 Aldermen voted yea. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the City recently requested bids for the demolition of 225 North 5th Street to allow for the expansion of Municipal Parking Lot F which is located at the corner of North 5th and Vermont Streets; and,

WHEREAS, the following bids were received:

H & D Construction

Mendon, Illinois \$51,000.00

American Dirt Works, LLC

Liberty, Illinois \$38,900.00

WHEREAS, the bids have been reviewed by the Engineering Manager and found to be acceptable for consideration; and,

WHEREAS, funding for the building demolition will be available in the 2025/2026 TIF fiscal year budget; and,

WHEREAS, to allow for the uninterrupted progression of this project in the event that changes or modifications are required, an additional 10% over the amount of the bid shall be included in the encumbrance for this project.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Director of Public Works, Engineering Manager, and Central Services Committee recommend to the Mayor and Quincy City Council that the low bid in the amount of \$38,900.00 from American Dirt Works, LLC of Liberty, Illinois, be accepted, and the Mayor be authorized the sign construction contract documents.

Steve Bange, P.E.
Engineering Manager

Ald. Uzelac moved for the adoption of the resolution, seconded by Ald. Holtschlag, and on the roll call each of the 14 Aldermen voted yea. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, on March 24, 2025, the Quincy City Council approved a resolution awarding a contract for the Prairie Crossing Pavement & North 36th Street Sidewalk Project to Hood Construction Group of Rushville, Illinois, at the bid price of \$1,111,601.00; and,

WHEREAS, following the award of the contract, additional improvements have been added to the project's scope of work by the Engineering Department; and,

WHEREAS, the Department requests approval for additional spending in the amount of \$82,649.00 for costs associated with the additional work which will include new sidewalk, block retaining wall, driveway reconstruction, and other construction related items; and,

WHEREAS, funding for the additional work will be available in the 2025/2026 Capital Ward 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 the Central Services Committee recommend to the Mayor and Quincy City Council that additional spending in the amount of \$82,640.00 for the Prairie Crossing Pavement and North 36th Street Sidewalk Project be approved.

Steve Bange, P.E.
Engineering Manager

Ald. Mays moved for the adoption of the resolution, seconded by Ald. Hultz, and on the roll call each of the 14 Aldermen voted yea. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Department of Central Services is responsible for the maintenance of sidewalks and streets throughout the City of Quincy; and,

WHEREAS, the Department of Central Services requires the purchase of an excavator to assist with the maintenance of said sidewalks and streets; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Quincy utilized the services of Sourcewell, a municipal procurement contractor, to assist with obtaining the piece of equipment at a competitive price; and,

WHEREAS, a quote from Altorfer CAT of Hannibal, Missouri, offers the purchase of a 2025 304-07 CR Excavator at the cost of \$79,995.00; and,

WHEREAS, the Director of Central Services has reviewed the quote and equipment specifications and finds them to be acceptable; and,

WHEREAS, funding for this purchase is available in the 2024/2025 General Fund fiscal year budget.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Director of Public Works, the Director of Central Services, and the Central Services Committee recommend to the Mayor and Quincy City Council that normal bidding requirements be waived and the quote in the amount of \$79,995.00 from Altorfer CAT of Hannibal, Missouri, for the purchase of a 2025 CAT 304-07 CR Excavator be accepted.

Jeffrey Conte, P.E.
Director of Public Works
Kevin McClean
Director of Central Services

Ald. Holtschlag moved for the adoption of the resolution, seconded by Ald. Mays, and on the roll call each of the 14 Aldermen voted yea. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION

Resolution recommending adoption of the Vehicle Replacement Policy as proposed April 28, 2025 by Ald. Rein.

Ald. Rein moved for the adoption of the resolution, seconded by Ald. Sassen.

Ald. Mays moved the resolution be tabled for one week, seconded by Ald. Uzelac. Motion carried.

RULES SUSPENDED

Ald. Entrup moved to suspend the rules and move the 2nd reading of the FY 2024/2025 Supplemental Budget Ordinance to the 1st item under **ORDINANCE** and move the 3rd reading of the Food & Beverage Ordinance to the 2nd item under **ORDINANCE**, seconded by Ald. Uzelac. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE

Second presentation of an Ordinance entitled: An Ordinance Amending The 2024-2025 Fiscal Year Budget. (Transfer \$4 million unbudgeted general funds to water and sewer funds to complete necessary street projects and excess revenue received in the amount \$120,400 from Western Illinois University for the 2025 Fire Academy.) Was sent back to Finance Committee on a motion of Ald. Rein at the April 14, 2025 council meeting.

Ald. Entrup moved the requirements of Section 32.31 of the City Code of the City of Quincy be waived, seconded by Ald. Uzelac. Motion carried.

Ald. Entrup moved the ordinance be adopted, seconded by Ald. Uzelac, and on the roll call the following vote resulted: Yeas: Ald. Rein, Ebbing, Reis, Reed, Uzelac, Holtschlag, Fletcher, Entrup, Bauer, Hultz, Mays, Ehmen, Sassen. 13. Nay: Ald. Bergman. 1. The Mayor cast a vote of Aye.

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

ORDINANCE

Adoption of an Ordinance entitled: An Ordinance To Establish A Prepared Food And Beverage & Alcoholic Beverage Tax And Amending The Economic Growth Fund.

Ald. Uzelac moved the ordinance be adopted, seconded by Ald. Holtschlag.

Ald. Entrup moved to amend the ordinance to show a 5-year sunset to November 30, 2030, seconded by Ald. Rein and on a roll call the following vote resulted: Ald. Fletcher, Entrup, Bergman, Bauer, Hultz, Mays, Ehmen, Sassen, Rein, Ebbing, Reis, Reed. 12. Nays: Ald. Uzelac, Holtschlag. 2. Motion carried.

Ald. Uzelac moved the ordinance be adopted, as amended, seconded by Ald. Reed, and on the roll call the following vote resulted: Yeas: Ald. Bauer, Hultz, Mays, Ehmen, Reed, Uzelac, Holtschlag, Entrup. 8. Nays: Ald. Bergman, Sassen, Rein, Ebbing, Reis, Fletcher. 6.

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

ORDINANCE

Adoption of an Ordinance entitled: An Ordinance Adopting The Annual Operating Budget For The City Of Quincy, Illinois, For The Fiscal Year Ending April 30, 2026.

Ald. Uzelac moved to amend the Ordinance by adding Exhibit B, seconded by Holtschlag and on a roll call the following vote resulted: Ayes: Ald. Entrup, Bergman, Bauer, Hultz, Mays, Ehmen, Sassen, Rein, Ebbing, Reis, Reed. Uzelac, Holtschlag. 13. Nay: Ald. Fletcher. Motion carried.

Ald. Uzelac moved to adopt the Ordinance, as amended, seconded by Ald. Holtschlag.

Ald. Bauer moved to amend the Ordinance amendment to reduce the library subsidy from \$423,975 to \$200,000, seconded by Ald. Entrup and on a roll call the following vote resulted: Ayes: Ald. Fletcher, Entrup, Bergman, Bauer, Ehmen, Sassen, Ebbing, Reis. 8. Nays: Ald. Hultz, Mays, Rein, Reed, Uzelac, Holtschlag. 6. Motion carried.

Ald. Bauer moved to adopt the Ordinance as amended, seconded by Ald. Entrup and on a roll call the following vote resulted: Ayes: Ald. Ehmen, Sassen, Ebbing, Reed, Entrup, Bauer. 6. Nays: Ald. Mays, Rein, Reis, Uzelac, Holtschlag, Fletcher, Bergman, Hultz. 8. Motion failed.

Ald. Mays moved to amend the Ordinance to reinstate the Library subsidy amount from \$200,000 to \$350,000, seconded by Ald. Hultz and on a roll call the following vote resulted: Ayes: Ald. Hultz, Mays, Ehmen, Ebbing, Reed, Uzelac, Holtschlag. 7. Nays: Ald. Fletcher, Entrup, Bergman, Bauer, Sassen, Rein, Reis. 7. The Mayor cast the vote of Aye. Motion carried.

Ald. Mays moved to adopt the Ordinance as amended, seconded by Ald. Hultz and on a roll call the following vote resulted: Ayes, Bauer, Hultz, Mays, Ehmen, Ebbing, Reed, Uzelac, Holtschlag. 8. Nays: Ald. Fletcher, Entrup, Bergman, Sassen, Rein, Reis. 6.

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

amended.

ORDINANCE

Second presentation of an Ordinance entitled: An Ordinance Granting A Variation From Zoning Regulations. (1550 Maine Street, to allow installation of a ground-mounted residential sign.)

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

CITY OF QUINCY, ILLINOIS

4/28/25

	Transfers	Expenditures	Payroll
City Hall.....		1,774.15	31,212.64
201 Planning & Dev	20,600.00		
202 9-1-1.....	33,000.00		
511 Airport	25,600.00		
601 Central Garage.....	5,400.00		
General Fund to Transit Loan.....	117,400.00		
Building Maintenance.....		637.98	
Comptroller		164.12	10,968.87
Legal Department		-	10,066.45
Commissions.....		-	858.38
IT Department		22,164.16	9,975.55
Police Department.....		22,661.76	296,425.72
Fire Department		20,573.96	235,209.33
Public Works.....		395.54	52,523.07
Engineering		4,439.28	20,970.54
GENERAL FUND SUBTOTAL	202,000.00	72,810.95	668,210.55
Planning and Development.....		198.30	17,363.85
911 System.....		-	40,869.70
911 Surcharge Fund		63,115.38	
Econ Dev Growth Fund.....		13,594.61	
Police Department Grants.....		2,000.00	
Crime Lab Fund		83.88	
Transit Fund		23.53	90,896.36
Special Capital Funds		55.69	
Water Fund.....		1,238,442.69	103,692.01
Sewer Fund		226,908.56	24,422.31
Quincy Regional Airport Fund...		6,697.42	17,233.01
Regional Training Facility		134.03	
Garbage Fund.....		-	18,475.73
Central Garage		15,997.75	32,415.33
Self-Insurance.		10,937.80	8,778.04
Health Insurance Fund		391,351.20	
Lincoln Bicentennial Comm.....		55.22	
Bank 01 TOTALS	202,000.00	2,042,407.01	1,022,356.89
Motor Fuel Tax		26,452.38	
ALL FUNDS TOTALS.....	202,100.00	2,068,859.39	1,022,356.89

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

Ald. Rein, seconded by Ald. Sassen, moved the report be received and vouchers be issued for the various amounts and on the roll call each of the 14 Aldermen voted yea. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business.

The City Council adjourned at 9:32 p.m. on a motion of Ald. Holtschlag. Motion carried.

LAURA OAKMAN
City Clerk