

THE CITY COUNCIL

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

REGULAR MEETING

Quincy, Illinois, May 18, 2026

The regular meeting of the City Council was held this day at 7:00 p.m. with Mayor Linda K. Moore presiding.

PROCLAMATIONS

Arbor Day

Chair of the Commission - Jan Leimbach

Mayor Moore read the proclamation and had Jan Leimbach come up and speak.

Preservation Month

Mayor Moore read the proclamation and had Ald. Ehmen speak.

A prayer was given and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mayor Linda K. Moore called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

The following members were physically present: Ald. Fletcher, Entrup, Bergman, Bauer, Mays, Ehmen, Sassen, McReynolds, Ebbing, Reis, Uzelac, Holtschlag, 12.

Absent: Ald. Adkins, Reed, 2.

Ald. Mays 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 May 11, 2026, were approved on a motion of Ald. Entrup. Motion carried.

Legal Counsel: Corporation Counsel Bruce Alford.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Kent Snider stated that he needs the Special Permit for parking. He had handouts for the council.

Jean Anne Cook asked the council to vote no on the Special Permit.

Randy McElhoe asked to follow the guidance of the ordinance.

Sandy McElhoe st

Barb Fletcher invited the public to help place flags in Sunset Cemetery at 5:00 p.m. Tuesday May 19th. A rain date will be Wednesday May 20th.

Kel Sanderson stated that the Illinois Governor

Josh Manle stated there is a lack of affordable housing in Quincy.

CONSENT AGENDA

ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Moore asked if any Council member wished to remove any items from the Consent Agenda.

Ald. Bergman asked to take Resolution 12c from the Consent Agenda.

Mayor Moore asked the City Clerk to read the items remaining on the Consent Agenda.

The City Clerk presented and read the following:

PETITIONS

By the following organizations requesting permission to conduct a raffle and have the bond requirement waived: St. Peter Picnic from June 1, 2026, through August 29, 2026; Early Tin Dusters from May 19, 2026, through October 18, 2026, and Southside Boat Club from May 19, 2026, through May 17, 2027. The City Clerk recommends approval of the permits.

By J&M Displays, Inc. requesting permission to hold firework displays on June 12th, July 18th, August 1st at QU Stadium, approximately at 9:45 p.m. for the Quincy Doggy Paddlers. The Quincy Fire Department has given their approval.

Special Event Application by St. Francis Solanus Church and School requesting permission to hold its annual Parish Picnic on Saturday, June 13, 2026, between the hours of 5:00 p.m. and 12:00 a.m. (midnight) and requesting the closures of N 17th St.; alley between Oak St. and College Ave. to the alley between College Ave. and Elm St. and alley between Elm and College Streets from 8:00 a.m. through 12:00 (midnight). The applicant has submitted all required documentation, and approval is recommended by the Department of Utilities & Engineering.

Special Event Application by the Sister City Commission requesting permission to hold Germanfest on Friday, June 5th from 5:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. and Saturday, June 6th from 3:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. in South Park. They request barricades and “No Parking” signs at the east entrance of the park on South 12th Street. The applicant has submitted all required documentation, and approval is recommended by the Department of Utilities & Engineering.

Special Event Application from First Baptist Church requesting permission to hold the Juneteenth Community Festival 2026 from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 13th in Washington Park. They request the closure of the following streets and the City provide barricades: Maine St., 4th to 5th Streets, 5th Street, Maine to Hampshire Streets (at 3:00 p.m.) The applicant has submitted all required documentation, and approval is recommended by the Department of Utilities & Engineering.

Special Event Application from Tieraney Craig, owner of Quincy Brewing Company, 110 North 6th Street requesting permission to hold an artisan-style Maker’s Market on Friday and Saturday, June 12th and 13th and September 18th and 19th in downtown Quincy. Closure of the following streets, alley, and parking lot from 6:00 a.m. Friday through 8:00 p.m. Saturday on the weekend of the events and that the City provides barricades is requested; 6th Street, Maine to Vermont Streets, Hampshire St, 6th to 7th Streets, Jail Alley, west side of 6th St to Parking Lot G (parking lot will remain open), and Parking Lot I and the City provide “No Parking” signs to be placed on Parking Lot I and 6th St., Maine to Vermont Streets, on the Wednesday prior to the events to ensure that residents and business owners are given advance notification. The applicant has submitted all required documentation, and approval is recommended by the Department of Utilities and Engineering.

Applications for Waiver of Liquor Ordinances by the Quincy The Pour Haus, 625 Maine, from 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. on June 12th and September 18th, from 12:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. on June 13th and September 19th. The Quincy Police Department has given their approval.

REPORTS OF TRAFFIC COMMISSION

Recommending that the referral to implement a “4-Way” Stop at the intersection of 14th and Spruce Streets be denied.

Recommending that the referral to place a “Turtle Crossing” sign on Bonansinga Drive at the Bob Bangert Park entrance be denied.

SALES TAX REPORT

February 2026: \$955,214.79

HOME RULE SALES TAX REPORT

February 2026: \$979,709.44

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the City of Quincy is the owner and operator of the Quincy Regional Airport and is responsible for the operation, maintenance, and repair of its facilities and equipment; and;

WHEREAS, in November of 2025, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) requested that the Airport upgrade the electronic badge system currently in place; and;

WHEREAS, the City requested quotes for this service and the following quotes were received:

Alarm Systems, Inc	
Quincy, Illinois	\$52,628.05

Wireless USA	
Maryland Heights, Missouri	\$39,982.03

WHEREAS, the Airport Director has reviewed the quotes and finds them acceptable for consideration; and,

WHEREAS, the funding for this equipment upgrade is available in the 2026/2027 Quincy Regional Airport fiscal year budget.

NOW, THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED, that the Airport Director and Aeronautics Committee recommend to the Mayor and Quincy City Council the normal bidding requirements be waived, and the City enter into an agreement Wireless USA of Maryland Heights, MO for security improvements at the cost of \$40,000.00 and the Mayor be authorized to sign the agreement on the City’s behalf.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the City of Quincy is required by a March 1996 United States District Court Order to participate in the long-term maintenance of the closed Quincy Municipal Landfills 2 & 3; and,

WHEREAS, the Adams County Quincy Landfills 2 & 3 Superfund Steering Committee has requested payments totaling \$200,000.00 from the seven (7) bodies legally required to participate in the maintenance of this site pursuant to the Quincy Landfill RD/RA Site Participation Agreement; and,

WHEREAS, per the Participation Agreement, the City of Quincy is financially responsible for thirty-eight (38%) of all maintenance costs for the closed landfill site; and,

WHEREAS, funding for this financial obligation is available in the 2026/2027 Landfill 2/3 Superfund fiscal year budget.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Director of Public Works and Engineering Manager recommend to the Mayor and Quincy City Council that the Comptroller be granted authority to issue payment to the Quincy Landfill 2 & 3 Superfund Site in the amount of \$76,000.00 for the City’s share of the Cash Call in accordance with Quincy Landfill RD/RA Site Participation Agreement

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the City of Quincy has employees who are not affiliated with a union or in current union negotiations; and,

WHEREAS, it had been the customary past practice to give the City’s non-union, non-elected employees who were hired more than 90 days prior to May 1st an annual wage increases equal or similar to that which is negotiated with Union employees; and,

WHEREAS, the Human Resources Director and the Comptroller recommend to the Mayor and City Council that non-union/non-elected city employees be granted a similar wage increase this fiscal year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council that annual raises be given increases to all non-union/non-elected employees per the annual budget approval effective May 1, 2026.

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Ald. Bergman moved to approve the Consent Agenda items, seconded by Ald. Mays and on the roll call each of the 12 Alderpersons voted yea, with 2 absent. Motion carried.

REGULAR AGENDA

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Chief of Police Adam Yates (Yates) has given notice to the City of Quincy (City) that he intends to retire on July 20, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the process the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners (BFPC) will use to select a new Chief of Police will not be concluded before Yates last day of work; and

WHEREAS, the Quincy Police Department will need a Chief of Police to act on an interim basis until a new Chief of Police is selected by the BFPC; and,

WHEREAS, the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police (ILACP) assists Police agencies in many ways including recruitment and advertising for a new Chief of Police or an interim Chief of Police: and

WHEREAS, the BFPC and City administration believe it is in the best interests of the City and Police Department to employ an interim Chief of Police, and to advertise and recruit said interim Chief of Police with the assistance of the ILACP; and,

WHEREAS, there is only a small administrative cost to the City to have the ILACP advertise and help recruit the interim Chief of Police.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and the City Council of the City of Quincy, Adams County, Illinois, as follows:

Section 1. they support the BFPC hiring an interim Chief of Police.

Section 2. the BFPC use of the ILACP to help advertise and recruit an interim Chief of Police is encouraged and allowed.

Section 2. any administrative costs is approved and will be paid from the BFPC budget.

Ald. Bergman moved to approve the resolution, seconded by Ald. Mays and on the roll call each of the 12 Alderpersons voted yea, 2 absent. Motion carried.

REPORT OF PLAN COMMISSION

Recommending approval of a Special Use Permit to allow for the expansion of a commercial parking lot on a residentially zoned property located at 3623 State Street, zoned R1C, was tabled on May 11, 2026, by Ald. Sassen.

Ald. Ehmen moved to receive and concur with the Special Use Permit, seconded by Ald. Bergman and on a roll call the following vote resulted: Yeas: Ald. Ehmen, McReynolds, Ebbing, Reis, Uzelac, Fletcher, Entrup, Bergman, Bauer, Mays. 10. Nays: Ald. Sassen, Holtschlag. 2. Absent: Ald. Adkins, Reed. 2. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE

Second Presentation of an Ordinance Entitled: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 112 (Amusements) Of The Municipal Code Of The City Of Quincy. (Number of Video gaming terminals allowed.)

ORDINANCE

First Presentation of an Ordinance Entitled: An Ordinance Granting A Special Use Permit For A Planned Development. (Gaming parlor at 1002 N 24th St)

ORDINANCE

First Presentation of an Ordinance Entitled: An Ordinance Granting A Special Use Permit For A Planned Development. (Commercial solar energy facility at 2011 N 24th St)

ORDINANCE

First Presentation of an Ordinance Entitled: An Ordinance Granting A Special Use Permit For A Planned Development. (Parking lot at 1626 College).

ORDINANCE

First Presentation of an Ordinance Entitled: An Ordinance Granting A Special Use Permit For A Planned Development. (Storage of commercial equipment and materials at 5200 Columbus Rd).

FINANCE REPORT

Fund	Transfers	Expenditures	Payroll
1 City Hall		714.42	
TO: 202 9-1-1	300.00		
TO: 250 Transit	15,500.00		
TO: 533 Garbage	33,000.00		
Building Maintenance		12,854.57	
Comptroller		69.91	
Legal Department		234.00	
Commissions		519.21	
IT Department		62,438.49	
Police Department		170,395.83	
Fire Department		77,732.05	
Public Works		76,291.33	-
Engineering		36,325.99	
Planning & Development		258.26	
General Fund Subtotal	48,800.00	437,834.06	-
201 Protective Inspections		7,773.27	
204 911 Surcharge Fund		16,529.06	
213 Econ Dev Growth Fund		7,500.00	
240 Police Dept. Grants		2,400.00	
241 Police Donations Fund		2,509.50	
244 Crime Lab Fund		235.91	
248 Police Criminal Reg Fee		55.70	
250 Transit Fund		2,795.51	-
301 Capital Projects Fund		747,040.21	

309 Special Capital Funds	435.77		
501 Water Fund	78,588.78	-	
502 Sewer Fund	96,466.68	-	
511 Quincy Regional Airport Fund	12,349.39	-	
514 Municipal Dock	90.00		
531 Regional Training Facility	1,683.31		
533 Garbage Fund	249.00	-	
601 Central Garage	15,317.78	-	
611 Self-Insurance	16,955.77		
612 Health Insurance Fund	229.50		
719 Lincoln Bicentennial Comm	178.85		
Bank 01 TOTALS	48,800.00	1,447,218.05	-
210 Motor Fuel Tax	5,201.67		
ALL FUNDS TOTALS	48,800.00	1,452,419.72	-

Laura McReynolds
Kelly Mays
Eric Entrup
Jack Holtschlag
Richie Reis

Finance Committee

Ald. Holtschlag 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 Alderpersons voted yea, with 2 absent. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Moore congratulated the area graduates.

Round 3 of the Illinois Strong Communities grant has begun. Planning & Development Director Jason Parrott and Director of Inspection Michael Seaver are to prepare a grant application and request the full \$750,000. This money will be used for fix/flatten properties.

City Hall and Central Services will be closed Monday, May 25th for Memorial Day. Garbage will be picked up and Transit will run its regular schedule.

The Unity In The Community will be held May 30th from 9:00 a.m. to noon. Volunteers are needed to help clean up streets and sidewalks, removing litter and debris. Registration is at First Baptist Church, 734 N. 8th at 9:00 a.m.

Volunteers are needed on May 19th at 5:00 p.m. to place flags at Sunset Cemetery.

NEW BUSINESS

Ald. Entrup moved to request the closure of Cedar Street, 1st to 3rd Streets, on May 31st from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. with barricades. Motion carried.

Ald. Entrup thanked Central Services for their good work during the storm season.

Ald. Bergman reminded that Memorial Day is in honor of those who died in the service of our country.

Mayor Moore introduced Skip Bowles as the new City Forester.

Ald. Ebbing moved to allow the Survival Flight of Hannibal, MO helicopter land at Denman School on May 20th. Motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION/CLOSED SESSION

Ald. Holtschlag moved the City Council adjourn and sit in Closed/Executive Session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c) (2) Collective Bargaining Negotiations, seconded by Ald. Bergman and on a roll call each of the 12 Aldermen voted yea, with 2 absent. Motion carried.

CITY COUNCIL RECONVENED

After sitting in Executive Session Executive Session/Closed Session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c) (2) Collective Bargaining Negotiations, Ald. Uzelac moved the City Council reconvene and sit in regular session at 8:07 p.m. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the City of Quincy has employees who are not affiliated with a union or in current union negotiations; and,

WHEREAS, it had been the customary past practice to give the City’s non-union, non-elected employees who were hired more than 90 days prior to May 1st an annual wage increases equal or similar to that which is negotiated with Union employees; and,

WHEREAS, the Human Resources Director and the Comptroller recommend to the Mayor and City Council that non-union/non-elected city employees be granted a similar wage increase this fiscal year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council that annual raises be given increases to all non-union/non-elected employees per the annual budget approval effective May 1, 2026.

Ald. Holtschlag moved to approve the resolution, seconded by Ald. Reis and on the roll call each of the 12 Alderpersons voted yea, 2 absent. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

The City Council adjourned at 8:09 p.m. on a motion of Ald. Holtschlag. Motion carried.

LAURA OAKMAN, CMC
City Clerk