

THE CITY COUNCIL

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS

REGULAR MEETING

Quincy, Illinois, May 26, 2026

Monday, May 25, 2026, being a legal holiday, the regular meeting of the City Council was held this day at 7:00 p.m. with Mayor Linda K. Moore presiding.

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, Bergman, Bauer, Mays, Adkins, Ehmen, McReynolds, Ebbing, Reis, Reed, Uzelac, Holtschlag. 12.

Absent: Ald. Entrup, Sassen. 2.

Ald. McReynolds moved the absent Alderpersons be allowed the usual compensation for this meeting. Motion carried.

The minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council held May 18, 2026, were approved on the motion of Ald. Bergman. Motion carried.

Legal Counsel: Corporation Counsel Bruce Alford.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Natascha Will spoke about the Library's free Summer Reading Kickoff Program. Located at the library's parking lot on May 30th from 9am to 12pm.

CONSENT AGENDA

ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

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

No one asked to remove any items from the Consent Agenda.
Mayor Moore asked the City Clerk to read the items on the Consent Agenda.

The City Clerk presented and read the following:

PETITIONS

By Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics, requesting a run on June 9th beginning at 10:15 a.m. at St. Dominic School, 4100 Columbus Rd, going east to 48th St., then south to Transitions, 631 N. 48th St. A squad car will lead the run, and another will follow the runners throughout the route.

Applications for Live Entertainment/Public Gathering license and Waiver of Liquor Ordinance for a Mayfest event on May 30, 2026, from 12:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. on the east parking lot located at 931 York. The Quincy Police Department have given their approval on both requests.

Revocable Permit for Encroachment of City right-of-way from Nick Smith requesting permission to install three (3) balconies and an overhead sign above right-of-way at 116 N 3rd St. The Engineering Manager presents this request subject to six conditions

RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MUNICIPAL INSURANCE COOPERATIVE AGENCY INSURANCE ANNUAL PREMIUM

WHEREAS, the City of Quincy is a member of the Municipal Insurance Cooperative Agency's ("MICA"), which firm has provided comprehensive self-insurance for many Illinois governmental entities; and

WHEREAS, the City of Quincy has been a member of MICA since 1985; and

WHEREAS, the City of Quincy has a contract with MICA to provide self-insurance services to the City of Quincy through April 30, 2038; and

WHEREAS, the current premium for MICA runs from May 1, 2026 through April 30, 2027, and is in the amount of \$1,781,811 dollars; and

WHEREAS, the funds for payment of the premium amount were included in the 2026-2027 budget

Now, therefore, be resolved by the Mayor and the City Council of the City of that the Comptroller pay the premium to MICA.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the City of Quincy applied for and was awarded the 2021 and 2024 Law Enforcement Mental Health and Wellness grant; and

WHEREAS, the City of Quincy can apply for the 2026 Law Enforcement Mental Health and Wellness Act grant; and

WHEREAS, this two-year grant, if awarded, would require \$5,000.00 in matching funds from the City of Quincy each year: now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Chief of Police and Joint Fire/Police Aldermanic Committee recommend to the Mayor and City Council that the Quincy Police Department be allowed to apply for the 2026 Law Enforcement Mental Health and Wellness Act Grant award.

Adam C. Yates
Chief of Police

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Quincy Police Department relies on instantaneous communications with its patrol officers in the field for the safety of the officers and the general public; and

WHEREAS, the Quincy Police Department has a Mobile Data Computer Communications System which allows for the transmission of data from the patrol cars to the 9-1-1 Emergency Dispatch Center, other patrol officers, and the Watch Commander; and

WHEREAS, the Mobile Data System relies on computer software provided by Caliber Public Safety, DBA InterAct Public Safety Systems, Chicago, IL; and

WHEREAS, the Quincy Police Department must pay a yearly license and maintenance fee to our sole source provider to operate the system; and

WHEREAS, the yearly support and maintenance fee of \$42,900.24 is now due, and funding has been appropriated in the current fiscal year budget; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Chief of Police and Joint Fire/Police Aldermanic Committee recommend to the Mayor and City Council that the normal bidding requirements be waived and the yearly

invoice in the amount of \$42,900.24 be paid to Caliber Public Safety, DBA InterAct Public Safety Systems, Chicago, IL.

Adam C. Yates
Chief of Police

RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING GRANT APPLICATION TO ROUND 3 OF ILLINOIS HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY'S STRONG COMMUNITIES PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the City of Quincy is committed to improving the quality of life of its residents and neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, the Illinois Housing Development Authority (IHDA) provides grants through the Strong Communities Program (SCP) to help fund the demolition of abandoned properties; and

WHEREAS, the City received \$165,600 in SCP Round 1 and \$330,000 in SCP Round 2; and

WHEREAS, IHDA is accepting Round 3 applications, with a maximum award of \$750,000; and

WHEREAS, the City of Quincy intends to apply for the maximum award in SCP's Round 3; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary that an application be made and agreements entered into with the State of Illinois

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

- 1) that the City of Quincy shall apply for a grant under the terms and conditions of IHDA and shall enter into and agree to the understandings and assurances contained in said application.
- 2) that the Mayor, on behalf of the City, shall execute any and all other documents necessary for the carrying out of said application.
- 3) that the Mayor is authorized to provide additional information as may be required to accomplish obtaining of such grant.

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

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, the Quincy Regional Airport is considered a primary airport and is eligible to receive \$1,947,500 in Snow Removal Equipment Grant (SRE) money to assist with the purchase of snow removal equipment for the Airport; and,

WHEREAS, the estimated cost for the purchase of the snow removal equipment and attachments is \$2,049,900; and,

WHEREAS, the City recently requested bids for the purchase of new snow removal equipment; and,

M-B Companies Inc	Bid	\$1,240,127.33
Chilton, WI 53014		
Fortbrand	Bid	\$1,249,995.00
Plainview, NY 11803		

WHEREAS, the bids have been reviewed by the Airport Director and have been found acceptable; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Quincy will act as the pass through for all Federal and State funds; and,

WHEREAS, financial obligations for the snow removal equipment purchase project have been appropriated in the 2026/2027 fiscal year budget and future fiscal year budgets through the completion of the equipment purchasing project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Airport Director and the Aeronautics Committee recommend to the Mayor and Quincy City Council the following:

- 1) The Quincy Council allows the low bid in the amount of \$1,240,127.33 from M-B Company of Chilton WI.
- 2) The Quincy City Council approves the allocation of Airport funds for the City's matching portion (\$31,003.19) of the equipment purchase project;
- 3) The Mayor and the Airport Director be authorized to execute grant documents on behalf of the City of Quincy.

Bill Lantz
Airport Director

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

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

REGULAR AGENDA

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Quincy Police Department is committed to promoting public safety while encouraging law enforcement practices that emphasize de-escalation, proportional response, and the preservation of life; and

WHEREAS, the police department has identified a need for additional less-lethal response options to safely manage incidents involving individuals experiencing a mental health crisis, intoxication, suicidal behavior, domestic disturbances, and noncompliant subjects where deadly force may not be appropriate; and

WHEREAS, Mossberg 590 A1 less-lethal shotguns are specifically designed to deploy impact munitions and other approved less-lethal rounds, that temporarily incapacitate a subject while minimizing the risk of permanent injury, when used in accordance with the department policy and training standards; and

WHEREAS, the acquisition of dedicated less-lethal shotguns allows the officers to clearly distinguish less-lethal systems from standard lethal-force firearms, thereby improving operational safety and reducing the risk of confusion during high-stress incidents; and

WHEREAS, the police department requires all authorized personnel to complete training in the deployment, handling, storage, reporting, and appropriate use-of-force protocols associated with less-lethal weapons systems; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of 18 less-lethal shotguns will equip every frontline vehicle with a less-lethal system that expands officers' available response options, improves officer and public safety, reduces injuries to suspects and officers, and supports modern policing best practices emphasizing de-escalation and crisis intervention; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Chief of Police and Joint Fire/Police Aldermanic Committee recommend to the Mayor and City Council that the Quincy Police Department be allowed to purchase 18 less-lethal

Mossberg 590A1 shotguns from Research and Testing Worx, Inc, Mt. Morris, IL, for \$13,020.56.

Adam C. Yates
Chief of Police

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

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Department of Utilities and Engineering requested bids for the Kentucky Street, South 16th to South 18th Street Improvement Project which includes new asphalt pavement, replacement of watermain and lead service lines, sewer reconstruction, and new curb, gutter and sidewalk; and,

WHEREAS, the following bids were received:

Hood Construction	
Rushville, Illinois	\$1,542,092.50
Rees Construction	
Quincy, Illinois	\$1,353,078.55
Engineer's Estimate	\$1,400,506.50

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

WHEREAS, funding for this project is available in the 2026/2027 Capital Ward Funds, Water Fund, and Sewer Fund fiscal year budgets; and, WHEREAS, to allow for the uninterrupted progression of the 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, Director of Engineering, and Central Services Committee recommend to the Mayor and Quincy City Council that the low bid in the amount of \$1,353,078.55 from Rees Construction of Quincy, documents, and the Comptroller be authorized to issue payment upon receipt of pay applications. Steve Bange, P.E.

Director of Engineering

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

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Department of Utilities and Engineering requested bids for the North 14th Street, Sycamore to Locust Reconstruction Project which includes new asphalt pavement, replacement of watermain, storm sewer adjustments, and new curb, gutter and sidewalk; and,

WHEREAS, the following bids were received:

Laverdiere Construction	
Macomb, Illinois	\$828,714.00
Hood Construction	
Rushville, Illinois	\$786,992.41
Rees Construction	
Quincy, Illinois	\$783,257.95
D&L Excavating	
Liberty, Illinois	\$727,464.95
Engineer's Estimate	\$766,594.00

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

WHEREAS, funding for this project is available in the 2026/2027 Capital Ward Funds, Water Fund, and Sewer Fund fiscal year budgets; and,

WHEREAS, to allow for the uninterrupted progression of the 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, Director of Engineering, and Central Services Committee recommend to the Mayor and Quincy City Council that the low bid in the amount of \$727,464.95 from D&L Excavating of Liberty, Illinois be accepted, the Mayor be authorized to sign necessary construction contract documents, and the Comptroller be authorized to issue payment upon receipt of pay applications.

Steve Bange, P.E.

Director of Engineering

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

ORDINANCE

Adoption 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.)

Ald. Uzelac moved for the adoption of the ordinance, seconded by Ald. Holtschlag, and on the roll call the following vote resulted: Yeas: Ald. Uzelac, Holtschlag, Fletcher, Bergman, Mays, Adkins, Ehmen, McReynolds, Ebbing, Reis, 10. Nays: Ald. Bauer, Reed. 2. Absent: Ald. Entrup, Sassen. 2

The Chair, Mayor Dr. Linda K. Moore, declared the motion carried and the ordinance adopted.

ORDINANCE

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

ORDINANCE

Second 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

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

ORDINANCE

Second 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).

ORDINANCE

First Presentation of an Ordinance Entitled: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 111 (Alcoholic Liquor Dealers) Of The Municipal Code Of The City Of Quincy. (To allow the city to deny or delay a liquor license when applicant's building are not in compliance).

ORDINANCE

First Presentation of an Ordinance Entitled: An Ordinance Amending The 2026-2027 Fiscal Year Budget. (To remove funding for the Deputy Clerk’s full-time position from the City Clerk’s office).

Ald. Holtschlag moved the requirements of Section 32.31 of the City Code of the City of Quincy be waived and the ordinance be adopted, seconded by Ald. Uzelac. Motion carried.

Ald. Holtschlag moved the ordinance be adopted, seconded by Ald. Uzelac, and on the roll call the following vote resulted: Yeas: Ald. Holtschlag, Fletcher, Bergman, Mays, Adkins, Ehmen, McReynolds, Ebbing, Reis, Reed, Uzelac. 11. Present: Ald. Bauer. 1. Absent: Ald. Entrup, Sassen. 2.

The Chair, Mayor Dr. Linda K. Moore, declared the motion carried and the ordinance adopted.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

FUND	TRANSFERS	EXPENDITURES	PAYROLL
1 City Hall		8,227.69	36,206.45
TO: 202 9-1-1	7,000.00		
TO: 250 Transit	222,000.00		
TO: 533 Garbage	12,500.00		
Building Maintenance		543.25	
Comptroller		-	14,012.04
Legal Department		-	10,371.47
Commissions		-	959.84
IT Department		94,113.45	18,713.33
Police Department		9,426.73	306,133.81
Fire Department		3,234.86	210,792.45
Public Works		5,319.52	60,812.63
Engineering		3,560.61	22,051.26
Planning & Development		-	11,531.29
Tax Distribution/Subsidies		71,250.00	
General Fund Subtotal	241,500.00	195,676.11	691,584.57
201 Protective Inspections		1,993.95	11,947.92

202 911 System		-	43,411.29
213 Econ Dev Growth Fund		14,900.00	
250 Transit Fund		1,342.63	120,228.97
309 Special Capital Funds		77.41	
501 Water Fund		82,597.83	115,498.43
502 Sewer Fund		139,934.07	29,884.35
511 Quincy Regional Airport Fund		38,238.43	14,928.28
512 Airport P.F.C. Fund		3,329.51	
531 Regional Training Facility		404.21	
533 Garbage Fund		-	20,257.84
601 Central Garage		11,042.01	33,649.40
611 Self Insurance		3,667.50	9,668.19
612 Health Insurance Fund		448,893.79	
701 Q-Fund Revolving Loan Fund		4,204.50	
712 Sister City Commission Fund		18,785.28	
722 Quincy City Tree Board		76,000.00	
	Bank 01	241,500.00	1,041,087.23
	TOTALS		1,091,059.24
210 Motor Fuel Tax		3,500.00	
	ALL FUNDS	241,500.00	1,044,587.23
	TOTALS		1,091,059.24

Laura McReynolds
Kelly Mays
Jack Holtschlag
Richie Reis
Finance Committee

Ald. Holtschlag, seconded by Ald. Uzelac, moved the report be received and vouchers be issued for the various amounts and on a roll call each of the 12 Alderpersons voted yea, with 2 absent. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Saturday, May 30th Unity in the Community Cleanup party from 9am to 12pm at First Baptist Church located at 8th and Elm.

Thank you to Congresswoman Mary Miller for the grants she has been working on for the City of Quincy.

Next Monday, June 1st, Mayor will be out of town for the week. Ald. Bauer will be sitting as Mayor Pro Tempore for Council Meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Ald. Bergman request for the Traffic Committee for additional streetlight at Cedar St between 20th and 22nd. Motion carried.

Ald. Bergman request for the Traffic Committee for caution children playing signs at the alley entrances at 20th and 22nd between Cedar and Cherry. Motion carried.

Ald. Bergman and Ald. Adkins spoke about the Fishing for Freedom Event this weekend. Sunday will be the weigh in for the event.

Ald. Ehmen thanks Kevin for getting some cones out this holiday weekend for a street issue in Holiday Hills.

Ald. Uzelac requesting a street closure with barricades for a movie being shot on York St between 9th and 10th for various times of the day on May 27th through May 29th. Street will be opened when they are not shooting. Motion carried.

Ald. Uzelac asked for an update about the uptown post office and if it's going to be opened up. Mayor Moore stated that you can call 1-800-ASK-USPS with any questions about the postal service.

ADJOURNMENT

The City Council adjourned at 7:28pm. on a motion of Ald. Holtschlag. Motion carried.

LAURA OAKMAN, CMC

City Clerk

By: Rachel Hubbard

Deputy Clerk