CITY OF ALTON
ALTON CITY COUNCIL

AUGUST 12, 2026

A Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Alton, Illinois was held in the City Council Chambers, City Hall Building, Alton, Illinois at the hour of 6:30 P.M. on the above date.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Goins.

The Council Members present on the call of the roll:
PRESENT: Bohn, Pfister, Velloff, Brown, Meehan, Elliott, Ford – 7
ABSENT: None – 0

Mayor Goins called upon Mayor Pro Tem to lead the Pledge to the Flag.

PUBLIC FORUM ADDRESSING CITY BUSINESS

Mayor Pro Tem presented the following request for the floor from Shanna Kruse, Chris Omlor, Pat Mays, Mary Norman and Britney Omlor. Mrs. Elliott made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Brown, that said requests be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:
AYES: Bohn, Pfister, Velloff, Brown, Meehan, Elliott, Ford – 7
NAYS: None – 0

Ms. Kruse took the floor and spoke, re: In regards to 428 E. 8th Street.

Mr. Omlor took the floor and spoke, re: Appeal of the Historical Commission denial of the application of new construction of a deck at 439 E. 3rd Street.

Ms. Norman took the floor and spoke, re: Opposing any zoning changes to 845 Danforth.

Mr. Mays took the floor and spoke, re: Republic services, Sparks Junk Removal and Hauling.

Ms. Omlor took the floor and spoke, re: Appeal to the Historical Commission denial of new deck at 439 E. 3rd Street.

COUNCIL MINUTES

The Clerk presented the following Council Meeting Minutes of July 22, 2026. Mr. Meehan made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Ford, that said Minutes be Placed on File. The Chair so ordered.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Clerk presented the following communication, AECOM notification, re: Modified

RCA Permit Wood River Refinery. Mr. Meehan made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Brown, that said Communication be Placed on File. The Chair so ordered.

REPORT OF OFFICERS

The Clerk presented the following Report of Officers: Alton Police Department, re: Report for July, 2026; Building and Zoning Department, re: Occupancy/Citations for July, 2026; Alton Fire Department, re: Report for July, 2026. Mrs. Brown made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Pfister, that said Reports be Placed on File. The Chair so ordered.

COMMITTEE REPORT

Chairman Meehan presented the following Committee of the Whole Meeting Report for August 10, 2026; Resolution, re: Discount and Special Bills Paid; Amended Resolution, re: Requiring the City Clerk and Treasurer record all business account access and for all City Employees to utilize the ShareFile System; Resolution, re: Approving a request to sell and or serve alcohol at the Alton Pride Festival; Resolution, re: Authorizing the temporary street closure for Marquette Kick Off Party; Resolution, re: To commence with demolition proceedings 1262 State St; Resolution, re: To commence with demolition proceedings at 901 Bradley Ave. (Accessory Structure Only); Resolution, re: To commence with demolition proceedings at 1130 Easton St.; Resolution, re: Authorizing the disbursement of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds to create a designated Capital Projects Fund; Resolution, re: To introduce an Ordinance to create an annual Multi-Year Capital Improvement Plan for the City of Alton; Resolution, re: Authorizing the temporary street closure for Deliverance Temple Complex Homecoming Celebration; Resolution, re: The bid submitted by Detraze McElroy has been subject to appropriate review and upon the recommendation of Planning and Development staff that the mayor and appropriate staff are hereby authorized to effectuate the sale of property known as 3205 Duco St.; Resolution, re: 2026 Concrete Repairs. Low bid submitted by RCS Construction from East Alton, Illinois in the amount of $115,050.00 was 12.42 lower than the engineer's estimate of $131,373.00. The mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute the construction contract and any other such documents related to advancement and completion of said project. Mr. Meehan made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Brown, that said Committee of the Whole Report for August 10, 2026 be Placed on File. The Chair so ordered.

Chairman Meehan presented the following Resolution:

Be It Resolved that the Discount and Special Bills Paid; also, all Expenditure Detail Bills as listed in the Comptroller's report dated August 11, 2026 be allowed and payment be made for same. Mr. Meehan made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Brown, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Bohn, Pfister, Velloff, Brown, Meehan, Elliott, Ford – 7
NAYS: None – 0

Chairman Meehan presented the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, the City of Alton, Illinois is municipal corporation and a home rule unit of local government pursuant to Article VII, Section 6 of the Illinois Constitution of 1970; and

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the City of Alton, Illinois to maintain strong internal security controls; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the City of Alton, Illinois that to ensure the continuous operation of government services and transparent public communications, a record be kept of the personnel and their role for all official City websites, application administration accounts, government accounts, and social media platforms by the City Clerk and Treasurer; and

WHEREAS, for each official City website, application, administration account, government account, or social media platform, more than one City of Alton employee or elected official shall have administrative level access;

WHEREAS, it is the best interests of the City of Alton, Illinois that to ensure the continuous operation of government services and transparent public communications, any document created and/or received by a City employee relating to City public business, operations and/or decisions, including, but not limited to, administrative records, contracts, and property documents, must be saved to the City's ShareFile system; and

WHEREAS, where possible and issues of confidentiality are not present, the City's ShareFile system should be viewable by all users within a department as well as across departments to facilitate transparency, knowledge sharing and collaboration; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Alton, Illinois, that the City Clerk and Treasurer will be provided with a list of all applicable accounts and the employees who have access or roles for these accounts, to include all official City websites, application administration accounts, government accounts, and social media platforms, and all City employees must use the City's ShareFile system when creating, receiving, and/or saving documents relating to City public business.

Mr. Meehan made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Pfister, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Bohn, Pfister, Velloff, Brown, Meehan, Elliott, Ford – 7
NAYS: None – 0

Chairman Meehan presented the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, the City of Alton, Illinois (the "City") is a municipal corporation and a home rule unit of local government pursuant to Article VII, Section 6, of the Illinois Constitution of 1970; and

WHEREAS, Alton Pride, Inc. has submitted a Special Event Liquor License application for the authorization of liquor sales at their annual Pride Festival on Saturday, September 12, 2026; and

WHEREAS, Section 4-4-9 of the City Code of Ordinances requires a not-for-profit non-license holder receive a special event permit before serving alcoholic beverages; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has considered the request and does hereby approve said request.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Alton, Madison County, Illinois, the Special Event Liquor License is approved for the Alton Pride Festival, condition upon:

The event will take place on Saturday, September 12, 2026; and
The location of the event is 602 Belle Street, Alton, Illinois; and

Individual food vendors serving are required to obtain a license from the Madison County Health Department; and
Alton Pride Inc. is required to submit a certificate of insurance to the City of Alton by end of business on September 7, 2026.

Mr. Meehan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bohn, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:
AYES: Bohn, Pfister, Velloff, Brown, Meehan, Elliott, Ford – 7
NAYS: None – 0

Chairman Meehan presented the following Resolution:

WHEREAS**,** the City of Alton, Illinois (the "City") is a municipal corporation and a home-rule unit of local government pursuant to Article VII, Section 6 of the Illinois Constitution of 1970; and
WHEREAS, Marquette Catholic High School has requested the temporary street closure on Logan St. from the alley behind Johnson's to State Street to be closed on Saturday, August 15, 2026 from 12:00 p.m. until 11:00 p.m. to host their Mega Raffle Kickoff Party; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has considered the request and does hereby approve said request.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the Public Works Department, Police Department and Fire Department are hereby authorized and directed to effectuate the temporary closure of Logan Street from the alley behind Johnson's Corner to State Street during the approximate time period between 12:00 p.m. until 11:00 p.m. on Saturday, August 15, 2026 conditioned upon:

Marquette Catholic High School will be responsible for any extra labor costs incurred by the City as it relates to this event.

Marquette Catholic High School shall inform any residents directly affected by the closure not less than 48 hours prior to the start of the closure.

Marquette Catholic High School will submit a certificate of insurance to the City of Alton prior to the closure of the street, and not later than 4pm on August 10, 2026.

Mr. Meehan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bohn, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Bohn, Pfister, Velloff, Brown, Meehan, Elliott, Ford – 7

NAYS: None – 0

Chairman Meehan presented the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, it is necessary to effect the demolition of certain structures deemed unsafe under 65 ILCS 5/11-31-1, the owners of which have neglected or refuses to perform required demolition.

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that its officials and agents are hereby authorized to pursue appropriate legal action against such properties in the Circuit Court as listed below:

1262 State St.

Mr. Meehan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bohn, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Bohn, Pfister, Velloff, Brown, Meehan, Elliott, Ford – 7

NAYS: None – 0

Chairman Meehan presented the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, it is necessary to effect the demolition of certain structures deemed unsafe under 65 ILCS 5/11-31-1, the owners of which have neglected or refuses to perform required demolition.

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that its officials and agents are hereby authorized to pursue appropriate legal action against such properties in the Circuit Court as listed below:

901 Bradley Ave

Mr. Meehan made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Pfister, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Bohn, Pfister, Velloff, Brown, Meehan, Elliott, Ford – 7

NAYS: None – 0

Chairman Meehan presented the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, it is necessary to effect the demolition of certain structures deemed unsafe under 65 ILCS 5/11-31-1, the owners of which have neglected or refuses to perform required demolition.

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that its officials and agents are hereby authorized to pursue appropriate legal action against such properties in the Circuit Court as listed below:

1130 Easton

Mrs. Pfister made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bohn, that said resolution be Laid Over until the next subsequent meeting. The Chair so ordered.

Chairman Meehan presented the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Alton, Illinois has identified that a designated capital projects fund should be created and funded through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA); and

WHEREAS, the City of Alton $1,200,000 in unallocated ARPA funds and is requesting authorization to utilize these remaining funds for the creation of a capital projects fund; and

WHEREAS, a dedicated capital projects fund, seeded with ARPA monies, reflects the City's commitment to reinvesting in its public infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, further annual funding to the capital projects fund from the general fund and other tax revenues should identified to ensure the city continues to meet the ongoing need for investment for the capital projects fund: and

WHEREAS, the City Council has reviewed and considered the request and finds it to be in the best interest of the City to approve the disbursement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Alton, Madison County, Illinois, as follows:

SECTION 1: The City Council hereby authorizes the allocation and disbursement of ARPA funds to create and fund a capital projects fund.

SECTION 2: The Office of the Comptroller is hereby authorized and directed, on behalf of the City and as the ARPA Authorized Representative, to execute any and all documents necessary to carry out the disbursement of these funds.

SECTION 3: The Office of the hereby authorized and directed to prepare and submit any required reports related to this expenditure in compliance with all applicable laws and regulations.

Mr. Meehan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Velloff, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Bohn, Pfister, Velloff, Brown, Meehan, Elliott, Ford – 7
NAYS: None – 0

Chairman Meehan presented the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, the prioritization of capital projects for the City of Alton, Illinois is crucial for long term planning as well as the financial process of analyzing the annual financial resources and other resource constraints; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of a Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) is to plan for and prioritize public improvements in the short and long term; and

WHEREAS, an annual multi-year CIP should identify specific projects and their estimates for consideration and approval by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, funding for projects identified in the CIP shall be funded from the Capital Projects Fund, the General Fund, and other revenues as appropriate; and

WHEREAS, any capital project that uses monies from the Capital Projects Fund should be included in the multi-year CIP; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the governing body that funds for CIP projects will require subsequent approval by the City Council as part of the approval of the annual budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS:

Section 1. Amendment to Section 1-13-8: ANNUAL BUDGET

Section 1-13-8 of the Alton City Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

A. Fiscal Year Designated: The fiscal year of the City shall commence on April 1 and end on March 31.

B. Submission Of Proposed Budget To City Council:

1. Proposed Budget: On or before the fourth Wednesday of April in each year, the Mayor shall submit to the City Council a proposed budget covering all municipal activities for

the ensuing fiscal year, based upon a careful consideration of departmental needs and fund resources, as presented to the Mayor by department heads.

a. The proposed budget shall include a multi-year Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) which is reviewed and updated annually. The CIP shall be drafted in accordance with administrative instructions developed and published by the City Comptroller.

2. Budget Allocations To Private Organizations:

a. A private organization is defined as any entity not created by or directly under the control of the City as a municipal corporation.

b. Any private organization requesting funding or which is proposed to receive funding from the City must submit an application for funding to the City Comptroller, on forms available from the City Comptroller, during the months of January and February prior to the commencement of the City's fiscal year, that being April 1. The City shall not provide any funding to any private organization except in response to an application timely filed with the City Comptroller as aforesaid and shall in no event provide funding in excess of the amount requested in said application, unless approved by an affirmative vote of five (5) Aldermen. If any private organization requests funding or is proposed to receive funding from the City as part of the proposed budget submitted to the City Council, it is recommended that such a private organization have at least two (2) representatives present at any hearings scheduled by the City Council to consider the funding of such a private organization in the consideration of the proposed budget submitted to the City Council. The two (2) representatives should be officers of the private organization, if possible, and should be fully familiar with the purpose of the proposed funding from the City and able to respond to any questions or concerns as presented by the members of the City Council at said hearings. (Ord. 6355, 12-16-1998)

c. Information Shown For Each Fund: The proposed budget referred to in the preceding subsection shall set forth for each fund all proposed expenditures for the administration, operation and maintenance of all departments and agencies for which appropriations are to be made or taxes levied by the City Council, all expenditures for capital projects to be financed by tax levies, miscellaneous revenue or other similar means during the fiscal year, all interest and debt redemption charges during the fiscal year and the actual or estimated operating deficits from previous fiscal years. In addition thereto, the proposed budget shall set forth for each fund the anticipated income from all sources, available surpluses and other means of financing such expenditures for the ensuing fiscal year, the total of which shall not be less than the total proposed expenditures from each fund. (1961 Code § 11-19)

Section 2. Effective Date.

This Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and approval as provided by law.

Mr. Meehan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Velloff, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Bohn, Pfister, Velloff, Brown, Meehan, Elliott, Ford – 7
NAYS: None – 0

Chairman Meehan presented the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, the City of Alton, Illinois (the "City") is a municipal corporation and a home-rule unit of local government pursuant to Article VII, Section 6 of the Illinois Constitution of 1970; and

WHEREAS, Deliverance Temple Complex has requested the temporary street closure on Sixth Street between Central Avenue and Cherry Street to be closed on Sunday, August 23, 2026 from 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. to host a Homecoming Celebration; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has considered the request and does hereby approve said request.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the Public Works Department, Police Department and Fire Department are hereby authorized and directed to effectuate the temporary closure of Sixth Street between Central Avenue and Cherry Street during the approximate time period between 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 23, 2026 conditioned upon:

Deliverance Temple Complex will be responsible for any extra labor costs incurred by the City as it relates to this event.

Deliverance Temple Complex shall inform any residents directly affected by the closure not less than 48 hours prior to the start of the closure.

Deliverance Temple Complex will submit a certificate of insurance to the City of Alton prior to the closure of the street, and not later than 4pm on August 17, 2026.

Mr. Meehan made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Brown, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Bohn, Pfister, Velloff, Brown, Meehan, Elliott, Ford – 7
NAYS: None – 0

Chairman Meehan presented the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, the City council of the City of Alton previously authorized the City Clerk to publish a notice of sale for surplus property commonly known as 3205 Duco St.; and

WHEREAS, one (1) proposal was publicly opened and read at the Alton city Council meeting on June 24, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the bid submitted by Detraze McElroy (dba Three MC Construction, LLC) has been subjected to appropriate review and upon the recommendation of Planning and Development Staff;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL FOT EH CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the mayor and appropriate city officials are hereby authorized and directed to execute any necessary documents to effectuate the sale of the subject property.

Mr. Meehan made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Elliott, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Bohn, Pfister, Velloff, Brown, Meehan, Elliott, Ford – 7

NAYS: None – 0

Chairman Meehan presented the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, the City of Alton is committed to finding the best value and best service for the collection of municipal waste within the community; and

WHEREAS, the existing contract for municipal waste services is due to expire on September 30, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the City of Alton wishes to align any new contract for municipal services with our fiscal year, which begins on April 1, 2027; and

WHEREAS, the current provider of services has agreed to an extension of the existing contract, with no changes to service or rates; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the city to continue the existing relationship with Republic Waste to provide municipal waste services to enable alignment with our fiscal year;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The City of Alton is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with Republic Services to provide municipal services from October 1, 2026 to March 31, 2027.

Section 2. The Mayor of the City of Alton, Illinois is hereby authorized and directed to execute said agreement on behalf of the City, and the City Clerk is authorized to attest thereto.

Mr. Meehan made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Ford, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Pfister, Velloff, Brown, Meehan, Elliott, Ford – 6

NAYS: Bohn – 1

Chairman Meehan presented the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, bid were received by the City of Alton's Comptrollers' office on August 5, 2026 for the 2026 MFT Concrete Repairs – Various Locations project; and

WHEREAS, 3 bids were received for this project ranging from $115,050.00 to $167,702.00, and the low bid submitted by RCS Construction from East Alton, Illinois in the amount of $115,050.00 was 12.42% lower than the engineer's estimate of $131,373.00.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the City of Alton award of the construction contract for the project to the low bidder.

BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute the construction contract and any other such documents related to advancement and completion of said project.

Mr. Meehan made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Brown, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Bohn, Pfister, Velloff, Brown, Meehan, Elliott, Ford – 7
NAYS: None – 0

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

Mayor Pro Tem presented the following Ordinance for first reading.

Ordinance No. 8005. An Ordinance amending Title 11 Zoning Regulations of the City Code regarding permitted uses within the C-5 Heavy Commercial District.

Mrs. Elliott made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Brown, that said Ordinance be Laid Over. The Chair so ordered.

SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES

Mayor Pro Tem presented the following Ordinance for second reading.

Ordinance No. 8004. An Ordinance amending Title 1, Chapter 13 Finance, Purchases and Contracts Section 9 Purchasing and Contracts. Mrs. Elliott made a motion, seconded by Mr. Velloff, that said Ordinance be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Bohn, Pfister, Velloff, Brown, Meehan, Elliott, Ford – 7
NAYS: None – 0

REPORTS AND/OR RESOLUTIONS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

The Clerk presented an appeal on behalf of Chris and Britney Omlor concerning the decision of the Historical Commission rendered at its July 21, 2026, meeting regarding the application submitted for 459 E. 3rd Street.

Mr. Velloff made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bohn, that said application, for construction of a new deck, at 459 E. 3rd Street be Approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Bohn, Pfister, Velloff, Brown, Meehan, Elliott, Ford – 7

NAYS: None – 0

RESIGNATIONS

Mayor Goins presented the resignation of Doug Bader from the Alton Historical Commission. Mr. Meehan made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Brown, that said resignation be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Bohn, Pfister, Velloff, Brown, Meehan, Elliott, Ford – 7

NAYS: None – 0

Mayor Goins presented the resignation of Doug Bader from the Haskell Playhouse Commission. Mayor Goins explained Mr. Bader had reached out and expressed his desire to remain on the Commission, even though he has relocated to Chicago, IL. At this time, Mayor Goins asked the City Council to vote down his resignation which would allow Mr. Bader to continue as a commissioner on the Haskell Playhouse Commission. Mr. Meehan made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Brown, that said resignation be approved. The motion FAILED by the following vote:

AYES: None – 0

NAYS: Bohn, Pfister, Velloff, Brown, Meehan, Elliott, Ford – 7

APPOINTMENTS

Mayor Goins presented the appointment of David Cole to the Alton Amphitheater Commission. Mr. Meehan made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Pfister, that said appointment be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Bohn, Pfister, Velloff, Brown, Meehan, Elliott, Ford – 7

NAYS: None – 0

Mayor Goins presented the appointment of Rick Lausche to the Alton Plan Commission. Mrs. Brown made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Ford, that said appointment be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Bohn, Pfister, Velloff, Brown, Meehan, Elliott, Ford – 7

NAYS: None – 0

FESTIVAL AND EVENT GRANT APPLICATIONS

The Clerk presented the previously Laid Over Festival and Event grant application from St. Mary's Catholic Church. Mrs. Pfister made a motion, seconded by Mr. Velloff, that said application be approved. The motion FAILED by the following vote:

AYES: None – 0

NAYS: Bohn, Pfister, Velloff, Brown, Meehan, Elliott, Ford – 7

APPROVAL OF ACTIONS TAKEN UNDER SUSPENSION OF RULES
AT PRIOR MEETING

The Clerk presented the following three (3) resolutions.

1. WHEREAS, the City of Alton, Illinois (the "City") is a municipal corporation and a home-rule unit of local government pursuant to Article VII, Section 6 of the Illinois Constitution of 1970; and

WHEREAS, Deliverance Temple Complex has requested the temporary street closure on Sixth Street between Central Avenue and Cherry Street to be closed on Friday, August 7, 2026 from 11:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. to host a Resource Fair; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has considered the request and does hereby approve said request.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the Public Works Department, Police Department and Fire Department are hereby authorized and directed to effectuate the temporary closure of Sixth Street between Central Avenue and Cherry Street during the approximate time period between 11:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. on Friday, August 7, 2026 conditioned upon:

Deliverance Temple Complex will be responsible for any extra labor costs incurred by the City as it relates to this event.

Deliverance Temple Complex shall inform any residents directly affected by the closure not less than 48 hours prior to the start of the closure.

Deliverance Temple Complex will submit a certificate of insurance to the City of Alton prior to the closure of the street, and not later than 4pm on July 31, 2026.

Mrs. Elliott made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Brown, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Bohn, Pfister, Velloff, Brown, Meehan, Elliott, Ford – 7
NAYS: None – 0

2. WHEREAS, the City of Alton, Illinois (the "City") is a municipal corporation and a home rule unit of local government pursuant to Article VII, Section 6, of the Illinois Constitution of 1970; and

WHEREAS, Riverbend Head Start & Family Services has submitted a Special Event Liquor License application for the authorization of liquor distribution at their Donor Appreciation event on Tuesday, August 4, 2026; and

WHEREAS, Section 4-4-9 of the City Code of Ordinances requires a not-for-profit non-license holder receive a special event permit before serving alcoholic beverages; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has considered the request and does hereby approve said request.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Alton, Madison County, Illinois, the Special Event Liquor License is approved for the Riverbend Head Start & Family Services Donor Appreciate event, condition upon:

The event will take place on Tuesday, August 4, 2026; and

The location of the event is Riverbend Head Start & Family Services, 1848 E. Broadway, Alton, Illinois; and

Individual food vendors serving are required to obtain a license from the Madison County Health Department; and

Riverbend Head Start & Family Services is required to submit a certificate of insurance to the City of Alton by end of business on July 28, 2026.

Mrs. Brown made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Elliott, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:
AYES: Bohn, Pfister, Velloff, Brown, Meehan, Elliott, Ford – 7
NAYS: None – 0

3. WHEREAS, it is necessary to effect the demolition of certain structures deemed unsafe under 65 ILCS 5/11-31-1, the owners of which have neglected or refuses to perform required demolition.

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that its officials and agents are hereby authorized to pursue appropriate legal action against such properties in the Circuit Court as listed below:

620 Leonard St.

Mrs. Ford made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Elliott, that said resolution be approved. The motion passed by the following vote:
AYES: Bohn, Pfister, Velloff, Brown, Meehan, Elliott, Ford – 7
NAYS: None – 0

COMMENTS OR RESOLUTION FROM THE CITY COUNCIL

Alderman Bohn presented the following three (3) Resolutions:

1. WHEREAS, the City of Alton, Illinois (the "City") is a municipal corporation and a home-rule unit of local government pursuant to Article VII, Section 6 of the Illinois Constitution of 1970; and

WHEREAS, Simmons Hanly Conroy has requested the temporary street closure of Fourth Street between Court Street and Henry Street and Court Street from Fourth Street to Fifth Street on Friday, September 18, 2026 from 5:05 p.m. until Saturday, September 19, 2026 at 12:00 p.m. to host their annual Miles for Meso 5K and 3K Run; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has considered the request and does hereby approve said request.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the Public Works Department, Police Department and Fire Department are hereby authorized and directed to effectuate the temporary closure of Fourth Street between Court Street and Henry Street and Court Street from Fourth Street to Fifth Street during the approximate time period between Friday, September 18, 2026 at 5:05 p.m. to Saturday, September 19, 2026 at 12:00 p.m. conditioned upon:

Simmons Hanly Conroy will be responsible for any extra labor costs incurred by the City as it relates to this event.

Simmons Hanly Conroy shall inform any residents directly affected by the closure not less than 48 hours prior to the start of the closure.

Simmons Hanly Conroy will submit a certificate of insurance to the City of Alton prior to the closure of the street, and not later than 4pm on September 14, 2026.

2. WHEREAS, the City of Alton, Illinois (the "City") is a municipal corporation and a home-rule unit of local government pursuant to Article VII, Section 6 of the Illinois Constitution of 1970; and

WHEREAS, Marquette Catholic High School has requested the temporary street closure of East Fourth Street between Easton Street and Alton Street on Friday, September 25, 2026 from 3:00 p.m. until Sunday, September 27, 2026 at 12:00 a.m. to host their Homecoming Block Party and Mega Raffle Event; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has considered the request and does hereby approve said request.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the Public Works Department, Police Department and Fire Department are hereby authorized and directed to effectuate the temporary closure of East Fourth Street between Easton Street and Alton Street during the approximate time period between 3:00 p.m. on Friday, September 25, 2026 until 12:00 a.m. on Sunday, September 27, 2026 conditioned upon:

Marquette Catholic High School will be responsible for any extra labor costs incurred by the City as it relates to this event.

Marquette Catholic High School shall inform any residents directly affected by the closure not less than 48 hours prior to the start of the closure.

Marquette Catholic High School will submit a certificate of insurance to the City of Alton prior to the closure of the street, and not later than 4pm on September 21, 2026.

3. WHEREAS, the City of Alton, Illinois (the "City") is a municipal corporation and a home rule unit of local government pursuant to Article VII, Section 6, of the Illinois Constitution of 1970; and

WHEREAS, Marquette Catholic High School has submitted a Special Event Liquor License application for the authorization of liquor sales at their Homecoming Block Party and Mega Raffle Event on Saturday, September 26, 2026; and

WHEREAS, Section 4-4-9 of the City Code of Ordinances requires a not-for-profit non-license holder receive a special event permit before serving alcoholic beverages; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has considered the request and does hereby approve said request.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Alton, Madison County, Illinois, the Special Event Liquor License is approved for the Homecoming Block Party and Mega Raffle Event, condition upon:

The event will take place on Saturday, September 26, 2026; and

The location of the event is 219 East 4th Street, Alton, Illinois; and

Individual food vendors serving are required to obtain a license from the Madison County Health Department; and

Marquette Catholic High School is required to submit a certificate of insurance to the City of Alton by end of business on September 21, 2026.

Mr. Bohn made a motion, seconded by Mr. Velloff, that said Resolutions be referred to the Committee of the Whole. The Chair so ordered.

Alderwoman Pfister presented the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, the City of Alton, Illinois (the "City") is a municipal corporation and a home-rule unit of local government pursuant to Article VII, Section 6 of the Illinois Constitution of 1970; and

WHEREAS, the City of Alton received substantial financial assistance from the American Rescue Plan Act to assist the city with the financial burdens it has experienced and will experience due to the unusual circumstances presented by the COVID pandemic; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Alton, Illinois passed a Resolution on November 10, 2021 to determine it was in the best interest of public health, safety, general welfare, and economic welfare to request, receive, and spend ARPA funds according to the ARPA Eligible Spending guidelines; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Alton, Illinois passed a Resolution on December 8, 2021, designating that the City Council shall determine the appropriate needs to be addressed by the ARPA funds allocated to the City within the allowable uses of those funds as determined by the ARPA Eligible Spending guidelines; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Alton, Illinois passed a Resolution on April 12, 2023, which determined there are several projects of priority need and authorizes the Mayor and/or their designee to furnish to the City Council of Alton, Illinois a proposal for the following projects ("Projects") to be paid by the City of Alton from the American Rescue Plan Act Funds and that these projects meet the requirements and standards under eligibility for payment under ARPA guidelines:

- Up to $1,000,000.00 on projects that will help address affordable housing and homelessness in the City of Alton.
- Up to $1,000,000.00 on projects that will support young people's learning, growth and recovery through youth programming and skills development in the City of Alton.
- Up to $1,000,000.00 on economic development and support for small businesses in the City of Alton that were adversely affected by the pandemic.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Alton, Illinois finds that youth-focused educational programming that provides hands-on learning opportunities promotes skill development, work experience, responsibility, structure, positive community engagement, and long-term personal growth; and

WHEREAS, the City Council further finds that the Alton Housing Authority Summer Program provides structured and supervised programming for Alton youth throughout the summer, including educational activities, field trips, experiential learning opportunities, and positive enrichment opportunities for participating youth; and

WHEREAS, the City Council further finds that the Elm Street Youth Garden Program, operated as part of the Alton Housing Authority Summer Program at the Alton Manor Housing Complex, uses an existing green space to create a hands-on educational community garden that provides young people with a positive place to be while also expanding access to fresh food for families and seniors, improving the neighborhood, and creating a visible community asset for residents; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the program includes educational components focused on gardening, nutrition, teamwork, responsibility, and community involvement; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Alton, Illinois authorizes the following project ("Project") to be paid by the City of Alton from the American Rescue Plan Act Funds and finds that this project meets the requirements and standards under eligibility for payment under ARPA guidelines:

> Funding to the Alton Housing Authority of up to five thousand dollars ($5,000.00) to support the Alton Housing Authority Summer Youth Program, including the Elm Street Youth Garden Program at the Alton Manor Housing Complex, educational field trips, gardening materials, and other program-related supplies and activities. See Exhibit A AS AMENDED; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has considered the request and does hereby approve said request.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Alton, Madison County, Illinois, as follows:

SECTION 1: That the City Council of the City of Alton, Illinois authorizes the allocation of the Project to be paid from ARPA funds in adherence to all applicable rules and regulations.

SECTION 2: The City Council finds that the Mayor of the City of Alton should be authorized and directed, on behalf of the City, and as ARPA Authorized Representative, to execute any documents associated with the disbursement of the funds.

SECTION 3: The Office of the Comptroller shall prepare and file any reports related to this expenditure, as required by law.

Exhibit A

Item	**Estimated Cost**
Two (2) small cultivators/tillers	$600
Garden hoses	$100
Planting supplies (seeds, starter plants, etc.)	$500
Garden tools, gloves, and related supplies	$1,300
Educational field trips, transportation, program activities, and related youth development expenses	Up to $2,500
Total Project Cost	**Up to $5,000**

Funds shall be used solely for eligible expenses associated with the Alton Housing Authority Summer Youth Program and the Elm Street Youth Garden Project

Amendment to Exhibit A from the approved resolution for the funding of up to $5,000 to support the Alton Housing Authority Summer Youth Program, including the Elm Street Youth Garden Program at the Alton Manor Housing Complex:

The funds approved will be divided equally between the Alton Housing Authority Summer Youth Program and the Elm Street Youth Garden Program at the Alton Manor Housing Complex, whereas up to $2,500 in funding is available for both programs.

The Elm Street Youth Garden Program at the Alton Manor Housing Complex project manager, Mr. Lee Barham, is authorized to be reimbursed from the $2,500 allotment for the items listed above, plus other costs as required to maintain the garden property and promote the program. This includes rental of needed equipment, promotional banner and materials, and incidental expenses for repair and maintenance of equipment used to maintain the garden plot. For the purchase of the cultivator and tiller (2 pieces of equipment), Mr. Barham will submit the paid invoice along with 2 other quotes or price checks for like equipment. The purchase will include a product protection plan, if needed. Any funds remaining at the end of the summer program will be available for Mr. Barham to start up the garden plot in the spring of 2027 for the 2027 program. Expenses must be for planting and garden supplies, and will be paid on a reimbursement basis. If the program does not continue or is not active in 2027, the remaining funds will be reallocated back to the City of Alton for future use.

The equipment will be maintained by Mr. Barham for the exclusive use at the Elm Street Youth Garden Program at the Alton Manor Housing Complex. If that plot becomes unavailable, and a new location is used for the program, Mr. Barham will inform the City Comptroller of the new location and attest that the equipment will be used solely at the new location. IF the Elm Street Youth Garden Program at the Alton Manor Housing Complex is not active in 2027 or the garden plot becomes unavailable, and no new location is found within 90-days from the date the garden plot became unavailable, Mr. Barham will contact the City Comptroller to arrange the return of the equipment to the City of Alton for future use.

The Alton Housing Authority shall be reimbursed up to $2,500 for the program activities listed above. The Alton Housing Authority will submit paid invoices and/or receipts to the City Comptroller no later than November 30th, 2026 for the approved activities.

Both Mr. Barham on behalf of the Elm Street Youth Garden Program at the Alton Manor Housing Complex and the Alton Housing Authority will complete the post-project narrative, attached below, and submit to the city comptroller before final reimbursement is issued.

This amendment is effective upon approval and covers all activities associated with the 2026 Alton Housing Authority Summer Youth Program and the Elm Street Youth Garden Program at the Alton Manor Housing Complex.

Mrs. Pfister made a motion, seconded by Mr. Velloff, that said Resolution be referred to the Committee of the Whole. The Chair so ordered.

Alderman Velloff presented the following two (2) Resolutions:

1. WHEREAS, the City of Alton, Illinois (the "City") is a municipal corporation and a home-rule unit of local government pursuant to Article VII, Section 6 of the Illinois Constitution of 1970; and

WHEREAS, St. Mary's Catholic Church has requested the temporary street closure of East Third Street between Henry Street and Langdon Street and Langdon Street from East Third Street to East Fourth Street on Friday, October 9, 2026 from 8:00 a.m. until Sunday, October 11, 2026 at 11:59 p.m. to host their annual Oktoberfest Fundraiser; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has considered the request and does hereby approve said request.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the Public Works Department, Police Department and Fire Department are hereby authorized and directed to effectuate the temporary closure of East Third Street between Henry Street and Langdon Street and Langdon Street from East Third Street to East Fourth Street during the approximate time period between Friday, October 9, 2026 from 8:00 a.m. until Sunday, October 11, 2026 at 11:59 p.m. conditioned upon:

St. Mary's Catholic Church will be responsible for any extra labor costs incurred by the City as it relates to this event.

St. Mary's Catholic Church shall inform any residents directly affected by the closure not less than 48 hours prior to the start of the closure.

St. Mary's Catholic Church will submit a certificate of insurance to the City of Alton prior to the closure of the street, and not later than 4pm on October 5, 2026.

2. WHEREAS, the City of Alton, Illinois (the "City") is a municipal corporation and a home rule unit of local government pursuant to Article VII, Section 6, of the Illinois Constitution of 1970; and

WHEREAS, St. Mary's Catholic Church has submitted a Special Event Liquor License application for the authorization of liquor sales at their Oktoberfest Fundraiser Friday, October 9 through Sunday, October 11, 2026; and

WHEREAS, Section 4-4-9 of the City Code of Ordinances requires a not-for-profit non-license holder receive a special event permit before serving alcoholic beverages; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has considered the request and does hereby approve said request.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Alton, Madison County, Illinois, the Special Event Liquor License is approved for the Oktoberfest Fundraiser, condition upon:

The event will take place Friday, October 9, 2026 through Sunday, October 11, 2026; and

The location of the event will be 536 E 3rd Street, Alton, Illinois; and

Individual food vendors serving are required to obtain a license from the Madison County Health Department; and

St. Mary's Catholic Church is required to submit a certificate of insurance to the City of Alton by end of business on October 5, 2026.

Mr. Velloff made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bohn, that said Resolutions be referred to the Committee of the Whole. The Chair so ordered.

Alderwoman Brown presented the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, the City of Alton, Illinois (the "City") is a municipal corporation and a home-rule unit of local government pursuant to Article VII, Section 6 of the Illinois Constitution of 1970; and

WHEREAS, the Back to Mexico Reunion Committee has requested the temporary street closure on Fletcher Street between Highland Avenue and Hampton Avenue and Highland Avenue from the 1100 block to the 1000 block to be closed on Saturday, September 5, 2026 from 9:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. to host a Community Reunion; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has considered the request and does hereby approve said request.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ALTON, ILLINOIS, that the Public Works Department, Police Department and Fire Department are hereby authorized and directed to effectuate the temporary closure of Fletcher Street between Highland Avenue and Hampton Avenue and Highland Avenue from the 1100 block to the 1000 block during the approximate time period between 9:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 5, 2026 conditioned upon:

Back to Mexico Reunion Committee will be responsible for any extra labor costs incurred by the City as it relates to this event.

Back to Mexico Reunion Committee shall inform any residents directly affected by the closure not less than 48 hours prior to the start of the closure.

Back to Mexico Reunion Committee will submit a certificate of insurance to the City of Alton prior to the closure of the street, and not later than 4pm on August 31, 2026.

Mrs. Brown made a motion, seconded by Mr. Meehan, that said resolution be referred to the Committee of the Whole. The Chair so ordered.

Alderwoman Elliott presented the following Resolution:

WHEREAS**,** the City of Alton, Madison County, Illinois, is a municipal corporation and a home-rule unit of local government pursuant to Article VII, Section 6 of the Illinois Constitution of 1970; and

WHEREAS, the City of Alton is committed to finding the best value and best service for the collection of municipal waste within the community; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has reviewed Section 5-2-8: Refuse Charge of the Alton City Code and determined that an amendment is necessary to provide updated city code and rules to reflect that the city no longer provides residents with water and wastewater services;

WHEREAS, the link between water and wastewater service, and municipal trash service is outdated; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that amending Section 5-2-8 will enable a clear and transparent process for both city staff and residents to follow to abate trash services;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Alton, Madison County, Illinois, that Section 5-2-8 is amended as follows:

5-2-8: REFUSE CHARGE:

There shall be a charge for collection of refuse and garbage to the owner and/or occupant of every dwelling unit for which refuse service is provided by the city through contracts with private haulers. Such charges are intended to cover the cost to the City to provide such services, including the cost of billing and collections. Such charges shall be per dwelling unit for single-family detached residences, single-family attached residences, and two- to four-family residences. The refuse charges shall be payable every two months to be billed in arrears. Failure to pay the charge upon billing by the city or its billing agent may result, at the city's option, in the placement of a lien against the real estate and/or the filing of a complaint in circuit court seeking a personal judgment against the owner or persons interested in the property subject to the refuse charge, or the occupant of such property. The city shall be free to pursue any other remedies as may be available to the city for collection of this refuse charge. The election of a particular remedy shall not constitute a waiver of any other remedy available to the city for collection of the refuse charge.

The charge imposed by this section shall be as follows:

A. Monthly Charge: For the period commencing October 1, 2019, and thereafter, except as hereinafter provided, the charge shall be twenty-two dollars and ninety-two cents ($22.92) per month, per dwelling unit. On October 1, 2020, and on each October 1 thereafter so long as the city provides collection of refuse and garbage for dwelling units in the city, the charge shall be increased by four percent (4%) above the previous charge. In addition to the refuse charge as aforesaid, an administrative charge of one dollar ($1.00) per month per dwelling unit shall be due to the city of Alton to recover the administrative cost incurred by the city of Alton in connection with the preparation of monthly billing, mailing, receipt, and processing of refuse fees or charges for each dwelling unit.

B. Abatement: ~~The residential monthly refuse charge as aforesaid including the administrative charge, shall be abated as to any residential unit in the city of Alton commencing on the thirty first day after a residential dwelling unit has continuously been without actual water service available and provided to that residential dwelling unit and continue to be abated for so long as there remains no water available and provided to that residential dwelling unit. No abatement shall be effective prior to the date the office of the city comptroller receives a request for abatement as to any residential dwelling unit. The written request for abatement shall be in a format to be developed by the city comptroller and shall include the necessary information to allow the office of the city comptroller to verify that no actual water service has, is, or will be available to the residential dwelling unit for the requisite period of time.~~

Property owners of residential units subject to the municipal waste contract under this section (5-2-8) can submit a written request for abatement of trash fees provided the residential unit will be vacant a minimum of 90-days. Abatement will begin the first day of the month following submission of the written request to the city comptroller. The written request shall be on the required form developed by the city comptroller and will include a certification by the property owner that the residential unit will be vacant for the minimum period specified by this code. The certification will also include the acknowledgement of the property owner that the residential trash account will be closed with the current trash vendor, and all trash receptacles will be collected by said vendor upon this closure. Trash service will only be restarted with a written request by the property owner submitted to the city comptroller.

C. Delinquencies: All refuse charges or fees established by this code, not paid in full within twenty-one (21) days after the issuance of any bill rendered therefor, shall be considered delinquent. If the monthly refuse charges or fees as established by this code shall not be paid in full within twenty-one (21) days after the date of issuance of any bill rendered therefor, a delayed payment charge in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the monthly refuse fee or charge then in effect shall be imposed and due to the city of Alton with regard to such account.

D. Monthly Bill To Record Owner: The city shall direct the billing for the total monthly residential trash or refuse charges or fees to the record owner of each improved lot, parcel of land or premises which is entitled to trash or refuse service by the city. It shall be the responsibility of

the record owner to timely remit payments to the city of Alton. In the event the owner fails to timely remit payments to the city, the city may direct billings and notice of delinquency to the occupant or user of the premises entitled to trash or refuse service provided by the city. The city may pursue collection efforts against all persons responsible for payment as established by this code.

The owner of the dwelling unit, the occupant thereof and the user of the services shall be jointly and severally liable to pay such refuse charge and the services are furnished to the dwelling unit by the city only on the condition that the owner of the dwelling unit, occupant thereof and user of the refuse service are jointly and severally liable. The city of Alton, through its contractors, shall provide refuse collection service to the dwelling unit at least once each week.

E. Should the city elect to pursue collection of the refuse charge by an action filed with a court of competent jurisdiction, the city shall be entitled to recover all reasonable attorney fees, court costs and other expenses related to said court action in addition to the original refuse charge and any penalty imposed for late payment.

Mrs. Elliott made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Brown, that said resolution be referred to the Committee of the Whole. The Chair so ordered.

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, Mr. Meehan made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bohn, that the meeting adjourn. The motion passed by the following vote:

AYES: Bohn, Pfister, Velloff, Brown, Meehan, Elliott, Ford – 7
NAYS: None – 0

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Lauren Wilson
City Clerk

(Seal of the City of Alton, Illinois)