



City Council Meeting Agenda
April 13, 2026 - 5:45 PM
City Council Chambers, City Hall, 3rd Floor,
1528 Third Avenue, Rock Island, IL

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- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Roll Call**
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance**
- 4. Moment of Silence**
- 5. Vote to Approve Agenda**
 - a. Motion: Motion whether or not to approve the agenda.
RC Roll Call vote is needed.
- 6. Special Awards and Recognitions, Oath of Office Ceremony, and Proclamations**
 - a. Proclamation declaring April as Community Development Month.
 - b. Proclamation declaring April 19-25, 2026 as National Library Week.
 - c. Proclamation declaring April 24, 2026 as Arbor Day.
- 7. Public Comment**
- 8. Update Rock Island**
- 9. Passage of Ordinances & Resolutions**
 - a. Report from the Economic Development Department regarding a resolution in support of an application for the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity's Regional Site Readiness Program's planning grant.

Motion: Motion to adopt the resolution.
RC Roll Call vote is needed.
 - b. Report from the Public Works Department regarding a Motor Fuel Tax resolution for bulk rock salt procurement in 2026 in the amount of \$249,690.

Motion: Motion to adopt the resolution.

RC Roll Call vote is needed.

- c. Report from the Mayor's Office regarding a resolution approving an employment agreement with City Manager Todd Thompson.

Motion: Motion to adopt the resolution.

RC Roll Call vote is needed.

10. Ordinances (First Readings)

- a. Report from the Community Development Department regarding the sale of City-owned property at the northwest corner of IL-92 & Andalusia Road for \$1.00. (First Reading)

Motion: Move to approve the sale; authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement, subject to minor attorney modifications; and consider, suspend the rules, and pass the ordinance.

RC Roll Call vote is needed.

- b. Report from the Community Development Department regarding the purchase of property at the northwest corner of IL-92 & Andalusia Road for \$1.00. (First Reading)

Motion: Move to approve the purchase; authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement, subject to minor attorney modifications; and consider, suspend the rules, and pass the ordinance.

RC Roll Call vote is needed.

- c. Report from the Traffic Engineering Committee regarding a request to modify the parking in front of the former YWCA at 229 16th Street. (First Reading)

Motion: Motion to approve the requests and consider the ordinance.

RC Roll Call vote is needed.

- d. Report from the Traffic Engineering Committee regarding a request from Lois Whitaker, 1912 10th Street, to install a handicapped parking space in front of her home. (First Reading)

Motion: Motion to approve the request and consider the ordinance.

RC Roll Call vote is needed.

- e. Report from the Legal Department regarding a special ordinance grandfathering 2nd Avenue Investment Group, Inc. d/b/a Urban Reserve and authorizing supplemental license options for a Class J License.

Motion: Motion to consider the ordinance.

RC Roll Call vote is needed.

11. Consent Agenda

All items under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine in nature and will be enacted by a single motion and subsequent roll call vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless an Alderperson so requests, in which case, the item will be moved from the Consent Agenda and considered as the first item after approval of the Consent Agenda.

- a. Claims for the week of March 13 through March 19 in the amount of \$837,249.72; claims for the week of March 20 through March 26 in the amount of \$1,330,232.04; claims for the week of March 27 through April 2 in the amount of \$519,628.28; and Payroll for the weeks of March 2, 2026 through March 15, 2026 in the amount of \$1,881,030.13; and Payroll for the weeks of March 16, 2026 through March 29, 2026 in the amount of \$1,938,119.41.
- b. Purchase Card Claims for the period of January 27, 2026 through February 26, 2026 in the amount of \$66,033.85
- c. Report from the Clerk's Office regarding a request from Wake Brewing requesting sound amplification on Friday, April 17, 2026 from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. for a live music event.
- d. Report from the City Clerk's Office regarding a request from QC Farmers' Market to use to close 2nd Avenue between 18th & 19th Streets every Saturday between May 2 through October 31, 2026 from 7:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. and to use sound amplification on one Saturday of each month between May 23 through October 24, 2026 from 8 a.m. until 12 p.m. for the Farmers' Market.
- e. Report from the Clerk's Office regarding a request from YWCA of the Quad Cities to close 17th Street between 5th and 6th Avenues on Sunday, June 14, 2026 from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. for a community event.
- f. Report from the City Clerk's Office regarding a request from Gary Barren to close 6th Avenue between 7th and 8th Streets on Saturday, July 25, 2026 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. for a block party.
- g. Minutes from the March 23, 2026 City Council meeting.
- h. Minutes from the March 23, 2026 Closed Session.

Motion: Motion to approve Consent Agenda items a through h.

RC Roll Call vote is needed.

12. Claims/Purchases

- a. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment to Langman Construction, Rock Island, Illinois, for an emergency water main repair at 11th Street and Blackhawk Road in the amount of \$27,910.39.
- b. Report from the Public Works Department regarding a payment to J.C. Dillon, Peoria, Illinois, for WSRP, SLRP, and Lead Service Replacements in the amount of 95,773.42

- c. Report from the Public Works Department regarding payment to McClintock Trucking and Excavating, Silvis, Illinois for an emergency water main repair at 101 18th Avenue in the amount of \$13,972.76.

Motion: Motion to allow claims a through c.
RC Roll Call vote is needed.

- d. Report from the Public Works Department requesting authorization to purchase a 2026 John Deere 325G Track Loader from Martin Equipment, Rock Island, Illinois, in the amount of \$74,686.04.

Motion: Motion to approve the purchase.
RC Roll Call vote is needed.

13. Contracts/Agreements

- a. Report from the Economic Development Department regarding a lease agreement with DeSoto Community Artists.

Motion: Motion to approve the lease and authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement, subject to minor attorney modifications.
RC Roll Call vote is needed.

- b. Report from the Public Works Department regarding bids for the 2026-2028 City Mowing Contract recommending that the bid be awarded to Finer Finish Grounds Care, Newark, Illinois, in the amount of \$540,750.

Motion: Motion to award the bid as recommended and authorize the City Manager to execute the contract, subject to minor attorney modifications.
RC Roll Call vote is needed.

- c. Report from the Public Works Department regarding bids for the 2026 Municipal Tree Contract recommending that the bid be awarded to Advantage Tree Services, Davenport, IA, in the amount of \$17,820.

Motion: Motion to award the bid as recommended and authorize the City Manager to execute the contract, subject to minor attorney modifications.
RC Roll Call vote is needed.

- d. Report from the Public Works Department regarding bids for the Levee Vegetation Control Contract recommending that the bid be awarded to Tailored Turf Inc., Port Byron, IL, in the amount of \$116,357.

Motion: Motion to award the bid as recommended and authorize the City Manager to

execute the contract, subject to minor attorney modifications.

RC Roll Call vote is needed.

- e. Report from the Fire Department regarding a bid from RILCO Safety Supply, Bettendorf, Iowa, for gas detection monitors in the amount of \$33,165.

Motion: Motion to accept the bid as recommended and authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement, subject to minor attorney modifications.

RC Roll Call vote is needed.

- f. Report from the Police Department regarding a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Rock Island County and the City of Moline for the 2025 Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG).

Motion: Motion to approve the MOU and authorize the Mayor to execute the agreement.

RC Roll Call vote is needed.

- g. Report from the Police Department regarding an agreement with Flock Safety to begin a one-year pilot program using the Raven acoustic gunshot detection platform.

Motion: Motion to approve the agreement and authorize the City Manager to execute the document, subject to minor attorney modifications.

RC Roll Call vote is needed.

14. Budget/Finance Items

- a. Report from the Finance Department regarding a budget carryover from CY 2025 in the MLK Activity Fund (900) in the amount of \$17,455.
- b. Report from the Finance Department regarding a budget adjustment to the MLK Activity Fund (900) in the amount of \$5,000.

Motion: Motion to approve budget adjustments a and b.

RC Roll Call vote is needed.

15. Department Reports

- a. Report from the Human Resources Department regarding vacation benefits (Non-Affiliated Employees).

Motion: Motion to approve the adjustment to the Non-Affiliate vacation schedule as recommended.

RC Roll Call vote is needed.

16. Events/Misc Requests

- a. Report from the Clerk's Office regarding a request from the Smoking Dog to close 2nd Avenue between 18th and 19th Streets for the annual Buckethead fundraiser benefiting Camp Kesem on Saturday, April 25, 2026 from 10 a.m to 5 p.m.; and a request for the outdoor consumption of alcohol.

Motion: Motion to approve the requests, subject to complying with all liquor license regulations, and subject to being closed down early if complaints are received.

RC Roll Call vote is needed.

17. Appointments to Boards/Commissions/Committees

- a. Report from the Mayor's Office regarding a reappointment to the Police Community Relations Commission.

Motion: Motion to approve the reappointment as recommended.

RC Roll Call vote is needed.

- b. Report from the Mayor's Office regarding an appointment and reappointments to the Planning & Zoning Commission.

Motion: Motion to approve the appointment and reappointments as recommended.

RC Roll Call vote is needed.

- c. Report from the Mayor's Office regarding appointments and a reappointment to the Library Board.

Motion: Motion to approve the appointments and reappointment as recommended.

RC Roll Call vote is needed.

- d. Report from the Mayor's Office regarding an appointment to the Fire and Police Commissioners Board.

Motion: Motion to approve the appointment.

RC Roll Call vote is needed.

18. Rock Island Port Authority

- a. Motion: Motion to close the regular City Council meeting and convene the Rock Island Regional Port District meeting.

VV Voice vote is needed.

b. Other Business/New Business

- c. Motion: Motion to exit the Rock Island Regional Port Authority and reconvene the regular City Council meeting.
VV Voice vote is needed.

19. Other Business/New Business

20. Closed Session

- a. **5 ILCS 120/2(c)(8) Security procedures, school building safety and security, and the use of personnel and equipment to respond to an actual, a threatened, or a reasonably potential danger to the safety of employees, students, staff, the public, or public property.**

5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11) Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding must be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting.

- Motion: Motion to enter Closed Session for the exceptions cited.
VV Voice vote is needed.

21. Adjourn

- a. Motion to adjourn to April 27, 2026.

- Motion: Motion to adjourn.
VV Voice vote is needed.

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