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**Public Hearing
City of Mt. Vernon, Illinois
Community Development Block Public Infrastructure Application
City Hall – 1100 Main Street
Monday, August 17, 2026
6:45 p.m.**

A Public Hearing was held at 6:45 p.m. Those minutes are available separately. The Regular City Council Meeting started at 7:00 p.m.

**City of Mt. Vernon, Illinois
Regular City Council Meeting
Monday, August 17, 2026 - 7:00 p.m.**

The Mt. Vernon City Council held a Regular City Council Meeting on Monday, August 17, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chamber at City Hall, 1100 Main Street, Mt. Vernon, Illinois. Facebook Live: <https://www.facebook.com/MtVernonIL>.

Mayor John Lewis called the meeting to order.

Pastor Randy Steele from Southwest Christian Church led the Invocation.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL

The roll call showed present: Council Member Donte Moore, Council Member Jay Tate, Council Member Mike Young, and Mayor John Lewis. Absent: Council Member Joe Gliosci.

PRESENTATION OF JOURNALS

The Journal for the August 3, 2026, Regular City Council Meeting was presented for approval.

Council Member Mike Young motioned to approve the Journal as presented. Seconded by Council Member Jay Tate. Yeas: Moore, Tate, Young, and Lewis. Absent: Gliosci.

VISITORS/CITIZENS REQUESTS/ADDRESSES FROM THE AUDIENCE

None.

APPROVAL OF CONSOLIDATED VOUCHERS FOR ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

The Consolidated Vouchers for Accounts Payable were presented to the Council for approval.

Council Member Donte Moore motioned to approve the Consolidated Vouchers for Accounts Payable in the amount of \$2,340,038.76. Seconded by Council Member Mike Young. Yeas: Moore, Tate, Young, and Lewis. Absent: Gliosci.

BIDS/QUOTES

City Manager Nathan McKenna presented Bid Results for the Motor Fuel Tax Contracted Asphalt Overlay Projects. The City received three bids for the contracted-out street overlay project. E.T. Simonds was the lowest bidder with a bid amount of \$961,995.30. This is above the \$900,000 budgeted for the project. The cost for the in-house projects was below budget. The difference will be made up using the available working fund balance.

E.T. Simonds	\$961,995.30
Gleeson Asphalt, Inc.	\$1,038,419.91
Rooters American Maintenance	\$1,405,248.35

Council Member Jay Tate motioned to approve the Bid Results for the Motor Fuel Tax Contracted Asphalt Overlay Projects from E.T. Simonds in the amount of \$961,995.30. Seconded by Council Member Mike Young. Yeas: Moore, Tate, Young, and Lewis. Absent: Gliosci.

City Manager Nathan McKenna presented Bid Results for the 2026 Sidewalk Replacement Project. The City received five bids for this project. Bevis Construction was the lowest bidder with a bid amount of \$420,776.00, which is below the \$500,000 budgeted.

Bevis Construction	\$420,776.00
E.T. Simonds	\$1,153,558.89
T & L Contracting	\$570,567.52
Guinzy Construction	\$499,769.00
Luke Rollie Concrete, Inc.	\$474,855.00

Council Member Donte Moore motioned to approve the Bid Results for the 2026 Sidewalk Replacement Project in the amount of \$420,776.00 from Bevis Construction. Seconded by Council Member Jay Tate. Yeas: Moore, Tate, Young, and Lewis. Absent: Gliosci.

CITY MANAGER

City Manager Nathan McKenna requested permission to Seek Proposals for Fiscal Year 2027 Auditing Services. This is the last year on the contract with Roth & Co. The City will be seeking proposals for next year's audit and to include an option for the following three years.

Council Member Mike Young motioned to grant permission to Seek Proposals for Fiscal Year 2027 Auditing Services. Seconded by Council Member Donte Moore. Yeas: Moore, Tate, Young, and Lewis. Absent: Gliosci.

City Manager Nathan McKenna requested permission for a Street Closure Request for 12th Street from Gilbert Street to Veterans Memorial Drive on September 5th from 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. for a Family BBQ.

Council Member Donte Moore motioned to grant permission for a Street Closure Request for 12th Street from Gilbert Street to Veterans Memorial Drive on September 5th from 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. for a Family BBQ. Seconded by Council Member Jay Tate.

City Council Member Donte Moore asked if there were traffic counts for that area. City Manager McKenna stated that IDOT shows on the southern section of 12th Street, the daily average count is 1,750.

Ms. Barbara Green was present to respond to any questions and comments. She is requesting a barricade in front of her house so that it would not block her neighbor's driveway. This is a family gathering and she is wanting to keep everyone safe. She said the kids run back and forth between her house and her son's house across the street.

Council Member Donte Moore said that as long as he has been on City Council, the Council has never closed a street with a traffic count like this. The City will only close side streets.

Mayor Lewis said that because of Ms. Green's request, and in reviewing our Ordinances, City Manager McKenna was unable to find in our Ordinances the process to shut down a street for a requested street closure. When the state routes are shut down, the City has to comply with those rules. Mayor Lewis continued that we find no authority within our Ordinances that allows the City to close off a public street.

City Council Member Moore stated that this is a major street for the City, and he is hesitant to close the street. Mayor Lewis added that the City Manager looked back at all the street closures and the City has not closed down a major street unless it was through IDOT for a state route.

Mayor John Lewis asked if there was any further discussion. Being none, the Mayor stated the question is on the adoption of a Street Closure Request for 12th Street from Gilbert Street to

Veterans Memorial Drive on September 5th from 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. for a Family BBQ. Yeas: None. Nays: Moore, Tate, Young, and Lewis. Absent: Gliosci.

ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS/MOTIONS

City Manager Nathan McKenna presented an Ordinance Rezoning Property at N. IL Hwy 142, from A-G, General Agriculture to I-2 General Industrial. Petitioning Party: City of Mt. Vernon and Continental Tire the Americas. This is the property where the new expansion is going and only part of the parcel was zoned Industrial. This will rezone the entire 89-acre parcel to Industrial. This was recommended for approval by Planning and Zoning 3-0.

Council Member Donte Moore motioned to approve Ordinance #2026-27, an Ordinance Rezoning Property at N. IL Hwy 142, from A-G, General Agriculture to I-2 General Industrial. Petitioning Party: City of Mt. Vernon and Continental Tire the Americas. Seconded by Council Member Jay Tate. Yeas: Moore, Tate, Young, and Lewis. Absent: Gliosci.

City Manager Nathan McKenna presented an Ordinance Rezoning Property at Veterans Memorial Drive from R-2 Medium Density Residential to B-2 Secondary Business. Petitioning Party: Steven and Teresa Sheridan. Planning and Zoning recommended for approval 3-0.

Teresa Sheridan explained their plan is for a seasonal ice cream and food stand. There will be a drive-up window and a patio area similar to Yellin' Helen's in Dix.

Council Member Donte Moore motioned to approve Ordinance #2026-28, an Ordinance Rezoning Property at Veterans Memorial Drive from R-2 Medium Density Residential to B-2 Secondary Business. Petitioning Party: Steven and Teresa Sheridan. Seconded by Council Member Jay Tate. Yeas: Moore, Tate, Young, and Lewis. Absent: Gliosci.

City Manager Nathan McKenna presented a Resolution to Use Motor Fuel Tax for Contracted Asphalt Overlay Projects. This is amending the Resolution previously approved by Council at a meeting in July. The amendment is due to the bids coming in higher than estimated.

Council Member Jay Tate motioned to approve a Resolution to Use Motor Fuel Tax for Contracted Asphalt Overlay Projects. Seconded by Council Member Mike Young. Yeas: Moore, Tate, Young, and Lewis. Absent: Gliosci. Resolution #2026-34

City Manager Nathan McKenna presented a Resolution of Support for the Jefferson County Soil and Water Conservation District Application and the Rend Lake Watershed Partnership Initiative. The City did this a few years ago and there is no monetary commitment from the City. They use upcoming projects we have planned as matching funds.

Bailey Pelka with Jefferson County Soil and Water was present to respond to any questions or comments. She stated that they are currently applying for this grant to help improve the water

quality of Rend Lake, while working to improve wildlife habitats and addressing other natural resource concerns.

City Manager McKenna stated that the City has identified three projects that it will use for this. One is the 8th and Rushton storm water project, second is one on South 9th Street, and third is relocating the sewer line that runs under the old football field.

Council Member Jay Tate motioned to approve a Resolution of Support for the Jefferson County Soil and Water Conservation District Application and the Rend Lake Watershed Partnership Initiative. Seconded by Council Member Mike Young. Yeas: Moore, Tate, Young, and Lewis. Absent: Gliosci. Resolution #2026-35

City Manager Nathan McKenna presented a Resolution Approving an Agreement with Rectrac, LLC d/b/a Vermont Systems Related to a Service Agreement for Certain Software and Related Items. Rectrac is the software currently used by the Parks Department and Aquatic Zoo. This is adding services for programming and online registration for future use with the indoor recreation center. The cost is \$13,496.00 for the program and training.

Council Member Mike Young motioned to approve a Resolution Approving an Agreement with Rectrac, LLC d/b/a Vermont Systems Related to a Service Agreement for Certain Software and Related Items. Seconded by Council Member Jay Tate. Yeas: Moore, Tate, Young, and Lewis. Absent: Gliosci. Resolution #2026-36

City Manager Nathan McKenna presented a Resolution Approving a Redevelopment Agreement with KRP Properties, LLC. This is the finalized TIF Agreement for the residential development on North 42nd Street. In addition to the residential structures, the developer will also be responsible for the added infrastructure. The Agreement provides for 75% of the new increment generated to be reimbursed back to the developer. The City will also provide material for the replacement of the 10-inch cast iron water main on the property. The developer will do the installation. This project is expected to take 5 to 8 years to complete. The plan is to build 200-300 market rate units.

Council Member Donte Moore motioned to approve a Resolution Approving a Redevelopment Agreement with KRP Properties, LLC. Seconded by Council Member Jay Tate. Yeas: Moore, Tate, Young, and Lewis. Absent: Gliosci. Resolution #2026-37

City Manager Nathan McKenna presented a Resolution Authorizing Submission of a Community Development Block Grant Public Infrastructure Application. This goes along with the requirement for the Public Hearing. The plan is to apply for funding for replacement of water mains on College Street, Logan Street, and South 21st Street.

Council Member Jay Tate motioned to approve the Resolution Authorizing Submission of a Community Development Block Grant Public Infrastructure Application. Seconded by Council

Member Mike Young. Yeas: Moore, Tate, Young, and Lewis. Absent: Gliosci. Resolution #2026-38

MAYOR

None.

CITY COUNCIL

None.

VISITORS/CITIZENS REQUESTS/ADDRESSES FROM THE AUDIENCE

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:35 p.m., Mayor John Lewis requested an Executive Session under 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(6) – The Setting of a Price for Sale or Lease of Property Owned by the City.

Council Member Jay Tate motioned to go into Executive Session under 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(6) – The Setting of a Price for Sale or Lease of Property Owned by the City. Seconded by Council Member Mike Young. Yeas: Moore, Tate, Young, and Lewis. Absent: Gliosci.

At 7:41 p.m., Mayor John Lewis reconvened the Regular City Council Meeting. Roll call showed present: Council Member Donte Moore, Council Member Jay Tate, Council Member Mike Young, and Mayor John Lewis. Absent: Council Member Joe Gliosci

ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Mike Young motioned to adjourn. Seconded by Council Member Donte Moore. Yeas: Moore, Tate, Young, and Lewis. Absent: Gliosci.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Becky Barbour, City Clerk