

**Public Hearing
City of Mt. Vernon, Illinois
CDBG Block Grant Close Out
Sanitary Sewer Supply Improvements
Monday, June 16, 2025
6:45 p.m.**

Due to the absence of Mayor John Lewis, City Clerk Becky Barbour called the meeting to order. The first order of business was to appoint a Mayor Pro Tem. Motion by Council Member Donte Moore to appoint Council Member Joe Gliosci as Mayor Pro Tem for tonight's public hearing. Seconded by Council Member Mike Young. All were in favor.

Mayor Pro Tem Joe Gliosci opened the meeting at 6:47 p.m.

Present at the Public Hearing were, Council Member/Mayor Pro Tem Joe Gliosci, Council Member Donte Moore, Council Member Jay Tate, Council Member Mike Young, City Manager Nathan McKenna, City Attorney Courtney Cox, City Clerk Becky Barbour, Administrative Assistant Kendra Donoho, and Seth Flach with Milano & Grunloh Engineers.

PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Pro Tem Joe Gliosci introduced Seth Flach with Milano & Grunloh Engineers, the project representative for the project. Mr. Flach explained the following details regarding the project:

The City used CDBG Public Facilities grant funds to serve the residents in a target area of the City of Mt. Vernon (Jefferson County). The target area in the city has a high concentration of low-to-moderate income families and there was a health and safety threat to these target area residents of the city because of an unsafe sanitary sewer supply. The CDBG grant is funded by the Federal Government and administered by the State.

The City of Mt. Vernon was awarded a \$483,308.00 grant from the CDBG fund. To date the Public Facilities improvements are substantially complete and project costs to date total \$629,166.15 which included: sanitary sewer distribution system improvements and all related costs.

According to an area household survey conducted in 2020, 71.24% of the residents surveyed are considered low-to-moderate income. There was no displacement of occupied households as a result of the proposed activities.

The current sanitary sewer supply for the City of Mt. Vernon was unsafe. The Public Facilities grant funds led to the construction of sanitary sewer system improvements which, in turn, alleviated health and safety threats as mentioned.

The floor was opened for questions and comments from the audience.

Council Member Donte Moore asked the location of the properties. City Manager Nathan McKenna explained this was the south side of town, from just east of 10th Street over to 23rd/24th Street.

No other comments or questions were heard from the audience or from the City Council.

Mr. Flach stated all of the documents will be available at City Hall once the minutes are complete and the evaluation report is executed by the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity.

Council Member Jay Tate made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Donte Moore seconded the motion. The Public Meeting was adjourned at 6:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Becky Barbour".

Becky Barbour, City Clerk