



City of Collinsville

125 S. Center Street
Collinsville, IL 62234

Minutes - Draft

City Council

Councilman Donna Green

Councilman Tony Hausmann

Councilman Tony Fuhrmann

Councilman David Seaton

Mayor Jeff Stehman

City Manager Derek Jackson
Corporate Counsel Steve Giacoletto
City Clerk Kim Wasser

Tuesday, July 28, 2026

6:30 PM

Council Chambers

A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Stehman called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

B. ROLL CALL

Also present: Interim City Manager Jessica Short, Corporate Counsel Steve Giacoletto and City Clerk Kim Wasser.

Present: 5 - Councilman Tony Fuhrmann, Councilman Donna Green, Councilman David Seaton, Councilman Tony Hausmann, and Mayor Jeff Stehman

Absent: 0

C. INVOCATION

Delivered by Pastor David Amsden of Navigation Church.

D. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Recited.

E. PROCLAMATIONS/RECOGNITION/PRESENTATIONS

1. Swearing-In Ceremony of Kevin Reis as Fire Chief

Mayor Stehman spoke of John Bailot's retirement as Fire Chief and wished him the best.

Mayor Stehman spoke of Kevin Reis' professional career in fire services, his commitment to the Collinsville Fire Department as his involvement in the community. Overall, he mentioned the professionalism of the Collinsville Fire Department.

Mayor Stehman presided over the swearing in ceremony. Kevin Reis' wife, Trisha, pinned the badge on newly appointed Fire Chief Kevin Reis.

Chief Reis thanked the Council, Interim City Manager and staff for his opportunity to service Collinsville as Fire Chief. He thanked the current and past Fire Department personnel for the continued support and professionalism. He thanked the citizens of Collinsville. He thanked his wife and family for their continued support. He spoke of his continued commitment to the City of Collinsville and the community.

2. Presentation of the July Yard of the Month Award

Attachments: [Agenda Item Report](#)

Mayor Stehman presented Debbie and Leonard Knebel of 1507 Fletcher St. with a plaque and gift certificate as July Yard of the Month recipients.

F. BUSINESS PRIOR TO PUBLIC INPUT

1. Ordinance Amending Section 17.080 Landscaping, Screening and Buffering of Title 17 (Zoning) of the Code of Ordinances for the City of Collinsville as it Relates to Tree Preservation Standards

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[Ordinance](#)
[PC Staff Report](#)
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Associate Planner Caitlin Rice spoke of gaps in the current Ordinance that allows for clearing of trees without a replacement procedure nor permit process. This amendment proposal would clarify regulations to include a tree survey and site plan, processes and ensure tree preservation or replacement, when necessary.

She outlined the proposed amendment to include:

Clarify what applications and/or permits require a tree survey, preservation plan and replacement.

Offer City Tree Fund option at \$250 per caliper inch instead of an off site tree replacement.

Establish a method to require tree replacement when illegal clearing done.

Ms. Rice clarified that evasive, dead or diseased trees would not be counted towards the tree replacement program.

Discussions had regarding the fee, refusal to comply by property owner or developer, and tree replacement process.

Councilman Seaton spoke of the fee as it could be an overwhelming expense on potential developers. Councilman Green spoke of not wanting to make the process more difficult for future businesses/developments. Community Development Director Travis Taylor spoke of the City's current tree preservation and clarified that this amendment would not affect potential commercial developments but rather address issues where someone would clear cut a property without plans for development. Ms. Rice gave an example of recently clear cut property on Simpson Street with no plans for development.

Councilman Hausmann indicated he would need additional information to make an informed decision. Councilmen Seaton and Green agreed. Mayor Stehman mentioned the need to be consistent in comparison with neighboring communities. He asked staff to research other communities and bring this item back to Council for further consideration.

No action taken at this time.

2. Ordinance Amending Section 18.04 Soil Excavation and Erosion Control of Title 18 (Land Development) of the Code of Ordinances for the City of Collinsville as it Relates to Tree Preservation Standards

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Ms. Rice advised this amendment is regarding the grading portion of the proposed tree preservation plan as previously discussed.

No action take at this time.

G. COUNCIL DISCUSSION

H. SPEAKERS FROM THE FLOOR

Kelly Kalika spoke of the International Residential Code as it pertains to properties identified as an attractive nuisance. He reference the vacant houses on Ostle and Beverly streets. He mentioned numerous code violations, lack of maintenance and safety issues. He spoke of a homeless encampment at a vacant lot on N. Bluff.

I. COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS - MAYOR

None.

J COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS - COUNCIL MEMBERS

None.

K. COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS - CITY STAFF

Kimberly Caughran, Director of Parks and Recreation, highlighted upcoming events:
Summer Movie Series - Inside Out 2 on August 13 at Woodland Park
Sunset Sound Journey (tranquility) - July 31 at Willoughby Farm

Jamie Lane, Director of Gateway Convention Center, mentioned upcoming events:
Gothic Market - August 1-2
Gateway Open (tabletop gaming) - August 7-9
Gateway Fall Market - August 22
American Cancer Society "Fork Cancer Metro East" - August 27
St. Louis Comic Con - August 29

L. CONSENT AGENDA

City Clerk Wasser read the Consent Agenda.

1. Motion to Approve Payment of Bills for the Period Ending July 17, 2026 in the Amount of \$881,719.10

Attachments: [Agenda Item Report](#)
 [07.03.2026 BOARD LIST](#)
 [07.10.2026 BOARD LIST](#)
 [07-10-2026 INTERNAL PAYMENTS](#)
 [07.15.2026 BOARD LIST](#)

2. Motion to Approve Payroll for the Period Ending July 3, 2026 in the Amount of \$993,176.76

Attachments: [Agenda Item Report](#)
 [BOARD LIST PE 7-3-26.pdf](#)

3. Motion to Approve Minutes of the July 14, 2026 Council Meeting

Attachments: [Agenda Item Report](#)
 [Draft Minutes](#)

4. Resolution Appointing a Member to the Fire Pension Board (Kevin Reis)

Attachments: [Agenda Item Report](#)
 [Resolution Appointing A Member to the Fire Pension Board](#)

Mayor Stehman asked if the Council wished to pull any items prior to a Motion. No items were pulled. A motion was made by Councilman

**Fuhrmann, seconded by Councilman Seaton, to approve the Consent Agenda.
The motion carried by the following vote:**

Aye: 5 - Fuhrmann, Green, Seaton, Hausmann, and Stehman

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

Abstain: 0

M. NEW BUSINESS

1. Ordinance Increasing the 2026 Expenditure Budgets in the Motor Fuel Tax Fund, Capital Projects Fund, Southwest Corridors Business District, Water/Sewer Fund and Water/Sewer Capital Projects Fund

Attachments: [Agenda Item Report](#)
[Ordinance](#)

Finance Director Tim Landvogt advised this Ordinance would appropriate the transfer of funds in the amount of \$259,373.14 for operational expenditures, unforeseen expenses and capital needs. He outlined the following items:

MFT Infrastructure - \$127,081.14

Equipment - \$36,817

Professional Services for the Southwest Corridors Business District - \$35,000

Professional Services in the Water/Sewer Fund - \$12,075

Vehicle purchase - \$48,400

A motion was made by Councilman Green, seconded by Councilman Fuhrmann to approve. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Fuhrmann, Green, Seaton, Hausmann, and Stehman

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

Abstain: 0

2. Ordinance to Award Bid and Authorize Contract with Geissler Roofing for Roof Replacement at Gateway Convention Center, CIP #GW-ROOFS, in the Amount of \$151,000

Attachments: [Agenda Item Report](#)
[Ordinance](#)
[Bid Tab](#)
[Contract](#)

Director Lane spoke of the roof replacement project at the Gateway Convention Center. The scope of the project including removing existing EPDM roofing as it is out of warranty, installing Polyiso

insulation and new EPDM roofing. The project was broken down into sections. Bid documents were written to allow sections of the bid to be accepted independently. She advised Geissler Roofing was the lowest bidder for the project as a whole in the amount of \$296,950 as well as by individual sections. She explained the overall bid was higher than what was previously approved in the 2026 CIP (\$245,000). Therefore, she is recommending replacement of sections 5 and 7 for a combined total of \$151,000. Section 6 would need to be done at a later time.

Discussion was had regarding the need to replace the roof for all three sections. Councilman Fuhrmann inquired of available funds to cover the cost and replace all three sections. Mayor Stehman spoke of rising costs and concerns of additional expenses for set up in order to do only one section next year. Director Lane advised she would meet with Finance Director Landvogt to determine if additional funding is available to cover the cost of roof replacement for all three sections.

No action take at this time.

3. Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Motor Vehicle Lease Agreement between the Madison County Mass Transit District and the City of Collinsville

Attachments: [Agenda Item Report](#)
 [Ordinance](#)
 [Lease](#)

Director Caughran advised this Ordinance would authorize a new lease agreement with MCT to keep the Senior and Disabled Shuttle Service. The term of the agreement is a 5 year lease with MCT covering the first \$5,000 of vehicle maintenance per year and fuel reimbursement up to \$5,000. The City will record rider ship statistics and report to MCI.

A motion was made by Councilman Hausmann, seconded by Councilman Green to approve. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Fuhrmann, Green, Seaton, Hausmann, and Stehman

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

Abstain: 0

4. Ordinance Amending Chapter 2.44.010 of the Collinsville Code of Ordinances Providing for the Number of Board Members for the Community Appearance Board

Attachments: [Agenda Item Report](#)
 [Ordinance](#)

Director Caughran advised this Ordinance would amend the By-Laws for the Community Appearance Board by increasing the number of members from 13 to 15. She mentioned the various projects completed and/or maintained by the CAB.

A motion was made by Councilman Green, seconded by Councilman

Fuhrmann to approve. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Fuhrmann, Green, Seaton, Hausmann, and Stehman

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

Abstain: 0

5. Resolution Appointing a Member to the Community Appearance Board
(Victoria Feichtinger)

Attachments: [Agenda Item Report](#)
[Resolution](#)

Director Caughran advised Ms. Feichtinger submitted her application to serve on the Community Appearance Board as she wants to get involved in her community.

A motion was made by Councilman Fuhrmann, seconded by Councilman Hausmann to approve. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Fuhrmann, Green, Seaton, Hausmann, and Stehman

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

Abstain: 0

N. OLD BUSINESS

O. CLOSED SESSION

P. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Q. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Councilman Green, seconded by Councilman Hausmann to adjourn at 7:37 pm . The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Fuhrmann, Green, Seaton, Hausmann, and Stehman

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

Abstain: 0

ADDRESSING THE COUNCIL DURING SPEAKERS FROM THE FLOOR

Below are the rules for input during City Council meetings as set out in Ordinance No. 4765 entitled “Ordinance Governing Speakers From the Floor During Meetings of the City Council and the Commission, Boards, and Sub-Bodies of Collinsville, Illinois”. Speakers may address the Council during the time designated as Speakers From the Floor on the agenda.

RULE 1: Speakers shall be allowed only during “Speakers from the Floor,” or at any other time if requested by a member of the City Council.

RULE 2: Input must relate to a matter under the authority of the City of Collinsville.

RULE 3: Upon request by the meeting Chairman for speakers from the floor, a prospective speaker shall express the desire to speak, be recognized by the meeting Chairman, approach the designated podium, and state their name and general subject matter to which they will address the City Council.

RULE 4: After establishing their identity, prospective speakers shall immediately address only the City Council.

RULE 5: Each speaker is limited to four (4) minutes to address the City Council. No extensions will be granted and no time shall be compensated to the speaker resulting from interruptions by or discussion with the City Council, City Manager, or any other City officer or employee.

RULE 6: Speakers shall address only the City Council collectively or its members individually. Speakers shall speak to issues and shall refrain from personal attacks on City appointed officials and employees. Speakers may not address issues related to pending litigation in which the City or its subsidiary bodies, officers, agents, employees, boards or commissions is a party.

RULE 7: Speakers shall not be permitted to advertise, solicit, request, urge, summon, or cajole the City Council or the general public, except as otherwise provided for herein, with regard to any products, goods, services, information, gains, losses, advantages, consequences, or any other similar matter, notwithstanding that there may or may not be any pecuniary, monetary, financial or property gain, loss, or benefit to the speaker or any other person or entity.

RULE 8: Speakers shall act and speak with decorum and conform to conventional social manners in speech, writing, dress, and behavior. The audience shall refrain from conduct that disrupts the meeting in any way such as clapping, booing, loud talking or outbursts. A speaker may be immediately terminated at the meeting Chairman’s discretion.

RULE 9: Determination of breaches of this Ordinance shall be made by the meeting Chairman. The meeting Chairman customarily will warn the speaker or members of the audience of inappropriate behavior through one warning use of the gavel. Subsequent inappropriate behavior shall result in the immediate removal of the responsible parties at the discretion of the meeting Chairman.