

South Main Mercado, June 7th, 2026

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Ethnic Heritage Museum is sponsoring a festival in the City of Rockford, which event constitutes a public purpose;

WHEREAS, this parade will require temporary closure of:

Illinois Route 2 (S. Main St.), a State Highway in the City of Rockford, from Loomis Street to Kent Street

WHEREAS, Section 4-408 of the Illinois Highway Code authorizes the Department of Transportation to issue permits to local authorities to temporarily close portions of State Highways for such public purposes.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Rockford that permission to temporarily close Illinois Route 2 (South Main Street), a State Highway in the City of Rockford, from Loomis Street to Kent Street

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this closure shall occur during the approximate time period between 9:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. on June 7th, 2026.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this closure is for the public purpose of a festival.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that traffic from that closed portion of highway shall be detoured over routes with an all-weather surface that can accept the anticipated traffic, which will be maintained to the satisfaction of the Department and which is conspicuously marked for the benefit of traffic diverted from the State highway (The parking of vehicles shall be prohibited on the detour routes to allow an uninterrupted flow of two-way traffic when appropriate). The detour route shall be as follows:

Illinois Route 2 from South Main Street and Morgan Street, proceed west on Montague Street to Winnebago Street, proceed north on Winnebago Street/Rockton Avenue to Chestnut Street, proceed east on Chestnut Street to Wyman Street, and return to Illinois Route 2; southbound from Church Street and Cedar Street, proceed west on Cedar Street to Winnebago Street, south on Winnebago Street to Montague Street, east on Montague Street to South Main Street, and return to Illinois Route 2,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City assumes full responsibility for the direction, protection and regulation of the traffic during the time the detour is in effect.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all debris shall be removed by the City of Rockford, or designee prior to reopening the State highway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that such signs, barricades, etc., shall be used by the City of Rockford as may be approved by the Illinois Department of Transportation. These items shall be provided by the City of Rockford.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the closure and detour shall be marked according to the Illinois Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that an occasional break shall be made when necessary so that traffic may pass through. In any event, adequate provisions will be made for traffic on intersecting highways pursuant to conditions noted above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Rockford is a self-insured municipality, and agrees to accept any and all claims for which it is liable arising from the road closings for the South Main Mercado on June 7th, 2026.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Department of Transportation to serve as a formal request for the permission sought in this resolution and to operate as part of the conditions of said permission.

ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Rockford this 20th Day of April, 2026.

APPROVED by the Mayor of the City of Rockford this 20th day of April, 2026.

MAYOR, CITY OF ROCKFORD

ATTEST:

LEGAL DIRECTOR AND EX OFFICIO
CLERK OF THE CITY OF ROCKFORD