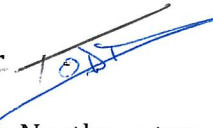




Thomas P. McNamara, Mayor

**MEMORANDUM**

TO: City Council  
Planning and Development Committee

FROM: Todd Cagnoni, City Administrator 

RE: Proposed funding agreement with Northwestern Illinois Area Agency on Aging, an Illinois not-for-profit corporation ("NIAAA") for the establishment of a Senior Center at 5505 East State Street.

DATE: December 19, 2025

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For your consideration, is the proposed funding agreement with Northwestern Illinois Area Agency on Aging, an Illinois not-for-profit corporation ("NIAAA") for the establishment of a Senior Center at 5505 East State Street. Funding Source a reallocation of unspent ARPA Plan /Major Corridor Signage funds not to exceed \$300,000

NIAAA will lease a portion of 5505 East State Street for NIAAA office and the establishment of a Senior Center. NIAAA will assist in financially supporting the establishment and operations of a Senior Center at 5505 East State Street while also creating a separate not-for-profit for long term stability of the Senior Center. NIAAA is dedicated to meeting the needs of older adults, individuals with disabilities aged 18 to 59 years, and their families by ensuring access to comprehensive services that promote healthy aging, independence, and well-being.

Attached to this memo as Exhibit A is a detailed explanation of the services that will be provided at the Senior Center.

The City shall provide funds to NIAAA on an annual basis in three equal installments of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) with the first payment of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,00) provided upon establishment and opening of the Senior Center with the second and third payment of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) each consecutive year made at the anniversary date of the first payment. Funding from the City of Rockford may include expenditures for facility rent and CAM, Utilities, Director Salary, Phone and Internet, IT Support, Office Supplies, Marketing, Postage fees, Copier Service, Cleaning expenses, etc.

Staff recommends approval of the proposed funding agreement as the request is consistent with City's efforts for community investment. Please let me know should you have any questions.