

Council Rooms, City of Rockford

Rockford, Illinois

Date: April 6, 2026

A RESOLUTION TO PARTICIPATE IN OPIOID LITIGATION SETTLEMENTS WITH SIX (6) REGIONAL DISTRIBUTOR/DISPENSER DEFENDANTS AND AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF PARTICIPATION FORM

WHEREAS, the City of Rockford, Illinois (“City”) is a municipality formed and organized pursuant to the Constitution and laws of the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, the opioid epidemic that has cost thousands of human lives across the country also affects the City, by adversely impacting the delivery of emergency medical, law enforcement, criminal justice, mental health and substance abuse services, and other services by the City’s various departments and agencies; and

WHEREAS, the City has been required, and will continue to be required, to allocate substantial taxpayer dollars, resources, staff energy and time to address the damage the opioid epidemic has caused and continues to cause the residents of the City; and

WHEREAS, the City’s suit seeks recovery of the public funds previously expended, and to be expended in the future, to abate the consequences and harms of the opioid epidemic; and

WHEREAS, the City is one of many governmental entity plaintiffs represented in national opioid litigation by the National Prescription Opioids Litigation Consortium (“National Consortium”); and

WHEREAS, the National Consortium has reached settlements with a group of six (6) distributor/dispenser defendants – including Associated Pharmacies, Inc. (and American Associated Pharmacies), J M Smith Corporation, Louisiana Wholesale Drug Company, Inc., and

United Natural Foods, Inc. (including its subsidiaries SuperValu and Advantage Logistics) (Six Remnant Defendants) - that contemplate a global payout of approximately \$97 million; and

WHEREAS, the City has approved and adopted the Illinois Opioid Allocation Agreement and affirms that the pending settlements with the Six Remnant Defendants shall be administered and allocated in accordance with the Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the City's outside opioid litigation counsel has recommended that the City participate in the settlements to recover its share of the funds that the settlements would provide; and

WHEREAS, the City Attorney and Legal Director have reviewed the available information about the proposed settlements and concur with the recommendation of outside counsel; and

WHEREAS, the corporate authorities of the City of Rockford, Illinois, find it in the best interest of the City to agree to the material terms of the settlements with the Six Remnant Defendants and to authorize the execution of all documents necessary for the City to participate in the settlements.

BE IT RESOLVED, THEREFORE, by the City Council of the City of Rockford:

Section 1. That the Mayor and Legal Director are hereby authorized to execute a Participation Form for the proposed settlements of opioid-related claims against the Six Remnant Defendants on behalf of the City of Rockford.

ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Rockford, Illinois, this ____ day of April, 2026.

ADOPTED by the Mayor of the City of Rockford, Illinois, this ____ day of April, 2026.

Mayor Thomas P. McNamara
City of Rockford, Illinois

ATTEST:

ANGELA L. HAMMER, Legal Director
Ex Officio Keeper of the Records and
Seal of the City of Rockford, Illinois

Ayes:

Nays:

Absent: