



City Council Meeting Minutes

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Rockford, IL 61104
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**Monday, February 9, 2026
5:45 PM**

Special Meeting

The following represents, in general, the chronological order of proceedings at the City Council/Committee Meetings: Call to Order, Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance, Public Speaking and City Council/Committee Agendas.

Meeting will be live streamed on Channel 17 and via this link:
<https://rockfordil.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>.

Items appearing on the City Council Standing Committee Agendas for today's date may receive a vote at committee and come before the City Council meeting tonight held after the committee meeting. Final vote may be taken on said items at the City Council meeting.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor McNamara called the meeting to order at 6:22 p.m.

A. Roll Call

Present:	Tim Durkee
	Chad Tuneberg
	Kevin Frost
	Gabrielle Torina
	Aprèl Prunty
	Janessa Wilkins
	Karen Hoffman
	Dawn Granath
	Frank Beach
	Jaime Salgado
	Gina Meeks
	Tamir Bell
	Mark Bonne
Absent:	Jonathan Logemann

II. NEW COMMITTEE REPORTS

Alderman Hoffman made a motion to reconsider Ordinance 2026-24-O regarding the proposed Amendment to the Development Agreement with First Midwest Group (Machesney Investment, LLC) and McDonald's for the establishment of a McDonald's at 4103 West State Street in the amount of \$200,000. The ordinance was approved on February 2, 2026. Alderman Bell seconded the motion.

Mayor McNamara asked Legal Director Angela Hammer if the Motion to Reconsider would be placed on the February 17, 2026 City Council agenda. Director Hammer confirmed the Motion to Reconsider would be voted on at the regularly scheduled City Council meeting on February 17, 2026.

A. Planning and Development Committee

B. Code and Regulation Committee

1. Final Plat of Mercy Health Rockton Campus Subdivision [26-00171](#)

A request has been made by the developer to combine nine (9) existing parcels, splitting them into two (2) lots so they may sell the former Rockford Memorial Hospital Building.

Alderman Bonne, on behalf of the Code and Regulation Committee, read in the committee report and placed it up for passage.

Alderman Meeks asked City staff whether this property had previously been sold for \$1.00.

City Administrator Todd Cagnoni indicated the City of Rockford was notified that Mercy Health transferred the property to a non-for-profit organization. He explained that the transfer took place without a subdivision plat. Mr. Cagnoni expressed his concerns regarding compliance with the City's codes and ordinances, as well as the Plat Act.

Alderman Meeks voiced her concerns regarding this property.

Mr. Cagnoni outlined the steps City staff has taken to put the City in the best position to move forward with this property. He indicated there is a 60 day deadline for this plat and he explained why it was necessary for the City Council to take final action on the item this evening.

Alderman Frost inquired whether the vote on this item was strictly for the approval of a subdivision plat and unrelated to the viability or use of the property.

Legal Director Angela Hammer confirmed that this vote was strictly on the subdivision plat and she outlined the limiting factors the council members should consider when approving plats.

After further discussion between the council members and City staff, the committee report was then placed up for passage.

The committee report was ADOPTED by the following vote:

Aye: Durkee, Tuneberg, Frost, Torina, Prunty, Wilkins, Hoffman,
Granath, Beach, Salgado, Meeks, Bell, and Bonne

Absent: Logemann
Enactment No: 2026-59-CR

C. Finance and Personnel Committee

III. APPOINTMENTS

1. Appointment of Zsa Zsa Johnson to the Community Relations Commission to fill the seat vacated by Nikki Lynch for a term expiring December 2026. (Pursuant to Rule 18, this appointment will be up for passage after March 4, 2026.) [26-00145](#)

This appointment was LAID OVER.

2. Appointment of Shimere Shanklin to the Community Relations Commission to fill the seat vacated by Jordan Lindvall for a term expiring August 2028. (Pursuant to Rule 18, this appointment will be up for passage after March 4, 2026.) [26-00146](#)

This appointment was LAID OVER.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Bell moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Alderman Wilkins. MOTION PREVAILED with a unanimous voice vote (Alderman Logemann was absent). The meeting was adjourned at 6:37 p.m.

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