

# Council Rooms, City of Rockford

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Date: April 20, 2026

By Alderman Bonne on behalf of the Code and Regulation Committee:

WHEREAS, ROCK RIVER DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP has submitted a request for a Special Event Permit, and a Liquor Permit;

WHEREAS, Staff reviewed the request and approved the same based on plans submitted; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that City Council approves the request for a Special Event Permit; and a Liquor Permit for Rockford City Market. The Market Event dates will be every Friday beginning May 15th – August 28th from 4 p.m.-8:30 p.m. The event will be held at the City Market Pavilion, and will also encompass the following footprint:

Water Street between East State Street and Short Jefferson; Market Street between Water Street and the railroad tracks; City Market Pavilion

The Special Event Permit and the Liquor Permit allows consumption of liquor on public property, permission for a storage pod unit, permission for use of City electricity, and also permission for open carry within the footprint. Also, road and parking lot closure will begin every Friday during the event period at 1:30 p.m.

For the purposes of insurance, this approval shall be considered a lease of such facilities for a nominal consideration.

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Committee action taken: April 13, 2026