

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION  
OF THE ANNA CITY COUNCIL  
APRIL 7<sup>TH</sup>, 2026**

The Anna City Council met in regular session at Anna City Hall at 5:00 p.m. on April 7th, 2026. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Steve Hartline. The roll call went as follows: Present were Mayor Steve Hartline, Commissioner Torie Carter, and Commissioner Kathy Bryan. Other members present were City Administrator Dori Bigler, Treasurer Angela Webb, Public Works Director Jordan Chamness, Fire Chief Tim Bowen, and Human Resources Melanie McReynolds. Commissioners Webb and Bigler were absent.

Mayor Hartline opened up the floor for public communications.

City Administrator Bigler gave a presentation on the FY27 budget. She explained some changes to this year's budget as recommended by the new auditing firm. Capital Building and Equipment expenditures will be listed within the department funds rather than having their own fund. Special Projects will only be used for capitalized projects.

City administrator Bigler gave a few project updates. There will be a mobile food pantry on April 30<sup>th</sup> from 10-12pm. She gave an updated map from IDOT on proposed changes to Main Street. She discussed the recent EPA visit to the landfill and that we have zero violations. The AC Power project is in progress. She also mentioned the new sergeants are doing a wonderful job. She also reminded council members of the upcoming Freedom Sings event.

Mayor Hartline asked if there were any Consent Agenda items the Council would like to pull for further discussion for a separate vote.

The following Consent Agenda items were presented for approval.

- A. *Minutes of the March 16, 2026 Special Session*
- B. *Resolution 2026-03; Making the Tentative Annual Budget Available for Public Inspection*
- C. *Resolution 2026-04; Approving a Parade Permit for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade*

- D. Resolution 2026-05; Opposing Increases in Federal Truck Size and Weight Limits and Urging Congressional Action to Protect Local Infrastructure and Public Safety
- E. Resolution 2026-06; Authorizing a Redevelopment Agreement for the Renovation and Redevelopment of an Existing Commercial Building Located at 109 W. Vienna Street Utilizing Tax Increment Financing
- F. Resolution 2026-07; Approving an Intergovernmental Agreement Between the City of Anna, Illinois and Cobden Unit School District #17 to Donate Municipal Surplus Property
- G. Resolution 2026-08; Approving an Engineering Service Agreement with Horner Shifrin for a Well Survey at the Landfill
- H. Ordinance 2026-03; Authorizing the Use of Streets and Alleys for Water and Sewer Line Easements
- I. Ordinance 2026-04; Amending Section 12-1-2(D)(3) of the Revised Code of Ordinances for the City of Anna, Illinois
- J. PARC Project
  - a. Approve Pay Estimate #11 of \$598,808.54
  - ~~b. Approve Change Order #9~~
- K. Special Event Liquor Licenses
  - a. StarView Vineyards on May 2, 2026
  - b. The Elks Club on July 18, 2026
- L. City Usage Applications
  - a. Union County Chamber of Commerce & Economic Development – Farmer’s Market April 1 through October 31
- M. Sign Applications
  - a. Game Day Gaming Parlor at 156 E. Vienna Street
- N. Zoning Applications
  - a. Heather Shipley at 104 Casey Street
- O. Arbor Day 2026 Proclamation
- P. Sexual Assault Awareness Month Proclamation
- Q. Authorization to Spend up to \$42,000 from the Disposal Fund Capital Equipment Fund

A motion was made by Commissioner Bryan and Seconded by Commissioner Carter that it be **RESOLVED TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED.** A vote was taken upon the motion with the following results. Commissioner Carter,

Commissioner Bryan, and Mayor Hartline voted yea. Nay-none. Mayor Hartline declared the motion carried.

Richard Howell addressed the council regarding a few upcoming projects. The Sewer plant project was approved for the June draft. The water lead service line project missed the approval deadline and will be pushed by to June 2027.

New Business Item #1 was tabled pending a discussion in closed session.

A motion was made by Commission Carter and Seconded by Commissioner Bryan that it be RESOLVED TO ACCEPT THE BID FROM PIZZA VILLA TO OPERATE THE CONCESSION STAND FOR THE 2026 SEASON. AUTHORIZATION TO NEGOTIATE TERMS AND A POTENTIAL FOR POOL CONCESSIONS WAS GIVEN TO CITY ADMINISTRATOR BIGLER. An official resolution will be on the next agenda. A vote was taken upon the motion with the following results. Commissioner Bryan, Commissioner Carter, and Mayor Hartline voted yea. Nay-none. Mayor Hartline declared the motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bryan and Seconded by Commissioner Carter that it be RESOLVED TO GRANT THE SIGN VARIANCE REQUEST FOR AN OFF-PREMISE SIGN BY ROBINSON OUTDOORS WITH UP TO A 5' OVERHANG ON CITY PROPERTY AND DEDICATED AD SPACE FOR THE CITY PER THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS RECOMMENDATION. A vote was taken upon the motion with the following results. Commissioner Bryan, Commissioner Carter, and Mayor Hartline voted yea. Nay-none. Mayor Hartline declared the motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bryan and Seconded by Commissioner Carter that it be RESOLVED TO APPROVE THE APPLICATION FOR A GENERAL RETAIL LIQUOR LICENSE FOR MONEY MULLINS PLACE LLC UNDER NEW OWNERSHIP. A vote was taken upon the motion with the following results. Commissioner Bryan, Commissioner Carter, and Mayor Hartline voted yea. Nay-None. Mayor Hartline declared the motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bryan and Seconded by Commissioner Carter that it be RESOLVED TO APPROVE THE APPLICATION FOR A VIDEO GAMING LICENSE FOR MONEY MULLINS PLACE LLC UNDER NEW OWNERSHIP. A vote was taken upon the motion with the following results. Commissioner Bryan,

Commissioner Carter, and Mayor Hartline voted yea. Nay-None. Mayor Hartline declared the motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Carter and Seconded by Commissioner Bryan that it be **RESOLVED TO APPROVE PRORATING THE GENERAL RETAIL LIQUOR LICENSE FEE FOR THE NEW OWNERS.** A vote was taken upon the motion with the following results. Commissioner Bryan, Commissioner Carter, and Mayor Hartline voted yea. Nay-None. Mayor Hartline declared the motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Carter and Seconded by Commissioner Bryan that it be **RESOLVED TO APPROVE PRORATING THE VIDEO GAMING LICENSE FEE FOR THE NEW OWNERS.** A vote was taken upon the motion with the following results. Commissioner Bryan, Commissioner Carter, and Mayor Hartline voted yea. Nay-None. Mayor Hartline declared the motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Carter and Seconded by Commissioner Bryan that it be **RESOLVED TO HIRE JUSTAL KOSTAL FOR THE POSITION OF FULL-TIME LABORER.** A vote was taken upon the motion with the following results. Commissioner Bryan, Commissioner Carter, and Mayor Hartline voted yea. Nay-None. Mayor Hartline declared the motion carried.

Mayor Hartline opened up the floor for council reports. Commissioner Carter reiterated that the new sergeants are doing a great job. She also mentioned the roof being damaged at the old Bunny Bread building. City Administrator Bigler will reach out to see what their plan is. Commissioner Bryan questioned if the bathrooms at the park have been opened near the playground. Jordan stated they are officially open for public use.

Jordan mentioned he has been working on updating the zoning code. More information will follow in the future.

A motion was made by Commissioner Carter and Seconded by Commissioner Bryan that it be **RESOLVED TO ENTER CLOSED SESSION AT 6:15PM PURSUANT TO 5 ILCS 120/2©(1).** A vote was taken upon the motion with the following results. Commissioner Bryan, Commissioner Carter, and Mayor Hartline voted yea. Nay-none. Mayor Hartline declared the motion carried.

Open session resumed at 6:45pm. Roll call was as follows: Commissioner Bryan, Commissioner Carter, and Mayor Hartline were present. Commissioners Bigler and Webb were absent. Also present were City Administrator Bigler, City Treasurer Angela Webb, and Human Resources Melanie McReynolds.

A motion was made by Commissioner Carter and Seconded by Commissioner Bryan that it be **RESOLVED TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2026-09; AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT TO EMPLOY JD BARTER AS THE CHIEF OF POLICE.** A vote was taken upon the motion with the following results. Commissioner Bryan, Commissioner Carter, and Mayor Hartline voted yea. Nay-None. Mayor Hartline declared the motion carried.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bryan and seconded by Commissioner Carter that it be **RESOLVED THAT THE REGULAR SESSION ON THE ANNA CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF APRIL 7<sup>TH</sup>, 2026 BE ADJOURNED AT 6:47 PM.** A vote was taken upon the motion with the following results. Commissioner Bryan, Commissioner Carter, and Mayor Hartline voted yea. Nay-none. Mayor Hartline declared the motion carried.