

**REGULAR MEETING
CITY OF VIENNA
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
VIENNA CITY HALL
205 North 4th Street
April 15, 2026
6:30 P.M.**

The City Council of the City of Vienna met in regular session, Wednesday, April 15, 2026 at Vienna City Hall with the following members and guests:

ELECTED/APPOINTED OFFICIALS PRESENT:

Steve Penrod, Mayor
Angela Moore, Alderman
Ron Pitts, Alderman
Austin Tuey, Alderman
Melissa Hill, Alderman
Alan Racey, Alderman
Tim Elliott, Alderman
Aleatha Wright, Clerk
Brent Williams, Fire Chief

GUESTS

Brian Carey
Gina Carey
Joseph Emery

There being a quorum, Mayor Penrod called the meeting of the Vienna City Council to order at 6:30 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

Alderman Hill made a motion to Authorize and Approve the Omnibus Consent Agenda consisting of April 1, 2026 Meeting Minutes, March Treasurer Report and the Warrant (\$28,440.56). Alderman Tuey seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Alderman Moore made a motion to Authorize and Approve General Funds up to \$3,000.00, to cost share with Revive Vienna and the county for purchase of a patriotic themed animated light display. Alderman Racey seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Brian Carey inquired of the city's lawn ordinance and enforcement procedure.

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Wright said city officials received an invitation to Shawnee Mass Transit's 25th anniversary celebration, to be held Thursday May 21, 10:00-1:00 p.m.

Alderman Tuey asked about the October fall parade schedule noting that he will again serve as a point of contact for float entries. Penrod said the parade would begin at 7:00 p.m.

Alderman Racey asked if the city could assist with the installation of a Johnson County 2000 sign. The city superintendent would be consulted.

Alderman Moore said Britton's Wrecker Service would like to host the annual Trunk or Treat on Halloween at the city park.

Fire Chief Williams mentioned repairs to engine #7 concerning the generator. He also mentioned the need to replace three pagers at the department. Williams noted the March fire call report and said that there were six new applicants for volunteer positions. Williams mentioned two department trainings that took place concerning an alternate water source during the city's waterline replacement project. Williams requested updates on the waterline project for road closures/planning purposes.

Mayor Penrod reported a sewage spill along highway 146, due to a lift station pump failure. The city contacted the EPA and was advised to apply lime. Penrod noted another recent pump failure suggesting an evaluation of all lift stations to access electrical components. The approval of pumps and other necessary parts will be on the next meeting agenda.

Penrod said a meeting with an audit firm was scheduled the following morning to discuss the possibility of the firm conducting the city's audit.

Penrod said per IDOT, discussions with building owners regarding the demolition of dilapidated buildings on North 4th and Vine Street are still ongoing.

Penrod said he and Alderman Racey attended a meeting with a prospected housing developer, along with representatives from Southern Five Planning District, Rural Development, and Southern Illinois Now. Discussion took place on opportunities through the Opportunity Zone Program. Additional discussion was had on the city applying for a 50/50 rural development business grant to fund the sewer improvements needed for housing development. Southern Five would submit the grant on behalf of the city.

Penrod said a segment called "Hidden Gems" was aired on news channel 6, highlighting several attractions in town.

Penrod updated the annual MFT is currently in process and being prepared by Horner and Shifrin.

Penrod mentioned evaluating the camera system in the city park to determine necessary upgrades. Additionally, plans were discussed to install a backup server at the library in the event of a fire or

other emergency affecting city hall.

As there was no further business to discuss, Alderman Pitts made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Alderman Tuey. Mayor Penrod declared the meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

For APPROVAL: May 6, 2026



Steve Penrod, Mayor



Aleatha Wright, City Clerk

APPROVED