

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
Monday, June 1, 2026

On Monday, June 1, 2026, the City Council of the City of Decatur, Illinois, met in Regular Meeting at 5:30 p.m., in the Council Chamber, One Gary K. Anderson Plaza, Decatur, Illinois.

Mayor Julie Moore Wolfe presided, together with her being Council members Consuelo Cruz, Pat McDaniel, David Horn, Ed Culp and Dennis Cooper. Councilwoman Lisa Gregory was absent. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared a quorum present.

City Manager Melissa Hon attended the meeting as well.

Mayor Moore Wolfe led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Moore Wolfe called for Proclamations and Recognitions.

Mayor Moore Wolfe recognized the student ambassadors from Decatur Sister Cities who will be traveling to Seevetal, Germany from June 10, 2026, to June 20, 2026.

Mayor Moore Wolfe called for Appearance of Citizens.

The following citizens provided comments to the Council: Mark Birch, James Taylor, Don Carmichael, Ayn Owens, Bret Robertson and Tim McCann.

Council members responded to citizens' comments.

Mayor Moore Wolfe called for Approval of the Minutes.

The minutes of May 18, 2026, City Council meeting were presented. Councilman Culp moved the minutes be approved as written, seconded by Councilman McDaniel and on call of the roll, Council members Consuelo Cruz, Pat McDaniel, David Horn, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

With there being no Unfinished Business, Mayor Moore Wolfe called for New Business.

R2026-111 Resolution Authorizing Fourth Amendment to the Transit Management and Operations Agreement with MV Transportation Inc., was presented. Councilman Culp moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman Horn.

Ms. Lacie Elzy, Director of Economic and Community Development, provided an overview of the Resolution and answered questions from Council members regarding the driver shortage and the management of equipment by MV Transportation, Inc.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Consuelo Cruz, Pat McDaniel, David Horn, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

City Manager Hon presented the City Manager update highlighting the following personnel changes: New Hires: Bhavik Shelat, Grants Specialist and William Hochella, Enterprise GIS Coordinator Appointment: Cecilia Shaffer, Accounting Analyst Promotions: Derek Pfeifer, Crew Chief, Nicholas Errett, Police Sergeant, Tina Weakley, Water Plant Operator III Retirement: Eric Matthews, Police Sergeant.

Mayor Moore Wolfe called for Consent Agenda Calendar Items A. through J. and asked if any Council member wished to remove an item from the Consent Agenda Calendar. Councilman Horn requested to remove Items F. and J. from the Consent Agenda Calendar. The Clerk read Calendar Items A. through E., and G. through I.:

R2026-112 Item A. Resolution Authorizing a Professional Services Agreement with Paul's Machine and Welding Corp., to Provide Engineering, Labor and Material to Rebuild the Sluice Gate Hoist Machinery Frame for the Lake Decatur Dam South Sluice Gate

R2026-113 Item B. Resolution Authorizing Execution of a Grant Agreement Between the State of Illinois, Illinois Environmental Protection Agency and the City of Decatur

R2026-114 Item C. Resolution Authorizing a Six-Year Maintenance Agreement with Altorfer Inc. for South Water Treatment Plant Emergency Standby Generators

R2026-115 Item D. Resolution Authorizing Lake Decatur Watershed Farmland Conservation Program Agreement for Waterway and Grade Control Structure Improvements with Fulk Family Farm, LLC

R2026-116 Item E. Resolution Accepting the Bid and Authorizing the Execution of a Contract with Entler Excavating Co., Inc. for 2026 Miscellaneous Sanitary & Storm Sewer Improvement Project, City Project 2026-09

R2026-117 Item G. Resolution Accepting the Bid and Authorizing the Execution of a Contract with Dunn Company, a Division of Tyrolt, Inc. for City Project 2026-08, Annual Street Restoration, Section 26-00608-00-FP

R2026-118 Item H. Resolution Authorizing a Standard North American Cellular AMI Solution Agreement with Itron, Inc.

R2026-119 Item I. Resolution Authorizing the Expenditure of Funds with United Systems Software, Inc., for an Itron Temetra Upgrade

Councilman Culp moved Items A. through E., and G. through I. be approved by Omnibus Vote; seconded by Councilman McDaniel, and on call of the roll, Council members Consuelo Cruz, Pat McDaniel, David Horn, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

R2026-120 Resolution to Appropriate Additional Motor Fuel Tax Funds for Restoration of Streets and Highways by Municipality Under the Illinois Highway Code, City Project 2026-08, Annual Street Restoration, Section 26-00608-00-FP., was presented. Councilman Culp moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman McDaniel.

Mr. Matt Newell, Director of Public Works, addressed questions from Council members concerning road conditions.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Consuelo Cruz, Pat McDaniel, David Horn, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

R2026-121 Resolution Authorizing Public Mural at 130 N. Franklin Street - Decatur Public Library, was presented. Councilman Culp moved the Resolution do pass, seconded by Councilman McDaniel.

Council members expressed their congratulations to the library for securing a grant to fund the mural.

Upon call of the roll, Council members Consuelo Cruz, Pat McDaniel, David Horn, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

With no other New Business, Mayor Moore Wolfe called for Other Business.

Mayor Moore Wolfe requested a moment of silence to honor Bill Oliver, the first African American elected to the City Council.

Councilwoman Cruz asked about the EPA's status for Decatur and also inquired about plans for the upcoming 250th anniversary celebration.

There being no Other Business, Mayor Moore Wolfe called adjournment.

Councilman Culp moved the regular City Council meeting be adjourned, seconded by Councilman McDaniel and upon call of the roll, Council members Consuelo Cruz, Pat McDaniel, David Horn, Ed Culp, Dennis Cooper and Mayor Moore Wolfe voted aye. Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the motion carried.

Mayor Moore Wolfe declared the regular Council meeting adjourned at 6:11 p.m.

Approved June 15, 2026
Kim Althoff
City Clerk