



City Council
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Aldersperson Sandra Gramkowski	Chairman Public Works
Aldersperson Chris Montalbano	Vice-Chairman Public Works

AGENDA

January 12, 2026
6:00 p.m.
City Council Chambers
401 Whitney Blvd., Belvidere, Illinois

Call to Order:

Roll Call:

Public Comment:

Public Forum:

Reports of Officers, Boards, and Special Committees:

1. Building, Planning & Zoning, Unfinished Business: None.
2. Building, Planning & Zoning, New Business:
 - A. Building Department – Update.
 - B. Planning Department – Update.
 - C. Appointment of Carl Swanson to the Belvidere Historic Preservation Commission.
3. Public Works, Unfinished Business: None.
4. Public Works, New Business:
 - A. Public Works Department – Update.
 - B. DCEO Grants for Kishwaukee Riverfront Path Extension.
5. Other, Unfinished Business: None.
6. Other, New Business:
7. Adjournment:

MEMO

DATE: December 15, 2025
TO: City Council and Clerk
FROM: Mayor Clinton Morris
RE: Appointment of Carl Swanson to the Belvidere Historic Preservation Commission

The Belvidere Historic Preservation Commission is comprised of seven (7) members, each serving a 3-year term. Due to Alexandra Omiotek's resignation, there is a vacancy on the Commission for a term expiring on April 30, 2028. Carl Swanson, who has experience in restoring historic properties, fundraising and serving on boards and commissions has requested to be appointed to fill the vacancy.

Requested Motion: Motion to consent to and approve the appointment of Mr. Carl Swanson to the Belvidere Historic Preservation Commission for a vacated three-year term, ending on April 30, 2028.

Carl E. Swanson
2927 Business Route 20
Belvidere, IL 61008

This is a list of my qualifications for working as a Board Member for the Belvidere Historic Preservation Commission.

- Sixty-two years were spent maintaining, restoring and remodeling our 1840 farm house.
- Ten years were spent coordinating the construction of Dawson River Road School at the BCCD. It is a replica of the original River Road School, a one room school house on Newburg Road.
- Ten years were spent assisting with the restoration of the Stone School in Spring Township on Shattuck Road. It also is a one room school house. I continue as a current board member.
- For ten plus years I've been a board member of the Parks and Conservation Foundation. I am currently an active board member.
- I received an MBA Degree from then Rockford College in 1988.
- Thirty-eight years were spent in engineering in Rockford industry. Eighteen of those years were spent as a Facilities Engineer for Borg-Warner, later called Rockford Powertrain.
- On our 122acre farm, I have worked on land restoration. We have three prairies totaling eight acres and one recently started Oak Savanna Restoration. Only about one half acre has been cleared and only about 1,000 sq. ft. actually planted with native plants in the Savanna area. This is ongoing and will be continued in the spring.

Some unique finds on the farm in our 62 years include:

- Indian artifacts, including a scraper and an arrow head.
- A piece of a broken plate found in an outhouse dig that is from the sister ship to the Titanic.
- The 1850's census listed the occupants of our house as an innkeeper and a hostler.
- We uncovered formal brick walkways around the house under the turf grass.
- The bricks for our house were made here on the farm. We have a brick mold.

Memo

To: Mayor and City Council
From: Brent Anderson, Director of Public Works
Date: 1/5/2026
Re: DCEO Grant for Kishwaukee Riverfront Path Extension

The City has been awarded a DCEO Grant in the amount of \$100,000 for the Kishwaukee Riverfront Path Extension in downtown Belvidere.

I would recommend approval of Grant Agreement #25-203029 with the State of Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity and authorize the Mayor to sign all required documents to receive this grant.



**GRANT AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY
AND
City of Belvidere**

The parties to this Grant Agreement (Agreement) are the State of Illinois (State), acting through the undersigned agency (Grantor) and City of Belvidere (Grantee) (collectively, the "Parties" and individually, a "Party"). The Agreement, consisting of the signature page, the parts listed below, and any additional exhibits or attachments referenced in this Agreement, constitute the entire agreement between the Parties. No promises, terms, or conditions not recited, incorporated or referenced herein, including prior agreements or oral discussions, are binding upon either Grantee or Grantor.

PART ONE – The Uniform Terms

Article I	Definitions
Article II	Award Information
Article III	Grantee Certifications and Representations
Article IV	Payment Requirements
Article V	Scope of Award Activities/Purpose of Award
Article VI	Budget
Article VII	Allowable Costs
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Article XIX	Promotional Materials; Prior Notification
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Article XXI	Lawsuits and Indemnification
Article XXII	Miscellaneous
Exhibit A	Project Description
Exhibit B	Deliverables or Milestones
Exhibit C	Contact Information
Exhibit D	Performance Measures and Standards
Exhibit E	Specific Conditions

PART TWO – Grantor-Specific Terms

PART THREE – Project-Specific Terms

"Profit" means an entity's total revenue less its operating expenses, interest paid, depreciation, and taxes. "Profit" is synonymous with the term "net revenue."

"Program" means the services to be provided pursuant to this Agreement. "Program" is used interchangeably with "Project."

"Program Costs" means all Allowable Costs incurred by Grantee and the value of the contributions made by third parties in accomplishing the objectives of the Award during the Term of this Agreement.

"Related Parties" has the meaning set forth in Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 850-10-20.

"SAM" has the same meaning as in 44 Ill. Admin. Code 7000.30.

"State-issued Award" means the assistance that a grantee receives directly from a State agency. The funding source of the State-issued Award can be federal pass-through, State or a combination thereof. "State-issued Award" does not include the following:

- contracts issued pursuant to the Illinois Procurement Code that a State agency uses to buy goods or services from a contractor or a contract to operate State government-owned, contractor-operated facilities;
- agreements that meet the definition of "contract" under 2 CFR 200.1 and 2 CFR 200.331, which a State agency uses to procure goods or services but are exempt from the Illinois Procurement Code due to an exemption listed under 30 ILCS 500/1-10, or pursuant to a disaster proclamation, executive order, or any other exemption permitted by law;
- amounts received for services rendered to an individual;
- Cooperative Research and Development Agreements;
- an agreement that provides only direct cash assistance to an individual;
- a subsidy;
- a loan;
- a loan guarantee; or
- insurance.

"Illinois Stop Payment List" has the same meaning as in 44 Ill. Admin. Code 7000.30.

"Unallowable Cost" has the same meaning as in 44 Ill. Admin. Code 7000.30.

"Unique Entity Identifier" or "UEI" has the same meaning as in 44 Ill. Admin. Code 7000.30.

ARTICLE II AWARD INFORMATION

2.1. Term. This Agreement is effective on **12/01/2025** and expires on **11/30/2027** (the Term), unless terminated pursuant to this Agreement.

2.2. Amount of Agreement. Grant Funds must not exceed **\$100,000.00**, of which **\$0.00** are federal funds. Grantee accepts Grantor's payment as specified in this ARTICLE.

2.3. Payment. Payment will be made as follows (see additional payment requirements in ARTICLE IV; additional payment provisions specific to this Award may be included in **PART TWO** or **PART THREE**):

EXHIBIT A

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Grantee must complete the Award Activities described on this Exhibit A, the Deliverables and Milestones listed on Exhibit B and the Performance Measures listed on Exhibit D within the term of this Agreement, as provided in Paragraph 2.1, herein.

AUTHORITY: The Grantor is authorized to make this Award pursuant to 20 ILCS 605/605-55 and/or 20 ILCS 605/605-30.

The purpose of this authority is as follows:

To make and enter into contracts, including grants, as authorized pursuant to appropriations by the General Assembly. and/or to use the State and federal programs, grants, and subsidies that are available to assist in the discharge of the provisions of the Civil Administrative Code of Illinois.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

SCOPE OF WORK

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PROJECT WORK PLAN

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To: Mayor and City Council
From: Brent Anderson, Director of Public Works
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