

ORDINANCE NO. 2024 - 19

**AN ORDINANCE DECLARING CERTAIN PROPERTY AS SURPLUS AND
AUTHORIZING ITS TRANSFER**

WHEREAS, the City of Mt. Vernon is an Illinois Home Rule Municipal Corporation, duly existing under the laws of the State of Illinois, and embodied as a Home Rule entity with certain rights and powers related to the disposition of municipal owned real estate, and hereby makes an express declaration as to the use of its Home Rule Authority in the enacting and adopting of this Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Mt. Vernon, Illinois has been advised by the City Manager that the properties described in the Quit Claim Deed attached hereto as Exhibit A, are no longer necessary, useful to or for the best interest of the City of Mt. Vernon to retain, and are therefore declared to be surplus real estate of the City; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Mt. Vernon, Illinois has determined that the City Manager should be authorized to dispose of said properties by Quit Claim Deed transfer to the A.P. Petties Community Center, Inc., a local not-for-profit organization, in accordance with the best interest of the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MT. VERNON, ILLINOIS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: The above recitals are hereby adopted herein as express findings of legislative fact, intent, and discretion of the City of Mt. Vernon, Illinois.

Section 2: The properties described in Exhibit A attached hereto, now owned by the City of Mt. Vernon are no longer necessary or useful to the City of Mt. Vernon, are hereby declared to be surplus real estate of the City, and the best interests of the City will be served by the disposition of same and the associated creation of a new community center for Mt. Vernon, Illinois. All properties reflected in the deed attached hereto as Exhibit A are expressly being conveyed "As Is", with no warranties or guaranties as to any matter concerning or affecting said properties, including without limitation, all structures, facilities, equipment, and utilities. By accepting the Deed from Mt. Vernon, the A.P. Petties Community Center, Inc., expressly acknowledges that it has inspected the properties and has made all inquiries deemed by it necessary to be made, and the A.P. Petties

Community Center, Inc., takes said properties subject to all terms and conditions expressed in the Quit Claim Deed attached hereto, which Deed shall be recorded by the A.P. Petties Community Center, Inc. against all properties conveyed therein, within 5 days of approval of this Ordinance, with recorded deeds reflecting same returned to the City.

Section 3: That the City Manager is authorized and directed to execute the Quit Claim Deed attached hereto as Exhibit A, in accordance with the best interests of the City.

Section 4: This Ordinance is hereby declared to be an exercise of the City's home rule authority pursuant to Illinois law.

Section 5: That this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage by at least four-fifths of the City Council and approved in the matter provided by law.

PASSED by at least four-fifths of the City Council of the City of Mt. Vernon, Illinois on the 3rd day of June 2024.

Rebecca Barlow
 City Clerk by Deputy City Clerk

NAME	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	CONFLICT
Botch	X				
Giosci	X				
Moore			X		
Young	X				
Lewis	X				

APPROVED by the Mayor of the City of Mt. Vernon, Illinois on the 3rd day of June 2024

APPROVED: *John Lewis*
 Mayor - John Lewis

ATTEST *Rebecca Barlow*
 City Clerk by Deputy City Clerk