

# NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

A Special Meeting of the Wood River City Council has been called by the City Council for Thursday, March 6, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. in Council Chambers at City Hall, 111 N. Wood River Avenue, Wood River, IL 62095 to consider the following:

## AGENDA

City Council  
City of Wood River

March 6, 2025  
5:00 p.m.

- 1) Roll Call:  

	Tom Stalcup	
David Ayres		Bill Dettmers
Jeremy Plank		Scott Tweedy
- 2) REQUEST BY MAYOR FOR:
  - A. Request for Citizen comments/communications/petitions
  - B. Reports/comments from City Officials
- 4) Approval of an ordinance amending City Code 90-7, Title III: Administration, Chapter 32: City Council, Section 32.15 Meetings, in order to bring Section 32.15(B) into compliance with State Law by requiring that any special meeting be called by either the Mayor, or three (3) members of the City Council, pursuant to 65 ILCS 5/3.1-40-25.
- 5) Old Business
- 6) New Business
- 7) Adjournment

Posted this 4<sup>th</sup> day of March 2025 at 5:00pm



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Mayor

**ORDINANCE NO:**

**ORDINANCE AMENDING CITY CODE TITLE III – ADMINISTRATION, CHAPTER 32 – CITY COUNCIL, SECTION 32.15 - MEETINGS, TO BRING SECTION 32.15(B) INTO COMPLIANCE WITH STATE LAW**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Wood River, Madison County, Illinois (hereinafter “City”), is a non-home rule municipality duly established, existing and operating in accordance with the provisions of the Illinois Municipal Code (Section 5/1-1-1 et seq. of Chapter 65 of the Illinois Compiled Statutes); and

**WHEREAS**, the Illinois Constitution provides that non-home rule municipalities shall have only those powers which have been specifically granted to them by State law (*see* Ill. Const 1970 art. VII, §7); and

**WHEREAS**, thus, as a non-home rule municipality, City has no authority to deviate from specific statutory provisions and mandates (*see* Ill. Const 1970 art. VII, §7); and

**WHEREAS**, Section 3.1-40-25 of Chapter 65 of the Illinois Compiled Statutes, 65 ILCS 5/3.1-40-25, requires that only the mayor or three (3) members of the city council may request a special meeting of the city council; and

**WHEREAS**, Illinois law further specifies that Section 3.1-40-25 applies to a city manager form of government (*see* 65 ILCS 5/3.1-5-5), which City has adopted; and

**WHEREAS**, Corporate Council has advised the City Council that Section 32.15 of City’s Code of Ordinances (“City Code”), as currently enacted, is in direct conflict with 65 ILCS 5/3.1-40-25, in that Section 32.15(B) states that a special meeting of the City Council may be called at the request of only two (2) members of the City Council; and

**WHEREAS**, City Council has determined that it is in the best interests of public health, safety, general welfare, and economic welfare to amend Section 32.15 of the City Code in order to bring Section 32.15(B) into compliance with State law by requiring three (3) members of the City Council, or the Mayor, to request a special meeting of the City Council in order to hold a special meeting of the City Council; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council finds that the Mayor and/or City Manager should be authorized and directed, on behalf of the City, to execute whatever documents are necessary to amend the City Code Section 32.15 to bring Section 32.15(B) into compliance with State law as stated herein.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the City Council of the City of Wood River, Illinois, as follows:**

*Section 1.* The foregoing recitals are incorporated herein as findings of the City Council of the City of Wood River, Illinois.

Section 2. Title III of the City Code - Administration, Chapter 32 – City Council, Section 32.15 shall now state:

§32.15 MEETINGS

(A) *Regular meetings.*

(1) *Time.* The City Council shall hold regular meetings on the first and third Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m.; however, when the day fixed for any regular meeting of the Council falls upon a day designated by law as a legal or national holiday, such meeting shall be held at the same hour on the next succeeding day not a holiday.

(2) *Place.* All regular meetings of the Council shall be held in the city hall.

(B) *Special meetings.* The Mayor shall call special meetings of the City Council whenever in his or her opinion the public business may require it, or at the express written request of any three members of the Council. Whenever a special meeting shall be called, a summons or a notice in writing, signed by the Mayor, shall be served upon each member of the Council, either in person, by e-mail to the Councilmember's City e-mail address, or by notice left at his or her place of residence, stating the date and hour of the meeting and the purpose for which such meeting is called, and no business shall be transacted thereat, except such as is stated in the notice.

Section 4. That this ordinance shall be known as Ordinance No: \_\_\_\_\_ and shall be effective upon adoption with implementation date of March 6, 2025.

PASSED and APPROVED this 6<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2025.

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MAYOR OF THE CITY OF WOOD RIVER, IL

ATTEST:

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CLERK OF THE CITY OF WOOD RIVER, IL

Upon a roll call vote, the following was recorded:

AYES:

NAYS: