

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPROVAL AND EXECUTION OF A
REAL ESTATE SALES AGREEMENT FOR THE PURCHASE OF REAL PROPERTY
(917 E. WASHINGTON)**

WHEREAS, the City of Joliet (the “City”) provides potable water service through its water system to its water customers (“Water Service”); and

WHEREAS, the provision of water service is a matter essential to the public health, safety, and welfare; and

WHEREAS, a safe, reliable, and ample supply of water is essential to providing cost effective water service; and

WHEREAS, the City's water service uses groundwater as its supply source; and

WHEREAS, the City’s existing water source, the deep groundwater aquifer, will be depleted to the point of not being able to meet the City’s maximum day water demands by the year 2030; and

WHEREAS, the City conducted an Alternative Water Source Study to determine alternative water sources which could be used by not only the City of Joliet, but possibly the region as a long-term, sustainable, reliable water source; and

WHEREAS, in January 2021, the City Council selected purchasing Lake Michigan water from the City of Chicago as its alternative water source; and

WHEREAS, improvements to the current Joliet waterworks system are needed to accept delivery of Lake Michigan water from the City of Chicago; and

WHEREAS, the acquisition of certain real property located at 917 E. Washington in Joliet, Illinois (“Property”) has been identified as a necessary parcel to facilitate the building of the waterworks system; and

WHEREAS, the City and owner of a needed parcel of property have negotiated the terms of an agreement for the sale of said property to the City; and

WHEREAS, the City of Joliet is a Home Rule Municipality under and by virtue of the Constitution of the State of Illinois.

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOLIET
PURSUANT TO ITS STATUTORY AND HOME RULE POWERS AS FOLLOWS:**

SECTION 1: The Mayor and City Council hereby find that the recitals contained in the Preamble to this Resolution are true, correct and complete and hereby incorporate the Preamble by reference as if fully set forth in this Section 1.

SECTION 2: The Real Estate Sales Agreement for the Purchase of Real Property, which is substantially the same as the attached, incorporated herein as Exhibit A is hereby approved.

SECTION 3: The Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to execute and seal the Real Estate Sales Agreement. The City Manager or his designee is hereby authorized to take such actions as may be necessary for the City to comply with the terms of the Agreement and complete the acquisition of the Property.

SECTION 4: Each section and part thereof of this Resolution is deemed to be severable and should any section or part hereof be held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such ruling shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of the remaining portion(s) of this Resolution.

SECTION 5: All resolutions or parts thereof in conflict with the terms of this Resolution are hereby repealed and of no further force and effect to the extent of such conflict.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT THIS RESOLUTION SHALL BE IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT FROM AND AFTER ITS PASSAGE AND APPROVAL IN THE MANNER PROVIDED BY LAW.

PASSED this ____ day of August 2022.

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MAYOR	CITY CLERK

VOTING YES: _____

VOTING NO: _____

NOT VOTING: _____