

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF
NATURAL RESOURCES FOR THE JOLIET ORAL HISTORIES CONTEXT STUDY PROJECT**

WHEREAS, the City of Joliet, by having a qualified historic preservation commission, Historic Preservation Ordinance, and system for the survey and inventory of local historic resources, has been certified by the Illinois State Historic Preservation Office as a Certified Local Government (CLG); and

WHEREAS, the Joliet Historic Preservation Commission identified the CLG Matching Grant program as a means to fund an oral history work focusing on the history and culture of the Joliet area Black community. Such grant funding would leverage the ongoing Joliet African American Historic Context Study project to allow for more individual stakeholder engagement, enable high-quality video interviews and creation of a digital archive that can be publicly available. The City applied for grant funding for this project in November 2024. At the time costs were estimated at \$30,000; and

WHEREAS, the City of Joliet has been awarded a CLG grant in the amount of \$21,000 to fund oral history work in conjunction with the Joliet Area African American historic context study. The CLG grant program is a matching grant reimbursement program. The City's required local match under this grant agreement is \$9,000. The City would pay the total project costs and then get reimbursed for up to \$21,000 of these project costs from the State of Illinois. The City has the funds to meet the required 30% local match for this reimbursement grant program through its Planning Division Professional Services budget (Org # 02024000; Obj # 523300).

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOLIET, ILLINOIS, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1: The Mayor and City Council hereby approve the attached Grant Agreement with the Illinois Department of Natural Resources for funding through the Certified Local Government Grant program to fund the Joliet Oral Histories Context Study Project.

SECTION 2: That the Mayor and City Council authorize the City Manager to execute and file the agreement on behalf of the City of Joliet with the Illinois Department of Natural Resources for this project.

SECTION 3: This Resolution shall be in effect upon its passage.

PASSED this _____ day of _____, 2025.

MAYOR

CITY CLERK

VOTING YES: _____

VOTING NO:_____

NOT VOTING:_____