

CITY OF LINCOLN
SPECIAL VOTING SESSION CITY COUNCIL MEETING
AGENDA
APRIL 8, 2022
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
5:00 PM

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Roll Call**
3. **Pledge of Allegiance**
4. **Public Participation**
5. **New Business/Communications**

Resolution Providing For and Requiring the Submission to the Voters of the City of Lincoln, Illinois, at the General Primary Election to Be Held On the 28TH Day of June, 2022, Of the Proposition To abolish the Civil Service Commission

6. **Discussion**
7. **Announcements**
8. **Possible Executive Session**
9. **Adjournment**

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RESOLUTION NO.

**RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR AND REQUIRING THE
SUBMISSION TO THE VOTERS OF THE CITY OF LINCOLN,
ILLINOIS, AT THE GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION
TO BE HELD ON THE 28TH DAY OF JUNE, 2022, OF THE PROPOSITION
TO ABOLISH THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION**

THIS RESOLUTION is made and adopted by the CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LINCOLN, LOGAN COUNTY, ILLINOIS, at a regular meeting held in the City Council Chambers in said City on the ____ day of _____, 2022, WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the CITY OF LINCOLN is a municipal corporation located in Logan County, Illinois; and

WHEREAS, the CITY OF LINCOLN currently utilizes the Civil Service Commission and rules promulgated by the State of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, the CITY OF LINCOLN believes there is no longer a need for the Civil Service Commission, and believes it could be better served using their own hiring procedures; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with 65 ILCS 5/10-1-43 the City of Lincoln formed a committee to gather signatures from constituents to submit the issue on the ballot, those signatures coming from an eighth of those participating in the last municipal election, and said signatures were acquired; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with 65 ILCS 5/10-1-43, the proposition of removing the Civil Service Commission must be submitted to the voters of the City at an election held and conducted in accordance with the Election Code of the State of Illinois, as amended (the "Election Code"), and such proposition must be approved by a majority of those voting on such proposition, and it is hereby deemed advisable, necessary and in the best interests of the City that the proposition of abolishing the Civil Service Commission be submitted to the voters of the City at an election to be held and conducted in accordance with the general election law; and

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LINCOLN, as follows:

Section 1. Incorporation of the Preambles. The City Council hereby finds that all of the recitals contained in the preambles to this Resolution are full, true, and correct and incorporates them into this Resolution by reference.

Section 2. Need for Abolition of Civil Service Commission. It is necessary and in the best interests City that the Civil Service Commission be abolished.

Section 3. Submission to Voters. The proposition hereinabove referred to be submitted to the voters of the City in accordance with the general election law at the municipal election to be held on June 28, 2022 between the hours of 6:00 o'clock A.M. and 7:00 o'clock

Section 4. Voting Precincts and Polling Places. The Election shall be held in the voting precincts and at the voting places established by the City Council, for voters of the City at the Election.

Section 5. Election Notice. The County Clerk of the County of Logan (the "County Clerk") shall give notice of the Election (the "Notice") in accordance with the general election law by (i) publishing the Notice once not more than 60 days nor less 10 days prior to the date of Election in a local, community newspaper having general circulation in the City, and (ii) posting a copy of the Notice at least 10 days before the date of the Election at the principal office of the City Clerk.

Section 6. Newspaper of General Circulation. It is hereby found and determined that the *Lincoln Courier* is a local, community newspaper having general circulation in the City as required by Section 12-5 of the Election Code.

Section 7. Form of Notice. The notice shall appear over the name or title of the City Clerk and be substantially in the following form:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at the general primary election to be held on Tuesday, the 28th day of June, 2022, the following proposition will be submitted to the voters of the City of Lincoln, Illinois:

The City of Lincoln believes that it would be better served not utilizing the rules created by the State of Illinois for its hiring practices. The City desires to abolish the Civil Service Commission thereby giving the City of Lincoln much more discretion on who they hire to work for its citizens.

A vote 'yes' will abolish the City service Commission while a vote 'no' will retain the Civil Service Commission.

The polls at the election will be open at 6:00 o'clock A.M. and will continue to be open until 7:00 o'clock P.M. of that day.

Dated this _____ day of _____, 2022.

City Clerk, the City of Lincoln, Illinois

Section 8. Form of Ballot. The ballot to be used at the Election shall be in substantially the following form, with such necessary alterations, changes, deletions and insertions as ay be required by Articles 24A, 24B, or 24C of the Election Code if an electronic, mechanical or electric voting system is used at the Election:

(Face of Ballot)

OFFICIAL BALLOT

PROPOSITION TO ABOLISH THE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

(INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS: Mark a cross (x) in the space opposite the word indicating the way you desire to vote.)

<p>The City of Lincoln believes that it would be better served not utilizing the rules created by the State of Illinois for its hiring practices. The City desires to abolish the Civil Service Commission thereby giving the City of Lincoln much more discretion on who they hire to work for its citizens.</p> <p>A vote 'yes' will abolish the City service Commission while a vote 'no' will retain the Civil Service Commission.</p>	<p>YES</p> <p>NO</p>
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(Back of Paper Ballot)

OFFICIAL BALLOT

The ballot for voting on the proposition to abolish the Civil Service Commission for the City of Lincoln, Illinois at the general primary election held on June 28, 2022.

Precinct Number: _____

Polling Place: _____

(facsimile Signature) _____

County Clerk

The County of Logan, Illinois

Section 9. Election Judges. The Election shall be conducted by the election judges appointed by the County Board to act in the precincts at which said proposition will be submitted to the voters of the City.

Section 10. Filing of Resolution. After the adoption hereof and not less than 68 days prior to the date of the Election, the County Clerk shall certify that the propositions set forth herein may be submitted to the voters of the City at the Election.

Section 11. Canvass of Election. The Election shall be held and conducted and the returns thereof duly canvassed, all in the manner and time as provided by the general election law.

Section 12. Severability. If any section, paragraph, clause or provisions of this Resolution shall be held to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, the invalidity or unenforceability of such section, paragraph or provision shall not affect any of the remaining provisions of this resolution.

Section 13. Repealer and Effective Date. All resolutions and parts of resolutions in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed, and that this Resolution be in full force and effect forthwith upon its adoption.

The vote on the adoption of this Resolution was as follows:

Alderman Parrott	_____	Alderwoman Rohlf's	_____
Alderwoman Horn	_____	Alderman Zurkhammer	_____
Alderman Hoefle	_____	Alderman Bateman	_____
Alderman Downs	_____		

Ayes: _____

Nays: _____

Absent: _____

Abstain: _____

Passed and approved this ____ day of _____, 2022.

CITY OF LINCOLN,

BY: _____

Tracy Welch, Mayor
City of Lincoln, Logan County, Illinois

ATTEST: _____(SEAL)

City Clerk, City of Lincoln,
Logan County, Illinois