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Ogle County, Illinois

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE T-HANGAR PROJECT AT THE
ROCHELLE MUNICIPAL AIRPORT**

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WHEREAS, Section 7 of Article VII of the 1970 Constitution of the State of Illinois provides that a municipality that is not a home rule unit shall only have the powers granted to them by law and as such the City of Rochelle, Ogle County, Illinois being a non-home rule unit pursuant to the provisions of said Section 7 of Article VII, and may exercise only the powers expressly granted by law; and

WHEREAS, the Illinois General Assembly granted non-home rule municipalities broad authority to “pass all ordinances and make all rules and regulations proper or necessary, to carry into effect the powers granted to municipalities.” 65 ILCS 5/1-2-1; and

WHEREAS, while “non-home rule municipalities have the authority to enact ordinances, such ordinances may in no event conflict with state law or prohibit what a state statute expressly permits . . . A local ordinance may impose more rigorous or definite regulations in addition to those enacted by the state legislature so long as they do not conflict with the statute.” (*Village of Wauconda v. Hutton*, 291 Ill. App. 3d 1058, 1060 (1997)); and

WHEREAS, the City of Rochelle owns and operates the Rochelle Municipal Airport and is authorized to undertake airport improvements and related capital projects for the benefit of the public and the continued development of the Airport; and

WHEREAS, on December 8, 2025, the Rochelle City Council approved the construction of an eight-unit T-Hangar project at the Rochelle Municipal Airport to expand aircraft storage capacity and enhance airport facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Aviation Administration ("FAA") and the Illinois Department of Transportation, Division of Aeronautics ("IDOT"), have awarded grant funding to the City of Rochelle through the Airport Improvement Program to assist in funding the costs associated with the approved T-Hangar project; and

WHEREAS, the total estimated grant award is one million one hundred eighty-eight thousand forty-five dollars and nineteen cents (\$1,188,045.19), of which one million one hundred fifty-three thousand three hundred nine dollars (\$1,153,309.00) consists of federal funds; and

WHEREAS, the grant funds will be used to reimburse eligible costs incurred in connection with the design, construction, and related expenses associated with the eight-unit T-Hangar project at the Rochelle Municipal Airport; and

WHEREAS, as a condition of receiving such funding, the City is required to enter into a grant agreement with the Illinois Department of Transportation setting forth the terms, conditions, obligations, and requirements governing the use of the grant funds, a copy of said Agreement is attached herein as Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that execution of the grant agreement will enable the City to secure substantial federal and state financial assistance for the approved airport improvement project and will promote the continued development and operation of the Rochelle Municipal Airport; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that it is in the best interests of the City of Rochelle to authorize the City Manager to execute the grant agreement with the Illinois Department of Transportation, together with such additional documents as may be necessary to accept and administer the grant in accordance with its terms.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCHELLE, ILLINOIS:

SECTION ONE: That the City hereby incorporates all of the recitals above into this Ordinance as if fully set forth herein.

SECTION TWO: The City Council hereby approves the Grant Agreement attached hereto as Exhibit A, and the City Manager is hereby authorized to execute said Grant Agreement and such additional documents as may be necessary to accept and administer the grant in accordance with its terms.

SECTION THREE: If any provision of this Ordinance or application thereof to any person or circumstance is ruled unconstitutional or otherwise invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this Ordinance that can be given effect without the invalid application or provision, and each invalid provision or invalid application of this Ordinance is severable.

SECTION FOUR: Where the conditions imposed by any provisions of this Ordinance are more restrictive than comparable provisions imposed elsewhere in any other local law, ordinance, resolution, rule or regulation, the regulations of this Ordinance will govern.

SECTION FIVE: The City Clerk shall publish this Ordinance in pamphlet form.

SECTION SIX: This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval and publication in pamphlet form as provided by law.

PASSED and APPROVED THIS 14th day of September 2026.

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

MAYOR

STATE OF ILLINOIS)
)
COUNTY OF OGLE) SS.

CERTIFICATE

I, Rose Huéramo, City Clerk of the City of Rochelle, County of Ogle and State of Illinois, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Ordinance No._____, “AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE T-HANGAR PROJECT AT THE ROCHELLE MUNICIPAL AIRPORT” which was adopted by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochelle on September 14, 2026.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of the City of Rochelle this 14th day of September 2026.

CITY CLERK