
THE CITY OF ROCHELLE
Ogle County, Illinois

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OF NATURAL RESOURCES FOR AN OSLAD GRANT FOR THE PICKLEBALL COURT
PROJECT AT 533 SOUTH 7TH STREET, ROCHELLE, ILLINOIS**

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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 have only those powers granted to it by law, and the City of Rochelle, Ogle County, Illinois, being a non-home rule unit pursuant to said Section 7 of Article VII, may exercise only the powers expressly granted by law; and

WHEREAS, the Illinois General Assembly has 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 not conflict with state law or prohibit what a state statute expressly permits, and 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, Illinois (“City”) owns and operates municipal recreational facilities, including property located at 533 South 7th Street, Rochelle, Illinois 61068, which is part of the municipal golf course complex; and

WHEREAS, the City has identified an existing, underutilized tennis court area on this property that is suitable for redevelopment to better serve current recreational needs; and

WHEREAS, demand for pickleball has grown significantly within the community and throughout the region, creating a need for additional dedicated facilities to support active recreation, community wellness, and expanded use of municipal amenities; and

WHEREAS, the City has applied for and been awarded an Open Space Lands Acquisition and Development (OSLAD) Grant from the Illinois Department of Natural Resources in the amount of \$237,000.00 to support the conversion of the existing tennis court area into six regulation pickleball courts; and

WHEREAS, the proposed project will provide a new recreational amenity for residents and visitors, enhance the overall use of the municipal golf course property, and promote healthy, active lifestyles within the community; and

WHEREAS, acceptance of the OSLAD Grant requires the City to enter into a grant

agreement with the Illinois Department of Natural Resources outlining the terms, conditions, and responsibilities associated with the funding, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, the Corporate Authorities of the City of Rochelle have determined that entering into the OSLAD Grant Agreement is in the best interests of the City and its residents.

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

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

SECTION TWO: The OSLAD Grant Agreement attached hereto as Exhibit A is hereby authorized. The City Manager, or his designee, is authorized to execute the Grant Agreement.

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

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

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

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

APPROVED THIS 13th day of April 2026.

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

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 Resolution No. _____, "A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH THE ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES FOR AN OSLAD GRANT FOR THE PICKLEBALL COURT PROJECT AT 533 SOUTH 7TH STREET, ROCHELLE, ILLINOIS," which was adopted by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Rochelle on April 13, 2026.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of the City of Rochelle this 13th day of April 2026.

CITY CLERK