

RESOLUTION NO. _____

Synopsis: The following resolution authorizes the release of specific City Council/Committee of the Whole Executive Session minutes between January 1, 2025, until December 31, 2025, and authorizes the destruction of executive session recordings.

**A RESOLUTION REGARDING THE RELEASE OF EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES AND
DESTRUCTION OF EXECUTIVE SESSION RECORDINGS**

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Washington, Illinois, has met from time to time in executive session for purposes authorized by the Illinois Open Meetings Act (“OMA”); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the requirements of 5 ILCS 120/2.06, the City Council has met in closed session to review City Council and Committee of the Whole executive session minutes occurring between January 1, 2025, until December 31, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that the minutes of the closed session meetings, held within the aforementioned time frame, attached hereto as **Exhibit A** no longer require confidential treatment, as it is no longer necessary to protect the public interest or the privacy of an individual by keeping them confidential, and thus, should be made available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that the need for confidentiality still exists as to the minutes of the closed session meetings, held within the aforementioned time frame, attached hereto as **Exhibit B**; thus, said minutes will not be available for public inspection; and

WHEREAS, the OMA requires public bodies to audio or video record their executive session meetings; and

WHEREAS, the City has duly recorded their executive session meetings.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WASHINGTON, ILLINOIS, as follows:

Section 1. The City Council and Committee of the Whole executive session minutes for executive sessions occurring between January 1, 2025, until December 31, 2025 are hereby approved.

Section 2. The executive session minutes from those meetings set forth on **Exhibit A** attached hereto are released, as they no longer require confidential treatment.

Section 3. The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to make the minutes set forth in **Exhibit A** available for public inspection and copying in accordance with the standing procedures of the Clerk’s office.

Section 4. The City Council has determined that a need for confidentiality still exists as to the City Council and Committee of the Whole executive session minutes occurring between January 1, 2025,

until December 31, 2025 set forth on **Exhibit B**, and thus, such minutes shall not be released to the public.

Section 5. This resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval according to law.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 2nd day of March, 2025.

Ayes: _____

Nays: _____

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

EXHIBIT A

Minutes of the closed session meetings listed below **no longer require confidential treatment** and should be made available for public inspection:

- January 6, 2025 (City Council)
- January 21, 2025 (City Council)
- March 17, 2025 (City Council)
- April 7, 2025 (City Council) – Partial Release
- June 2, 2025 (City Council) – Partial Release
- November 17, 2025 (City Council) – Partial Release

EXHIBIT B

Minutes of the closed session meetings listed below **still require confidential treatment and will not be made available for public inspection:**

- February 3, 2025 (City Council)
- February 17, 2025 (City Council)
- April 7, 2025 (City Council) – Subject to Partial Release
- May 12, 2025 (Committee of the Whole)
- June 2, 2025 (City Council) – Subject to Partial Release
- July 14, 2025 (Committee of the Whole)
- August 18, 2025 (City Council)
- September 2, 2025 (City Council)
- October 6, 2025 (City Council)
- October 20, 2025 (City Council)
- November 17, 2025 (City Council) – Subject to Partial Release
- December 3, 2025 (City Council)