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**CITY OF MT. VERNON, ILLINOIS
CITY COUNCIL EXECUTIVE SESSION
Monday, April 16, 2018**

The Mt. Vernon City Council met in Executive Session on Monday, April 16, 2018 at 8:29p.m. at the Rolland W. Lewis Community Center, Veterans Park, 800 South 27th Street, Mt. Vernon, IL.

City Manager Mary Ellen Bechtel requested an Executive Session under 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (11) – Litigation and 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (02) – Collective Bargaining.

Mayor John Lewis opened the Executive Session.

Roll call showed present: Council Member Donte Moore, Council Member Jim Rippy, Council Member Mike Young, and Mayor John Lewis. Absent: Council Member Jeff May. Also present were City Manager Mary Ellen Bechtel, City Attorney David Leggans, and City Clerk Mary Jo Pemberton.

City Manager Mary Ellen Bechtel reported on the status of Collective Bargaining with the FOP Police Officers Union.

City Attorney David Leggans reported on a lawsuit involving a 25-foot strip of land next to property owned by Jeanette Tyler. The subdivision plat shows that this 25-foot strip is reserved for road purposes. This strip runs from the public street back to the reservoir. Tyler is in the process of selling her property and she is trying to obtain title to this strip of land. Tyler sued the unknown owners of the 25-foot strip. The City was named as a party, because the plat shows that it is reserved for street purposes. The City has no use for this strip since the bicycle path was installed around the reservoir. City Manager Mary Ellen Bechtel asked for direction. Council directed the City Manager to resolve this issue by voluntarily giving up claim to this strip of land and to present the necessary documents at a future Council Meeting.

Council Member Donte Moore motioned to close the Executive Session. Council Member Jim Rippy seconded. Yeas: Moore, Rippy, Young, and Lewis. Absent: May.

The Executive Session adjourned at 8:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mary Jo Pemberton". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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