

**ORDINANCE NO. 3771**

**AN ORDINANCE CREATING THE CITY OF MARION  
MOW TO OWN PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Marion, Williamson County, Illinois, (“City”) is a home rule unit of government and, pursuant to the provisions of Article VII, Section 6(a) of the Illinois Constitution may exercise any power and perform any function pertaining to its government and affairs, including, but not limited to, the power to tax and to incur debt; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Marion, from time to time, comes into possession and ownership of property within the City by way of lien foreclosure, for demolition purposes, or other means; and

**WHEREAS**, the City, from time to time, has and will hold surplus property auctions to dispose of such surplus property, deemed to no longer be necessary, useful, or beneficial to the City, to the highest bidder, however some such properties do not sell; and

**WHEREAS** the City desires to cut down on its maintenance costs while also having a desire for these properties to be incorporated into neighboring yards and improved.

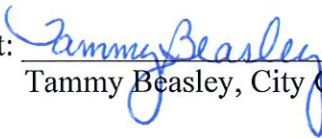
**NOW, THEREFORE, be it ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Marion, Illinois that:**

1. Properties that have been deemed by the City to no longer be necessary, useful, or beneficial for the City, AND have failed to sell for value at auction or surplus sale may be acquired by adjacent property owners through the City of Marion Mow to Own Program.
2. Through the Mow to Own Program adjacent property owners can apply to maintain vacant City property for a period of time, with other conditions to apply, after which the property will be deeded over to the adjacent property owner.

3. Separate guidelines shall be established and an application process through the City Building and Code Services Department.

PASSED and APPROVED by the Marion City Council on this 14<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2022.

  
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MICHAEL W. ABSHER, MAYOR

Attest:   
\_\_\_\_\_  
Tammy Beasley, City Clerk

Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_

Time Received: \_\_\_\_\_

Code Initials: \_\_\_\_\_



**MOW TO OWN APPLICATION**

Applicant's Full Legal Name (along with any other full legal name for the deed): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Marital Status [for the deed]: \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Applicant's Occupied & Adjacent Property (Include Tax PIN Number): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone No: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Address Of Vacant City Lot (Include Tax PIN Number): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Are Real Estate Taxes Current on all Applicant's Properties: Yes  No

Have you received a notice from the city of a violation of any City Ordinance in the last 3 years?

Yes  No  If yes, Explain: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you had water disconnected for non-payment by the City Water Department in the last 3 years?

Yes  No  If yes, Explain: \_\_\_\_\_

I agree to sign a Memorandum of Understanding and abide by all its terms and conditions and understand that if I fail to comply my application will become null and void and I forfeit any continued interest or use of the Property.

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature - Mow to Own Applicant