

RESOLUTION 18-1

**WHEREAS**, in part, Section 2.04.100 of the County Code provides that the Board's meetings are to commence at 7:00 p.m. and requires the Board to enter into executive session if a meeting involves specific topics;

**WHEREAS**, the Sangamon County Board has recently experimented with commencing its meetings earlier in the evening; and

**WHEREAS**, commencing Board meetings earlier (with attendant earlier meeting adjournments) has generally proven more convenient for board members, staff, and the public;

**WHEREAS**, the Board wishes to permanently commence its meetings earlier; and

**WHEREAS**, the Open Meetings Act does not mandate that the Board hold closed meetings concerning specific topics, but instead permits the Board to hold closed meetings concerning specific topics; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board desires the flexibility allowed by the Open Meetings Act in regard to meetings it may closed to the public.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the County Board of Sangamon County, Illinois, in session assembled this 19<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2023, that Section 2.04.100 of the County Code be amended (as shown on the attachment hereto) to provide that Board meetings shall commence at 6:00 p.m. and to provide that the Board may, but is not required to, enter into meeting sessions closed to the public when permitted to do so by the Open Meetings Act.

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Chairman, Sangamon County Board

ATTEST:

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County Clerk

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*Don J. May*  
Sangamon County Clerk

**2.04.100 Regular Meetings; Open To Public; Location And Commencement Time**

All regular meetings of the board held after January 1, 2024, shall be held in the board room in the county building in the city of Springfield and shall commence promptly at the hour of ~~seven~~ six p.m. unless some other time or place shall be fixed by the action of the board, or by the chairman after notice to all board members, and the public, and all meetings of the board shall be open to the public, **except, when allowed by the Open Meetings Act (5 ILCS 120/1-120/7.5, and as hereinafter amended), the board may enter into meeting sessions closed to the public.** ~~The board shall enter into executive session for meetings dealing with personnel and grievances of personnel as defined in the public meetings act of the Illinois Revised Statutes.~~

(Res. 12 (part), June 12, 2001).