

Quick Facts About the Countryside Municipal Complex

Grand Opening Time and Date: 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Oct. 19

Address: 803 S. Joliet Road, Countryside, Ill., on the former site of The Flame restaurant

Builders: City of Countryside, Dewberry and Frederick Quinn Corporation (FQC)

Size: 34,700-square-foot, tri-level building on a 2.9-acre lot

Sustainability Certifications: Net Zero and LEED Gold

Financing: \$20 million bond, \$1 million grant from Illinois Clean Energy Community Foundation, and \$1.5 million sale of current city hall property. No property tax levy will be required.

Building and Property Features:

- 635 solar panels with an estimated annual output of 273,000 kilowatt hours, producing 100 percent of the building's electricity
- "Green" roof with native plants that reduces storm water run-off
- Energy-efficient mechanical systems incorporating geothermal heating and cooling
- Water-efficient plumbing fixtures
- LED lighting
- Insulated low-emissivity glass allowing natural light that saves energy costs
- Automatic light shut-off
- Air-tight building design
- Air quality control
- 198-ft. monopole/cell tower
- Electric vehicle charging stations for public and facility use

Police Department Features:

- Reception desk with video monitoring
- Private spaces for citizens to report incidents
- Much-needed space for the city's 24 officers
- Fitness center and women's and men's locker rooms
- Designated areas for evidence processing and storage, roll call, recordkeeping, equipment storage, and firearms cleaning
- Secured space meeting Illinois Department of Corrections (IDOC) standards and including detention cells, a line-up viewing room, booking area, and interview rooms
- Dedicated bond out/prisoner release area away from the public areas

Editors' note: Media is welcome to attend the grand opening and to arrange interviews with city officials, including Mayor Sean McDermott, City Administrator Gail Paul and Chief of Police

Joseph Ford, before or after the grand opening. Educational displays at the building tell more of the story about the building.

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