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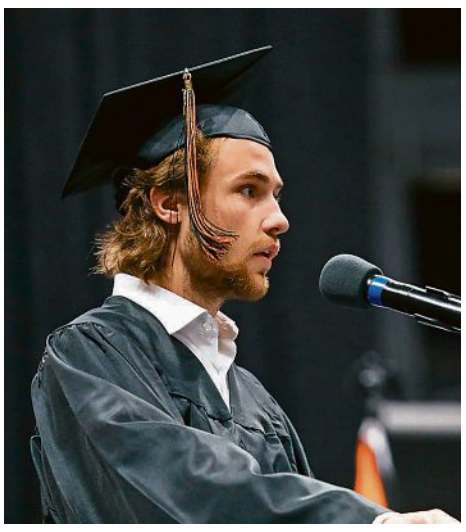
Harlem High School holds commencement exercises for the Class of 2026 on May 23 at the BMO Center in Rockford. PHOTOS BY SUSAN MORAN/ROCKFORD REGISTER STAR



$9.4 million budget shortfall is causing concern

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ROCKFORD — Members of Rockford's Finance Committee have agreed to a final 2025 budget appropriation amendment that draws down the city's reserve fund to cover a $9.4 million shortfall.

Finance Director Carrie Hagerty said that although the city did a good job sticking to its $226.3 million spending plan in 2025, revenue from two funding sources underperformed.

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'Sum Function' tells story of wheelchair rugby team

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ROCKFORD — A Rockford filmmaker and Marine Corps veteran is bringing his award-winning documentary back to his hometown after a national film festival run.

Noah Currier's "Sum Function" premieres May 30 at Hard Rock Casino

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Noah Currier, a Rockford filmmaker and U.S. Marine Corps veteran, is bringing his award-winning documentary back to his hometown for a premiere screening May 30.
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