

City Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, August 3, 2022, 5:30pm

City Council Chambers

PRE-COUNCIL SESSION

City Clerk Frank Lesko called the Pre-Council Session of the Springfield City Council to Order on Wednesday August 3, 2022.

CITY COUNCIL SESSION

Mayor Jim Langfelder called the August 3, 2022 meeting of the Springfield City Council to order at 5:31 PM. He invited everyone to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Clerk Lesko took the roll call of members.

PRESENT: Alderman Redpath☒, Alderman Gregory☒, Alderman Williams Jr.☒, Alderman Fulgenzi☒, Alderwoman Purchase☒, Alderwoman DiCenso☐, Alderman McMenemy☒, Alderwoman Conley☒, Alderman Donelan☒, Alderman Hanauer☐ and Mayor Langfelder☒

Clerk Lesko announced there was a quorum for a meeting.

Mayor Jim Langfelder invited Cherena Douglas and Shymeka Kerr-Gregory to give presentation on Juneteenth Sponsorship Event Report. Discussion had by Alderpersons.

Mayor Jim Langfelder invited Office of Budget and Management Comptroller Ramona Metzger to give a presentation on ARPA. Discussion had by Alderman Redpath and OBM Director William McCarty.

Mayor Jim Langfelder invited Director of Communications Julia Frevert and Office of Public Utilities Project Manager Tom Chi to give presentation on Broadband. Discussion had by Alderpersons, Director of Communication Julia Frevert and Greater Springfield Chamber of Commerce Mike Murphy.

Mayor Jim Langfelder began reading the Zoning Agenda item up for reconsideration.

DOC. 022-034 700 E. Adams Street (**Ward 5 Alderwoman Purchase**)

Alderman Redpath calls point of order. Discussion by Corporation Counsel Jim Zerkle and Alderman Redpath. Alderman Redpath motioned to reconsider zoning docket item DOC. 022-034 with Alderman McMenamin seconding the motion. Discussion had by Alderman Donelan and Corporation Counsel Jim Zerkle. The motion passed with a voice vote of 8-0 voting yes. Discussion by David Mitchell. Discussion by Alderwoman Conley. Alderman McMenamin called point of order. Discussion by Corporation Counsel Jim Zerkle, Mayor Jim Langfelder, David Mitchell, SVCB Director Scott Dahl, Springfield Sangamon Growth Alliance President Ryan McCrady, Downtown Springfield Inc. Executive Director Kayla Graven, Maldaner's owner Michael Higgins and Alderpersons. Alderman Williams Jr. motion to accept petition with the contingencies with Alderman McMenamin. Alderwoman Purchase read the contingency items on record. No discussion had. The motion fails 5-4 vote. Votes: Alderman Redpath-no. Alderman Gregory-yes. Alderman Williams Jr.-yes. Alderman Fulgenzi-no. Alderwoman Purchase-yes. Alderman McMenamin-yes. Alderwoman Conley-no. Alderman Donelan-no. Mayor Jim Langfelder-yes.

Mayor Jim Langfelder asked for a motion to dispense with a reading of the minutes of the July 19, 2022 City Council meeting and approve the minutes. Alderman Donelan motioned to approve the minutes with Alderman Gregory seconding the motion. No discussion had. The motion passed with a voice vote of 8-0 voting yes.

Mayor Jim Langfelder asked for a motion to incorporate the Pre-Council first reading of ordinances into the record of the City Council meeting. Alderman Donelan motioned to incorporate the Pre-Council first reading of ordinances into the record of the City Council meeting with Alderwoman Conley seconding the motion. Discussion had by Alderman Gregory. The motion passed with a voice vote of 8-0 voting yes.

Mayor Jim Langfelder asked to incorporate the Pre-Council reading of the Consent Agenda into the record of the City Council meeting. Alderman Donelan motioned to incorporate the Pre-Council reading of the Consent Agenda into the record of the City Council meeting with Alderman Gregory seconding the motion. Discussion had by Alderman McMenamin, Alderwoman Purchase and Public Works Director Nathan Bottom. The motion passed with a voice vote of 8-0 voting yes.

Mayor Jim Langfelder asked for a motion to place the Consent Agenda on final passage. Alderman Donelan motioned to place the consent agenda on final passage with Alderman Gregory seconding the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 8-0 voting yes with the exception of Alderwoman Purchase voting present on agenda item 2022-330.

CONSENT AGENDA

2022-323 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A ONE-YEAR CONTRACT EXTENSION AND AUTHORIZING ADDITIONAL FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$500,000.00 UNDER CONTRACT NO. UE22-06-38 – BYPRODUCT HAULING FOR THE DALLMAN POWER PLANT WITH J. OROS ENVIRONMENTAL, INC. FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT PAYABLE OF \$1,000,000.00 FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC UTILITIES. **(Requested by Mayor Jim Langfelder)**

2022-324 AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING BIDS AND AUTHORIZING CONTRACT UE23-04-27 – UNIT 4 FIRE SUPPRESSION ADDITIONS WITH F.E. MORAN INC. SPECIAL HAZARD SYSTEMS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$594,669.00, FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC UTILITIES. **(Requested by Mayor Jim Langfelder)**

2022-325 AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING BIDS AND AUTHORIZING CONTRACT UE23-06-45 – GROTH STREET PHASE 2 LOT REPAIR / UPGRADE WITH TRUMAN L. FLATT & SONS CO., INC. IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$93,463.00, FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC UTILITIES. **(Requested by Mayor Jim Langfelder)**

2022-327 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT FOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS CONTRACT SERVICE WITH THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, DEPARTMENT OF INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY (“STATE”) FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC UTILITIES. **(Requested by Mayor Jim Langfelder)**

2022-328 AN ORDINANCE DECLARING VARIOUS TRANSMISSION LINE AND EQUIPMENT AS SURPLUS PROPERTY AND ACCEPTING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN ASSET PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH AMEREN ILLINOIS COMPANY D/B/A AMEREN ILLINOIS FOR THE PURCHASE AND ACQUISITION OF SAID TRANSMISSION LINE, EQUIPMENT, AND THE RELATED PARTIAL EASEMENT RIGHTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$110,000.00 FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC UTILITIES. **(Requested by Mayor Jim Langfelder)**

2022-329 AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE LOWEST BID AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF CONTRACT NO. PW22-09-58 WITH CAPITOL CONSTRUCTION GROUP, LLC D/B/A EGIZII ELECTRIC FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES FOR THE DOWNTOWN TRAFFIC SIGNAL MODERNIZATION AND ONE-WAY STREETS CONVERSION PROJECT (MFT SECTION #19-00489-00-TL), IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$4,588,904.05, FOR THE OFFICE PUBLIC WORKS. **(Requested by Mayor Jim Langfelder)**

2022-330 A RESOLUTION NOTIFYING THE STATE OF ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION THAT MOTOR FUEL TAX REBUILD FUNDS, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,588,904.05, MAY BE USED FOR THE CONSTRUCTION PHASE OF THE DOWNTOWN TRAFFIC SIGNALS MODERNIZATION AND ONE-WAY STREETS CONVERSION PROJECT, MFT SECTION NO. 19-00489-00-TL, FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS. **(Requested by Mayor Jim Langfelder)**

2022-331 A RESOLUTION FOR TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF A PORTION OF ILLINOIS STATE ROUTES 97 AND 29 (JEFFERSON STREET FROM 6TH TO 9TH STREETS) FOR THE POWERLIGHT ABE’S CAR SHOW/CRUISE TO BE HELD ON AUGUST 5, 2022, FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS. **(Requested by Mayor Jim Langfelder)**

2022-336 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE AND EXECUTION OF FOUR PROFESSIONAL INTERNSHIP AGREEMENTS WITH THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$102,501.76, FOR THE OFFICE OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT. **(Requested by Mayor Jim Langfelder)**

Mayor Jim Langfelder 2022-256, 2022-285 and 2022-337 remain tabled or in committee.

Alderman McMenamin motioned to pull agenda item 2022-285 out of committee for debate. Discussion had by Corporation Counsel Jim Zerkle and Alderpersons. There was no second for that motion. Alderman McMenamin motioned to pull agenda item 2022-285 out of committee for discussion with Alderwoman Conley seconding the motion. No discussion had. The motion passed with a voice vote of 7-1 voting yes with Alderman Redpath voting no.

2022-285 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT WITH ENOS PARK DEVELOPMENT, LLC, FOR PURCHASE OF THE LAND AND ALL IMPROVEMENTS FOR 73 PARCELS OF PROPERTY LOCATED IN ENOS PARK AND LISTED ON EXHIBIT A FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$295,061.00 (held on 7.5.2022).

(Requested by Mayor Jim Langfelder, Alderwoman Purchase)

Discussion had by Downtown Springfield Inc. Executive Director Kayla Graven, Springfield Sangamon Growth Alliance President Ryan McCrady, Calvin Pitts, Mayor Jim Langfelder and Alderpersons. No other motions made.

Mayor Jim Langfelder introduced the Debate Agenda.

DEBATE AGENDA

2022-326 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH WOOD ENVIRONMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE SOLUTIONS, INC. THAT AMENDS TWO PREVIOUS PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENTS AND PROVIDES FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES IN REGARDS TO THE REVISION TO THE SUPPLEMENTAL WATER SUPPLY – SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$285,488.00, FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC UTILITIES. **(Requested by Jim Langfelder)**

Alderman Redpath motioned to move this agenda item to final passage with Alderman Gregory seconding the motion. Discussion had by Don Hanrahan, Don Davis, Chief Utility Engineer Doug Brown, Water Division Director Todd LaFountain, Mayor Jim Langfelder and Alderpersons. The motion passed with a vote of 6-3 voting yes with Alderman Williams Jr., Alderman McMenamin and Alderwoman Conley voting no. Mayor Jim Langfelder was included in the vote.

Alderman Donelan motioned to put agenda items 2022-332 through 2022-335 to an ominous vote with Alderman Gregory seconding the motion. No discussion had. The motion passed with a voice vote of 8-0 voting yes.

2022-332 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF H. EDWARD CRAMER, P.E. TO THE MECHANICAL COMMISSION.
(Requested by Mayor Jim Langfelder)

2022-333 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF RYAN CROKE TO THE MID-ILLINOIS MEDICAL DISTRICT COMMISSION.
(Requested by Mayor Jim Langfelder)

2022-334 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF JOSEPH HURWITZ TO THE MID-ILLINOIS MEDICAL DISTRICT COMMISSION.
(Requested by Mayor Jim Langfelder)

2022-335 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF BETSY A. DOLLAR TO THE SPRINGFIELD CONVENTION AND VISITORS ADVISORY BOARD.
(Requested by Mayor Jim Langfelder)

Alderman McMenamin motioned to move agenda items 2022-332 through 2022-335 to final passage with Alderman Redpath seconding the motion. Discussion had by Alderpersons, Corporation Counsel Jim Zerkle and Mayor Jim Langfelder. The motion passed with a vote of 8-0 voting yes with the exception of Alderman McMenamin voting no on agenda item 2022-334.

Mayor Jim Langfelder introduced the Emergency Passage Agenda.

2022-355 A RESOLUTION REFERRING A PETITION TO THE SPRINGFIELD PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION FOR PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 155, SECTIONS 155.496 OF THE 1988 CITY OF SPRINGFIELD CODE OF ORDINANCES, AS AMENDED, PERTAINING TO CANNABIS ORGANIZATIONS MODIFYING SEPARATION PROVISIONS, **FOR EMERGENCY PASSAGE.** **(Requested by Mayor Jim Langfelder)**

Alderman Donelan motioned to withdraw this agenda item with Alderman Gregory seconding the motion. Discussion had by Mayor Jim Langfelder. The motion passed with a voice vote of 8-0 voting yes.

Mayor Jim Langfelder will entertain a motion to suspend the rules and place on first reading agenda item 2022-356.

2022-356 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A SPONSORSHIP PAYMENT OF \$12,000.00 FOR THE SPRINGFIELD MILE TO BE HELD SEPTEMBER 3-4, 2022 FOR THE OFFICE OF CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU. **(Requested by Mayor Jim Langfelder)**

Alderman Donelan motioned to put this agenda item on first reading with Alderwoman Purchase seconding the motion. No discussion had. The motion passed with a voice vote of 8-0 voting yes.

Mayor Jim Langfelder will entertain a motion to suspend the rules and place on first reading agenda item 2022-357.

2022-357 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A SPONSORSHIP PAYMENT OF \$10,000.00 FOR THE OLD CAPITOL BLUE & BBQ FEST TO BE HELD AUGUST 26-27, 2022 FOR THE OFFICE OF CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU. **(Requested by Mayor Jim Langfelder)**

Alderman Redpath motioned to put this agenda item on first reading with Alderman Gregory seconding the motion. No discussion had. The motion passed with a voice vote of 8-0 voting yes.

Mayor Jim Langfelder will entertain a motion to suspend the rules and place on first reading agenda item 2022-358.

2022-358 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT WITH DOWNTOWN PARKING INC. FOR THE PURCHASE OF THE LAND AND ALL IMPROVEMENTS LOCATED AT 4TH AND WASHINGTON STREET PIN 14-34.0-103-024 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$100,000.00 AND CLOSING COSTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,000.00 AND FOR TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$105,000.00 FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC UTILITIES. **(Requested by Mayor Jim Langfelder)**

Alderwoman Purchase motioned to put this agenda item on first reading with Alderman Gregory seconding the motion. No discussion had. The motion passed with a voice vote of 8-0 voting yes.

Mayor Jim Langfelder will entertain a motion to suspend the rules and place on first reading agenda item 2022-359.

2022-359 AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING PROPOSALS AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF CONTRACT NO. FD23-05-39 FOR THE PURCHASE OF FIRE EQUIPMENT FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$947,177.04 FOR THE SPRINGFIELD FIRE DEPARTMENT. **(Requested by Mayor Jim Langfelder)**

Alderman Redpath motioned to put this agenda item on first reading with Alderwoman Purchase seconding the motion. No discussion had. The motion passed with a voice vote of 8-0 voting yes.

Mayor Jim Langfelder will entertain a motion to suspend the rules and place on first reading agenda item 2022-360.

2022-360 AN RESOLUTION REFERRING A PETITION TO THE SPRINGFIELD PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION FOR PUBLIC HEARING AND CONSIDERATION PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 155, SECTION 155.496 OF THE 1988 CITY OF SPRINGFIELD CODE OF ORDINANCE, AS AMENDED, PERTAINING TO CANNABIS ORGANIZATIONS MODIFYING SEPARATION PROVISIONS.

(Requested by Mayor Jim Langfelder)

Alderman Redpath motioned to put this agenda item on first reading with Alderman Fulgenzi seconding the motion. Discussion had by Alderpersons. The motion passed with a voice vote of 8-0 voting yes.

Discussion of old business.

Alderman Purchase left the meeting.

Reginald Witherspoon spoke

Discussion of new business.

Citizens that addressed the Council:

None

No Executive Session

Mayor Jim Langfelder requested a motion to adjourn. Alderman Donelan motioned for adjournment with Alderman Gregory seconding the motion. Motion passed with voice vote 7-0 voting yes. Meeting adjourned at 9:24 pm.



Frank J. Lesko
City Clerk

Minutes approved on August 16, 2022.