



# **City Council Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday December 3, 2024, 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 Tuesday December 3, 2024.

## **City Council Session**

Mayor Misty Buscher called the Tuesday December 3, 2024 meeting of the Springfield City Council to order at 5:30 PM. She 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 Rockford☒, Alderwoman Purchase☒, Alderwoman Notariano☒, Alderman Carlson☒, Alderwoman Conley☐, Alderman Donelan☒, Alderman Hanauer☒ and Mayor Buscher☒

Clerk Lesko announced there was a quorum for a meeting.

Mayor Misty Buscher read the Civility Pledge. She announced the Toys for Tots on the screens.

Mayor Misty Buscher introduced the Office of Planning and Economic Development Professional Planner Sean Pritchard.

City Clerk Frank Lesko let the record reflect that Alderwoman Conley joined the meeting.

Mayor Misty Buscher presented a Certificate of Honor to William "Bill" Lucy in care of Hewitt Douglass. Discussion had by Hewitt Douglass.

Mayor Misty Buscher invited Office of Planning and Economic Development Director Val Yazell up to introduce the Springfield Master Plan Presentation. Houseal Lavigne Practice Lead Josh Koonce gave the presentation. Discussion had by Mayor Misty Buscher, Office of Planning and Economic Development Director Val Yazell and Alderpersons.

Mayor Misty Buscher asked for a motion to dispense with a reading of the minutes of the November 19, 2024 City Council meeting and approve the minutes. Alderman Donelan motioned to approve the November 19, 2024 minutes with Alderman Carlson seconding the motion. No discussion had. The motion passed with a voice vote of 10-0 voting yes.

Mayor Misty Buscher 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 Alderman Hanauer seconding the motion. No discussion had. The motion passed with a voice vote of 10-0 voting yes.

Mayor Misty Buscher 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 Hanauer seconding the motion. No discussion had. The motion passed with a voice vote of 10-0 voting yes.

Mayor Misty Buscher asked for a motion to place the Consent Agenda on final passage. She asked for a motion to amend agenda item 2024-492. Discussion had by Alderman Hanauer. Alderman Hanauer motioned to amend agenda item 2024-492 with Alderman Rockford seconding the motion. Discussion had by Corporation Counsel Greg Moredock. The motion passed with a voice vote of 10-0 voting yes.

Mayor Misty Buscher asked for a motion to place the Consent Agenda, as amended, on final passage. Alderman Carlson motioned to place the consent agenda, as amended, on final passage with Alderman Hanauer seconding the motion. Discussion had by Corporation Counsel Greg Moredock and Alderman Carlson. The motion passed with a vote of 10-0 voting yes.

## **Consent Agenda**

**2024-471** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER #1 AND ADDITIONAL FUNDING IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$71,330.00 WITH SIEMENS ENERGY, INC. FOR THE PURCHASE OF PARTS FOR THE REPAIR/REASSEMBLY OF INTERSTATE'S COMBUSTION TURBINE FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT PAYABLE OF \$109,360.00 FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC UTILITIES. **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

**2024-472** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING CHANGE ORDER #1 AND ADDITIONAL FUNDING IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$136,984.16 WITH SIEMENS ENERGY, INC. FOR THE COST OF LABOR FOR THE REPAIR/REASSEMBLY OF INTERSTATE'S COMBUSTION TURBINE FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT PAYABLE OF \$161,983.16 FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC UTILITIES. **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

**2024-473** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A BACKHOE FROM MARTIN EQUIPMENT, INC. FROM A THIRD-PARTY COOPERATIVE PURCHASING AGREEMENT WITH SOURCEWELL IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$77,020.00, FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC UTILITIES. **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

**2024-474** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A RENEWAL OF A FIVE-YEAR MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT WITH ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS CORPORATION TO PROVIDE SUPPORT FOR THE CONTINUOUS EMISSIONS MONITORING SYSTEM AT DALLMAN AND INTERSTATE POWER PLANTS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$196,215.00 FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

**(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

**2024-475** AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A REVISED PROFESSIONAL SERVICES PROPOSAL WITH EVAN LLOYD ASSOCIATES, INC. FOR ARCHITECTURAL AND ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE NEW CWLP WATER DISTRIBUTION AND ENGINEERING FACILITY PROJECT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$412,250.00 FOR A GRAND TOTAL OF \$832,250.00, FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC UTILITIES. **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

**2024-476** AN ORDINANCE DECLARING REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1401 KNOTTS STREET TO BE SURPLUS PROPERTY, DIRECTING THE SALE OF SAID REAL PROPERTY, AUTHORIZING THE PUBLICATION OF A NOTICE OF SAID SALE, AND REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS, FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC UTILITIES. **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

**2024-477** AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A TELECOMMUNICATIONS CONTRACT SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH BUNN-O-MATIC CORPORATION FROM 1400 STEVENSON DRIVE TO 5020 ASH GROVE DRIVE, FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC UTILITIES.

**(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

**2024-478** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF EXCESS RIGHT OF WAY BY THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD TO BRUCE M. CLARK. **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

**2024-479** A RESOLUTION FOR THE IMPROVEMENT BY MUNICIPALITY UNDER THE ILLINOIS HIGHWAY CODE, MFT SECTION #05-00443-00-BR (SN 084-6001), FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF THE WASHINGTON STREET BRIDGE OVER THE JACKSONVILLE BRANCH, FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS. **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

**2024-480** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH HANSON PROFESSIONAL SERVICES INC. FOR CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR USABLE SEGMENT VIA OF THE SPRINGFIELD RAIL IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT, FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS. **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

**2024-481** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH HANSON PROFESSIONAL SERVICES INC. FOR CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR USABLE SEGMENT VIB OF THE SPRINGFIELD RAIL IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT, FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS. **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

**2024-482** AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD AND THE ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR USABLE SEGMENT VIA AND VIB OF THE SPRINGFIELD RAIL IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT, FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS. **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

**2024-483** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING RELOCATION EXPENSES, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$5,620.21, FOR THE RELOCATION OF OCCUPANTS AND PERSONAL PROPERTY LOCATED ON PARCEL SR0018, 1545 N.11TH STREET, RELATING TO THE SPRINGFIELD RAIL IMPROVEMENTS PROJECTS, FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS. **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

**2024-484** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN ADDITIONAL PAYMENT OF \$21,900.00, FOR A TOTAL NOT TO EXCEED \$87,600.00, FOR RFP PW25-33 WITH PAUL TREE FARMS, LLC FOR AN ADDITIONAL 50 TREE PLANTINGS TO MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE AMERICAN FORESTS GRANT, FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS. **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

**2024-485** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING RELOCATION EXPENSES, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$75,355.00, FOR THE RELOCATION OF OCCUPANTS AND PERSONAL PROPERTY LOCATED ON PARCEL SR0097, 700 N. 9TH STREET, RELATING TO THE SPRINGFIELD RAIL IMPROVEMENTS PROJECTS, FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS. **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

**2024-486** AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE LOWEST BID AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF CONTRACT NUMBER PW25-10-33 WITH M-B COMPANIES, INC. FOR A NEW 2024 ISUZU FTR PAINT TRUCK AND A 5-YEAR MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT WITH THE TRADE IN OF A 1996 FORD KELLY-CRISWELL PAINT TRUCK, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$448,129.00, FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS. **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

**2024-487** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE AND EXECUTION OF DCEO GRANT NO. 24-411048 FROM THE STATE OF ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$499,878.00, TO BE USED FOR THE UPGRADE OF THE CAPITOL STREET AND 5TH STREET INTERSECTION, FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS.  
**(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

**2024-488** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF THREE NEW 2026 INTERNATIONAL TANDEM AXLE DUMP TRUCKS FROM RUSH TRUCK CENTERS OF ILLINOIS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$691,870.00, FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS. **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

**2024-489** AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE LOWEST BID AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF CONTRACT NUMBER PW25-09-29 WITH PETERSBURG PLUMBING & EXCAVATING, LLC FOR SEWER REHABILITATION REMOVE AND REPLACEMENT, NON-SRF, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,212,946.00, FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS. **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

**2024-490** AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE LOWEST BID AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF CONTRACT NUMBER PW25-09-27 WITH HOERR CONSTRUCTION, INC. FOR NORTHEAST PILOT AREA SEWER LATERAL REHABILITATION, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,272,940.00, FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS.

**(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

**2024-491** A RESOLUTION PROVIDING PUBLIC NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS, FOR THE 2025 CALENDAR YEAR. **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

**2024-492** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$142,800.00 FROM THE CITY'S ARPA FUNDS TO THE SPRINGFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT ARPA FUND AND TO AUTHORIZE PAYMENT TO FLOCK GROUP INC. D/B/A FLOCK SAFETY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$258,500.00 FOR THE CITY'S FALCON AUTOMATIC LICENSE PLATE READERS (ALPRs), FOR THE SPRINGFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT. **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

**2024-493** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION IN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$500,000.00 FOR PAYMENTS TO THE POLICE AND FIRE PENSION FUNDS FROM CANNABIS AND RETAILERS' OCCUPATION TAX FUNDS, FOR THE OFFICE OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT. **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

**2024-494** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$677,625.00 FOR PAYMENTS TO THE POLICE AND FIRE PENSION FUNDS, FOR THE OFFICE OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT.

**(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

**2024-495** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 564-12-23 AMENDING THE EXPENDITURE LINE AND AUTHORIZING ADDITIONAL PAYMENT IN AN AMOUNT OF \$200,000.00 TO HSHS MEDICAL GROUP TO ADMINISTER PRE-EMPLOYMENT, POST-EMPLOYMENT AND FIT-FOR-DUTY MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS, RANDOM, REASONABLE SUSPICION, RETURN TO WORK AND POST-ACCIDENT DRUG AND ALCOHOL TESTING SERVICES FOR POTENTIAL NEW HIRES AND CURRENT EMPLOYEES IN THE WORKPLACE TO BE COMPLIANT WITH FEDERAL REGULATIONS FOR A TOTAL CONTRACTUAL AMOUNT OF \$300,000.00, FOR THE OFFICE OF HUMAN RESOURCES. **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

**2024-496** AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 074-02-24 AND AUTHORIZING ADDITIONAL PAYMENT OF \$38,000.00 WITH MGT IMPACT SOLUTIONS, LLC TO RETAIN DALLAS WHITFORD TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE SERVICES FOR THE OFFICES OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT AND PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT THROUGH THE END OF FISCAL YEAR 2025. **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

Mayor Misty Buscher read the Ordinances and Resolution Tabled or Remaining in Committee.

# **Ordinances and Resolutions**

## **Tabled or Remaining in Committee**

**2024-239** AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A FOUR-WAY STOP INTERSECTION AT MAGGIE DRIVE AND LONGFELLOW DRIVE (held on 6.25.2024).

**(Requested by Alderman Donelan)**

**2024-333** AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A SUBRECIPIENT AGREEMENT WITH BE NEIGHBORS AFFORDABLE HOUSING FOR VETERANS, INC. FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A LEARNING, TECHNOLOGY AND RESOURCE CENTER LOCATED AT 2835 STANTON STREET FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$400,000.00, FOR THE OFFICE OF PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (held on 9.3.2024). **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

**2024-451** A RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING THE SECOND MONDAY IN OCTOBER AS INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY (held on 11.19.2024).

**(Requested by Alderman Gregory, Alderman Williams Jr., Alderwoman Purchase, Alderwoman Notariano)**

Alderwoman Notariano motioned to move agenda item 2024-451 out of committee and put on debate with Alderwoman Conley seconding the motion. Discussion had by Citizens: Emily Anderson and Michelle Cruz Hine. Discussion had by Alderpersons. No voice vote was taken to move agenda item 2024-451 to debate.

Mayor Misty Buscher introduced the Debate Agenda.

## **Debate Agenda**

**2024-451** A RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING THE SECOND MONDAY IN OCTOBER AS INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY (held on 11.19.2024).

**(Requested by Alderman Gregory, Alderman Williams Jr., Alderwoman Purchase, Alderwoman Notariano)**

There was not motion to move this agenda item to final passage. The vote to put the agenda item 2024-451 on final passage failed with a vote of 5-6 voting no with Alderman Gregory, Alderman Williams Jr., Alderwoman Purchase, Alderwoman Notariano and Alderwoman Conley voting yes. Mayor Misty Buscher was the tie breaking no vote.

**2024-497** AN ORDINANCE DECLARING THE OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK VACANT AND APPOINTING A NEW CITY CLERK. **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

Alderman Hanauer motioned to hold this agenda item to final passage with Alderman Redpath seconding the motion. Discussion had by City Clerk Frank Lesko, Corporation Counsel Greg Moredock and Alderpersons. The motion passed with a voice vote of voting yes.

Discussion of unfinished business.

Discussion of new business.

**Citizens that addressed the Council:**

- Emily Anderson-signed up-spoke during 2024-451
- Michelle Cruz Hine-signed up-spoke during 2024-451
- Mason Lane-signed up-no show
- Tamika Seymore-signed up-spoke
- Anthony Galloway-signed up-no show
- Tiara Standage-signed up-no show
- Ken Pacha-signed up-spoke
- Breonna Roberts-signed up-spoke
- Alice Ramey-signed up-no show

No Executive Session

Mayor Misty Buscher requested a motion to adjourn. Alderman Hanauer motioned for adjournment with Alderman Donelan seconding the motion. No discussion had. The motion passed with voice vote 10-0 voting yes. Meeting adjourned at 7:18 pm.



**Frank J. Lesko**  
City Clerk

**Minutes to be approved on December 17, 2024.**