



City Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 18, 2025, 5:30pm

City Council Chambers

Pre-Council Session

City Clerk Chuck Redpath called the Pre-Council Session of the Springfield City Council to Order on Tuesday March 18, 2025.

City Council Session

Mayor Misty Buscher called the March 18, 2025 meeting of the Springfield City Council to order at 5:30 PM. She invited everyone to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Clerk Redpath took the roll call of members.

PRESENT: Alderman Cox☒, Alderman Gregory☒, Alderman Williams Jr.☒, Alderman Rockford☒, Alderwoman Purchase☒, Alderwoman Notariano☒, Alderman Carlson☒, Alderwoman Conley☒, Alderman Donelan☒, Alderman Hanauer☒ and Mayor Buscher☒

Mayor Misty Buscher asked for a motion to allow Alderman Donelan to join via phone. Alderman Hanauer motioned with Alderman Gregory seconding the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 10 voting yes.

Clerk Redpath announced there was a quorum for a meeting.

Mayor Buscher read the Civility Pledge.

Mayor Misty Buscher presented a proclamation to the President and CEO of Memorial Hospital, Ed Curtis for his dedication and contributions.

Mayor Misty Buscher began reading the Zoning Agenda items up for consideration.

Zoning Agenda

DOC. 024-042 2242 S. 6th Street (Ward #6) (continued from October 15, 2024, November 19, 2024, December 17, 2024, January 21, 2025 and February 18, 2025)

Aldерwoman Notarianо motioned to continue this zoning item to April 15th meeting with Alderman Gregory seconding the motion. Discussion had by Mayor Misty Buscher and Alderpersons. The motion passed with a vote of 10 voting yes.

DOC. 025-003 600 Toronto Road (Ward #1)

Alderman Cox motioned to accept staff recommendation with Alderman Rockford seconding the motion. No discussion had. The motion passed with a vote of 10 voting yes.

DOC. 025-005 Parcel 1: 427 S. 12th Street, Parcel 2: 1123 E. Jackson Street, Parcel 3: 1131 E. Jackson Street, Parcel 4: 1118 E. Jackson Street, Parcel 5: 1120 E. Jackson Street, Parcel 6: 1124 E. Jackson Street, Parcel 7: 1128 E. Jackson Street (Ward #2)

Alderman Gregory motioned to accept staff recommendation with Alderman Williams Jr seconding the motion. No discussion had. The motion passed with a vote of 10 voting yes.

DOC. 025-005-HIST Parcel 1: 427 S. 12th Street, Parcel 2: 1123 E. Jackson Street, Parcel 3: 1131 E. Jackson Street, Parcel 4: 1118 E. Jackson Street, Parcel 5: 1120 E. Jackson Street, Parcel 6: 1124 E. Jackson, Parcel 7: 1128 E. Jackson Street (Recommendation of the Historic Sites Commission) (Ward #2)

Alderman Gregory motioned to accept staff recommendation with Alderman Rockford seconding the motion. No discussion had. The motion passed with a vote of 10 voting yes.

DOC. 025-006 3267 Ginger Creek Drive (Ward #10)

Alderman Hanauer motioned to accept staff recommendation with Alderwoman Conley seconding the motion. No discussion had. The motion passed with a vote of 10 voting yes.

Alderman Carlson motioned to accept staff recommendation with Alderman Rockford seconding the motion. No discussion had. The motion passed with a vote of 10 voting yes.

Treasurer Colleen Redpath Feger gave the Treasurer's Report.

Alderman Hanauer motioned to accept the Treasurer's Report as submitted with Alderman Rockford seconding the motion. No discussion had. The motion passed with a voice vote of 10 voting yes.

OBM Report. **No questions.**

Mayor Misty Buscher asked for a motion to dispense with a reading of the minutes of the March 4, 2025 City Council meeting and approve the minutes. Alderman Hanauer motioned to approve the City Council minutes with Alderman Gregory seconding the motion. No discussion had. The motion passed with a voice vote of 10 voting yes.

Mayor Misty Buscher asked for a motion to dispense with a reading of the minutes of the Special City Council held February 28, 2025 and approve the minutes. Alderman Hanauer motioned to approve the City Council minutes with Alderman Cox seconding the motion. No discussion had. The motion passed with a voice vote of 10 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 Cox motioned to incorporate the Pre-Council first reading of ordinances into the record of the City Council meeting with Alderman Rockford seconding the motion. No discussion had. The motion passed with a voice vote of 10 voting yes.

Mayor Misty Buscher asked for a motion to incorporate the Pre-Council reading of the Consent Agenda into the record of the City Council meeting. Alderman Hanauer 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. No discussion had. The motion passed with a voice vote of 10 voting yes.

Mayor Misty Buscher asked for a motion to place the Consent Agenda on final passage. Alderman Hanauer motioned to put the Consent Agenda on final passage with Alderman Gregory seconding the motion. No discussion had. The motion passed with a vote of 10 voting yes.

Consent Agenda

2025-098 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN ADDENDUM TO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH MIKE CANAVAN FOR EMPLOYEE TRAINING, SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE, ASSISTANCE WITH THE ERP UPGRADE AND AUTHORIZING ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR SAID ADDENDUM IN AN AMOUNT OF \$24,000.00 FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT PAYABLE NOT TO EXCEED \$48,000.00, FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC UTILITIES **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-099 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF REPLACEMENT PARTS TO REBUILD THE BOILER FEED PUMP RECIRCULATING VALVES FROM IMI CRITICAL ENGINEERING LLC IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$103,514.00, FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC UTILITIES **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-100 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH OPTMCTRL LLC. IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$145,420.00 FOR TUNING SERVICES FOR DALLMAN UNIT 4 FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC UTILITIES **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-101 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO THE ENERGY AUTHORITY, INC. AND MIDCONTINENT INDEPENDENT SYSTEMS OPERATOR, INC. FOR TRANSMISSION SCHEDULE FEES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2026 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,950,000.00 FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC UTILITIES **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-102 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF ILLINOIS FOR JURISDICTIONAL TRANSFER OF A PORTION OF KOKE MILL ROAD AND COBBLESTONE LANE FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher, Ward 10 Ralph Hanauer)**

2025-103 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE VARIANCE REQUEST OF SECTION 153.158(b)(2) PERTAINING TO SHARED ACCESS AND THE CREATION OF FLAG LOTS IN WABASH PARK FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher, Ward 10 Ralph Hanauer)**

2025-104 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE LOCATION AND SKETCH MAP OF WABASH PARK SUBDIVISION FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher, Ward 10 Ralph Hanauer)**

2025-105 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A LETTER OF INTENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD AND THE STATE OF ILLINOIS FOR MILLING AND RESURFACING WABASH AVENUE, STANFORD AVENUE, AND MACARTHUR BOULEVARD FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-106 A SUPPLEMENTAL RESOLUTION FOR IMPROVEMENT BY MUNICIPALITY UNDER THE ILLINOIS HIGHWAY CODE, MFT SECTION NO. 15-00483-00-BR REGARDING 8TH STREET BRIDGE OVER SPRING CREEK, FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-107 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH CUMMINS ENGINEERING CORP., FOR CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE 8TH STREET BRIDGE OVER SPRING CREEK (MFT SECTION NO. 15-00483-00- BR; SN 084-3222) AND AUTHORIZING AN ADDITIONAL \$13,333.00 FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$240,565.00 FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS
(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)

2025-108 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$39,123.75 TO TIMOTHY BOLTZ, A CURRENT CITY OF SPRINGFIELD TRUCK DRIVER LABORER, FOR SETTLEMENT OF A WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIM FOR CASE NUMBER 23-WC-008036 **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-109 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A DECREASE IN THE NUMBER OF CLASS "B1" AND AN INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF CLASS "B" LIQUOR LICENSES BY ONE FOR SHRI KASHTBHANJAN DEV., CORPORATION, D/B/A SUPER MART LOCATED AT 901 EAST COOK STREET **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-110 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF CLASS "AA" LIQUOR LICENSES BY ONE FOR 5TH STREET GEM, INC., FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 221 S. 5TH STREET LOCATED AT PIN: 14-34.0-107-054
(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)

2025-111 AN ORDINANCE TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF CLASS "D" LIQUOR LICENSES BY ONE FOR NEXT MORNING COMPANY D/B/A HARVEST KITCHEN & BAR LOCATED AT 4241 CONESTOGA DRIVE **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-112 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF A PROPOSAL UNDER RFP CS 25-47 AND EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH MRNW LLC FOR PURCHASE OF CITY-OWNED PROPERTY CONSISTING OF ONE PARCEL LOT LOCATED AT 2051 WEST MONROE STREET (FORMERLY KNOWN AS FIRE STATION NO. 8) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$100,000.00, FOR THE OFFICE OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT
(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)

2025-113 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 413-10-24, FOR ADDITIONAL COMMERCIAL CASUALTY INSURANCE WITH ARTHUR J. GALLAGHER, RISK MANAGEMENT SERVICES INC., FOR ADDITIONAL EXPENDITURE OF \$140,000.00 AND AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$346,130.00 FOR THE OFFICE OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-114 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE 2025 AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD CENTRAL AREA TIF REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher, Ward 9 Jim Donelan, Ward 2 Shawn Gregory, Ward 10 Ralph Hanauer, Ward 6 Jennifer Notariano, and Ward 3 Roy Williams)**

2025-117 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF A WORKERS COMPENSATION SETTLEMENT TO PAUL HOUSE, A FORMER CITY OF SPRINGFIELD FIRE DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEE, FOR SETTLEMENT OF TWO WORKERS COMPENSATION CLAIMS FOR CASE NUMBER 21-WC-006695 AND CASE NUMBER 24-WC-004761 IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$200,000.00 **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

No Debate Agenda.

Discussion of unfinished business.

Discussion of new business.

Citizens addressed the Council

Mayor Misty Buscher requested a motion to adjourn. Alderman Hanauer motioned for adjournment with Alderman Gregory seconding the motion. No discussion had. The motion passed with voice vote 10 voting yes. Meeting adjourned at 7:16 pm.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "C. Redpath". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "C." and the last name "Redpath" clearly visible.

**Charles L. Redpath Sr.
City Clerk**

Minutes to be approved on April 1, 2025.