

SSGA Statement Regarding City Amendment:

The Springfield Sangamon Growth Alliance (SSGA) has requested that the proposed amendment to its contract with the City of Springfield be removed from tonight's City Council meeting agenda. This request is intended to allow SSGA's Board of Directors sufficient time to carefully review and deliberate the proposed changes alongside city council members in a productive way.

The amendment, introduced by the City Council at its April 15 meeting, was not shared with SSGA in advance of its public introduction. SSGA's Board, which includes 28 local residents, healthcare professionals, CEOs, and business owners, will address the matter at an upcoming board meeting. SSGA cannot accept unilateral contract amendments presented in this manner. We intend to work with the City on an agreement that is mutually beneficial to both organizations and benefits the people of Springfield in a productive and efficient way. We cannot achieve that by trying to adjust to unexpected and unilateral amendments to an agreement that happened on the floor of the City Council.

SSGA will continue to support the City of Springfield. We remain a proud partner of the City and will continue our mission to foster economic growth and prosperity for all residents in an efficient and productive way. We are committed to a transparent and collaborative review process that leads to a strong, mutually beneficial agreement for both the City and the community.