



City Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, May 20, 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 May 20, 2025.

City Council Session

Mayor Misty Buscher called the May 20, 2025 meeting of the Springfield City Council to order at 5:30 PM. She invited everyone to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance while Scout Troop led the pledge.

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☒

Clerk Redpath announced there was a quorum for a meeting.

Mayor Buscher read the Civility Pledge.

Mayor Misty Buscher introduced the Mayors Youth Council.

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

Zoning Agenda

DOC. 025-004 3245 MATHER'S ROAD (CONTINUED FROM APRIL 15, 2025) (WARD #10)

Alderman Hanauer motioned to hold the zoning item until June 17th with Alderman Rockford seconding the motion. No discussion had. The motion passed with a vote of 10 voting yes.

DOC. 025-008 203 N. GLENWOOD AVE. (CONTINUED FROM APRIL 15, 2025) (WARD #5)
(WITHDRAWN BY PETITIONER MAY 12, 2025)

Mayor announced the Petitioner has withdrawn their zoning request.

DOC. 025-017 3041 Taylor Avenue (Ward #3)

Alderman Williams Jr motioned to hold this zoning item until July 15th with Alderman Rockford seconding the motion. No discussion had. The motion passed with a vote of 10 voting yes.

DOC. 025-018 4550 HPR Drive, a/k/a 4525 West Wabash Avenue, tenant space, Suite "A" (Ward #10)

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

DOC. 025-019 Tract 1: South of and Adjacent to 3520 Old Jacksonville Road (PIN: Part of 21-01.0-126-004), & Tract 2: 1301 Pine Creek Drive Springfield, Illinois. (Ward #8)

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

DOC. 025-012 Tenant Spaces 1937 & 1941 West Iles Avenue (Ward #7)

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

DOC. 025-020 38 Island View Lane (Ward #1)

Alderman Cox motioned to accept staff recommendation with Alderwoman Purchase seconding the motion. Discussion had by Public Speakers, Alderpersons and Deborah Williams with Public Utilities. The motion passed with a vote of 10 voting yes.

Treasurer Colleen Redpath Feger gave the Treasurer's Report.

Alderman Cox 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 May 6, 2025 City Council meeting and approve the minutes. Alderman Donelan 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 Hanauer 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 Gregory motioned to incorporate the Pre-Council reading of the Consent Agenda 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 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

2025-155 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY FOR SPONSORSHIP IN THE AMOUNT OF \$39,582.00 FOR GRANT AGREEMENT NO. 25- 336010 TO THE PHARMACY GALLERY & ART SPACE FOR THE BOB WALDMIRE ROUTE 66 EXHIBIT TO BE HELD MAY 1, 2025 THROUGH DECEMBER 20, 2026, FOR THE SPRINGFIELD CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU (**REQUESTED BY MAYOR MISTY BUSCHER**)

2025-181 AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING PROPOSAL NO. UE25-40 WITH BAKER TILLY ADVISORY GROUP, LP FOR COMMUNITY SOLAR PROJECT PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT PROJECT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$99,250.00, AND AUTHORIZING A SUPPLEMENTAL IN THE SAME AMOUNT, FOR THE OFFICES OF PUBLIC UTILITIES (**Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher**)

2025-182 AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING BIDS AND AUTHORIZING CONTRACT UE25-02-64 – ANHYDROUS AMMONIA FOR DALLMAN POWER PLANT FOR A THREE- YEAR PERIOD WITH BRANDT DEALER SUPPORT, LLC IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,400,000.00, FOR THE OFFICES OF PUBLIC UTILITIES
(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)

2025-183 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF NEW RELAYS FOR VARIOUS SUBSTATIONS FROM SCHWEITZER ENGINEERING LABORATORIES, INC. IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$69,359.16, FOR THE OFFICES OF PUBLIC UTILITIES **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-184 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A NEW TRUCK FROM OLATHE FORD SALES, INC. FROM A THIRD-PARTY COOPERATIVE PURCHASING AGREEMENT WITH SOURCEWELL IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$124,749.00, FOR THE OFFICES OF PUBLIC UTILITIES
(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)

2025-185 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A NEW TRUCK FROM OLATHE FORD SALES, INC. FROM A THIRD-PARTY COOPERATIVE PURCHASING AGREEMENT WITH SOURCEWELL IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$131,125.00, FOR THE OFFICES OF PUBLIC UTILITIES
(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)

2025-186 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A THREE-YEAR AGREEMENT WITH SENTINEL TECHNOLOGIES INC. IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$196,651.00, ALWAYS CONNECTED TECHNICAL SUPPORT, FOR THE OFFICES OF PUBLIC UTILITIES AND THE POLICE DEPARTMENT **(REQUESTED BY MAYOR MISTY BUSCHER)**

2025-187 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$611,663.00 FOR THE PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT NOT RECEIVED BY THE END OF FY25, FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC UTILITIES
(REQUESTED BY MAYOR MISTY BUSCHER)

2025-188 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH BRYCER L.P., FOR TO PROVIDE THIRD PARTY REPORTING SERVICES IN RELATION TO THE CROSS-CONNECTION CONTROL PROGRAM, FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC UTILITIES **(REQUESTED BY MAYOR MISTY BUSCHER)**

2025-189 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING PAYMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$40,000.00 TO THE SANGAMON COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT FOR LAKE SPRINGFIELD MAINTENANCE AND RESTORATION PROGRAM IN THE LAKE SPRINGFIELD WATERSHED FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2025 FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC UTILITIES **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-190 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZES AND APPROVES AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, SECRETARY OF STATE FOR THE INSTALLATION OF A WATER MAIN, IN ORDER TO PROVIDE WATER SERVICE TO 2701 S. DIRKSEN PARKWAY IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$390,000.00 FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC UTILITIES
(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)

2025-192 AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE LOWEST RESPONSIBLE BID AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF CONTRACT NUMBER PW26-03-01 WITH COMPLETE ASPHALT SERVICE CO. FOR THE FY2026 CRACKFILLING AND MASTIC PROGRAM, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$354,000.00, FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-193 AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE LOWEST RESPONSIBLE BID AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF CONTRACT NUMBER PW26-03-02 WITH MICROSURFACING CONTRACTORS, LLC FOR THE FY2026 MICROSURFACING AND SLURRY CONTRACT, IN AN MOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,092,350.00 FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-196 AN ORDINANCE TO DECREASE NUMBER OF CLASS "E" LIQUOR LICENSES BY ONE DUE TO CLOSURE OF BUSINESS BY HOT POT & BBQ INC., DBA HOT POT & BBQ LOCATED AT 3050 LINDBERGH BLVD
(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)

2025-197 AN ORDINANCE TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF CLASS "A" LIQUOR LICENSES BY ONE FOR THE FOURTH GEN ENTERPRISES, INC., D/B/A THE OFFICE WEST SPORTS BAR LOCATED AT 4525 WABASH WEST, SUITE A
(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)

2025-198 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO CLAYTON DENNIS, A CURRENT CITY OF SPRINGFIELD OFFICE OF PUBLIC UTILITIES EMPLOYEE, FOR SETTLEMENT OF WORKERS COMPENSATION CLAIM NUMBER 24-WC-006107 IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$46,097.25 **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-199 AN ORDINACNE AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH LIVINGSTONE, MUELLER, BIMA & MURPHY, P.C. TO DEFEND WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIMS FOR THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD FROM MARCH 1, 2025 THROUGH FEBRUARY 28, 2026, FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$240,000.00
(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)

2025-200 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH ESHER SEITZ OF MANDELL MENKES, LLC TO CONTINUE TO ACT AS OUTSIDE COUNSEL IN CONNECTION WITH THE SPRINGFIELD RAIL IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT, FOR THE OFFICE OF CORPORATION COUNSEL **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-201 A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE DOWNTOWN SPRINGFIELD AND MID-ILLINOIS MEDICAL DISTRICT MASTER PLAN **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-202 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF A PROPOSAL FOR RFP CS 25-41 AND EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH CASE POWER FOR THE PURCHASE OF CITY-OWNED PROPERTY CONSISTING OF ONE VACANT LOT LOCATED AT 509 S. 13TH STREET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$500.00, FOR THE OFFICE OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-203 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF A PROPOSAL FOR RFP CS 25-41 AND EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH TYRONE WILKINS FOR THE PURCHASE OF CITY-OWNED PROPERTY CONSISTING OF ONE VACANT LOT LOCATED AT 807 S. 17TH STREET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$500.00, FOR THE OFFICE OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-204 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF A PROPOSAL FOR RFP CS 25-41 AND EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH LEE ADAMS FOR THE PURCHASE OF CITY-OWNED PROPERTY CONSISTING OF ONE VACANT LOT LOCATED AT 1607 S. 11TH STREET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$500.00, FOR THE OFFICE OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-205 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF A PROPOSAL FOR RFP CS 25-41 AND EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH JOSEPH DAVIS FOR PURCHASE OF CITY-OWNED PROPERTY CONSISTING OF ONE VACANT LOT LOCATED AT 1801 E. COOK STREET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,000.00, FOR THE OFFICE OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-207 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO TYLER TECHNOLOGIES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$75,596.23 FOR THE ANNUAL MAINTENANCE FEE FOR E- CRASH / E- CITATION REPORTING SYSTEMS FOR THE FY2026 FROM MARCH 1, 2025 THROUGH FEBRUARY 28, 2026, FOR THE SPRINGFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-209 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 110 OF THE 1988 CITY OF SPRINGFIELD CODE OF ORDINANCES, AS AMENDED, BY REVISING ARTICLE XL, SECTIONS 110.600 THROUGH 110.609 REGARDING THE INCREASE OF AMBULANCES REQUIRED TO BE AVAILABLE FOR EMS SYSTEM CALLS AND TRANSPORT **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

KAINAN RINABERGER, FIRE CAPTAIN SPOKE DURING THIS AGENDA ITEM.

2025-210 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENT WITH BRYCER, LLC TO PROVIDE THIRD PARTY REPORTING SERVICES TO ACT AS FIRE SAFETY'S THIRD PARTY FOR TRACKING AND GATHERING OF REQUIRED INSPECTION DOCUMENTATION FOR THE SPRINGFIELD FIRE DEPARTMENT **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-211 AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A LEASE AGREEMENT PURSUANT TO RFP FD25-53 WITH STRYKER SALES, LLC FOR AN 8-YEAR AGREEMENT FOR THE LEASE OF (23) LIFEPAK-35 CARDIAC MONITOR/DEFIBRILLATORS FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$215,241.64 FOR THE SPRINGFIELD FIRE DEPARTMENT **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-212 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$28,400.00 WITH FAST FORWARD LIBRARIES, LLC FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A THREE TO FIVE YEAR STRATEGIC PLAN FOR THE LINCOLN LIBRARY **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-213 AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING PROPOSAL RFP CR 25-23 FOR GENERAL LABOR RENOVATIONS AND HOME REPAIR LOCATED AT 1933 E. CEDAR WITH MONTE CONSTRUCTION FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$74,497.50 AS PART OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD'S MY FIRST HOME INITIATIVE FOR THE OFFICE OF COMMUNITY RELATIONS **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

Debate Agenda

2025-194 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF NICHOLAS ZUMMO AS FIRE CHIEF OF THE SPRINGFIELD FIRE DEPARTMENT EFFECTIVE MAY 17, 2025 **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

Alderman Donelan motioned to move this agenda item to final passage with Alderwoman Purchase seconding the motion. Discussion had by Alderpersons and Nicholas Zummo. The motion passed with a vote of 10-0 voting yes.

2025-195 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF JOSEPH BEHL AS CHIEF OF THE SPRINGFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT EFFECTIVE MAY 31, 2025 **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

Alderman Cox motioned to move this agenda item to final passage with Alderman Hanauer seconding the motion. Discussion had by Joseph Behl, Alderpersons and Mike Lesko. Motion passed with a voice vote of 10 voting yes.

2025-206 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH SANGAMON COUNTY FOR ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENT FOR FY2025 IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$384,095.00 FROM MARCH 1, 2024 THROUGH FEBRUARY 28, 2025, FOR THE OFFICE OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT
(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)

Alderman Hanauer motioned to move this item to final passage with Alderwoman Conley seconding the motion. Discussion had by Alderpersons. Motion passed with a voice vote of 10 voting yes.

2025-208 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO FLOCK GROUP INC. D/B/A FLOCK SAFETY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$251,500.00, FOR THE CITY'S FALCON AUTOMATIC LICENST PLATE READERS (ALPRs) FOR FEBRUARY 23, 2025 THROUGH FEBRUARY 22, 2026, FOR THE SPRINGFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT **(REQUESTED BY MAYOR MISTY BUSCHER)**

Alderman Hanauer motioned to move this item to final passage with Alderman Rockford seconding the motion. Discussion had by Joseph Behl and Alderpersons. Motion passed with a voice vote of 10 voting yes.

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 8:45 pm.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "C. Redpath". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "C" and a stylized "Redpath".

Charles L. Redpath Sr.
City Clerk

Minutes to be approved on June 3, 2025.