



City Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday August 6, 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 August 6, 2025.

City Council Session

Mayor Misty Buscher called Tuesday August 6, 2025, meeting of the Springfield City Council to order at 5:30PM. 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☒

Clerk Redpath announced there was a quorum for a meeting.

Mayor Misty Buscher asked for a motion to dispense with a reading of the minutes of the July 22, 2025, City Council meeting and approve the minutes.

Alderman Donelan motioned to approve the minutes with Alderman Gregory seconding the motion. No discussion. The motion passed with a voice vote of 8 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 Gregory seconding the motion. No discussion. The motion passed with a voice vote of 8 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 Rockford seconding the motion. No discussion. 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 Cox motioned to place the consent agenda on final passage with Alderman Gregory seconding the motion. No discussion. The motion passed with a vote of 8 voting yes.

Consent Agenda

2025-282 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE STATE OF WORK AGREEMENT AND ADDITIONAL FUNDING IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$176,750.00 WITH CGI TECHNOLOGIES AND SOLUTIONS, INC. FOR UTILIZATION OF THE VENDOR TRAINING ACADEMY AND ADDITIONAL JOB AIDS FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT PAYABLE OF \$12,669,555.00 FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC UTILITIES
(REQUESTED BY MAYOR MISTY BUSCHER)

2025-283 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AMENDMENTS TO A LEASE EXTENSION AGREEMENT WITH VB-S1 ASSETS, LLC, FOR FOUR WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS ANTENNAS SITES, FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC UTILITIES **(REQUESTED BY MAYOR MISTY BUSCHER)**

2025-285 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 1ST, 2025 FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS
(REQUESTED BY MAYOR MISTY BUSCHER)

2025-286 A RESOLUTION FOR TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF A PORTION OF ILLINOIS STATE ROUTE 97 (JEFFERSON STREET FROM 9TH TO 5TH STREETS) FOR THE ANNUAL HALLOWEEN PARADE TO BE HELD ON OCTOBER 25, 2025, FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS
(REQUESTED BY MAYOR MISTY BUSCHER)

2025-287 A RESOLUTION FOR THE TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF A PORTION OF ILLINOIS STATE ROUTE 97 (JEFFERSON FROM 5TH TO 9TH STREETS) FOR THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARADE TO BE HELD ON DECEMBER 6, 2025, FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS **(REQUESTED BY MAYOR MISTY BUSCHER)**

2025-288 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD AND THE UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD (UP) FOR LEGAL COSTS FOR THE SPRINGFIELD RAIL IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT, FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS **(REQUESTED BY MAYOR MISTY BUSCHER)**

2025-289 A RESOLUTION FOR THE IMPROVEMENT BY MUNICIPALITY UNDER THE ILLINOIS HIGHWAY CODE, MFT SECTION NO. 20-00492-00-BR FOR USABLE SEGMENT VI OF THE SPRINGFIELD RAIL IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS **(REQUESTED BY MAYOR MISTY BUSCHER)**

2025-290 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN INCREASE OF CONTRACT RFP #PW25-57 WITH MG STEWART LAND DESIGNS, LLC TO PROVIDE LANDSCAPING SERVICES FOR THE DOWNTOWN PLANTERS IN A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$52,984.00, FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS **(REQUESTED BY MAYOR MISTY BUSCHER)**

2025-291 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF A WORKER'S COMPENSATION SETTLEMENT TO LOREN KUNZ, A FORMER CITY OF SPRINGFIELD FIRE DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEE, FOR SETTLEMENT OF A WORKERS COMPENSATION CLAIM FOR CASE NUMBER 24-WC-005890 IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$196,793.10 **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-292 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING ADDITIONAL PAYMENT OF \$23,000.00 FOR FY2025 FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$198,000.00 TO LIVINGSTONE, MUELLER, BIMA, & MURPHY, P.C. TO DEFEND WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIMS FOR THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD FROM MARCH 1, 2024 THROUGH FEBRUARY 28, 2025 **(REQUESTED BY MAYOR MISTY BUSCHER)**

2025-293 AN ORDINANCE TO DECREASE THE NUMBER OF CLASS "AA" LIQUOR LICENSES BY ONE AND INCREASE THE NUMBER OF CLASS "AA" LIQUOR LICENSES BY ONE DUE TO SALE OF BUSINESS BY JOE JANNAZZO D/B/A THE TRACK SHACK LOCATED AT 233 E. LAUREL ST **(REQUESTED BY MAYOR MISTY BUSCHER)**

2025-294 AN ORDINANCE TO DECREASE THE NUMBER OF CLASS "B" LIQUOR LICENSES BY ONE AND INCREASE THE NUMBER OF CLASS "B" LIQUOR LICENSES BY ONE DUE TO THE SALE OF THE BUSINESS BY GPM MIDWEST LLC LOCATED AT 3801 S. 6TH ST.
(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)

2025-295 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL TO CHANGE THE CITY HEALTH INSURANCE PLAN TO MODIFY COVERAGE OF GLP-1 MEDICATIONS EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1, 2025
(REQUESTED BY MAYOR MISTY BUSCHER)

2025-296 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING VARIOUS SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR YEAR-END BUDGET RECONCILIATION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025, FOR THE OFFICE OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT
(REQUESTED BY MAYOR MISTY BUSCHER)

2025-297 AN ORDINANCE DESIGNATING 541 E. BLACK AVENUE, SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS AS A HISTORIC LANDMARK
(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)

2025-298 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF CANNABIS TAX COLLECTED UNDER SECTION 100.56 THROUGH 100.58 OF THE SPRINGFIELD CODE OF ORDINANCES, AS AMENDED IN THE DESIGNATED AREA AND APPROPRIATING 50% OF THE TAX COLLECTED FOR EXTERIOR REPAIR ASSISTANCE TO HOMEOWNERS FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PURPOSES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$165,073.00 FOR THE OFFICE OF PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-299 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING SMALL BUSINESS REDEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE TO SEVERAL BUSINESSES UTILIZING CANNABIS TAX FUNDS, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$406,000.00, FOR THE OFFICE OF PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)

2025-300 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING VARIOUS INTER-AGENCY BUDGETARY TRANSFERS TO RECONCILE END OF THE YEAR BUDGET LEVELS WITH FY2025 EXPENSES FOR THE OFFICE OF BUDGET AND MANAGEMENT **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

Ordinances and Resolutions

Tabled or Remaining in Committee

2025-247 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 499-12-24 WITH GREEN DEMOLITION CONTRACTORS, INC. FOR ABATEMENT AND DEMOLITION AT OLDE TOWNE APARTMENT COMPLEX BY CHANGING THE FUNDING SOURCE AND AUTHORIZING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$508,000.00 FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS **(REQUESTED BY MAYOR MISTY BUSCHER)**

2025-281 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$115,928.94 FROM INTEREST EARNED FROM ASSIGNED FUND BALANCE WAGNER REQUEST FOR THE PURCHASE OF FURNITURE FROM RESOURCE ONE AIS OMNIA PURSUANT TO JOINT PURCHASE CONTRACT NO. R2240101 FOR THE LINCOLN LIBRARY **(REQUESTED BY MAYOR MISTY BUSCHER)**

No Movement.

Mayor Misty Buscher introduced the Debate Agenda.

Emergency Passage

2025-337 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE FINAL PLAT FOR THE REDIVISION OF LOT 41 OF THE REDIVISION OF PART OF LOT 41 OF LEGACY POINTE TOWN CENTER PHASE V, DOCKET #2006-054 FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS, FOR EMERGENCY PASSAGE **(REQUESTED BY MAYOR MISTY BUSCHER)**

Alderman Hanauer motioned to move this agenda item to final passage with Alderman Donelan seconding the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 8 voting yes.

Discussion of unfinished business

Discussion of new business

Citizens addressed the Council

No Executive Session

Mayor Misty Buscher requested a motion to adjourn. Alderman Cox motioned for adjournment with Alderman Gregory seconding the motion. No discussion. The motion passed with voice votes, 8 voting yes. Meeting adjourned at 6:05pm.

**Chuck Redpath Sr.
City Clerk**

Minutes to be approved on August 19, 2025.