



City Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, August 19, 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 19, 2025.

City Council Session

Mayor Misty Buscher called August 19, 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 Buscher introduced Fishing Tales & Bytes of Wisdom organization from Lincoln Magnet Middle School children.

Senior Assistant Corporation Counsel Kateah McMasters presented Removal of Weeds and Grass presentation.

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

Zoning Agenda

**DOC. 025-017 3041 Taylor Avenue (continued from May 20, 2025 and July 15, 2025)
(Ward #3)**

Alderman Williams Jr. motioned to continue this zoning item with Alderwoman Purchase seconding the motion. No discussion. The motion passed with a vote of 10 voting yes.

DOC. 025-026 2025 S. MacArthur Boulevard, Suite B (Ward 8)

Alderwoman Conley motioned to approve this zoning item with Alderman Donelan seconding the motion. Discussion had by Alderpersons. The motion passed with a vote of 10 voting yes.

DOC. 025-027 4200 Conestoga Drive (part of) (Ward 7)

Alderman Carlson motioned to approve this zoning item with Alderman Rockford seconding the motion. No discussion. The motion passed with a vote of 10 voting yes.

DOC. 025-028 924 S. 13th Street (Ward 2)

Alderman Gregory motioned to approve this zoning item with amending the variance to 1 year with Alderman Rockford seconding the motion. Discussion had by Petitioner Thomas Pavlik Jr. The motion passed with a vote of 10 voting yes.

DOC. 025-029 1921 Lowell Avenue (Ward 6)

Alderwoman Notariano motioned to continue this zoning item with Alderman Carlson seconding the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 10 voting yes.

**DOC. 025-030 Parcel I- 233 N. MacArthur Boulevard; Parcel II- 1000 & 1004 W.
Jefferson Street (Ward 5)**

Alderwoman Purchase motioned to continue this zoning item with Alderman Cox seconding the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 10 voting yes.

**DOC. 025-031 3245 Old MacArthur Boulevard (Parcel 1) and 3313 Old MacArthur
Boulevard (Parcel 2) (currently not in the City of Springfield, Annexation Petition has been
filed)**

Alderwoman Notariano motioned to continue this zoning item with Alderwoman Conley seconding the motion. Discussion had by 1 public speaker. 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 Carlson seconding the motion. No discussion. 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 August 12, 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. 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 August 4, 2025, City Council meeting and approve the minutes. Alderman Hanauer motioned to approve the City Council minutes with Alderwoman Purchase seconding the motion. No discussion. 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 Gregory motioned to incorporate the Pre-Council first reading of ordinances into the record of the City Council meeting with Alderman Cox seconding the motion. No discussion. 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 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 Hanauer motioned to put the Consent Agenda on final passage with Alderman Cox seconding the motion. No discussion. The motion passed with a vote of 10 voting yes.

Consent Agenda

2025-302 AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN ADDITIONAL TWO-YEAR EXTENSION TO PROPOSAL NO. UE18-12 WITH OZINGA CEMENT, INC. FOR PURCHASE, REMOVAL, AND BENEFICIAL USE OF FLY ASH FROM DALLMAN 4 FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC UTILITIES **(REQUESTED BY MAYOR MISTY BUSCHER)**

2025-303 AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING PROPOSAL NO. UE26-05 WITH MARTIN EQUIPMENT OF ILLINOIS, INC. FOR LEASE OF A DOZER WITH OPTION TO PURCHASE IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$707,765.52, FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC UTILITIES **(REQUESTED BY MAYOR MISTY BUSCHER)**

2025-304 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH CLEAN GREEN SOIL AMENDMENTS, LLC FOR REMOVAL AND BENEFICIAL REUSE OF SYNTHETIC GYPSUM FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC UTILITIES **(REQUESTED BY MAYOR MISTY BUSCHER)**

2025-305 AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING BIDS AND AUTHORIZING CONTRACT UW26-07-24 - 10" HDPE WATER MAIN HDD BORES WITH PETERSBURG PLUMBING AND EXCAVATING LLC IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$95,566.00, FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC UTILITIES **(REQUESTED BY MAYOR MISTY BUSCHER)**

2025-306 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A ONE-YEAR CONTRACT EXTENSION AND AUTHORIZING ADDITIONAL FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$150,000.00 UNDER CONTRACT NO. UE22-06-38 – BYPRODUCT HAULING FOR THE DALLMAN POWER PLANT WITH J. OROS ENVIRONMENTAL, INC. FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT PAYABLE OF \$1,750,000.00 FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC UTILITIES **(REQUESTED BY MAYOR MISTY BUSCHER)**

2025-307 AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING BIDS AND AUTHORIZING CONTRACT UE26-04-17 – REMOVAL, REPLACEMENT & INSTALL NEW STATION BATTERIES WITH ELECTROREP-ENERGY PRODUCTS, INC. IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$161,317.64, FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC UTILITIES **(REQUESTED BY MAYOR MISTY BUSCHER)**

2025-308 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH SANGAMON COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT (SCSWCD) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$282,000.00 FOR A LAKE SPRINGFIELD SOURCE WATER PROTECTION PROJECT - REGIONAL CONSERVATION PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM (RCPP), IN THE LAKE SPRINGFIELD WATERSHED, AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$100,000.00 TO FUND SAID PROJECT FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC UTILITIES **(REQUESTED BY MAYOR MISTY BUSCHER)**

2025-309 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH ANDREWS ENGINEERING, INC. IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$500,000.00 FOR CONSULTING SERVICES RELATED TO THE DISPOSAL OF COAL COMBUSTION RESIDUALS (CCR) USING THE ENVIRONMENTAL AND REGULATORY INITIATIVES AND REBATE FUND (ERIRF) AND AUTHORIZING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF THOSE ERIRF FUNDS FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC UTILITIES **(REQUESTED BY MAYOR MISTY BUSCHER)**

2025-310 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN INCREASE OF A CONTRACT RFP PW24-22 WITH LEWIS EXCAVATING & SNOW REMOVAL LLC TO PROVIDE SUPPLEMENTAL SNOW REMOVAL SERVICES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$71,347.00 FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS **(REQUESTED BY MAYOR MISTY BUSCHER)**

2025-311 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING SUPPLEMENTAL RELOCATION EXPENSES FOR THE BUSINESSES OCCUPYING PARCEL SR0075, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$31,255.39, LOCATED AT 1020 NORTH 10TH STREET, FOR USABLE SEGMENT 6B OF THE SPRINGFIELD RAIL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT, FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS **(REQUESTED BY MAYOR MISTY BUSCHER)**

2025-312 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD AND THE STATE OF ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS ON CARPENTER STREET AT FIFTH STREET AND SIXTH STREET (MFT SECTION # 22-00496-00-SP) IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$633,809.00 FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS **(REQUESTED BY MAYOR MISTY BUSCHER)**

2025-313 AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE LOWEST RESPONSIBLE BID AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF CONTRACT NUMBER PW-26-06-23 WITH P.H. BROUGHTON & SONS, INC. FOR THE FY2026 SEAL COAT OVERLAY PROGRAM IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$437,051.75, FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-314 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH THE SPRINGFIELD-SANGAMON COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION FOR THE PERFORMANCE OF TRANSPORTATION WORK UNDER THE UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM FROM JULY 1, 2025, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2026, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$39,500.00 (MFT SECTION NO. 25-00300-00-ES) FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS
(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)

2025-315 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A FOUR-YEAR AGREEMENT WITH THE INTERNATIONAL UNION OF OPERATING ENGINEERS (IUOE), LOCAL 965 FOR EMPLOYEES WITH THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS FROM JUNE 1, 2025, THROUGH MAY 31, 2029
(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)

2025-316 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD FOR ACCESS TO AND MAINTENANCE OF THE TUNNELS UNDER THE OLD STATE CAPITOL, FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS
(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)

2025-317 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR RACHEL LANE, LOCATED ON THE EAST SIDE AND SOUTH SIDE OF OLD JACKSONVILLE ROAD FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS
(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)

2025-318 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR RACHEL LANE, LOCATED ON THE EAST SIDE AND SOUTH SIDE OF OLD JACKSONVILLE ROAD FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS
(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)

2025-319 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A SUPPLEMENTAL RELOCATION EXPENSES FOR THE RELOCATION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY LOCATED ON PARCEL SR0029, 1500 EAST NORTH GRAND AVENUE, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$925.00, RELATING TO USBAL SEGMENT 6A OF THE SPRINGFIELD RAIL IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT, FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS
(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)

2025-320 A RESOLUTION NOTIFYING THE STATE OF ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION THAT MOTOR FUEL TAX FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$39,500.00 MAY BE USED FOR THE CITY'S SHARE FOR PLANNING WORK OUTLINED IN THE UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM AS REQUIRED BY THE 1962 FEDERAL AND HIGHWAY ACT (SATS-SPRINGFIELD AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY) MFT SECTION 25-00300-00-ES, AS AMENDED, FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS
(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)

2025-322 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION TO PAY AN OUTSTANDING PAYMENT FOR A SERVICE CONTRACT EXECUTED OCTOBER 1, 2022, WITH THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS FOR THE CENTER FOR STATE POLICY AND LEADERSHIP AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT SPRINGFIELD FOR SERVICES IN ADVANCING THE TEEN EMPOWERMENT ZONE IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$43,600.00 **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-324 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF A REDEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT AND THE ALLOCATION OF UP TO \$182,979.00 IN REDEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE FROM THE CENTRAL AREA TIF FOR THE REHABILITATION LOCATED AT 302 E. ADAMS STREET, SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS FOR THE OFFICE OF PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-325 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING ADDENDUM II TO THE AGREEMENT WITH HEARTLAND HOUSED FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADDRESSING HOMELESSNESS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$250,000.00, FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING MARCH 1, 2025 AND ENDING FEBRUARY 28, 2026, FOR THE OFFICE OF PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-327 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH 541 E. BLACK AVENUE PARTNERS, LLC., FOR USE OF PEORIA ROAD TAX INCREMENT FINANCE FUNDS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$942,051.00 FOR THE ACQUISITION AND REHABILITATION, FOR THE OFFICE OF PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)

2025-328 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH THE SPRINGFIELD- SANGAMON COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION FOR 2025 PLANNING SERVICES AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$200,000.00 FROM JANUARY 1, 2025, THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2025 **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-329 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING SETTLEMENT OF A WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIM FOR KENNETH LOCKHART, AN OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS EMPLOYEE, FOR CASE NUMBER 24-WC-022811 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$21,938.75 **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-331 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 90, SECTION 90.15 OF THE 1988 CITY OF SPRINGFIELD CODE OF ORDINANCES, AS AMENDED, TO CHANGE THE LANGUAGE TO CLASS "N" LIQUOR LICENSE **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-332 AN ORDINANCE TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF CLASS "N" LIQUOR LICENSES BY ONE FOR SAPORI ENTERTAINMENT GROUP, INC. D/B/A SAPORI PIZZERIA OF SPRINGFIELD, LOCATED AT 1937 & 1941 W. ILES AVENUE **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-333 AN ORDINANCE TO DECREASE THE NUMBER OF CLASS "E" LIQUOR LICENSES BY ONE DUE TO SELL OF BUSINESS BY TSLZ ENTERTAINMENT, LLC D/B/A STARDUST PIZZA & GAMING LOCATED AT 2025 S. MACARTHUR BOULEVARD, UNIT B **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-334 AN ORDINANCE TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF CLASS "E" LIQUOR LICENSES BY ONE FOR VILLAGE TEA ROOM, INC. D/B/A VILLAGE TEA ROOM, LOCATED AT 3301 ROBBINS ROAD **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-335 AN ORDINANCE TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF CLASS "AA" LIQUOR LICENSES BY ONE FOR FAMOUS LIQUOR & UNIQUE FOOD INC. D/B/A DIRKSEN DISCOUNT LIQUOR & UNIQUE FOOD, LOCATED AT 850 N. DIRKSEN **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-336 AN ORDINANCE TO MOVE THE LOCATION OF A CLASS "A" LIQUOR LICENSE FOR LUCY'S PLACE, LLC, D/B/A LUCY'S PLACE LOCATED AT 2459 S. MACARTHUR BOULEVARD (**Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher**)

Debate Agenda

2025-321 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 170, DIVISION 6, OF THE 1988 CITY OF SPRINGFIELD CODE OF ORDINANCES, AS AMENDED, PERTAINING TO REGISTERING REPEATEDLY CITED PROPERTIES (**REQUESTED BY MAYOR MISTY BUSCHER**)

Alderman Gregory motioned to hold this agenda item with Alderwoman Purchase seconding the motion. Discussion was held by Alderpersons. The motion failed with a roll call vote 5 no votes, 1 absent vote and 4 yes votes.

Cox - N

Gregory - Y

Williams Jr. - Y

Rockford - N

Notariano - Y

Carlson - N

Conley - Y

Donelan - N

Hanauer N

Purchase - Absent Vote

Alderman Hanauer motioned to amend this agenda item with Alderman Rockford seconding the motion. Discussion was held by Alderpersons, Corporation Counsel Gregory Moredock and Mayor Misty Buscher. The motion to amend passed with a roll call vote of 9 yes votes and 1 absent vote.

Cox - Y

Gregory - Y

Williams Jr. - Y

Rockford - Y

Notariano - Y

Carlson - Y

Conley - Y

Donelan - Y

Hanauer Y

Purchase - Absent Vote

Alderman Hanauer motioned to approve this agenda item on final passage as amended with Alderman Rockford seconding the motion. No discussion. The motion to approve as amended passed with a roll call vote of 9 yes votes and 1 absent vote.

Cox – Y

Gregory – Y

Williams Jr. – Y

Rockford – Y

Notariano – Y

Carlson – Y

Conley – Y

Donelan – Y

Hanauer Y

Purchase – Absent Vote

2025-323 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF SARAH B. KINK AS DIRECTOR OF HUMAN RESOURCES (**Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher**)

Alderman Donelan motioned to approve this agenda item with Alderman Cox seconding the motion. No discussion. The motion passed with 10 voting yes.

2025-326 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING SUBRECIPIENT GRANT AGREEMENT NO.23-44301 WITH MOVING PILLSBURY FORWARD, NFP FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$108,636.00 UTILIZING ENERGY TRANSITION COMMUNITY GRANT FUNDS THROUGH THE OFFICE OF PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FOR THE DEMOLITION OF 2 ABANDONED BUILDINGS LOCATED ON THE PILLSBURY SITE (**Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher**)

Alderman Donelan motioned to approve this agenda item with Alderman Hanauer seconding the motion. Discussion was made by Alderpersons and Mr. Chris Richmond from Moving Pillsbury Forward. The motion passed with 10 voting yes.

2025-330 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 170, SECTION 170.17.15 OF THE 1988 CITY OF SPRINGFIELD CODE OF ORDINANCES, AS AMENDED, PERTAINING TO GRASS AND WEED VIOLATIONS (**REQUESTED BY MAYOR MISTY BUSCHER, WARD 7 BRAD CARLSON, WARD 1 JEFFREY COX, WARD 10 RALPH HANAUER**)

Alderman Carlson motioned to approve this agenda item with Alderman Hanauer seconding the motion.

Alderman Gregory motioned to amend this agenda item with Alderman Williams Jr seconding the motion. Discussion was conducted by Alderpersons and Corporation Counsel Gregory Moredock. The motion passed with 10 voting yes.

Discussion of unfinished business.

Discussion of new business.

Citizens addressed the Council

Alderman Cox and Alderman Rockford left the meeting.

Mayor Misty Buscher requested a motion to adjourn. Alderman Donelan motioned for adjournment with Alderman Gregory seconding the motion. No discussion. The motion passed with voice vote of 8 voting yes. Meeting adjourned at 9:40 pm.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "C. Redpath". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style. The "C" is large and loops around the "R". The "Redpath" is written in a more compact, cursive script.

Charles L. Redpath Sr.
City Clerk

