



City Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday November 4, 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 November 4, 2025.

City Council Session

Mayor Misty Buscher called Tuesday November 4, 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.

Alderman Donelan made a motion to allow Alderwoman Conley and Alderman Hanauer to attend the meeting via phone. Alderman Rockford seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion passed with a voice vote of 8 voting yes.

Mayor Misty Buscher asked for a motion to dispense with a reading of the minutes of October 21, 2025, City Council meeting and approve the minutes.

Alderman Cox motioned to approve the minutes with Alderman Rockford 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.

Mayor Misty Buscher asked for a motion to suspend the rule to add agenda item 2025-483 to First Read. Alderman Gregory motioned with Alderman Rockford seconding. No discussion. The motion passed with a voice vote of 8 voting yes.

Alderman Donelan 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 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 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 place the Consent Agenda on final passage.

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

Consent Agenda

2025-423 AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING BIDS AND AUTHORIZING CONTRACT UE26-08-29 – SPECTRA LOGIC TAPE LIBRARY MAINTENANCE - 3 YEARS WITH MATRIX SYSTEMS GROUP, INC. IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$56,618.05, FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC UTILITIES **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-424 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH HANSON PROFESSIONAL SERVICES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$45,000.00 FOR TITLE AND EASEMENT SERVICES AS PART OF THE DESIGN OF THE INTERSTATE LANESVILLE 138KV TRANSMISSION LINE, FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC UTILITIES **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-425 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF THE NORTH AMERICAN ELECTRIC RELIABILITY CORPORATION (“NERC”) FEES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026 IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$75,654.27, FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC UTILITIES **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-426 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH POWER SYSTEM ENGINEERING, INC. IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$78,700.00 TO DEVELOP A PLAN FOR A TEN-YEAR LONG-RANGE DISTRIBUTION PLANNING STUDY, FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC UTILITIES **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-427 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE STATE OF WORK AGREEMENT AND ADDITIONAL FUNDING IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$500,000.00 WITH CGI TECHNOLOGIES AND SOLUTIONS, INC. FOR ADDITIONAL HOURS ASSOCIATED WITH THE CGI ERP UPGRADE AND MIGRATION PROJECT FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT PAYABLE OF \$13,169,555.00 FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC UTILITIES **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-428 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A RENEWAL OF A FIVE-YEAR AGREEMENT WITH EMERSON PROCESS MANAGEMENT POWER & WATER SOLUTIONS, INC. FOR WESTINGHOUSE DISTRIBUTIVE PROCESS FAMILY AND OVATION CONTROL SUPPORT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$602,209.00 FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC UTILITIES **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-429 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A TELECOMMUNICATIONS CONTRACT SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH BANK OF SPRINGFIELD FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC UTILITIES **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-430 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF ROCK SALT FROM COMPASS MINERALS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$268,530.00 UNDER STATE CONTRACT 25-416CMS-BOSS4-85806, FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-431 A RESOLUTION NOTIFYING THE STATE OF ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION THAT MOTOR FUEL TAX FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$361,248.00 MAY BE USED FOR PRELIMINARY AND DESIGN ENGINEERING SERVICES (PE I AND PE II) FOR KOKE MILL ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (MFT SECTION 19-00486-00-PV), FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-432 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF SUPPLEMENT NO. 1 FOR PRELIMINARY AND DESIGN PHASE ENGINEERING SERVICES (PE-I AND PE-II) FOR THE KOKE MILL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (MFT SECTION NO. 19-00486-00-PV) WITH CRAWFORD, MURPHY & TILLY, INC FOR AN ADDITIONAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$361,248.00 FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-433 AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING CERTAIN DESCRIBED REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 78 WEST FAIRVIEW LANE, FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-436 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN CRAWFORD, MURPHY & TILLY, INC. AND THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR SEWER REHABILITATION INVESTIGATION IN RIDGELY PARK AREA 2 IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$291,016.00 FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-438 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF CLASS "B" LIQUOR LICENSES BY ONE FOR CLEAR LAKE FOOD & FUEL, LLC D/B/A CLEAR LAKE FOOD MART, LOCATED AT 3300 E. CLEAR LAKE **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-439 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF CLASS "B" LIQUOR LICENSES BY ONE FOR DIRKSEN FOOD & FUEL, LLC D/B/A DIRKSEN FOOD MART, LOCATED AT 2121 N. DIRKSEN PKWY **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-440 AN ORDINANCE TO DECREASE THE NUMBER OF CLASS "B" LIQUOR LICENSES BY ONE DUE TO THE SALE OF THE BUSINESS BY GPM INVESTMENTS LLC D/B/A JIFFI STOP #580 LOCATED AT 3300 E. CLEAR LAKE AVE.

(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)

2025-441 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A DECREASE IN THE NUMBER OF CLASS "D" LIQUOR LICENSES BY ONE FOR DEW CHILI PARLORS OF AMERICA, LLC D/B/A DEW CHILI PARLOR NO. 2 LOCATED AT 4333 CONESTOGA DRIVE AND CHANGE LOCATION OF EXISTING CLASS "D" LIQUOR LICENSE LOCATED AT 301 NORTH GRAND AVENUE WEST TO 4333 CONESTOGA DRIVE

(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)

2025-442 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A DECREASE IN THE NUMBER OF CLASS "D" LIQUOR LICENSES BY ONE DUE TO CLOSURE OF RED ROBIN INTERNATIONAL INC, D/B/A RED ROBIN GOURMET BURGERS & BREWS LOCATED AT 2881 S. VETERAN PARKWAY **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-443 AN ORDINANCE TO DECREASE THE NUMBER OF CLASS "B" LIQUOR LICENSES BY ONE DUE TO SALE OF THE BUSINESS BY GPM INVESTMENTS, LLC D/B/A JIFFI STOP LOCATED AT 2121 N. DIRKSEN PKWY

(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)

2025-444 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING SN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SPRINGFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 186 AND THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD REGARDING SCHOOL SAFETY OFFICERS FROM AUGUST 14, 2025, THROUGH MAY 28, 2026

(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)

2025-445 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO COLIN VALENTI, A CURRENT CITY OF SPRINGFIELD POLICE OFFICER, FOR SETTLEMENT OF WORKERS COMPENSATION CLAIM NUMBER 25-WC-002593 IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$17,466.86 **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-446 AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE 287-06-23 AND ADOPTING AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING SIGNING OF CHECKS DRAWN ON CITY FUNDS

(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher, City Treasurer Colleen Redpath Feger)

2025-447 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT WITH AETNA TO PROVIDE COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH, CLAIMS PROCESSING, AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES FROM MARCH 1, 2026, THROUGH FEBRUARY 28, 2030, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$145,988,112.00, FOR THE OFFICE OF HUMAN RESOURCES

(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)

2025-448 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A FOUR-YEAR CONTRACT WITH MEMORIAL HEALTH TO PROVIDE COMPREHENSIVE NEAR SITE CLINIC SERVICES FOR CITY EMPLOYEES, RETIREES, AND ELIGIBLE DEPENDENTS FROM MARCH 1, 2026, THROUGH FEBRUARY 28, 2030, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$2,476,090.00, FOR THE OFFICE OF HUMAN RESOURCES

(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)

2025-449 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 79, SECTION 79.30(b) OF THE 1988 CITY OF SPRINGFIELD CODE OF ORDINANCES, AS AMENDED, REVISING DESIGNATED SNOW EMERGENCY ROUTES, FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-450 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AMENDMENT NO. 4 TO THE LOCAL AGENCY PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT WITH THE ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO REIMBURSE THE CITY FOR LAND ACQUISITION AND PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING EXPENSES FOR THE SPRINGFIELD RAIL IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT MFT SECTION 19-STATE-00-RR **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-451 A RESOLUTION FOR THE MUNICIPALITY UNDER THE ILLINOIS HIGHWAY CODE, PERTAINING TO SPENDING MOTOR FUEL TAX FUNDS ON THE SPRINGFIELD RAIL IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT (MFT SECTION NO. 19-STATE-00-RR) FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-452 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AMENDMENT 1 TO AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF TAXABLE SPORTS COMPLEX REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2024 OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, SANGAMON COUNTY, ILLINOIS, AS AMENDED **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-453 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING SUBRECIPIENT GRANT AGREEMENT NO. 23-203186 WITH MAX-OUT FOUNDATION AND BUDGETARY TRANSFER FOR PAYMENT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$25,000.00 PURSUANT TO COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS FROM STATE OF ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE & ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY FOR SPRINGFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-455 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION AND APPROVAL OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD AND CARASOFT TECHNOLOGY CORP. FOR LABOR COST AND BENCHMARKING SOFTWARE IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$331,500.00 FOR A (3) THREE YEAR PERIOD **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-456 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT WITH METLIFE, INC. TO PROVIDE VISION, BASIC LIFE, AND ANCILLARY PRODUCT LINES AND SERVICES FOR THE CITY'S SELF-INSURED HEALTH PLAN EFFECTIVE MARCH 1, 2026, THROUGH FEBRUARY 28, 2029, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$603,696.00, AND AETNA TO PROVIDE DENTAL SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,739,760.00 FOR VISION AND BASIC LIFE AND ANCILLARY BENEFITS, FOR THE OFFICE OF HUMAN RESOURCES **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-457 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE APPROVAL OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD AND THE SPRINGFIELD FIREFIGHTERS LOCAL 37 OF THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FIREFIGHTERS, FROM MARCH 1, 2025, THROUGH FEBRUARY 28, 2029 **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

2025-458 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT NO. (122123-DEM) FROM MACQUEEN EQUIPMENT, LLC FOR THE PURCHASE OF ONE (1) DEMERS MXP 170 TYPE I APPARATUS FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$336,902.00, FOR THE SPRINGFIELD FIRE DEPARTMENT **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher, Ward 7 Brad Carlson, Ward 8 Erin Conley, Ward 1 Jeffrey Cox, Ward 9 Jim Donelan, Ward 2 Shawn Gregory, Ward 10 Ralph Hanauer, Ward 6 Jennifer Notariano, Ward 5 Lakeisha Purchase, Ward 4 Larry Rockford, Ward 3 Roy Williams)**

2025-459 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING SALARY INCREASES IN EXCESS OF 5% DURING A 12-MONTH PERIOD FOR SPRINGFIELD FIRE DEPARTMENT COMMAND STAFF **(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)**

2025-422 AN ORDINANCE DIRECTING THE SALE AND AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF A PROPOSAL UNDER RFP CS 26-25 AND EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH _____ FOR THE PURCHASE OF CITY-OWNED PROPERTY CONSISTING OF ONE PARCEL LOCATED AT 1415 NORTH GRAND AVE. EAST (COMMONLY KNOW AS ROBIN ROBERTS STADIUM) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ _____ **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

No Movement.

Mayor Misty Buscher introduced the Debate Agenda.

Debate Agenda

2025-434 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN ANNEXATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS AND TINA M. PIERCE FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 78 FAIRVIEW LANE, FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

Alderman Cox motioned to go into a public hearing with Alderman Rockford seconding. No discussion. The motion passed with a voice vote of 8 voting yes.

Alderman Cox motion to adjourn the public hearing with Alderman Rockford seconding the motion. No discussion. The motion passed with a voice vote of 8 voting yes.

Alderman Cox motioned to move this agenda item to final passage with Alderman Gregory seconding the motion. No discussion. The motion passed with a vote of 8 voting yes.

2025-435 AN ORDINANCE SUPPLEMENTING AN AGREEMENT WITH HANSON PROFESSIONAL SERVICES INC. TO PERFORM PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING AND LAND ACQUISITION FOR THE SPRINGFIELD RAIL IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT AND AUTHORIZING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,000,000.00 FOR THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC WORKS **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

Alderman Donelan motioned to go into a public hearing with Alderman Rockford seconding. No discussion. The motion passed with a voice vote of 8 voting yes.

Alderman Rockford motioned to adjourn the public hearing with Alderman Donelan seconding the motion. No discussion. The motion passed with a voice vote of 8 voting yes.

Alderman Rockford motioned to move this agenda item to final passage with Alderman Gregory seconding the motion. No discussion. The motion passed with a vote of 8 voting yes.

2025-437 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF JAMES W. PETERS AS THE PURCHASING AGENT FOR THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD **(Requested by Mayor Misty Buscher)**

Alderman Donelan motioned to move this agenda item to final passage with Alderman Rockford seconding the motion. James Peters spoke. 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 Carlson motioned for adjournment with Alderman Gregory seconding the motion. No discussion. The motion passed with voice votes, 8 voting yes. Meeting adjourned at 6:28pm.

**Chuck Redpath Sr.
City Clerk**

Minutes to be approved on November 18, 2025.