June 3, 2019
Springfield, Missouri

The City Council met in regular session June 3, 2019, in the Council Chambers at Historic City Hall. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Ken McClure. A moment of silence was observed. Mayor McClure asked everyone to remember the victims in the Virginia Beach shooting.

Roll Call

Present: Abe McGull, Matthew Simpson, Mike Schilling, Phyllis Ferguson, Jan Fisk, Craig Hosmer, Richard Ollis, Andrew Lear, and Ken McClure. Absent: None.

Minutes

The minutes of the May 21, 2019, and the May 28, 2019, Special City Council Meetings were approved as presented.

Consent Agenda

The Consent Agenda was approved as presented.

CEREMONIAL MATTERS.

City Managers Report

Jason Gage, City Manager, noted the flags in Government Plaza are flying at half-staff in honor of the victims of the tragedy in Virginia Beach, Virginia. He noted the City is joining our colleagues at all government offices across the country to share in their sadness this evening. Mr. Gage praised the first responders, including other municipal employees, who took quick action, risking their own lives, in order to help save others.

Mr. Gage noted the Network for Young Professionals will be hosting its first ever "SGForum" event on Friday, June 7 at Veridian Events, 309 South Ave. He noted the City is the presenting sponsor and the keynote is at noon featuring author and community development expert Peter Kageyama.

Mr. Gage noted the June 6 edition of Good Morning, Springfield!, the Chamber of Commerce's monthly breakfast and networking program, will feature a "state of" style update from Springfield Mayor Ken McClure at Evangel University cafeteria, 7:30 am – 8:30 am. Mr. Gage noted the City will offer the following options for viewing the State of the City address: 1) Streaming live on the City's website: springfieldmo.gov; 2) Streaming live on the City's Facebook page: City of SGF; 3) Mediacom cable subscribers can tune in to channels 15.1 and 80 ; AT&T U-Verse subscribers can tune in to Channel 99. In addition, the City provides a transcript online and additional live coverage on the City's Twitter feed.

Mr. Gage noted Parks Director Bob Belote has provided the monthly update for May. He added tickets are now on sale for the Springfield Laser pro tennis team home season, July 14-31 at Cooper Tennis Complex. The Lasers take the court as the defending champions of the World Team Tennis league, having brought home the King Trophy last summer for the first time in the team's 23-year history.

Mr. Gage noted Police Chief Paul Williams has provided the monthly staffing update for May. He added two Springfield Police Department commanders were honored as part of the graduating class of the Missouri Police Chiefs Charitable Foundation Command

College and Lieutenant Charleston was given the David Steward Academic Award to represent the top academic honor of the class.

Mr. Gage noted Fire Chief David Pennington has provided a copy of the Fire Department's Annual Report. He added in 2018, the department was able to purchase a new first fire apparatus funded through the Level Property Tax and start preparation for the building of new Fire Station 13 on West College Street.

Mr. Gage noted the Missouri Job Center is seeking applicants for the Green for Greene program, a free training in which participants earn certifications for environmental-related careers. Green for Greene is funded by a $200,000 grant from the Environmental Protection Agency. Classes begin July 5, 2019, and are held daily from 8 am to 5 pm.

Mr. Gage noted the City of Springfield is accepting comments on the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Annual Action Plan for the fiscal year 2019-2020, available for public review and comment for 15 days from May 29 through 5 p.m., June 13, 2019. The Annual Action Plan is a concise summary of the actions, activities, and the specific federal and non-federal resources that will be used each year to address the priority needs and specific goals identified and designed to help states and local jurisdictions to assess their affordable housing and community development needs.

The following bills appeared on the agenda under Second Reading Bills

Rezoning 3303 West Division Street

Sponsor: Ferguson. Council Bill 2019-111. A general ordinance amending the Springfield Land Development Code, Section 36-306, 'Official zoning map and rules for interpretation, by rezoning 5 acres of property, generally located at 3303 West Division Street from LI, Light Industrial District to CS, Commercial Service District; establishing Conditional Overlay District No. 171; and adopting an updated Official Zoning Map. (Staff and Planning and Zoning Commission recommend approval.) (By: Jet View, LLC; 3303 W. Division Street; Z-10-2019 w/Conditional Overlay District No. 171.)

Ms. Cotter noted a protest petition was received and was found to be sufficient at 72.8%. A copy of the supplemental explanation has been provided and a supermajority or 6 votes will be required for passage of the proposed.

Mayor Pro Tem Ferguson asked for clarification pertaining to the ability for "tiny homes" to be placed in the proposed property. Mary Lilly Smith, Director of Planning and Development responded the rezoning would not allow the placement of "tiny homes" and noted this has been discussed with the applicant.

Councilman Hosmer asked for clarification that the purpose of the proposed was only for rezoning to step down zoning and the ability for the applicant to use the property for a particular purpose was not relevant to the proposed. Ms. Smith responded in the affirmative. Mr. Hosmer stated he would be supporting the proposed based on only the zoning which he believes is consistent with what is best for the area and not taking in to consideration potential uses in the future.

Councilman Ollis asked for clarification of the impact of the potential referral to the Plans and Policies Committee pertaining to tiny house, under new business, would impact the proposed. Rhonda Lewsader, City Attorney, stated if the proposed passed the Committee decision would not retroactively affect the proposed.

Councilman Simpson asked for clarification of the intent for Eden Village to continue with their plans based on the restrictions of the proposed zoning. Ms. Smith noted they has been notified and stated they would comply with the zoning.

Councilman McGull expressed concern with placing the proposed in a light industrial area.

Councilman Lear noted there are already townhomes in the area and expressed his opinion the step-down zoning is appropriate. Additionally, Mr. Lear noted he intends to support the proposed.

Mayor Pro Tem Ferguson expressed concern with reducing the amount of industrial zoning and mixing incompatible zoning districts. She also expressed her opinion the issues surrounding this rezoning are going to be considered by a Council Committee and would like to wait for a recommendation before proceeding.

Mayor Pro Tem Ferguson moved to table Council Bill 2019-111. Councilman McGull seconded the motion. Rhonda Lewsader, City Attorney noted it would be appropriate to table the proposed until a date certain and based on concerns for the amount of time it would be appropriate to table a zoning issue suggested tabling until the next regularly scheduled City Council Meeting.

Mayor Pro Tem Ferguson withdrew her motion and Councilman McGull withdrew his second.

Mayor Pro Tem Ferguson moved to table Council Bill 2019-111 until the June 17, 2019, City Council meeting. Councilman McGull seconded the motion, and it was approved by the following vote: Ayes: McGull, Simpson, Ferguson, Fisk, and McClure. Nays: Schilling, Hosmer, Ollis, and Lear. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

Commercial Street Community Improvement District

Sponsor: Ferguson. Council Bill 2019-119. A special ordinance approving a Petition to Amend and Restate the Petition to Establish the Commercial Street Community Improvement District and directing the City Clerk to notify the Missouri Department of Economic Development and the Greene County Clerk of the amendments. (Staff and the Commercial Street Community Improvement District Board of Directors recommend approval.)

Mayor McClure noted based on notice requirements the public hearing on the proposed was continued until tonight's meeting.

An opportunity was given for citizens to express their views.

Mary Collette spoke in support of the proposed. She thanked City Council for their support of the Community Improvement District (CID) and the endeavors pertaining to the Jefferson Avenue Foot Bridge. Ms. Collette asked City Council for their support of the renewal of the CID.

With no further appearances, the public hearing was closed.

Councilman Hosmer recused himself and left City Council Chambers.

Council Bill 2019-119. Special Ordinance 27185 was approved by the following vote: Ayes: McGull, Simpson, Schilling, Ferguson, Fisk, Ollis, Lear, and McClure. Nays: None. Absent: Hosmer. Abstain: None.

2019-2020 Fiscal Year Budget

Sponsor: McClure. Council Bill 2019-120. A special ordinance adopting a budget for the City of Springfield, Missouri, for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2019, and ending June 30, 2020; appropriating those certain amounts shown in the budget for the various departments and purposes specified in said budget; and declaring an emergency.

Council Bill 2019-120. Special Ordinance 27186 was approved by the following vote: Ayes: McGull, Simpson, Schilling, Ferguson, Fisk, Hosmer, Ollis, Lear, and McClure. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

Preliminary Tax Levy

Sponsor: Fisk. Council Bill 2019-121. A special ordinance setting a preliminary tax levy on real and personal property for current expenses and debt retirement of the City of Springfield, Missouri, and its boards and agencies for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2019, and ending June 30, 2020; and declaring an emergency.

Council Bill 2019-121. Special Ordinance 27187 was approved by the following vote: Ayes: McGull, Simpson, Schilling, Ferguson, Fisk, Hosmer, Ollis, Lear, and McClure. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

Condemnation for the Completion of Battlefield and Fremont Intersection Improvements

Sponsor: Simpson. Council Bill 2019-122. A special ordinance declaring the necessity of condemning rights-of-way over, under, and through the following properties generally located near Battlefield and Fremont: 1417 East Woodland Street, 2800 South Fremont Avenue, 2814 South Fremont Avenue, 2900 South Fremont Avenue, and 1415 East Battlefield Road in the City of Springfield, Missouri; authorizing certain officers, or their designees, to do all things necessary to carry out the terms of this Ordinance for the purpose of completing the Battlefield Road and Fremont Avenue Intersection Improvement and Fremont Avenue Widening (Battlefield Road to Sunset Street) Project #2013PW0019T funded through the ¼-Cent Capital Improvement Sales Tax.

Council Bill 2019-122. Special Ordinance 27188 was approved by the following vote: Ayes: McGull, Simpson, Schilling, Ferguson, Fisk, Hosmer, Ollis, Lear, and McClure. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

Land Purchase for Fire Station 13

Sponsor: Ferguson. Council Bill 2019-123. A special ordinance authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to enter into a contract for the purchase of land generally located at 1824 West College Street, for the purpose of constructing Fire Station 13, and to execute all necessary documents in support thereof. (Planning and Zoning Commission approved this Request to Acquire, and staff recommends approval.)

Council Bill 2019-123. Special Ordinance 27189 was approved by the following vote: Ayes: McGull, Simpson, Schilling, Ferguson, Fisk, Hosmer, Ollis, Lear, and McClure. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

Code Chapter 74 Weed Abatement - Code Change

Sponsor: Ferguson. Council Bill 2019-124. A general ordinance amending Springfield City Code Chapter 74- 'Nuisance and Housing Code,' by revising Section 74-31, 'City manager's authority,' subsection (b), Section 74-33, 'Notice requirements,' subsections (d)(4) and (5), Section 74-403, 'Weeds over 12 inches in height declared nuisance,' Section 74-404, 'Permitting growth of weeds over 12 inches in height,' Section 74-405, 'Abatement procedure,' subsection (b); for the purpose of accelerating nuisance abatement; and revising Section 74-406, 'Charges for abatement by city,' subsections (b) and (c) for the purpose of enhancing cost recovery.

Mayor Pro Tem Ferguson thanked staff for their work on the proposed.

Council Bill 2019-124. General Ordinance 6531 was approved by the following vote: Ayes: McGull, Simpson, Schilling, Ferguson, Fisk, Hosmer, Ollis, Lear, and McClure. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

The following bills appeared on the agenda Resolutions.

Walkability Guide

Sponsor: McGull. Council Bill 2019-128. A resolution adopting the Springfield, Missouri, Walkability Guide, which identifies guidelines and fundamental elements of a walkable environment that can be used to increase walkability in the City of Springfield.

Randall Whitman, Principal City Planner, and Derrick Estell, Public Works Engineer, provided a brief overview of the proposed. They provided a history of the project and a review of the items learned in Decatur Georgia.

An opportunity was given for citizens to express their views.

Susie Turner, President of Ozark Greenways, spoke in support of the proposed. She expressed this measure integrates with the numerous trails in the City of Springfield to ensure trails in our community are connected, maintained, utilized, and enhanced. She discussed the benefits of trails in the community and asked for City Council support on behalf of Ozarks Greenways.

Ryan Mooney, Senior Vice President of Economic Development with the Springfield Area Chamber of Commerce spoke in support of the proposed. Mr. Mooney noted the proposed align with the Chamber's mission to bring quality jobs to the area. He noted bringing people to the community is one of the biggest challenges and this measure helps with place making in our community.

Addison Jones spoke in support of the proposed. Mr. Jones noted the ability to live in a walkable neighborhood is one of the factors that prompted them to stay in Springfield. He discussed the positive impact walking has on the community and requested City Council vote in support of the proposed.

Amy Blansit, Founder of the Drew Lewis Foundation, spoke in support of the proposed. Ms. Blansit discussed the importance of walkability to the residents of north Springfield. She reviewed items from a report from the American Enterprise Institute and encouraged City Council to support the proposed noting the additional focus in the proposed pertaining to amenities.

Greg Horton spoke in support of the proposed. He discussed the importance of enhancing the walkability in our community, including quality of life, health, and creating a sense of place. Mr. Horton expressed his opinion this measure will assist with attracting and retaining talent in our community.

Laurel Bryant spoke in support of the proposed. Ms. Bryant noted she serves on the Springfield Association of the Blind board and encourages City Council to support measures that address concerns of residents that are blind.

There being no further appearances the discussion was closed.

Councilman Simpson expressed his opinion that walkability has a significant positive impact on Economic growth in our City and would be voting in support of the proposed.

Councilwoman Fisk discussed the importance of walkability for our community, and it has been discussed on several Community Leadership Visits.

Councilman Ollis expressed his support for the proposed and thanked the members of the walkability team for the work they have accomplished on this important topic.

Mayor Pro Tem Ferguson thanked the walkability team for their work on the proposed.

Mayor McClure thanked the walkability team and Councilman Ollis for their work on the proposed.

Council Bill 2019-128. Resolution 10457 was approved by the following vote: Ayes: McGull, Simpson, Schilling, Ferguson, Fisk, Hosmer, Ollis, Lear, and McClure. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

Designating Sequiota Store/Treadway's General Store & Gas Station, as a Historic Site

Sponsor: Simpson. Council Bill 2019-129. A resolution designating the Sequiota Store/Treadway's General Store & Gas Station, generally located at 3535 South Lone Pine Avenue, as a Historic Site on the Springfield Historic Register.

Mary Lilly Smith, Director of Planning and Development provided a brief overview of the proposed. Ms. Smith noted this is a request to designate this property as a Historic

Site. She noted this designation would require any exterior alterations or demolition requiring a permit to be reviewed by the Landmarks Board for approval. If the alteration is denied by the Landmarks Board, then the applicant must wait 60 days before the permit will be issued. Ms. Smith noted this application was submitted by the Galloway Village Neighborhood Association and the property owner objects to the listing. She added the Landmarks Board recommended approval 7-0.

Mayor Pro Tem asked for clarification of the process for alterations if the designation is approved. Ms. Smith reiterated the process.

Councilman Ollis asked for clarification of the process in regard to the owner not being in support of the designation. Ms. Smith noted she had reviewed historic site designation request for the last 20 years. She noted during that time frame 7 applications were submitted and, in all cases, the owner either made the application or spoke in support of the designation.

Councilman Schilling asked if any other properties had been looked at being eligible to being nominated as historic sites. Ms. Smith said not to her knowledge; however, noted historic designation would be an area looked at in the comprehensive planning process citywide.

Councilman Hosmer asked for clarification of how long the current owner had owned the property. Ms. Smith stated she was unsure; however, the owner was in attendance and could answer that question.

An opportunity was given for citizens to express their views.

Betsy Johnson, Vice President of Galloway Village Neighborhood Association spoke in support of the proposed. She noted the Galloway Neighborhood Association had submitted the application and clarified the building was built in 1929. Ms. Johnson provided an overview of the application outlining the historic significance of the property.

Councilman McGull asked if the Neighborhood had discussed this designation with the property owner. Ms. Johnson stated they were reaching out to the owner for discussion now.

Jacque Thummel spoke in support of the proposed. She expressed her opinion this designation helps preserve the historic nature of the Galloway Neighborhood. Ms. Thummel discussed the history of formation of the neighborhood association and the desire to maintain the historic nature of the area. Ms. Thummel noted the neighborhood would like to designate the whole area an Historic District.

Councilman Lear asked for clarification of potential sites the neighborhood would like to see designated as Historic Sites. Ms. Thummell expressed her opinion there were potentially seven additional properties along the Lone Pine corridor as well as some single-family structures not located in on the corridor.

Marcie Kirkup, President of the Galloway Village Neighborhood Association, spoke in support of the proposed. She noted the neighborhood has reached out to Mr. Jenkins but has not been able to have a conversation at this point. Ms. Kirkup noted the historic preservation of this area is a priority of the neighborhood. She noted the walkability of the area and the historic nature of the area work hand in hand.

Ron Boles spoke in support of the proposed. Mr. Boles discussed the history of the Treadway's General Store and the impact as it had the neighborhood. He noted this and other historic structures add to the feel of the neighborhood. Mr. Boles asked Council to support the proposed.

Ray Birchler spoke in support of the proposed. He encouraged City Council to make the Treadway's General Store & Gas Station a historic site because of the important impact it has had on the neighborhood. Mr. Birchler noted the train station in Galloway had been demolished and we need to protect what buildings we have left.

Wendy Huscher, Treasurer of the Galloway Village Neighborhood Association spoke in support of the proposed. Ms. Huscher expressed her opinion the letter submitted by the owner in opposition to the Historic Site designation contained inaccuracies. Ms. Huscher asked City Council to help Galloway keep this piece of history.

Melanie Bach spoke in support of the proposed. Ms. Bach noted development in the area has had a negative impact to the neighborhood. She asked City Council to help preserve the items that provide character to the neighborhood and designate this property as a Historic Site.

Kaitlyn McConnel, Representative of the Landmarks Board, spoke in support of the proposed. Ms. McConnel noted that this property means something to the individuals in this neighborhood. She highlighted the facts the property is adjacent to a park and exemplifies the character and heritage of the area, which makes it historically significant.

Councilman Hosmer asked if this property qualifies for historic tax credits. Ms. Smith responded this designation would not make this property eligible for historic tax credits.

Councilman Lear asked for clarification if the significant changes to the structure would impact the ability for it to be considered a historic site. Ms. McConnel stated for her personally if the building fulfills the historic feel through the emotions it prompts for the neighborhood it does not matter what it looks like.

Mitchell Jenkins spoke in opposition of the proposed. Mr. Jenkins noted he and his wife are the property owners. He provided a history of the process of meeting with the neighborhood and the accommodations they have made in deference to the desires of the neighborhood. Mr. Jenkins asked City Council to vote in opposition of the proposed.

Mayor McClure asked for clarification of when Mr. Jenkins was notified of the application for Historic Site Designation for his property. Mr. Jenkins stated he was

notified by the City of Springfield on April 2, 2019, of the application. He stated no one from the Neighborhood had discussed this process or application with him.

Mayor Pro Tem Ferguson asked if the property was currently for sale. Mr. Jenkins answered in the affirmative. Ms. Ferguson asked if there was anything that would prompt him to change his position on designating the property as an Historic Site. Mr. Jenkins stated since the property is currently listed for sale he is apprehensive of committing to restrictions on the property. Mr. Jenkins expressed his opinion they have made several concessions to the neighborhood but has been unable to come to an agreement.

Councilman Hosmer asked if the blight designation the reason he purchased the property. Mr. Jenkins noted when he first considered the property he was unaware of the blight designation.

Councilman Hosmer expressed his opinion the historic character of the area should be maintained and had concerns development in the area is significantly changing the area. Mr. Jenkins responded if given the opportunity he would have worked with the neighborhood; however, he was not provided with that opportunity. Councilman Hosmer encouraged Mr. Jenkins to consider and look into the possibility of historic tax credits.

Councilman McGull asked for clarification from Mr. Jenkins if he was not given the opportunity to negotiate the proposed with the neighborhood. Mr. Jenkins answered affirmatively. Councilman McGull expressed his opinion the property owner and the neighborhood should meet and discuss this. Mr. Jenkins expressed his opinion with the property for sale he does not feel it would be productive to meet and move forward.

There being no further appearances the discussion was closed.

Mayor McClure asked for clarification from the City Attorney as to Council's ability to table the matter. Rhonda Lewsader, City Attorney noted the City Code does not allow City Council to table the proposed and requires City Council to take action this evening.

Councilwoman Fisk asked about the process of naming the area as a Historic District Designation. Ms. Smith discussed the process.

Councilman Ollis expressed his opinion Galloway is a unique area; however, he has some significant concerns on how this Historic Site application was handled and will be voting in opposition of the proposed.

Councilman McGull expressed his opinion considering designation of the area as a Historic District would be a very positive move for the area.

Councilman Simpson stated he would be in voting in support of the proposed based on the recommendation of the Landmarks Board; however, he has concerns about the process utilized.

Councilman Lear expressed his opinion the Administrative Delay currently in place was put in place to prevent situations such as this. He stated he would be voting in support of the proposed.

Mayor McClure asked when the application was filed. Ms. Smith responded March 20, 2019. Mayor McClure asked if approval of this would be the first time an approval would be provided for an Historic Site designation with owner approval in the past 20 years. Ms. Smith answered affirmatively.

Mayor Pro Tem Ferguson noted this is a very difficult situation. She asked for clarification of the timing of the process if the designation was approved. Ms. Smith noted it would be 60 days after Landmark Board consideration.

Councilman Hosmer asked if this application was handled properly. Ms. Smith answered affirmatively. Councilman Hosmer asked if Mr. Jenkins could still accomplish everything he wanted to accomplish just with a delay. Mr. Smith answered affirmatively. Councilman Hosmer noted the Landmark Board approved this application 7-0 and would be voting in support of the proposed.

Mayor McClure asked for clarification for additions to the property. Ms. Smith expressed her opinion the property had been added onto. Mayor McClure expressed his opinion the property owner not being notified was inappropriate and sets a bad precedent.

Council Bill 2019-129 was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Simpson, Schilling, Hosmer, Lear, and McClure. Nays: McGull, Ferguson, Fisk, and Ollis. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

Mayor McClure asked for clarification of his vote. Anita Cotter, City Clerk noted his vote was reflected as an aye vote.

Mayor McClure moved to reconsider Council Bill 2019-129. Councilman Ollis seconded the motion and it was discussed.

Councilman Hosmer asked for clarification of the motion to reconsider. Ms. Lewsader read City Code section 2-42 (g).

The motion to reconsider was approved by the following vote: Ayes: McGull, Simpson, Ferguson, Fisk, Ollis, Lear, and McClure. Nays: Schilling, and Hosmer. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

Council Bill 2019-129. Failed by the following vote: Ayes: Simpson, Schilling, Hosmer, and Lear. Nays: McGull, Ferguson, Fisk, Ollis, and McClure. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

EMERGENCY BILLS

PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS

GRANTS

AMENDED BILLS

The following bills appeared on the agenda under Public Hearing Bills.

Innovation Avenue

Sponsor: Simpson. Council Bill 2019-130. A general ordinance amending the Official Map of the City of Springfield, Missouri, adopted pursuant to General Ordinance 1478, by changing the name of the 3000 to 3100 block of East Farm Road 188 to the 6400 to 6500 block of South Innovation Avenue. (Staff and Planning and Zoning Commission both recommend approval.)

Mary Lilly Smith, Director of Planning and Development provided a brief overview of the proposed. Ms. Smith noted the proposed would be renaming a farm road with an incorrect direction designation which had been annexed into the City.

An opportunity was given for citizens to express their views.

Jared Davis, representative for the owner, spoke in support of the proposed and made himself available for any questions City Council may have.

There being no further appearances the discussion was closed.

Rezoning 1820, 1830, 1834 and 1838 North Nixon Avenue

Sponsor: Ferguson. Council Bill 2019-131. A general ordinance amending the Springfield Land Development Code, Section 36-306, 'Official zoning map and rules for interpretation,' by rezoning 1.69 acres of property, generally located at 1820, 1830, 1834 and 1838 North Nixon Avenue, from a R-TH, Residential Townhouse District to RI, Restricted Industrial District and establishing Conditional Overlay District No. 173. (Staff recommends denial and Planning and Zoning Commission recommend approval.) (By: A&D Group LLC; 1820, 1830, 1834 and 1838 North Nixon Avenue; Z-12-2019 w/COD No. 173.)

Mary Lilly Smith, Director of Planning and Development provided a brief overview of the proposed. Ms. Smith noted the proposed is inconsistent with the Comprehensive plan and staff recommends denial. Ms. Smith noted Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval.

An opportunity was given for citizens to express their views.

Adam Dunlap spoke in support of the proposed. He noted the proposed is being used to create a buffer between the proposed and the neighboring property. Mr. Dunlap noted he is also self-imposing additional requirements to the rezoning. He expressed his opinion the proposed will improve this area.

There being no further appearances the discussion was closed.

The following bills appeared on the agenda under First Reading Bills.

Collective Bargaining Agreement with Springfield Police Officers' Association

Sponsor: Fisk. Council Bill 2019-132. A special ordinance approving the Second Amendment to Article 18 – 'Wages,' of the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City and the Springfield Police Officers' Association, Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 22, and authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to acknowledge and deliver the Second Amendment on behalf of the City to the Bargaining Unit; and declaring an emergency.

Darla Morrison, Director of Human Resources provided a brief overview of the proposed. She noted the proposed is the second amendment to the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City and the Springfield Police Officers' Association. Ms. Morrison outlined the terms of the agreement including wage adjustments.

Mayor McClure congratulated City staff and the members of the Springfield Police Officers Association on completion of this agreement.

An opportunity was given for citizens to express their views. There being no appearances the discussion was closed.

Collective Bargaining Agreement with International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local No. 753

Sponsor: Ollis. Council Bill 2019-133. A special ordinance approving the Collective Bargaining Agreement by and between the City and the Bargaining Unit of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local No. 753 affiliated with the AFL-CIO, by authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to acknowledge and deliver the Collective Bargaining Agreement on behalf of the City to the Bargaining Unit; and declaring an emergency.

Councilman Ollis moved to amend Council Bill 2019-133 by substituting a new Exhibit 1, which is a Certification of Representation of IBEW, Local 753." Councilman Simpson seconded the motion, and it was approved by the following vote: Ayes: McGull, Simpson, Schilling, Ferguson, Fisk, Hosmer, Ollis, Lear, and McClure. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

Darla Morrison, Director of Human Resources provided a brief overview of the proposed. She noted the proposed is the Charter Agreement to the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City and the Bargaining Unit of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local No. 753. Ms. Morrison outlined the negations and terms of the agreement including wage adjustments.

Mayor McClure congratulated City staff and the members of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local No. 753 on completion of this agreement.

An opportunity was given for citizens to express their views. There being no appearances the discussion was closed.

Salary Ordinance

Sponsor: McClure. Council Bill 2019-134. A general ordinance amending the Springfield City Code, Chapter 2, Article III, Division 1, Section 2.92, known as the 'Salary Ordinance,' relating to salary grades for various job titles within the City service as

contained in the Professional, Administrative and Technical Schedule and the Crafts, Trades and Labor Schedule, by making provision for twelve new job titles and by deleting seven job titles; by establishing the Crafts, Trades and Labor Non-Union Schedule and providing pay adjustments for employees on the Crafts, Trades and Labor Non-Union Schedule; by providing pay adjustments for employees on the Professional, Administrative and Technical Schedules, as well as for certain non-union salary grades in the Fire Protection and Law Enforcement Schedules; by amending General Ordinance 6459, Section 6 and General Ordinance 5432, Section 3 relating to the Law Enforcement Schedule and Fire Protection Schedule, respectively; by amending General Ordinance 6288, Section 9 relating to educational allowance by eliminating the eligibility of Police Major to receive educational allowance; and by declaring an emergency.

Darla Morrison, Director of Human Resources provided a brief overview of the proposed. Ms. Morrison noted this is the annual salary ordinance and outlined the new positions, pay increases for non-union employees, and changes to educational allowances.

An opportunity was given for citizens to express their views. There being no appearances the discussion was closed.

Council Bills 2019-135 and Council Bill 2019-136 were read and consider simultaneously.

Agreement with the Springfield Convention and Visitors Bureau

Sponsor: Schilling. Council Bill 2019-135. A special ordinance authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to enter into an agreement with the Springfield Convention and Visitors Bureau, Inc., in the amount of $3,755,400, for the purpose of promoting travel and tourism within the City of Springfield.

Agreement with the Greater Springfield Area Sports Commission

Sponsor: Hosmer. Council Bill 2019-136. A special ordinance authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to enter into an agreement with the Greater Springfield Area Sports Commission, Inc., in the amount of $91,500, for the purpose of promoting the attraction of sporting events to the community.

Tracy Kimberlin, President of the Springfield Convention and Visitors Bureau provided a brief overview of both bills. Mr. Kimberlin noted this was the annual contracts with both the Convention and Visitors Bureau and the Sports Commission. He discussed changes to the budget concerning a change in staffing and payroll and health insurance.

Councilman McGull asked what percentage of the budget was spent on out of state marketing. Mr. Kimberlin responded that 55% of the budget was utilized for this purpose.

An opportunity was given for citizens to express their views on both bills. There being no appearances the discussion on both bills was closed.

Annual Maintenance Contract for Traffic Signals

Sponsor: Lear. Council Bill 2019-137. A special ordinance approving the Annual Maintenance Contract for Traffic Signals for Fiscal Year 2019-2020; accepting the bid of Ewing Signal Construction, LLC, in the amount of $149,035.00; and authorizing the City

Manager to enter into a contract with such bidder for the purpose of maintaining the City's traffic signal infrastructure.

Jason Saliba, Professional Engineer provided a brief overview of the proposed noting this is a continuation of the annual signal maintenance contract.

An opportunity was given for citizens to express their views. There being no appearances the discussion was closed.

Environmental Services Parking and Material Storage Building Project

Sponsor: Ferguson. Council Bill 2019-138. A special ordinance authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to approve the plans and specifications of the Environmental Services Parking and Material Storage Building Project, to accept the bid of $620,000.00, and to enter into a contract with Branco Enterprises, Inc., for completion of the Project.

Erin Kemper, Director of Environmental Services provided a brief overview of the proposed. Mr. Kemper noted this will be utilized to house equipment as well as other uses in the future.

An opportunity was given for citizens to express their views. There being no appearances the discussion was closed.

PETITIONS, REMONSTRANCES, AND COMMUNICATIONS

Did Not Appear

Clifford VanNatta wishes to address City Council.

NEW BUSINESS

The Mayor recommended the following appointment to the Springfield/Greene County Public Library Board: Tez Ward with term to expire July 1, 2022.

A referral was made to the Plans and Policies Committee of the topics of tiny homes, tiny home communities, and campgrounds and recreational vehicle parks.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

MISCELLANEOUS

CONSENT AGENDA FIRST READING BILLS

CONSENT AGENDA SECOND READING BILLS

The following bills appeared on the agenda under Consent Agenda Second Reading Bills.

Encroachment License Agreement with Falstaff's, LLC

Sponsor: Schilling. Council Bill 2019-125. A special ordinance authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to enter into an Encroachment License Agreement with Falstaff's, LLC, for the purpose of constructing and maintaining a sign which will extend over the public right-of-way located at 311 Park Central West.

Council Bill 2019-125. Special Ordinance 27190 was approved by the following vote: Ayes: McGull, Simpson, Schilling, Ferguson, Fisk, Hosmer, Ollis, Lear, and McClure. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA.

Confirm the following reappointments to the Personnel Board: Perry Epperly, Michael Ramos, and Brent Sweet with terms to expire March 1, 2022.

Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at approximately 9:35 p.m.

Anita J. Cotter, CMC/MRCC
City Clerk