



## City of Springfield

### Minutes

### City Council

**Ken McClure, Mayor**

#### **Zone Councilmembers**

Monica Horton, Zone 1  
Abe McGull, Zone 2  
Brandon Jenson, Zone 3  
Matthew Simpson, Zone 4

#### **General Councilmembers**

Heather Hardinger, General A  
Craig Hosmer, General B  
Callie Carroll, General C  
Derek Lee, General D

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**August 21, 2023**

**6:30 PM**

**City Council Chambers**

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### **1. ROLL CALL.**

Present: Derek Lee, Brandon Jenson, Monica Horton, Abe McGull, Matthew Simpson, Craig Hosmer, Heather Hardinger, Callie Carroll, and Ken McClure.  
Absent: None.

### **2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.**

#### **2.1. Approval of Minutes of August 7, 2023, Meeting.**

Approval of Minutes. August 7, 2023, City Council Meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Simpson moved to approve the minutes of the August 7, 2023, City Council meeting. Councilman Jenson seconded the motion, and it was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Jenson, Horton, McGull, Simpson, Hosmer, Hardinger, Carroll, Lee, and McClure. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

### **3. FINALIZATION AND APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDAS.**

CITIZENS WISHING TO SPEAK TO OR REMOVE ITEMS FROM THE CONSENT AGENDAS MUST DO SO AT THIS TIME.

Councilman Hosmer requested Item 20.2, Council Bill 2023-206, be removed from Consent Agenda Second Reading Bills. Anita Cotter, City Clerk, noted Item 20.2 under Consent Agenda Second Reading Bills would become Item 6.12 under Second Reading Bills. Councilman Hosmer noted he would like to remove the bill to discuss the amount of the property.

The Consent Agenda was approved as amended by the following vote: Ayes: Jenson, Horton, McGull, Simpson, Hosmer, Hardinger, Carroll, Lee, and McClure. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

**4. CEREMONIAL MATTERS.**

**5. CITY MANAGER REPORT AND RESPONSES TO QUESTIONS RAISED AT THE PREVIOUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING.**

Jason Gage, City Manager, noted the Springfield Fire Department held a ribbon cutting for Fire Station 13 at 1200 W. College Street on historic Route 66. He added this project was funded by a voter-approved level property tax.

Mr. Gage noted the next public meeting regarding the Lake Springfield Plan will take place at 6:00 p.m. on October 12 at the Springfield Art Museum. The consulting teams will zero in on a list of specific goals for the project.

Mr. Gage noted the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) awarded the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting to the City of Springfield for its Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022. The report was judged by an impartial panel to meet the high standards of the program, which includes demonstrating a constructive "spirit of full disclosure" to clearly communicate its financial story and motivating potential users and user groups to read the report. The Certificate of Achievement is the highest form of recognition in governmental accounting and financial reporting, and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by a government and its management.

Mr. Gage noted approximately 65,000 people attended the 2023 Birthplace of Route 66 Festival. A short video highlight reel was shown.

Mayor McClure thanked all who participated in the event.

**6. SECOND READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.**

Citizens Have Spoken. Except Item #6.1. Citizens May Speak to the Amendment Only. May Be Voted On.

**6.1. Amended Council Bill 2023-187 (Simpson)**

A special ordinance amending the City of Springfield's Citizen Participation Plan, which is part of the Consolidated Plan for the administration of City programs funded by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, to accommodate regulatory changes, update regulatory citations and policy, provide an option for staff to hold public meetings, and improve the Citizen Participation Plan's clarity. (Staff recommends approval.)

An opportunity was given for citizens to express their views on the amendment only. With no appearances, the public hearing was declared closed.

Amended Council Bill 2023-187 (Simpson). Special Ordinance 27894 was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Jenson, Horton, McGull, Simpson, Hosmer, Hardinger, Carroll, Lee, and McClure. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

6.2. Council Bill 2023-195 (McGull)

A general ordinance amending Section 1-9 of the Springfield City Code, 'City Limits,' and Section 46-1 of the Springfield City Code, 'Boundaries of wards, precincts and council zones,' for the purpose of annexing approximately 10.6 acres of private property generally located at 4808 East Parallel Lane, and referenced as Annexation A-4-2023, into the City of Springfield. (Staff recommends approval.)(By: Tina Patel; 4808 East Parallel Lane; A-4-2023.)

Council Bill 2023-195 (McGull). General Ordinance 6804 was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Jenson, Horton, McGull, Simpson, Hosmer, Hardinger, Carroll, Lee, and McClure. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

6.3. Council Bill 2023-196 (McGull)

A general ordinance amending the Springfield Land Development Code, Section 36-306, 'Official zoning map and rules for interpretation,' by rezoning approximately 10.6 acres of property generally located at 4808 East Parallel Lane from County M-1, Light manufacturing district, to City IC, Industrial commercial district, with Conditional Overlay District No. 229; establishing Conditional Overlay District No. 229; and adopting an updated Official Zoning Map. (Staff and Planning and Zoning Commission recommend approval.)(By: Tina Patel; 4808 East Parallel Lane; Z-13-2023 with Conditional Overlay District No. 229.)

Council Bill 2023-196 (McGull). General Ordinance 6805 was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Jenson, Horton, McGull, Simpson, Hosmer, Hardinger, Carroll, Lee, and McClure. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

6.4. Council Bill 2023-197 (Simpson)

A general ordinance amending the Springfield Land Development Code, Section 36-306, 'Official zoning map and rules for interpretation,' by rezoning approximately 6.5 acres of property generally located at 6401 South Farmers Branch Avenue from Planned Development No. 201 to GR, General Retail District, with Conditional Overlay District No. 232; establishing Conditional Overlay District No. 232; and adopting an updated Official Zoning Map. (Staff and the Planning and Zoning Commission recommend approval.)(By: William F. Walz Jr. Etal Trust; 6401 South Farmers Branch Avenue; Z-16-2023 w/ COD No. 232.)

Councilman Lee recused himself from Council Bill 2023-197 and left the dais.

Council Bill 2023-197 (Simpson). General Ordinance 6806 was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Jenson, Horton, McGull, Simpson, Hosmer, Hardinger, Carroll, and McClure. Nays: None. Absent: Lee. Abstain: None.

Councilman Lee returned to the dais.

6.5. Council Bill 2023-198 (McGull)

A general ordinance amending the Springfield Land Development Code, Section 36-306, 'Official zoning map and rules for interpretation,' by rezoning approximately 2.43 acres of property generally located at the 3500 block of East Olive Street from Planned Development No. 298 to GR, General retail district, with Conditional Overlay District No. 233; establishing Conditional Overlay District No. 233; and adopting an updated Official Zoning Map. (Staff and Planning and Zoning Commission recommend approval.)(By: In-Out, LLC; 3500 block of East Olive Street; Z-17-2023 with Conditional Overlay District No. 233.)

Council Bill 2023-198 (McGull). General Ordinance 6807 was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Jenson, Horton, McGull, Simpson, Hosmer, Hardinger, Carroll, Lee, and McClure. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

6.6. Council Bill 2023-199 (McGull)

A general ordinance amending Section 1-9 of the Springfield City Code, 'City Limits,' and Section 46-1 of the Springfield City Code, 'Boundaries of wards, precincts and council zones,' for the purpose of annexing approximately 28 acres of private property generally located at 5500 East Farm Road 104, and referenced as Annexation A-5-2023, into the City of Springfield. (Staff recommends approval.)(By: Jerry Tolbert Trust; 5500 East Farm Road 104; A-5-2023.)

Council Bill 2023-199 (McGull). General Ordinance 6808 was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Jenson, Horton, McGull, Simpson, Hosmer, Hardinger, Carroll, Lee, and McClure. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

6.7. Council Bill 2023-200 (McGull)

A general ordinance amending the Springfield Land Development Code, Section 36-306, 'Official zoning map and rules for interpretation,' by rezoning approximately 28 acres of property generally located at 5500 East Farm Road 104 from County A-1, Agricultural district, to City HC, Highway commercial district, with Conditional Overlay District No. 234; establishing Conditional Overlay District No. 234; and adopting an updated Official Zoning Map. (Staff and Planning and Zoning Commission recommend approval.)(By: Jerry Tolbert Trust; 5500 East Farm Road 104; Z-18-2023 with Conditional Overlay District No. 234.)

Council Bill 2023-200 (McGull). General Ordinance 6809 was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Jenson, Horton, McGull, Simpson, Hosmer, Hardinger, Carroll, Lee, and McClure. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

6.8. Council Bill 2023-201 (Simpson)

A special ordinance authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to accept \$13,500,000 of American Rescue Plan Act grant funds appropriated by the Missouri General Assembly and \$631,275 in local match funds from the Springfield Convention and Visitors Bureau, Inc., to support maintenance and improvements to the Cooper Park/Lake Country Soccer Complex and the Killian Softball Complex; authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to do those things necessary to receive and disburse such funding and carry out the identified activities, including entering into a Grant Agreement with the Missouri Department of Economic Development for the purpose of accepting the \$13,500,000 of American Rescue Plan Act grant funds and entering into an Agreement with the Springfield Convention and Visitors Bureau, Inc., for the purpose

of accepting the \$631,275 in local match funds; appropriating \$5,000,000 of General Fund carryover funds to provide additional local match funds; and amending the budget of the City of Springfield for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 in the amount of \$19,131,275.

Councilman Hosmer expressed his opinion the proposed was a good economic development proposal as it will bring sports tourism to the City of Springfield. He thanked the legislators that supported the funds.

Mayor Pro Tem Simpson expressed his support for the proposed. He expressed the proposed is anticipated to draw more tourism to the area.

Council Bill 2023-201 (Simpson). Special Ordinance 27892 was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Jenson, Horton, McGull, Simpson, Hosmer, Hardinger, Carroll, Lee, and McClure. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

6.9. Council Bill 2023-202 (Horton)

A special ordinance authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to enter into a license agreement with Northrop Grumman Systems Corporation, for the purpose of installing and maintaining monitoring wells on public right-of-way near the site of the former Litton Systems property, generally located at 4811 West Kearney Street, to monitor groundwater conditions at no cost to the City.

Councilwoman Horton expressed her support for the proposed. She noted the issue is an environmental justice issue.

Councilman Hosmer expressed his support for the proposed. He noted he would like to see a plan to mitigate the issue in the area.

Council Bill 2023-202 (Horton). Special Ordinance 27893 was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Jenson, Horton, McGull, Simpson, Hosmer, Hardinger, Carroll, Lee, and McClure. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

6.10. Council Bill 2023-203 (Hosmer)

A special ordinance authorizing the issuance of not to exceed \$4,877,000 principal amount of Special Obligation Bonds (State of Missouri – Direct Loan Program) Series 2023 of the City of Springfield, Missouri, for the purpose of extending and improving the City's sewerage system; amending the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 budget of the City in the amount of \$6,377,000; prescribing the form and details of the bonds and the agreements made by the City to facilitate and protect their payment; and prescribing other related matters; and declaring an emergency.

Council Bill 2023-203 (Hosmer). Special Ordinance 27894 was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Jenson, Horton, McGull, Simpson, Hosmer, Hardinger, Carroll, Lee, and McClure. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

6.11. Council Bill 2023-204 (Carroll)

A general ordinance amending the Springfield City Code, Chapter 54, 'Fire Prevention and Protection,' Article II, 'Fire Prevention Code,' Section 54-32, 'Amendments and additions,' by adding specific local amendments to Section 507 of the 2018 International Fire Code, relating to private fire service mains and hydrants.

Council Bill 2023-204 (Carroll). General Ordinance 6810 was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Jenson, Horton, McGull, Simpson, Hosmer, Hardinger, Carroll, Lee, and McClure. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

6.12. Council Bill 2023-206 (Horton) **This item was removed as item 20.2 under Consent Agenda Second Reading Bills to become item 6.12 under Second Reading Bills.**

A special ordinance authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to enter into a contract for the purchase of land generally located at 601 North Brown Avenue as part of the Westport Branch Green Infrastructure Project and to execute all necessary documents in support thereof.

Councilman Hosmer asked about the policy regarding expenditures on the Consent Agenda. Mayor McClure responded that items under \$50,000 can be placed on the Consent Agenda. Councilman Hosmer asked the price of the proposed. Jason Gage, City Manager, responded approximately \$46,000.

Council Bill 2023-206 (Horton). Ordinance 27896 was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Jenson, Horton, McGull, Simpson, Hosmer, Hardinger, Carroll, Lee, and McClure. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

## **7. RESOLUTIONS. Citizens May Speak. May Be Voted On.**

7.1. Council Bill 2023-208 (City Council)

A resolution declaring the results of the Special Municipal Election held on August 8, 2023, under the Home Rule Charter of the City of Springfield, Missouri, on the question of whether the City shall be authorized to impose an additional sales tax of three percent (3 percent) on the retail sale of adult use marijuana with proceeds from such tax to be used for public safety, mental health services, housing, and substance abuse services.

Anita Cotter, City Clerk, provided a brief overview of the proposed. Ms. Cotter noted an election was held on August 8, 2023, to determine if a 3% tax on marijuana could be applied. The results were certified on August 14, 2023, by the Greene County Clerk. Ms. Cotter further noted the results were 4,190 votes in support and 1,811 votes in opposition. The measure passed, and it is anticipated collection of the tax will begin on January 1, 2024.

An opportunity was given for citizens to express their views. With no appearances, the public hearing was declared closed.

Council Bill 2023-208 (City Council). Resolution 10720 was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Jenson, Horton, McGull, Simpson, Hosmer, Hardinger, Carroll, Lee, and McClure. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

7.2. Council Bill 2023-209 (McGull)

A resolution granting a Short-Term Rental Type 2 permit for the property located at 1160 South Pennsylvania Avenue for the purpose of allowing the establishment of a Short-Term Rental Type 2 pursuant to Section 36-473 of the Land Development Code.

Bob Hosmer, Planning Manager, provided a brief overview of the proposed. Mr. Hosmer noted the proposed is an appeal for a short-term rental type 2 at 1160 South Pennsylvania. Code requires signatures of 55% or more from the adjacent properties. No signatures were

obtained. All adjacent properties were notified.

Councilman Hosmer expressed his opposition to short-term rentals and his belief they decrease availability of single-family homes. He noted Springfield has 60% of its population living in rental property and a 22% poverty rate.

Councilman Jenson asked for the maximum density regulations for short-term rentals. Mr. Hosmer responded there can be four short-term rentals in one block face. Councilman Jenson noted a decline in hotel usage.

Councilman McGull asked if the properties are taxed similar to hotels and motels, and if the proposed followed the process. Mr. Hosmer responded affirmatively.

An opportunity was given for citizens to express their views.

Nathan Cole spoke in support of the proposed. Mr. Cole noted significant effort was made to contact the owners to obtain signatures. He added their goal is to keep a beautiful property. Mr. Cole noted the management company can respond immediately if there are any issues; they do background checks for all guests, and there have been no significant concerns in Springfield.

Councilman Jenson asked if the business model is one that Mr. Cole sees expanding. Mr. Cole responded affirmatively. Councilman Jenson asked the intended occupancy and length of stay for guests. Mr. Cole responded approximately six days to two weeks and rates were competitive.

Councilman McGull asked if the notices were sent to the current owners of the property. Ms. Hosmer responded affirmatively.

Beth Blaisdell spoke in support of the proposed. Ms. Blaisdell noted she is a homeowner on the street and expressed her opinion the proposed short-term rental adds value to the neighborhood.

With no further appearances, the public hearing was declared closed.

Councilwoman Horton noted most short-term rentals do not come to City Council, and the decision is discretionary.

Councilwoman Hardinger expressed her belief the questions raised about housing are important. However, the issue at hand is to follow the process.

Mayor McClure expressed his belief there are modifications that could be made to improve the process. He noted short-term rentals are the trend, and his guidelines are to look at the signatures and to listen to the applicant. Mayor McClure expressed his belief this short-term rental would improve the neighborhood.

Council Bill 2023-209 (McGull). Resolution 10721 was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Jenson, Horton, McGull, Simpson, Hardinger, Carroll, Lee, and McClure. Nays: Hosmer. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

### 7.3. Council Bill 2023-210 (Jenson, Horton)

A resolution directing the City Manager to provide written reports regarding certain nuisance citation data; charging the Finance and Administration Committee to conduct an analysis of escalating fees and/or fines related to chronic nuisance properties and provide recommendations based on such analysis to City Council; charging the Community Involvement Committee to issue a report regarding the feasibility of all recommendations within the Nuisance Property Work Group Final Report dated February 23, 2023, and to present findings on each recommendation to City Council; directing the City Manager to evaluate how up to three comparable communities effectively address nuisance properties; directing the City Manager to analyze options for streamlining the notice and abatement processes in Chapter 26, Article III, and to prepare proposed code changes; directing the City Manager to prepare proposed codes changes for the purpose of providing definitions for “chronic nuisance properties” and “substantial progress” to be incorporated into Chapter 26, Article III; requesting the City Manager to explore ways to utilize City programs to help find pre-enforcement resolutions for property maintenance prior to the issuance of notice of violation and the enforcement process; and directing the City Manager to engage with, or appoint a designee to engage with, the Community Partnership of the Ozarks’ Housing Collaborative Nuisance Property Subcommittee and similar groups or organizations as necessary to address City Council’s directives in this Resolution.

Jason Gage, City Manager, provided a brief overview of the proposed. He noted the proposed is a City Council initiated bill.

Councilman Jenson thanked all individuals, including the Nuisance Property Workgroup, for all their time and dedication. He noted support from the Community Partnership of the Ozarks, the Neighborhood Advisory Council, Springfield Tenants Unite, Greater Springfield Apartment and Housing Association, Homebuilders Association, Springfield Area Chamber of Commerce, the Springfield branch of the NAACP, and the Housing Authority of Springfield. He further noted nuisance properties are often a crime and fire risk and are a result of systemic issues.

An opportunity was given for citizens to express their views.

Anita Cotter, City Clerk, noted there were sixteen speakers, and in accordance with City Council policy, each speaker would be allotted three minutes.

David Trippe spoke in support of the proposed. Mr. Trippe, President of the Phelps Grove Neighborhood Association, noted the association would like to support the proposed as a crucial first step.

Lonnie Funk spoke in support of the proposed. Mr. Funk, a representative of the Springfield Apartment and Housing Association, noted their support for the process. He read a letter of support from the association.

Brandon Biskup spoke in support of the proposed. Mr. Biskup noted the proposed addresses social issues, quality of place, and economic issues.

Tom McFarland spoke in support of the proposed. Mr. McFarland, a tenant in the Phelps Grove Neighborhood, expressed his belief the task of government is to create a safe place for individuals to live. He added nuisance properties can negatively affect individuals who have no other options for housing. He noted required rental inspections would be a benefit.



Andrew Doolittle spoke in support of the proposed. Mr. Doolittle noted the proposed would be a good first step towards a solution for nuisance properties.

Sarah Barnts spoke in support of the proposed. Ms. Barnts noted her experience with nuisance properties. She added there is a lack of protection for low-income individuals. Ms. Barts expressed her belief there should be a mandatory rental inspection.

Andrea Palamar spoke in support of the proposed. Ms. Palamar expressed her belief communication needs to improve between tenants and landlords. She added her belief there should be a cap on rent.

Becky Volz spoke in support of the proposed. Ms. Volz, chair of the Neighborhood Advisory Council, noted the neighbors are ready to do whatever they can to help.

Alice Barber spoke in support of the proposed. Ms. Barber noted the health and safety hazards she is aware of with renters. She noted there are approximately 2,000 properties in poor condition. Ms. Barber expressed her belief there are individuals who do not report conditions for fear of retaliation.

Jeremy Dean spoke in support of the proposed. Mr. Dean expressed his belief nuisance properties increase crime and noted the importance of transparency when addressing the issue.

Alec Crain spoke in support of the proposed. Mr. Crain noted the tension between tenants and landlords. He added the struggles with finding adequate shelter, and noted the proposed is a good stepping stone to improvement.

Isabelle Jimenez Walker spoke in support of the proposed. Ms. Walker thanked those that have worked on the issue.

Eric Pauly spoke in support of the proposed. Mr. Pauly noted the issue has been an ongoing problem and expressed his belief the proposed would be a good start to addressing the issue.

Elyse Riley spoke in support of the proposed and expressed their belief there are many nuisance properties that could benefit from the proposed, as it would hold individuals accountable.

Todd Thomas spoke in support of the proposed. Mr. Thomas noted the proposed would hold individuals accountable. He expressed his belief the data could be used to create a good plan to address the issue.

Michelle Garand spoke in support of the proposed. Ms. Garand, a representative of Community Partnership of the Ozarks, noted the creation of a plan would address properties that are harmful to the community. Ms. Garand thanked Councilman Jenson and Councilwoman Horton for their work.

With no further appearances, the public hearing was declared closed.

Councilwoman Horton noted the resolution is a direct result of the Nuisance Property Work Group and shows a direct connection between the Zone 1 Blitz initiative and this resolution. Ms. Horton noted the effect nuisance properties has on home values, and expressed her belief there is an urgency in addressing the issue.

Councilman McGull thanked all the speakers for coming out. He expressed his belief that a data-driven approach is appropriate to solve the issue. Councilman McGull noted the importance of addressing the issue to improve the community. He added there should be incentives in addition to fines and fees.

Mayor Pro Tem Simpson noted the issue is chronic nuisance properties.

Councilman Jenson thanked everyone who spoke and Councilmembers who expressed their support. He expressed his belief collaboration will be key in moving forward.

Council Bill 2023-210 (Jenson, Horton). Resolution 10722 was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Jenson, Horton, McGull, Simpson, Hosmer, Hardinger, Carroll, Lee, and McClure. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

## **8. EMERGENCY BILLS. Citizens May Speak. May Be Voted On.**

### **8.1. Council Bill 2023-211 (Hardinger)**

A special ordinance amending Special Ordinance 27843 and Special Ordinance 27844, passed by City Council on June 5, 2023, to reflect the final determination of the Greene County Assessor of the assessed valuation by levying a tax on real and personal property for current expenses and the debt retirement of the City of Springfield, Missouri, and its boards and agencies for the Fiscal Year 2023-2024; and declaring an emergency.

David Holtmann, Director of Finance, provided a brief overview of the proposed. Mr. Holtmann noted the proposed would certify the City's tax levies for 2023. The levies have been calculated and notice times met. He further noted the tax levy must be set by September 1, 2023. The valuation is .6091 per \$100 assessed valuation. The valuation rose to \$3,862,000,000. The total tax is estimated to be \$25.5 million.

Councilman Hosmer asked where the majority of all property taxes go. Mr. Holtmann responded the majority goes to schools. Councilman Hosmer expressed his belief individuals take from the schools when not paying motor vehicle taxes.

Mayor McClure expressed his agreement with Councilman Hosmer. He expressed his opinion the penalty for expired tags should be more expensive.

Councilwoman Hardinger expressed her belief the tax can create a financial burden for some and expressed there should be ways to help individuals.

An opportunity was given for citizens to express their views. With no appearances, the public hearing was declared closed.

Council Bill 2023-211 (Hardinger). Special Ordinance 27897 was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Jenson, Horton, McGull, Simpson, Hosmer, Hardinger, Carroll, Lee, and McClure. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

## **9. PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS.**

## **10. GRANTS.**

## **11. AMENDED BILLS.**

**12. COUNCIL BILLS FOR PUBLIC HEARING.**

**13. FIRST READING BILLS.**

**14. PETITIONS, REMONSTRANCES AND COMMUNICATIONS.**

14.1. Daryl Baker wishes to address City Council. **Did Not Appear.**

**15. NEW BUSINESS.**

As per RSMo. 109.230 (4), City records that are on file in the City Clerk's office and have met the retention schedule will be destroyed in compliance with the guidelines established by the Secretary of State's office.

Mayor Pro Tem Simpson moved to postpone Council Bill 2023-160 until September 18, 2023. Councilwoman Carroll seconded the motion, and it was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Jenson, Horton, McGull, Simpson, Hosmer, Hardinger, Carroll, Lee, and McClure. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

**16. UNFINISHED BUSINESS.**

**17. MISCELLANEOUS.**

**18. CONSENT AGENDA – FIRST READING BILLS.**

**19. CONSENT AGENDA – ONE READING BILLS.**

**20. CONSENT AGENDA – SECOND READING BILLS. See Item #3.**

20.1. Council Bill 2023-205 (Jenson)

A special ordinance authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, on behalf of the City of Springfield, to enter into a Contract for Sale of Real Estate with GDL Enterprises, LLC, for 750 square feet of vacant land formerly addressed as 730 West Grand Street; authorizing the issuance of a quitclaim deed for the same; and amending the budget of the Department of Public Works for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 in the amount of \$3,500. (Staff recommends approval.)

Council Bill 2023-205 (Jenson). Special Ordinance 27895 was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Jenson, Horton, McGull, Simpson, Hosmer, Hardinger, Carroll, Lee, and McClure. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

20.2. Council Bill 2023-206 (Horton) **This item was removed as item 20.2 under Consent Agenda Second Reading Bills to become item 6.12 under Second Reading Bills.**

A special ordinance authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to enter into a contract for the purchase of land generally located at 601 North Brown Avenue as part of the Westport Branch Green Infrastructure Project and to execute all necessary documents in support thereof.

20.3. Confirm the following appointment to the Tree City USA Citizen Advisory Committee:

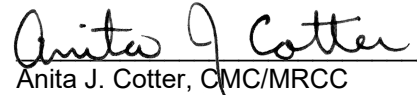
Michael Brittain with term to expire December 1, 2023. **Confirmed.**

**21. END OF CONSENT AGENDA.**

**22. ADJOURN.**

Mayor Pro Tem Simpson moved that City Council adjourn. Councilman Jenson seconded the motion, and it was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Jenson, Horton, McGull, Simpson, Hardinger, Carroll, Lee, and McClure. Nays: Hosmer. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

Prepared by : Michelle Brown

  
Anita J. Cotter, CMC/MRCC  
City Clerk