City of Springfield

Agenda

City Council Special Meeting

Ken McClure, Mayor

Zone Councilmembers	General Councilmembers
Monica Horton, Zone 1	Heather Hardinger, General A
Abe McGull, Zone 2	Craig Hosmer, General B
Brandon Jenson, Zone 3	Callie Carroll, General C
Matthew Simpson, Zone 4	Derek Lee, General D

August 27, 2024 **12:00 PM** **Councilman Denny Whayne Conference Room Busch Building, 4th Floor 840 Boonville Avenue**

Rules and procedures.

1. ROLL CALL.

2. FIRST READING BILLS. Requiring One Reading.
Citizens May Speak. May Be Voted On.

2.1. Council Bill 2024-177 (Hardinger)
A special ordinance amending Special Ordinance 27998 and Special Ordinance 27999, passed by City Council on June 10, 2024, by setting a final tax levy on real and personal property for current expenses and debt retirement for the City of Springfield, Missouri, and its boards and agencies, for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025; and declaring an emergency pursuant to Section 2.12(5) of the City Charter

3. ADJOURN.

CITY OF Springfield

EXPLANATION TO COUNCIL BILL 2024-177 (HARDINGER)

FILED: 08/15/2024

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT: Finance

TITLE: A special ordinance amending Special Ordinance 27998 and Special Ordinance 27999, passed by City Council on June 10, 2024, by setting a final tax levy on real and personal property for current expenses and debt retirement for the City of Springfield, Missouri, and its boards and agencies, for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2024, and ending June 30, 2025; and declaring an emergency pursuant to Section 2.12(5) of the City Charter

PURPOSE: To amend Special Ordinance 27998 and Special Ordinance 27999 to reflect the assessed value as determined by the Greene County Assessor and to revise the tax levies to conform to the levies permitted by the State Auditor.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The tax levy set in June 2024 was preliminary, based on the levies in the previous year and the estimated assessed valuation. Special Ordinance 27998 stated the tax levies may be adjusted based on the final assessed valuation, and the levies authorized by the State Auditor. The certified levies from the State Auditor take into account the growth in assessed valuation, new construction, and constitutional limitations commonly known as the “Hancock Amendment.” The calculation under the Hancock Amendment limits the increase in tax revenue to the lesser of the growth in assessed value, or the increase in the consumer price index ("CPI"). Therefore, when calculating the levy, revenue growth is limited to 3.4 percent.

The total tax levy for the City of Springfield for 2024 is $0.6104.

The City has received the final assessed valuation and levies from the County Assessor. The levies are subject to final certification by the State Auditor. This Ordinance authorizes a maximum levy and permits the Director of Finance to set the final levies in accordance with those established by the State Auditor.

An emergency is requested in accordance with City Charter Section 2.12(5) in order to meet the deadlines set by State Law that require the municipalities to set tax levies by September 1. This action is required to meet that deadline.

Submitted By: David Holtmann, Director of Finance

Authorized for inclusion on the agenda pursuant to City Code section 2-33:
Collin Quigley, Deputy City Manager 8/26/2024

Attachments:
1. Council Bill 2024-177 (Hardinger)
2. Exhibit A - 2024 Public Notice for Final Tax Levy

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Pgs. 6
Filed: 09-03-24

Sponsored by: Hardinger

First Reading: _____ Second Reading: _____

COUNCIL BILL 2024-177 SPECIAL ORDINANCE _____

AN ORDINANCE

AMENDING Special Ordinance 27998 and Special Ordinance 27999, passed by City Council on June 10, 2024, to reflect the final determination of the Greene County Assessor of the assessed valuation by levying a tax on real and personal property for the current expenses and debt retirement of the City of Springfield, Missouri, and its boards and agencies, for the Fiscal Year 2024-2025; and declaring an emergency pursuant to Section 2.12(5) of the City Charter.

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WHEREAS, the City of Springfield, Missouri ("City") adopted Special Ordinance 27998 on June 10, 2024, establishing the budget for the Fiscal Year 2024-2025; and

WHEREAS, the City adopted Special Ordinance 27999 on June 10, 2024, establishing a preliminary levy tax on real and personal property for Fiscal Year 2024-2025, subject to changes as may be necessary to accurately reflect the final determination of the Greene County Assessor ("Assessor") of the assessed valuation; and

WHEREAS, the Assessor has now made the final determination of the assessed valuation for the City of Springfield; and

WHEREAS, the City is required to set the final property tax levies by September 1; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to adjust the ad valorem property tax levy to accurately reflect the determination of the Assessor of the final assessed valuation.

NOW, THERFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI, as follows, that:

Section 1 – The ad valorem property tax rates set forth in Special Ordinance 27998, passed by City Council on June 10, 2024, are hereby adjusted in this Ordinance to reflect the determination of the Greene County Assessor of the final assessed

valuation of real and personal property and to conform to the levies authorized by the State Auditor.

Section 2 – There is hereby levied for the Fiscal Year July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025, a tax upon the valuation of all real and personal property within, or having its taxable status within, the corporate limits of the City of Springfield, Missouri ("City"), subject to taxation, and upon the valuation of all property in the City, subject to taxation, and assessed to any railroad, telegraph, telephone, street, railway, or bridge company according to the last assessed valuation of the said properties of such companies fixed by the following purposes, to wit:

(a) For municipal purposes, as authorized by Article X, Section 4(b), of the Constitution of the State of Missouri and approved by the voters of the City of Springfield, a rate of $0.2625.

(b) For the establishment and maintenance of public parks in the City of Springfield, for the aforesaid Fiscal Year, a rate of $0.1839.

(c) For maintenance and operation of public health service in the City of Springfield, for the aforesaid Fiscal Year, a rate of $0.1255.

(d) For the establishment and maintenance of an art museum in the City of Springfield, for the aforesaid Fiscal Year, a rate of $0.0385.

Section 3 – The levies listed in Section 2 are estimated based on the assessed valuation provided by the Greene County Clerk. City Council authorizes the Director of Finance to set each levy in an amount equal to the levy authorized by the State Auditor and to otherwise adjust each levy as required by state law.

Section 4 – City Council finds that the Director of Finance of the City has presented to City Council the following information:

(a) The assessed valuation by category of real, personal, and other tangible property for the preceding year and this year are as follows:

SOURCE	2023 VALUATION	2024 VALUATION
Real Estate	$3,102,019,510	$3,150,756,955
State Assessed Utilities	56,978,493	29,140,556
Personal Property	703,219,830	738,777,360
Total	$3,862,217,833	$3,918,674,871

(b) The amount of revenue required to be produced from the property tax is $25,833,914.

(c) The tax rates proposed to generate this revenue and their estimated yield are as follows:

PURPOSE	PROPOSED TAX LEVY	ESTIMATED REVENUE
Art Museum	$0.0385	$1,629,433
Public Parks	$0.1839	$7,783,186
Public Health	$0.1255	$5,311,527
Municipal Purposes	$0.2625	$11,109,768
Total	$0.6104	$25,833,914

Section 5 – City Council finds that proper notice was given pursuant to "Exhibit A," which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, containing the information set forth in Section 2 above, and that a public hearing has been held regarding the proposed rates of taxes.

Section 6 – Within such time so as to permit the aforesaid taxes to be extended upon the assessment books, the levies so established herewith shall be certified by the City Clerk to the Director of Finance and to the County Collector of Greene County, Missouri, who shall proceed to extend the aforesaid taxes for the year upon the assessment books, in appropriate columns.

Section 7 – City Council hereby finds and declares that an emergency exists in that this Ordinance relates to the fixing of tax rates and may be passed as a one-reading ordinance pursuant to City Charter Section 2.12(5). Therefore, this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after passage.

Passed at meeting: _____

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Mayor

Attest: _____, City Clerk

Filed as Ordinance: _____

Approved as to form: _____, Assistant City Attorney

Approved for Council action: _____, City Manager

Exhibit A

CITY OF SPRINGFIELD
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

SUBJECT: Setting tax levy for the City of Springfield budget for 2024-2025

DATE AND TIME: August 27, 2024 at 12:00 P.M.

PLACE: Councilman Denny Whayne Conference Room, Busch Building 4th Floor, 840 Boonville Avenue, Springfield, Missouri 65802

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION: To provide citizens of the City of Springfield, Missouri, the opportunity to submit written and oral comments on the City's tax levy. Assessed valuations for 2024 are:

SOURCE	VALUATION
Real Property	$3,150,756,955
State Assessed Utilities	29,140,556
Personal Property	738,777,360
Total	$3,918,674,871

The proposed tax rates are expected to generate the amount of revenue listed below.

FUND	TAX LEVY	YIELD	SURTAX	TOTAL
Art Museum	$ 0.0385	$ 1,508,690	$ 120,743	$ 1,629,433
Public Parks	0.1839	7,206,443	576,743	7,783,186
Public Health	0.1255	4,917,937	393,590	5,311,527
Municipal Purposes	0.2625	10,286,521	823,247	11,109,768
Total	$ 0.6104	$23,919,591	$1,914,323	$25,833,914

Address written comments to Ms. Anita Cotter, City Clerk, P. O. Box 8368, Springfield, MO 65801-8368. Written comments received before or at the hearing will be in the hearing record.

Anita Cotter, City Clerk
City of Springfield, Missouri