



City of Springfield

Minutes

City Council Meeting

Jeff Schrag, Mayor

Zone Councilmembers

Monica Horton, Zone 1
Abe McGull, Zone 2
Brandon Jenson, Zone 3
Bruce Adib-Yazdi, Zone 4

General Councilmembers

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

June 23, 2025

6:30 PM

Regional Police-Fire

**Training Center
2620 West Battlefield Road
Room 101, 102, and 103**

1. ROLL CALL.

Present: Councilmember Jenson, Councilmember Horton, Councilmember McGull, Councilmember Hosmer, Mayor Pro Tem Hardinger, Councilmember Carroll, Councilmember Lee, Councilmember Adib-Yazdi, and Mayor Schrag. Absent: None.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.

- 2.1. Approval of Minutes. May 19, 2025, City Council Meeting, May 27, 2025, Special City Council Meeting, and June 9, 2025, City Council Meeting.

Councilmember Jenson moved to approve the minutes of the May 19, 2025, City Council Meeting, May 27, 2025, Special City Council Meeting, and June 9, 2025, City Council Meeting as presented. Mayor Pro Tem Hardinger seconded the motion, and it was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmember Jenson, Councilmember Horton, Councilmember McGull, Councilmember Hosmer, Councilmember Hardinger, Councilmember Carroll, Councilmember Lee, Councilmember Adib-Yazdi, and Mayor Schrag. 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.

The Consent Agenda was approved as presented by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmember Jenson, Councilmember Horton, Councilmember McGull, Councilmember Hosmer, Mayor Pro Tem Hardinger, Councilmember Carroll, Councilmember Lee, Councilmember Adib-Yazdi, and Mayor Schrag. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

4. CEREMONIAL MATTERS.

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

Collin Quigley, Interim City Manager, noted the City held construction kickoff ceremonies for both Historic City Hall and the Jefferson Avenue Footbridge last week, followed by tours. He further noted both were significant icons of the City. He added the progress of both projects could be tracked at springfieldmo.gov.

Mr. Quigley noted the City's general fund 1% sales tax year to date in June 2025, compared to the budget, was up 2.4 percent. He further noted this reflected a 12-month trend in which actual revenues were up 2.4 percent compared to the budget. He added actual revenues were up 3.81 percent on a year-to-date basis compared to the same time period last year.

Mr. Quigley noted the City of Springfield was seeking public input as it worked to reestablish and update the Kearney Street Corridor Redevelopment Plan, originally adopted in 2018 and expired in 2023. He further noted a public meeting would be held from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 24, at Doling Park Northview Center located at 305 W. Talmage. He added neighbors, business owners, and developers were invited to review past successes and share ideas for future improvements. The revised plan aimed to align with Forward SGF and updated development codes to enhance access to redevelopment incentives along the 3.5-mile corridor.

Mr. Quigley noted the City of Springfield's Planning and Development Department invited residents to participate in upcoming Center City public meetings focused on "Missing Middle" housing—housing types that fill the gap between single-family homes and large apartment buildings. He further noted the sessions were an opportunity to learn more and share input on how this housing could support neighborhood goals. He added the meetings included: Grant Beach Neighborhood at 6:30 p.m. on July 8 at The Fairbanks located at 1126 N. Broadway Ave.; Tom Watkins Neighborhood at 6:00 p.m. on July 16 at the Library Station located at 2535 N. Kansas Expressway; and Doling Neighborhood at 6:30 p.m. on July 17 at Hillcrest Presbyterian Church located at 818 E. Norton Rd. Mr. Quigley noted all were welcome to attend.

Mr. Quigley noted Springfield celebrated 40 years as a Tree City USA with a special Arbor Day event at Hammons Field during the June 18 Springfield Cardinals game. He further noted more than 1,000 students attended the celebration, which included an interactive educational program funded by the Missouri Department of Conservation, tree planting by Public Works arborists, and informational booths hosted by local organizations highlighting the importance of trees and urban forest stewardship.

Councilmember Lee asked for an update on trees near the Jefferson Avenue Footbridge that had not been cleaned up from the previous storm. Mr. Quigley responded an event would be held on July 17 for volunteer clean-up. He added more information would be provided. Mr. Quigley further noted of the 175 original tier one properties, there were approximately 80 remaining. He added Building Development Services would go door to door and work with contractors to remove trees and limbs on those structures. Mr. Quigley noted tier two and three properties would be picked up by the contractor.

6. SECOND READING AND FINAL PASSAGE.

Citizens Have Spoken. May Be Voted On.

6.1. Council Bill 2025-121 (Horton)

A general ordinance amending the Springfield Land Development Code, Section 36-306, 'Official zoning map and rules for interpretation,' by rezoning approximately 104 acres of property generally located at 3299, 3373, and 3449 North Vernon Road from R-SF, Single-Family Residential District to Planned Development No. 391; and adopting an updated Official Zoning Map. (By: Hulston Investments Inc. & Laura Hawkins-Morris et al; 3299, 3373 and 3449 North Vernon Road (Farm Road 159); Planned Development No. 391).

Anita Cotter, City Clerk, noted a protest petition was received and found to be sufficient at 30.8 percent. She further noted a copy of the supplemental explanation see was provided at City Council's places and a supermajority, or 6 votes, would be needed for passage.

Councilmember Horton provided comments related to questions at the previous meeting regarding public safety. She noted Fire Station Four was the primary fire station for emergency response in the area and was within a four-minute travel time. Councilmember Horton further noted a Police Area Representative assigned to the Doling neighborhood would be available to respond to non-emergencies.

Ordinance 6930. Council Bill 2025-121 (Horton) was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmember Jenson, Councilmember Horton, Councilmember McGull, Mayor Pro Tem Hardinger, Councilmember Carroll, Councilmember Lee, Councilmember Adib-Yazdi, and Mayor Schrag. Nays: Councilmember Hosmer. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

6.2. Council Bill 2025-124 (Carroll)

A special ordinance authorizing the City Manager, or designee, to apply to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD") for Federal Fiscal Year 2025 Community Development Block Grant ("CDBG") funds in the amount of \$1,489,039 and HOME Investment Partnerships Program ("HOME") funds in the amount of \$1,013,179.74 pursuant to the Consolidated Plan; to accept CDBG and HOME funds if awarded and enter into agreements necessary to accept and carry out any such grants; and approving the grant project recommendations.

Ordinance 28162. Council Bill 2025-124 (Carroll) was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmember Jenson, Councilmember Horton, Councilmember McGull, Councilmember Hosmer, Mayor Pro Tem Hardinger, Councilmember Carroll, Councilmember Lee, Councilmember Adib-Yazdi, and Mayor Schrag. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

6.3. Council Bill 2025-125 (Horton)

A special ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 budget of the Airport, in the amount of \$665,000 to appropriate reserves from the Capital Improvement Fund to supplement the current budget of the Airport Terminal Flooring Project.

Ordinance 28163. Council Bill 2025-125 (Horton) was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmember Jenson, Councilmember Horton, Councilmember McGull, Councilmember Hosmer, Mayor Pro Tem Hardinger, Councilmember Carroll, Councilmember Lee, Councilmember Adib-Yazdi, and Mayor Schrag. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

6.4. Council Bill 2025-126 (Horton)

A special ordinance amending the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 budget for the Department of Environmental Services, in the amount of \$1,870,000, to appropriate retained earnings of the Clean Water Fund for design of the Northwest Wastewater Treatment Plant Facility Improvements Project.

Ordinance 28164. Council Bill 2025-126 (Horton) was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmember Jenson, Councilmember Horton, Councilmember McGull, Councilmember Hosmer, Mayor Pro Tem Hardinger, Councilmember Carroll, Councilmember Lee, Councilmember Adib-Yazdi, and Mayor Schrag. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

6.5. Council Bill 2025-127 (Lee)

A special ordinance authorizing the City of Springfield, Missouri (the "City"), to enter into a collective bargaining agreement (the "CBA") with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers AFL-CIO Union Number 753 ("IBEW") regarding a bargaining unit within the City's Crafts, Trades, and Labor employee group; authorizing the City Manager, or designee, to execute the same; and authorizing the City Manager to enter into agreements with the IBEW regarding matters of interpretation of the CBA.

Ordinance 28165. Council Bill 2025-127 (Lee) was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmember Jenson, Councilmember Horton, Councilmember McGull, Councilmember Hosmer, Mayor Pro Tem Hardinger, Councilmember Carroll, Councilmember Lee, Councilmember Adib-Yazdi, and Mayor Schrag. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

6.6. Council Bill 2025-128 (Carroll)

A special ordinance authorizing the City of Springfield, Missouri (the "City"), to enter into a First Amendment to the July 1, 2024, Collective Bargaining Agreement (the "CBA") with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers AFL-CIO Union Number 753 ("IBEW") regarding a bargaining unit within the City's Professional, Administrative, and Technical employee group for the purpose of increasing salaries; authorizing the City Manager, or designee, to execute the same; and authorizing the City Manager to enter into agreements with the IBEW regarding matters of interpretation of the CBA.

Ordinance 28166. Council Bill 2025-128 (Carroll) was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmember Jenson, Councilmember Horton, Councilmember McGull, Councilmember Hosmer, Mayor Pro Tem Hardinger, Councilmember Carroll, Councilmember Lee, Councilmember Adib-Yazdi, and Mayor Schrag. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

6.7. Council Bill 2025-129 (Hardinger)

A special ordinance authorizing the City of Springfield, Missouri (the "City"), to enter into a First Amendment to the July 1, 2024, Collective Bargaining Agreement (the "CBA") with the Springfield Police Officers' Association, Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 22 ("SPOA") for the purpose of increasing salaries; authorizing the City Manager, or designee, to execute the same; and authorizing the City Manager to enter into agreements with the SPOA regarding matters of interpretation of the CBA.

Ordinance 28167. Council Bill 2025-129 (Hardinger) was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmember Jenson, Councilmember Horton, Councilmember McGull, Councilmember Hosmer, Mayor Pro Tem Hardinger, Councilmember Carroll, Councilmember Lee, Councilmember Adib-Yazdi, and Mayor Schrag. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

6.8. Council Bill 2025-130 (Hosmer)

A special ordinance authorizing the City of Springfield, Missouri (the "City"), to enter into a First Amendment to the July 1, 2024, Collective Bargaining Agreement (the "CBA") with the International Association of Fire Fighters, Southern Missouri Professional Fire Fighters Local 152 ("IAFF") for the purpose of increasing salaries; authorizing the City Manager, or designee, to execute the same; and authorizing the City Manager to enter into agreements with the IAFF regarding matters of interpretation of the CBA.

Ordinance 28168. Council Bill 2025-130 (Hosmer) was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmember Jenson, Councilmember Horton, Councilmember McGull, Councilmember Hosmer, Mayor Pro Tem Hardinger, Councilmember Carroll, Councilmember Lee, Councilmember Adib-Yazdi, and Mayor Schrag. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

6.9. Council Bill 2025-131 (Lee)

A general ordinance amending the Springfield City Code, Section 2-92. "Salary Ordinance," by amending job titles within the City service to add or delete various job titles; by providing pay adjustments for non-bargaining unit employees on the following salary schedules: Professional, Administrative, and Technical (Non-Union and Unclassified), Crafts, Trades and Labor Non-Union, Fire Protection Schedule Non-Union (80 and 112 Hour), and Law Enforcement Schedule Non-Union; and by incorporating pay improvements impacting bargaining unit members that were negotiated and tentatively agreed to.

Ordinance 6931. Council Bill 2025-131 (Lee) was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmember Jenson, Councilmember Horton, Councilmember McGull, Councilmember Hosmer, Mayor Pro Tem Hardinger, Councilmember Carroll, Councilmember Lee, Councilmember Adib-Yazdi, and Mayor Schrag. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

6.10. Council Bill 2025-132 (Carroll)

A general ordinance amending the Springfield City Code, Section 2-91, known as the "Merit System Rules and Regulations," by amending Merit Rule 22.5 Life Insurance - Bomb Squad, Water Rescue, and Hazardous Materials Teams for the purpose of adding Technical Rescue.

Ordinance 6932. Council Bill 2025-132 (Carroll) was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmember Jenson, Councilmember Horton, Councilmember McGull, Councilmember Hosmer, Mayor Pro Tem Hardinger, Councilmember Carroll, Councilmember Lee, Councilmember Adib-Yazdi, and Mayor Schrag. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

6.11. Council Bill 2025-133 (Hosmer)

A special ordinance authorizing the City Manager, or designee, to enter into an agreement with the Springfield Convention and Visitors Bureau, Inc., d/b/a Visit Springfield, Missouri, in an amount to equal forty-seven percent (47%) of the City's proceeds from the hotel/motel gross receipts tax, estimated to be \$4,421,575 for Fiscal Year 2025-2026, for the purpose of promoting travel and tourism within the City of Springfield.

Ordinance 28169. Council Bill 2025-133 (Hosmer) was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmember Jenson, Councilmember Horton, Councilmember McGull, Councilmember Hosmer, Mayor Pro Tem Hardinger, Councilmember Carroll, Councilmember Lee, Councilmember Adib-Yazdi, and Mayor Schrag. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

6.12. Council Bill 2025-134 (Hardinger)

A special ordinance authorizing the City Manager, or designee, to enter into an agreement with the Greater Springfield Area Sports Commission, Inc., in an amount to equal four and one-half percent (4.5%) of the City's proceeds from the hotel/motel gross receipts tax, estimated to be \$339,750 for Fiscal Year 2025-2026, to promote the attraction of sporting events to the community.

Ordinance 28170. Council Bill 2025-134 (Hardinger) was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmember Jenson, Councilmember Horton, Councilmember McGull, Councilmember Hosmer, Mayor Pro Tem Hardinger, Councilmember Carroll, Councilmember Lee, Councilmember Adib-Yazdi, and Mayor Schrag. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

6.13. Council Bill 2025-135 (Lee)

A special ordinance authorizing the City Manager, or designee, to enter into an agreement with the Springfield Regional Arts Council, Inc., in an amount to equal four and one-half percent (4.5%) of the City's proceeds from the hotel/motel gross receipts tax, estimated to be \$339,750 for fiscal year 2025-2026, to support the visual and performing arts within the City of Springfield.

Ordinance 28171. Council Bill 2025-135 (Lee) was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmember Jenson, Councilmember Horton, Councilmember McGull, Councilmember Hosmer, Councilmember Hardinger, Councilmember Carroll, Councilmember Lee, Councilmember Adib-Yazdi, and Mayor Schrag. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

6.14. Council Bill 2025-068 (Hosmer)

A general ordinance amending Chapter 70 of the Springfield City Code, 'Licenses, Permits and Miscellaneous Business Regulations,' Article II, "Business and Occupational Licenses in General,' Division 1, 'Generally,' Sections 70-36, 'Application for license,' and 70-44, 'Payment of other taxes and special charges prerequisite to issuance of license,' for the purpose of requiring proof of payment of all personal property taxes as a prerequisite of obtaining an occupational license.

Ordinance 6933. Council Bill 2025-068 (Hosmer) was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmember McGull, Councilmember Hosmer, Mayor Pro Tem Hardinger, Councilmember Carroll, Councilmember Adib-Yazdi, and Mayor Schrag. Nays: Councilmember Lee. Absent: None. Abstain: Councilmember Jenson and Councilmember Horton.

6.15. Council Bill 2025-136 (Adib-Yazdi)

A special ordinance authorizing the Director of Planning and Development to accept the dedication of public streets and easements to the City of Springfield, Missouri, as shown on the Preliminary Plat of Hidden Gem Estates, generally located at 6116 South Farm Road 175, upon the applicant filing and recording a final plat that substantially conforms to the preliminary plat; authorizing the City Clerk to sign the final plat upon compliance with all the terms of this Ordinance; and authorizing gates across private streets.

Councilmember Lee noted what was in front of City Council to be voted on was an agreement between the developer and the Doran family which included seven points they had agreed upon. He further noted the developer was not currently in agreement with the addition of those seven points.

Councilmember Lee moved to amend Council Bill 2025-136 (Adib-Yazdi). Councilmember Hosmer seconded the motion, and there was discussion. Councilmember Lee noted the developer did not want any of the seven agreed-on terms and only wanted to grant the Doran family access by prior consent. Councilmember Lee further noted the amendment would require a chain-link fence, which had already been completed, and it would allow gate access to the Doran family on holidays for the purpose of visiting the cemetery.

Councilmember Horton asked if any conversation was had regarding the developer noting the agreement to the seven terms had been made under duress. Councilmember Lee responded the Planning and Zoning Commission had expressed their belief access should be granted to the family.

Councilmember Horton expressed her concern the preliminary plat could not be approved based off communication alone, and expressed her belief the bill was a ministerial action, with the access issues being a civil matter. She noted an amendment could be offered to amend the Council Bill back to its original state.

Councilmember Hosmer asked if the proposed was not only an administrative action, as City Council had full discretion to vote for or against the gate. Mr. Paul responded the plat and the gate were both administrative in nature, but had different standards. He noted the plat either met the standards or not, while the gate was at the sole discretion of City Council and conditions could be attached to that piece of the proposed.

Councilmember Hosmer asked if the roadway would be open to the public should City Council decide to not allow a gate. Mr. Childers noted it was currently a private road within a public right-of-way. He added if there were no gate, it could possibly be signed as a private road. Councilmember Hosmer expressed his belief the amendment would strike a reasonable balance between the interests of the two parties.

Councilmember Jenson expressed his belief the Doran family had a reasonable request which the developer had agreed to. He noted this required no additional funds but was refused by the developer to keep uninvited guests out. He noted the preliminary plat process did not legislate morality. He further noted the approval of a gate for a private subdivision was a separate matter. Councilmember Jenson noted City Council had sole discretion to determine when a gate could be permitted across any private street and was a legislative matter. Councilmember Jenson further noted the ramifications of approving the gate would limit access for the Doran family to a small, heavily-wooded trail, and the only redress the family would have would be a civil suit. Councilmember Jenson expressed his appreciation for the amendment, and noted he would offer an amendment to reject the gate if Councilmember Lee's amendment should fail.

Councilmember McGull noted he had a hard time understanding why the City would be involved in controversy between reasonable access and a developer with the intention of creating a gated community. He expressed his belief the City should not be involved in the issue.

Councilmember Adib-Yazdi expressed his appreciation for Councilmember Lee's amendment, and noted he was sympathetic and empathetic to the issue. He noted he felt no obligation as the sponsor to remove the proposed from the agenda.

Councilmember Hosmer clarified that City Council was called upon to give authority, or not, for a gate. He noted they could also place conditions on the gate if desired to allow access to the Doran family. He expressed his belief the Doran family deserved access to the cemetery.

Councilmember Horton asked for the process to offer an additional amendment. Mr. Paul responded there would be a vote on the current amendment, and any other substitute amendment could be offered after the vote.

Councilmember Jenson noted if Councilmember Lee's amendment passed, he would not bring forward another amendment.

Councilmember Horton noted it was her understanding that if the amendment passed, the developer would request their application be withdrawn. Mr. Paul expressed his understanding was that if the bill was not amended to its original state, the developer wished to withdraw the application.

The motion to amend Council Bill 2025-136 was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmember Hosmer, Mayor Pro Tem Hardinger, Councilmember Carroll, Councilmember Lee, and Mayor Schrag. Nays: Councilmember McGull and Councilmember Adib-Yazdi. Absent: None. Abstain: Councilmember Jenson and Councilmember Horton.

Mayor Schrag noted the Council Bill would be held over and public comment would continue

on the amendment only at the next City Council meeting.

Mr. Paul noted it would be proper to hear any additional amendments.

Councilmember Horton moved Council Bill 2025-136 be amended to revert to its original agreement. The motion died for lack of a second.

Anita Cotter, City Clerk, noted the vote of Councilmember Carroll did not register for Council Bill 2025-068. Councilmember Carroll verbally stated her vote as aye. The vote was registered under Council Bill 2025-068.

7. RESOLUTIONS.

8. EMERGENCY BILLS.

9. PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS.

10. GRANTS.

11. AMENDED BILLS.

12. COUNCIL BILLS FOR PUBLIC HEARING.

Citizens May Speak. Not Anticipated To Be Voted On.

12.1. Council Bill 2025-139 (Lee)

A general ordinance amending Chapter 36 of the Springfield City Code, 'Land Development Code,' Article III, 'Zoning Regulations,' Division 3, 'Administration, Enforcement, and Review,' Section 36-368, 'Publication and posting of notices,' for the purpose of aligning City Code with state publication requirements.

Mayor Schrag recused himself from Council Bill 2025-139 and left the dais.

Steve Childers, Director of Planning and Development, provided a brief overview of the proposed. Mr. Childers noted the current City Code contained an additional requirement that legal descriptions be included in any published notice of public hearing for a proposed change in zoning boundary or conditional use permit. He further noted this was a requirement of our City Code but not a requirement of State statute to publish a full legal notice of anything of that matter. He added the City Code was in excess of the minimum requirement. Mr. Childers noted the proposed would modify the Code to not require the full legal notice of the property to be published, but to only meet what was required.

Councilmember Hosmer asked if the address would be listed instead of the legal description. Mr. Childers responded legal descriptions of some of the properties were lengthy and, going forward, the description would contain the address and some ownership information. He added the legal description would not accompany the notice, and this would also save the cost of publication.

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

13. FIRST READING BILLS. Requiring One Reading.

Citizens May Speak. May Be Voted On.

13.1. Council Bill 2025-140 (Horton)

A special ordinance approving the plans and specifications for the Mount Vernon and Miller sidewalks project; accepting the bid of JD Wallace Contracting, LLC for construction of the project in the amount of \$813,162; authorizing the City Manager, or designee, to enter into a contract with such bidder; and declaring that this Ordinance qualifies for approval in one reading pursuant to Section 2.16(25) of the City Charter.

Evan Bergmann, Project Manager, provided a brief overview of the proposed. Mr. Bergmann noted the proposed would allow acceptance of the bid of JD Wallace Contracting, LLC, for the construction of the Mount Vernon and Miller Sidewalks project. He further noted three bids were received, and all bids were within 5 percent on average of the engineer's estimate.

Councilmember Adib-Yazdi noted the bid was quite a bit less from the engineer's estimate and the other two bids. He asked how the 5-percent was calculated and for more information about JD Wallace. Mr. Bergmann responded all three bids were averaged together, and this number was within 5-percent of the engineer's estimate. He noted JD Wallace had previously completed work for the City.

Councilmember Lee disclosed JD Wallace was a client of Lee Engineering, and he would be voting on the proposed.

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

Ordinance 28172. Council Bill 2025-140 (Horton) was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmember Jenson, Councilmember Horton, Councilmember McGull, Councilmember Hosmer, Mayor Pro Tem Hardinger, Councilmember Carroll, Councilmember Lee, Councilmember Adib-Yazdi, and Mayor Schrag. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

14. FIRST READING BILLS. Requiring Two Readings.

Citizens May Speak. Not Anticipated To Be Voted On.

14.1. Council Bill 2025-141 (Carroll)

A general ordinance amending Chapter 38 of the Springfield City Code, "Building Development Codes," by deleting Article XV, "Floodplain Management," and enacting a new Article XV, "Floodplain Management," in lieu thereof for the purpose of complying with the Federal Emergency Management Agency's most recent model floodplain management ordinance.

Chris Dunnaway, Principal Engineer, provided a brief overview of the proposed. Mr. Dunnaway noted flood insurance rate maps were developed by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) as part of the National Flood Insurance Program to communicate flood risks to the public. Mr. Dunnaway further noted the maps were last updated for the community in 2010 and the proposed maps were based on better topography data. He added, if adopted, the maps would become effective on September 19, 2025.

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

15. PETITIONS, REMONSTRANCES AND COMMUNICATIONS.

15.1. David Romano wishes to address City Council.

David Romano addressed City Council regarding lane filtering. He noted there was a recent ordinance passed that prohibited lane filtering and lane splitting. Mr. Romano further noted he did not engage in lane splitting, and noted the ordinance did not differentiate between lane splitting and lane filtering. He noted lane filtering was a common practice in much of the world. Mr. Romano noted he had researched the subject and discovered it was endorsed by the American Motorcycle Association as a safer practice that reduced traffic. He further noted lane filtering allowed motorcycles to get out of the way of traffic since they accelerated faster.

Councilmember Adib-Yazdi asked if motorcycle lane filtering would also apply to scooters. Mr. Romano responded he was not sure if it would apply to scooters.

Councilmember McGull expressed his appreciation for the speaker. He expressed his belief topics going through a committee allowed for a filtering process.

Councilmember Hosmer expressed his belief committees were a good idea. He noted the Plans and Policies Committee met twice in the last seven months and there was a problem there. He asked Mr. Romano which states allowed lane filtering. Mr. Romano responded California, Colorado, Arizona, Utah, Hawaii, and Minnesota. He noted the State Legislature also allowed lane filtering at speeds of 20 miles per hour and less.

15.2. Tim Havens wishes to address City Council.

Tim Havens withdrew.

15.3. Mitchell Budd wishes to address City Council.

Mitchell Budd did not appear.

16. NEW BUSINESS.

16.1. The Mayor recommends the following reappointment to the Springfield-Greene County Library Board: Chris Bozarth with term to expire July 1, 2028. Recommended.

- 16.2. The Interim City Manager recommends the following appointment to the Art Museum Board: Lindsey McDaniel with term to expire June 1, 2028. Recommended.
- 16.3. The Interim City Manager recommends the following appointment to the Art Museum Board: Misty Tollett with term to expire June 1, 2026. Recommended.
- 16.4. The Interim City Manager recommends the following appointment to the Art Museum Board: Mark Wheeler with term to expire June 1, 2027. Recommended.
- 16.5. The Interim City Manager recommends the following reappointments to the Art Museum Board: Nora Cox and Dr. Mitzi Kirkland-Ives with terms to expire June 1, 2028. Recommended.
- 16.6. Refer to the Plans and Policies Committee review and consideration of changes to General Ordinance 6913. Referred.

Mayor Schrag asked if there was any objection to the referral. Seeing no objection, the matter was referred.

17. UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

18. MISCELLANEOUS.

19. CONSENT AGENDA – FIRST READING BILLS. See Item #3.

- 19.1. Council Bill 2025-142 (Jenson)
A special ordinance approving the purchase of real property, commonly known as 4455 West Farm Road 168, for use as buffer land adjacent to the Southwest Wastewater Treatment Plant; and authorizing the City Manager, or designee, to enter a contract and do those things necessary to acquire said property.
- 19.2. Council Bill 2025-143 (Horton, McGull)
A special ordinance authorizing the City Manager, or designee, to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Missouri Department of Natural Resources for the purpose of installing, operating, and maintaining two streamgages.

20. CONSENT AGENDA – ONE READING BILLS.

21. CONSENT AGENDA – SECOND READING BILLS. See Item #3.

- 21.1. Council Bill 2025-137 (Hosmer)
A special ordinance authorizing the City Manager, or designee, to accept grant funds from the Community Foundation of the Ozarks in the amount of \$17,000 for use by the Springfield-Greene County Health Department to promote vaccine awareness and to enter into necessary agreements to carry out the grant; and amending the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 budget in the amount of \$17,000 to appropriate the funds.

Ordinance 28173. Council Bill 2025-137 (Hosmer) was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmember Jenson, Councilmember Horton, Councilmember McGull, Councilmember Hosmer, Mayor Pro Tem Hardinger, Councilmember Carroll, Councilmember Lee, Councilmember Adib-Yazdi, and Mayor Schrag. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

21.2. Council Bill 2025-138 (Horton)

A special ordinance authorizing the Director of Planning and Development to accept the dedication of public streets and easements to the City of Springfield, Missouri, as shown on the Preliminary Plat of Hulston Subdivision, generally located at 3373 and 3449 North Vernon Road, upon the applicant filing and recording a final plat that substantially conforms to the preliminary plat; and authorizing the City Clerk to sign the final plat upon compliance with all the terms of this Ordinance.

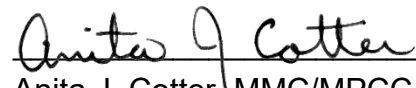
Ordinance 28174. Council Bill 2025-138 (Horton) was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmember Jenson, Councilmember Horton, Councilmember McGull, Councilmember Hosmer, Mayor Pro Tem Hardinger, Councilmember Carroll, Councilmember Lee, Councilmember Adib-Yazdi, and Mayor Schrag. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

22. END OF CONSENT AGENDA.

23. ADJOURN.

Councilmember Jenson moved to adjourn. Councilmember Carroll seconded the motion, and it was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmember Jenson, Councilmember Horton, Councilmember McGull, Councilmember Hardinger, Councilmember Carroll, Councilmember Lee, Councilmember Adib-Yazdi, and Mayor Schrag. Nays: Councilmember Hosmer. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

Prepared by: Michelle Kaasa


Anita J. Cotter, MMC/MPCC City Clerk