

**September 29, 2020**  
**Springfield, Missouri**

The City Council met in special session September 29, 2020 at Historic City Hall. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Ken McClure.

**Roll Call**

Present. Craig Hosmer, Richard Ollis, Abe McGull, Matt Simpson, Mike Schilling, Phyllis Ferguson\*, Jan Fisk\*, and Ken McClure. Absent. Andrew Lear.

\*Members attending via videoconference.

**The following bill appeared on the agenda under Second Reading Bills.**

**Special Obligation  
Improvement  
Bonds (Airport  
Hangar Facility)**

Sponsor: Fisk. Council Bill 2020-226.

A special ordinance authorizing and directing the issuance, sale and delivery by the City of Springfield, Missouri, of Special Obligation Improvement Bonds (Airport Hangar Facility), Series 2020A (AMT), in a principal amount not to exceed \$12,000,000 for the purpose of providing funds to pay costs related to improvements to the City's airport facilities; amending the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 budget of the City in the amount of \$12,899,357.00; authorizing and approving certain documents in connection with the issuance of the Bonds; authorizing certain other documents and actions in connection therewith; and declaring an emergency.

Councilman Ollis thanked Brian Weiler, Director of Aviation, his staff, the Airport Board, and American Airlines for moving forward on the project. He expressed his support for the project and noted the potential jobs that could be created as a result of the proposed.

Councilman Simpson echoed Councilman Ollis' comments. He expressed his support for American Airlines' investment given the current economic climate. He noted the proposed has the added effect of positioning Springfield in a positive sense, as more routes may be picked up when citizens begin to fly more frequently post-COVID.

Mayor Pro Tem Ferguson echoed Councilman Ollis' comments. She noted the similarity between the proposed and the project Council passed regarding Kraft Heinz. She further noted that jobs were created with the Kraft Heinz bill, and expressed her support for the proposed.

Councilwoman Fisk noted the Springfield Airport is a first impression for many individuals traveling to Springfield. She expressed her opinion with the added activity that will happen around the Airport, many may see Springfield as a progressive city. She thanked Brian Weiler and staff for their hard work.

Mayor McClure noted the role American Airlines has played in Springfield regarding economic vitality and quality of place. He congratulated Brian Weiler on the project and asked he extend Council's appreciation to American Airlines.

There being no further questions or comments, Mayor McClure called for a roll call vote.

Council Bill 2020-226. Special Ordinance 27396 was approved by the following roll call vote: Ayes: Ollis, Lear, McGull, Simpson, Schilling, Ferguson, Fisk, Hosmer, and McClure. Nays: None. Absent: Lear. Abstain: None.

**Closed Session**

Councilman Simpson moved that City Council hold a closed meeting to discuss legal actions, causes of action or litigation involving a public governmental body and any confidential or privileged communications between a public governmental body or its representatives and its attorneys pursuant to Section 610.021(1), RSMo.; and sealed bids and related documents, until the bids are opened; and sealed proposals and related documents or any documents related to a negotiated contract until a contract is executed, or all proposals are rejected pursuant to Section 610.021(12), RSMo.; and this meeting, record, and vote shall be closed, and the City Council shall stand adjourned at the end of the closed session.

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

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