

**June 28, 2021**  
**Springfield, Missouri**

The City Council met in regular session June 28, 2021 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 acknowledged the loss of Amy Chaplin, a community member and previous City Council candidate who frequently attended meetings. He also recognized the upcoming 245<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the United States' declaration of its independence.

Mayor McClure recognized Scout Troop 24 member; Asher Nelson who is working on an Eagle required merit badge called Citizen in the Community.

**Roll Call** Present. Angela Romine, Abe McGull, Mike Schilling\*, Matthew Simpson, Craig Hosmer, Richard Ollis, Andrew Lear, Heather Hardinger and Ken McClure

\*Mike Schilling attended via Zoom

**Minutes** The minutes of June 14, 2021 Council meeting and June 15, 2021 Special City Council meeting were approved as presented.

**Consent Agenda** The Consent Agenda was approved as presented.

**CEREMONIAL MATTERS**

**City Manager Report** Jason Gage, City Manager, noted there will be upcoming on-site opportunities to be vaccinated against COVID-19. He noted that individuals interested may visit [www.vaccine417.com](http://www.vaccine417.com) for a complete calendar of events and additional information. He added that if anyone needed assistance scheduling an appointment to contact the Springfield- Greene County Health Department at 417-874-1211.

Mr. Gage noted video from the City Council Retreat regarding the American Rescue Plan Act funding is now available to view at [Cityview.springfieldmo.gov](http://Cityview.springfieldmo.gov). The City Clerk's office is working on scheduling a meeting for the Committee of the Whole for discussion. The Department of Public Information and Civic Engagement is working on a website for this project which will have a link from the home page of [www.springfieldmo.gov](http://www.springfieldmo.gov).

Mr. Gage introduced Roger Haynes, President of the Missouri City County Management Association/Deputy City Manager of Mexico, Missouri. Mr. Haynes presented the Richard R. Noel Outstanding Assistant Award for Excellence in Leadership by the Missouri City County Management Association to Collin Quigley, Deputy City Manager. Mayor McClure congratulated Mr. Quigley.

**The following bills appeared on the agenda under Second Reading.**

**New Zoning  
District - Grant  
Avenue Parkway  
District Standards**

Sponsor Schilling: Council Bill 2021-142

A general ordinance amending the Springfield Land Development Code, Article III, 'Zoning Regulations,' to add a new Division, Division 7, for the purpose of establishing a new zoning district, the Grant Avenue Parkway District, and the standards applicable to the new district, the Grant Avenue Parkway District Standards. (Staff and Planning and Zoning Commission both recommend approval.)

Council Bill 2021-142. General Ordinance 6661 approved with the following vote: Ayes: Simpson, Hosmer, Ollis, Lear, Hardinger, Romine, McGull, Schilling, and McClure. Nays: None Absent: None Abstain: None

**Rezoning of  
Approximately  
72.33 Acres –  
Grant Avenue  
Parkway District  
Text Amendment**

Sponsor: Schilling Council Bill 2021-143

A general ordinance amending the Springfield Land Development Code, Section 36-306, 'Official zoning map and rules for interpretation,' by rezoning approximately 72.33 acres of property generally located adjacent to Grant Avenue between College Street and Catalpa Street from R-SF, Single Family Residential District; R-TH, Residential Townhouse District; R-MD, Medium Density Multifamily Residential District; GR, General Retail District; CC, Center City District; and IC, Industrial Commercial District; to Grant Avenue Parkway District; and adopting an updated Official Zoning Map. (Staff and Planning and Zoning Commission both recommend approval.) (By: City of Springfield; GAP, Grant Avenue Parkway District Text Amendment and Zoning Case Z-11-2021.)

Councilman Ollis expressed his support for the proposed. He noted he would like a blight study to be conducted of the area. Jason Gage, City Manager, noted he would need to get Council consent on funding authorization, and it could be drawn up and presented. Mr. Gage expressed based on the size of the area, there would be advantages for having this information available.

Council Bill 2021-143. General Ordinance 6662 was approved with the following vote: Ayes: Hosmer, Ollis, Lear, Hardinger, Romine, McGull, Schilling, Simpson, and McClure. Nays: None Absent: None Abstain: None

**Chapter 98  
'Streets, Sidewalks,  
and Public Places'  
– Section 98-218**

Sponsor: Hosmer. Council Bill 2021-144.

A general ordinance amending the Springfield City Code, Chapter 98 'Streets, Sidewalks and Public Places,' Article VI 'Improvements,' Division One, 'Generally,' Section 98-218, 'Tax bill to constitute lien.'

Council Bill 2021-144. General Ordinance 6663 was approved with the following vote: Ayes: Ollis, Lear, Hardinger, Romine, McGull, Schilling, Simpson, Hosmer, and McClure. Nays: None Absent: None Abstain: None

**Agreement with the Greater Springfield Area Sports Commission, Inc.**

Sponsor: Ollis. Council Bill 2021-145.

A special ordinance authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to enter into an agreement with the Greater Springfield Area Sports Commission, Inc., for the purpose of promoting the attraction of sporting events to the community.

Council Bill 2021-145. Special Ordinance 27518 was approved with the following vote: Ayes: Lear, Hardinger, Romine, McGull, Schilling, Simpson, Hosmer, Ollis, and McClure. Nays: None Absent: None Abstain: None

**Agreement with the Springfield Convention and Visitors Bureau, Inc.**

Sponsor: Lear. Council Bill 2021-146.

A special ordinance authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to enter into an agreement with the Springfield Convention and Visitors Bureau, Inc., for the purpose of promoting travel and tourism within the City of Springfield.

Councilwoman Romine noted she met with the Convention of Visitors Bureau recently and was amazed with the work they had done to get the restaurant and hotel sectors stabilized and promote tourism.

Council Bill 2021-146. Special Ordinance 27519 was approved with the following vote: Ayes: Hardinger, Romine, McGull, Schilling, Simpson, Hosmer, Ollis, Lear, and McClure. Nays: None Absent: None Abstain: None

**Agreement with the Board of Governors with Missouri State University**

Sponsor: Hardinger. Council Bill 2021-147.

A special ordinance authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Board of Governors of Missouri State University for the purpose of continuing to provide enhanced law enforcement services within and around the Missouri State University campus.

Council Bill 2021-147. Special Ordinance 27520 was approved with the following vote: Ayes: Romine, McGull, Schilling, Simpson, Hosmer, Ollis, Lear, Hardinger, and McClure. Nays: None Absent: None Abstain: None

**Agreement with the Springfield Regional Arts Council, Inc.**

Sponsor: Hosmer. Council Bill 2021-148.

A special ordinance authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to enter into an agreement with the Springfield Regional Arts Council, Inc., for the purpose of promoting the visual and performing arts in Springfield, Missouri.

Council Bill 2021-148. Special Ordinance 27521 was approved with the following vote: Ayes: McGull, Schilling, Simpson, Hosmer, Ollis, Lear, Hardinger, Romine, and McClure. Nays: None Absent: None Abstain: None

**Grant from the Missouri Foundation for Health – Springfield-Greene County Health Department**

Sponsor: Ollis. Council Bill 2021-149.

A special ordinance authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to accept a grant for outreach from the Missouri Foundation for Health in the amount of \$35,000; entering into necessary agreements to carry out the grant; and amending the budget of the Springfield-Greene County Health Department for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 in the amount of \$35,000, to appropriate the grant funds.

Council Bill 2021-149. Special Ordinance 27522 was approved with the following vote:  
Ayes: Schilling, Simpson, Hosmer, Ollis, Lear, Hardinger, McGull, and McClure.  
Nays: Romine Absent: None Abstain: None

**Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act grant – Springfield-Greene County Park Board**

Sponsor: Lear. Council Bill 2021-150.

A special ordinance authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to accept a Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act grant through the U.S. Department of the Treasury and Greene County, Missouri, in the amount of \$434,045.48, for use by the Springfield – Greene County Park Board; and amending the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 budget in the amount of \$434,045.48, for the purpose of appropriating the grant funds.

Councilman Hosmer asked what the funds would be used towards. Jason Gage, City Manager, introduced Jerry Mitchell, Parks Superintendent of Business Operations to answer the question. Mr. Mitchell noted the grant would reimburse efforts regarding the COVID-19 pandemic, as well as for supplies and services utilized ensuring protocols and requirements are met.

Council Bill 2021-150. Special Ordinance 27523 was approved with the following vote:  
Ayes: Simpson, Hosmer, Ollis, Lear, Hardinger, Romine, McGull, Schilling, and McClure. Nays: None Absent: None Abstain: None

**Salary Ordinance – Department of Economic Vitality**

Sponsor: Hardinger. Council Bill 2021-151.

A general ordinance amending the Springfield City Code, Chapter 2, ‘Administration,’ Article V, ‘Departments,’ by adding a new Division 6, ‘Department of Economic Vitality,’ to create the Department of Economic Vitality; amending the Springfield City Code Chapter 2, Section 2-92, known as the Salary Ordinance by adding one new job title of ‘Director of Economic Vitality’ to the Department Head Series salary schedule; and amending the Fiscal Year 2021 – 2022 budget of the City to add one full-time equivalent position to the Department of Economic Vitality.

Council Bill 2021-151. General Ordinance 6664 was approved with the following vote:  
Ayes: Hosmer, Ollis, Lear, Hardinger, Romine, McGull, Schilling, Simpson, and McClure. Nays: None Absent: None Abstain: None

**Second  
Amendment to the  
Collective  
Bargaining  
Agreement –  
International  
Brotherhood of  
Electrical Workers,  
Local No. 753**

Sponsor: Romine. Council Bill 2021-152.

A special ordinance approving the Second Amendment to the Collective Bargaining Agreement by and between the City and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local No. 753 affiliated with the AFL-CIO, the Exclusive Representative of a certain Bargaining Unit within the Crafts, Trades and Labor (“CTL”) Employee Group; and authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to execute and deliver the Second Amendment on behalf of the City to the Exclusive Representative.

Council Bill 2021-152. Special Ordinance 27524 was approved with the following vote: Ayes: Ollis, Lear, Hardinger, Romine, McGull, Schilling, Simpson, Hosmer, and McClure. Nays: None Absent: None Abstain: None

**Collective  
Bargaining  
Agreement –  
International  
Brotherhood of  
Electrical Works,  
Local No. 753**

Sponsor: McGull. Council Bill 2021-153.

A special ordinance approving a Collective Bargaining Agreement by and between the City and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local No. 753 affiliated with the AFL-CIO, the Exclusive Representative of a certain Bargaining Unit consisting of limited employees within the Professional, Administrative, and Technical (“PAT”) Employee Group; and authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to execute and deliver the Collective Bargaining Agreement on behalf of the City to the Exclusive Representative.

Council Bill 2021-153. Special Ordinance 27525 was approved with the following vote: Ayes: Lear, Hardinger, Romine, McGull, Schilling, Simpson, Hosmer, Ollis, and McClure. Nays: None Absent: None Abstain: None

**Collective  
Bargaining  
Agreement –  
International  
Association of Fire  
Fighters, Southern  
Missouri Fire  
Fighters Local 152  
Association**

Sponsor: Romine. Council Bill 2021-154.

A special ordinance approving a Collective Bargaining Agreement by and between the City and International Association of Fire Fighters, Southern Missouri Professional Fire Fighters Local 152 Association, the Exclusive Representative of a certain bargaining unit within the Springfield Fire Department; and authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to execute and deliver the Collective Bargaining Agreement on behalf of the City to the Exclusive Representative.

Council Bill 2021-154. Special Ordinance 27526 was approved with the following vote: Ayes: Hardinger, Romine, McGull, Schilling, Simpson, Hosmer, Ollis, Lear, and McClure. Nays: None Absent: None Abstain: None

**Collective Bargaining Agreement – Springfield Police Officers’ Association, Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 22**

Sponsor: Simpson. Council Bill 2021-155.

A special ordinance approving a Collective Bargaining Agreement by and between the City and Springfield Police Officers’ Association, Fraternal Order of Police Lodge 22, the Exclusive Representative of a certain bargaining unit within the Springfield Police Department; and authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to execute and deliver the Collective Bargaining Agreement on behalf of the City to the Exclusive Representative.

Mayor Pro Tem Simpson expressed his support for the proposed, noting this agreement would raise the starting base pay for the Police Department. He noted the proposed would allow us to be more competitive with outside agencies.

Council Bill 2021-155. Special Ordinance 27527 was approved with the following vote: Ayes: Romine, McGull, Schilling, Simpson, Hosmer, Ollis, Lear, Hardinger, and McClure. Nays: None Absent: None Abstain: None

**Salary Ordinance**

Sponsor: McClure. Council Bill 2021-156.

A general ordinance amending the Springfield City Code, 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 Schedules and the Crafts, Trades and Labor Non-Union Schedule, by making provision for nine new job titles and by deleting three job titles; by providing pay adjustments for employees on the Professional, Administrative and Technical Schedules; by providing pay adjustments for employees on the Crafts, Trades and Labor Non-Union Schedule, as well as for certain non-union salary grades in the Fire Protection and Law Enforcement Schedules; by amending language originally added by General Ordinance 5089, Section 5(b), and later amended by General Ordinance 5278, Section 10(b), General Ordinance 5564, Section 10(b), General Ordinance 6459 Section 6(b), and General Ordinance 6533, Section 7b, relating to the Law Enforcement Schedule; by amending language originally added by General Ordinance 5432, Section 3, and later amended by General Ordinance 5564, Section 11, and General Ordinance 6533, Section 5, relating to the Fire Protection Schedules; and by adding one full-time equivalent position of a Development Project Facilitator (PAT-11U) to the City Manager’s Office and adjusting the authorized employee positions.

Council Bill 2021-156. General Ordinance 6665 was approved with the following vote: Ayes: Romine, McGull, Schilling, Simpson, Hosmer, Ollis, Lear, Hardinger, and McClure. Nays: None Absent: None Abstain: None

**The following bills appeared on the agenda under Resolutions.**

**Des Moines, Iowa  
Trip**

Sponsor: McClure Council Bill: 2021-158

A resolution authorizing certain council members to participate in an information seeking trip to Des Moines, Iowa, June 29 to 30, 2021, in order to learn more about Invest DSM, an established housing community development corporation in Des Moines to learn about Des Moines' significant investments in residential development within historic neighborhoods and to identify models that could be utilized in Springfield.

Cora Scott, Director of Public Information & Civic Engagement, provided an overview of the proposed. She noted the trip would allow members to learn about the significant investments Des Moines has made in residential development within historic neighborhoods, as well as identify models that could be used in Springfield.

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

Council Bill 2021-158. Resolution 10585 was approved with the following vote: Ayes: Schilling, Simpson, Hosmer, Ollis, Lear, Hardinger, Romine, McGull, and McClure. Nays: None Absent: None Abstain: None

**Homeless  
Demonstration  
Program Grant**

Sponsor: Hardinger Council Bill: 2021-159

A resolution authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to apply for a Youth Homeless Demonstration Program Grant from the Department of Housing and Urban Development, for a minimum amount of \$1,000,000, for the purpose of developing and implementing a coordinated community plan to end youth homelessness.

Bob Atchley, Senior City Planner, explained this bill would allow the city to apply for a grant in partnership with Community Partnership of the Ozarks (CPO). Mr. Atchley noted this annual competitive grant is not associated with the COVID stimulus fund and would be used to develop, implement, and coordinate a community plan to end youth homelessness. He states that if selected it would allow for Nations Youth Homeless experts to assist in developing a community plan.

Councilwoman Hardinger asked Mr. Atchley to elaborate regarding the impact funds could have on our homeless youth population. Mr. Atchley provided additional insight, adding he believed the impact could be significant. She asked what the current youth homeless population is in Springfield. Mr. Atchley deferred to Amanda Stadler of CPO who will address Council momentarily.

Councilwoman Romine asked how progress would be tracked. Mr. Atchley noted that the local Continuum of Care is required to do a point in time count of the sheltered and unsheltered. She asked what the homeless trend is in Springfield. Mr. Atchley expressed there has been an increase, not just in Springfield, but nationally.

Councilman Lear asked what the average size of communities are that receive funding. Mr. Atchley noted the process for receiving funding, and expressed his belief that given said process, there is a higher chance to receive funding this year.

Mayor Pro Tem Simpson asked if we have received feedback on why past applications were denied so we can amend our process to maximize our chance to receive the grant. Mr. Atchley noted we have received feedback that will help this next round of applications. He reiterated his belief Springfield has a strong chance of receiving funds.

An opportunity was given for citizens to express their views.

Amanda Stadler, CPO Coordinator, spoke in support of the proposed. She provided an overview of the relationship between CPO and the Ozark Alliance to End Homelessness. She noted the benefits of their programs and the importance of applying for this grant.

There being no further appearances, the public hearing was declared closed.

Council Bill 2021-159. Resolution 10586 was approved with the following vote: Ayes: Simpson, Hosmer, Ollis, Lear, Hardinger, Romine, McGull, Schilling, and McClure. Nays: None Absent: None Abstain: None

## **EMERGENCY BILLS**

## **PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS**

**The following bill appeared on the agenda under Grants.**

### **Adult Vaccination Supplemental Grant**

Sponsor: Hosmer Council Bill 2021-160

A special ordinance authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to accept a COVID-19 and Adult Vaccination Supplemental grant from the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services in the amount of \$197,913 for use by the Springfield-Greene County Health Department; amending the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 budget in the amount of \$197,913 for the purpose of appropriating the grant funds; and declaring that this bill qualifies for approval in one reading

Jon Mooney, Assistant Director of Health, provided an overview of the proposed. He noted 60% of eligible people are not fully vaccinated against COVID-19. He further noted there has been a rise in cases concerning the COVID-19 Delta variant. He noted these funds would be used to provide additional education, help build vaccine confidence and reach the community to ensure an equitable distribution of the vaccine.



Councilman Hosmer asked where Springfield ranks in positive cases compared to other states and the national average. Mr. Mooney noted depending on the dashboard you chose to research; Greene county sits roughly 5-7% behind the state and 10-12% behind the national rate for vaccines.

Councilwoman Romine asked how much money has been spent educating the public about the vaccine and why there appears to be a reluctance among particular groups to receive the vaccine. Mr. Mooney noted of 197,000, roughly 18,000 is targeted at marketing and education. Mr. Mooney further noted the current focus would be building relationships with different populations in the community and gathering additional information so that we can understand why so many are unwilling to get the vaccine.

Mayor Pro Tem Simpson asked are there plans to partner with community organizations to focus on areas regarding outreach. Mr. Mooney noted they have done some preliminary work with various organizations and want to keep working to build additional relationships.

Councilman Hardinger inquired how many hospitalizations are of people who have not received a vaccine. Mr. Mooney noted the majority are unvaccinated individuals.

Mayor McClure asked what the Moderna and Pfizer vaccine effectiveness is against the delta variant. Mr. Mooney noted the most recent research showing that Pfizer has an 88% effectiveness. He further noted this does not prevent the disease, but it does reduce the severity of the virus.

Councilwoman Romaine asked are there any other medications that would be helpful for people that have the delta variant. Mr. Mooney noted he is not a medical professional and encourages individuals with questions should see their family physician.

An opportunity was given for citizens to express their views. There being appearances, the public hearing was declared closed.

Council Bill 2021-160. Special Ordinance 27528 was approved with the following vote:  
Ayes: Hosmer, Ollis, Lear, Hardinger, McGull, Schilling, Simpson, and McClure.  
Nays: Romine Absent: None Abstain: None

## **AMENDED BILLS**

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

**Springfield Land Development Code, Section 36-306 1012 West Buena Vista Street**

Sponsor: Schilling Council Bill 2021-161

A general ordinance amending the Springfield Land Development Code, Section 36-306, 'Official zoning map and rules for interpretation,' by rezoning approximately 21.5 acres of property generally located at 1012 West Buena Vista Street from O-1, Office District, with Conditional Overlay District No. 78, to Planned Development No. 377; and adopting an updated Official Zoning Map. (Planning and Zoning Commission and Staff recommend approval.)

Mayor McClure recused himself; Mayor Pro Tem Simpson became the presiding officer.

Brendan Griesemer, Acting Director of Planning and Development stated this would allow rezoning of this property from an Office Districts to a Planned Development District. He explained this comprehensive plan and stated how it was appropriate for Low Density Housing however the area was rezoned to an Office District in 2014. Mr. Griesemer explained why an impact study was not needed as the area contains collector roadways for traffic.

Hosmer asked for clarifications regarding the gate of this area. Mr. Griesemer explained that the gate would allow for access for the Fire Department but not to the public.

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

Mayor Pro Tem Simpson moved City Council suspend the rules and consider Council Bill 2021-162, more specifically item #32 before Council Bill 2021-161 more specifically item #31 so Council Bill 2021-161 and Council Bill 2021-163 can be presented together.

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

**Springfield Land Development Code, Section 36-306 5505 West Sunshine**

Sponsor: Schilling Council Bill 2021-162

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 5505 West Sunshine Street from County M-1, Light Manufacturing District, and GR, General Retail District, to HC, Highway Commercial District; and adopting an updated Official Zoning Map. (Staff and Planning and Zoning Commission both recommend approval.)

Brendan Griesemer, Acting Director of Planning and Development explained this bill as a rezoning request for an area annexed into the city. He utilized slides to help explain the changes to the area which included traffic impact studies. Mr. Griesemer stated that this comprehensive plan located at James River Freeway/Sunshine is appropriate for Medium-intensity retail, housing & light industrial, offices and warehouses.

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

**Springfield Land  
Development  
Code, Section 36-  
306 817 West El  
Camino Alto Drive**

Sponsor: Simpson Council Bill 2021-163

A general ordinance amending the Springfield Land Development Code, Section 36-306, 'Official zoning map and rules for interpretation,' by rezoning approximately 5.4 acres of property generally located at 817 West El Camino Alto Drive from O-1, Office District, with Conditional Overlay District No. 78, to R-LD, Low Density Multi-Family Residential District; establishing Conditional Overlay District No. 200; and adopting an updated Official Zoning Map. (Staff and Planning and Zoning Commission both recommend approval.)

Mayor McClure recused himself.

Brendan Griesemer, Acting Director of Planning and Development explained that this is a rezoning request to rezone from an Office District to a Low-Density Multi-Family Residential area. He states the Comprehensive Plan was rezoned to Office in 2014. Mr. Griesemer explained the transportation plan. He further explains that this area is a conditional overlay district which would limit development to a maximum density of 11 dwelling units per acre for a total 59 units.

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

**Springfield Land  
Development  
Code, Section 36-  
306 1132 West  
Division Street**

Sponsor: Schilling Council Bill 2021-164

A general ordinance amending the Springfield Land Development Code, Section 36-306, 'Official zoning map and rules for interpretation,' by rezoning approximately 0.2 acres of property generally located at 1132 West Division Street from HC, Highway Commercial District, to R-TH, Residential Townhouse; and adopting an updated Official Zoning Map. (Staff and Planning and Zoning Commission both recommend approval.)

Brendan Griesemer, Acting Director of Planning and Development noted that this is a rezoning request. He provided an overview of the comprehensive plan for Low-Density Housing including a brief history of the zoning of this area. He further noted that a traffic impact study was not required.

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

**Automobile  
washing Permit  
No. 452- 2808  
North Kansas  
Expressway**

Sponsor: Romine Council Bill 2021-165

A special ordinance granting Conditional Use Permit No. 452 for the purpose of authorizing an automobile washing business to operate as a conditional use within the GR, General Retail District, generally located at 2808 North Kansas Expressway. (Staff and Planning and Zoning Commission recommend approval.)

Brendan Griesemer, Acting Director of Planning and Development provided an overview of the proposed. He noted the proposed pertains to an automobile washing business. He noted that the transportation plan classifies this area as a local roadway, and therefore, a traffic impact study is not required. He noted a fee in lieu of on-site stormwater detention will be allowed.

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

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

**RSM US LLP;  
Police Officers'  
and Firefighters'  
Retirement System**

Sponsor: McClure Council Bill 2021-166

A special ordinance authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to enter into an agreement with RSM US LLP, to provide professional auditing services to the City and to the Police Officers' and Fire Fighters' Retirement System for fiscal years 2021 through 2025.

Jody Vernon, Assistant Director of Finance provided an overview of the proposed. She noted the Finance Department requested a proposal for external auditing services as required every five years. She noted they received four responses to the request for proposal and based on the selection criteria outline in the RFP, they are recommending RSM as the external audit firm for the next 5-year cycle.

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

**Emerald City  
Band; Route 66  
Festival**

Sponsor: Ollis Council Bill 2021-167

A special ordinance authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to enter into an agreement with Emerald City Band, Inc. in the amount of \$25,500, for the purpose of performing a live concert at the Birthplace of Route 66 Festival in Springfield, Missouri.

Cora Scott, Director of Public Information and Civic Engagement, provided an overview of the proposed. She noted this agreement would allow the Emerald City band to perform at the Birthplace of Route 66 Festival.

Councilman Hosmer asked what type of band is Emerald City. Ms. Scott noted Emerald City is a 12-person band that has a horn section and plays a variety of music. Councilman Hosmer noted that \$25,000 is for the band and \$22,000 was for amenities for the band. Ms. Scott clarified \$25,500 would be exclusively for the contract and \$22,767 would be for the band's expenses such as staging and lighting, and other production needs.

Councilman Lear asked about how large the festival will be and an estimate of those who will attend. Ms. Scott noted roughly 450 classic cars owners are registered in addition to 550 people are registered for the parade. She noted anticipating around 70,000 people, which is above what has happened in the past for the entire festival and roughly 10,000 for the concert portion.

Mayor McClure provided an overview of the legislative process noting the Missouri legislature may pass a measure that could provide additional funds toward the Route 66 Festival.

An opportunity was given for citizens to express their views. There being no speakers, the public hearing was declared closed.

**Law Department  
full-time position  
of Law Technician**

Sponsor: McGull Council Bill 2021-168

A general ordinance\* amending the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 budget of the City to adjust the authorized employee positions in the Law Department by adding one full-time equivalent position of Legal Technician and to fund said position.

Carl Yendes, Assistant City Attorney, provided an overview of the proposed. He noted that the City Prosecutor's office now handles data for traffic offenses and misdemeanor crimes that occur within the Springfield city limits. He noted the legal tech position would fall between the full paralegal position and the assistant position. Mr. Yendes further noted this position would consist of someone trained to process entering data in addition to assisting with preparation for new cases.

Councilman Hosmer asked if one position would be enough for their office. Mr. Yendes noted at this time this position would allow for his office to process the back log of information and not take time away from regular staff responsibilities as it would be a dedicated position. He further noted if needed he would look to add another position in the future.

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

**\*Clerk's Note: The bill was inadvertently referred to as a special ordinance in the public meeting. The minutes reflect Council Bill 2021-168 is a general ordinance.**

**Sanitary Sewer  
Easement 3101  
South Glenstone  
Ave**

Sponsor: Simpson Council Bill 2021-169

A special ordinance relinquishing certain sanitary sewer easement(s) located at 3101 South Glenstone Avenue for the purpose of accommodating improvements at said location.

Bob Hosmer, Planning Manager, provided an overview of the proposed. He noted this area is located at Battlefield and Glenstone and has been dedicated. He further noted that this easement is contingent upon the construction of public improvements.

Councilman Hosmer asked if this relinquishment is staff driven or applicant driven. Mr. Hosmer noted applicant driven and would be relocating part of the sewer line under the easement to a different location.

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

**The following appeared on the agenda under Petitions, Remonstrances, and Communications.**

**Did Not Appear**

Danny Hill did not appear to address the City Council.

**Did Not Appear**

Patricia Tursi did not appear to address the City Council.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**MISCELLANEOUS**

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

**Planning and  
Development  
dedication;  
Preliminary Plat of  
Brody's Place,  
5505 West  
Sunshine Street**

Sponsor: Schilling Council Bill 2021-170

A special ordinance authorizing the Director of Planning and Development to accept the dedication of public streets and easements to the City of Springfield, as shown on the Preliminary Plat of Brody's Place, generally located at 5505 West Sunshine Street, 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. (Staff recommends that City Council accept the public streets and easements.)

**Planning and Development dedication; Preliminary Plat of Deer Lake Soccer Park, 6006 West State Highway 266**

Sponsor: Romine Council Bill 2021-171

A special ordinance authorizing the Director of Planning and Development to accept the dedication of public streets and easements to the City of Springfield, as shown on the Preliminary Plat of Deer Lake Soccer Park, generally located at 6006 West State Highway 266, 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. (Staff recommends that City Council accept the public streets and easements.)

**Planning and Development dedication; Preliminary Plat of Smith Street Subdivision, 1047 East Smith Street**

Sponsor: McGull Council Bill 2021-172

A special ordinance authorizing the Director of Planning and Development to accept the dedication of public streets and easements to the City of Springfield, as shown on the Preliminary Plat of Smith Street Subdivision, generally located at 1047 East Smith Street, 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. (Staff recommends that City Council accept the public streets and easements.)

**CONSENT AGENDA ONE READING BILLS**


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

- Confirmed** Confirm the following appointment to the Springfield-Greene County Public Library Board: Mark McNay with term to expire July 1, 2024.
- Confirmed** Confirm the following reappointment to the Springfield-Greene County Public Library Board: Michelle Moulder with term to expire July 1, 2024.
- Confirmed** Confirm the following appointments to the Mayor’s Commission for Human Rights and Community Relations: Chase Snider with term to expire October 1, 2022; Kelly Fender, who will fill the unexpired term of Cindy Rushefsky, with term to expire on October 1, 2022; and Rachel Bridges with term to expire October 1, 2023.
- Confirmed** Confirm the following appointment to the Mayor’s Commission for Children: Kaleen Long, who will fill the unexpired term of Linda Saturno, with term to expire November 29, 2021.
- Confirmed** Confirm the following appointment to the Building Trades Examination and Certification Board: Yankton Sothern with term to expire December 1, 2024.

**END OF CONSENT AGENDA.**

**Motion to Adjourn** Councilwoman Romine moved to Adjourn. Mayor Pro Tem Simpson seconded the motion, and it was approved by the following vote:

Ayes. Lear, Hardinger, Romine, McGull, Schilling, Simpson, Ollis, and McClure.  
Nays. Hosmer. Absent. None. Abstain. None. The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Anita J. Cotter". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial 'A'.

Anita J. Cotter, CMC/MRCC  
City Clerk

Prepared by  
Lauren M. Fischer