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Springfield Launches Full Digital Plan Submission, Review

The City of Springfield has launched the first end-to-end electronic plan services initiative in the State of Missouri and has selected Avolve Software's ProjectDox® ePlan solution software for deployment in 2012. In support of the City's business development objectives, digital plan services provide a significant means to streamline plan review and permit approval, reduce administrative processing, eliminate paper and improve communication with developers, contractors, design professionals and project stakeholders.

The City, in concert with City Utilities (CU), will integrate its ePlan technology with existing permitting and document archival systems, reducing redundant data entry and enabling network and wireless data and document distribution to multiple City and CU departments, and field service personnel. As part of the implementation process, the City will present the value and benefits of electronic plan services to local and remote commercial partners in an effort to spur continued, long-term economic development interest in the city.

Springfield is the first jurisdiction in Missouri to deploy business-friendly, full digital plan submission and review services.

"Springfield strives to be 'business development-friendly', and therefore, streamlining and expediting the permitting process is a key driver for planning and development, especially when cities are competing for capital projects that offer positive, long-range growth opportunities," said Fred Marty, Deputy City Manager. "Technology such as ProjectDox combined with our current systems gives Springfield an edge, and a solid platform to expand our business development services. We're very excited to be leading the way in Missouri with this initiative", he added.

ProjectDox ePlan solutions allow jurisdictions, like the City of Springfield, to offer web-based plan drawing and document submission, review and approval to owners, architects and developers. Key benefits include reducing paper, printing costs, storage costs, deforestation, drive time, gasoline consumption, and greenhouse gas emissions – while improving customer service and increased efficiency between multiple departments. Based on the .NET platform, ProjectDox supports open data exchange and interoperability with multiple software applications, enabling real-time plan document and workflow status visibility utilizing ProjectDox and integrated legacy systems.

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