Crisis Fund payroll deduction available April 1

The Employee Crisis Fund Committee, in partnership with Human Resources and the Finance department, is excited to announce that employee payroll deductions will be available for donations to the crisis fund effective April 1.

The Employee Crisis Fund is designed to provide financial assistance to eligible City employees who are experiencing economic hardship due to an emergency. The Employee Crisis Fund is currently funded through employee donations and special events.

The Employee Crisis Fund is the legacy project of the 2013 City Ambassadors Program (CAmP) class.

“Our idea was to create an avenue for providing assistance to City’s employees during a time of crisis,” said Director of Public Information & Civic Engagement Cora Scott, 2013 CAmP class president.

Since 2014, the families of three City employees have been awarded more than $2,000 from the crisis fund.

“With your support we hope to increase the fund, help more City employees in crisis and grow the program,” said Buyer & Surplus Coordinator Kara Daniel, Crisis Fund committee member. Look for more information about payroll deductions and pledge forms in future Monday Morning Announcements.

Applications for assistance from the Employee Crisis Fund must be completed by the employee or designee. The application is confidential and requires specific information to determine if the applicant qualifies. The application is reviewed by the committee to determine if the applicant qualifies. If you are interested in seeking help from the fund, you can access the application on CityShare or in person in the Human Resources department.

One time donations to the fund may be sent to the Finance Department, Attn: Accounting Manager, make checks payable to: City of Springfield Employee Crisis Fund. The Employee Crisis Fund is held in a bank account, separate from City funds and managed and audited by the City’s Finance Department.

If you have questions about the Employee Crisis Fund please contact PIO or Kara Daniel at 864-1621 or kdaniel@springfieldmo.gov

Landfill employee John Choate remembered by co-workers as hard worker and great person

The City lost one of our own Feb. 10. John Wesley Choate died after an accident at the City’s landfill. Choate worked at the City in various capacities since 2008, most recently as a maintenance worker.

“We are all saddened by the loss of one of our own,” said City Manager Greg Burris. “Please keep the Choate family in your thoughts and prayers.”

Environmental Services’ Tom Shaw had this to say about Choate:

“He was a super hard worker and a great person. You couldn’t ask for a better employee. If something needed to be done, often you wouldn’t even have to ask him; he was already in there getting it done. He will be greatly missed at the City.”

Below is Choate’s obituary, as it ran in the Springfield News-Leader.

John Wesley Choate

John Wesley Choate, 53, passed away suddenly on Feb. 10 from a tragic accident that has left his...
family and friends stunned and holding on to the memories that are so near and dear to their hearts.

Those closest to him knew him as Johnny, and loved his caring and generous heart. If he crossed the path of a person down and out, he would go back with groceries, bedding or whatever he thought they needed. Any stray dog or cat that found him hit the jackpot because he would take them in and spoil them as his own. Johnny’s greatest pastime was providing care for his schnauzer, Digger, all his special needs cats and dogs, his Boer goats, and chickens. He stayed busy keeping them healthy and making sure they all got along with one another. Johnny had a strong work ethic on the job but was happiest on the home front scheming of what project he could complete next. He relished being outdoors as long as there was light in the day and was constantly on the move to stay young. He enjoyed fishing, hunting, chopping wood and gardening.

Johnny was preceded in death by his beloved grandfather, Willie Francis “WF” Choate, his legacy to uphold. Johnny is survived by the love of his life, wife Karen (Fouraker); his dearly loved parents John and Sigrid Choate; his grandmother Lillian Bernice Choate; grandmother Elsa Paula Geltz; and many aunts, uncles, cousins, and a circle of family and friends.

Johnny adored the bond he and Karen shared and yearned to please her endlessly. He was always thinking ahead and made sure Karen knew he loved her and was thinking of her in his last words.

A memorial service was held on Monday, Feb. 15 at Greenlawn North. A private graveside service was held on Saturday, Feb. 20, in Brighton Cemetery.

Online condolences may be made to www.greenlawnfuneralhome.com. Memorial donations may be made payable to: C.A.R.E. Animal Rescue.

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Springfield Police Department provides “Safe Exchange Zone” for internet transactions

The Springfield Police Department has designated a parking spot at its headquarters, 321 E. Chestnut Expressway, to create a secure location for Springfield residents to complete transactions initiated in an online forum such as Facebook or Craigslist.

In recent years, the SPD has received reports of the buying/selling of stolen property and even reports of the planned transactions turning into robberies.

“More often now, people are looking to internet sites and social media to buy, sell or trade goods,” said Police Chief Paul Williams. “People need to use common sense and watch out for red flags when making these transactions with strangers.”

The SPD cannot become involved in the transactions unless there is a crime to be reported, in most instances, transactions take place without any incident.

However, the department wants to offer peace of mind to citizens engaging in this online activity. “While we can’t guarantee that offering this area will eliminate criminal activity that may take place during transactions, we feel it is a much safer alternative than meeting at a random spot or at one’s residence,” said Williams.

The parking lot of Police Headquarters can be used by the public anytime, and the lobby is open to the public from 7 a.m.-11 p.m. seven days a week. Citizens are encouraged to use the area closest to the building entrance during daytime hours, if possible.

If citizens cannot meet at Police Headquarters, they are encouraged to meet in daylight in a public place. They should also try to bring a friend or family member along, or let someone know what they are doing, and when and where they will be when making the transaction.

If you become the victim of a crime, call 911 or the Springfield Police Department at 417-864-1810.

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SPD receives 2015 Bell Ringer Award

The Springfield Police Department received the 2015 Bell Ringer Award for the government division at The Salvation Army’s annual Tree of Lights luncheon. The SPD was recognized with this award as being the government agency that raised the most funds during their volunteer shifts of the Red Kettle campaign. Sgt. Tonya Price, SPD’s Salvation Army volunteer coordinator, accepted the award on the department’s behalf.
Citizens’ Sales Tax Oversight Committee issues clean report to City Council

The City of Springfield doesn’t expect citizens to take its word for it that tax dollars are spent appropriately. At tonight’s City Council meeting, the Citizens’ Sales Tax Oversight Committee (CSTOC) gave another “clean” report to City Council, indicating that the City is handling the various sales tax revenues appropriately. The committee also approved a resolution in support of the renewal of the 1/4-cent Capital Improvement and 1/8-cent Transportation sales taxes on the April 5 ballot.

The nine-member committee, comprised of a cross-section of Springfield citizens, was formed in 2010 and meets quarterly to review and monitor the revenues collected from each of Springfield’s four sales taxes.

Examples of projects completed with the 1/8-cent Transportation Sales Tax include the widening of U.S. 65 to six lanes and the diverging diamond interchanges at James River Freeway and National and I-44 and Kansas Expressway. Projects funded with the 1/4-cent Capital Improvements Sales Tax include the school sidewalk program, bike route signage, center-city development projects and street maintenance. The 5 percent Hotel/Motel Sales Tax funds capital grants to Springfield not-for-profit organizations that promote tourism, recreation, education and local economy.

“We do not choose what projects and how the money is going to be spent. Instead, we look at reports given to us by City staff on what money has come in and what projects they plan to fund. In doing so, we feel these sales taxes are being spent according to the language on the ballot,” said Bob Yeager, Citizens’ Sales Tax Oversight Committee chair. “We’re pleased that this committee’s annual report represents and confirms that a good-faith effort in collecting, accounting and expenditures of these four taxes.

Business, marketing, IT skills in greatest demand locally over next 5-10 years, according to survey

Over 300 local workforce professionals attended the second annual MOmentum 2016: State of the Workforce Luncheon, hosted Feb. 23 by the local Workforce Development Board and the Missouri Job Center-Ozark Region. In addition to discussing the survey findings, attendees listened to and participated in a panel discussion by some of the top industry experts in the region.

“This year’s survey reflects a continued upward trend in hiring and also presents opportunities for the regional partners to continue to work together to find ways to engage the workforce in meaningful career paths. We are especially encouraged by the employer engagement and their continued support and participation in finding ways to improve the quality of our workforce,” said Mary Ann Rojas, director of Workforce Development for the City of Springfield.

Survey highlights

According to the survey, the top three occupational fields that Ozarks organizations will look to recruit from in the next five to 10 years are the same as last year: business, management and administration; marketing, sales and service; and information technology/computer science.

Between 25% and 35% of organizations surveyed plan to hire additional full-time and/or part-time employees over the next year, slightly up from the 2015 survey results. Between 40% and 50% of the organizations surveyed plan to hire additional full-time and/or part-time employees over the next three to five years, down slightly from the 2015 survey results. A majority of survey respondents — 67% — reported that at least some of their jobs/positions require employees to have a background in science, technology, engineering or mathematics.

Low number of applicants, lack of relevant work experience, lack of good communication skills (written, verbal and nonverbal) as well as a lack of job-specific knowledge/technical skills were the most frequently identified skill deficiencies of job applications (each mentioned by nearly half of survey respondents).

More than 80% of respondents indicated that “most” or “some” of their current employees need improvement in the areas of listening, time management, leadership, goal setting, work ethics/habits, interpersonal relations, adaptability, decision making/critical thinking, problem solving, and creative thinking.
Looking for old barns to tear down for the lumber to build furniture. We will clear everything from the site as a benefit to the property owner. Please contact Olivia at 417-849-0865.

If you are looking for a project, consider these two 1953 Ford Victoria’s. One is a parts car and the other is to re-build and is in good condition. All for $1500 or best offer. Call 417-872-7636 for more information.

2Bd/2Ba Garden Level Condo in Northern Branson behind Walmart, Kohls, and Bed Bath and Beyond. All appliances stay and will leave some furniture. In the process of painting entire unit and putting down new vinyl in kitchen and baths. If I finish $73,000, if you finish (I’ll leave paint and flooring) $70,000. Call Mary at 573-747-8705

2010 34 ft. Flagstaff Camper, 1 slide, 2 bedrooms, sleeps 12. AC, heated storage tanks, Smoke Free, Power Awning, Flat screen TV with surround sound inside and outside speakers. Used only a half dozen times. Must sell $18,000. Call Mary at 573-747-8705 or Johnnie at 636-524-9541. Parked in Branson.

‘95 Ford Conquest—$13,000 (Ozark, MO)
‘95 Conquest in excellent condition; well taken care of and maintained. New tires, new generator and stove. New batteries. Call Rex or Vera at (417) 818-4586.

Golf Clubs, 3-PW, SW/UW, bag and driver. $75, call 848-8450, ask for Phil.

Large L-shaped simulated cherry office desk with beautiful matching hutch from office depot ($200.00). Solid oak entertainment center with pull-out swivel television holder, including a 31” TV, and lots of cabinet space and built to last a life time ($250.00). Contact Joe at 343-3117.

Pin Up Salon Company at 219 E. Commercial Street is now taking new clients! Come on in on your lunch or on your day off and get pampered! We have clipper artists to get you looking fresh, we have beauty operators to get you looking gorgeous, and best of all: show your City badge and we will give you a 15% discount on any and all services! Call 417-865-3089 and ask for Dixie to schedule your appointment today!
**Springfield Fire Department honors bravery and valor during annual awards ceremony**

Dozens of Springfield Fire Department personnel were honored during this year’s annual awards ceremony Feb. 23. Among those honored were several members of Springfield Water Rescue Team who performed dangerous swift water rescues during flooding over the past year. Also honored were two civilians who rescued two young boys from a house fire in January.

Assistant Chief of Operations David Pennington was named Fire Officer of the Year and Rescue Specialist Jeff Elliott was named Firefighter of the Year. For the first year in the history of the Department, a Medal of Valor was awarded. Firefighter Michael Kuss received the honor for saving a family of five from floodwaters in May.

**Follow the GOLDEN GOOSE**

I would like to give the Golden Goose award to Linda Voris in the Fire department. She is always friendly and has a smile. It’s an honor to know and work around someone who is always professional and has a great work ethic.

Nancy Lucas, Public Works

I am honored to pass the Golden Goose award to Anita Baker Climer in the City Clerk’s office. I have been privileged to work with her in the past as a co-worker and currently as a Fire Department employee. Anita is always upbeat, friendly and conscientious both in person and on the phone. It is a pleasure to work with her. If you need your mood lifted, call Anita!

Linda Voris, Fire

I am honored to pass the “Golden Goose” award to Dan Wichmer, City attorney. I have had the privilege of working with Dan for a lot of years. Dan is always willing to offer his legal expertise for various City issues, such as handling and responding to Sunshine Requests and wording for various minutes regarding the City Council and boards/commissions. He is always friendly and polite, even when he has had a bad day, and goes the extra mile to be cordial and says “hi” with a wave and smile. I would like to thank Dan for all of his efforts and support in making Springfield a great City to both work and play!

Anita Baker Climer, City Clerk

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**Steve Eggers**

Airport Operations Supervisor

Steve has worked for the City for 36 years.

Why do you do what you do?
“I love aviation. I grew up in an aviation family—flying, skydiving. I’m around people who share that common passion.”

What’s the hardest part of your job?
“Keeping up with the ever-changing FAA rules, regulations and requirements necessary to run an air carrier airport.”

What’s the best part of your job?
“Meeting people you would not ordinarily get to meet, such as kings and queens from other countries, Presidents and First Ladies, movie stars, rock stars, Secret Service, senators, governors ... just can’t name them all!”

What’s the coolest thing you’ve done in your career?
“One (there are many) of the coolest things would be working with the Honor Flight, sending our veterans to Washington, D.C. for a long-overdue welcome and thank you for their service.”

What gives you satisfaction?
“Watching the airport operate as a whole, knowing that every department gives 100% every day without fail, 24/7.”

Do you work to live, or do you live to work?
Why?
“I probably live to work (at the airport of course). If you love what you do there is no such thing as a bad day at work.”
Agency Recognitions

To: Terry Hedden, 9-1-1 Shift Supervisor

On Jan. 28, Terry Hedden answered a 9-1-1 call from a Public Works employee from Willard requesting to do an outside burn in the morning. I had given her a permit after inspecting the brush pile. We had advised her to call 911 before she started the fire. They called 911 dispatch and was given clear details about the wind direction, weather and expected forecast of increased wind in the afternoon. Due to this information being given to her, she lit her fire earlier in the morning and avoided higher winds this afternoon. I appreciate your dispatcher’s extra effort.

Thank you,
Ken Scott, Fire Chief,
Willard Fire Protection District

911 Recognition

To: Debbie Moore – 9-1-1 Emergency Communications Executive Secretary

On Feb. 18, we celebrated 18 years of service to the 911 ECD and the community for Executive Secretary Debbie Moore. She was the one who kept us all together and the department running smoothly! We wish her many years of fun and happiness in retirement! The RV world needs to watch out!

Citizen Recognitions

To: Brandy Atnip, Licensing Representative

Yesterday I went to get a business license for our new title company, and Brandy Atnip assisted me. She could not have been more pleasant or efficient, despite the fact that she and the entire office were very busy. I appreciate the great service and just wanted you to know I am a very satisfied customer!

Sincerely,
David N. Appleby

To: Chief of Police, Springfield

I wish to express my personal gratitude to the two officers who answered my call about the disturbance in my neighborhood early Sunday morning. I called 911 at 2:33 am from 1931 S. Virginia Avenue after the neighbors immediately to the south of my residence were flashing lights and beaming them into my house for about 45 minutes. It was such a relief to hear a caring and helpful voice at the other end of the phone and within a short period of time to see the two gentlemen who came to resolve the issue. Thank you for responding so graciously and so timely to this call for assistance! It gives my new assurance to know how promptly and politely your officers take their duty.

With deep gratitude from a concerned citizen,
Pauline Nugent

To: SPD Police Service Representatives

Just a few kind words for the PSRs who may be a crime victim’s first and most frequent contact with Springfield Police Department.

Ashley Duff, my first contact, who realized that finding out my car had been stolen had pushed me close to my breaking point and quickly dispatched Officer Dawn Davis to my house while compassionately making sure that I understood that things do change while officers are en route and that call priority may have to change, as well.

Nick Evgenides who managed to take me from asleep to having a coherent conversation at 0515 when my car was found. Getting an early-am call from the police department is not always a bad thing.

Debbie Peters, who processed my vehicle release form at 0700 and even came up with change for me (including quarters) so that I didn’t have to use a $20 bill when I took the bus home.

Of course, warm hugs for Officer Matthew Thomas DSN 1706, and Zach Pugh, DSN 1684, who found and processed my vehicle.

Last, but not least, the just-arriving-for-work employee who let me into the lobby shortly before 7, explaining that the lobby didn’t actually open, and I wouldn’t be able to get help before 7, but “it’s warmer in here.”

The car, unfortunately, isn’t driveable, but the fact that it has been recovered is a big step towards regaining my emotional equilibrium.

Sincerely,
Gail DeGeorge
Employee Crisis Fund Payroll Deduction Instructions

Fund Background: The Employee Crisis Fund is designed to provide limited financial assistance to eligible City employees who are experiencing economic hardship due to an emergency. More information on eligibility can be found on CityShare at the following link: http://sharepoint.springfieldmo.gov/Employee%20Crisis%20Fund/Forms/AllItems.aspx

Donation Information: This is a voluntary donation taken directly from your pay check. The donated funds are not considered a tax-deductible payment to the Employee Crisis Fund. This is an annual commitment to support the City of Springfield Employee Crisis Fund.

Your contribution amount will be taken each pay period on a bi-weekly basis.

Submit your completed form to Finance Payroll attention Brian Stranghoener.

Questions? Contact Kara Daniel kdaniel@springfieldmo.gov or 864-1621

Please detach and return the form below

Employee Crisis Fund - Pledge Form

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My Contribution

Payroll Deduction

A. Pledge per pay period

- $1.00
- $3.00
- $5.00
- Other $______________

Total Gift is A x 26 (pay periods) = $______________

Signature ________________________________ Date___________
Remember to vote Tuesday, April 5

Renewal of Springfield’s 1/4-cent Capital Improvement & 1/8-cent Transportation Sales Taxes will improve traffic flow WITHOUT increasing taxes.

In April 2016, voters will be asked to decide whether to renew the 1/4-cent Capital Improvement and 1/8-cent Transportation Sales Taxes.

The ¼-cent Capital Improvements Sales Tax and 1/8-cent Transportation Sales Tax Renewal Proposal is a sales tax continuation with no additional cost to taxpayers. A significant portion of the revenues for both programs come from non-residents. Residents and visitors alike will benefit from greater safety and roadway capacity on major roadways that serve the region.

First approved by voters in 1989, the ¼-cent Capital Improvements Sales Tax, is estimated to generate about $30 million to be invested in high-priority projects, such as major street resurfacing and rehabilitation, traffic flow improvements, school sidewalks, stormwater management and neighborhood initiatives. Renewed for an eighth time in 2013, the tax has passed with more than 70% in support in the past three cycles. When possible, funding is leveraged with other partners, including county, state, federal governments and developers.

Voters have approved the 1/8-cent sales tax every four years since 1996. It is estimated to generate about $20 million to be invested in high-priority projects, such as intersection improvements, street and bridge widening, and alternative transportation projects. With a four-year sunset, the renewal of the 1/8-cent sales tax ensures the completion of key projects, including those identified as priorities by citizens.

2015 Springfield Community Listen Results:
Sidewalk and other roadway issues were the #2 priority (following chronic nuisance properties) shared by citizens during a three-week tour of nine Springfield neighborhoods.

2014 Springfield Citizen Satisfaction Survey Findings:
54% of citizens feel the City should focus on overall maintenance of city streets and infrastructure over the next two years.

For more information on the proposed projects and programs within this cycle, visit:

springfieldmo.gov/election
Major construction projects that will be completed or under contract by the end of this cycle.

1) Cherry Street (Barnes Avenue to Oak Grove Avenue) - Widen Cherry to three lanes with curb and gutter, bike lanes and sidewalks.

2) Jordan Creek Bridge at Grand St. (Kansas Ave. to Park Ave.) - Replace Grand St. bridge over Jordan Creek, improve the RR crossing, and widen Grand with sidewalks and bike lanes.

3) Primrose St. (South Ave. to Kimbrough Ave.) - Widen Primrose to five lanes and provide sidewalks.

4) Republic Rd. (Just west of Campbell to drive at Chase) - Widen to five lanes with curb and gutter and sidewalks and access control as needed.

5) Battlefield Rd. and Fremont Ave. intersection & roadway improvements - Improve intersection by upgrading signal and adding capacity and turn lanes. Widen Fremont to five lanes from Battlefield to Sunset, adding sidewalks and a bike path.

Specific locations where money from city-wide programs will be focused into a larger improvement effort.

6) Stormwater Improvements in Beechwood Heights Subdivision - Stormwater improvements in the Beechwood Heights subdivision through S. Burton and E. Horning Streets.

7) Relocate Eastgate Ave. - Relocating Eastgate Avenue on the south side of Chestnut Expressway to new traffic signal location to the east.

8) Stormwater Improvements in Ravenwood South Subdivision - Stormwater improvements in the Ravenwood Subdivision to increase conveyance.

9) Division & Grant Intersection - Traffic signal replacement and ADA improvements.

10) Battlefield & National Intersection - Improve the right turn lane angles and make ADA improvements.

11) Battlefield & Campbell Intersection - Improve the right turn lane angles and make ADA improvements.

Projects funded through the design and right-of-way phase. Projects may not be completed within the current cycle.

12) Central St. (Campbell Ave. to Sherman Ave.) - Final design and begin right of way to convert Central to a complete street with sidewalks and bike trail.

13) Division St. (National Ave. to Glenstone Ave.) - Final design and begin right of way to widen Division with curb and gutter, bike infrastructure and sidewalks.

14) Galloway St. (Luster Ave. to Lone Pine Ave.) - Final design and begin right of way to widen Galloway with curb and gutter, bike infrastructure and sidewalks.

15) Campbell Ave. & Walnut Lawn St. - Final design and begin right of way to upgrade signal and improve intersection by adding a west-to-northbound right turn lane.

Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) and Signal System Improvements
Replacement of signal bulbs with LED’s for better visibility and longer life.

Turning Lane and Safety Improvements
Low-cost safety and capacity improvements at various City intersections.

Sidewalk/Curb & Gutter Construction
Continuing annual program to construct, repair and upgrade the residential sidewalks and ADA ramps as necessary to provide a safer and more walkable community.

School Sidewalk Program
Continuing annual program to construct, repair and upgrade the sidewalks and ADA ramps as necessary to provide safer and more walkable routes to schools.

Neighborhood Initiative Program
Neighborhood improvements such as sidewalks, stormwater control, traffic calming, and other neighborhood capital improvements as required.

Bridge Replacements
Bridge repair and replacement projects at various locations in the city.

Cost-share /Economic Development Projects
The City and partners such as MoDOT, Greene County and private developers may consider federal funding, public/public or public/private cost-sharing strategies that promote economic development opportunities.

Alternative Transportation
Infrastructure projects to improve the interconnectivity of bicycle routes, sidewalks, greenway trails, and transit routes, promoting complete streets and rail crossings.

Metro/Safety Signs and Markings
Replace, upgrade and add signage as needed.

Traffic Signal/Traffic Calming Program
Replace, upgrade and add signals as needed as well as annual signal maintenance.

Major Street Resurfacing/Rehabilitation
Continuing annual program to maintain or upgrade local streets, resurface the major thoroughfare system or upgrade residential streets to collector standards with stormwater control and sidewalks as necessary.

Minor Neighborhood Improvements
Provide funding to each council zone for minor infrastructure needs.

Center City Development
Provide funding for infrastructure improvements as needed to promote continued downtown development.

Reforestation & Landscaping Improvements
Reforestation program to replace trees due to project construction as well as landscaping city areas.

Facility Maintenance
Support critical City services through funding high-priority functional and maintenance needs for aging facility infrastructure.

Storm Water
Provide funding to design and construct storm water improvements to prevent flooding and comply with federal water quality regulations.
How were the proposed projects selected?

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Proposed projects for the 2016 1/4-cent Capital Improvements Sales Tax and the 1/8-cent Transportation Sales Tax renewal cycles were selected through a combination of public input, City department and partner agency assessed need, continuation project status and council zone location.

The City/Agency Need Subtotal was determined by City departments and partner agencies who assessed other variables that may impact the project’s overall benefit to the community. Total crashes, capacity, infrastructure condition, economic development, and flooding within the project area were rated on a 1-3 scale. Projects with the highest scores were determined to have the highest need.

Public input was sought in an online citizen survey conducted in August 2015. Citizens were asked to identify their top three projects and prioritize the proposed list of programs. Out of 1,656 total responses collected, nine projects rose to the top, each earning at least 5% of the vote. Of these nine, seven were included in the final list of proposed projects.

Two continuation projects were also included in the final proposed project list. Continuation projects are locations where improvements have been done on each side of the project location. The completion of the projects avoids the creation of a bottleneck.

The final variable considered was the location of each proposed improvement. A large effort has been made to guarantee each council zone will see improvements within the 2016 cycle of the sales taxes.
Proposed 1/8-Cent Transportation Sales Tax Ballot Language

Shall the City of Springfield, Missouri, continue a sales tax of one-eighth of one percent for transportation purposes to fund high-priority transportation improvements such as: replacing the Grand Street Bridge and providing bike lanes, sidewalks and rail crossing improvements between Park Avenue and Kansas Expressway; widening Cherry Street, adding bike lanes and sidewalks from Barnes Avenue to Oak Grove Avenue; adding dual left turn lanes on Republic Road at Campbell Avenue and widening Republic Road from Campbell Avenue to the driveway at Chase; relocating Eastgate Avenue on south side of Chestnut Expressway to new traffic signal location to the east; Pavement Preservation/ Major Street Resurfacing and Rehabilitation projects; Traffic Flow and Safety projects; Bridge Repair and Replacement; Alternate Transportation projects including sidewalks, bike routes, transit, and rail crossing improvements; Design and Right-of-Way Projects and transportation investments related to economic development and quality of life enhancements through shared funding with County, State, and Federal agencies and developers to advance high-priority projects, with the tax to sunset in four years?

(Note: There will be no increase in the current sales tax level if the one-eighth of one percent Transportation Sales Tax is continued.)

Proposed 1/4-Cent Capital Improvement Sales Tax Ballot Language

Shall the City of Springfield, Missouri, continue a sales tax of one-fourth of one percent for the purpose of funding high-priority capital improvements such as: intersection improvements including new traffic signals and additional turn lanes at Battlefield Road and Fremont Avenue; widening Fremont Avenue from Sunset Street to Battlefield Road and adding sidewalks and bike path; widening Primrose Street from South to Kimbrough Avenue with new traffic signal at Jefferson Street; Municipal Street and Infrastructure Improvements/Rehabilitation; Stormwater Permit Compliance and flood prevention; School Sidewalk and Sidewalk Repair Programs; Neighborhood Initiative Program; Safety Signing and Marking; Traffic Signal and Calming Program; Center City Development; Design and Right-of-Way Projects; Reforestation and Landscaping and public/private cost share investments related to economic development and quality of life enhancements through shared funding with the County, State, Federal agencies and developers to advance high-priority projects, with the tax to sunset in three years?

(Note: There will be no increase in the current sales tax level if the one-fourth of one percent Capital Improvements Tax is continued.)
## 2016-2019 1/4-Cent Sales Tax Program

### 2017-2021 1/8-Cent Sales Tax Program

**Draft of Proposed Projects**

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**Available for Capital Improvements & Transportation Improvements**

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### Traditional Programs:

- Public/Private Shared Cost and Economic Development *(includes Eastgate south of Chestnut Exp.)*: 1,200,000 1,200,000
- Sidewalk/Curb/Gutter & Ramp Construction: 2,250,000 -
- School Sidewalk Program: 1,000,000 -
- Neighborhood Initiative Program: 1,500,000 -
- Facility Maintenance: 750,000 -
- Metro/Safety Signs and Markings *(includes bike routes)*: 900,000 -
- Major Street Resurfacing/Rehabilitation: 4,600,000 3,000,000
- Traffic Signal/Traffic Calming Program *(includes signal improvements at Grant/Division)*: 1,200,000 -
- Minor Neighborhood Improvements: 600,000 -
- Center City Development: 1,000,000 -
- Reforestation & Landscaping Improvements: 2,000,000 -
- Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) & Signal System Improvements: - 500,000
- Turning Lane & Safety Improvements *(includes Battlefield Intersections at Campbell and at National)*: - 800,000
- Bridge Repair & Replacement: - 500,000
- Alternative Transportation Program *(bikes/pedestrian/bus stops/rail crossing improvements)*: - 2,000,000

**Total Traditional Programs**

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### Continuation Projects

- Primrose (South to Kimbrough): 2,600,000 -
- Republic Road (Fairview to Chase): - 4,500,000

**Design & Partial Right-of-Way (ROW)**

- Galloway Street (Luster to Lone Pine): 300,000 500,000
- Central Street (West of Clay): 600,000 -
- Division Street (National to Glenstone): - 300,000
- Campbell/Walnut Lawn Intersection: - 1,200,000

### New Projects

- Battlefield/Fremont Intersection Improvements: 3,000,000 -
- Fremont Avenue (Battlefield to Sunset): 2,000,000 -
- Grand Street (Kansas to Park): - 3,000,000
- Cherry Street (Barnes to Oak Grove): - 2,500,000

**Storm Water Permit Compliance (Water Quality) & Flood Control Projects**

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