

ORDINANCE NO. 1173

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, NEBRASKA RELATING TO THE READING AND PASSAGE OF ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS AND THE LIKE; TO AMEND CHAPTER 1, ARTICLE 6, SECTION 1-606 OF THE SPRINGFIELD MUNICIPAL CODE; TO HARMONIZE WITH STATE LAW; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES AND SECTIONS; AND TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, NEBRASKA:

Section 1. That Chapter 1, Article 6, Section 1-606 of the Springfield Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

§1-606 ORDINANCES; READING AND PASSAGE OF ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, ORDERS, BYLAWS.

(A) (1) All ordinances and resolutions or orders for the appropriation or payment of money shall require for their passage or adoption the concurrence of a majority of all elected members of the City Council. The Mayor may vote on any such matter if (i) the Mayor's vote is required due to the City Council members being equally divided or (ii) a majority vote of all the elected members of the City Council cannot be reached due to absence, vacancy, or abstention of one or more City Council members. For purposes of such vote, the Mayor is deemed to be a member of the City Council.

(2) Ordinances of a general or permanent nature shall be read by title on three different days unless three-fourths (3/4) of the City Council vote to suspend this requirement. Such requirement shall not be suspended (i) for any ordinance for the annexation of territory, or the redrawing of boundaries for city council election districts or wards or (ii) as otherwise provided by law.

(3) In case this requirement is suspended, the ordinance shall be read by title and then moved for final passage.

(4) Three-fourths (3/4) of the City Council may require a reading of any such ordinance in full before enactment under either procedure set out in this section.
(Neb. RS 17-614)

(B) On the passage or adoption of every bylaw or ordinance, and every resolution or order to enter into a contract by the City Council, the yeas and nays shall be called and recorded. To pass or adopt any bylaw, ordinance, or any such resolution or order, a concurrence of a majority of the whole number of members elected to the City Council shall be required. All appointments of the officers by the City Council shall be made viva voce, and the concurrence of a like majority shall be required, and the names of those, and for whom they voted, on the vote resulting in an appointment, shall be recorded. The requirements of a roll call or viva voce vote shall be satisfied by a city which utilizes an electronic voting device which allows the yeas and nays of each member of the City Council to be readily seen by the public.

(C) (Neb. RS 17-616)

Section 2. Any other ordinance or code section passed and approved prior to passage, approval, and publication or posting of this ordinance and in conflict with its provisions is repealed.

Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage, approval, and publication or posting as required by law.

Passed and approved this 17th day of December, 2024.

(SEAL)



Barbara J. Hanning
Clerk

Robert Roslund
Mayor