



SPRINGFIELD

NEBRASKA

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

Tuesday, February 20, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.
Springfield City Hall
170 North 3rd Street

CALL TO ORDER

- Public announcement that a copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Law is posted in the entry to the meeting room
- Roll call
- Pledge of Allegiance

CONSENT AGENDA

All consent agenda items are approved in one motion unless removed by a Council Member. Removed items will be placed under the Regular Agenda for consideration and action by the Council.

1. Approve Minutes of the February 6, 2024, Council Meeting
2. Approve Claims
3. Treasurer's Report

REGULAR AGENDA

1. Kellie Seiber, Springfield Memorial Library Director – Annual Report Presentation
2. Consider a request from the Springfield Rural Fire Protection District to waive interest that has accrued on their special assessment for paving improvements done by the city in 2012
3. Third and final reading of **Ordinance No. 1149** AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ARTICLE 5 “ZONING DISTRICTS”, SECTION 5.21 “HCO HIGHWAY CORRIDOR OVERLAY DISTRICT” OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, SARPY COUNTY, NEBRASKA; TO REPEAL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE HEREOF; Consider approval
4. Consider approval of **Resolution 2024-7** entering into a Master Agreement Work Order with Olsson for a boundary/easement survey and phase 1 environmental site assessment at SSAP's soccer complex located at 15115 Hwy 50
5. Consider designs for the Urban Park shade structure

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

1. Water & Sewer Department – Mike Neitzel
2. Library & Community Building – Michael Herzog
3. Parks Department – Kacie Murtha
4. Street Department – Dan Craney
5. Mayor’s Report – Bob Roseland
6. City Staff Reports

The Mayor and City Council reserve the right to adjourn into executive session per Section 84-1410 of the Nebraska Revised Statutes.

ADJOURNMENT

MINUTES

A regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Springfield, Nebraska was held at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 20, 2024, at City Hall. Present were Mayor Bob Roseland; Council Members: Mike Neitzel, Michael Herzog, Kacie Murtha, Dan Craney. Notice of this meeting was given in advance by posting in three public places, one of the designated methods of giving notice. Notice of this meeting was given in advance to the Mayor and all Council Members and a copy of their receipt of notice is attached to these Minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the Mayor and Council of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the public. The Mayor publicly stated to all in attendance that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available for review and indicated the location of such copy posted in the room where the meeting was being held.

Consent Agenda

Motion by Herzog, seconded by Neitzel, to approve the Consent Agenda. AYES: Neitzel, Herzog, Murtha, Craney. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

Payment Type	GL Account	Account Description	Debit Amount	Vendor Name
General				
48058	7455-10-10	Internet	137.97	Charter
48056	7045-10-10	Prof Serv-Tech Support	300.00	Massman Nelson Reinig
EFTPS	7270-10-10	Insurance	708.70	USI
EFTPS	7270-10-10	Insurance	319.35	Travelers
		Total	1,466.02	
Library				

EFTPS	7270-20-10	Insurance	309.55	USI
EFTPS	7270-20-10	Ina	139.48	Travelers
		Total	449.03	
Parks				
EFTPS	7270-30-10	Insurance	456.18	USI
EFTPS	7270-30-10	Insurance	205.56	Travelers
		Total	661.74	
Comm Bldg				
EFTPS	7270-40-10	Insurance	240.31	USI
EFTPS	7270-40-10	Insurance	108.29	Travelers
		Total	348.60	
Water				
48055	5160-50-20	R&M Grounds	7,680.30	Heimes Excavating
EFTPS	7270-50-20	Insurance	757.58	USI
EFTPS	7270-50-20	Insurance	341.37	Travelers
		Total	8,779.25	
Sewer				
EFTPS	7270-60-30	Insurance	570.22	USI
EFTPS	7270-60-30	Insurance	256.95	Travelers
		Total	827.17	
Street				
48058	7455-70-40	Internet	107.98	Charter
EFTPS	7270-70-40	Insurance	1,030.46	USI
EFTPS	7270-70-40	Insurance	464.35	Travelers
		Total	1,602.79	
		Grand Total	14,134.60	

The City Treasurer reported a balance on hand of \$3,125,803.05; in cash assets; Prestige Treasury \$208,412.99; Prestige Bond \$1,243,237.38; Keno Community Betterment \$478,327.94; Keno Jackpot \$50,170.18; Water Deposit Savings \$4,240.83; Refundable Deposits Savings \$1,238.14; Water Tower Savings \$335,608.42; Sewer Restricted \$339,902.97; Water Capital Facilities Fees \$177,470.75; Sewer Capital Facility Fees \$1,185,144.67; City Sales Tax \$9,808,874.63; Money Market Library Bricks \$978.93; Government Securities \$121,109.23; Library Savings \$1,647.99; ASIP Pinnacle \$1,981,152.62; Time Certificates as follows: Bond \$80,897.42; Tower \$60,584.30; Water \$132,596.54; Library Restricted \$33,677.70; Cash Receipts \$176,482.59; Cash Disbursements \$233,004.54.

Regular Agenda

Agenda Item 1. Springfield Memorial Library Director, Kellie Seiber, presented the annual report. She noted that they were 100% in person this year. This year they have added the ability to check out “Library Things” like cake pans, movie projector, binoculars, yard games and more. They were nominated for the National Medal for Museum and Library Service in October 2022 and moved to one of the 15 finalists March 2023. This is the greatest honor a public library can receive. Although they did not receive the Medal, they feel privileged to make it to the finalists list. The library board has offered free library cards to military personnel and fire department personnel that live outside city limits. Seiber

gave a big shout out to the city administration, city officials and the maintenance department for the support to make their year a success.

Agenda Item 2. Don Scholting from the Springfield Rural Fire Protection District recapped the order of events regarding the paving district special assessment levied against 505 S. 1st St., Springfield. They paid the first half of the assessment after the project was completed and the second half was turned over to the Sarpy County Treasurer for collection. They do not pay property taxes, so the remaining one-half balance was an oversight on their part. They are ready to pay the second half of the assessment and recently discovered the outstanding interest. Scholting requested the Council forgive the interest. Motion by Murtha, seconded by Herzog, to waive the accumulated interest of approximately \$10,302.69, on the special assessment levied against the Springfield Rural Fire Protection District for paving improvements done by the city in 2012. AYES: Neitzel, Herzog, Murtha, Craney. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

Agenda Item 3. Kathleen Gottsch, City Administrator, read the third and final reading of Ordinance No. 1149 entitled:

Ordinance No. 1149 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ARTICLE 5 “ZONING DISTRICTS”, SECTION 5.21 “HCO HIGHWAY CORRIDOR OVERLAY DISTRICT” OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, SARPY COUNTY, NEBRASKA; TO REPEAL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE HEREOF.

Thereafter Council Member Craney moved for final passage, which motion was seconded by Council Member Murtha. Mayor Roseland stated the question “Shall Ordinance No. 1149 be passed and adopted?” Upon roll call vote, the following Council Members votes AYE: Murtha, Craney, Roseland. The following voted NAY: Neitzel, Herzog. The passage and adoption of said ordinance having been concurred in by a majority of all members of the Council, the Mayor declared the ordinance adopted and the Mayor in the presence of the Council signed and approved the ordinance and the Clerk attested the passage and approval of the same and affixed her signature thereto and ordered the ordinance to be published or posted as required by law and as provided therein. A true, correct, and complete copy of said ordinance is as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 1149

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ARTICLE 5 “ZONING DISTRICTS”, SECTION 5.21 “HCO HIGHWAY CORRIDOR OVERLAY DISTRICT” OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, SARPY COUNTY, NEBRASKA; TO REPEAL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; AND TO PROVIDE FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE HEREOF.

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

Section 1. Approval of Amendment to Zoning Ordinance. On January 9, 2024, the Springfield Planning Commission conducted a public hearing on the matter of amending (1) Section 5.21 of the zoning ordinance to limit the number of automobile sales within the Highway Corridor Overlay District, and reported a recommendation of approval to the City Council. On January 16, 2024, the City Council held a public hearing on said proposed amendment to the zoning ordinance and found and determined that said proposed amendment to the zoning ordinance is advisable, in the best interests of the City, and consistent with the Comprehensive Plan. The City Council further found and determined that public hearings were

duly held and notices given. Therefore, the City Council hereby approves said proposed amendment to the zoning ordinance as set forth in this Ordinance.

Section 2. Amendment to Zoning Ordinance. Pursuant to Section 11.01 of the Springfield Zoning Ordinance, Section 5.21 is hereby amended as follows:

Section 5.21 HCO Highway Corridor Overlay District

D. Permitted and Conditional Permitted Uses:

All permitted and special permitted principal uses contained in the underlying base zoning district are allowed in the HCO District, except for the following and location of specific uses is determined by the current land use plan and zoning map.

- (1) livestock sales
- (2) large alternative energy production devices
- (3) recycling processing
- (4) construction batch plants
- (5) landfills
- (6) self-service car wash operations that constitute the primary use
- (7) hazardous waste storage, as a primary use
- (8) mobile home parks
- (9) mobile home sales
- (10) pawn shops
- (11) salvage or junk yard operations and transfer stations, as a primary use
- (12) tow lots, as a primary use
- (13) extraction and processing of rock, gravel, sand, clay and dirt
- (14) licensed recreational vehicle storage – out of doors
- (15) unlicensed recreational vehicle storage – out of doors
- (16) concrete recycling and distribution plant
- (17) truck and freight terminals
- (18) contractor yards
- (19) Alternative Energy Production
- (20) Automobile sales shall be limited to one automobile sales use per 2,640 feet (1/2 mile) not including public right-of-way in the measurement; NOTE: auto sales and service includes boats and trailers

Section 3. Repeal Ordinances in Conflict. All other ordinances in conflict are hereby repealed.

Section 4. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 20TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2024.

Robert Roseland, Mayor
(SEAL)

Attest: Barb Henninger, City Clerk

Agenda Item 4. Council Member Herzog introduced **Resolution 2024-7** and moved its adoption. Council Member Neitzel seconded the foregoing motion and on roll call on the passage and adoption of said

resolution, the following voted AYES: Neitzel, Herzog, Murtha, Craney. The following voted NAY: None. Whereupon the Mayor declared said motion carried and said resolution passed and adopted. A true, correct and complete copy of said resolution is as follows:

**RESOLUTION
2024-7**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Springfield, Nebraska as follows:

WHEREAS, the City of Springfield, Nebraska, a Municipal Corporation, and Olsson, Inc., wish to enter into a Master Agreement Work Order for the purpose of preparing a Boundary/Easement Survey and Phase 1 Environmental Site Assessment on parcel number 011255269, located at 15115 Hwy 50, Springfield, Sarpy County, Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, Olsson anticipates beginning these services on February 20, 2024, with a completion date of March 19, 2024; and

WHEREAS, City will compensate Olsson on a lump sum basis of \$8,300 for these services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the City of Springfield, Nebraska that the Mayor is authorized to enter into the Master Agreement Work Order attached hereto as Exhibit "A".

Introduced and Passed this 20 day of February, 2024.

City Council Member Herzog moved the adoption of said resolution.
City Council Member Neitzel seconded the motion.

Record of Vote:

Ayes: Neitzel, Herzog, Murtha, Craney

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Resolution adopted, signed and billed as adopted.

Approved: Robert Roseland, Mayor
SEAL

Attest: Barb Henninger, City Clerk

Agenda Item 5. Gottsch presented two shade structure designs for consideration and placement at Urban Park. She noted that with the amount of sun exposure at Urban Park neither of the two designs do a great job of creating shade for the area. She suggested they reconsider the shape and consider a rectangular structure to further maximize shade and complement the natural shape of the park area. Council directed staff to go back to the drawing board and work up design and placement for a rectangular structure.

Public Comments

Travis Ryley, 330 S. 8th Street Circle, Springfield, NE 68059, thanked the Council for the batting cages at City Park. He then questioned the no parking from 2 a.m. – 6 a.m. ordinance. He received two parking tickets on two of his vehicles recently. On any given night he has his family vehicles and a few extras for friends of his kids who spend the night. He would like the Council to consider giving him a pass for parking as his property does not have enough parking for all who live at his house. Herzog noted the ordinance is in place to help control abandoned vehicles on the streets and safety in town. Craney mentioned that some of the older parts of town have narrow streets and this helps control safety issues. Mayor Roseland stated the need for the fire and rescue departments to maneuver the town in case of an emergency. Council declined to approve a permanent parking permit at 330 S 8th Street Circle.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Agenda Item 1. Neitzel reported everything is going great, it has still been too cold to repair N. 1st Street.

Agenda Item 2. Herzog reported the community building is still closed for maintenance. The library is doing great as was reported in the annual report.

Agenda Item 3. Murtha reported that she attended the Grow Sarpy networking meeting.

Agenda Item 4. Craney reported that the street department is ready to make street repairs when the weather breaks.

Agenda Item 5. Mayor Roseland reported that he also attended the Grow Sarpy networking meeting.

Agenda Item 6. Gottsch reported that to date we have received 11 applications for the maintenance position. She has interviews scheduled for next week. She is in hopes to narrow the search down and schedule second interviews and with the help of Council make a decision to extend an offer the first part of March.

Adjournment

Motioned by Herzog, seconded by Neitzel, to adjourn. AYES: Neitzel, Herzog, Murtha, Craney. NAYS: None. Meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m. AYES: Neitzel, Herzog, Murtha, Craney. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

I, the undersigned, City Clerk for the City of Springfield, Nebraska, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of proceedings had and done by the Mayor and Council on February 20, 2024; that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and readily available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk; that such agenda items were sufficiently descriptive to give the public reasonable notice of the matters to be considered at the meeting; that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to said meeting; that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for examination and copying by members of the public; that the said minutes from which the foregoing proceedings have been extracted were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that all news media requesting notification concerning meetings of said body were provided advance

notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting; and that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available and accessible to members of the public, posted during such meeting in the room in which such meeting was held.

Barb Henninger
City Clerk