

**Minutes of Springfield City
Council Meeting
Tuesday, February 17, 2009, 6:00 p.m.
City Council Chambers**

City Clerk Cecilia Tumulty called the Pre Council Session of the Springfield City Council to Order at 5:30 p.m., Tuesday, February 17, 2009, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Center West. Clerk Tumulty Read the Ordinances and Resolutions to be considered at the Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting into the Record of the Meeting and Assigned the Ordinances to their Proper Committees. The Pre Council Session Concluded at 5:45 p.m.

Mayor Davlin called the Meeting to Order at 6:00 p.m. All were invited to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

City Clerk Tumulty called the roll of City Council members.

PRESENT: Alderman Edwards, Simpson, Kunz, Lesko, Cahnman, Mahoney, Cimarossa, Theilen, Dove, Griffin & Mayor Davlin.

ABSENT: None

Mayor Davlin asked for a moment of silence on behalf of Army Specialist Christopher Sweet who died on February 6, 2009, while serving his country in Iraq. Mayor Davlin extended prayers and sympathies to his family.

ZONING PETITION(S)

The first item on the agenda was docket number 2008-093.

PETITIONER(S): City of Springfield

PRESENT ZONING CLASSIFICATION: N/A

REQUESTED ZONING RELIEF: Amendment to Chapter 155 of the Springfield Zoning Ordinance.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: N/A

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION: Approval of the petition as submitted amending Section 155 of the Springfield Zoning Ordinance to exclude sales of alcoholic beverages at all drive-in or drive-up windows to the extent permitted by law.

Ald. Cahnman moved to accept the Planning & Zoning Commission's recommendation.
Ald. Theilen seconded.

David Daker, 1653 No. Main, Decatur, IL., addressed the Council in support of the ordinance.

Danny Pryor, 1901 Fairway, Springfield, IL., addressed the Council in support of the ordinance. He is the former President of the MADD chapter in Springfield. He related how his son lost his life in an accident while a passenger in a vehicle. The driver had been served at a drive up window.

Danny Hicks, 2620 So. Price, Springfield, IL., addressed the Council in support of the ordinance. Mr. Hicks related the circumstances of an accident he was involved in 19 years ago which left him in a wheelchair. He was served at a drive up window. He has been talking to high school students since his accident to bring awareness to this subject.

Anita Bedell, 1132 W. Jefferson, Springfield, IL., Executive Director of ICAAP, addressed the Council in support of the ordinance. She believes it would reduce underage drinking in Springfield.

Ald. Cahnman spoke and asked for the Council's support of this ordinance. The Motion Carried 7/3. Ald. Simpson, Lesko, Cahnman, Mahoney, Cimarossa, Theilen and Dove voted Yes. Ald. Edwards, Kunz and Griffin Voted No.

The next item on the agenda was docket number 2009-001 for the property located at 1030 North Grand Avenue East.

PETITIONER(S): Ray W. Mogle

PRESENT ZONING CLASSIFICATION: S-3, Central Shopping District.

REQUESTED ZONING RELIEF: B-2, General Business Service District.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Denial.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION: Deny the petition as submitted and instead recommend a Use Variance to allow storage of classic or vintage pre-1980 hobby or collector cars with no repair shop, no showroom or regular business hours and limit the availability of space to 4500 square feet.

Ald. Lesko Moved to Accept the Planning & Zoning Commission's recommendation. Ald. Kunz Seconded. The Motion Carried 10/0. Ald. Edwards, Simpson, Kunz, Lesko, Cahnman, Mahoney, Cimarossa, Theilen, Dove, Griffin voted Yes.

REGULAR MEETING

City Treasurer Jim Langfelder presented the Financial Report. The ending cash balance in the corporate fund at the end of January 2009, was \$-2,444,130.00. Ald. Simpson moved, Ald. Cimarossa seconded, to approve the Financial Report. The Motion carried 10/0 via voice vote.

Ald. Edwards, Simpson, Kunz, Lesko, Cahnman, Mahoney, Cimarossa, Theilen, Dove, and Griffin voted yes.

Ald. Simpson moved, Ald. Cimarossa seconded, To Dispense with the Reading of the Minutes of the February 3, 2009, City Council Meeting and Approve the Minutes. The Motion carried 10/0 via voice vote. Ald. Edwards, Simpson, Kunz, Lesko, Cahnman, Mahoney, Cimarossa, Theilen, Dove, and Griffin voted yes.

Ald. Simpson moved, Ald. Cimarossa Seconded, To Incorporate the Pre-Council First Reading of Ordinances into the Record of This Council Meeting. The Motion carried 10/0 via voice vote. Ald. Edwards, Simpson, Kunz, Lesko, Cahnman, Mahoney, Cimarossa, Theilen, Dove, and Griffin voted yes.

The Next Matter On The Agenda Was The Consent Agenda. Ald. Simpson moved, Ald. Cimarossa seconded, To Incorporate the Pre-Council Reading of the Consent Agenda into the Record of This Council Meeting. The Motion carried 10/0 via voice vote. Ald. Edwards, Simpson, Kunz, Lesko, Cahnman, Mahoney, Cimarossa, Theilen, Dove, and Griffin voted yes.

Ald. Dove Moved to Remove 2009-048 from the Consent Agenda and Place it on the Debate Agenda. Ald. Griffin Seconded. The Motion carried 10/0 via voice vote. Ald. Edwards, Simpson, Kunz, Lesko, Cahnman, Mahoney, Cimarossa, Theilen, Dove, and Griffin voted yes.

Ald. Simpson Moved To Place The Remaining Consent Agenda On Final Passage. Ald. Cimarossa Seconded. The Motion carried 10/0 via voice vote. Ald. Edwards, Simpson, Kunz, Lesko, Cahnman, Mahoney, Cimarossa, Theilen, Dove, and Griffin voted yes.

Ald. Simpson Moved to Remove Agenda Nos. 2007-935, 2009-002, 2009-064 from Committee and Place them on the Debate Agenda. The Motion carried 10/0 via voice vote. Ald. Edwards, Simpson, Kunz, Lesko, Cahnman, Mahoney, Cimarossa, Theilen, Dove, and Griffin voted yes.

Agenda Nos. 2008-337 and 2008-625 Remain Tabled or in Committee.

Ald. Simpson Moved To Take Items On The Agenda Out Of Order To Consider The Three Revenue Ordinances Prior To Consideration Of The Annual Appropriation Ordinance. Ald. Cimarossa Seconded. The Motion carried 10/0 via voice vote. Ald. Edwards, Simpson, Kunz, Lesko, Cahnman, Mahoney, Cimarossa, Theilen, Dove, and Griffin voted yes.

The Next Item On The Agenda Is No. 2009-002, "An Ordinance Amending Chapter 37, Section 37.81 Of The 1988 City Of Springfield, Illinois, Code Of Ordinances, As Amended, By Increasing The City's Simplified Municipal Telecommunications Tax From 1% To 4%, As Amended." Ald. Simpson Moved To Place Agenda No. 2009-002 On Final Passage. Ald. Cimarossa Seconded. Ald. Theilen stated that he would like to discuss 2009-066 which, if passed, would reduce the amount necessary in the telecomm tax by .50%. Mayor Davlin and CC Johnson indicated that only even percentages could be assessed. Mayor Davlin suggested that we pass whatever we pass and then come back and change the percentage of the telecomm tax.

Ald. Theilen asked if we were counting on revenue from State Agencies in relation to the telecomm. He was told that the State is exempt from the telecomm tax.

Ald. Griffin state he was under the impression that if we go to 4%, we could still keep the library branches open and the money would stay in for the study for Fire Station 13. Mayor Davlin stated yes.

The Motion Carried 6/5. Ald. Simpson, Cimarossa, Theilen, Dove, Griffin and Mayor Davlin Voted Yes. Ald. Edwards, Kunz, Lesko, Cahnman and Mahoney Voted No.

The Next Item On The Agenda was No. 2009-003, "An Ordinance Further Amending Ordinance No. 628-11-04, 'An Ordinance To Define And Limit The Contributions/Payments Made From The Office Of Public Utilities Funds And Define The Inter-Fund Financial Policies, As Amended,' To Restructure And Increase Electric Wholesale Payments To The Corporate Fund." Ald. Cahnman Moved To Place Agenda No. 2009-003 On Final Passage. Ald. Lesko Seconded.

CC Johnson explained the 5 amendments being proposed.

Amendment No. 1 changes the effective date of the ordinance from the date of recording to March 1, 2009, the first day of the new fiscal year. Ald. Cahnman Moved, Ald. Simpson Seconded, to Adopt Amendment No. 1. The Motion carried 10/0 via voice vote. Ald. Edwards, Simpson, Kunz, Lesko, Cahnman, Mahoney, Cimarossa, Theilen, Dove, and Griffin voted yes.

Amendment No.2 was sponsored by Ald. Cahnman. It provides a definition of wholesale sales. It is revenue neutral.

Amendment No.3 was sponsored by Ald. Theilen and Griffin. It provides a "floor" on wholesale revenue and indicates it would be the greater of 30% of the net income or 3.5% of gross revenue.

Amendment No. 4 is requested by Ald. Griffin. It changes 30% of net income to the equivalent percentage amount of gross revenues or, according to CWLP, is 15.828%.

Amendment No. 5 was requested by Ald. Griffin. Designates that the 30% of the wholesale sales be designated for police/fire pension unfunded liability. Only those expenditures can be paid by the fund unless by 2/3 vote of the council other expenditures are approved for payment.

Craig Burns, CWLP, addressed Amendment No. 2. He stated that it only defines how you get to net income or net revenues from wholesale sales. Mayor Davlin asked if he was okay with this amendment. He stated yes. Ald. Griffin stated that the "dumbed down" version is what we make off of it minus what we pay to do it. Up until now, we always operated on gross revenues. Now we're using net income. The thing to remember is now we're using a different percentage. Craig Burns stated that, assuming this amendment passes, the CWLP staff will create an algorithm and a monthly report can be generated which provides a detailed analysis of sales.

Jay Bartlett stated that there is absolute uncertainty looking forward to determine what wholesale sales might be. We are in very uncertain economic times. Prices are volatile right now. There are things outside of our control. He does not support using the specific figure of 15.828% of gross revenue. He believes using the 30% of net figure is better for the City and CWLP as the

risk, as well as the benefits, are shared equally. He further stated there is a certain amount of risk in any scenario whether it is the wholesale market risk, sales tax assumptions, and, for CWLP the risk of weather related issues.

Ald. Edwards asked where the money was going to go before this idea was put on the table. Jay Bartlett stated that the specifics of the use of the money generated by the new plant were not discussed. Ald. Edwards stated he believes the money should go back to the rate payers. But, as costs continue to rise he also believes that money should be used to keep costs low. He doesn't want CWLP to get caught short because they are contributing more money to the corporate fund. Jay stated that the worse thing that could happen is for CWLP to take a fixed amount of money. Diverting maintenance is a downward spiral. It is not a very smart thing to do. We need to maintain our assets.

Ald. Griffin stated he would be willing to withdraw amendment number 4 given this information and move on to amendment number 5. That amendment would set aside a certain amount or percentage of revenue to meet future police and fire pension obligations. Mayor Davlin stated the alternative to this is raising other taxes. Without it, we're talking about a \$12.2 million dollar gap or hole in the budget. Using this scenario and the revenues generated by CWLP will help us pay down the unfunded pension balance as well as keep city services running.

Ald. Griffin stated we should use these revenues to pay debt we have already incurred rather than obligate it to daily operations.

Mayor Davlin asked for a vote on Amendment No. 2. The Motion carried 10/0 via voice vote. Ald. Edwards, Simpson, Kunz, Lesko, Cahnman, Mahoney, Cimarossa, Theilen, Dove, and Griffin voted yes.

Ald Griffin Moved to Withdraw Amendment No. 4. Ald. Simpson seconded. The Motion carried 10/0 via voice vote. Ald. Edwards, Simpson, Kunz, Lesko, Cahnman, Mahoney, Cimarossa, Theilen, Dove, and Griffin voted yes.

Ald. Theilen and Griffin presented Amendment No. 3. It provides a "floor" on wholesale revenue and indicates it would be the greater of 30% of the net income or 3.5% of gross revenue. Ald. Theilen stated he believes it will act as an insurance policy for the City. Craig Burns stated that he has no problem with the amendment. The Motion Carried 6/5. Ald. Lesko, Cahnman, Theilen, Dove, Griffin & Mayor Davlin Voted Yes. Ald. Edwards, Simpson, Kunz, Mahoney and Cimarossa Voted No.

Amendment No. 5 was presented by Ald. Griffin. Mayor Davlin stated for the record that if this amendment passed, there would be a \$6 million dollar hole in the budget. Ken Crutcher stated that when the proposed budget was assembled last fall, OBM had factored in the suggestions by the Mayor's Blue Ribbon Committee. Utilizing the revenues generated by the PILOT, the budget deficit was addressed. However, if this amendment passes, a new budget would have to be prepared addressing the deficit created by the amendment.

Ald. Edwards recalled that he had warned of the problems created by assuming revenues as with the Telecomm Tax. That was a month ago. Now, here we are 8 days until the start of the new budget year and our backs are against the wall.

Mr. Crutcher stated that to date there have not been any proposed cuts presented by any alderman that addressed the deficit in the event the enhancements failed.

Mayor Davlin stated there was inaction by all but we need to address this now if we can. Ald. Griffin stated that he doesn't see where there has been any action by the City to cut spending. In fact, there has been a 20% increase in the budget.

Ald. Mahoney stated that 20 minutes ago we could have voted against the Telecomm Tax and forced the Administration's hand to cut the budget. That didn't happen. Ald. Edwards agreed.

Ald. Kunz stated that there is a list of cuts proposed. It's up to the Mayor to decide where the cuts are going to be made.

Ald. Cahnman called the question on Amendment No. 5. The Motion Failed 3/7. Ald. Edwards, Dove and Griffin Voted Yes. Ald. Simpson, Kunz, Lesko, Cahnman, Mahoney, Cimarossa and Theilen Voted No.

The Motion for Final Passage of Agenda No. 2009-003, As Amended, Passed 8/2. Ald. Simpson, Lesko, Cahnman, Mahoney, Cimarossa, Theilen, Dove and Griffin Voted Yes. Ald. Edwards and Kunz Voted No.

The Next Item On The Agenda was No. 2009-064, "An Ordinance Amending Chapter 100 Of The 1988 City Of Springfield Code Of Ordinances, As Amended, By Imposing A 5% Tax On The Privilege Of Purchasing Package Alcoholic Liquor At Retail." Ald. Cahnman Moved To Withdraw Agenda No. 2009-064. Ald. Cimarossa Seconded. The Motion carried 10/0 via voice vote. Ald. Edwards, Simpson, Kunz, Lesko, Cahnman, Mahoney, Cimarossa, Theilen, Dove, and Griffin voted yes.

The Next Item On The Agenda was No. 2008-935, "Annual Appropriation Ordinance Of The City Of Springfield, Illinois, For The Fiscal Year Beginning March 1, 2009, And Ending February 28, 2010." Ald. Simpson Moved To Place Agenda No. 2008-935 On Final Passage. Ald. Cimarossa Seconded.

Mayor Davlin presented Amendment No.1. This amendment has been discussed. The amendment sets forth what would be cut. Reducing the telecomm tax by 2% has left a deficit. This amendment addresses the deficit. Under the Amendment, all 5 zone managers would be cut. Dir. Norris stated that there are various positions unfilled at this time. Ald. Edwards stated that there's not much debate on this. The Mayor has to make the cuts. Mayor Davlin stated there are about \$850,000 in cuts outlined in this amendment.

The Motion to Amend carried 6/4. Ald. Edwards, Kunz, Cahnman, Mahoney, Cimarossa, Dove, and Griffin voted yes. Ald. Simpson, Lesko, Cimarossa, and Theilen Voted No.

Amendment No. 2 was requested by Ald. Edwards. It details a 7% reduction across the board in salaries at CWLP totaling \$811,000.00. Ald. Edwards stated we all know the ramifications of cutting wages and salaries at CWLP. He stated that CWLP got a free pass last year. He feels

this amendment has gotten everyone's attention. If someone else has some ideas, he'd be willing to listen.

Ald. Dove stated that he had received information from CWLP that set out current vacancies. There are 22 total positions vacant at CWLP. 11 positions left unfilled would yield approximately \$811,000.00. Ald. Cimarossa stated that she would be in favor of not filling the vacancies if there were not positions needed at the new plant. According to the list, there are no linemen on the list. GM Renfrow stated some of the new jobs were an engineer, a maintenance planner, apprentice machinists, programmer. He had no problem not filling the positions now, but if it was determined they needed to be filled in the future, he would do so.

Mayor Davlin asked if Ald. Edwards wanted to change or further amend his amendment. Ald. Edwards stated he was willing to amend the amendment to cut \$811,000 from the CWLP electric payroll budget. Ald. Dove seconded the motion to amend. The Motion Failed 4/6. Ald. Edwards, Theilen, Dove and Griffin Voted Yes. Ald. Simpson, Kunz, Lesko, Cahnman, Mahoney and Cimarossa Voted No.

Amendment No. 3 was requested by Ald. Theilen and Griffin. The amendment focused on Lincoln Library and the branches. Ald. Griffin stated the amendment called to close the main library on Sundays and use those persons at the two branches. Ald. Theilen asked Dir. Huntley to explain the impact of the amendment on the personnel at the library. No management would be hired, however, 3 other library personnel would be needed. Ald. Cahnman asked if it was the intention of the director to have the branches open on Saturday. She stated yes. Mayor Davlin asked what the overtime budget was at the library. Dir. Huntley stated approximately \$50,000 per year. Reducing the operating hours by one hour did not yield any real savings. Those employees working on Sunday earned time and a half pursuant to the AFSCME contract. However, from April through September, the main branch of the library was closed. The Motion to Amend carried 9/1. Ald. Edwards, Simpson, Lesko, Cahnman, Mahoney, Cimarossa, Theilen, Dove & Griffin Voted Yes. Ald. Kunz voted No.

Amendment No. 4 was requested by Ald. Lesko and related to the North End Library Branch. The money (\$100,000) would be earmarked in Fund 95 for the purchase of a new North End facility. The proceeds of the sale of the old branch would be used to supplement that effort. The Motion Carried 6/4. Ald. Simpson, Lesko, Cahnman, Cimarossa, Theilen, and Dove voted Yes. Ald. Edwards, Kunz, Mahoney and Griffin Voted No.

Ald. Simpson Moved to Place Agenda No. 2008-935, As Amended, on Final Passage. Ald. Cimarossa Seconded. Ald. Griffin asked about an efficiency study to see where money could be saved. Ald. Griffin asked about moving the money earmarked for the study to the Council Coordinator. Ken Crutcher stated the money is earmarked for the study and will be used for that study.

Ald. Theilen stated he would like the Police Department to extend the current list of potential hires and divert that money by amendment from Human Resources and be used in General City. CC Johnson explained that extending the current eligibility list is a Civil Service Commission decision and not a decision to be made by the Council. If the money earmarked for police testing is not used, it will lapse back to the General City fund.

The Motion Carried 10/0. Ald. Edwards, Simpson, Kunz, Lesko, Cahnman, Mahoney, Cimarossa, Theilen, Dove & Griffin Voted Yes.

The Next Item on the Agenda was No. 2009-048, “An Ordinance Authorizing Execution Of A Professional Services Agreement With Jenni Gardner For Geographic Information System Mapping And Database Services In An Amount Not To Exceed \$50,000.00 For The Office Of Public Works.” Ald. Simpson Moved to Place 2009-048 on Final Passage. Ald. Theilen seconded. The Motion Carried 10/0. Ald. Edwards, Simpson, Kunz, Lesko, Cahnman, Mahoney, Cimarossa, Theilen, Dove & Griffin Voted Yes.

A short recess was taken from 7:50 p.m until 8:00 p.m.

Mayor Davlin reconvened the City Council meeting at approximately 8:00 p.m.

The Next Item On The Agenda was No. 2009-050, “An Ordinance Authorizing The Execution Of An Annexation Agreement With Megan L. Henley And Jeffery S. Brown For The Property Located At 8845 Old Route 66.” Ald. Griffin Moved To Recess The Regular Meeting Of The City Council To Hold A Public Hearing To Consider Agenda No. 2009-050. Ald. Cimarossa Seconded. The Motion Carried 10/0 via voice vote. Ald. Edwards, Simpson, Kunz, Lesko, Cahnman, Mahoney, Cimarossa, Theilen, Dove & Griffin Voted Yes.

A Public Hearing Was Held.

Ald. Griffin Moved To Adjourn The Public Hearing And Reconvene The Regular Meeting Of The City Council. Ald. Theilen Seconded. The Motion Carried 10/0. Ald. Edwards, Simpson, Kunz, Lesko, Cahnman, Mahoney, Cimarossa, Theilen, Dove & Griffin Voted Yes.

Ald. Simpson Moved To Place Agenda No. 2009-050 On Final Passage. Ald. Kunz Seconded. The Motion Carried 11/0. Ald. Edwards, Simpson, Kunz, Lesko, Cahnman, Mahoney, Cimarossa, Theilen, Dove, Griffin and Mayor Davlin Voted Yes.

The Next Item On The Agenda was No. 2009-061, “An Ordinance Authorizing Execution Of An Agreement With Lewis House, L.L.C., For Use Of Central Area Tax Increment Finance Funds In An Amount Not To Exceed \$279,845.00 For Foundation Construction, Architectural, Engineering And Legal Fees For The Maisenbacher House Project Located At 503 S. Seventh Street, For The Office Of Planning And Economic Development.” Ald. Cimarossa Moved To Place Agenda No. 2009-061 On Final Passage. Ald. Simpson Seconded. Ald. Cimarossa stated there has been a lot of miscommunication on this issue. The biggest misconception in Court and Karen Conn’s request for TIF assistance is that none of their personal money will be used. That is far from the truth. They intend to spend an excess of \$1,000,000.00 of their own money. This not only adds to aesthetics but the historic value of the Lincoln Home historic district. Let’s move forward with this project.

Karen Conn, Managing partner of the Lewis House, LLC and Co-Owner of The Inn At 835, stated we do not consider ourselves as commercial developers. We are just hard working business people that strive to do the best we can and provide the best services we can in the community.

Ald. Lesko asked if this would be the last time Mr. and Mrs. Conn would ask for TIF money.

Mrs. Conn stated their intention has never been and is not at this time to ask for TIF money to fund this entire project. She cannot stand here tonight and say yes or no; we do not know what the future holds.

Ald. Theilen asked if the intention is to fund the entire project with TIF money or is the intention to use the TIF money to do the foundation. Mrs. Conn stated that is correct. It is for the foundation.

Ald. Griffin stated this is the first time he has been told what they are going to do with the money. He asked how many jobs this might create. Mrs. Conn stated their intention is to create something in the lower level of the house which will sell different products, so there is a job creation down there. Then upstairs there may be demonstration kitchens or a retail kitchen accessories store. This could create 2-4 jobs depending on the economy.

Ald. Theilen asked if they plan on hiring locally for the construction. Mrs. Conn stated they were all about community and they give back to the community as much as they can.

Ald. Cimarossa stated she has a list of all the TIF projects this City Council has approved. We have never had to question this before. She understands this probably wasn't handled the way that it should have been but please don't take that out on Court and Karen Conn.

Ald. Kunz stated, with all due respect, all the rest of the buildings were inside the TIF district, they weren't moved there.

Court and Karen Conn introduced architectural renderings of proposed improvements to the home.

Karen Conn stated she hopes that with the information they are sharing tonight that the Council can confidently support the request and know this is a responsible economic opportunity for the community.

Ald. Cahnman asked how much of this money would go towards labor. Court Conn stated over fifty percent will go towards labor.

Ald. Lesko asked again if they intend to come back for additional funds. Karen Conn stated it was never their intent to ask that the TIF fund this entire project.

Ald. Theilen asked if they understand why people were upset and shocked when this proposal was first introduced. Karen Conn stated she completely understands. Throughout the past few months that this has been going on she and her husband have been humiliated.

Ald. Theilen then asked what took so long for you to come before us and speak. Karen Conn stated that is what she has an attorney for because she is passionate and to come before the Council and speak is difficult.

Ald. Theilen stated he admires what they have done and he understands how hard this has been. What happened that it came in at such a high dollar amount when what was really needed was the foundation?

Mayor Davlin stated we tried to address it like most TIF projects and put everything in one package. We did this exactly like every other TIF project.

Ald. Dove asked Mike Farmer if TIF funds are appropriated up to 50% of the project amount. Farmer stated it depends on the project. We typically like to go up to 30%.

Ald. Dove asked if the amount tonight is the entire cost of the foundation. Mike Farmer stated that is correct. Mayor Davlin stated this is 100% of the foundation but only 30% of the entire project.

Debra Kensey, 1813 Clearview Drive, Springfield, IL., addressed the Council. She stated it is a real shame that the integrity of the Conns has been called into question when they were just part of a team trying to save this house. It's true it is being moved into the TIF district but she doesn't think that reduces the value or the importance of saving the house or the Lincoln connection. This is something we can do for the next generation or even 10 years from now of tourists coming through.

Barb Tripp, 5616 North Blake Road, Springfield, IL., addressed the Council. She stated she was a citizen that read about this in the newspaper and was absolutely infuriated. She has tried to start a business and has been told by many banks she needs to contribute 50%.

Mayor Davlin stated if she finds a property she can apply for TIF funding also.

Anthony Hamlin, 101 W. Canedy St., Springfield, IL., addressed the Council. He wanted to let the Council know that the City of Carbondale took on a similar situation for a museum. Things didn't work out and now the City is stuck with the building.

The Motion to Place 2009-061 on Final Passage Carried 7/3. Ald. Simpson, Lesko, Cahnman, Mahoney, Cimarossa, Theilen, and Dove Voted Yes. Ald. Edwards, Kunz and Griffin Voted No.

The Next Item On The Agenda Was No. 2009-066, "An Ordinance Amending Chapter 82, Sections 82.02(A)(7) And 82.02(B)(6) Of The 1988 City Of Springfield Code Of Ordinances, As Amended, To Increase The Penalties For Pedestrian, Bicycle, Skateboard, Human-Powered Vehicles And Parking Violations, For Emergency Passage." Ald. Theilen Moved To Place Agenda No. 2009-066 On Emergency Passage. Ald. Simpson Seconded. Ald. Theilen Moved to Amend No. 2009-066. Ald. Griffin Seconded. Ald. Theilen explained that he wanted to change the amount of the parking fines (increased in the original ordinance) back to their original amounts of \$3 and \$15. The Motion Carried 8/2 via voice vote. Ald. Simpson, Lesko, Cahnman, Mahoney, Cimarossa, Theilen, Dove and Griffin Voted Yes. Ald. Edwards and Kunz Voted No.

Mayor Davlin stated that there will be a clean up ordinance presented in March that changes revenue accounting strings for Parking Enforcement. Ald. Edwards stated that the only place that charges parking is downtown. He does not support the ordinance. Ald. Mahoney stated it

sends a bad message. Ald. Theilen stated the ordinance could generate approximately \$400,000.00. CC Johnson stated that there are parking zones across the city and in each ward not just downtown. Ald. Theilen Moved to Send the Ordinance to Committee (Finance). Ald. Cahnman Seconded. The Motion Carried 10/0 via Voice Vote. Ald. Edwards, Simpson, Kunz, Lesko, Cahnman, Mahoney, Cimarossa, Theilen, Dove & Griffin Voted Yes.

The Next Item On The Agenda was No. 2009-067, “An Ordinance Authorizing Execution Of An Amendment To The Agreement With The Springfield Center For Independent Living, Inc. And Authorizing An Additional \$25,000.00 Under This Agreement For A Total Amount Not To Exceed \$90,000.00 To Eliminate Architectural Barriers In The Residences Of Occupants With Disabilities For The Office Of Planning And Economic Development, For Emergency Passage.” Ald. Dove Moved to Place Agenda No. 2009-067 On Emergency Passage. Ald. Cimarossa Seconded. The Motion Carried 11/0. Ald. Edwards, Simpson, Kunz, Lesko, Cahnman, Mahoney, Cimarossa, Theilen, Dove, Griffin and Mayor Davlin Voted Yes.

The Next Item On The Agenda was No. 2009-068, “An Ordinance Authorizing Additional Payment Of \$2,170.00 For A Total Amount Not To Exceed \$69,649.00 For Maintenance Of Communications Equipment Previously Authorized By Ordinance Number 219-04-08 For The Office Of Homeland Security Bureau Of Emergency Communications, For Emergency Passage.” Ald. Simpson Moved To Place Agenda No. 2009-068 On Emergency Passage. Ald. Kunz Seconded. The Motion Carried 11/0. Ald. Edwards, Simpson, Kunz, Lesko, Cahnman, Mahoney, Cimarossa, Theilen, Dove, Griffin and Mayor Davlin Voted Yes.

Ald. Lesko Moved To Suspend The Rules, Assign To Public Utilities Committee And Place On First Reading Agenda No. 2009-085, “An Ordinance Authorizing Execution Of A Lease Agreement With Spring River Hunting And Fishing Club For The Property Located At 6500 Oakcrest Road.” Ald. Griffin Seconded. The Motion Carried 10/0 via voice vote. Ald. Edwards, Simpson, Kunz, Lesko, Cahnman, Mahoney, Cimarossa, Theilen, Dove & Griffin Voted Yes.

Ald. Simpson Moved To Suspend The Rules, Assign To Public Utilities Committee And Place On First Reading Agenda No. 2009-086, “An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 654-12-04 With Emerson Process Management Power & Water Solutions, Inc. In The Amount Of \$383,429.00 For Maintenance Support Of The Computer Based Control Systems Used For The Dallman And Lakeside Power Plants And The Interstate Gas Turbine By Approving And Authorizing The Execution Of Amendment No. 1 To The Agreement And Increasing The Payment Authorization By \$184,639.00 For A Total Amount Not To Exceed \$568,068.00 Payable To Said Vendor For The Office Of Pubic Utilities.” Ald Kunz Seconded. The Motion Carried 10/0. Ald. Edwards, Simpson, Kunz, Lesko, Cahnman, Mahoney, Cimarossa, Theilen, Dove & Griffin Voted Yes.

Ald. Kunz Moved to Adjourn the Meeting at 8:57 p.m. Ald. Cahnman Seconded. The Motion Carried 10/0. Ald. Edwards, Simpson, Kunz, Lesko, Cahnman, Mahoney, Cimarossa, Theilen, Dove & Griffin Voted Yes.

Cecilia K. Tumulty

Cecilia K. Tumulty, C.M.C.
City Clerk.