

**Minutes of Springfield City  
Council Meeting  
Tuesday, August 16, 2011  
City Council Chambers**

**PRE-COUNCIL SESSION**

City Clerk Cecilia Tumulty called the Pre Council Session of the Springfield City Council to Order at 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, August 16, 2011, in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Center West.

Clerk Tumulty read the following Ordinances and/or Resolutions on Emergency Passage

**2011-311** An Ordinance Authorizing The Execution Of An Intergovernmental Agreement With The State Of Illinois Department Of Agriculture For Firefighter Patrol Services During Grandstand Events At The Illinois State Fairgrounds From August 12, 2011, Through August 21, 2011, **For Emergency Passage (Requested by Mayor J. Michael Houston)**

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**2011-313** An Ordinance Amending Ordinance 212-6-11 To Change The Vendor From Petersburg Plumbing And Heating Co. For The Meadowbrook West Subdivision Sanitary Sewer Replacement Project To Petersburg Plumbing And Excavating, LLC And Authorizing Execution Of A Consent To The Assignment Of Contract Pw 12-04-22 To Petersburg Plumbing And Excavating, LLC, For The Office Of Public Works, **For Emergency Passage (Requested by Mayor J. Michael Houston)**

Clerk Tumulty read the following **Ordinances and/or Resolutions on First Reading** and assigned to the Committee of the Whole into the record of this Council meeting.

**2011-314** An Ordinance Authorizing Payment To Douglas Robertson, An Office Of Public Utilities Employee, For Settlement Of A Workers Compensation Claim For Case Number 10-WC-041726 **(Requested by Mayor J. Michael Houston)**

**2011-315** An Ordinance Authorizing Payment To Duane Judd, An Office Of Public Utilities Employee, For Settlement Of A Workers Compensation Claim For Case Number 10-WC-38611 **(Requested by Mayor J. Michael Houston)**

**2011-316** An Ordinance Authorizing Payment To John Richardson, An Office Of Public Utilities Employee, For Settlement Of Workers Compensation Claim Number 08294B167715 **(Requested by Mayor J. Michael Houston)**

**2011-317** An Ordinance Authorizing Payment To Robert Painter, An Office Of Public Utilities Employee, For Settlement Of Workers Compensation Claims For Case Numbers 11-WC-17705 And 11-WC-18275 **(Requested by Mayor J. Michael Houston)**

**2011-318** An Ordinance Authorizing Payment To Michael Midiri, A Springfield Police Department Employee, To Settle Workers' Compensation Claim Number 10294B136150 **(Requested by Mayor J. Michael Houston)**

**2011-319** An Ordinance Authorizing Payment To Barbara Wood, A City Of Springfield Police Officer, To Settle A Workers' Compensation Claim For Case Number 11-WC-18423 **(Requested by Mayor J. Michael Houston)**

**2011-320** An Ordinance Authorizing Payment To Ronald Williams, A City Of Springfield Police Officer, To Settle A Workers' Compensation Claim For Case Number 10-WC-48943 **(Requested by Mayor J. Michael Houston)**

**2011-321** An Ordinance Authorizing Payment To Theodore Draper, A Former Temporary Employee With The Office Of Public Works, To Settle A Workers' Compensation Claim For Case Number 08-WC-048841 **(Requested by Mayor J. Michael Houston)**

**2011-322** An Ordinance Approving The Reappointment Of Michael Boer To The Mid-Illinois Medical District Commission **(Requested by Mayor J. Michael Houston)**

**2011-323** An Ordinance Accepting The Lowest Responsible Bid And Authorizing Execution Of Contract #CS12-05-40 With Aramark Uniform & Career Apparel, LLC For Linen And Uniform Rental Services For A Two (2) Year Period From The Date Of Signature For A Total Contract Amount Not To Exceed \$189,847.56 For The Office Of Budget And Management **(Requested by Mayor J. Michael Houston)**

**2011-324** An Ordinance Authorizing Acceptance And Execution Of A Budget Revision For Grant #All-5480-263 From The Illinois Department Of Transportation In The Amount Of \$970.22 For A Total Grant Amount Of \$180,502.22 For The Local Alcohol Program And Authorizing A Supplemental Appropriation In The Amount Of \$971.00 For The Springfield Police Department **(Requested by Mayor J. Michael Houston)**

**2011-325** An Ordinance Authorizing A Supplemental Appropriation In The Amount Of \$4,000.00 For The Springfield Police Department **(Requested by Mayor J. Michael Houston)**

**2011-326** An Ordinance Declaring 14 Unclaimed Bicycles Being Held In The Springfield Police Department's Evidence Room To Be Surplus Property And Authorizing The Springfield Police Department To Donate Said Bicycles To The Capital Area Career Center **(Requested by Mayor J. Michael Houston)**

**2011-327** An Ordinance Amending Chapter 52, Section 52.21, Of The 1988 City Of Springfield Code Of Ordinances, As Amended, Regarding Sub-Metering For The Water Division For The Office Of Public Utilities **(Requested by Mayor J. Michael Houston)**

**2011-328** An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 05-01-10 "An Ordinance Accepting Bids And Authorizing The Execution Of Contract Ue10-10-76 – General Repair And Maintenance At The Power Plant With Petersburg Plumbing And Heating Co. For A Three-Year Term In An Amount Not To Exceed \$1,875,000.00 For The Electric Generation Department For The Office Of Public Utilities" By

Approving A Vendor Name Change To Henson Robinson Company And Approving And Authorizing Execution Of A Consent To Assignment For Said Contract **(Requested by Mayor J. Michael Houston)**

**2011-329** An Ordinance Accepting Bids And Authorizing The Execution Of Contract UE12-07-47 – Byproduct Hauling For The Dallman Power Plant With Rex D. Evans Aka Evans Cartage Trucking, Beelman Truck Co. And McLeod Express, LLC In An Amount Not To Exceed \$500,000.00 For The Electric Division **(Requested by Mayor J. Michael Houston)**

**2011-330** An Ordinance Approving And Authorizing Execution Of Agreement Amendment No. 1 In The Amount Of \$21,965.00 To The Original \$21,965.00 Professional Services Agreement For Field Engineering Services With General Electric International, Inc. For A Total Payment Of \$43,930.00 To Said Vendor For The Electric Division **(Requested by Mayor J. Michael Houston)**

**2011-331** An Ordinance Accepting The Lowest Responsible Bid And Authorizing The Execution Of Contract Number Pw 11-06-35 With Western Waterproofing Company, Inc. For Repairs To The 8<sup>th</sup> Street And Capitol Avenue Parking Ramp In An Amount Not To Exceed \$449,850.00 For The Office Of Public Works **(Requested by Mayor J. Michael Houston)**

**2011-332** An Ordinance Authorizing Execution Of Contracts For The Purchase Of Real Estate From Sangamon County, As Trustee, Utilizing The City’s Community Development Block Grant Funds In An Amount Not To Exceed \$4,473.00 For The Office Of Public Works **(Requested by Mayor J. Michael Houston)**

**2011-333** An Ordinance To Place Stop Signs At Rickard Road And Ticonderoga Street Creating A Four-Way Stop Intersection **(Requested by Alderman Kris Theilen)**

**2011-334** An Ordinance To Place Stop Signs At Bellerive Road And Pebble Beach Drive Creating An All-Way Stop Intersection **(Requested by Alderman Kris Theilen)**

**2011-335** An Ordinance To Place Stop Signs At Bellerive Road And Pinehurst Drive Creating An All-Way Stop Intersection **(Requested by Alderman Kris Theilen)**

**2011-336** An Ordinance Authorizing Acceptance And Execution Of Economic Development Initiative-Special Project Grant Agreement No. B-10-Sp-II-0281 From The U.S. Department Of Housing And Urban Development To The Office Of Public Works In The Amount Of \$250,000.00 For Infrastructure Improvements At Oak Ridge Cemetery And Authorizing A Supplemental Appropriation Of Said Grant Funds **(Requested by Mayor J. Michael Houston)**

**2011-337** An Ordinance Authorizing A Decrease In The Number Of Class “B1” Liquor Licenses By One And Authorizing An Increase In The Number Of Class “B” Liquor Licenses By One For Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. D/B/A Wal-Mart Store #1602, 3401 Freedom Drive **(Requested by Mayor J. Michael Houston)**

The Pre Council Session Concluded at 5:05 p.m.

## CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor Houston called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. All were invited to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Clerk Tumulty called the roll of City Council members.

PRESENT: Ald. Edwards , Simpson , Turner , Lesko , Cahnman , Jobe , McMenamin , Theilen , Dove , Griffin  and Mayor Houston .

ABSENT: none

## ZONING PETITIONS

The first item on the agenda was Docket Number 2011-015 for property located at 2012 Republic. A motion was made by Alderman Lesko to continue Docket Number 2011-015 until the September 20, 2011 City Council meeting. His motion was seconded by Alderman Theilen.

The motion to continue Docket Number 2011-015 until the September 20, 2011 City Council meeting passed 10-0 with a voice vote.

The next item on the zoning agenda was Docket Number 2011-024 for the property located at 1300 East Cook Street.

**PETITIONER(S): Michael Oxford and Leslie Brown.**

**PRESENT ZONING CLASSIFICATION: B-1, Highway Business Service District.**

**REQUESTED ZONING RELIEF: Variance of Section 155.143, Plan of off-street parking or loading areas, Section 155.110, Size of parking spaces, Section 155.112, Surfacing and Section 155.114, Regulations for the location of off street parking facilities.**

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION WAS: Approve in part and deny in part.**

**PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION WAS: Deny the petition as submitted but recommend approval of a Variance of Section 155.110, Size of parking spaces, Section 155.112, Surfacing, to allow use without striping and paving for a period not to exceed past December 31, 2013, and recommend approval for a variance of Section 155.114, Regulations for the location of off street parking facilities, to allow parking on all areas of the lot exclusive of ingress or egress, during construction.**

Alderman Simpson made a motion to accept the recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Commission. Her motion was seconded by Alderman Griffin.

The motion to approve the recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Commission on Docket Number 2011-024 passed with a vote of 10-0. Ald. Edwards , Simpson , Turner , Lesko , Cahnman , Jobe , McMenamin , Theilen , Dove  and Griffin  all voted yes.

The next item on the zoning agenda was Docket Number 2011-025 for the property located at 2601-2661 Chatham Road.

**PETITIONER(S): Montvale Junction Shopping Center, LLC.**

**PRESENT ZONING CLASSIFICATION: S-2, Community Shopping and Office District.**

**REQUESTED ZONING RELIEF: Conditional Permitted Use pursuant to Section 155.187, General conditions and Section 155.211, Restaurant with the service of alcoholic beverages.**

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION WAS: Approval.**

**PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION WAS:  
Approval of the petition as submitted.**

Alderman McMenamin moved to approve the petition as submitted. His motion was seconded by Alderman Griffin.

The motion to approve the petition as submitted on Docket Number 2011-025 passed with a vote of 10-0. Ald. Edwards , Simpson , Turner , Lesko , Cahnman , Jobe , McMenamin , Theilen , Dove  and Griffin  all voted yes.

The next item on the zoning agenda was Docket Number 2011-027 for the property located at 7024-7026 Kings Mill Court.

**PETITIONER(S): Coz's Pizza, Inc., and Trust.**

**PRESENT ZONING CLASSIFICATION: S-2, Community Shopping and Office District.**

**REQUESTED ZONING RELIEF: Variance of Section 155.301, Determination of size of signs, to allow 133 square feet of signage on each of the West front and North wall of the property and Section 155.321, Non-illuminated signs.**

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION WAS: Denial.**

**PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION WAS:  
Approval of the petition as submitted contingent upon the sign being an internally illuminated box sign.**

Alderman Edwards made a motion to accept the recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Commission. His motion was seconded by Alderman Simpson.

The motion to accept the recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Commission on Docket Number 2011-027 passed with a vote of 10-0. Ald. Edwards , Simpson , Turner , Lesko , Cahnman , Jobe , McMenamin , Theilen , Dove  and Griffin  all voted yes.

The next item on the zoning agenda was Docket Number 2011-028 for the property located at 510 Klein Street and 125-131 West Reynolds Street.

**PETITIONER(S): Memorial Health Systems.**

**PRESENT ZONING CLASSIFICATION: R-5, General Residence and Office District (Old Ordinance).**

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

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION WAS: Denial.**

**PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION WAS: Denial of the petition as submitted, but recommend approval of reclassification to OFF, Office District with a use variance to allow petitioner to use subject property for a warehouse for maintenance equipment and supplies and also a cabinetry shop and sign shop.**

A motion was made by Alderman Cahnman to accept the recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Commission. His motion was seconded by Alderman Edwards.

The motion to accept the recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Commission on Docket Number 2011-028 passed with a vote of 10-0. Ald. Edwards , Simpson , Turner , Lesko , Cahnman , Jobe , McMenamin , Theilen , Dove  and Griffin  all voted yes.

The next item on the zoning agenda was Docket Number 2011-029 for the property located at 542 West Vine Street.

**PETITIONER(S): Laurel United Methodist Church.**

**PRESENT ZONING CLASSIFICATION: R-2, Single-family and Duplex Residence District.**

**REQUESTED ZONING RELIEF: Reclassification to R-3(a), General Residence District and a Conditional Permitted Use pursuant to Section 155.183, Accessory off-street parking not on the same lot as use served.**

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION WAS: Denial of the petition as submitted.**

**PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION WAS: Denial of the petition as submitted, but recommend approval of a use variance to allow accessory off-street parking not on the same lot as the use served and recommend approval of a variance of Section 155.061 to allow a setback of 20 feet.**

A motion was made by Alderman Jobe to accept the recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Commission. His motion was seconded by Alderman Cahnman.

The motion to accept the recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Commission on Docket Number 2011-029 passed with a vote of 10-0. Ald. Edwards , Simpson , Turner , Lesko , Cahnman , Jobe , McMenamin , Theilen , Dove  and Griffin  all voted yes.

The next item on the zoning agenda was Docket Number 2011-030 for the property located at 1225-1277 Toronto Road.

**PETITIONER(S): Heartland Development Group, LLC.**

**PRESENT ZONING CLASSIFICATION: B-1, Highway Business Service District.**

**REQUESTED ZONING RELIEF: Conditional Permitted Use pursuant to Section 155.030(c), Conditional permitted uses in the B-1, Highway Business Service District, and a Variance of Section 155.200(a)(2), Taverns, to allow sale of alcohol within 100 feet of a church.**

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION WAS: Denial of the petition as submitted.**

**PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION WAS: Approval of the petition as amended, not the entire parcel but the east one hundred and seventy-nine feet of the existing building except for the east thirty-four feet.**

A motion was made by Alderman Edwards to accept the recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Commission. His motion was seconded by Alderman Simpson.

The motion to accept the recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Commission on Docket Number 2011-030 passed with a vote of 10-0. Ald. Edwards , Simpson , Turner , Lesko , Cahnman , Jobe , McMenamin , Theilen , Dove  and Griffin  all voted yes.

The next item on the zoning agenda was Docket Number 2011-031 for the property located at 3051 Wabash Ave.

**PETITIONER(S): SWP Wabash Properties 1, LLC.**

**PRESENT ZONING CLASSIFICATION: B-2, General Business Service District.**

**REQUESTED ZONING RELIEF: Reclassification to B-1, Highway Business Service District.**

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION WAS: Approval.**

**PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION WAS: Approval of the petition as submitted.**

Alderman Griffin made a motion to accept the staff recommendation. His motion was seconded by Alderman Simpson.

The motion to accept the staff recommendation on Docket Number 2011-031 passed with a vote of 10-0. Ald. Edwards ☒, Simpson ☒, Turner ☒, Lesko ☒, Cahnman ☒, Jobe ☒, McMenamin ☒, Theilen ☒, Dove ☒ and Griffin ☒ all voted yes.

The final item on the zoning agenda was docket number 2011-033 for the property located at 2309 S. MacArthur Boulevard.

**PETITIONER(S): Town and Country Group.**

**PRESENT ZONING CLASSIFICATION: S-2, Community Shopping and Office District.**

**REQUESTED ZONING RELIEF: Conditional Permitted Use pursuant to Section 155.031, Conditional Permitted uses in the S-2, Community Shopping and Office District and a Variance of Section 155.211(b), Restaurant with the service of alcoholic beverages, to allow a restaurant with the service of alcohol within 100 feet of a residential zoning lot.**

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION WAS: Approval.**

**PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION WAS:  
Approval of the petition as submitted.**

Alderman McMenamin made a motion to approve the petition as submitted. His motion was seconded by Alderman Griffin.

The motion to approve the petition as submitted on Docket Number 2011-033 passed with a vote of 10-0. Ald. Edwards ☒, Simpson ☒, Turner ☒, Lesko ☒, Cahnman ☒, Jobe ☒, McMenamin ☒, Theilen ☒, Dove ☒ and Griffin ☒ all voted yes.

### **REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

Mayor Houston recognized Treasurer Langfelder for the presentation of the financial report. A copy of his report is attached to these minutes. Treasurer Langfelder reported that the beginning monthly cash balance of the corporate fund for the month of July was \$5,070,244.00. Receipts for the month of July totaled \$8,049,251.00. Disbursements for the month of July totaled \$13,927,046.00. The ending cash balance in the corporate fund for the month of July was -\$807,551.00.

A motion was made by Alderman Simpson to approve the financial report. Her motion was seconded by Alderman Griffin.

The motion to approve the financial report carried with a voice vote of 10-0.

A motion was made by Alderman Simpson to approve the minutes of the August 3, 2011 City Council. Her motion was seconded by Alderman Griffin. The motion carried with a voice vote of 10-0.

Alderman Simpson made a motion to incorporate the pre-council first reading of ordinances into the record. Her motion was seconded by Alderman Dove. The motion carried with a voice vote of 10-0.

Alderman Simpson moved to incorporate the pre-council reading of the consent agenda into the record of the council meeting. Her motion was seconded by Alderman Dove. The motion carried with a voice vote of 10-0.

Alderman Simpson made a motion to place the consent agenda on final passage. Her motion was seconded by Alderman Lesko. The consent agenda was passed with a vote of 10-0. Ald. Edwards ☒, Simpson ☒, Turner ☒, Lesko ☒, Cahnman ☒, Jobe ☒, McMenamain ☒, Theilen ☒, Dove ☒ and Griffin ☒ all voted yes.

Alderman Simpson made a motion to remove Agenda Item 2011-288 from committee and place it on the debate agenda. Her motion was seconded by Alderman Griffin. The motion carried with a voice vote of 10-0.

The next item on the agenda was Agenda Item Number 2011-287, An Ordinance to Decrease the Number of Class “M” Liquor Licenses By One And Increase The Number Of Class “F” Liquor Licenses By One For Central Pointe, Inc. D/B/A Bar None, 427 E. Monroe Street. Alderman Simpson made a motion to place the item on final passage. Her motion was seconded by Alderman Cahnman.

Alderman Simpson made a motion to amend Agenda Item Number 2011-287. Her motion was seconded by Alderman Griffin. The proposed amendment granted the petitioner an “F1” liquor license, instead of an “F” liquor license. The motion to amend Agenda Item 2011-287 passed with a voice vote of 10-0.

Agenda Item 2011-287, As Amended passed with a vote of 10-0. Ald. Edwards ☒, Simpson ☒, Turner ☒, Lesko ☒, Cahnman ☒, Jobe ☒, McMenamain ☒, Theilen ☒, Dove ☒ and Griffin ☒ all voted yes.

The next item on the agenda was Agenda Item Number 2011-288, An Ordinance to Decrease the Number of Class “F” Liquor Licenses By One Due To Non-Renewal By Rockin Robin Inc., 2909 N. Dirksen Parkway. A motion was made by Alderman Simpson to place the item on final passage. Her motion was seconded by Alderman Griffin.

Alderman Simpson made a motion to amend Agenda Item Number 2011-288. Her motion was seconded by Alderman Griffin. The proposed amendment granted the petitioner an “F1” liquor license instead of an “F” liquor license. The motion to amend Agenda Item 2011-288 passed with a voice vote of 10-0.

Agenda Item 2011-288, As Amended passed with a vote of 10-0. Ald. Edwards ☒, Simpson ☒, Turner ☒, Lesko ☒, Cahnman ☒, Jobe ☒, McMenamain ☒, Theilen ☒, Dove ☒ and Griffin ☒ all voted yes.

The next item on the agenda was Agenda Item 2011-305, An Ordinance Approving the Appointment of Melina Tomaras-Collins as Director of the Office of Human Resources. Alderman Simpson made a motion to place the item on final passage. Her motion was seconded by Alderman Griffin.

Alderman Simpson complimented Ms. Tomaras-Collins on her resume. She pointed out that she had developed minority recruitment programs and compiled statistical data for federal compliance for her previous employer. She also pointed out that she has managed the recruiting and selection process in

her previous job as well. Alderman Simpson pointed out that her choice by Mayor Houston also serves to further diversify his staff. She stated that she is hopeful that Ms. Tomaras-Collins will take a look at the make up of City employment and work with the Mayor to develop plans to further diversify City employment. Alderman Simpson went on to state that while she is happy with the efforts that the police and fire departments are making in recruiting more minorities, she pointed out that the city as a whole needs more diversity. She welcomed Ms. Tomaras-Collins aboard and expressed her hope that with her background, she will be able to make changes within the City.

Mayor Houston added that Ms. Tomaras-Collins brings a strong background and experience in being a human resources director at AIG, formally Franklin Life, and other organizations within the community. He went on to state that her background is within the private sector and she has never worked for government. He finally added that she will make sure that all laws are appropriately followed.

Alderman McMEnamin asked Ms. Tomaras-Collins her personal opinion on the City residency requirement, which may be reinstated at some point. Ms. Tomaras-Collins stated that while she has not learned all of the ramifications of such a requirement, her initial opinion is that she would be in favor for a residency requirement. She went on to state that she would like to see our community helped first, much like supporting local growers or local businesses.

Agenda Item 2011-305 passed with a vote of 10-0. Ald. Edwards ☒, Simpson ☒, Turner ☒, Lesko ☒, Cahnman ☒, Jobe ☒, McMEnamin ☒, Theilen ☒, Dove ☒ and Griffin ☒ all voted yes.

The next item on the agenda was Agenda Item 2011-306, An Ordinance Approving The Appointment Of Jay J. Wavering As The Purchasing Agent For The City Of Springfield. A motion was made by Alderman Lesko to place the item on final passage. His motion was seconded by Alderman Griffin.

Agenda Item 2011-306 passed with a vote of 10-0. Ald. Edwards ☒, Simpson ☒, Turner ☒, Lesko ☒, Cahnman ☒, Jobe ☒, McMEnamin ☒, Theilen ☒, Dove ☒ and Griffin ☒ all voted yes.

Mayor Houston thanked Mr. Wavering for attending the City Council meeting and stated that he looked forward to him joining the City on September 5<sup>th</sup>. Mayor Houston also added that Mr. Wavering brings with him a strong background in purchasing in his previous employment with state government.

The next item on the agenda was Agenda Item Number 2011-309 An Ordinance Amending Chapter 105 Of The 1988 City Of Springfield Code Of Ordinances, As Amended, Pertaining To Obligations Of Scrap Operators, And Amending Chapter 110 Pertaining To Business Licensing, As Amended. Alderman Simpson made a motion to place the item on final passage. Alderman Theilen seconded her motion.

Alderman Cahnman pointed out a potential error that existed in the ordinance. He pointed out that an amendment that had been adopted that would require the scrap metal dealer to photo copy of the state or federally issued photo identification of the seller was inadvertently omitted. Corporation Counsel Cullen acknowledged the mistake and assured the Council that it would be corrected. Mayor Houston also pointed out that the vote on the ordinance will be with the understanding that that provision will be included.

Agenda Item 2011-309, As Amended passed with a vote of 10-0. Ald. Edwards ☒, Simpson ☒, Turner ☒, Lesko ☒, Cahnman ☒, Jobe ☒, McMenamain ☒, Theilen ☒, Dove ☒ and Griffin ☒ all voted yes.

The next item on the agenda was Agenda Item 2011-311, An Ordinance Authorizing The Execution Of An Intergovernmental Agreement With The State Of Illinois Department Of Agriculture For Firefighter Patrol Services During Grandstand Events At The Illinois State Fairgrounds From August 12, 2011, Through August 21, 2011, For Emergency Passage. Alderman Simpson made a motion to place the item on emergency passage. Her motion was seconded by Alderman Griffin.

Mayor Houston explained that the City will be providing fire fighters during the grandstand shows. He went on to state that the State Department of Agriculture is reimbursing the City for their services at a rate of \$50/hour with a maximum of \$3,350.

Agenda Item 2011-311 passed with a vote of 11-0. Ald. Edwards ☒, Simpson ☒, Turner ☒, Lesko ☒, Cahnman ☒, Jobe ☒, McMenamain ☒, Theilen ☒, Dove ☒ Griffin ☒ and Mayor Houston ☒ all voted yes.

The next item on the agenda was Agenda Item 2011-312, An Ordinance Amending Ordinance 281-8-11 to Correct the Revenue Accounting String for a Supplemental Appropriation in the Amount Of \$104,681 For The Springfield Police Department, For Emergency Passage. Alderman Simpson made a motion to place the item on emergency passage. Her motion was seconded by Alderman Griffin.

Mayor Houston explained that the ordinance has been passed previously and has also been corrected. This is the second correction. This is for grant funds that are passing through the Springfield Police Department to Sangamon County Sherriff's office, but there is nothing for the City of Springfield within the ordinance. He went on to state that it is placed on emergency passage due to the delay that has been experienced thus far in getting the money to them.

Agenda Item 2011-312 passed with a vote of 11-0. Ald. Edwards ☒, Simpson ☒, Turner ☒, Lesko ☒, Cahnman ☒, Jobe ☒, McMenamain ☒, Theilen ☒, Dove ☒ Griffin ☒ and Mayor Houston ☒ all voted yes.

The next item on the agenda is Agenda Item 2011-313, An Ordinance Amending Ordinance 212-6-11 to Change the Vendor from Petersburg Plumbing and Heating Co. For The Meadowbrook West Subdivision Sanitary Sewer Replacement Project To Petersburg Plumbing And Excavating, LLC And Authorizing Execution Of A Consent To The Assignment Of Contract PW12-04-22 To Petersburg Plumbing And Excavating, LLC, For The Office Of Public Works, For Emergency Passage. Alderman Simpson made a motion to place the item on emergency passage. Her motion was seconded by Alderman Griffin.

Mayor Houston explained that there was a change in the name of the company due to a change of ownership.

Agenda Item 2011-313 passed with a vote of 11-0. Ald. Edwards ☒, Simpson ☒, Turner ☒, Lesko ☒, Cahnman ☒, Jobe ☒, McMenamain ☒, Theilen ☒, Dove ☒ Griffin ☒ and Mayor Houston ☒ all voted yes.

Alderman Simpson made an omnibus motion to suspend the rules and place on first reading, Agenda Items 2011-338, 2011-339, 2011-340, 2011-341, 2011-342 and 2011-343. Her motion was seconded by Alderman Cahnman.

Alderman Cahnman asked that Alderman Turner be added as a sponsor of Agenda Item 2011-340.

The motion carried by a voice vote of 10-0.

**2011-338** An Ordinance Approving Appointments Of William Mccarty, Bruce Strom And Chrystal Alexander To The Citizens Infrastructure Review Board (**Requested by Mayor J. Michael Houston**)

**2011-339** An Ordinance Approving And Authorizing The Execution Of A Lease Amendment To An Existing Farm Lease With Jimmy L. Ayers For The Office Of Public Utilities (**Requested by Mayor J. Michael Houston**)

**2011-340** An Ordinance Amending Chapter 93 Of The 1988 City Of Springfield Code Of Ordinances, As Amended, Pertaining To Private Clubs (**Requested by Alderman Sam Cahnman and Alderman Doris Turner**)

**2011-341** Resolution Stating The City's Intent To Designate A Portion Of The City Of Springfield As A Tax Increment Financing Redevelopment Project Area And To Induce Development Interest Within Such Area (**Requested by Alderman Joe McMenamin and Alderman Cory Jobe**)

**2011-342** An Ordinance Authorizing The Execution Of A Professional Services Agreement With, And Payment In An Amount Not To Exceed \$58,000.00 To, Peckham, Guyton, Albers & Viets, Inc. (PGAV) To Provide For A Feasibility Study Regarding A Tax Increment Finance District For An Area Generally Located In The Macarthur Boulevard Corridor Between South Grand And Summit A Venues Including The Fronting Properties Along Macarthur Boulevard (**Requested by Alderman Joe McMenamin**)

**2011-343** An Ordinance Authorizing The Execution Of An Intergovernmental Agreement With Sangamon County For Worker's Compensation Case Management Services (**Requested by Mayor J. Michael Houston**)

Alderman McMenamin asked that Alderman Jobe be added as a co-sponsor of Agenda Item 2011-341.

Alderman Cahnman mentioned that at the previous Committee of the Whole meeting, there was a citizen who had addressed the Council regarding certain recent personnel decisions that have recently made within the Public Works Department. He went on to state that even though the Mayor had addressed the concerns during a recent interview, he would like for either the Mayor or Public Works Director Mark Mahoney to address the concerns during the Council Meeting.

Director Mahoney addressed the Council's concerns. He stated that during the recent re-organization process, there were no terminations, but five positions that were eliminated and two operational positions were created. A June 13<sup>th</sup> memo was provided to the Aldermen that explained the process. There were two employees whose positions had been eliminated and they applied for the newly created operational positions. The two employees were chosen based on their qualifications and what the Department's needs were. The cost savings of the reorganization is \$238,000 over the FY12 Budget

Year. In the corporate fund, over the course of the budget year, the cost savings is \$303,000 and \$421,000 from the sewer fund. He stressed that it is an obvious savings and that the employees were not terminated, but their positions were eliminated.

Mayor Houston added that two positions were created of operations manager. They are at a salary of \$82,000. One gentleman was making roughly \$82,000 and the other roughly \$70,000. They are basically going to be doing the same job; hence both of them will be making the same salary. The superintendent prior had a salary and benefits totaling roughly \$122,000 each year, but that does not include the other positions that were eliminated. He stated that there is a real cost savings both in the course of this fiscal year and next fiscal year.

Alderman Theilen addressed the public confusion as to the positions that were eliminated and the employees let go. He asked if the two employees that filled the two newly created positions were ever terminated and then rehired. Director Mahoney stated that the employees continued in their positions until the end of June, when the positions were eliminated and then they continued in their new positions. Alderman Theilen stated that his constituents were confused as to that process. Mayor Houston added that one of the employees had over 25 years of experience; the other had over 30 years of experience.

Alderman Simpson asked if the two new job descriptions were re-written. Director Mahoney stated that she was correct and that they were changed in response to meetings that were had and re-evaluating what the positions needed. That included information management and work assignment experience. The two individuals that filled the positions met those criteria. Mayor Houston added that at the time, there was an announcement made that the City would hire two operations managers.

Alderman Edwards asked if the positions were posted. Director Mahoney responded that it was.

Alderman Turner asked how many people applied for both positions. Director Mahoney stated that while he could not say for sure, but that there were four or five people. The position was unique and had unique qualifications. Alderman Turner then asked if there were only two people that met those qualifications. Director Mahoney responded that there were. Mayor Houston added that another way to look at the situation was that the City picked the best two out of the group. Director Mahoney also added that the qualifications were that the years of experience and their abilities made them the best choice. The individuals had gone through extra training in order to further their educations. Very few employees take that initiative, but these two employees did.

Alderman Simpson stated that she understood that and she understands that the two individuals are highly qualified for their positions. But, the public perception is that the City did not go outside to look to fill the positions. It looks like the job descriptions were tailor made for them. Mayor Houston stated that the bottom line is that the City saved money and the positions were filled by qualified people who have the ability to manage. Director Mahoney also added that while the Department is not there yet, they are taking steps to become more efficient. Alderman Simpson stated that his Department is one that the new Human Resources Director will be looking to increase diversity.

Alderman Edwards asked Director Mahoney to repeat a statistic that he had mentioned to him previously on the number of truckloads that had been hauled in one day. Director Mahoney stated that the Department had made 112 truckloads of branches that had been made in one day.

Alderman Theilen stated that he was simply looking for an explanation for Director Mahoney's actions because constituents have been calling them. And that it is nothing against the two individuals who are in the new positions. He went on to state that he has worked with both of them on problems in Ward 8 and they have both been very professional and knowledgeable and he does not question their qualifications. Director Mahoney stated that while they had tried to get the information out, he hoped that their discussion would help explain the situation to the City Council and to the press. He went on to stress what the Mayor had said earlier, that the City is saving money, the Department is becoming more efficient and that there was a process followed. Mayor Houston added that he believed that the number was \$450,000 annual savings after the positions that were eliminated and the other two positions filled. That is \$450,000 that can be put into services.

Alderman Simpson asked if that could be done, given that the money is in a personnel line item. Mayor Houston responded that the money will not be expended next year in personnel and can be put into services. He went on to commend Director Mahoney for his work with the Department.

Alderman Turner agreed with the Mayor and added that the Public Works staff has been very responsive. In her short tenure, she has seen a remarkable change in Ward 3 as to the aesthetics. Director Mahoney thanked her, but stated that there is still a long way to go.

Alderman Lesko thanked the Director for providing the council spreadsheets as well.

Alderman McMEnamin thanked Director Mahoney and the inspection staff for their recent work at MacArthur Place Apartments. Mayor Houston reminded Alderman McMEnamin that one of the positions that were eliminated was the manager of the inspectors and those duties were given to another employee who is doing a very good job in managing those inspectors.

Alderman Cahnman stated that every journey starts with one step and that this is a good first step in the right direction. Director Mahoney stated that sometimes in government those steps take a little longer.

Alderman Simpson asked that Corporation Counsel provide information on what the City's obligation will be on Agenda Item 2011-342 prior to the Committee of the Whole meeting and where the money will be coming from. CC Cullen stated that he will provide that information. Mayor Houston added that the City is anticipating that it will be roughly \$15,000. He stated that Alderman McMEnamin has gotten commitments of \$10,000 from Town and Country Shopping Center, \$10,000 from the Chamber of Commerce, \$3,000 from Town and Country Bank. Alderman McMEnamin added that an additional commitment for \$1,000 from the Village of Leland Grove and that they are waiting to hear from the MacArthur Boulevard Business Association. He is hoping to get letters of acknowledgement from those entities by the next Committee of the Whole meeting. Mayor Houston added that the anticipation is that once the district is up and running and funds are flowing into it, that the City would be reimbursed for those dollars spent.

Alderman Cahnman asked if that provision needed to be written into the ordinance. CC Cullen responded that that provision will go into the actual ordinance that will be used to form the district. He added that the purpose of the inducement ordinance is to start the clock on all potentially eligible expenses.

Clerk Tumulty made an announcement regarding an upcoming reception on August 23<sup>rd</sup> for the Ride for 9-11 bicycle riders. She asked the Aldermen for a donation to help support their cause. She also invited the public to attend a reception at Firehouse Number 1 for the riders.

Alderman Simpson made a motion to recess the regular meeting of the City Council to hold executive session to discuss negotiation matters on collective bargaining agreements pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(C)(2). Her motion was seconded by Alderman Griffin. The motion carried with a voice vote of 10-0 and the regular session of the City Council was recessed at 6:08pm.

Alderman Simpson made a motion to adjourn executive session and reconvene the regular meeting of the City Council. Her motion was seconded by Alderman Griffin. The motion carried with a voice vote of 10-0 and the regular session of the City Council was reconvened at 6:43pm.

Alderman Simpson made a motion to adjourn. Her motion was seconded by Alderman Griffin. The motion carried with a voice vote of 10-0. The regular session of the city council was adjourned at 6:44pm.

***Cecilia K. Tumulty***

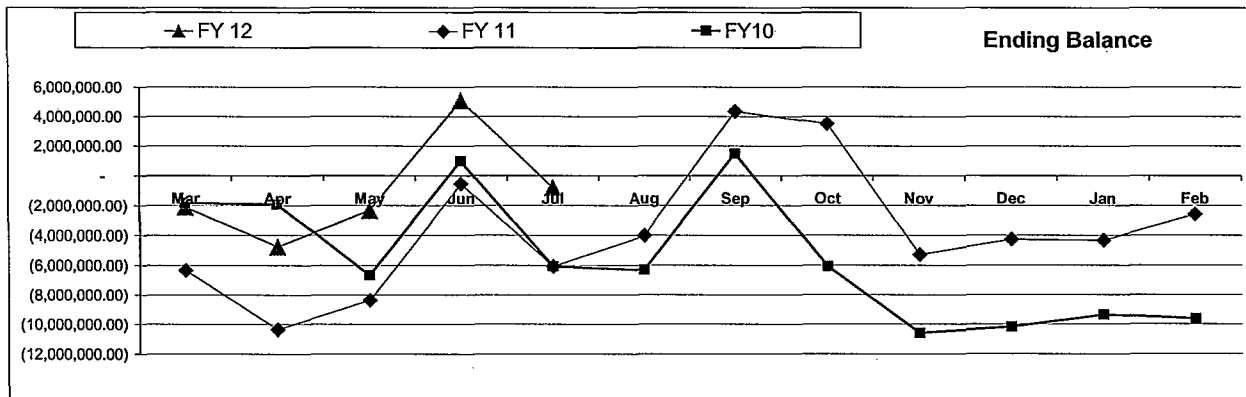
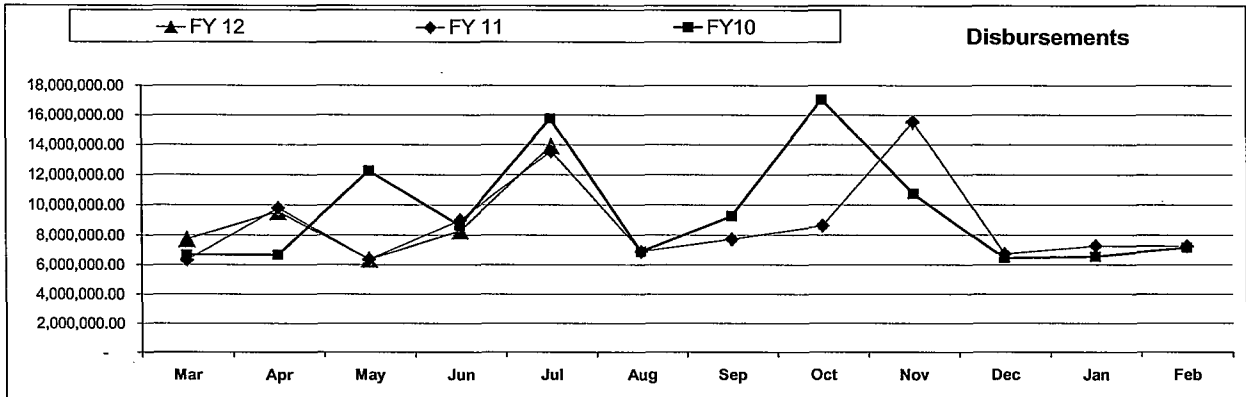
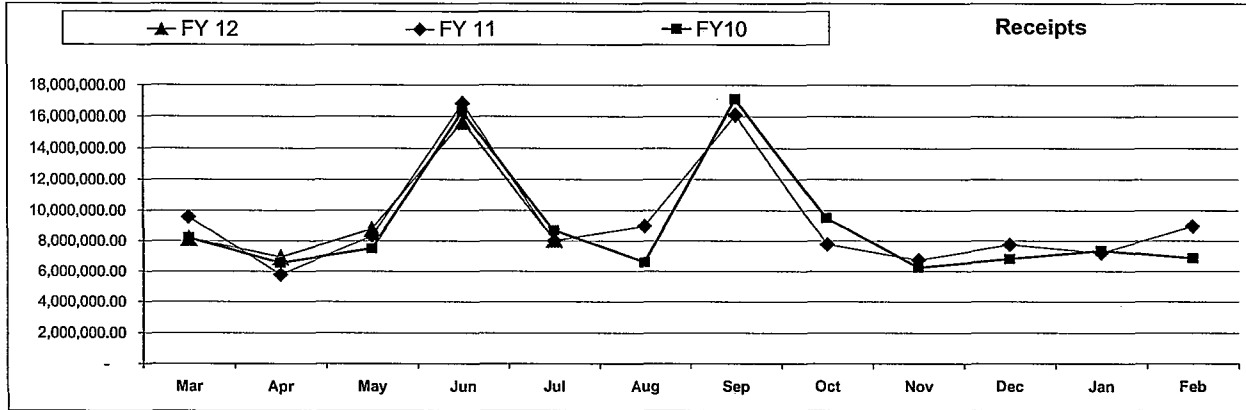
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### CORPORATE FUND- Monthly Cash Report

<i>Activity by Month</i>	<b>Beginning Balance</b>	<b>Receipts</b>	<b>Disbursements</b>	<b>Ending Balance</b>
July-11	5,070,244	8,049,251	13,927,046	(807,551)
July-10	(564,305)	7,993,098	13,555,520	(6,126,727)
July-09	948,851	8,688,932	15,758,751	(6,120,968)

<i>Activity by Fiscal Year</i>	<b>Beginning Balance</b>	<b>Receipts</b>	<b>Disbursements</b>	<b>Ending Balance</b>
FY12	(2,607,802)	47,517,817	45,717,566	(807,551)
FY11	(9,664,952)	111,707,393	104,650,243	(2,607,802)
FY10	(3,423,848)	107,545,857	113,786,961	(9,664,952)



Emergency Contracts Monthly Total:  
See Attached

**CITY OF SPRINGFIELD EMERGENCY CONTRACT DETERMINATION LIST**

<b>Current Year Contract(s)</b>							
<b>Contract #</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Contractor/Vendor</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Dept</b>	<b>Contract Amt</b>	<b>Amt Spent</b>	<b>Special Comments</b>
EDCNB12-04U	3/11/2011	Thornburg Abatement	Unit 33 scrubber/asbestos removal	UTIL	125,000	7226.28	388542 7-13-11
<b>Open Contract(s) Summary</b>							
<b>Contract #</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Contractor/Vendor</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Dept</b>	<b>Contract Amt</b>	<b>Amt Spent</b>	<b>Special Comments</b>
EDC	5/3/2011	3 o/s bids	replace heat exchangers with holes	UTIL	45,850.00	45850	388738 7-20-11