ORDINANCE NO. 1198

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, NEBRASKA RELATING TO FILING AND TAX CERTIFICATION OF ADOPTED BUDGET STATEMENTS; TO AMEND SPRINGFIELD MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 1, ARTICLE 8, SECTION 1-804; TO HARMONIZE WITH STATE LAW; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES AND SECTIONS; AND TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, NEBRASKA:

Section 1. That Chapter 1, Article 8, Section 1-804 of the Springfield Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

§1-804 FISCAL MANAGEMENT; ADOPTED BUDGET STATEMENT; FILING; CERTIFICATION OF TAX AMOUNT.

- (A) (1) After publication and hearing on the proposed budget statement and within the time prescribed by law, the City Council shall file with and certify to the levying board or boards on or before September 30 of each year, or September 30 of the final year of a biennial period, and file with the Auditor of Public Accounts a copy of the adopted budget statement which complies with Neb. RS 13-518 through 13-522, if applicable, together with the amount of the tax required to fund the adopted budget, setting out separately:
- (a) The amount to be levied for the payment of principal or interest on bonds issued or authorized to be issued by the City Council or the legal voters of the political subdivision; and
 - (b) The amount to be levied for all other purposes.
 - (2) Proof of publication shall be attached to the statements.
- (B) If the prime rate published by the Federal Reserve Board is 10% or more at the time of the filing and certification required under this section, the City Council, in certifying the amount required, may make allowance for delinquent taxes not exceeding 5% of the amount required, plus the actual percentage of delinquent taxes for the preceding tax year or biennial period, and for the amount of estimated tax loss from any pending or anticipated litigation which involves taxation and in which tax collections have been or can be withheld or escrowed by court order. For the purpose of this section, **ANTICIPATED LITIGATION** shall be limited to the anticipation of an action being filed by a taxpayer who or which filed a similar action for the preceding year or biennial period which is still pending. Except for such allowances, the City Council shall not certify an amount of tax more than 1% greater or lesser than the amount determined under Neb. RS 13-505.
- (C) The City Council shall use the certified taxable values as provided by the County Assessor pursuant to Neb. RS 13-509 for the current year in setting or certifying the levy. The City

Council may designate one of its members to perform any duty or responsibility required of the Council/Board by this section. (Neb. RS 13-508)

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 June 2025.

Mayor

Robert Roselad

(SEAL)

Attest:

Clerk