



SPRINGFIELD

NEBRASKA

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

Tuesday, April 15, 2025, 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 April 1, 2025, Council Meeting
2. Approve Minutes of the April 8, 2025, joint public workshop with the City Council and Planning Commission
3. Approve Claims
4. Approve Treasurer's Report
5. Consider approval of event requests for Springfield Days 2025 scheduled for Friday June 6, Saturday June 7, Sunday June 8 (morning only); requests include:
 - a. Closing streets for activities (fun run, parade, children's activities, food trucks, beer garden, worship service)
 - b. Waiving the noise ordinance
 - c. Providing financial assistance:
 - i. Insurance (included in commercial policy)
 - ii. J&M Fireworks (\$5,275)
 - d. Waiving the Community Building rental fee
 - e. Allowing use of the Urban Park for activities

- f. Allowing use of the maintenance shop for storage of event materials
- 6. Consider approval of a Special Designated Liquor License to The Blind Pig for the Blue Rose Charity Rodeo on May 2, 2025 and May 3, 2025 from 10 a.m. to 2:00 a.m. at the Sarpy County Fairgrounds Pavillion

REGULAR AGENDA

- 1. Consider waving the Community Building rental fee for a retirement party for Dr. Heneger, Principal at Springfield Elementary School
- 2. Consider bids for the short-term license of city-owned property at Railroad and Main Streets for the operation of a fireworks stand
- 3. **Tabled April 1, 2025.** Consider approval of **Resolution 2025-4** approving an agreement with Keith R. Hentzen and Rose Marie Hentzen allowing the city to store the downtown PA system control box at Springfield Drug, 205 Main Street, Springfield, NE
- 4. Consider approval of **Resolution 2025-6** entering into a Short-Term Facilities License Agreement for a short-term license of city-owned property at Railroad and Main Streets with the approved bidder for the operation of a fireworks stand
- 5. Consider approval of **Resolution 2025-7** authorizing the sale of city property (miscellaneous wastewater treatment plant property)
- 6. Consider approval of **Resolution 2025-8** entering into a Master Agreement Work Order with Olsson for engineering consulting services for a water service line replacement in the alley between 1st and 2nd Streets and Main and Cedar Streets
- 7. **Tabled April 1, 2025.** Consider approval of a bid from Electrical Contractors to install heaters and thermostats in the restrooms at the Buffalo Park concession stand
- 8. Consider a bid from Kildow Construction for stormwater inlet replacement on North 6th Street
- 9. Consider bids from Bobcat for the purchase of a sweeper bucket and gutter brush for the skid steer
- 10. Consider a bid from PowerManager to implement new utility billing software

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, April 15, 2025, at City Hall. Present were Mayor Bob Roseland; Council Members: Mike Neitzel, Kacie Murtha, Dan Craney. Absent: Mike Herzog. 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 Murtha, seconded by Craney, to approve the Consent Agenda. AYES: Neitzel, Murtha, Craney. NAYS: None. Absent: Herzog.

Check #	Account ID	Account Description	Name	Debit Amount
General				
49566	7455-10-10	Internet-Gen	Charter Communications	139.99
49567	7030-10-10	Prof Svcs-Planning-Gen	Confluence, Inc	17,407.80
49571	7030-10-10	Prof Svcs-Planning-Gen	JEO Consulting Group, Inc.	1,228.75
EFTPS	7270-10-10	Insurance-Gen	Nebraska Assigned Risk Pool	295.13
49575	7441-10-10	Liquor License School Fund-Gen	Springfield Platteview Comm School	400.00
49579	7270-10-10	Insurance-Gen	Travelers	1,048.64
			Total	20,520.31
Library				

49579	7270-20-10	Insurance-Lib	Travelers	461.16
EFTPS	7270-20-10	Insurance-Lib	Travelers	128.91
			Total	590.07
Parks				
49568	8150-30-10	R&M Vehicle-Prk	Design4 Screenprinting	164.37
49569	9177-30-10	Splash Park-Prk	Digi-Key Corp	109.50
49579	7270-30-10	Insurance-Prk	Travelers	337.86
EFTPS	7270-30-10	Insurance-Prk	Travelers	94.98
			Total	706.71
Soccer Complex				
49579	7270-35-10	Insurance-Scr	Travelers	337.86
EFTPS	7270-35-10	Insurance-Scr	Travelers	94.99
			Total	432.85
Community Building				
49579	7270-40-10	Insurance-Comm Bldg	Travelers	359.02
EFTPS	7270-40-10	Insurance-Comm Bldg	Travelers	100.08
			Total	459.10
Water				
49572	9042-50-20	Meter Upgrades	Municipal Supply	1,420.03
49573	7330-50-20	Telephone-Wtr	NE Technology & Telecommunication	258.28
49574	9090-50-20	New Well-Wtr	Olsson	976.60
49576	8030-50-20	Supplies-Wtr	Tractor Supply Co.	18.96
49579	7270-50-20	Insurance-Wtr	Travelers	1,126.00
EFTPS	7270-50-20	Insurance-Wtr	Travelers	315.48
49578	7330-50-20	Telephone-Wtr	Verizon Wireless	25.75
49578	9155-50-20	GIS-Wtr	Verizon Wireless	6.67
			Total	4,147.77
Sewer				
49568	8150-60-30	R&M Vehicle-Swr	Design4 Screenprinting	164.38
49579	7270-60-30	Insurance-Swr	Travelers	849.19
EFTPS	7270-60-30	Insurance-Swr	Travelers	237.46
49577	8160-60-30	R&M Grounds-Swr	Utilities Service Group	2,002.40
49578	7330-60-30	Telephone-Swr	Verizon Wireless	25.75
49578	9155-60-30	GIS-Swr	Verizon Wireless	6.67
			Total	3,285.85
Street				
49566	7455-70-40	Internet-Str	Charter Communications	110.00
49568	8150-70-40	R&M Vehicle-Str	Design4 Screenprinting	90.00
49568	8140-70-40	R&M Equipment-Str	Design4 Screenprinting	291.75
49570	8030-70-40	Supplies-Str	Hotsy Equipment Co.	90.99
49573	7330-70-40	Telephone-Str	NE Technology & Telecommunication	179.29
49576	9040-70-40	Tools & Misc Equip-Str	Tractor Supply Co.	116.98
49579	7270-70-40	Insurance-Str	Travelers	1,524.27
EFTPS	7270-70-40	Insurance-Str	Travelers	429.11
49578	7330-70-40	Telephone-Str	Verizon Wireless	25.74
49578	9155-70-40	GIS-Str	Verizon Wireless	6.68

			Total	2,864.81
Total			Grand Total	33,007.47

The City Treasurer reported a balance on hand of \$7,876,929.44 in cash assets; Prestige Treasury, \$211,178.65; Prestige Bond, \$1,370,943.80; Keno Community Betterment, \$525,914.20; Keno Progressive Jackpot, \$50,326.90; Water Deposit Savings, \$4,271.33; Refundable Deposits Savings, \$1,247.03; Water Tower Savings, \$397,005.75; Sewer Restricted, \$395,240.29; Water Capital Facilities Fees, \$182,090.33; Sewer Capital Facilities Fees, \$1,205,109.94; City Sales Tax, \$11,161,449.93; Money Market Library Bricks, \$985.96; Government Securities, \$124,305.32; Library Savings-Estate Donation, \$1,659.83; Pinnacle Bank-ASIP, \$2,746,136.78; Time Certificates as follows: ; Bond, \$83,699.59; Tower, \$63,219.41 ; Water, \$136,850.56; Library Restricted, \$33,844.44; Cash Receipts, \$2,152,080.83; Cash Disbursements, \$106,371.38

Erin Deming, Rodeo Committee, Blue Rose PRCA Charity Rodeo, attended the meeting to present the plan for the event at the Sarpy County Fairgrounds on May 2 and 3, 2025. They are donating to two charities and representatives from each charity will be at the event. The Blind Pig has the SDL for the beer garden, there will also be vendors and food trucks. The Lucas Minor band will be the entertainment. They have informed the Sarpy County Sheriff's Office and the Springfield Fire Department of the event.

Regular Agenda

Agenda Item 1. Motion by Murtha to waive the Community Building rental fee for Springfield Elementary School Principal Dr. Heneger's retirement party. Craney noted he is concerned that everyone retiring from the district will ask for a waiver of the rental fees if they waive it for one person. Neitzel agreed with Craney's concerns, and noted that she isn't retiring, she is leaving to serve in another district. Motion died due to the lack of a second.

Agenda Item 2. Two bids were received for the short-term license of the property at Railroad and Main Streets for the July 4th 2025 fireworks selling period. The bid from Kracklin Kirks Fireworks was received on March 25, 2025. The bid from Wild Willy's Fireworks was received on April 9, 2025. The deadline to turn in a bid was April 1, 2025. Motion by Murtha, seconded by Craney, to accept the bid from Kracklin Kirks Fireworks in the amount of \$4,500 for the short-term license of the city-owned property at Railroad and Main Streets for the operation of a fireworks stand. AYES: Neitzel, Murtha, Craney. NAYS: None. Absent: Herzog. Motion carried.

Agenda Item 3. Kathleen Gottsch, City Administrator, requested that Resolution 2025-4 die. There has been a change in the sale of the property. The new owner has reached out regarding the removal of the PA system from the property as he is concerned that the building renovations may damage the unit. Gottsch would like to place the PA system at city hall, knowing that there may be a small delay, as a temporary solution until the Urban Park plan can be in place to permanently house the unit.

Agenda Item 4. Council Member Murtha introduced Resolution 2025-6 and moved its adoption. Council Member Neitzel seconded the forgoing motion and on roll call on the passage and adoption of said resolution, the following voted AYE: Neitzel, Murtha, Craney. The following voted NAY: None. The following were Absent: Herzog. 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
2025-6**

**Short Term Facilities License Agreement between
K LUVS D, Inc., d/b/a Kracklin' Kirks Fireworks, a Nebraska Corporation,
and the City of Springfield, Nebraska, a Nebraska Municipal Corporation,
for the Use of City-Owned Property for the Operation of a Fireworks Stand**

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 K LUVS D, Inc., d/b/a Kracklin' Kirks Fireworks, a Nebraska Corporation, desire to enter into a Short-Term Facilities License Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Licensed Area is described as a portion of the unimproved lot owned by the City of Springfield and legally described as Tax Lot R2, Section 24, Township 13 North, Range 11 East of the 6th P.M., City of Springfield, as surveyed, platted, and recorded in Sarpy County, Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, the term of the license shall commence on the 16th day of June, 2025, at 8:00 a.m. and shall terminate on the 11th day of July, 2025, at 10:00 a.m.; and

WHEREAS, Kracklin' Kirks Fireworks agrees to pay the City of Springfield \$4,500 as rental payment and \$500 as security deposit.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the City of Springfield, Nebraska that the Short-Term Facilities License Agreement with K LUVS D, d/b/a Kracklin' Kirks Fireworks, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A," is hereby approved.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the City of Springfield, Nebraska that the Mayor is authorized to enter into said Short-Term Facilities License Agreement.

Introduced and Passed this 15th day of April, 2025.

City Council Member Murtha moved the adoption of said resolution.

City Council Member Neitzel seconded the motion.

Record of Vote:

Ayes: Neitzel, Murtha, Craney

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Herzog

Resolution adopted, signed and billed as adopted.

Approved: Robert Roseland, Mayor

SEAL

Attest: Barbara Henninger, City Clerk

Agenda Item 5. Council Member Murtha introduced Resolution 2025-7 and moved its adoption. Council Member Craney seconded the forgoing motion and on roll call on the passage and adoption of said resolution, the following voted AYE: Neitzel, Murtha, Craney. The following voted NAY: None. The following were Absent: Herzog. 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 2025-7

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

WHEREAS, the City of Springfield, Nebraska (hereinafter referred to as “City”) is the owner of personal property described in Exhibit “A” attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, the Springfield City Council hereby authorizes the sale of the property in “as is” condition; and

WHEREAS, the Springfield City Council directs city staff to coordinate the sale of the property with proper notification of the sale as required by state statute; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the City of Springfield, Nebraska, by a majority vote that:

1. The Mayor and the City Council of the City of Springfield, Nebraska, or its designee, for and on its behalf, has the authority to sell the aforementioned personal property described in Exhibit “A”; and
2. The proceeds of the sale of the personal property described in Exhibit “A” shall be

placed in the sewer fund of the City; and

3. The following passage of this resolution shall be posted in three (3) prominent places within the City for a period of not less than seven (7) days prior to the sale of the property.

Introduced and Passed this 15th day of April 2025.

City Council Member Murtha moved the adoption of said resolution.

City Council Member Craney seconded the motion.

Record of Vote:

Ayes: Neitzel, Murtha, Craney

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Herzog

Approved: Robert Roseland, Mayor

SEAL

Attest: Barbara Henninger, City Clerk

Agenda Item 6. Council Member Neitzel introduced Resolution 2025-8 and moved its adoption. Council Member Craney seconded the forgoing motion and on roll call on the passage and adoption of said resolution, the following voted AYE: Neitzel, Murtha, Craney. The following voted NAY: None. The following were Absent: Herzog. 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 2025-8

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 through which Olsson will provide general engineering consulting services for a water service line replacement in the alley between 1st and 2nd Streets and Main and Cedar Streets (160 N. 2nd Street); and

WHEREAS, services include project management, data collection, water main replacement design, bidding services, and construction services; and

WHEREAS, services shall be on a time and expense basis not to exceed \$24,600; and

WHEREAS, services are anticipated to begin April 2025 and end September 2025.

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 for general engineering consulting services attached hereto as Exhibit "A".

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 15TH DAY OF APRIL 2025.

City Council Member Neitzel moved the adoption of said resolution.

City Council Member Craney seconded the motion.

Record of Vote:

Ayes: Neitzel, Murtha, Craney

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Herzog

Approved: Robert Roseland, Mayor

SEAL

Attest: Barbara Henninger, City Clerk

Agenda Item 7. Motion by Craney, seconded by Neitzel, to accept the bid from Electrical Contractors in the amount of \$5,970 to install heaters and thermostats in the concession stand and restrooms at Buffalo Park contingent on the cost share with the Springfield Platteview School District and Legion Baseball equally. AYES: Neitzel, Murtha, Craney. NAYS: None. Absent: Herzog. Motion carried.

Agenda Item 8. Motion by Craney, seconded by Nietzel, to accept the bid from Kildow Construction in the amount of \$13,200 for the replacement of the storm sewer inlet near 605 North 6th Street. AYES: Neitzel, Murtha, Craney. NAYS: None. Absent: Herzog. Motion carried.

Agenda Item 9. Motion by Craney, seconded by Murtha, to accept the bid from Bobcat in the amount of \$9,193.55 for the purchase of an 84" sweeper bucket and gutter brush attachment. AYES: Neitzel, Murtha, Craney. NAYS: None. Absent: Herzog. Motion carried.

Agenda Item 10. Motion by Neitzel, seconded by Craney, to accept the bid from PowerManager in the amount of \$9,963 to implement new utility billing software, which includes the first-year annual support plan in the amount of \$2,500. AYES: Neitzel, Murtha, Craney. NAYS: None. Absent: Herzog. Motion carried.

Department Reports

Agenda Item 1. Neitzel reported that the decision was made at the soccer field to run the new water main to the middle of the property. Gottsch stated that this will allow the city to connect future structures to the water main, no matter where they are located.

Agenda Item 2. No department report from Herzog.

Agenda Item 3. No department report from Murtha.

Agenda Item 4. Craney reported that Bryan Cherry, Street Commissioner, has been busy chalking the streets for tear-out. Craney spoke with some of his students regarding the teen after hours at the library and they all told him they loved the program.

Agenda Item 5. No department report from Mayor Roseland.

Agenda Item 6. Gottsch reported that she has been meeting with Laura Osborn, Springfield Community Foundation, Laura Harrison, Grow Sarpy, and Julie Fjell, Springfield Community Foundation, regarding the creation of an arts/creative district. Creating this type of district will allow the city to apply for grants to develop the district. The group is considering the boundary of the district. Gottsch reported that there was an accident at 5th and Platteview Road over the weekend. The stormwater inlet cover was pushed off. Maintenance staff had to come in after hours to reset it. Travis Moore Construction will begin repairing the concrete damaged at Urban Park within the next few weeks.

Adjournment

Motion by Craney, seconded by Murtha, to adjourn. AYES: Neitzel, Murtha, Craney. NAYS: None. Meeting adjourned at 7:42 p.m. 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 April 15, 2025; 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.

Barbara Henninger

City Clerk

Robert Roseland, Mayor

Date

Barbara Henninger, City Clerk

Date