



# SPRINGFIELD

## NEBRASKA

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**CITY COUNCIL & PLANNING COMMISSION  
COMPREHENSIVE PLAN JOINT WORKSHOP**

Monday, May 13, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.  
Springfield City Hall  
170 North 3<sup>rd</sup> Street

**CALL TO ORDER**

- Public announcement by the Mayor that a copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Law is posted in the entry to the meeting room
- Roll call – City Council Members, Planning Commission Members
- Pledge of Allegiance

**REGULAR AGENDA**

1. Joint Workshop for the Springfield Comprehensive Plan Update – The purpose of this workshop is to share the data and analysis that the planning team has collected as part of their research for the comprehensive plan.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**MINUTES**

A joint meeting of the Mayor, City Council and Planning Commission of the City of Springfield, Nebraska was held at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, May 13, 2024, at City Hall. Present were Council President Kacie Murtha; Council Members: Mike Neitzel, Michael Herzog, Dan Craney. Planning Commission Members: Jerry Webster, David Kulm, Susan Peplow, Dave Skorcz, Elizabeth Chartier. Absent: Mayor Robert Roseland, Jim Opitz, Kyle Fisher. 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, all Council Members and all Planning Commission 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, Council and Planning Commission of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the public. The Council President, presiding as 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.

## **Regular Agenda**

**Agenda Item 1.** Catlin Bolte, Principal in Charge with Confluence, presented an overview of Phase 1 project kick-off, research and analysis of the Springfield Comprehensive Plan that took place back in February, March, and May 2024. Phase 2 vision, input and direction is projected to be completed with a stakeholder and public input review scheduled in July 2024. Phase 3 will include the draft plan and evaluation. Phase 4 will wrap up with the final plan and adoption.

Chris Shires, Principal with Confluence, explained that a comprehensive plan is a long range plan for what the community will look like years down the road. As the economy changes, so do the needs of the community with development, capital projects and partners. This warrants the need to update the comprehensive plan. Shires reviewed the analysis of the research from the steering committee.

Jeff Ray, Senior Planner with JEO Consulting Group, and a member of our comprehensive plan steering committee was in attendance for questions.

## **Adjournment**

Motion by Herzog, seconded by Murtha, to adjourn the City Council meeting. AYES: Neitzel, Herzog, Craney. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Peplow, seconded by Skorcz, to adjourn the Planning Commission meeting. AYES: Webster, Kulm, Peplow, Skorcz, Chartier. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:34 p.m.

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 and Planning Commission on May 13, 2024; that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and readily available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk; that such agenda items were sufficiently descriptive to give the public reasonable notice of the matters to be considered at the meeting; that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to said meeting; that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for examination and copying by members of the public; that the said minutes from which the foregoing proceedings have been extracted were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that all news media requesting notification concerning meetings of said body were provided advance notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting; and that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available and accessible to members of the public, posted during such meeting in the room in which such meeting was held.

Barbara Henninger  
City Clerk