

Ordinance No. 405

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Springfield as follows:

- 1. ESTABLISHMENT OF TAXING DISTRICTS.** The city is hereby divided into an Urban Service District and Rural Service District, pursuant to M.S. § 272.67, as it may be amended from time to time, for the purpose of all municipal property taxes, except those levied for the payment of bonds and judgments and interest thereon.
- 2. URBAN SERVICE DISTRICT.** The Urban Service District shall include all property within the limits of the city, except those set forth by ordinance as the Rural Service District.
- 3. RURAL SERVICE DISTRICT.** The Rural Service District is comprised as follows:
 - (A) The Rural Service District shall include unplatted lands which need not be contiguous to one another and platted lands which are not developed, as in the judgment of the Council are rural in character, and are not developed for commercial, industrial or urban residential purposes and for these reasons are not benefitted to the same degree as other lands by municipal services financed by general taxation.
 - (B) The rural service district as of the date of adoption of this Ordinance shall be comprised of the following parcels of land within the city:

Parcel ID 003.010.005.02.025	(33.05 Acres)
Parcel ID 003.010.004.16.120	(23.10 Acres)
Parcel ID 003.010.013.03.058	(33.83 Acres)
Parcel ID 003.010.013.03.031	(33.14 Acres)
Parcel ID 003.010.007.01.014	(29.58 Acres)
Parcel ID 003.010.012.03.040	(11.07 Acres)
- 4. BENEFITS TAX RATIO.** The city hereby determines that the ratio between the benefits resulting from tax supported municipal services to parcels of land of like market value, situated in the Rural Service District and in the Urban Service District, respectively is .3 to 1.
- 5. MODIFICATION OF DISTRICTS AND BENEFITS RATIO.** By amendment of this ordinance, land may be added to or removed from the Rural Service Taxing District and the benefit ratio may be changed. Whenever any parcel of land included in the Rural Service District is platted in whole or in part and developed; or whenever application is made for a permit for construction of a commercial, industrial, residential or agricultural building or improvement; or whenever the improvement or building is commenced without a permit; the governing body shall transfer the parcel or part thereof from the Rural Service District to the Urban Service District.

- 6. SERVICES PROVIDED.** Except for fire, police and planning services, the City of Springfield will provide no other services to the lands in the rural service district beyond those customarily provided by the township in which the lands are located.

Adopted by the City Council this 19th day of May, 2015.

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk