

AGENDA ITEM ANALYSIS

Project/Issue Name: 24-R-54 A Resolution of the City Council Declaring its Support for the

Springfield Chamber of Commerce's "Invest in Strategic Infrastructure"

Legislative Priority for 2025.

Submitted By: David Cameron, City Administrator

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Issue Statement

The BUILDS Department is requesting a Resolution supporting the Springfield Chamber of Commerce's "Invest in Strategic Infrastructure" 2025 Legislative Priority.

Discussion and/or Analysis

Each year, the Chamber advocates at the State, on behalf of their membership, on a set of priorities impacting the business community. This year, the Chamber, including business and community leaders, defined a set of <u>regional legislative priorities</u> for the 2025 legislation season.

The 2025 Ozarks Regional Legislative Priorities include "Invest in Strategic Infrastructure," which specifically requests \$6M in funding for the Route MM Improvement Project, from I-44 to State Highway 360/James River Expressway.

This is the second Resolution of support for partner and regional organizations, who have also identified the MM Corridor from I-44 to State Highway 360/James River Expressway, as a priority for our region.

Recommended Action

Staff recommends approval.