CITY COUNCIL INFORMAL MEETING
March 2, 2026
602 S. Main St.| 5th Floor Council Chambers | Joplin MO 64801
5:15 P.M.

AGENDA

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS APPOINTMENTS

FIRE DEPARTMENT UPDATE

Fire Department Update

Documents:

JOPLIN FIRE UPDATE.PDF

Notice posted at 12:00 p.m. on this the 26th day of February, 2026. (RSMo 610.020)



JOPLIN FIRE DEPARTMENT

Update March 2, 2026

2025 IN REVIEW

9980 calls for service

90 Structure Fires

- **61** “in the city”
- **29** “mutual aid”

Avg. Response Time

4:27



STRUCTURE FIRE RESPONSE DATA

District 1	24
District 3	9
District 8*	8
District 4	7
District 5	7
District 2	4
District 6	1
District 7	1





DISTRICT RESPONSE DATA

District 1	2621
District 4	1674
District 3	1465
District 5	1220
District 2	1191
District 8*	1089
District 6	316
District 7	173
District 4W*	104

Redings Mill 43 WC 41

Duenweg 24 CJ 18

GROWING CONCERNS

- Responses growing at a rate of 4-7% per year.
- 30,576 hours of overtime worked 2025
- Average of filling 3.5 shifts each day
- 244 Forced Overtime shifts in 2025



WHAT'S HAPPENING IN 2026

- First delivery of EMT-A in-house at the PSTC with 6 personnel.
- Fire Station 5 beginning bathroom and shower renovation
- New Large Diameter Hose being purchased.
- Two engines ordered in 2024 begin construction in April-May 2026





WHAT'S HAPPENING 2026

- Citizen Committee to look at Fire Schedule and bring potential solution
- Spoke with Freeman Health Systems about the potential to begin Community Paramedicine Program to the City of Joplin
- ISO rating 2

QUESTIONS?