JOPLIN CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
MONDAY, MAY 17, 2021
5th FLOOR COUNCIL CHAMBERS
602 S. MAIN ST. JOPLIN MO
6:00 P.M.
This meeting can be viewed live on KGCS-TV channel 21 and regional cable television systems including Sparklight in Joplin; or livestream at http://www.joplinmo.org/182/Video-Multimedia

AGENDA

1. **Call To Order**
   Invocation
   Pledge of Allegiance of the United States of America
2. **Roll Call**
3. **Presentations**
   1. Joplin High School STUCCO Update
   2. Disaster Recovery Infrastructure Update
   3. Presentation From Thad Beeler, Executive Director Of National Disaster Photo Rescue
4. **Finalization Of Consent Agenda**
5. **Reports And Communications**
   1. News From Public Information Officer Lynn Onstot
6. **Citizen Requests And Petitions**
7. **Public Hearings**
8. **Consent Agenda**
   1. Minutes Of The May 3, 2021 City Council Meeting

      Documents:

      DRAFT CC MINS. MAY 3.PDF
   2. COUNCIL BILL NO. 2021-268

      AN ORDINANCE approving the voluntary annexation by the Council of the City of Joplin, Missouri, at the end of public right-of-way of W. Par Ln., Joplin, MO., Jasper County, Missouri.

      Documents:

      CB2021-268.PDF
9. **Resolutions**
   1. RESOLUTION NO. 2021-012

      A RESOLUTION authorizing support of the 2021 Action Plans developed by City staff based on priorities established by the City Council at its November 30th, 2020 Visioning Workshop.

      Documents:

      RS2021-012 V1 5-5-2021.PDF
      ACTION PLAN.PDF
10. **Ordinances - Emergency**
    1. COUNCIL BILL NO. 2021-002
       AN ORDINANCE submitting to the electors of the City of Joplin, at a Special Election on Tuesday, August 3, 2021, the question of whether the City shall extend a sales tax of one-quarter (1/4) of one percent (1%) for a period of ten (10) years for the purpose of funding stormwater control and local parks; prescribing a form of Ballot thereof, and containing an emergency clause.

       Documents:

       SUMMARY CB2021-002 SPECIAL ELECTION SUBMITTING TO ELECTORS_SHALL SALES TAX OF ONE-QUARTER OF ONE PERCENT BE EXTENDED FOR TEN YEARS.PDF
       CB2021-002_ELECTION-BALLOT STORMWATER-PARKS IMPROVEMENTS TAX.PDF
       FINAL CITIZENS COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED COMBINED PROJECT LIST APRIL 2021.PDF
    2. COUNCIL BILL NO. 2021-135
       AN ORDINANCE authorizing the City of Joplin to enter into an agreement with McClanahan Construction Co., Inc., in the amount of One Million, Two Hundred Eighty Thousand and 00/100 Dollars ($1,280,000.00) for construction services associated with the Turkey Creek and Shoal Creek Wastewater Treatment Facilities Digester Roof Repairs project on behalf of the City of Joplin and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin; amending the Annual Budget of the City of Joplin for the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 as adopted by Ordinance 2020-156 on October 19, 2020; and, containing an emergency clause.

       Documents:

       CB2021-135_BID SUMMARY_DIGESTERROOFREPAIRS.PDF
       CB2021-135_SUMMARY SHEET_DIGESTERROOFREPAIRS.PDF
       CB2021-135_ORDINANCE_DIGESTERROOFREPAIRS.PDF
       CB2021-135_JOPLIN CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FORM-LOCAL FUNDING2021_MCCLANAHAN_DIGESTERROOFREPAIRS.PDF
       CB2021-135_EXHIBITS_DIGESTERROOFREPAIRS.PDF
       CB2021-135_LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION OLSSON_DIGESTERROOFREPAIRS.PDF

3. COUNCIL BILL NO. 2021-513
AN ORDINANCE of the City of Joplin, Missouri, imposing a use tax for general revenue purposes at the rate of three and one eighth percent (31/8%) for storing, using, or consuming within the City any article of tangible personal property pursuant to the authority granted by and subject to the provisions of Sections 144.600 through 144.761 RSMo; providing for the use tax to be repealed, reduced, or raised in the same amount as any city sales tax is repealed, reduced, or raised; and providing for submission of the proposal to the qualified voters of the City for their approval at the election called and to be held in the City on Tuesday November 2, 2021; and containing an emergency clause.

Documents:

CB 2021-513 SUMMARY USE TAX ELECTION NOVEMBER 2021.PDF
CB 2021-513 ORDINANCE PLACING USE TAX QUESTION ON BALLOT FOR NOVEMBER 2021.PDF

4. COUNCIL BILL NO. 2021-514
AN ORDINANCE calling an Election in the City of Joplin, Missouri to authorize general obligation bonds in the amount not to exceed $30,000,000 to reconstruct, renovate, expand, and improve Memorial Hall in the City, and to improve related parking; and, containing an emergency clause.

Documents:

CB 2021-514 SUMMARY GO BONDS FOR MEMORIAL HALL APRIL 2022.PDF
CB 2021-514 ORDINANCE CALLING FOR ELECTION FOR GO BONDS FOR MEMORIAL HALL APRIL 2022.PDF

5. COUNCIL BILL NO. 2021-515
AN ORDINANCE calling an Election in the City of Joplin, Missouri to authorize general obligation bonds in the amount not to exceed $10,000,000 to reconstruct, renovate and improve the former downtown Library Building in the City, and to improve related parking; and, containing an emergency clause.

Documents:

CB 2021-515 SUMMARY GO BONDS FOR FORMER LIBRARY BUILDING APRIL 2022.PDF
CB 2021-515 ORDINANCE CALLING FOR ELECTION FOR GO BONDS FOR FORMER LIBRARY APRIL 2022.PDF

11. **Ordinances - First Reading**

12. **Ordinances - Second Reading And Third Reading**

13. **Unfinished Business**

14. **New Business**

1. Ratify Boards & Commissions Appointments

2. Ratify Use Tax Citizen Committee

Documents:

USE TAX CITIZEN COMMITTEE .PDF

Joplin, built on generations of people with grit and determination, is a regional hub at the crossroads of America.
Our diverse people and employers thrive because of our healthy lifestyles, exceptional neighborhoods, lifelong learning opportunities and cultural & recreational amenities.
Ad Omnia Parata T**ogether we are ready for anything!**

-City of Joplin Vision Statement

JOPLIN CITY COUNCIL
MAY 3, 2021
MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The May 3, 2021 regular meeting of the Joplin City Council was called to order at 6:00 p.m.by Mayor Ryan Stanley.

INVOCATION was read by City Clerk Barbara Gollhofer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE to the United States of America was led by Ms. Williams.

ROLL CALL

Answering Roll Call were Council Members: Charles Copple, Keenan Cortez, Doug Lawson, Anthony Monteleone, Diane Reid Adams, Gary Shaw, Mayor Ryan Stanley, Phil Stinnett, and Christina Williams. Also, in attendance were City Manager Nick Edwards and City Attorney Peter Edwards.

PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Stanley presented a proclamation recognizing May as Historic Preservation Month to Jill Sullivan and members of the Historic Preservation Commission.

Mayor Stanley presented a proclamation recognizing May as National Community Action Month to John Joines, director of Economic Security Corporation.

FINALIZATION OF CONSENT AGENDA

There being no further business to come before the Council, the Consent Agenda was finalized.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Chamber of Commerce Quarterly Economic Development Update. Chamber president Toby Teeter introduced Amy Kauffman as the new MOKAN Business Development Coordinator. Mr. Teeter gave an update on new business attractions and expansion project; ongoing efforts of current projects; entrepreneurial ecosystem; marketing and promoting Joplin/Award of Excellence; and an economy overview.

Health Department Update: Health Director Ryan Talken presented the latest health statistics regarding COVID-19 and vaccines. There has been a decrease in Covid cases and hospitalizations. There is still a good supply of vaccines, but the demand has decreased. The vaccination rate for Joplin is around 40%. There will be a free vaccine clinic on Tuesday, May 5 at MSSU.

Discussion of the Response and Recovery Plan

The city council discussed the next step in the Recovery Plan. The city is currently in Phase 3 of the Recovery Plan which removed occupancy limitations for indoor or outdoor activities, however the restrictions in the business specific exhibits remain in place.

After discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Shaw and seconded by Mr. Lawson to relax all current COVID restrictions in place. The motion includes no longer enforcing the exhibits of the Recovery Plan but allows businesses to have the ability to set their own restrictions. Voting in favor were Council members: Copple, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett, and Williams, 9. Nays: 0.

City Staff was directed to prepare what Phase 4 looks like - what our step is for moving forward - and to bring this information to City Council in an upcoming meeting.

Discussion followed regarding the mask requirement for entering City Hall. The mask requirement was removed when the mandate was allowed to expire, however, City employees are required to wear a mask when they can't socially distance.

News from Public Information Officer Lynn Onstot

Free Tire Drop Off : Friday, May 7 and Saturday, May 8**.** Hosted by the Joplin Recycling Center and Liberty Utilities, automotive passenger tires will be accepted at no charge from Joplin residents, Joplin residential landlords, and Liberty Utilities residential electric customers from 9 am to 3 pm on these days at the Recycling Center, 1310 West A Street. Up to ten tires per household will be accepted. Commercial, large truck, tractor, or racecar tires will not be accepted. We encourage residents to take advantage of this opportunity and remove tires from their garage or yards during this free drop off.

City's Tree Limb Drop Off Service will be open Saturday, May 15 from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. The drop-off site is located at 1702 North Schifferdecker Avenue, 6/10 of a mile north of Belle Center Road on the west side of Schifferdecker. This free drop-off service is for Joplin residents only and has no load limits. This drop off site will be open the third Saturday of each month through October.

This year is the 10th Anniversary of the tornado that struck Joplin on May 22, 2011and a citizens committee has planned a modest and heartfelt day of remembrance. The morning of Saturday, May 22nd will be the 10th running of the Joplin Memorial Run, which is dedicated to the memory of those passed away due to the disaster. For more information, go to facebook.com/JoplinMemorialRun. As the community has done in other years, there will be a gathering in Cunningham Park near the time of 5:41 p.m. The observance ceremony will mark the moment from 2011 to honor and remember the loved ones who died with a reading of the 161 names. Prayer and music will also be part of the remembrance. Former Missouri Governor "Jay" Nixon has been asked to speak regarding the recovery, with Joplin Mayor Ryan Stanley serving as the emcee of the program. Preliminary plans also include community time in Cunningham Park starting at 3 p.m. with some organizations offering information and activities for those attending. We recognize that each of us will remember this fateful time in our own way. We want to thank everyone involved in the recovery efforts these past ten years. We are stronger because of the work, commitment and resilience that has been exhibited and illustrates we are truly Joplin Proud. For more information about these topics, please visit the City's website, joplinmo.org or contact the Public Information Office. Thank you.

CITIZEN REQUESTS AND PETITIONS

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Public Hearing procedures were read by City Clerk Barbara Gollhofer

Public Hearing for RESOLUTION NO. 2021-010

Mayor Stanley opened the Public Hearing.

Duncan Park, owner of the proposed short term rental appeared in favor of this item and stated he and his wife restored the home as a mid-century style and plan to market it as a discreet mid-term rental.

Michelle Lawrence spoke in opposition to this item. She questioned the definition of an Airbnb versus a bed and breakfast operation and does the proposed operation meet code requirement. She is also concerned about lack of security, parking and safety of children in the neighborhood.

The Public Hearing was closed.

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-010

Mr. Monteleone introduced Resolution No. 2021-010 - a resolution granting a Special Use Permit (1st Request) for the operation of a short -term rental at 2308 S. Patterson Avenue, in the City of Joplin, Jasper County, Missouri. Motion by Mr. Monteleone, second by Mr. Cortez to approve Resolution No. 2021-010. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Shaw, Stanley, and Williams, 7. Nays: Reid Adams, Stinnett, 2. **Resolution No. 2021-010** was approved.

Public Hearing for CASE 018-21

Mayor Stanley opened the Public Hearing

No one appeared in favor of or in opposition to this item.

CASE 018-21

Mr. Cortez introduced Case 018-21 - A request to declare surplus property at. 1403 E. Valley St. Motion by Mr. Cortez, second by Mr. Copple to approve Case 018-21. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett, and Williams, 9. Nays: 0. Case 018-21 was approved.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR COUNCIL BILL NO. 2021-267

Mayor Stanley opened the Public Hearing

No one appeared in favor of this item.

Delores Bilke, 3427 Sergeant Ave., spoke in opposition to this item. She stated she has lived in this neighborhood for 30 years and wants it to remain quiet and safe. She is concerned about increased traffic, safety of children in the area and a potential for more accidents. After her speaking time expired, Ms. Bilkey asked for an additional minute to complete her comments. Motion by Mr. Lawson, second by Mr Monteleone to grant an additional minute to Ms. Bilkey. Ms. Bilkey stated the design of the project would create hazardous ingress/egress situations due to the proposed positioning of the carports.

Tiffany Beaman, 3423 S Sergeant spoke in opposition to this item and stated she agreed with Ms. Bilkey's comments. She is concerned about the increased traffic and safety issues.

Rocksannia Alvarado, 3424 S Sergeant, spoke in opposition to this item. She stated there needs to be a traffic study done in the neighborhood. Safety is her main concern.

The Public Hearing was closed.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2021-267

Mr. Copple introduced Council Bill No. 2021-267 - an ordinance amending Ordinance No. 2004-256, passed by the Council of the City of Joplin, Missouri, November 15, 2004, by removing from District R-1 (Single Family Residential) and include in District R-3-PD (Apartment House Planned Development) property as described below and located Southeast Corner of S. Jackson Avenue and W. 34th Street, City of Joplin, Newton County, Missouri. Motion by Mr. Copple, second by Mr. Stinnett to **table** Council Bill No. 2021-267. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett, and Williams, 9. Nays: 0.

Council Bill No. 2021-267 was **tabled.**

PUBLIC HEARING FOR COUNCIL BILL NO. 2021-268
Mayor Stanley opened the Public Hearing

John Bolte spoke in favor of this item on behalf of Blake Onstot with 4 State Builders, and stated it would be beneficial to annex this property into the City of Joplin.

No one appeared in opposition of this item.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2021-268
Mr. Stinnett introduced Council Bill No. 2021-268 - AN ORDINANCE approving the voluntary annexation by the Council of the City of Joplin, Missouri, at the end of public right-of-way of W. Par Ln., Joplin, MO, Jasper County, Missouri. Motion by Stinnett, second by Dr. Reid Adams to pass Council Bill No. 2021-268 on First Reading and advance to Second and Third Reading. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett, and Williams, 9. Nays: 0. The bill was read as **Council Bill No. 2021-268**.

CONSENT AGENDA
Motion by Mr. Shaw, second by Mr. Cortez to approve the Consent Agenda. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett, and Williams, 9.

Minutes of the April 19, 2021 City Council meeting.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2021-124 - an ordinance authorizing an agreement by and between the City of Joplin and SkyWest Airlines, Inc., to establish operational guidelines and fees in the Commercial Terminal at the Joplin Regional Airport; authorizing the City Manager to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin. **Ordinance No. 2021-066**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2021-125 - an ordinance approving Work Authorization OLS-OC21-04 with Olsson in the not to exceed amount of Five Hundred Ninety-Nine Thousand Five Hundred and 00/100 dollars ($599,500.00) for professional engineering consulting services for Phases 2 and 3 of the Zora Widening project from Rangeline to MO-249, and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin. **Ordinance No. 2021-067**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2021-512 - an ordinance repealing Section 86-152, Admission Fee, of Article V, Swimming Pools, of Chapter 86, Parks and Recreation, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Joplin and enacting in lieu thereof a new Section 86-152, Admission Fee, of Article V, Swimming Pools, of Chapter 86, Parks and Recreation, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Joplin to implement certain fee changes; and setting a date when this Ordinance shall become effective. **Ordinance No. 2021-068**

Mayor Stanley called for a break at 8:02 p.m.
The meeting reconvened at 8:13 p.m.

RESOLUTIONS
RESOLUTION NO. 2021-011
Mr. Copple introduced Resolution No. 2021-011 - a resolution declaring the City of Joplin's intent to participate in Natural Hazard Mitigation and to work toward becoming a safer community. Motion by Mr. Copple, second by Mr. Monteleone to approve Resolution No. 2021-011. Voting in

favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett, and Williams, 9. Nays: 0. **Resolution No. 2021-011-** was approved.

ORDINANCES – EMERGENCY

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2021-132

Mr. Stinnett introduced Council Bill No. 2021-132 - an ordinance approving the City of Joplin to enter into a construction agreement with Goins Enterprise for the On Call Infrastructure and Utility Cuts 2021 project; and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Stinnett, second by Mr. Cortez that Council Bill No. 2021-132 be approved on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Stanley, Stinnett, and Williams, 8. Nays: 0. Absent:0. Abstention: Shaw, 1. Council Bill No. 2021-132 was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2021-069**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2021-133

Mr. Lawson introduced Council Bill No. 2021-133 - an ordinance authorizing the City of Joplin to enter into an agreement with G&G Construction Inc., for rehabilitation construction services in the amount of Two Hundred Thirty-Nine Thousand and 00/100 Dollars ($239,000.00) for construction services associated with the Turkey Creek Wastewater Treatment Facility North Digester Thickener on behalf of the City of Joplin and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Lawson second by Mr. Cortez that Council Bill No. 2021-133 be approved on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett, and Williams, 9. Nays: 0. Council Bill No. 2021-133 was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2021-070**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2021-134

Mr. Shaw introduced Council Bill No. 2021-134 - an ordinance authorizing the City of Joplin to enter into an agreement with G&G Construction Inc., for construction services in the amount of Three Hundred Four Thousand Eight Hundred Forty and No/100 Dollars ($304,840.00) for construction services associated with the Turkey Creek Wastewater Treatment Facility UV expansion on behalf of the City of Joplin and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Shaw, second by Mr. Lawson that Council Bill No. 2021-134 be approved on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett, and Williams, 9. Nays: 0. Council Bill No. 2021-134 was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2021-071**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2021-602

Mr. Cortez introduced Council Bill No. 2021-602 - an ordinance approving the applications of Joplin Disc Golf for the 2021 Four -States Open and for KEG Media for the Mother Road Mayhem for utilization of FY21 Festivals and Celebrations support pursuant to Ordinance No. 2000-148, as authorized by the voters on November 7, 2000; authorizing the City Manager to execute appropriate agreements with each such organization for the utilization of such funds and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Cortez, second by Mr. Monteleone that Council Bill No. 2021-602 be approved on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett, and Williams, 9. Nays: 0. Council Bill No. 2021-602 was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2021-072**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2021-603

Mr. Copple introduced Council Bill No. 2021-603 - an ordinance approving a Recruitment Incentive Program designed to attract police applicants who do not require police academy training in order to save training time and expense. This program would allow qualified police applicants to receive an incentive upon successful completion of all police officer training phases to include the in-house academy and field training program. This program would also allow a referral incentive for qualified City of Joplin employees who refers a police officer applicant that successfully completes all phases of the program and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Copple, second by Dr. Reid Adams that Council Bill No. 2021-603 be approved on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett, and Williams, 9. Nays: 0. Council Bill No. 2021-603 was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2021-073**

ORDINANCES – FIRST READING

ORDINANCES – SECOND AND THIRD READING

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

OTHER BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion of HB553

Mr. Monteleone asked for a review of HB553, which specifies that no political subdivision can require its employees to reside within a jurisdiction. He asked if the bill would impact the residency requirement for the city manager that is stated in the Joplin City Charter *§ 3.01: "[the City Manager]* shall reside within the city during his tenure of office.

After discussion, Mr. Montleone made a motion to pursue our elected officials to oppose HB553 and to ask our lobbyist to support us in this endeavor. Mr. Lawson seconded the motion. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett, and Williams, 9. Nays: 0. City Manager Edwards will send a letter of opposition.

Recognition of Dr. Reid Adams as recipient of the 2021 MSSU Spirit of Service Award

Mayor Stanley congratulated Council Member Diane Reid Adams on her recent award. The Spirit of Service Award is an award given to an alum of Missouri Southern State University making significant contributions to their community through their time, actions, talents, and dedication. Dr. Diane Reid was named the 2021 Spirt of Service awardee and has given her time and talents to many organizations over the years. She serves as a role model for compassion and service and strives to make the world a better place. Dr. Reid Adams stated she received a check for $500 which she will donate to American Association of University Women. She also received an engraved plaque and an MSSU medallion.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully,

Barbara Gollhofer, City Clerk

CITY OF JOPLIN
COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

ITEM:
CB 2021-268- Annexation

MEETING DATE:
May 3, 2021

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT:
Planning, Development and Neighborhood Services

REVIEWED BY:
Director of Planning, Development & Neighborhood Services - Troy Bolander, Director of Finance - Leslie Haase, City Attorney - Peter Edwards, City Manager - Nicholas Edwards.

SUMMARY REQUEST:
Case 020-21: The end of public right-of-way of W. Par Ln. – A request to voluntarily annex property into the City of Joplin. – 4-State Builders, LLC.

BACKGROUND:
4-State Builders, LLC is requesting to voluntarily annex into the City of Joplin, approximately 4 acres of property located at the end of W. Par Ln. The intent is to extend Par Ln. to the South and end with a cul-de-sac at the south, with the lots backing up to the railroad right-of-way. This will include 14 lots of single-family homes, so no rezoning will be necessary with this request.

PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION TESTIMONY:
John Bolte, Small Arrow Engineering, representing the owners. Located at 1302 S. Main Street, Joplin, MO. Blake Onstot, one of the owners with 4 State Builders and their address is 1200 Briarbrook Dr., Carl Junction, MO. There is a parcel of land that is adjacent to the city limits. Mr. Onstot and his partner purchased a 6 acres parcel, 2 acres to the north by Golf Links Dr., those will remain in the county with individual homes. With the extension of Par Lane and making a small cul-de-sac for the road. We would like to bring this into the city limits to use city utilities and city storm.

PUBLIC COMMENT;
None.

FUNDING SOURCE:
These payments are included in the FY 2020-21 budget of the Community Planning Fund.

RECOMMENDATIONS:
Staff recommends approval of Case 020-21.
Planning & Zoning Commission recommends approval of Case 020-21 (7 Favor, 0 Nays)

ATTACHMENTS
CB 2021-268, Staff Planning Report, P&Z Commission Minutes

CB 2021-268

Case 020-21: Voluntary Annexation – A request to voluntarily annex property into the City of Joplin, located at the end of public right-of-way of W. Par Ln. – 4-State Builders, LLC.

John Bolte, Small Arrow Engineering, representing the owners. Located at 1302 S. Main Street, Joplin, MO. Blake Onstot, one of the owners with 4 State Builders and their address is 1200 Briarbrook Dr., Carl Junction, MO. There is a parcel of land that is adjacent to the city limits. Mr. Onstot and his partner purchased a 6 acres parcel, 2 acres to the north by Golf Links Dr., those will remain in the county with individual homes. With the extension of Par Lane and making a small cul-de-sac for the road. We would like to bring this into the city limits to use city utilities and city storm.

Mr. Ramsour asked if there was anyone in the audience who would like to speak in favor of this case? There was not. Mr. Ramsour asked if there was anyone in the audience who would like to speak in opposition to this case? There was not.

MR. EASTMAN MOVED, SECONDED BY MS. BRUCKNER-SEARS THAT CASE 020-21 BE FORWARDED TO THE CITY COUNCIL WITH RECOMMENDATION FOR APPROVAL. MOTION CARRIED, WITH MR. RAMSOUR, MS. BRUCKNER-SEARS, MS. STEELE, MR. MCCULLOUGH, MR. EASTMAN, MR. KIMBLE, AND MS. PHILLIPS VOTING "AYE". (7 IN FAVOR)

Z&P Meeting: April 12, 2021
City Council Meeting: May 3, 2021

STAFF PLANNING REPORT
Voluntary Annexation

CASE 020-21 A request to voluntarily annex property into the City of Joplin

LOCATION The end of public right-of-way of W. Par Ln.

APPLICANT 4-State Builders, LLC

EXISTING CONDITIONS

Zoning	Land Use	Property Size
N/A (Jasper County, MO)	Vacant	Approximately 4 acres

DISCUSSION

4-State Builders, LLC is requesting to voluntarily annex into the City of Joplin, approximately 4 acres of property located at the end of W. Par Ln. This is in coordination with a Preliminary Plat request in the following case for Par Lane Subdivision.

The intent is to extend Par Ln. to the South and end with a cul-de-sac at the south, with the lots backing up to the railroad right-of-way. This will include 14 lots of single-family homes, so no rezoning will be necessary with this request. Easements are provided for in the plat to address utility extensions and stormwater facilities.

Staff recommends approval of Case 020-21.

ENCLOSURES

- Map of area to be annexed
- Application

BEFORE THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI.

PETITION FOR VOLUNTARY ANNEXATION
PURSUANT TO 71.012, RSMO., 1994

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Pursuant to the terms of V.A.M.S. 71.02, the undersigned, being all of the owners of fee interests of record in all tracts of real property attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit "A", do hereby request the voluntary annexation of said land to the City of Joplin, Missouri.

STATE OF MISSOURI)
) ss:
COUNTY OF JASPER)

On this 4th day of March, 2021, before me appeared James Onstot and Jordan Chapman, a single person, to me known to be the person described in and who acknowledged that he/she executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged that he/she executed the same as his/her free act and deed.

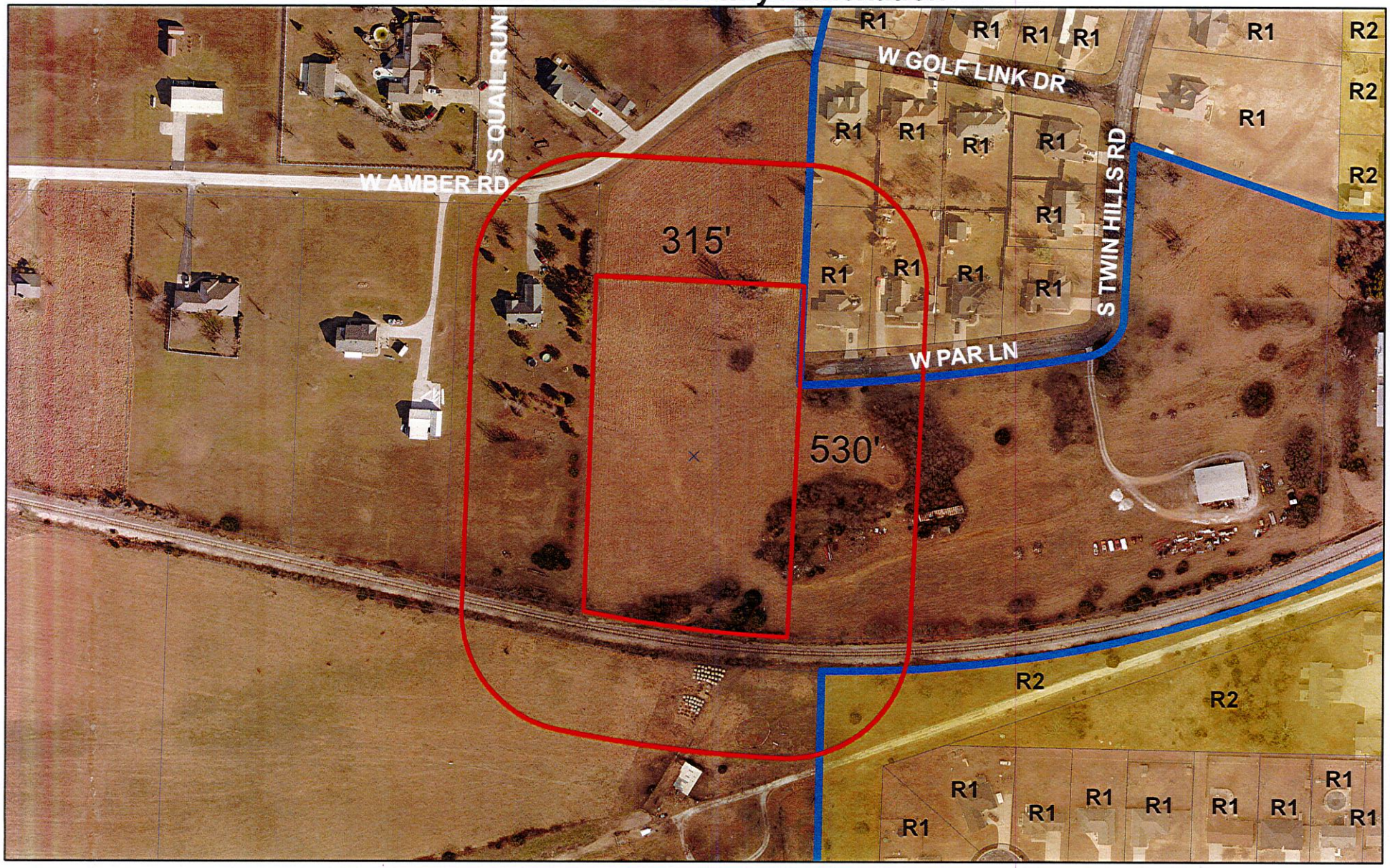
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set by hand and affixed by official seal, in the County and State aforesaid, the day and year first above written.

My term expires: October 12th, 2021.

SAM R GRIFFITH
Notary Public – Notary Seal
Jasper County – State of Missouri
Commission Number 17767978
My Commission Expires Oct 12, 2021

Notary Public

Case 020-21: Voluntary Annexation



Case 020-21: Voluntary Annexation – A request to voluntarily annex property into the City of Joplin, located at the end of public right-of-way of W. Par Ln. – 4-State Builders, LLC.

Joplin City Limits

0 105 210 420 630 840 Feet

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P & Z Case 020-21
4 State Builders, LLC
(P & Z Recommended Approval)

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2021-268 ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE approving the voluntary annexation by the Council of the City of Joplin, Missouri, approximately, Joplin, MO., Jasper County, Missouri.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 71.012, RSMo., 2001 as amended, a verified Petition requesting annexation and signed by the owners of all fee interests in record in the tract of real property described herein, was presented to the governing body of the City of Joplin, Missouri; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to said Section having referred this matter to the Planning and Zoning Commission for Public Hearing thereon and having obtained the favorable recommendation and support of said annexation; and,

WHEREAS, having held a Public Hearing concerning the proposed annexation not less than fourteen (14) nor more than sixty (60) days after the Petition is received after first having given fifteen (15) days' notice of the Hearing in the Joplin Globe; and,

WHEREAS, after said Public Hearing, the City of Joplin determines that the annexation is reasonable and necessary to the proper development of the City of Joplin, and that the City of Joplin has the ability to furnish normal municipal services to the area to be annexed within a reasonable time; and,

WHEREAS, having received no written objections to the proposed annexation within fourteen (14) days after the Public Hearing.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI, as follows:

Section 1. That the following described tract of land be and the same is hereby annexed into the City of Joplin, Missouri, said tract of land be described as follows, to-wit:

A PART OF LAND BEING IN THE NORTH ONE-HALF (N1/2) OF SECTION 18, TOWNSHIP 27, RANGE 33, JASPER COUNTY MISSOURI, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF LOT NUMBER THIRTEEN (13), IN CREST VIEW 2ND SUBDIVISION, THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 46 MINUTES 38 SECONDS EAST ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID LOT NUMBER THIRTEEN (13), 506.07 FEET, THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 55 MINUTES 33 SECONDS EAST, 324.05 FEET, THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 05 MINUTES 01 SECONDS EAST, 544.71 TO THE NORTH RIGHT-OF-WAY OF BURLINGTON NORTHERN RAILROAD, THENCE ALONG SAID NORTHERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY ALONG A CURVE TO THE RIGHT HAVING A RADIUS OF 1884.86 FEET, WITH AN ARC LENGTH OF 334.34 FEET AND A CHORD BEARING AND DISTANCE OF NORTH 83 DEGREES 25 MINUTES 09 SECONDS WEST, 333.91 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, BEING SUBJECT TO ALL EASEMENTS, RIGHT-OF-

WAYS, AND RESERVATIONS OF RECORD, CONTAINING 3.99 ACRES MORE OR LESS.

Section 2. That the City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause three (3) certified copies of this Ordinance to filed with the Clerk of Jasper County, Missouri.

Section 3. That this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect as of 12:01 a.m., on the 7th day of June 2021.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI, this the _____ day of_____, 2021, by a vote of _____.

_____
Ryan D. Stanley, Mayor

ATTEST:

_____
Barbara J. Gollhofer, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

_____
Peter C. Edwards, City Attorney

RESOLUTION NO. 2021-012

A RESOLUTION authorizing support of the 2021 Action Plans developed by City staff based on priorities established by the City Council at its November 30th, 2020 Visioning Workshop.

WHEREAS, the City Council, at its 2020 Visioning Workshop, considered citizen feedback from the City Manager's Listening Tour and established six (6) priority goals for improving and advancing the City's future. The six (6) priorities include:

1. Improve Community Appearance;
2. Address Declining Neighborhoods;
3. Increase Economic Opportunities;
4. Address Homelessness;
5. Reduce Crime and Increase Safety; and
6. Create and Grow Resilient Revenue.

WHEREAS, Action Plans have been developed over the last several months by city staff with input from other community partners and the City Council in response to the established Council priority goals.

WHEREAS, the Action Plans are intended to cause improvements and advancements in the City in each of the priority goal areas.

WHEREAS, many of the Action Plans are unfunded and will require additional resources for the City to implement and carry out.

WHEREAS, the City plans to fund many of the Action Plans from a dedicated and sustainable income source, a Use Tax, and this will be presented to voters on a ballot in the November 2, 2021 election.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOPLIN THAT:

The Joplin City Council provides its support for the further development of the 2021 Action Plans and the implementation of the plans at such time there is a dedicated and sustainable funding source.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI, this 17th day of May 2021, by a vote of _____.

Ryan D. Stanley, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Barbara J. Gollhofer, City Clerk

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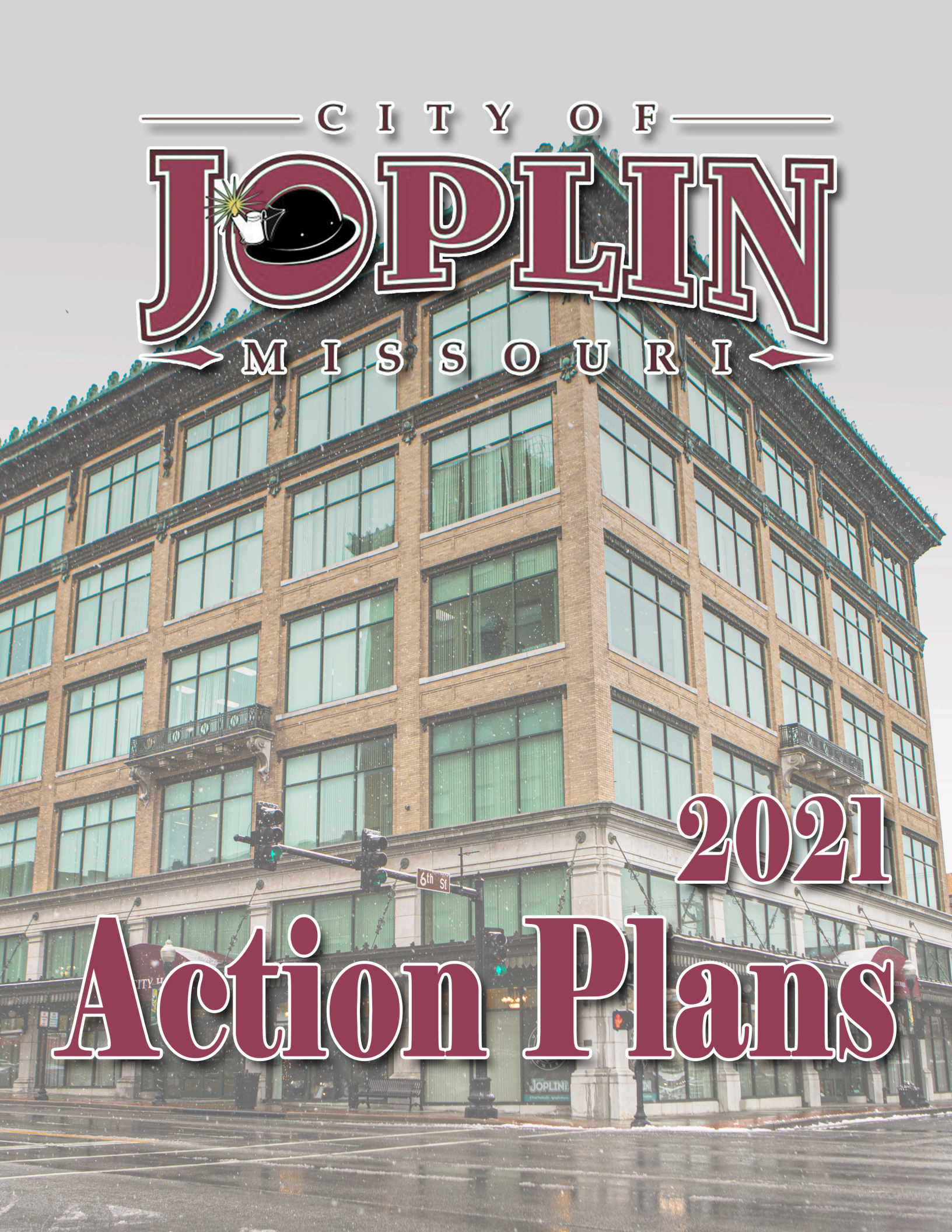

2021 Action Plans



JOPLIN missouri Strategic Priorities

Vision

Joplin, built on generations of people with grit and determination is a regional hub at the crossroads of America. Our diverse people and employers thrive because of our healthy lifestyles, exceptional neighborhoods, lifelong learning opportunities, and cultural & recreational amenities.

Our connected community benefits from world-class health care, reasonable cost-of-living, and economic opportunity for all.

Together we are ready for anything!

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Goals

- Improve community appearance, including public properties maintained by the city.
- Address declining neighborhoods.
- Increase economic opportunities for all.
- Address homelessness.
- Reduce crime and increase safety.
- Create and grow resilient revenue to improve city service levels and maintain infrastructure.

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CITY OF JOPLIN
PROJECTED USE TAX COLLECTIONS
25-Jan-21

EST USE TAX	1% GF AMOUNT	1/2% PENSION AMOUNT	1/2% PS AMOUNT	1/4% PARKS/SW AMOUNT	1/2% TST AMOUNT	3/8% CIP AMOUNT	TOTAL EST USE TAX
$3,700,000	$1,184,000	$592,000	$592,000	$ 296,000	$592,000	$444,000	$3,700,000

CITY OF JOPLIN
ACTION PLAN SUMMARY
13-May-21

PRIORITY AREA	ACTION PLAN	TOTAL ADDTL FTE	ONE-TIME COSTS	STAFFING ANNUAL COSTS	PROGRAM ANNUAL COSTS	USE TAX FUND
Community Appearance	Strategy 1	0.10	1,000	5,600	3,000	General
Community Appearance	Strategy 2	0.10	1,000	5,600	3,000	General
Community Appearance	Strategy 3	-	-	-	-	General
Community Appearance	Strategy 4	1.25	2,500	80,000	5,000	General
Community Appearance	Strategy 5	0.75	1,500	50,000	5,000	General
Community Appearance	Strategy 6	0.25	100,000	16,250	TBD	General
Community Appearance	Strategy 7	0.10	1,000	6,600	TBD	TST/CIP
Community Appearance	Strategy 8	0.50	1,000	28,000	3,000	General
Community Appearance	Strategy 9		440			TST
Neighborhood Improvement	Strategy 1	1.00	2,000	58,500	5,000	General
Neighborhood Improvement	Strategy 2	2.25	5,000	165,000	25,000	General
Neighborhood Improvement	Strategy 3	-	-	-	-	General
Neighborhood Improvement	Strategy 4	-	-	-	TBD	General
Neighborhood Improvement	Strategy 5	4.00	-	170,000	80,000	TST/Parks/SW Sales Tax
Neighborhood Improvement	Strategy 6	0.50	1,000	35,000	3,000	General
Neighborhood Improvement	Strategy 7	-	-	-	2,000	General
Neighborhood Improvement	Strategy 8	0.50	1,000	39,000	2,000	General
Neighborhood Improvement	Strategy 9	0.50	1,000	35,000	TBD	General
Neighborhood Improvement	Strategy 10	4.25	8,500	305,000	25,000	General/Public Safety
Neighborhood Improvement	Strategy 11	3.25	6,500	231,500	15,000	General
Neighborhood Improvement	Strategy 12	-	-	-	1,000	General
Neighborhood Improvement	Strategy 13	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	General
Increase Economic Opportunities	Strategy 1	0.25	100,000	16,500	50,000	General
Increase Economic Opportunities	Strategy 2	-	85,000	-	TBD	General
Increase Economic Opportunities	Strategy 3	4.00	15,000	300,000	50,000	General
Increase Economic Opportunities	Strategy 4	1.00	TBD	66,000	TBD	General/TST
Homelessness	Strategy 1	-	15,000	-	6,000	General
Homelessness	Strategy 2	-	-	-	-	General
Homelessness	Strategy 3	0.50	1,000	32,500	5,000	General
Homelessness	Strategy 4	-	-	-	-	General
Increase Citizen Safety	Strategy 1	-	-	-	-	Public Safety
Increase Citizen Safety	Strategy 2	2.00	15,000	80,500	10,000	Public Safety
Increase Citizen Safety	Strategy 3	0.50	10,000	50,000	1,000	Public Safety
Increase Citizen Safety	Strategy 4	-	-	-	1,000	Public Safety
Increase Citizen Safety	Strategy 5	-	-	-	-	Public Safety
Increase Citizen Safety	Strategy 6	-	-	-	-	Public Safety
Increase Citizen Safety	Strategy 7	1.00	2,000	50,000	3,000	Public Safety
Increase Citizen Safety	Strategy 8	-	-	-	-	Public Safety
Increase Citizen Safety	Strategy 9	-	150,000	-	TBD	Public Safety
Increase Citizen Safety	Strategy 10	-	-	-	13,200	Public Safety
Increase Citizen Safety	Strategy 11	-	-	-	60,000	Public Safety
Increase Citizen Safety	Strategy 12	-	2,060,000		20,000	Parks/SW Sales Tax
Increase Citizen Safety	Strategy 13	18.00	3,555,000	1,615,500	150,000	Public Safety
Increase Citizen Safety	Strategy 14	2.00	2,000	107,000	5,000	Parks/SW
Increase Citizen Safety	Strategy 15	20.00	-	1,823,000	100,000	Public Safety
Resilient Revenue	Strategy 1	-	100,000	-	-	General

*Note: The estimated costs are for the stand-alone strategies. Depending on strategies advanced, the costs will change as actual anticipated staffing needs can be further identified. Additionally, more support staff will be evaluated once the final

strategies are identified. Depending upon the strategies advanced, staffing requirements will be combined, impacting the final costs. Finally, studies may result in additional ongoing costs.

Action Plan

Strategy 1-Adopt-A- Street Program

Version 2 from Community Appearance

Priority Area:
Improve Community Appearance

Goal/Objective:
Improve general appearance of city.

Strategy 1- Develop and implement Adopt-A-Street Project:

Action Steps:

a. Form workgroup of city staff to research past programs and similar programs in other communities. Have information from previous city/chamber project to review as example.
b. Inform potential stakeholders for input.
c. Develop program processes and procedures.

Resources Required:

1. Staff time to research and design program.
2. Funding for staffing to operate program with a 0.10 FTE for a Neighborhood Improvement Officer in the Planning, Zoning and Neighborhood Development Dept.
3. Funding for operational costs of program.

Total Plan Cost:
Total Additional FTE: 0.10
One-Time Costs: $1,000
Staffing Annual Costs: $5,600
Program Annual Costs: $3,000

Desired Benefit/Outcome:

- Improved appearance of community through reduction of litter present on City streets.
- Increased pride of residents in appearance of city.
- City is more attractive to new residents and business investment.

"Clean the trash off the streets… Clean up the actual trash all over the place." – Listening Tour Respondent

Action Plan

Strategy 2-Residence and Business of the Month Program

Version 2 from Community Appearance

Priority Area:
Improve Community Appearance

Goal/Objective:
Improve general appearance of city.

Strategy 2- Develop and Implement a Residence of Month and Business of the Month Program to recognize well maintained business properties and increase pride of appearance of community:

Action Steps:

a. Form workgroup of city staff to research similar programs in other communities. Have information from previous chamber/city program to use as template.
b. Inform potential stakeholders for input.
c. Develop program processes and procedures.

Resources Required:

1. Staff time to research and design program.
2. Funding for staffing to operate program with a 0.10 FTE for a Neighborhood Improvement Officer in the Planning, Zoning and Neighborhood Development Dept.
3. Funding for operational costs of program.

Total Plan Cost:
Total Additional FTE: 0.10
One-Time Costs: $1,000
Staffing Annual Costs: $5,600
Program Annual Costs: $3,000

Desired Benefit/Outcome:

- Improved appearance of community through better maintenance of structures and properties.
- Increased value of properties.
- Increased pride of residents in appearance of city.
- City is more attractive to new residents and business investment.

Action Plan

Strategy 3-Review Zoning Code for Additional Beautification Enhancements

Version 2 from Community Appearance

Priority Area:
Improve Community Appearance

Goal/Objective:
Improve general appearance of city.

Strategy 3- Review Zoning Code for additional beautification enhancements:

Action Steps:

a. Planning, Development and Neighborhood Services Dept. in process of conducting review and update of current Zoning Code. Review will include analysis for possible changes that can be made to enhance community appearance that include building design and landscaping requirements. This review will look at the possibility of including CEPTED principles in design of new buildings.
b. Bring draft of updates to council for public hearing and consideration.

Resources Required:

1. PDNS staff time to conduct or oversee review.

Total Plan Cost:
Total Additional FTE: Existing staff time.
One-Time Costs: $0.00
Staffing Annual Costs: $0.00
Program Annual Costs: $0.00

Desired Benefit/Outcome:

- Improve appearance of new private development.
- Identify opportunities to update zoning code.
- Consistency in quality of appearance throughout the city.

Action Plan

Strategy 4-Review Sign Code for Additional Beautification Measures

Version 2 from Community Appearance

Priority Area:
Improve Community Appearance

Goal/Objective:
Improve general appearance of city.

Strategy 4- Review Sign Code for additional beautification measures:

Action Steps:

a. Planning, Development and Neighborhood Services Dept. in process of conducting a review and update of current Sign Code for possible changes that can be made to enhance community beautification efforts. This review to include analysis of light pollution issues. Will review the use of options for small right-of-way signs, the increased use of monument signs, etc.
b. Meet with stakeholders to inform and seek input into changes.
c. Bring to city council for public hearing and consideration.
d. Reinstate sign code enforcement officer. Key components of any suggested changes will include efficient issuance of sign permits as well as improved enforcement of code. A significant education program for businesses on any changes will be required.

Resources Required:

1. PDNS staff time to conduct or oversee review.
2. Funding for Neighborhood Improvement Officer 1.0 FTE initially to bring sign issues into compliance, then estimated to be 0.50 FTE after that. 0.50 FTE can then assist with other code enforcement activities.
3. Funding for vehicle, office equipment, supplies.
4. Funding for additional court/prosecutor staff costs for additional citation activity. Estimated to be 0.25 FTE.

Total Plan Cost:
Total Additional FTE: 1.25
One-Time Costs: $2,500
Staffing Annual Costs: $80,000
Program Annual Costs: $5,000

Desired Benefit/Outcome:

- Improve quality of signage throughout the city.
- Increase staff capacity to enforce updated sign code.
- Increase safety, maintenance, and compliance of signs.

"*Maintain streets, side walks, street lights and signs in the entire city." – Listening Tour Respondent*

Action Plan

Strategy 5-Review Non-Residential Property Maintenance Code for Additional Building Maintenance Measures

Version 2 from Community Appearance

Priority Area:
Improve Community Appearance

Goal/Objective:
Improve general appearance of city.

Strategy 5- Review Non-Residential Property Maintenance Code for additional building maintenance requirements for structures:

Action Steps:

a. Planning, Development and Neighborhood Services Dept. to conduct review and update of current Non-Residential Property Maintenance Code for possible changes that can be made to enhance maintenance requirements of buildings. May consider updating current code with the International Property Maintenance Code (includes both residential and commercial).

   The current code and a possible International Property Maintenance Code address current structures, and do not address new construction. New construction is covered by the 2018 International Building Codes. As presented, review of compliance with code would consist of an exterior review to improve community appearance. Interior inspections would occur based on complaints or concerns raised by citizens or if concerns observed and reported by other city departments during other code required inspections (i.e. health department or fire department). New inspection could also be required upon a change of ownership of business (business license inspection).
b. Inform stakeholders for input in process.
c. Bring to city council for consideration.

Resources Required:

1. PDNS staff time to conduct or oversee review.
2. Funding for 0.50 FTE Building Inspector.
3. Funding for vehicle and equipment for staff position (unless combined with another).
4. Funding for 0.25 FTE additional court/prosecutor staff.

Total Plan Cost:
Total Additional FTE: 0.75
One-Time Costs: $1,500
Staffing Annual Costs: $50,000
Program Annual Costs: $5,000

Desired Benefit/Outcome:
Improved appearance of community through enhanced beautification requirements for ongoing maintenance of existing structures in city. Increased pride of residents and business owners in appearance of city. City is more attractive to new residents and business investment.

"Make absentee landlords responsible for maintaining their properties." – Listening Tour Respondent

Action Plan

Strategy 6-Beautification Study

Version 2 from Community Appearance

Priority Area:
Improve Community Appearance

Goal/Objective:
Improve general appearance of city.

Strategy 6- Conduct a comprehensive Community Beautification Study that results in a Community Beautification Plan:

Action Steps:

a. City council to appoint a Beautification Committee to conduct a Community Beautification Study of city. Study to analyze various community beatification efforts underway and make suggestions for additional projects to enhance community appearance. Report to include project list as well as estimates of cost associated with projects/initiatives. City staff to assist in the study design and implementation as well as overseeing future project development.

Resources Required:

1. Staff time to work with Beautification Committee to design and conduct study.
2. Funds for future implementation of projects. An initial budget of $100,000 is envisioned for miscellaneous committee costs as well as providing a budget for initial beautification projects. Other funding sources may be leveraged to enhance program (Hotel and Motel Tax, Parks and Stormwater Beautification initiative).
3. Funding for 0.25 FTE for a Neighborhood Improvement Officer in Planning, Development and Neighborhood Services Dept. to oversee program.

Total Plan Cost:
Total Additional FTE: 0.25
One-Time Costs: $100,000
Staffing Annual Costs: $16,250
Program Annual Costs: TBD

Desired Benefit/Outcome:

- Identify ways of enhancing community's appearance by increasing its aesthetic visual quality while welcoming visitors and enhancing quality of life for residents.
- Increased pride of residents and business owners in appearance of city.
- City is more attractive to new residents and business investment.

"Down the road, something that could be better is more green space: each new business coming in should be required to plant trees, shrubs, or flowers and beautify their space. Add to our parks - they are beautiful and many people use them." – Listening Tour Respondent

Action Plan

Strategy 7 - Complete Streets

Priority Area:
Improve Community Appearance

Goal/Objective:
Improve general appearance of city.

Strategy 7- Complete Streets Ordinance:

Action Steps:

a) Research and draft a Complete Streets ordinance to be adopted by the City of Joplin; assemble a staff team to review and tailor to Joplin's needs. (In progress)
b) Create an Active Transportation Committee made up of City staff to review new transportation projects for best practices and make recommendations to Public Works and City Council. (In progress)
c) Review the City of Joplin's Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Code for opportunities to implement Complete Streets principles, designs, and practices
d) Assess the City's existing on-road network to identify potential candidates for street redesign projects that promote beautification and alternative modes of transportation. (In progress – in contract review and will be submitting to Council ASAP)
e) Present Complete Streets ordinance to City Council for approval.
f) Conduct staff engagement, education and training specifically tailored to active transportation modes and project development. (In progress – part of Active Transportation Assessment contract with Olsson)
g) Develop phased plan to incorporate street redesigns, low-cost and high impact improvements, and beautification opportunities.
h) Work with community organizations to develop a street art program that could be implemented with street redesigns (e.g. colorful crosswalks, intersection art, temporary installations, etc.).
i) Public and stakeholder involvement and education throughout the initiative.
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Resources Required:

1. Staff time to participate in committee, assessment, and training.
2. Funding to implement projects.
3. Dedicated Complete Streets Program manager to oversee effort and implementation (estimate 0.10 FTE Planner average over a year). Could be in-house staff or contracted oversight.

Total Plan Cost:
Total Additional FTE: 0.10
One-Time Costs: $1,000
Staffing Annual Costs: $6,600
Program Annual Costs: TBD

" We have over-built roads that can easily be retrofitted for road diets and complete streets projects to connect our active transportation system." – Listening Tour Respondent

Desired Benefit/Outcome:

- Increase safety for alternative modes of transportation.
- Increase connectivity in the multimodal network in Joplin.
- Improve appearance of public streets.
- Increase community engagement in the planning process.

" We have over-built roads that can easily be retrofitted for road diets and complete streets projects to connect our active transportation system." – Listening Tour Respondent

Action Plan

Strategy 8-Public Art

Priority Area:
Improve Community Appearance

Goal/Objective:
Improve general appearance of city.

Strategy 8- Incentivize inclusion of Public Art in new and existing development projects including both public and private initiatives:

Action Steps:

a. PDNS and Parks Department staff to conduct research into similar projects developed in other communities.
b. Inform community stakeholders (C2C, Downtown Joplin, developers, etc.) to receive input into project development.
c. Develop program processes and procedures and possible code enhancements. This could include a Public Art Fee assessed as a percentage of new development or building permit fees. Fees generated to be utilized on development project or deposited in a Public Art Fund for use in future Public Art projects.
d. Create a secondary option of a not for profit public art fund in which artists and community donors could apply and contribute.

Resources Required:

1. Staff time to research and develop project.
2. Funding for 0.50 FTE in Planning, Zoning and Neighborhood Services for staff personnel to oversee the program.

Total Plan Cost:
Total Additional FTE: 0.50
One-Time Costs: $1,000
Staffing Annual Costs: $28,000
Program Annual Costs: $3,000

Desired Benefit/Outcome:

- Visually enhance areas of Joplin that are undesirable to the public.
- Provides the appreciate of all aspects of art at the same time educating our community.

Action Plan

Strategy 9 – Limb Drop-off Program

Priority Area:

Improve Community Appearance

Goals/Objectives:

Improve general Appearance of City.

Strategy 1 – Develop and Implement a Limb Drop-Off Project:

Action Steps:

a. Form working group of staff to research numbers of patrons using the existing drop-off site.

Resources Required:

1. Staff time to research and develop a plan.
2. Funding for additional staffing needs for manning the site to be determined by frequency. Minimum staffing of 1.00 Equipment Operator and FTE 1.00 Laborer I required.

Total Plan Cost:

Total Additional FTE: Existing staff time

One Time Costs: $0.00

Staffing additional cost: $400.00 per additional day/TST

Program Annual costs: $95,293.42

Desired Benefit/Outcome:

- Improved appearance of community through reduction of limbs cluttering neighborhoods.
- Increased pride of neighborhoods.
- City is more attractive to new residents and visitors.

"Neighborhood clean up. People taking pride in their homes, yards, businesses." – Listening Tour Respondent

Action Plan

Strategy 1- Housing Revitalization Plan

Priority Area:
Address Declining Neighborhoods

Goal/Objective:
Revitalize housing options

Strategy 1- Housing Revitalization Plan:

Action Steps:

- Using a portion of the general fund reserve balance, create a new revitalization fund with an initial funding of $1.0m
- Form a JHAP oversight committee comprised of city staff and citizens
- Incentivize the replacement of declining housing options at outlined by the following table:

MARKET VALUE		ASSESSED VALUE		AMOUNT OF INCENTIVE AVAILABLE
$ 274,999	$ 250,000	$ 52,249	$ 47,500	$ 40,000
$ 249,999	$ 225,000	$ 47,499	$ 42,750	$ 35,000
$ 224,999	$ 200,000	$ 42,749	$ 38,000	$ 30,000
$ 199,999	$ 175,000	$ 37,999	$ 33,250	$ 25,000
$ 174,999	$ 150,000	$ 33,249	$ 28,500	$ 20,000

a. Key Program Details:
   i. ~~i.~~ Must replace an existing single-family home ~~within the designated boundary. (see map)~~
   ii. Home design must complement existing neighborhood aesthetics
   iii. Incentive will be paid once the new home receives initial assessment by the County. The amount of incentive available will be determined by the assessed value. (Assessed Value is determined by the County Assessor)
   iv. Homes utilizing this incentive will be prohibited from becoming rental property for a 10 year period.
   v. The program will end once initial funds have been depleted or, after 3 years, whichever occurs first.

- Seek partnerships with construction companies/builders to allow for in kind contributions of resources to reduce property acquisition costs, demolition costs, and building costs
- Explore the use of the City's sales tax exemption to procure building materials at a lower cost.

Resources Required:

1. Program Manager: 0.5 FTE ($33,500)
2. Administrative Support: 0.5 FTE ($25,000)
3. Funding for one-time start-up costs (vehicles, office furniture, phones, etc.). ($2,000)
4. Funding for the incentive: $1.0m (general fund balance) TBD.

" The city could focus on infrastructure improvement,specifically empty houses and buildings. These degrade the whole quality of the community.– Listening Tour Respondent

Total Plan Cost:
Total Additional FTE: 1.0
One-Time Costs: $2,000
Staffing Annual Costs: $58,500
Program Annual Costs: $5,000

Desired Benefit/Outcome:

- Minimizes the long-term negative impact of underperforming real estate.
- Strengthens tax base to benefit local taxing jurisdictions.
- Improves housing supply
- Limits the amount of homes that could be controlled by predatory landlords.

" The city could focus on infrastructure improvement,specifically empty houses and buildings. These degrade the whole quality of the community.– Listening Tour Respondent

Action Plan

Strategy 2-Neighborhood Improvement Zone Project

Version 2 from Address Declining Neighborhoods

Priority Area:
Address Declining Neighborhoods

Goal/Objective:
Improve appearance of neighborhoods through maintenance of properties.

Strategy 2- Neighborhood Improvement Zone Project:

Action Steps:

a. Form workgroup of city staff to conduct research of program(s) for possible implementation. Review former program as well as conduct new research of similar programs to determine best program parameters to include in new initiative. Establish new processes and procedures for new project to include how to determine zones for focused efforts, neighborhood engagement meetings to receive citizen input into neighborhood concerns and possible solutions, etc. Ensure process design includes required continued dialogue with neighborhoods after new neighborhood zones are selected for focus (staying connected with neighborhoods already in program).
b. Re-establish relationships with neighborhood by working with One Joplin, churches, schools, and other neighborhood anchors active in neighborhood improvement.
c. Work with neighborhood councils to identify new initiatives to positively impact neighborhood ownership and pride (beautification initiatives i.e. house or yard of month, neighborhood clean up days, etc.).
d. Work with neighborhoods to identify city infrastructure needs to improve neighborhood appearance (street lights, sidewalks, street and curb/gutter improvements, etc.)
e. Work with neighborhoods to identify other neighborhood issues requiring city assistance (crime, animal control, etc.).
f. Expand existing and create new relationships with local non-profit and faith-based organizations active in homeowner assistance with home repairs and improvements (Habitat For Humanity, Fuller Housing, etc.). Work with these organizations to target home repairs in declining neighborhoods. Explore additional shared relationships with these organizations to leverage resources (see Action Plan 4- Strengthen Home Repair Program).

Resources Required:

1. Staff time for research of program and program needs.
2. Funding for annual cost (personnel, fringe) of employment of 2 staff (Neighborhood Improvement Officer and Neighborhood Improvement Supervisor)
3. Funding for annual operational costs $25,000.
4. Funding for one-time start-up costs (vehicles, office furniture, phones, etc.).
5. Funding for 0.25 FTE additional court/prosecutor staff.

"Clean up blighted neighborhood areas, address the dangers that these areas cause." – Listening Tour Respondent

Total Plan Cost:
Total Additional FTE: 2.25
One Time Costs: $5,000
Staffing Annual Costs: $165,000
Program Annual Costs: $25,000

Desired Benefit/Outcome:

- Stabilize property values.
- Enhance neighborhood pride.
- Improve communication between the City of Joplin and residents.
- Improve maintenance of structures and yards.

"Clean up blighted neighborhood areas, address the dangers that these areas cause." – Listening Tour Respondent

Action Plan

Strategy 3-Review Other City Codes

Version 2 from Addressing Declining Neighborhoods

Priority Area:
Address Declining Neighborhoods

Goal/Objective:
Improve appearance of neighborhoods through maintenance of properties.

Strategy 3- Review City Codes to identify corrections that would aid in code compliance:

Action Steps:

a. Form workgroup of city staff to review building, housing, health and fire codes for improvements that can be recommended to improve code compliance in neighborhoods to reflect changing trends and to address unique needs. Examples include the growing Airbnb market, and review of issues with deficient lodging establishments located in the city. Some of these reviews are already occurring (see Action Plans for review of Zoning Code, Non-Residential Property Maintenance Code, etc.).
b. Review codes and research other codes.
c. Discuss changes being considered with applicable stakeholders.
d. Present suggested changes to city council.

Resources Required:

1. Staff time to conduct research/review of existing codes.

Total Plan Cost:
Total Additional FTE: Existing staff time.
One-Time Costs: $0.00
Staffing Annual Costs: $0.00
Program Annual Costs: $0.00

Desired Benefit/Outcome:

- Eliminate possible code contradictions.
- Align adopted codes with neighborhood improvement vision.
- Update codes to improve efficiency, health and safety.

"Joplin build and rental codes, tenant rights need to be addressed. There are too many slum-lords permitted to profit from unsuitable and unsafe homes, often rented or leased at unreasonable cost, often to desperate families and single people." – Listening Tour Respondent

Action Plan-Version 2

Strategy 4 – Strengthen Home Repair Program

Version 2 from Addressing Declining Neighborhoods

Priority Area:
Address Declining Neighborhoods

Goal/Objective:
Improved appearance of neighborhoods through maintenance of properties.

Strategy 4 – Strengthen home repair program for income eligible home homeowner:

Action Steps:

a. Reallocate HUD HOME funds for the existing program with ESC to $200,000.00. Currently $110,000 (4-6 Substantial Rehabs per year). Increase in HOME commitment will increase projects to 7- 11 substantial Rehabs per year. *Note: this is HOME Consortium funding and many projects will be located outside the City of Joplin.
b. Allocate additional funds from the City that are not associated with federal HUD Funds to be used for more flexible and parallel home repair program used just inside of the city.
    i. Utilize these more flexible funds to address relatively small dollar improvements currently ineligible in the federally funded HUD HOME program. Program can be structured as a revolving fund with high degree of forgiveness to maximize available resources while still improving as many properties as possible including those unable to make repayment at time of loan or during term of homeowner agreement. The existing model for this program may be provided by Joplin Area Fuller Center for Housing. Average repair for Fuller program (identified highest need to improve homeowner quality of life) is approximately $1,000.00. Adding exterior improvement and landscaping would bring average costs to $2,500 to $3,000 per home participating.
    ii. Enter into agreement with existing non-profit homeowner repair provider, such as Habitat For Humanity, etc... Agreement allows for repairs to homes with income eligible homeowners in defined low-income areas of community. *Note: All expenditures resulting from this agreement will be located within the City of Joplin.
c. Investigate possible property tax abatement (Section 353 of state statutes) program as an option to incentivize property owners to invest in home repairs.

Resources Required:

1. Utilize existing staff to oversee program in Planning, Development and Neighborhood Services.
2. Additional funding for expansion of program.

Total Plan Cost:

"It is sad to see a city allow homes to deteriorate into disrepair. Better enforcement of city codes and possibly grants for home improvement." – Listening Tour Respondent

Total Additional FTE: Existing staff time.
One-Time Costs: $0.00
Staffing Annual Costs: $0.00
Program Annual Costs: $400,000 (half HOME Consortium fund, half general fund)

Re-occurring Costs: $400,000.00 *revolving fund with high degree for forgiveness.
This level of funding would result in approximately 65 property improvements which can be targeted to specific neighborhoods.
Increased HOME commitment of $90,000 reducing new construction allocation in favor of rehabilitation.

Desired Benefit/Outcome:

- Assist homeowners in identifying and repairing vulnerable properties.
- Establish revolving fund for home repairs.

"It is sad to see a city allow homes to deteriorate into disrepair. Better enforcement of city codes and possibly grants for home improvement." – Listening Tour Respondent

Action Plan

Strategy 5- City Properties Maintained

Priority Area:
Address Declining Neighborhoods

Goal/Objective:
Improved appearance of neighborhoods through maintenance of properties.

Strategy 5 - City to do better job maintaining city properties to set tone for improvement.

Action Steps:

a. Parks Dept. to fully implement all aspects of the Parks and Recreation Maintenance Plan/Standards in all parks and other public properties. Will require a dedicated beautification crew as well as utilizing targeted contracted landscape services. These activities to include parks, Main Street Planters (downtown and South Main), City Entryway Signs, city parking lots, etc.
b. Re-start Adopt-A-Park program. This program will be administered by a park caretaker whose is already in this role. So, no additional resources needed.
c. Public Works Dept. to adequately maintain all public properties under their care (frequent vacant lot mowing, cleaning ditches, etc.

Resources Required:

1. Funding for 4.0 staff and operational costs for new beautification crew in Parks Department (included in Parks Master Plan List for Parks/Stormwater sales tax renewal).
2. Ability to fully staff Public Works laborer positions or outsource mowing.

Total Plan Cost:
Total Additional FTE: 4.0
One Time Costs: Minimal
Staffing Annual Costs: $170,000
Program Annual Costs: $80,000

Desired Benefit/Outcome:

- Provides a continuous and timely effort of quality maintenance in parks and green spaces around the city.
- Provides community ownership in our park system.
- Enhances each park and green space for the community to enjoy.

"Grounds keeping. Our sidewalks look terrible. The road through Landreth Park has a weed problem that looks trashy." – Listening Tour Respondent

Action Plan

Strategy 6-Reduce Number of Vacant and Dangerous Buildings in Community

Version 2 from Addressing Declining Neighborhoods

Priority Area:
Address Declining Neighborhoods

Goal/Objective:
Reduce vacant and unsecured buildings in neighborhoods.

Strategy 6.1 – Develop vacant building inventory, tracking system (GIS System layer), and registry to use to monitor buildings:

Action Steps:

a. Identify method to be used for identifying vacant buildings.
b. Identify information to be collected and inventory vacant residential and commercial buildings.
c. Create a layer in city GIS mapping system for vacant structures.
d. Investigate code options requiring registration of vacant structures, and possible permit fees to cover costs of the inventory and registry. Code options to include maintenance of vacant structures (doors, windows, other exterior features), and property maintenance (yard, fences, etc.) while structure remains vacant.
e. Seek input into possible code options from community stakeholders.
f. Bring code option suggestions to council for consideration.

Resources Required:

1. Staff time to identify and inventory vacant structures.
2. Staff time to create GIS map layer.
3. Staff time to research code options and develop local code suggestions.

Total Plan Cost:
Total Additional FTE: Existing staff time.
One Time Costs: $0.00
Staffing Annual Costs: $0.00
Program Annual Costs: $0.00

Strategy 6.2 – Review Existing Legal Dangerous Building Ordinance for enhancements to improve property maintenance:

Action Steps:

a. Form work group for review.
b. Review ordinance for potential enhancements to incentivize property owners to maintain buildings and place them back in active use (code changes, increased dang. building fee,

dang. building bond, special assessment, impact fee, etc.). Fees may be additional source of funds for Building Board of Appeals related building demolition requirements. Current Dangerous Building code includes a section allowing certain dangerous buildings to remain if the owner applies for and receives a permit for a "Legal Vacant Dangerous Building". The permit includes a $200 semi-annual permit fee that can be renewed up to 3 additional 6 month periods.

c. Bring code changes to city council for consideration.

Resources Required:

1. Staff time for code review.
2. Funding for staff to implement vacant building inspection/monitoring program. 0.5 FTE Building Inspector.

Total Plan Cost:
Total Additional FTE: 0.50
One Time Costs: $1,000
Staffing Annual Costs: $35,000
Program Annual Costs: $3,000

Desired Benefit/Outcome:

- Removing vacant and dangerous structures could enhance the community's attractiveness and contribute to a safer community.
- Create a process to identify and track vacant and potentially dangerous structures.
- Stabilize identified properties to minimize the need for demolition.

Action Plan

Strategy 7 -Vacant Lot Inventory and Tracking System

Priority Area:
Address Declining Neighborhoods

Goal/Objective:
Reduce vacant and unmaintained city owned lots in neighborhoods.

Strategy 7 - Implement a vacant lot inventory and tracking system. To be tied to city GIS system. Use to monitor status of lots and ensure lots are maintained. Will work in tandem with the city's Surplus Land Policy and Procedure to encourage sale of city owned properties for infill development:

Action Steps:

a. Review current Land Bank list of City owned properties for completeness and accuracy.
b. Provide list to city GIS program staff for development of GIS layer.
c. Review current Surplus Land Policy and Procedure for any needed updates/changes that could be made to encourage sale of properties to infill builders (e.g. donation of property, sale at reduced rate, waiving certain fees, etc.).
d. Review current Surplus Land Policy and Procedure for needed changes to include steps for inclusion of city parcels in new GIS inventory and tracking system.
e. Ensure properties are maintained (mowing, etc.) during period of city ownership.

Resources Required:

1. Public Works, Planning and Zoning and Finance Departments all have roles in carrying out the city's Surplus Land Policy and Procedures. No additional staff are anticipated for this project.
2. City GIS staff time will be required to develop the initial map layer of surplus city lots and will then be required for regular maintenance of the layer.
3. Software to help identify and track vacant lots.

Total Plan Cost:
Total Additional FTE: Existing staff time.
One-Time Costs: $0.00
Staffing Annual Costs: $0.00
Program Annual Costs: $2,000

Desired Benefit/Outcome:

- Reduce City maintenance cost of vacant lots.
- Place vacant lots back into production.

Action Plan

Strategy 8- County Lot Transfer Program

Priority Area:
Address Declining Neighborhoods

Goal/Objective:
Reduce vacant and unmaintained city owned lots in neighborhoods.

Strategy 8 - Re-institute program where county participates with city for transfer to city properties held in trust.

Action Steps:

a. Contact Jasper and Newton County Assessor Offices to request implementation of program.
b. Develop aggressive program to clean titles and prepare lots for sale, additionally look at other methods to encourage infill development (donation of properties to non-profits, reduced sale price of properties, etc.).
c. Land acquisition must be in compliance with existing city Surplus Land Policy and Procedure.
d. Properties acquired to be disposed of in compliance with city Surplus Land Policy and Procedure.

Resources Required:

1. Public Works, Planning and Zoning and Finance Departments all have roles in carrying out the city's Surplus Land Policy and Procedures. 0.50 FTE additional Finance Dept. staff anticipated for this project.
2. City GIS staff time will be required to develop the initial map layer of surplus city lots and will then be required for regular maintenance of the layer.

Total Plan Cost:
Total Additional FTE: 0.50
One-Time Costs: $1,000
Staffing Annual Costs: $39,000
Program Annual Costs: $2,000

Desired Benefit/Outcome:

- Expedite and improve process of placing lots received from the county into production.

Action Plan

Strategy 9 -Joplin Homeowner Assistance Program

Version 2 from Addressing Declining Neighborhoods

Priority Area:
Address Declining Neighborhoods

Goal/Objective:
Reduce vacant and unmaintained city owned lots in neighborhoods.

Strategy 3 – Re-institute the JHAP model program to encourage infill development on vacant lots.

Action Steps:

a. Form work group for project.
b. Review JHAP program process for possible implementation for neighborhood renewal.
c. Develop processes and procedures necessary for re-implementation of program. This model utilizes same processes used in program after tornado to incentivize home buyers (paying some portion of down payment, closing costs, etc.). First focus of incentives could be limited to purchase of newly constructed homes. A second focus area to include purchase of existing homes to incentivize remodel of existing structures. They could also be tied to certain distressed neighborhoods.
d. Inform necessary stakeholders for input into program.

Resources Required:

1. Staff time for review and development of program.
2. Staff time for operation of program if implemented (new or existing) of 0.50 FTE in Planning, Zoning and Neighborhood Services.
3. Funding source for incentives for home buyers.

Total Plan Cost:
Total Additional FTE: 0.50
One-Time Costs: $1,000
Staffing Annual Costs: $35,000
Program Annual Costs: $1.0 M

Desired Benefit/Outcome:

- Incentivizes & encourages home ownership.
- Eliminate vacant and unmaintained lots.
- Improve attractiveness of neighborhoods.
- Enhance values of surrounding homes.

"Tear down empty buildings or incentivize renovating them." – Listening Tour Respondent

Action Plan

Strategy 10 -Develop Phased Approach to Bring Affected Housing Units into Code Compliance

Priority Area:
Address Declining Neighborhoods

Goal/Objective:
Eliminate non-code compliant apartments in neighborhoods.

Strategy 10 - Develop a phased approach to occur over a defined period of time to bring units into code compliance.

Action Steps:

a. Form work group to work on issue.
b. Review method(s) to identify non-compliant apartments. Create list of non-compliant properties.
c. Develop GIS map of non-compliant properties.
d. Review local codes to determine if contain sufficient authority for inspection of multi-family residential units.
e. Develop processes for program of compliance with codes including target time frames and tiers of priority for codes.
f. Inform affected stakeholders to obtain input.
g. Begin dialogue with community partners active in low-income housing availability regarding direction of new initiative to ensure housing options for those that might lose housing options due to program.
h. Notify owners of forthcoming inspection program.
i. Conduct inspection of properties for compliance with housing, building, fire, health, codes.
j. Permit properties and issue business license as appropriate.

Resources Required:

1. Staff time for review of codes.
2. Staff time develop processes for compliance.
3. Staff time for meetings with stakeholders.
4. Staff time to develop list of properties and GIS map.
5. Staff time for inspection of affected properties.
6. Staff time for issuance of permits, etc.
7. Funding for additional staff for inspection of properties (2.0 FTE for Building Inspection, 1.0 FTE for Fire Inspection), additional 1.0 FTE for code enforcement clerical staff, additional 0.25 FTE for court/prosecutor staff.

Total Plan Cost:
Total Additional FTE: 4.25
One-Time Costs: $8,500
Staffing Annual Costs: $305,000

"It is a disgrace and embarrassing to drive thru our town and see how not only homes but, businesses have been allowed to be maintained. (Or should, I say not maintained.)" – Listening Tour Respondent

Program Annual Costs: $25,000

Desired Benefit/Outcome:

- Bring multifamily housing into compliance with adopted city codes.
- Improve safety and appearance of multifamily housing.

"It is a disgrace and embarrassing to drive thru our town and see how not only homes but, businesses have been allowed to be maintained. (Or should, I say not maintained.)" – Listening Tour Respondent

Action Plan

Strategy 11 – Rental Property Inspection and Permitting Program

Priority Area:
Address Declining Neighborhoods

Goal/Objective:
Eliminate non-code compliant apartments in neighborhoods.

Strategy 11 - Implement a rental property inspection and permitting program for city.

Action Steps:

a. Form work group of city staff and local rental association members.
b. Conduct research of rental property inspection and permitting program options.
c. Develop processes and procedures for new permit and inspection program. This could involve either enforcing the existing Housing Maintenance Code on all rental units or adopting a new International Property Maintenance Code for this purpose. Decisions about which units would be included, frequency of inspection, permit fees, a phased period of implementation, etc. would need to be established.
d. Determine resource needs for new program (personnel and operational costs).
e. Identify funding source for new program.
f. Present to city council.

Resources Required:

1. Staff time to research programs, meet with stakeholders, develop new program.
2. New staff and operational needs (vehicles, IT needs, office furniture, etc.) for new program.
3. Staff time for issuance of permits, licenses.
4. 2.0 FTE for Building Inspectors, 1.0 FTE for Health Inspection, 0.25 FTE for additional court/prosecutor staff.

Total Plan Cost:
Total Additional FTE: 3.25
One-Time Costs: $6,500
Staffing Annual Costs: $231,500
Program Annual Costs: $15,000

Desired Benefit/Outcome:

- Create a rental inspection and licensing program.
- Increase safety and maintenance of rental properties.

"… have the building inspectors make "slum apartments" either clean up or tear down the slummy apartments off of 2nd street .... embarrassing eyesores." – Listening Tour Respondent

Action Plan

Strategy 12 – Property Maintenance Litigation Tools

Priority Area:
Address Declining Neighborhoods

Goal:
Improve appearance of neighborhoods through maintenance of properties.

Action Steps:

1. Complete research into property maintenance litigation tools available to private property owners and neighborhood associations to address deteriorated properties.
2. Develop educational tools for neighborhood associations and individuals on litigation tools available to them.
3. Make educational tools available through the Planning, Development, and Neighborhood Services Department.

Resources Required:

1. Staff time to develop and disseminate educational materials.

Total Plan Cost:
Total Additional FTE: Existing Staff Time
One Time Costs: $0.00
Staffing Annual Costs: $0.00
Program Annual Costs: $1,000

Desired Outcome/Benefit:

- Improved appearance of neighborhoods.
- Strengthening the ability of residents and neighborhood organizations to solve neighborhood issues.

Action Plan

Strategy 13 – Tenant Bill of Rights

Priority Area:
Address Declining Neighborhoods

Goal:
Establish well defined standards for rental housing.

Action Steps:

1. Review model practices and ordinances.
2. Determine if existing State regulations are sufficient.
3. Determine if there is a need to actively investigate or enforce state regulations or continue to defer to the state using the legal process.
4. If State regulations are insufficient, determine which regulations are necessary.
5. Codify new regulations.
6. Identify resources necessary to properly investigate and enforce regulations.
7. Develop educational material that addresses both landlord and tenant responsibilities.

Resources Required:

1. If the Council chooses to codify new regulations, additional personnel and equipment will be necessary.

Total Plan Cost:
Total Additional FTE: To be determined.
One Time Costs: TBD
Staffing Annual Costs: TBD
Program Annual Costs: TBD

Desired Outcome/Benefit:

- Establishes fair standards between landlords and tenants
- Improves the quality of housing
- Improves property value

"Keep neighborhoods clean and cared for, and don't let lots, rental properties, and buildings become overgrown and dilapidated." – Listening Tour Respondent

Action Plan

Strategy 1 – Annexation Program

Priority Area:
Increase Economic Opportunities

Goal/Objective:
Grow the city business and residential base.

Strategy 1- Develop Intentional Annexation Program that actively monitors metro area for annexation opportunities:

Action Steps:

a. City staff develop parameters for, and issue RFP for services from contractor to aid city in development a forward looking, intentional annexation program. Program to include analysis of potential properties adjacent to city that may be options for future annexation. Properties will include both commercial and residential properties and will include analysis of individual and grouped properties as well as potential opportunities for community mergers. Will include development of a component for ongoing analysis of long-term costs/benefits of annexation. Will include development of educational tools to be used in ongoing annexation opportunity discussions.
b. City staff to develop and issue RFP for ongoing annexation opportunity development consultation services. Services would provide consultant to regularly have discussions with potential property owners about annexation benefits as well as assisting staff with successful annexation project completion.
c. Develop plan for additional city staff needed to provide ongoing oversight to program.

Resources Required:

1. Funding for RFP for consulting services to develop annexation program.
2. Funding for consultation services for ongoing annexation opportunity development.
3. Funding for 0.25 FTE for a planner in Planning, Zoning and Neighborhood Services for oversight of annexation program.

Total Plan Cost:
Total Additional FTE: 0.25
One-Time Costs: $100,000
Staffing Annual Costs: $16,500
Program Annual Costs: $50,000

Desired Benefit/Outcome:

- Create an efficient and coordinated plan for annexation.
- Ensure continued growth and opportunities for the city.

"Aggressive effort to annex areas that bring/create room for higher end housing and amenity growth." – Listening Tour Respondent

Action Plan

Strategy 2 – Operational Assessment

Priority Area:
Increase Economic Opportunities

Goal/Objective:
Enhance internal services and activities supporting economic development.

Strategy 1- Conduct an operational assessment of economic development functions in city to determine possible enhancements to processes:

Action Steps:

a. Assemble work group of city staff to develop and issue an RFP for assessment consultant search. Assessment to include analysis of current internal economic development practices and procedures in the city. This will include a review of city permitting, licensing, inspection processes, etc. to identify opportunities for improvements to these processes that make them more user friendly. Assessment will look at best practices and suggest tools for improving processes.
b. Conduct search for consultant.
c. Bring results of search to city council for consideration.

Resources Required:

1. Staff time to develop, advertise RFP.
2. Staff time to review recommendations, submit to city council.
3. Funding for consultant.

Total Plan Cost:
Total Additional FTE: Existing staff time.
One-Time Costs: $85,000
Staffing Annual Costs: $0.00
Program Annual Costs: TBD

Desired Benefit/Outcome:

- Enhance process for entrepreneurial opportunities in the city.
- Improve the abilities of staff to conduct economic development activities.
- Increase destination value to residents, visitors, and potential residents.
- Streamline business development procedures in the city.

"The city could encourage entrepreneurial efforts within the city to increase new jobs." – Listening Tour Respondent

Action Plan

Strategy 3 – Increase positive messaging in promotion of City

Priority Area:
Increase Economic Opportunities

Goal/Objective:
Intentionally promote a positive image of city to current and prospective residents and businesses.

Strategy 3- Increase positive messaging in promotion of City:

Action Steps:

a. Conduct analysis of existing city messaging capabilities and determine where gaps exist.
b. Create plan for best methods of increasing capacity (i.e. additional staff and/or use of outside marketing expertise). Additional staff could include one or more positions in the Public Information area of the City Manager's Office, and skills sought would include a marketing emphasis (graphic design, website enhancement, video production). Along with the existing position of City PIO, could provide some redundancy in this area of city office. City could look to outside partners (university, school district, chamber, etc.) to coop message development and could utilize student interns for additional assistance.
c. Develop new job descriptions or develop RFP if necessary for marketing assistance.
d. Inform community partners in marketing effort to gain input and deliver coordinated message.
e. Determine marketing messages and format.

Resources Required:

1. Staff time for research and development of project.
2. Funding for new city staff position, equipment, etc. An additional 4.0 FTE for Public Information positions.
3. Funding for message production and placement.

Total Plan Cost:
Total Additional FTE: 4.0
One-Time Costs: $15,000
Staffing Annual Costs: $300,000
Program Annual Costs: $50,000

Desired Benefit/Outcome:

- Increased positive marketing presence for city.
- City is more attractive to new residents and business.

"An effort needs to be made to have a stronger positive presence about the community and the surrounding area along with accurate information being shared because of the amount of old and misinformation that gets shared freely." – Listening Tour Respondent

Action Plan

Strategy 4 – Smart Cities Initiative-Internet Connectivity

Priority Area:
Increase Economic Opportunities

Goal/Objective:
Make the City of Joplin more attractive to new residents and business through improving technology.

Strategy 1- Implement Smart City Initiative relating to internet/broadband connectivity to make the City more attractive to business development.

Action Steps:

a. Working with Guidehouse and US Ignite to formulate strategies for Smart City development for the City and identify potential project list to benefit the business community and its residents/workforce.
b. Established Smarter Joplin Steering Committee to advance community-focused Smart Cities development for the City
    1. Reviewing previously developed (and City Council approved) Joplin Smart Cities Roadmap.
    2. Established workgroup to function under the Steering Committee to identify internet/broadband connectivity issues and potential solutions.
    3. Undertake concurrent Smart Cities projects while awaiting completion of the recommended City of Joplin Internet/Broadband Gap Analysis Study.
c. At request of City of Joplin staff following input from the Joplin Smart Cities Steering Committee, partnered with Guidehouse to solicit an Internet/Broadband Gap Analysis Study. Responses to the RFP to undertake this study are due back to Guidehouse on 2/4/2021.
d. Complete survey for Steering Committee's Internet/Broadband Workgroup from various community resources seeking additional connectivity information based on the impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic.
e. Based on data received, assist the Workgroup and Steering Committee to select project(s) and funding sources that enhance internet capacity.

Resources Required:

1. Staff time for participation in initiative; 1.0 FTE in Planning, Zoning and Neighborhood Services as Guidehouse transitions off project. (All subject to results of Internet/Broadband Gap Analysis proposals for community improvement projects).

Total Plan Cost:
Total Additional FTE: 1.0
One-Time Costs: TBD
Staffing Annual Costs: $66,000
Program Annual Costs: TBD

"If we want young people and more tech oriented companies, which is the future, we must upgrade our internet capabilities and make our community more attractive to the demographic of modern America." – Listening Tour Respondent

Desired Benefit/Outcome:

- Improved technology capabilities in the City of Joplin to support sustainable economic development.
- Increase the community's ability to attract entrepreneurs, startup companies, and technology based businesses.
- Attract and retain youthful population and prevent "Brain Drain".

"If we want young people and more tech oriented companies, which is the future, we must upgrade our internet capabilities and make our community more attractive to the demographic of modern America." – Listening Tour Respondent

Action Plan

Strategy 1 – Community Education for Donations

Priority Area:
Address Homelessness

Goal/Objective:
Address transient issues in neighborhoods and overall homelessness problem of Joplin residents.

Strategy 1 -Partner with existing organizations who serve the homeless to develop a community education campaign for donations.

Action Steps:

a. Research programs used in other communities.
b. Meet with local homeless service providers, churches, etc. active in homeless services to discuss initiative.
c. Identify a scope of work and finalize a public service agreement
d. Design community education program (signs, social media, etc.).
e. Determine resources needed to implement program.
f. Begin implementation phase (print and install city street signs, implement social media campaign, etc.)

Resources Required:

1. Staff time to research programs used in other cities and develop local program.
2. Funding for street sign development and other methods of public education program.

Total Plan Cost:
Total Additional FTE: Existing staff time.
One-Time Costs: $15,000
Staffing Annual Costs: $0.00
Program Annual Costs: $6,000

Desired Benefit/Outcome:

- Reduce issues associated with panhandling at various locations in city through education of residents on effective ways of homeless service donations.
- Increase donations to effective community homeless service providers.

"The panhandling has got to stop. Maybe start an organization to help them or give current organizations more assistance so they have somewhere to get help. But the panhandling is getting out of control." – Listening Tour Respondent

Action Plan

Strategy 2 - Maintain City Properties

Priority Area:
Address Homelessness

Goal/Objective:
Address transient issues in neighborhoods and overall homelessness problem of Joplin residents.

Strategy - Maintain city properties to discourage illegal camping.

Action Steps:

a. Inventory city properties where tree/brush undergrowth is or may be encouraging transient or criminal activity.
b. Develop GIS map layer of properties.
c. Develop maintenance program processes and procedures for regular removal of underbrush and any debris found at sites as illegal camp sites are identified.

Resources Required:

1. Staff time to identify and inventory sites.
2. Staff time to develop GIS map layer.
3. Staff time to develop maintenance program process and procedures.

Total Plan Cost:
Total Additional FTE: Existing staff time.
One-Time Costs: $0.00
Staffing Annual Costs: $0.00
Program Annual Costs: $0.00

Desired Benefit/Outcome:

- Reduce unwanted negative effects of transient trespassing and camping on public properties.
- Allow citizens to feel safe and enjoy our parks.

Action Plan

Strategy 3 – Private Property Maintenance

Priority Area:
Address Homelessness

Goal/Objective:
Address transient issues in neighborhoods and overall homelessness problem of Joplin residents.

Strategy 4 - Develop program to encourage private property owners to maintain properties to discourage illegal camping.

Action Steps:

a. Inventory private properties where tree/brush undergrowth is or may be encouraging transient or criminal activity.
b. Develop GIS map layer of properties.
c. Review city ordinances to determine if proper authorities are present for requiring private property owners to maintain properties in a way to discourage transient or criminal activity.
d. Meet with municipal court staff and prosecutor's office to receive input into plan.
e. Develop processes and procedures for proactive code enforcement program to require private property owners to maintain properties.
f. Inform stakeholders of program development to seek input.

Resources Required:

1. Staff time to identify and inventory sites.
2. Staff time to develop GIS map layer.
3. Staff time to review ordinances for authorities.
4. Staff time to develop process and procedures for program.
5. Funding for additional 0.50 FTE for a Neighborhood Improvement Officer and operational costs for the program.

Total Plan Cost:
Total Additional FTE: 0.50
One-Time Costs: $1,000
Staffing Annual Costs: $32,500
Program Annual Costs: $5,000

Desired Benefit/Outcome:

- Reduce unwanted negative effects of transient trespassing and camping on private properties.

"I would love to see some of the abandoned buildings addressed. I believe Pittsburg had a process of giving building owners timelines to clean up the buildings or they become city property that is then either sold to a developer or torn down." – Listening Tour Respondent

Action Plan

Strategy 4 – Homeless Service Provider Dialogue

Priority Area:
Address Homelessness

Goal/Objective:
Address transient issues in neighborhoods and overall homelessness problem of Joplin residents.

Strategy - Participate in ongoing dialogue with Homeless Service Providers in community to develop and encourage long-term homelessness solutions for Joplin residents.

Action Steps:

a. Planning, Development and Neighborhood Services Dept. to participate in monthly Homeless Coalition meetings to provide opportunity for dialogue and planning.
b. By being an active participant in the coalition staff can support homeless initiatives that are both collaborative and accountable in their implementation.
c. City staff to encourage effective initiatives to address homeless issues of Joplin residents.

Resources Required:

1. Staff time of PDNS Dept. to participate in Homeless Coalition and other homeless initiative meetings.

Total Plan Cost:
Total Additional FTE: Existing staff time.
One-Time Costs: $0.00
Staffing Annual Costs: $0.00
Program Annual Costs: $0.00

Desired Benefit/Outcome:

- Establish regular dialogue with Homeless Service Providers.
- Encourage development and operation of effective programs to address homelessness issues of Joplin residents.

"Joplin could definitely do better in helping connect homeless citizens with resources, such as mental health and substance use counseling and treatment." – Listening Tour Respondent

Action Plan

Strategy 1- Community Outreach and Education

Priority Area:
Increase Citizen Safety

Goal/Objective:
Increase citizen safety within the city limits of Joplin.

Strategy 1- Community Outreach and Education: Establish an informational program to educate citizens on crime prevention, safety, and crime deterrence through social media and media outlets.

Action Steps:

a. Solicit feedback from community stakeholders regarding concerns and safety risk within the community.
b. Monitor and tailor responses to current trends concerning scams, cyber and online threats.
c. Work with local media resources and the city PIO to disseminate information and promote public safety announcements.

Resources Required:

1. Use existing resources, groups, and committees to accomplish engagement steps.

Total Plan Cost:
Total Additional FTE: Existing staff time.
One-Time Costs: $0.00
Staffing Annual Costs: $0.00
Program Annual Costs: $0.00

Desired Benefit/Outcome:

- Increase citizen, business, and community safety awareness through education and continued engagement.

Action Plan

Strategy 2- Traffic Safety

Priority Area:
Increase Citizen Safety

Goal/Objective:
Increase citizen safety within the city limits of Joplin.

Strategy 2- Traffic Safety: Focus on traffic enforcement to reduce the number of traffic fatalities, crashes and traffic violations within the City of Joplin.

Action Steps:

a. Continue to publish Traffic Tips to encourage driving safety.
b. Increase Hazardous Motor Vehicle (HMV) enforcement patrols (manpower dependent).
c. Apply for additional Missouri Department of Transportation grants for additional traffic officers and a supervisor.
d. Evaluate current shift schedule to maximize traffic enforcement.

Resources Required:

1. Apply for MODOT Grants for a traffic supervisor and a traffic officer. 100% reimbursement during the first year. 75% reimbursement during the second year and 50% reimbursement from year three onward.
2. Adequate staffing levels

Total Plan Cost:
Total Additional FTE: 2.00
*Costs shown depict year three reimbursement and onward.
One-Time Costs: $15,000
Staffing Annual Costs: $80,500
Program Annual Costs: $10,000

Desired Benefit/Outcome:

- Reduce traffic crashes and traffic violations within the city limits of Joplin.
- Reduce the number of yearly fatality crashes.

Action Plan

Strategy 3- Training and Assistance

Priority Area:
Increase Citizen Safety

Goal/Objective:
Increase citizen safety within the city limits of Joplin.

Strategy 3- Training and Assistance: Continue to provide aid and training with workplace violence, active threat, cyber security, and CPTED:

Action Steps:

a. Fill two officer positions who focus on Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED).
b. Reimplement Crime Free and Crime Free Multi Housing programs (manpower dependent).
c. Partner with neighborhood groups to target specific area crime issues.
d. Develop a personal safety program for citizens.
e. Replace bailiff to return fulltime officer to regular duties.

Resources Required:

1. Fill 2 open Support Services officers (Budgeted) who administer the crime free programs.
2. Increase current part-time Bailiff to a fulltime Bailiff.
3. Adequate staffing levels.

Total Plan Cost:
Total Additional FTE: 0.50
One-Time Costs: $10,000
Staffing Annual Costs: $50,000
Program Annual Costs: $1,000

Desired Benefit/Outcome:

- Provide assistance and education to businesses and multifamily housing locations within the city limits of Joplin to reduce citizen risk and crime.
- Provide focused enforcement and planning for emergent crime trends and problems.

"Better judicial system; from having more law enforcement officers that have more training to judges that deliver stricter sentencing." – Listening Tour Respondent

Action Plan

Strategy 4- Community Engagement

Priority Area:
Crime Reduction

Goal/Objective:
Reduce property and violent crime within the city limits of Joplin

Strategy 4 -Community Engagement: Establish and maintain a strategy to provide information to our community regarding tactics and strategies, including the "how" and "why" used to target high crime areas or locations, or violent offenders.

Action Steps:

a. Solicit feedback from community stakeholders regarding programs, initiatives, and procedures.
b. Provide information to the community concerning technology, crime analysis, and offender identification and focus.
c. Establish working partnerships with neighborhood groups, coalitions, and others to support crime reduction and safety.

Resources Required:

1. Use existing resources, groups, and committees to accomplish engagement steps.
2. Communication and educational materials.

Total Plan Cost:
Total Additional FTE: Existing staff time.
One-Time Costs: $0.00
Staffing Annual Costs: $0.00
Program Annual Costs: $1,000

Desired Benefit/Outcome:

- Increase citizen and community involvement in assisting with the reduction of crime within the community.

"We also need to build a stronger sense of community not only within our city limits, but the surrounding community as well & engage our citizens in a hands on way." – Listening Tour Respondent

Action Plan

Strategy 5- Visibility

Priority Area:
Crime Reduction

Goal/Objective:
Reduce property and violent crime within the city limits of Joplin

Strategy 5- Visibility: Increase officer visibility and presence in schools, residential and commercial areas, and on roadways.

Action Steps:

a. Convert corporal and below vehicles assigned to Uniformed Services to marked units.
b. Increase visibility patrols (manpower dependent).
c. Limit plain clothes used to job specific duties when necessary.
d. Create a visible and engaged presence with schools and youth activities.

Resources Required:

1. LPR (License Plate Reader) System (Drug Forfeiture Fund)
2. Adequate staffing levels

Total Plan Cost:
Total Additional FTE: Existing staff time.
One-Time Costs: $0.00
Staffing Annual Costs: $0.00
Program Annual Costs: $0.00

Desired Benefit/Outcome:

- Increased officer presence and visibility to assist in crime reduction and citizen safety.

Action Plan

Strategy 6 -Technology

Priority Area:
Crime Reduction

Goal/Objective:
Reduce property and violent crime within the city limits of Joplin

Strategy 6- Technology: Ensure that the departments strategic and tactical needs are being met with current and future technological programs and assets.

Action Steps:

a. Utilize technology to prioritize deployment of resources based on current needs and crime trends (IMPACT/Analytics).
b. Acquire information of technology hardware and software in a manner to ensure against rapid obsolescence.
c. Ensure that technology has the capacity and capability that is actionable in real time.
d. Upgrade drone camera and controller.

Resources Required:

1. Drone Upgrade (Completed)
2. Adequate staffing levels
3. Future Analytics Purchase (Regular budget)

Total Plan Cost:
Total Additional FTE: Existing staff time.
One-Time Costs: $0.00
Staffing Annual Costs: $0.00
Program Annual Costs: $0.00

Desired Benefit/Outcome:

- Ensure proper technology is in place in order to stay current with industry standards and increase crime reduction capabilities.

Action Plan

Strategy 7 - Analytics

Priority Area:
Crime Reduction

Goal/Objective:
Reduce property and violent crime within the city limits of Joplin

Strategy 7 - Analytics: Utilize crime reduction analytical software and programs to track and predict crime, and to correlate crime trends.

Action Steps:

a. Utilize Critical Incident Analysis for emerging or immediate threats to public safety.
b. Explore the feasibility of facial recognition systems.
c. Invest additional resources in our crime analysis function and scope.
d. Utilize Leads Online and Power Plus system upgrades for more efficient tracking.
e. Utilize resource allocation study to assist in guiding future crime reduction efforts.
f. Establish a fulltime Crime Analysist.

Resources Required:

1. Full-time senior clerk position for crime free and CALEA accreditation management.

Total Plan Cost:
Total Additional FTE: 1.0
One-Time Costs: $2,000
Staffing Annual Costs: $50,000
Program Annual Costs: $3,000

Desired Benefit/Outcome:

- Increase use of analytical information to assist in identifying and tracking crime and crime trends.
- Allow current crime analysist to function in a fulltime analysis position to increase efficiency and information distribution.

"Crime, its out of control. We have not [sic] enough police officers to protect the city's population and the crime is running over into the other nearby cities." – Listening Tour Respondent

Action Plan

Strategy 8 -Habitual Offender Identification and Concentration

Priority Area:
Crime Reduction

Goal/Objective:
Reduce property and violent crime within the city limits of Joplin

Strategy 8 - Habitual Offender Identification and Concentration: Identify those individuals within our jurisdiction that are a violent, repeat, or prolific risk to the community and concentrate efforts for prosecution and incarceration.

Action Steps:

a. Pursue habitual offenders under Prior and Persistent Offender laws.
b. Utilize federal partnerships and task force officers to adopt federal cases against offenders.
c. Coordinate with Missouri Probation and Parole to seek revocation for repeat or persistent offenders.
d. Coordinate with county prosecutors to prosecution of offenders.

Resources Required:

1. Adequate staffing levels

Total Plan Cost:
Total Additional FTE: Existing staff time.
One-Time Costs: $0.00
Staffing Annual Costs: $0.00
Program Annual Costs: $0.00

Desired Benefit/Outcome:

- Focus resources on repeat and violent offenders withing the community that create the greatest risk to our citizens.
- Reduce the number of offenders by arrest and prosecution.

Action Plan

Strategy 9 -Facilities

Priority Area:
Crime Reduction

Goal/Objective:
Reduce property and violent crime within the city limits of Joplin

Strategy 9 - Facilities: Ensure public safety departments have adequate facilities now and with room for increased personnel following community growth.

Action Steps:

a. Conduct a Space Needs Study for Police HQ, Fire HQ, and Municipal Court

Resources Required:

1. Space Needs Study

Total Plan Cost:
Total Additional FTE: Existing staff time.
One-Time Costs: $150,000
Staffing Annual Costs: $0.00
Program Annual Costs: TBD

Desired Benefit/Outcome:
Conduct Space Need study to properly evaluate current needs and predict future growth requirements.

Action Plan

Strategy 10 – Increased Drug Enforcement

Priority Area:
Crime Reduction

Goal/Objective:
Reduce property and violent crime within the city limits of Joplin

Strategy 10 – Increased Drug Enforcement: Refocus efforts on enforcement and prosecution of narcotic offenses.

Action Steps:

a. Reassign two investigators back the Ozark Drug Enforcement Team.
b. Utilize federal partnerships and task force officers to adopt federal cases against narcotic offenders.
c. Lease two undercover vehicles.

Resources Required:

1. Adequate staffing levels
2. 2 Lease vehicles.

Total Plan Cost:
Total Additional FTE: Existing staff time.
One-Time Costs: $0.00
Staffing Annual Costs: $0.00
Program Annual Costs: $13,200

Desired Benefit/Outcome:

- Focus resources on those individuals transporting and distributing narcotics within the community.
- Reduce the number of offenders by arrest and prosecution.

"Drug use is rampant and property crimes such as petty thefts are out of control." – Listening Tour Respondent

Action Plan

Strategy 11 – Recruiting

Priority Area:
Crime Reduction

Goal/Objective:
Reduce property and violent crime within the city limits of Joplin

Strategy 11 – Recruiting and Retention: Establish an update recruiting and retention plan to address the possibility of 22 officer openings during 2021.

Action Steps:

a. Update Recruiting plan.
b. Conduct a study for implementation of a Recruitment Incentive Program.

Resources Required:

1. Conducted inhouse by staff.

Total Plan Cost:
Total Additional FTE: Existing staff time.
One-Time Costs: $0.00
Staffing Annual Costs: $0.00
Program Annual Costs: $60,000

Desired Benefit/Outcome:

- Develop a plan that will enhance the ability to recruit qualified officers.

"Take better care of our Police and Fire departments. It would be nice to be able to retain these employees, instead of them getting training here and going to cities that pay better." – Listening Tour Respondent

Action Plan

Strategy 12 – Environmental Design methods employed on public properties

Priority Area:
Crime and Safety

Goal/Objective:
Address crime and vandalism issues on city properties.

Strategy 12 - Utilize environmental design techniques to provide additional security of public properties.

Action Steps:

a. Review city park properties or other city properties for current areas where criminal activity is occurring.
b. Design environmental controls (security lighting, cameras, park entry gates, etc.) to discourage issues.
c. Obtain cost estimates for projects.
d. Implement environmental design projects in immediate need areas (Phase One) of city parks where there are ongoing vandalism issues (e.g. Mercy, Cunningham, Ewert) utilizing readily available funding sources from Parks and Stormwater Sales Tax.
e. Identify additional problem areas (Phase Two) from Parks and Stormwater Master Plan for future improvements.
f. Include environmental design concepts into future city project design.

Resources Required:

1. Staff time to review existing properties for areas of concern.
2. Staff time to design controls and obtain cost estimates for existing properties.
3. Funding source for identified projects (included in Parks Master Plan List for Parks/Stormwater sales tax renewal).

Total Plan Cost:
Total Additional FTE: Existing staff time.
One-Time Costs: $2,060,000
Staffing Annual Costs: $0.00
Program Annual Costs: $20,000

Desired Benefit/Outcome:

- Reduce vandalism in city parks.
- Increase comfort level of residents utilizing city parks due to reduced crime activities.
- Increased usage of city parks by residents.

"Dealing with the homeless - the parks are beginning to be overtaken by these people who sleep, eat, and lay out all of their belongings - I understand it's a public setting, but it's not at all clean." – Listening Tour Respondent

Action Plan

Strategy 13 - Reduce Response Times

Priority Area:
Increase Citizen Safety

Goal/Objective:
Reduce response times and increase Fire Protection within the City Limits of Joplin

Strategy 13- Reduce Response Times and increase fire protection:

Action Steps:

a. Conduct a staffing and station location study. (in progress)
b. Utilize existing data and response times to aid in station relocation or adding an additional station.

Resources Required:

1. Firm to conduct the staffing and station location study.
2. Funding for staffing and station project including apparatus and personnel.
3. Additional support staff will likely be required, but is not identified in total plan costs.

Total Plan Cost:
Total Additional FTE: 18.0
One-Time Costs: $3,555,000
Staffing Annual Costs: $1,615,500
Program Annual Costs: $150,000

Desired Benefit/Outcome:
Improved fire protection within the City limits of Joplin, increased efficiency within the fire department in reduced response times, an improved ISO rating if done correctly.

Action Plan

Strategy 14 – Park Security Position

Priority Area:
Increase Citizen Safety

Goal/Objective:
Address crime and vandalism issues on city properties.

Strategy 14 – Create Park Security position in Parks Department to provide additional security of park properties.

Action Steps:

a. Research other communities on job responsibilities of position.
b. Determine if this will be full-time or part-time position.
c. Develop job description for position City of Joplin.

Resources Required:

1. No funding required for vehicle or equipment since this position would operate after park maintenance day staff, can use their vehicle and equipment.
2. Funding for 2.0 FTE position.

Total Plan Cost:
Total Additional FTE: 2.0
One-Time Costs: $2,000
Staffing Annual Costs: $107,000
Program Annual Costs: $5,000

Desired Benefit/Outcome:

- Provides the ability to secure restrooms and other park amenities once parks are closed to the public.
- Provides a sense of security when public can visually see city personnel in the parks.
- Provides the ability for shared information and education of our parks to the residents when visiting our parks.
- The liaison between the Parks Department and Police Department.

"Sometimes it doesn't feel safe to use the parks or take a walk in the neighborhood because of random individuals wondering through who are high, or at least acting like it." – Listening Tour Respondent

Action Plan

Strategy 15- Adequate Staffing

Priority Area:
Increase Citizen Safety

Goal/Objective:
Increase citizen safety within the city limits of Joplin.

Strategy 12- Adequate Staffing: Increase the number of officers to maintain adequate staffing levels within the Joplin Police Department.

Action Steps:

a. Conduct a Resource Allocation Study.
b. Complete an Officer Attrition study.
c. Review a Recruitment Incentive Program.

Resources Required:

1. Funding for 20 additional Sworn Police Officers (Based on projected numbers pending the Resource Allocation Study).
2. Additional support staff will likely be required but is not identified in total plan costs.

Total Plan Cost:
Total Additional FTE: 20.0
One-Time Costs: $0.00
Staffing Annual Costs: $823,000
Program Annual Costs: $100,000

Desired Benefit/Outcome:
Allow for sufficient manpower to respond to calls, conduct proactive enforcement, and investigate crimes. Staff current and future proposed programs to increase safety and reduce crime.

"Traffic control. Speeding is a serious issue. And I know we don't have enough officers to patrol 250,000 people during the day." – Listening Tour Respondent

Action Plan

Strategy 1-Modernize Revenue Sources

Priority Area:
Resilient Revenue

Goal/Objective:
Protect municipal revenue sources from erosion and economic risks

Strategy 1- Pursue "Use Tax":

Action Steps:

a. Identify plans or services needed within the community (Listening Tour and Council Goals)
b. Analyze funding capacity provided by the Use Tax
c. Select the plans or services that could funded by the use tax
d. Approve an ordinance calling for the use tax to be placed on a ballot
e. Develop public information materials and communicate with partners/citizens

Strategy 2- Pursue "Property Tax":

Action Steps:

f. Identify plans or services needed within the community (Listening Tour and Council Goals)
g. Analyze the financial impact on taxpayers based on the amount of funding needed
h. Select the plans or services that could funded by the use tax
i. Approve an ordinance calling for property tax to be placed on a ballot
j. Develop public information materials and communicate with partners/citizens

Resources Required:

1. Public Information materials (brochures, public service announcements, etc.) and election costs.
2. Existing staff time

Total Plan Cost:
Total Additional FTE: Existing staff time.
One-Time Costs: $100,000
Staffing Annual Costs: $0.00
Program Annual Costs: $0.00

Desired Benefit/Outcome:

- Additional tax revenue would allow for improved service and infrastructure for the community
- Diversifying revenue protects the community and citizens from external threats

"We need a more walkable downtown, more public art, and a city government that doesn't kowtow to the loudest voices in the room. Higher taxes can help us gather the resources necessary to achieve many goals." – Listening Tour Respondent

Action Plan

Strategy 2-Authorize the creation of a Museum and Theater District

Priority Area:
Resilient Revenue

Goal/Objective:
Strengthen entertainment options and cultural amenities

Strategy 1- Pursue ticket surcharge:

Action Steps:

a. Draft an ordinance to allow for the creation of a special district / political subdivision (like a CID) per statute. The political subdivision would be able to levy an admission fee or ticket surcharge on participating organizations to raise funds.
b. If approved, the property owners within the district will elect a board subject to the statute
c. Collect and disburse funds created from special district to those providing entertainment and cultural amenities. (Similar to the CVB grant process)

Resources Required:

1. Public Information materials
2. Legal/administrative resources to create district, draft bylaws, manage finances

Total Plan Cost: (City Cost)
One-Time Costs: $50,000 for initial formation
Staffing Annual Costs: $0
Program Annual Costs: $5,000 for managing agent

Desired Benefit/Outcome:

- Create a special funding source that could benefit local entities that provide entertainment and cultural amenities in the community.
- Operates like a CID, as a separate political subdivision.
- Participation is voluntary and allows for the pooling of resources.

"More entertainment; more revitalization of downtown shops, bars, restaurants; more restaurants (not on rangeline); a nice Italian restaurant; splash pad." – Listening Tour Respondent

DJA Action Plan 1

Downtown CID

Priority Area:
Improve Community Appearance
Address declining neighborhoods
Increase economic opportunity
Reduce crime and improve safety
Create and grow revenue

Goal:
Downtown CID--this tool would be used to create a healthy, safe, clean, and thriving downtown core. Funds from a CID could be used for any number of public improvement projects in downtown including cleaning, maintenance, safety, as well as acquiring and updating structures, beautification, streetscaping, and many other action items that add to a healthy downtown.

Action Steps:
1. Determine type of CID (sales vs property tax) and boundaries
2. Determine immediate goals and actions with CID funding (Soul's Harbor? Streetscaping?)
3. Establish CID board and structure
4. Work to educate and reach business/property owners in designated and surrounding areas
5. Put initiative on ballot
6. Promote passage of CID

Resources Required:
1. Staff time
2. Marketing and education
3. Ballot costs?

Total Plan Cost:
One Time Costs: Unknown
Recurring Costs: Minimal; long term could save money due to planter, lights, security resources all being self-produced

Desired Outcome/Benefit:
Healthier, more resilient downtown that is perceived as safer, cleaner, and more desirable to live, work, shop, play, and invest.

1. Update Spiva Park facilities and appearance
2. Streetscaping south of 8th and to Pennsylvania and Wall
3. Relocation of Souls Harbor; redevelopment of those properties
4. Maintenance, cleaning, security
5. Landscaping, tree lights, banners, general beautification

Business Accelerator Program

Priority Area:
Neighborhood Improvement / Blight
Community Appearance
Grow Revenue
Economic Opportunity

Goal/Objective:
Encourage new locally owned businesses and growth and success of existing through resources and partnerships to provide low or no cost services and education https://www.lenoircc.edu/aboutlcc/sbc/

- Online platform for all area/regional entrepreneurial resources.
- Structured program to train and teach existing and new entrepreneurs skills they need to succeed
- One on one consulting with professional in areas of weakness

Action Steps:

1. Build database of professionals willing to consult with small business owners for low or no cost on business needs including:
    - Available properties
    - Bookkeeping
    - Business counseling
    - Business development
    - Business expansion or relocation
    - Business license
    - Business plan
    - Coworking/office space
    - Coaching and Mentorship
    - Education and training
    - Funding/Financial
    - Government Contracting
    - Hiring
    - Interior Design
    - Internet sales
    - Landscape design
    - Marketing
    - Small scale manufacturing
    - Merchandising
    - Networking
    - Social Media
    - Taxes
    - Contracts
    - Grants and Tax Credits
2. Create resource and info website that is linked to various business points of contact including the City, Chamber, DJA, SBDC, etc.
3. Create print media for distribution
4. Create Start Your Own Business Class. This low cost option helps train new or existing businesses across a variety of subjects. https://emporiamainstreet.com/programs/business/start-your-own-business/
   https://www.cityofpsl.com/home/showdocument?id=8046&fbclid=IwAR17ZaImI6WpcwApa5Rj8Qfp69rkANhXUFstc8hnb_cai42ZrYx62DWygYc
5. Develop process for 1 on 1 training/consulting
6. Market the availability of program through all business-related entities, city information, and inperson visits.

*Ideally shared initiative with Chamber, DJA, City, SBDC, MSSU all in partnership with area experts in various fields. May be housed outside of City umbrella.

Resources Required:

- 1 FT Staff
- Experts willing to donate/do low cost work (relationships)
- Website construction and hosting
- Marketing and print media

Total Plan Cost:
One Time Costs: Website, staff time to build program
Recurring Costs: Ongoing staff, digital upgrades, marketing and materials

Desired Outcome/Benefit:
Grow strength and resiliency of small businesses by training their leadership and providing resources and education for area that they may be weak on. Small businesses are the backbone of the economy and provide a vibrant, rich city culture.

CITY OF JOPLIN
COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

ITEM:
Council Bill 2021-002 submitting to the electors of the City of Joplin, at a Special Election on Tuesday, August 3, 2021, the question of whether the City may extend the Sales Tax of one-quarter of 1% for stormwater control and local parks improvements.

MEETING DATE:
May 17, 2021

ORIGINATING DEPT:
LEGAL

ATTACHMENTS:
CB2021-002

REVIEWED BY:
Dept. Head: City Attorney Peter Edwards; Leslie Haase, Finance Director; David Hertzberg, Public Works Director; Paul Bloomberg, Parks & Recreation Director; Barbara Gollhofer, City Clerk; City Manager Nick Edwards.

SUMMARY:
This Council Bill calls an election on August 3, 2021 for the purpose of determining whether the City shall extend the Sales Tax of one-quarter (¼) of One Percent (1%) for a period of ten (10) years for stormwater control and local parks improvements.

BACKGROUND:
On November 6, 2001, the electors of the City of Joplin passed a Sales Tax of one-quarter (1/4) of one percent (1%) to run for a period of ten (10) years, which commenced on April 1, 2002, for the purpose of funding stormwater control and local parks improvements. The tax was to sunset on March 31, 2012. The tax was split 68.5% for stormwater control and 31.5% for local parks improvements.

On April 18, 2011, the City Council of the City of Joplin, Missouri, passed Ordinance No. 2011-050 to authorize submission to the electors of the City of Joplin at a Special Election held on Tuesday, August 2, 2011, a question of whether the City should extend a Sales Tax of one-quarter (1/4) of one percent (1%) for an additional period of ten (10) years for the purpose of funding stormwater control and local parks improvements, and at that Special Election on Tuesday, August 2, 2011, electors of the City of Joplin passed a Sales Tax of one-quarter (1/4) of one percent (1%) to run for a period of ten (10) years to commence April 1, 2012. This tax is set to sunset on March 31, 2022. The tax is split 59% for stormwater control and 41% for local parks improvements.

In 2020, the City conducted and completed a Master Plan for stormwater, as well as a Master Plan for the Parks Department. Both Master Plans detailed the needed improvements in stormwater and

parks for the next ten years. The plans were developed through several public meetings and various citizen surveys.

In February 2021, the Council appointed a Citizens Task Force to determine the final ten-year project list for the renewal of the one-quarter (1/4) of one percent (1%) Sales Tax for stormwater control and local parks improvements. The Citizens Task Force reviewed all of the projects in detail and explored different options for the projects. The Citizens Task Force utilized a "matrix" to rank the parks projects from most important to least important.

Next, the Citizens Task Force utilized the ranked project list to determine the final ten-year list for local parks improvements. Additionally, the ranked stormwater project list was utilized to determine the final ten-year list for stormwater control improvements. In order to achieve the approved ten-year project lists, the Citizens Task Force also recommended a split of the tax, if renewed, of 45% for stormwater control and 55% for local parks improvements and maintenance.

The Council met in a Work Session on May 10, 2021 and determined to proceed with the submission to the voters a request to extend the one-quarter cent parks and stormwater sales tax to fund the projects as approved by the Citizens Task Force for a period of ten (10) years. If approved by the voters, this tax will raise approximately $41 million during the life of the tax. The approved final project lists are included for your reference.

If the Council wishes to proceed with this issue, the question must be submitted to the respective County Clerks by no later than May 25, 2021.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends adoption of this Council Bill on an Emergency basis.

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COUNCIL BILL NO. 2021-002 ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE submitting to the electors of the City of Joplin, at a Special Election on Tuesday, August 3, 2021, the question of whether the City shall extend a sales tax of one-quarter (1/4) of one percent (1%) for a period of ten (10) years for the purpose of funding stormwater control and local parks; prescribing a form of Ballot thereof, and containing an emergency clause.

WHEREAS, on August 20, 2001, the City Council of the City of Joplin, Missouri, passed Ordinance No. 2001-120 to authorize submission to the electors of the City of Joplin at a Special Election held on Tuesday, November 6, 2001, a question of whether the City should extend a Sales Tax of one-quarter (1/4) of one percent (1%) for a period of ten (10) years for the purpose of funding stormwater control and local parks; and,

WHEREAS, at the Special Election held on Tuesday, November 6, 2001, electors of the City of Joplin passed a Sales Tax of one-quarter (1/4) of one percent (1%) to run for a period of ten (10) years to commence April 1, 2002; and,

WHEREAS, on April 18, 2011, the City Council of the City of Joplin, Missouri, passed Ordinance No. 2011-050 to authorize submission to the electors of the City of Joplin at a Special Election held on Tuesday, August 2, 2011, a question of whether the City should extend a Sales Tax of one-quarter (1/4) of one percent (1%) for an additional period of ten (10) years for the purpose of funding stormwater control and local parks; and,

WHEREAS, at the Special Election held on Tuesday, August 2, 2011, electors of the City of Joplin passed a Sales Tax of one-quarter (1/4) of one percent (1%) to run for a period of ten (10) years to commence April 1, 2012; and,

WHEREAS, the period of ten (10) years for said Sales Tax will sunset at 12:00 p.m., on the 31st day of March, 2022, and the Council is desirous of continuing this Sales Tax for an additional ten (10) years to commence at 12:01 a.m., on the 1st day of April, 2022; and,

WHEREAS, it is deemed by the Council of the City of Joplin, Missouri, to be in the public interest to submit to the electors of the City of Joplin at a Special Election to be held in the City on Tuesday, August 3, 2021, one (1) question: whether or not to extend a Sales Tax of one-quarter (1/4) of one percent (1%) for a period of ten (10) years for the purpose of funding stormwater control and local parks.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOPLIN,

MISSOURI, as follows:

Section 1. That there be submitted to the qualified electors of the City of Joplin, Missouri, at a Special Election to be held in said City on the 3rd day of August, 2021, the following question concerning whether the City of Joplin shall extend a Sales Tax for the purpose of funding stormwater control and local parks, pursuant to the provisions of V.A.M.S. §644.032, et. seq., said

question to be as follows:

> "SHALL THE CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI, EXTEND A SALES TAX OF ONE-QUARTER (1/4) OF ONE PERCENT (1%) FOR A PERIOD OF TEN (10) YEARS FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING FUNDING FOR STORMWATER CONTROL AND LOCAL PARKS FOR THE CITY?
>
> If passed, the continued sales tax would commence at 12:01 a.m., on the first day of April, 2022."

Section 2. That said election shall be governed in all things by the provisions of the statutes of Missouri and the Charter and Ordinances of the City of Joplin, Missouri, relating to elections in the City insofar as the same are applicable and not in contravention with the particular provisions of this Ordinance; that said election shall be held at the respective voting districts of said City as set out in a Notice to be published by the County Clerks of Newton and Jasper County, Missouri, according to law. Said Notice shall include the question to be submitted as set forth herein, to be published by the County Clerks of Newton and Jasper Counties, in papers of general circulation in Newton and Jasper Counties, Missouri, the publications of which to occur in accordance with Missouri law.

Section 3. That the City Clerk shall prepare and execute the form of the Notice of said election and shall transmit the same to the County Clerks of Newton and Jasper Counties, and request that they conduct said election as required by law.

Section 4. That the ballot shall be in substantially the following form:

. . . . . .

OFFICIAL BALLOT

Election – Tuesday, August 3, 2021

PROPOSITION "RENEWAL"

> "SHALL THE CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI, EXTEND A SALES TAX OF ONE-QUARTER (1/4) OF ONE PERCENT (1%) FOR A PERIOD OF TEN (10) YEARS FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING FUNDING FOR STORMWATER CONTROL AND LOCAL PARKS FOR THE CITY?

Yes. ←—

No. ←—

Instructions to Voters

TO vote IN FAVOR OF the proposition, complete the arrow next to the word "YES".

TO vote AGAINST the proposition, complete the arrow next to the word "NO". "

If passed, the continued sales tax would commence at 12:01 a. m., on the first day of April, 2022."

Section 5. That the City Clerk shall canvas the results of the election as verified by the Newton and Jasper County Clerks and report the same to the Council at the next scheduled Council meeting following the election.

Section 6. That, if passed by the electors of the City of Joplin, Missouri, this one-quarter (1/4) of one percent (1%) Sales Tax will be effective at 12:01 a.m., on the 1st day of April, 2022.

Section 7. That this Ordinance, being an Ordinance submitting a proposition to the voters, is an emergency within the meaning of Section 2.12(2) of the Home Rule Charter of the City of Joplin, Missouri, and as such, this Ordinance shall become effective immediately from and after its adoption and approval.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI, this _____ day of _____, 2021, by a vote of _____.

_____
Ryan D. Stanley, Mayor

ATTEST:

_____
Barbara J. Gollhofer, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

_____

Peter C. Edwards, City Attorney

PARKS PROJECT DESCRIPTION (55%)	PROJECT COST
Ewert Park Splash Park w/Ice Ribbon	$ 5,000,000
Ewert Park Covered Bball Court	$ 550,000
Ewert Park Amphitheater	$ 250,000
Ewert Park Kiosk & Interpretive Signage	$ 29,375
Annual Park Maintenance	$ 1,700,000
Turf Replacement-Miracle, Redden, JBS	$ 800,000
Overlay/Resurface Sports Courts	$ 400,000
Park Beautification	$ 2,776,384
Dover Outdoor Recreation	$ 1,750,000
Athletic Complex Operations	$ 3,000,000
Tin Cup Trail Phase II	$ 1,000,000
Install Security Lighting	$ 1,510,000
Playground Updates	$ 1,300,000
Install Security Cameras	$ 300,000
Convert Softball to Turf	$ 800,000
Electrical at Mercy Park	$ 250,000
Cunningham to Sand Vball	$ 90,000
McIndoe Park Restroom	$ 150,000
Dover to Landreth Connector	$ 750,000
Wildcat Park Restroom	$ 150,000
Landreth Main Street Underpass	$ 250,000
Campbell Pkwy Improvements	$ 850,000
Total	$ 23,655,759

STORMWATER PROJECT DESCRIPTION (45%)	PROJECT COST
Minor System Improvements	$ 1,000,000
Ditch & Detention Pond Maintenance	$ 2,850,000
Catch Basin & Closed System Maintenance	$ 2,350,000
Automated Gate Arms at Murphy Low Water	$ 300,000
Economic Development	$ 500,000
Durham Acres	$ 2,451,500
17th & Mina Ave	$ 2,334,500
Texas Avenue-11th to 15th	$ 1,451,000
Old Willow Branch Phase I	$ 750,000
1st & Joplin Avenue Phase I	$ 500,000
Sunnyvale Improvements & I-44 Phase I	$ 3,178,500
26th Street Twin Culverts	$ 697,500
5th & Porter	$ 1,527,500
Total	$ 19,890,500

Grand Total	$ 43,546,259

BID SUMMARY

PROJECT: Turkey Creek and Shoal Creek Wastewater Treatment Facilities
Digester Roof Repairs
DATE OF BID OPENING: 27 APRIL 2021

CONTRACTOR	TOTAL BASE BID & ALT'S
McClanahan Construction Co., Inc.	1, 280,000.00
ENGINEER'S ESTIMATE	750,000.00

CITY OF JOPLIN
COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

ITEM
Council Bill 2021-135 Construction Agreement for the Turkey Creek and Shoal Creek Wastewater Treatment Facilities Digester Roof Repairs Project

MEETING DATE
May 17, 2021

ORIGINATING DEPT
Public Works - Engineering

ATTACHMENTS
CB 2021-135 Ordinance; Agreement; Bid Summary; Letter of Recommendation from Olsson; Exhibits

REVIEWED BY
Director of Public Works – David Hertzberg, Director of Finance – Leslie Haase, City Attorney – Peter C. Edwards, City Manager – Nicholas Edwards

SUMMARY
This Council Bill approves an agreement with McClanahan Construction Co., Inc., for the Turkey Creek and Shoal Creek Wastewater Treatment Facilities Digester Roof Repairs project in the amount of One Million, Two Hundred Eighty Thousand and No/100 Dollars ($1,280,000.00).

BACKGROUND
Turkey Creek's north pair of digesters were built in 1985; the south digesters were built in 1997. The Shoal Creek digester building was built in the late 1980's. In May of 2019, City Staff identified an issue with three out of the five digester roofs at the City's two wastewater treatment facilities (see Exhibits). Several items of these digester roofs and the substructure were identified that needed to be improved or replaced at both WWTFs. CB 2020-117 authorized Olsson to design the repairs as the most qualified on-call consultant for structural engineering. The original construction estimate of $600,000 was included in the FY 2019-2020 budget. As design progressed, the complexity of the work delayed the project and caused the budget for the current FY to increase to $780,000. The project was bid following the City's procurement policy. Only one bid was received on April 27th for the project, due to the complexity of the work. Even though the bid is above the Engineer's estimate, the consultant recommends award of the project to McClanahan (see attached letter). Prices for construction materials have risen sharply in recent months due to factors beyond our control. City Staff will provide construction inspections throughout the project.

FUNDING SOURCE
Wastewater fund. Equipment Replacement as part of an Appropriations Adjustment of the FY 2020-2021 Budget.

RECOMMENDATION
Staff recommends adoption of this Council Bill, approving a construction agreement on an emergency basis due to concerns regarding staff safety (structural integrity of the existing roofs)

and market volatility of materials, being an ordinance relating to a public improvement, it is an emergency within the meaning of Section 2.12(6) of the HOME RULE CHARTER of the City of Joplin, Missouri and the Council hereby declares that this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2021-135 ORDINANCE NO

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the City of Joplin to enter into an agreement with McClanahan Construction Co., Inc., in the amount of One Million, Two Hundred Eighty Thousand and 00/100 Dollars ($1,280,000.00) for construction services associated with the Turkey Creek and Shoal Creek Wastewater Treatment Facilities Digester Roof Repairs project on behalf of the City of Joplin and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin; amending the Annual Budget of the City of Joplin for the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 as adopted by Ordinance 2020-156 on October 19, 2020; and, containing an emergency clause.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOPLIN, as follows:

Section 1. That the agreement by and between the City of Joplin and McClanahan Construction Co., Inc., in the amount of One Million, Two Hundred Eighty Thousand and 00/100 Dollars ($1,280,000.00) for construction services associated with the Turkey Creek and Shoal Creek Wastewater Treatment Facilities Digester Roof Repairs project on behalf of the City of Joplin; true and accurate copy of said agreement being attached hereto and incorporated herein, be, and the same is hereby approved.

Section 2. That the City Manager of the City of Joplin, Missouri, is hereby authorized and directed to execute said agreement, or agreement in substantially similar form, by and on behalf of the City of Joplin.

Section 3. That fiscal year 2020-2021 budgeted appropriations as adopted by Ordinance 2020-156 be amended by increasing appropriations by the total amount of One Million, Two Hundred Eighty Thousand and 00/100 Dollars ($1,280,000.00).

Section 4. That the Director of Finance is hereby directed to make all necessary entries on the City records to show the increase in appropriations.

Section 5. That upon the final approval and acceptance of the contractor's work under said contract, in substantial conformance with the attached agreement, in writing by the Director of Public Works and his certification to the effect to the Director of Finance, the contractor shall be paid from the Wastewater Treatment Fund

Section 6. That the City of Joplin hereby declares that this Ordinance, approving a construction agreement on an emergency basis due to concerns regarding staff safety (structural integrity of the existing roofs) and market volatility of materials, being an ordinance relating to a public improvement, it is an emergency within the meaning of Section 2.12(6) of the HOME RULE CHARTER of the City of Joplin, Missouri and the Council hereby declares that this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2021-135 **ORDINANCE NO**

Passed by the Council of the City of Joplin, Missouri, this_____day of

_____, 2021 by a_____vote.

ATTEST: Ryan D. Stanley, Mayor

Barbara J. Gollhofer, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Peter C. Edwards, City Attorney

AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
CITY OF JOPLIN AND

CITY		CONTRACTOR	
CITY OF JOPLIN **602 S. MAIN STREET** **JOPLIN, MO 64801**		Name: McClanahan Construction Company, Inc. Address: P.O. Box 439 Rogersville, MO 65742	
Attention: Lynden Lawson Assistant Public Works Director, Operations		Attention: Patrick McClanahan, President	
Department: Public Works		Phone: (417) 753-2750	Fax: (417) 753-7705
Phone: (417) 624-0820	Fax:	Turkey Creek and Shoal Creek Wastewater Treatment Facilities Digester Roof Repairs	

THIS AGREEMENT, made and entered into this ____ day of _____, 20____, by the parties identified above.

WITNESSETH: That whereas, the Contractor has become the lowest responsible bidder for furnishing the supervision, labor, tools, equipment, materials and supplies and for constructing the following City improvements:

Turkey Creek and Shoal Creek Wastewater Treatment Facilities
Digester Roof Repairs Plans No. G17-0642
Joplin, Missouri

The City and Contractor agree to the following:

1. Manner and Time for Completion. The Contractor will furnish all supervision, labor, tools, equipment, materials and supplies necessary to perform, and to perform said work at Contractor's own expense in accordance with the contract documents and any applicable City ordinances and state and federal laws within 210 calendar days from the date Contractor is ordered to proceed, which order shall be issued by the Director of Public Works within 30 days after the date of this contract.

2. Prevailing Wages. All labor utilized in the construction of the aforementioned improvements shall be paid a wage of no less than the "prevailing hourly rate of wages" for work of a similar character in this locality, as established and amended at any time by the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations of the State of Missouri. At any time the contractor is found to not have paid prevailing wages, the contractor shall forfeit as a penalty to the city one hundred dollars for each underpaid worker employed, for each calendar day, or portion thereof such worker is paid less than the said stipulated rates for any work done under this contract.

3. Insurance Requirements. Without limiting any of the other obligations or liabilities of the Contractor, the Contractor shall secure and maintain at its own cost and expense, throughout the duration of this Contract and until the work is completed and

accepted by the City of Joplin, insurance of such types and in such amounts as may be necessary to protect it and the interests of the City of Joplin against all hazards or risks of loss as hereunder specified or which may arise out of the performance of the Contract Documents. The form and limits of such insurance, together with the underwriter thereof in each case, are subject to approval by the City of Joplin. Regardless of such approval, it shall be the responsibility of the contractor to maintain adequate insurance coverage at all times during the term of the Contract. Failure of the Contractor to maintain coverage shall not relieve it of any contractual responsibility or obligation or liability in general or under the Contract Documents.

The certificates of insurance, including evidence of the required endorsements hereunder or the policies, shall be filed with the City within ten (10) days after the date of the receipt of Notice of Award of the Contract to the Contractor and prior to the start of work. All insurance policies shall require that the insurance company in question provide thirty (30) days written notice prior to modification or cancellation of such insurance. Such notices shall be mailed, certified mail, return receipt requested, to:

City of Joplin - Public Works, 602 S. Main Street, Joplin, MO 64801

Such policies shall name the City as an additional insured, with limits of liability not less than the sovereign immunity limits for Missouri public entities calculated by the Missouri Department of Insurance as of January 1 each calendar year and published annually in the Missouri Register pursuant to Section 537.610, RSMo. (See, http://insurance.mo.gov/industry/sovimmunity.php)

As of January 1, 2021, the minimum coverage for the insurance referred to herein shall be as set out below:

a. Workers' Compensation.... Statutory coverage per RSMo 287.010 et seq

Employer's Liability..... $1,000,000.00

b. Commercial General Liability Insurance, including coverage for Premises, Operations, Products and Completed Operations, Contractual Liability, Broad Form Property Damage, Independent Contractors, Explosion, Collapse, and Underground Property Damage and endorsed for blasting if blasting required. Such coverage shall apply to bodily injury and property damage on an "Occurrence Form Basis" with limits of at least Two Million Nine Hundred Forty Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty-eight and no/100 Dollars ($2,940,868.00) for all claims arising out of a single accident or occurrence and at least Four Hundred Forty-one Thousand One Hundred Thirty and no/100 Dollars ($441,130.00) with respect to injuries and/or death of any one person in a single occurrence and an amount not less than at least $1,000,000 for all claims to property arising out of a single occurrence and at least $100,000 to any one owner with respect to damages to property. Contractor agrees that the proceeds of such insurance policy shall first be used to pay any award, damages, costs, and/or attorneys' fees incurred by or assessed against City, its employees, officers and agents, before payment of any award, damages, costs or attorneys' fees of Contractor, its employees, officers or agents. Contractor agrees to cause its insurer to name City as an additional insured on such insurance policy, including the City as an additional insured for coverage under its products-completed operations hazard, and said policy shall be primary and noncontributory.

c. Automobile Liability Insurance covering bodily injury and property damage for owned, non-owned and hired vehicles, with limits of at least Two Million Nine Hundred Forty Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty-eight and no/100 Dollars ($2,940,868.00) for all claims arising out of a single accident or occurrence and at least Four Hundred Forty-one Thousand One Hundred Thirty and no/100 Dollars ($441,130.00) with respect to injuries and/or death of any one person in a single accident or occurrence.

d. Owner's and Contractor's Protective Liability Insurance to protect the City, its agents, servants and employees from claims which may arise from the performance of this Contract, with limits of at least Two Million Nine Hundred Forty Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty-eight and no/100 Dollars ($2,940,868.00) for all claims arising out of a single accident or occurrence and at least Four Hundred Forty-one Thousand One Hundred Thirty and no/100 Dollars ($441,130.00) with respect to injuries and/or death of any one person in a single accident or occurrence.

The Owner's and Contractor's Protective Liability Insurance must:

(1) Be a separate policy with the named insured being: The City of Joplin, and

(2) Contain an endorsement that disclaims coverage for any claim barred by the doctrines of sovereign immunity or official immunity, except attorney's fees and other litigation costs incurred in defending a claim. Nothing contained in this policy (or this endorsement thereto) shall constitute any waiver of whatever kind of these defenses or sovereign immunity or official immunity for any monetary amount whatsoever.

e. Builders Risk Insurance for contracts involving unoccupied structures. The Contractor shall secure All Risk Builder's Risk Insurance. Unless specifically authorized by the City, the amount of such insurance shall not be less than the total contract price.

f. Subcontracts. In case any or all of this work is sublet, the Contractor shall require the subcontractor to procure and maintain all insurance required in subparagraphs (a), (b) and (c) hereof and in like amounts. Contractor shall require any and all subcontractors with whom it enters into a contract to perform work on this project to protect the City of Joplin through insurance against applicable hazards or risks and shall, upon request of the City, provide evidence of such insurance.

g. Notice. The Contractor and/or subcontractor shall furnish the City prior to beginning the work, the policy as specified in subparagraph (d), and satisfactory proof of carriage of all the insurance required by this contract, with the provision that policies shall not be canceled, modified or non-renewed without thirty (30) days written notice to the City of Joplin.

h. Legislative or Judicial Changes. In the event the scope or extent of the City's tort liability as a governmental entity as described in Section 537.600 through 537.650 RSMo is broadened or increased during the term of this agreement by legislative or judicial action, the City may require Contractor, upon 10 days written notice, to execute a contract addendum whereby the Contractor agrees to provide, at a price not exceeding Contractor's actual increased premium cost, additional liability insurance coverage as the City may require to protect the City from increased tort liability exposure as the result of such legislative or judicial action. Any such additional insurance coverage shall be evidenced by an appropriate certificate of insurance and shall take effect within the time set forth in the addendum.

4. Performance, Labor, and Materials Payment Bond: The Contractor shall furnish a Performance Bond and a Labor and Materials Payment Bond with surety approved by the City and on the forms approved by the City, each bond shall be in the amount of $1,280,000.00 (full amount of contract) conditioned upon the full and faithful performance of all major terms and conditions of this contract and payment of all labor and material suppliers. It is further mutually agreed between the parties hereto that if at any time after the execution of this agreement and the surety bond(s) hereto attached for its faithful performance and payment of labor and material suppliers, the City shall deem the surety or sureties upon such bond(s) to be unsatisfactory, or if, for any reason, such bond(s) ceases to be adequate to cover the performance of the work, the Contractor shall, at its expense, within five (5) days after the receipt of notice from the City to do so, furnish an additional bond or bonds, in such form and amount, and with such surety or sureties as shall be satisfactory to the City. In such event no further payment to the Contractor shall be deemed to be due under this contract until such new or additional security for the faithful performance of the work and the payment of labor and material suppliers shall be furnished in a manner and form satisfactory to the City. The corporate surety on any performance or payment bond must be licensed by the State of Missouri and if the required bond exceeds $25,000.00 must be listed in United States Treasury Circular 570.

5. Certification Regarding Disbarment, Eligibility, Indictments, Convictions or Civil Judgements for all Federal Aid Projects: By signing and submitting the bid, the president or authorized official of the bidder, under penalty of perjury under the laws of the USA, shall certify that, except as noted in the exceptions, the company or any person associated therewith in the capacity of owner, partner, director, officer, principal investor, project director, manager, auditor or any position involving the administration of federal funds:
(Reference can be made to "The System for Award Management" website as a helpful resource).

a. Is not currently under suspension, debarment, voluntary exclusion or determination of ineligibility by any federal agency.

b. Has not been suspended, debarred, voluntarily excluded or determined ineligible by any federal agency within the past three years.

c. Does not have a proposed debarment or suspension pending.

d. Has not been indicted, convicted or had a civil judgment rendered against any of the listed parties by a court of competent jurisdiction in any matter involving fraud or official misconduct within the past three years.

5.1 If there are any exceptions, the bidder shall submit the exceptions on company letterhead, signed by the bidder and inserted inside the bid submitted. Exceptions will not necessarily result in denial of award, but will be considered in determining bidder responsibility. For any exception noted, the bidder shall indicate to whom it

applies, the initiating agency, and dates of action. Providing false information may result in criminal prosecution or administrative sanctions.

5.2 By signing the contract, the contractor shall further certify that all related subcontracts of $25,000 shall comply with this requirement. This includes all subcontractors, material suppliers and vendors.

6. Contractor's responsibility for subcontractors. The Contractor shall be as fully responsible to the City for the acts and omissions of its subcontractors, and of persons either directly or indirectly employed by them, as Contractor is for the acts and omissions of persons it directly employs. Contractor shall cause appropriate provisions to be inserted in all subcontracts relating to this work, to bind all subcontractors to Contractor by all the terms herein set forth, and insofar as applicable to the work of subcontractors and to give Contractor the same power regarding termination of any subcontract as the City may exercise over Contractor under any provisions of this contract. Nothing contained in this contract shall create any contractual relation between the subcontractor and the City or between any subcontractors.

7. General Independent Contractor Clause. This agreement does not create an employee/employer relationship between the parties. It is the parties' intention that the Contractor will be an independent contractor and not the City's employee for all purposes, including, but not limited to, the application of the Fair Labor Standards Act minimum wage and overtime payments, Federal Insurance Contribution Act, the Social Security Act, the Federal Unemployment Tax Act, the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, Missouri Revenue and Taxation laws, Missouri Workers' Compensation and Unemployment Insurance laws. The Contractor will retain sole and absolute discretion in the judgment of the manner and means of carrying out the Contractor's activities and responsibilities hereunder. The Contractor agrees that it is a separate and independent enterprise from the public employer, that it has a full opportunity to find other business, that it has made its own investment in its business, and that it will utilize a high level of skill necessary to perform the work. This agreement shall not be construed as creating any joint employment relationship between the Contractor and the City, and the City will not be liable for any obligation incurred by the Contractor, including but not limited to unpaid minimum wages and/or overtime premiums.

8. Liquidated Damages. Time of completion of work by the Contractor is of the essence. Should Contractor, or in the case of default, the surety, fail to complete the work within the time specified in the contract, or within such extra time as may be allowed in accordance with City of Joplin Standard Specifications, Division 0000, General Requirements and Provisions, Section 0400.19, (http://mo-joplin.civicplus.com/DocumentCenter/View/3460) Contractor (or surety) shall be liable to the City in the amount of $500.00 per day for each and every calendar day that the contract remains uncompleted after the time allowed for completion, as liquidated damages, and not as a penalty, it being stipulated that actual damages to the City and the public arising from Contractor's failure to timely complete the work would be difficult, if not impossible, to ascertain. The amount assessed as liquidated damages may be withheld from any moneys otherwise due to Contractor from the City.

9. Termination. The City reserves the right to terminate this contract by giving at least five (5) days prior written notice to the Contractor, without prejudice to any other rights or remedies of the City should the Contractor be adjudged a bankrupt, or if Contractor should make a general assignment for the benefit of its creditors, or if a receiver should be appointed for Contractor or for any of its property, or if Contractor should persistently or repeatedly refuse or fail to supply enough properly skilled workmen or proper material, or if Contractor should refuse or fail to make prompt payment to any person supplying labor or materials for the work under the contract, or persistently disregard instructions of the City or fail to observe or perform any provisions of the contract.

10. City's Right to Proceed. In the event this contract is terminated pursuant to Paragraph 8, then the City may take over the work and prosecute the same to completion, by contract or otherwise, and Contractor and its sureties shall be liable to the City for any costs over the amount of this contract thereby occasioned by the City. In any such case, the City may take possession of, and utilize in completing the work, such materials, appliances and structures as may be on the work site and are necessary for completion of the work. The foregoing provisions are in addition to, and not in limitation of, the rights of the City under any other provisions of the contract, city ordinances, and state and federal laws.

11. Termination for Convenience of City. The City shall have the right at any time by written notice to Contractor to terminate and cancel this contract, without cause, for the convenience of the City, and Contractor shall immediately stop work. In such event City shall not be liable to Contractor except for payment for actual work performed prior to such notice in an amount proportionate to the completed contract price and for the actual costs of preparations made by Contractor for the performance of the cancelled portions of the contract, including a reasonable allowance of profit applicable to the actual work performed and such preparations. Anticipatory profits and consequential damages shall not be recoverable by Contractor.

12. Guards and Lights. The Contractor agrees that during the performance of said work, adequate barricades, guards and warning signs, lights or devices consistent with the requirements contained in the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices shall be provided by Contractor during construction.

13. Liability and Indemnity.

a. In no event shall the City be liable to the Contractor for special, indirect, or consequential damages, except those caused by the City's gross negligence or willful or wanton misconduct arising out of or in any way connected with a breach of this contract. The maximum liability of the City shall be limited to the amount of money to be paid or received by the City under this contract.

b. The Contractor shall defend, indemnify and save harmless the City, its elected or appointed officials, agents and employees from and against any and all liability, suits, damages, costs (including attorney fees), losses, outlays and expenses from claims in any manner caused by, or allegedly caused by, or arising out of, or connected with, this contract, or the work or any subcontract thereunder (the Contractor hereby assuming full responsibility for relations with subcontractors), including, but not limited to, claims for personal injuries, death, property damage, or for damages from the award of this contract to Contractor, notwithstanding any possible negligence, whether sole or concurrent, on the part of the City, its officials, agents and employees.

c. The Contractor shall indemnify and hold the City harmless from all wages or overtime compensation due any employees in rendering services pursuant to this agreement or any subcontract, including payment of reasonable attorneys' fees and costs in the defense of any claim made under the Fair Labor Standards Act, the Missouri Prevailing Wage Law or any other federal or state law.

d. The indemnification obligations of Contractor hereunder shall not be limited by any limitations as to the amount or type of damages, compensation or benefits payable by or for the Contractor, under any federal or state law, to any person asserting the claim against City, its elected or appointed officials, agents and employees, for which indemnification is sought.

e. The indemnification obligations herein shall not negate, abridge or reduce in any way any additional indemnification rights of the City, its elected or appointed officials, agents and employees, which are otherwise available under statute, or in law or equity.

f. Contractor affirms that it has had the opportunity to recover the costs of the liability insurance required in this agreement in its contract price. Contractor's obligation under this agreement to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless any person from that person's own negligence or wrongdoing is limited to the coverage and limits of the applicable insurance required of the Contractor under this agreement.

g. The Contractor shall indemnify and hold the City harmless for any penalties, fines, fees or costs, including costs of defense, which are charged or assessed by any Federal, state or local agency including, but not limited to, Environmental Protection Agency or Department of Natural Resources.

14. Payment for Labor and Materials. The Contractor agrees and binds itself to pay for all labor done, and for all the materials used in the construction of the work to be completed pursuant to this contract.

15. Payment. The City will pay the Contractor in accordance with the rate set forth in the contract documents on file in the Public Works Department and by this reference made a part hereof, which shall constitute full and complete compensation for the Contractor's work provided hereunder. Such compensation will be paid in progress payments (less five (5) percent retainage), as established by the City, subject to receipt of a requisition for payment and a statement of work provided by the Contractor and agreement by both the City and the Contractor that the Contractor has fully performed the work to be paid for in such progress payments in conformance with the contract. If the City or the architect or engineer determines that a higher rate of retainage is required to ensure performance of the contract, the City may withhold up to ten (10) percent retainage until the work is fully completed and accepted by the City.

16. Contract Documents. The contract documents shall consist of the following:

a. This Contract
b. All Change Orders
c. Bid Plans and Specifications

d. City of Joplin Standard Specifications (Latest Revised Edition)
e. Special Conditions & Provisions
f. Proposal
g. Statement of Bidder's Qualifications
h. Acknowledgment
i. Performance Bond
h. Payment and Material Bond
k. Instructions to Bidders
l. Non-collusion Affidavit
m. Notice to Proceed
n. Addendums

Notice to Contractors: This contract, together with the other documents enumerated in this paragraph, forms the contract between the parties. These documents are as fully a part of the contract as if attached hereto or repeated herein. The Contractor agrees to perform all of the work described in the contract documents and to comply with the terms and conditions defined therein for a total sum of One Million Two Hundred Eighty Thousand and 00/100 ($_1,280,000.00) dollars, said amount being subject to any approved addenda or change order.

17. Subsurface Conditions. Contractor agrees that information contained in the published reports and public actions of the Missouri Division of Geology and Land Survey shall be conclusive and binding upon the Contractor as to what subsurface conditions at the job site are reasonably anticipated or reasonably foreseeable. Contractor acknowledges and agrees that it shall not be entitled to any adjustment in the Contract Sum or Contract Times for any concealed condition of any nature, including but not limited to unknown physical conditions of an unusual nature which differ materially from those ordinarily found to exist and generally recognized as inherent in construction activities of the character provided for in the Contract Documents, in addition to the information contained in the published reports and public actions of the Missouri Division of Geology and Land Survey. Contractor recognizes that it has assumed the risks of concealed conditions and is being compensated for assuming these risks.

18. Conflict of Interest. In accepting this contract, Contractor certifies that no member or officer of its firm or corporation is an officer or employee of the City of Joplin, Missouri, or any of its boards or agencies, and further that no officer or employee of the City has any financial interest, direct or indirect, in this contract. All applicable federal regulations and provisions of R.S.Mo. Section 105.450 et seq. shall not be violated.

19. Assignment. The Contractor shall not assign any interest in this contract, and shall not transfer any interest in the same (whether by assignment or novation), without prior written consent of the City thereto, provided, however, that claims for money due or to become due to the Contractor from the City under this Contract may be assigned to a bank, trust company, or other financial institution without such approval. Notice of such assignment or transfer shall be furnished in writing promptly to the City and the bond surety. Any such assignment is expressly subject to all rights and remedies of the City under this agreement, including the right to change or delete activities from the Contract or to terminate the same as provided herein, and no such assignment shall require the City to give any notice to any such assignee of any actions which the City may take under this agreement.

20. Nondiscrimination. The Contractor agrees in the performance of this contract not to discriminate on the ground or because of race, creed, color, national origin or ancestry, sex, religion, handicap, age, status as a protected veteran or status as a qualified individual with a disability, or political opinion or affiliation, against any employee of Contractor or applicant for employment and shall include a similar provision in all subcontracts let or awarded hereunder. The parties hereby incorporate the requirements of 41 C.F.R. §§ 60-1.4(a)(7), 29 C.F.R. Part 471, Appendix A to Subpart A, 41 C.F.R. § 60-300.5(a)ii and 41 C.F.R. § 60-741.5(a), if applicable.

a. This contractor and subcontractor shall abide by the requirements of 41 C.F.R. § 60-300.5(a). This regulation prohibits discriminations against qualified protected veterans, and requires affirmative action by covered prime contractors and subcontractors to employ and advance in employment qualified protected veterans.

b. This contractor and subcontractor shall abide by the requirements of 41 C.F.R. § 60-741.5(a). This regulation prohibits discrimination against qualified individuals on the basis of disability, and requires affirmative action by covered prime contractors and subcontractors to employ and advance in employment qualified individuals with disabilities.

21. Nonresident/Foreign Contractors. The Contractor shall procure and maintain during the life of this contract:

a. If the Contractor is a foreign corporation, a certificate of authority to transact business in the State of Missouri from the Secretary of State, unless exempt pursuant to the provisions of Section 351.570 R.S.Mo.

b. A certificate from the Missouri Director of Revenue evidencing compliance with the transient employer financial assurance law, unless exempt pursuant to the provisions of Section 285.230 RSMo.

22. Notices. All notices required or permitted hereinunder and required to be in writing may be given by FAX or by first class mail addressed to City and Contractor at the addresses shown above. The date of delivery of any notice given by mail shall be the date falling on the second full day after the day of its mailing. The date of delivery of notice by FAX transmission shall be deemed to be the date transmission occurs, except where the transmission is not completed by 5:00 p.m. on a regular business day at the terminal of the receiving party, in which case the date of delivery shall be deemed to fall on the next regular business day for the receiving party.

23. Records and Audits. The Contractor shall maintain accounts and records, including personnel, property, and financial records, adequate to identify and account for all costs pertaining to the Contract and such other records as may be deemed necessary by the City to assure proper accounting for all project funds. These records will be made available for audit purposes to the City or any authorized representative, and will be retained for three years after the expiration of this Contract.

24. Authorized Employees. Contractor acknowledges that Section285.530, RSMo, prohibits any business entity or employer from knowingly employing, hiring for employment, or continuing to employ an unauthorized alien to perform work within the State of Missouri. Contractor therefore covenants that is not knowingly in violation of subsection 1 or Section 285.530, RSMo, and that it will not knowingly employ, hire for employment, or continue to employ any unauthorized aliens to perform work on the Project, and that its employees are lawfully to work in the United States.

25. Interest of Contractor and Employees. The Contractor covenants that he/she presently has no interest and shall not acquire interest, direct or indirect, in the study area or any parcels therein or any other interest which would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of his services hereunder. The Contractor further covenants that in the performance of this Contract, no person having any such interest shall be employed.

26. Interest of Members of a City. No member of the governing body of the City and no other officer, employee, or agent of the City who exercises any functions or responsibilities in connection with the planning and carrying out of the program, shall have any personal financial interest, direct or indirect, in this Contract, and the Contractor shall take appropriate steps to assure compliance.

27. Interest of Other Local Public Officials. No member of the governing body of the locality and no other public official of such locality, who exercises any functions or responsibilities in connection with the planning and carrying out of the program, shall have any personal financial interest, direct or indirect, in this Contract, and the Contractor shall take appropriate steps to assure compliance.

28. Affidavit for Contracts Over $5,000.00. That pursuant to Missouri Revised Statute Sections 285.525 through 285.550, if this contract exceeds the amount of $5,000.00 and Contractor is associated with a business entity, Contractor shall provide an acceptable notarized affidavit stating that the associated business entity is enrolled in and participates in a federal work authorization program with respect to the employees working in connection with the contracted services, and that said business entity does not knowingly employ any person who is an unauthorized alien in connection with the contracted services. Additionally, Contractor must provide documentation for said business entity evidencing current enrollment in a federal work authorization program.

29. City Benefits. The Contractor shall not be entitled to any of the benefits established for the employees of the City nor be covered by the Worker's Compensation Program of the City.

30. Occupational License: The Contractor shall obtain and maintain an occupational license with the City of Joplin, Missouri, if required by city code and any required state or federal license. The cost for this occupational license shall be borne by the Contractor. No contract will be executed by the City until this occupational license has been obtained and that the Contractor is current on any City taxes is verified.

31. Safety Training. Pursuant to Missouri Revised Statute Section 292.675, Contractors and subcontractors who sign a contract to work on public works projects must provide a 10-hour OSHA construction safety program, or similar program approved by the

Department of Labor and Industrial Relations, to be completed by their on-site employees within sixty (60) days of beginning work on the construction project. Contractors and subcontractors in violation of this provision will forfeit to the public body $2,500 plus $100 a day for each employee who is employed without training. Public bodies and contractors may withhold/assess these penalties from the payment due to those contractors and subcontractors if found to be in non-compliance.

32. Compliance with Laws. Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable federal, state and local laws or rules and regulations applicable to the provision of services and products hereunder. Contractor affirmatively states that payment of all local, state, and federal taxes and assessments owed by Contractor is current.

33. Entire Agreement. This agreement contains the entire agreement of the parties. No modification, amendment, or waiver of any of the provisions of this agreement shall be effective unless in writing specifically referring hereto, and signed by both parties.

34. Remedies. Except as may be otherwise found in the contract documents, all claims, disputes, counter-claims, and other matters in question between the Owner and Contractor arising out of or related to this agreement or the breech thereof, will be decided by arbitration if the parties hereto mutually agree, or in a court of competent jurisdiction within the state in which the Owner is located.

35. Jurisdiction. This agreement and every question arising hereunder shall be construed or determined according to the laws of the State of Missouri. Should any part of this agreement be adjudicated, venue shall be proper only in the Circuit Court of Jasper County, Missouri.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have set their hands and seals on the day and year herein stated.

CERTIFICATE OF DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

I certify that the expenditure contemplated by this document is within the purpose of the appropriation to which it is to be charged and that there is an unencumbered balance of appropriated and available funds to pay therefor.

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Leslie Haase, Director of Finance

APPROVED AS TO FORM

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Peter Edwards, City Attorney

CONTRACTOR:

By: _____

Printed Name: _____

Title: _____

CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI

By: _____

David Hertzberg, Public Works Director

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2021-135 **EXHIBITS**

SHOAL CREEK WWTF



TURKEY CREEK WWTF



May 03, 2021

Lynden Lawson
Assistant Director of Public Works/Operations
City of Joplin
602 S Main St
Joplin, Missouri 64801

Re: Recommendation of Award
Turkey Creek and Shoal Creek Wastewater Treatment Facilities
Digester Roof Repairs
Joplin, Missouri
Olsson Project No. G17-0642

Dear Lynden:

Bids were received Tuesday, April 27, 2021, for the above referenced project. One bid was submitted by McClanahan Construction Co., Inc. of Rogersville, Missouri in the amount of $1,280,000.00.

As you know, the bid submitted was substantially more than the engineer's opinion of probable cost. Construction project bid prices have been increasing significantly across the industry. We have witnessed this firsthand on several of the water and sewer line projects recently bid. Based on my discussion with several contractors, recent construction cost increases are attributable to several factors. Material costs for wood, stainless steel, and plastics are increasing rapidly. Availability of laborers to perform the work along with a plentiful construction market.

The digester roof repairs at the Turkey Creek and Shoal Creek Wastewater Treatment Facilities are a difficult project in which the roofs must be removed and replaced while the existing equipment and facility remains in operation. Repair projects of this type carry more risk compared to new construction. We believe the project type and the current construction market are the primary factors the City received only one bid for the project after extending the bid date.

Upon review of the contractor's experience, McClanahan Construction has completed several projects of similar value and type at wastewater treatment facilities in the area. Two of the projects were completed for the City of Joplin at the Turkey Creek Wastewater Treatment Facility for Tertiary Filter Replacement in 2016 and 2020.

The bid price of $1,280,000.00 for the project exceed the estimated project cost and may exceed the City's available funds for the project. We recommend the City, Olsson, and McClanahan Construction perform a collaborative project review to determine potential cost savings. If the bid price submitted by McClanahan Construction Co., Inc. of Rogersville, Missouri in the amount of $1,280,000.00 is acceptable to the City of Joplin we recommend awarding the contract to McClanahan Construction Co., Inc. While we have no way of verifying the present financial condition of McClanahan Construction Co, Inc., the contract requires the

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furnishing of 100 percent performance and payment bonds prior to authorization of the notice to proceed of construction.

The contract requires completion of the project within 210 days from the date of the issuance of the notice to proceed.

If we can answer any questions or be of further service at this time, please give us a call.

Cordially yours,

Larry C. Hardin, P.E.
Project Manager

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CITY OF JOPLIN
COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

ITEM
Council Bill 2021-513 – Authorizing submitting a Local Use Tax to the voters of the City of Joplin on November 2, 2021

MEETING DATE
May 17, 2021

ORIGINATING DEPT
Finance

ATTACHMENTS
CB 2021-513 Ordinance

REVIEWED BY
Department Head: Leslie Haase; City Attorney: Peter Edwards; City Manager: Nick Edwards

SUMMARY
This Council Bill authorizes submitting a Local Use Tax to the voters of the City of Joplin on November 2, 2021 called Proposition "Action".

BACKGROUND
The City Council adopted a vision and goals to help improve the community. The goals are:

- Improve Community Appearance
- Address Declining Neighborhoods
- Enhance Economic Development
- Reduce Crime & Improve Safety
- Address Homelessness
- Create Resilient Revenue

Action Plans have been developed and approved to implement these council goals. However, in order to improve the community and meet the Council goals through the Action Plans, additional resources are required. The use tax will be used to implement the Action Plans to address these overall goals.

The City of Joplin has various sales taxes which are to be used for certain purposes that total 3 1/8%. Over the last several years through the growth of online retail, sales tax collections have been eroded by online purchases that aren't subject to the sales tax. A use tax applies to purchases made from out-of-state vendors that are shipped to Joplin. But, the City doesn't currently have a use tax in place to protect against the erosion of the primary revenue source used by the City to provide services to the community and its' citizens.

Local brick and mortar stores located within Joplin collect the applicable sales tax, but without the use tax in place, out-of-state vendors aren't collecting the same tax, which creates an unfair competitive advantage to businesses that aren't supporting the local economy by providing jobs. Furthermore, the collection of sales taxes by local merchants creates the resources needed to provide services such as police and fire protection, streets and parks, which is what helps to make any community a vibrant, thriving and desirable place to live, work and play.

In June of 2018, the United States Supreme Court recognized the inconsistency and unfairness created by online retail and ruled in *South Dakota vs. Wayfair*, reversing a previous ruling that required out-of-state vendors to have a physical presence in the state in order to collect a sales or use tax on purchases. Even with this ruling, though, the voters of Joplin must vote on and approve the use tax for it to be applicable in Joplin.

A local use tax must match the current sales tax rate of 3 1/8%. If the City's sales tax rate changes in the future, the use tax rate would also change in order for the two rates to always match. It is unknown exactly how much the use tax will generate annually. However, other cities across Missouri are averaging use tax collections of 9.5% of the sales tax collections. Furthermore, the use tax has grown about 1% each year over the last three years for those same cities. Based on this information, it is anticipated the use tax will generate between $3 million and $4 million annually.

The use tax is needed to implement the Action Plans to improve the community, as well as ensure the local merchants do not remain at a disadvantage compared to out-of-state vendors.

FUNDING SOURCE

This item is not applicable for this ordinance.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of this council bill on an emergency basis.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2021-513 ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE of the City of Joplin, Missouri, imposing a use tax for general revenue purposes at the rate of three and one eighth percent ($3^{1/8}$%) for storing, using, or consuming within the City any article of tangible personal property pursuant to the authority granted by and subject to the provisions of Sections 144.600 through 144.761 RSMo; providing for the use tax to be repealed, reduced, or raised in the same amount as any city sales tax is repealed, reduced, or raised; and providing for submission of the proposal to the qualified voters of the City for their approval at the election called and to be held in the City on Tuesday November 2, 2021; and containing an emergency clause.

WHEREAS, the City has imposed local sales taxes, as defined in Section 32.085 RSMo, at the rate of three and one eighth percent ($3^{1/8}$%); and

WHEREAS, the City is authorized, under Section 144.757 RSMo, to impose a local use tax at a rate equal to the rate of the local sales taxes in effect in the City; and

WHEREAS, the proposed City use tax cannot become effective until approved by the voters at a municipal, county, or state general, primary, or special election; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Joplin, Missouri desires to ask the voters of Joplin to support a use tax to implement the Council's Vision and Goals through Action Plans to Improve Community Appearance, Address Declining Neighborhoods, Enhance Economic Development, Reduce Crime & Improve Safety, Address Homelessness and Create Resilient Revenue; and

WHEREAS, it is deemed by the Council of the City of Joplin, Missouri, to be in the public interest to submit to the voters of the City of Joplin at an election to be held in the City on Tuesday November 2, 2021, the question of whether or not the City shall extend a local use tax of three and one eighth percent ($3^{1/8}$%) for storing, using, or consuming within the City any article of tangible personal property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI, as follows:

Section 1. Pursuant to the authority granted by, and subject to, the provisions of Sections 144.600 through 144.761 RSMo, a use tax for general revenue purposes is imposed for storing, using, or consuming within the City any article of tangible personal property. This tax does not apply with respect to the storage, use, or consumption of any article of tangible personal property purchased, produced, or manufactured outside this state until the transportation of the article has finally come to rest within this City or until the article has become commingled with the general mass of property of this City.

Section 2. The rate of the tax shall be three and one eighth percent ($3^{1/8}$%). If any city sales tax is repealed or the rate thereof is reduced or raised by voter approval, the city use tax rate also shall be deemed to be repealed, reduced, or raised by the same action repealing, reducing, or raising the city sales tax.

Section 3. This tax shall be submitted to the qualified voters of Joplin, Missouri for their approval, as required by the provisions of Section 144.757 RSMo, at the election hereby called and to be held in the City on Tuesday November 2, 2021. The ballot of submission shall contain substantially the following language:

. . . . . .

OFFICIAL BALLOT

Election - Tuesday, November 2, 2021

PROPOSITION "ACTION"

In an attempt to eliminate the un-fair advantage enjoyed by out-of state vendors over local vendors, shall the City of Joplin impose a local use tax at the same rate as the total local sales tax rate, currently three and one eighth percent ($3^{1/8}$%), provided that if any local sales tax is repealed, reduced, or raised by voter approval, the local use tax rate shall also be repealed, reduced, or raised by the same action? A use tax return shall not be required to be filed by persons whose purchases from out-of-state vendors do not in total exceed two thousand dollars ($2,000.00) in any calendar year.

Yes. ← —

No. ← —

Instructions to Voters

TO vote IN FAVOR OF the proposition, complete the arrow next to the word "YES".

TO vote AGAINST the proposition, complete the arrow next to the word "NO."

Section 4. Within ten (10) days after the approval of this ordinance by the qualified voters of Joplin, Missouri, the City Clerk shall forward to the Director of Revenue of the State of Missouri by United States registered mail or certified mail, a certified copy of this ordinance together with certifications of the election returns and accompanied by a map of the City clearly showing the boundaries thereof.

Section 5. That this Ordinance, being an Ordinance submitting a proposition to the voters, is an emergency within the meaning of Section 2.12 (2) of the Home Rule Charter of the City of Joplin, Missouri, and as such, this Ordinance shall become effective immediately from and after its adoption and approval.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI, this _____ day of _____, 2021, by a vote of _____.

_____
Ryan D. Stanley, Mayor

ATTEST:

_____
Barbara J. Gollhofer, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

_____
Peter C. Edwards, City Attorney

CITY OF JOPLIN
COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

ITEM
Council Bill 2021-514 – Authorizing submitting General Obligation Bonds not to exceed $30,000,000 to reconstruct, renovate, expand and improve Memorial Hall and improve related parking to the voters of the City of Joplin on April 5, 2022

MEETING DATE
May 17, 2021

ORIGINATING DEPT
Finance

ATTACHMENTS
CB 2021-514 Ordinance

REVIEWED BY
Department Head: Leslie Haase; City Attorney: Peter Edwards; City Manager: Nick Edwards

SUMMARY
This Council Bill authorizes submitting General Obligation Bonds not to exceed $30,000,000 to reconstruct, renovate, expand and improve Memorial Hall and improve related parking to the voters of the City of Joplin on April 5, 2022 called "Question 1".

BACKGROUND
Memorial Hall was built nearly 100 years ago to recognize and support our Veterans, as well as provide indoor space for the community for a variety of uses and events. The building has fallen in disrepair and a partial roof collapse closed the building to the public in June of 2020. In 2020, the City Council authorized SFS Architecture to conduct a study to make a recommendation on the future use of Memorial Hall.

SFS Architecture sought public input through various community meetings and surveys. Their recommendation is to complete a full renovation of Memorial Hall, along with an 8,500 square foot addition on the west side of the Hall. The renovation will include reconstruction and improvements to the following:

- General Site and Exterior
- Basement Level
- Dressing Rooms
- Main Level
- Mezzanine Level

The addition will include:

- Multi-purpose recreation space
- Large event/banquet space for up to 400
- Ability to open just the addition or the addition in conjunction with Memorial Hall
- Warming/Catering Kitchen to serve just the addition

The renovation and expansion of Memorial Hall will create indoor space that is as flexible as possible. It will create opportunities for indoor recreation programs, meetings and events, as well

as concerts. The flexibility is needed to serve Joplin as a Community/Civic Center well into the future, even as needs will change over time. The renovation and expansion of Memorial Hall will also augment Connect2Culture's Cornell Complex just to the North of the Hall. Both facilities will help to create synergy in Downtown Joplin, which has re-energized into a vibrant part of the community over the last several years.

The Finance Committee was tasked with reviewing the operational projections for the renovated and expanded Memorial Hall included in the SFS Study. The Finance Committee reported that the conservative plan is reasonable and achievable given the right marketing plan and staff efforts.

Furthermore, the City will be evaluating the possibility of utilizing historic tax credits for this project. The tax credits might be able to be used to establish a long-term maintenance fund to help ensure Memorial Hall is maintained well into the future. Staff will be working to develop this information over the coming months.

With approval of general obligation bonds, the repayment of the bonds is through a debt service property tax levy. It is anticipated the bonds will be issued for a period of twenty years. Based on the current assessed valuation, the estimated property tax levy required to repay the debt is $0.29 per $100 of assessed valuation on both real and personal property.

The general obligation bonds are needed to renovate, reconstruct, expand and improve Memorial Hall to ensure Joplin continues to have a place to honor and support the Veterans, as well as provide an indoor Community/Civic Center for recreation purposes, meetings and events.

FUNDING SOURCE

This item is not applicable for this ordinance.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of this council bill on an emergency basis.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2021-514 **ORDINANCE NO.**

AN ORDINANCE Calling an Election in the City of Joplin, Missouri to authorize general obligation bonds in the amount not to exceed $30,000,000 to reconstruct, renovate, expand and improve Memorial Hall in the City, and to improve related parking; and, containing an emergency clause.

WHEREAS, Memorial Hall was built nearly 100 years ago to recognize and support our Veteran's, as well as provide indoor space for the community for a variety of uses and reasons; and,

WHEREAS, Memorial Hall has been closed to the public since June 2020 due to a partial roof collapse; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council authorized SFS Architecture to conduct a study and recommendation on the best future use of Memorial Hall; and,

WHEREAS, the recommendation is based on citizen input through community meetings and surveys; and,

WHEREAS, the recommendation is to renovate Memorial Hall and add an expansion to the west of the building; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it necessary and hereby declares its intent to issue its general obligation bonds to reconstruct, renovate, expand and improve Memorial Hall in the City and improve related parking (the "Project").

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. An election is hereby ordered to be held in the City on April 5, 2022, on the following question:

QUESTION 1

Shall the City Council of the City of Joplin, Missouri be authorized to issue general obligation bonds in the amount not to exceed $30,000,000 to reconstruct, renovate, expand and improve Memorial Hall, and to improve related parking?

Section 2. The form of the Notice of Election for said election, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, is hereby approved.

Section 3. The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to notify the County Clerks of Jasper County and Newton County, Missouri of the adoption of this Ordinance no later than 4:00 P.M. on January 25, 2022, and to include in said notification all of the terms and provisions required by Chapter 115 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri, as amended.

Section 4. The City may make expenditures on and after the date of adoption of this Ordinance in connection with the Project, and the City intends to reimburse itself for such expenditures with the proceeds of the bonds. The maximum principal amount of the bonds expected to be issued for the Projects is $30,000,000.

Section 5. That this Ordinance, being an Ordinance submitting a bond question to the voters, is an emergency within the meaning of Section 2.12 (2) of the Home Rule Charter of the City of Joplin, Missouri, and as such, this Ordinance shall become effective immediately from and after its adoption and approval.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOUR, this _____ day of

_____, 2021, by a vote of _____.

_____
Ryan, D. Stanley, Mayor

ATTEST:

_____
Barbara J. Gollhofer, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

_____
Peter C. Edwards, City Attorney

NOTICE OF ELECTION

CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI

Notice is hereby given to the qualified voters of the City of Joplin, Missouri that the City Council has called an election to be held on April 5, 2022, commencing at 6:00 A.M. and closing at 7:00 P.M., on the question contained in the following sample ballot:

OFFICIAL BALLOT
CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI

APRIL 5, 2022

QUESTION 1

Shall the City Council of the City of Joplin, Missouri be authorized to issue general obligation bonds in the amount not to exceed $30,000,000 to reconstruct, renovate, expand and improve Memorial Hall, and to improve related parking?

YES ☐
NO ☐

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS: If you are in favor of the question, place an X in the box opposite "YES." If you are opposed to the question, place an X in the box opposite "NO."

The election will be held at the following polling places in the District:

PRECINCT	**POLLING PLACE**

DATED: _____ _____, 2022.

_____
County Clerk of _____County, Missouri

CITY OF JOPLIN
COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

ITEM
Council Bill 2021-515 – Authorizing submitting General Obligation Bonds not to exceed $10,000,000 to reconstruct, renovate and improve the former downtown Library Building and improve related parking to the voters of the City of Joplin on April 5, 2022

MEETING DATE
May 17, 2021

ORIGINATING DEPT
Finance

ATTACHMENTS
CB 2021-515 Ordinance

REVIEWED BY
Department Head: Leslie Haase; City Attorney: Peter Edwards; City Manager: Nick Edwards

SUMMARY
This Council Bill authorizes submitting General Obligation Bonds not to exceed $10,000,000 to reconstruct, renovate and improve the former downtown Library Building and improve related parking to the voters of the City of Joplin on April 5, 2022 called "Question 2".

BACKGROUND
There is a national labor shortage caused by retirements, decreasing labor participation and lower birth rates, which is also impacting Joplin's economy. Additionally, high school and college students perceive a lack of opportunity in Joplin in various sectors such as technology, biotechnology and energy related fields. Joplin employers, like other employers across the United States, are demanding action to attract and retain qualified employees.

In order for our local businesses to compete in the tight labor market, Joplin needs to enhance talent attraction and retention, improve livability and create placemaking. Other communities across Missouri, as well as the United States, are addressing these key initiatives through programs and facilities dedicated for this purpose. Project Launchpad is the proposed facility that will offer the programs to help achieve these goals. The objectives of Project Launchpad are to:

- Launch Careers by connecting High School and College students with Joplin area professionals to demonstrate career opportunities in Joplin
- Launch Entrepreneurs by expanding collaboration and leveraging resources across the ecosystem partners
- Launch Culinary Start-Ups by providing culinary incubator opportunities
- Launch Digital Workforce by offering digital reskilling of the workforce
- Launch Access to Opportunities by increasing access to digital occupations and entrepreneurship

Project Launchpad provides the opportunity to form a proposed joint partnership between Missouri Southern State University (MSSU), Joplin R-VIII School District, the Joplin Chamber of Commerce Foundation/Joplin Economic Development Council (JEDC), and the City.

MSSU will contribute the former downtown library building facility back to the City for the redevelopment as the Launchpad initiative. The City will seek authorization to issue up to $10,000,000 in general obligation bonds to renovate the facility. JEDC will be responsible for the operations and maintenance of the facility. MSSU will commit to a long-term lease to maintain a Downtown Campus through the relocation of the Small Business Development Center, the location of an Internship Hub and the location of the Center for Advanced Professional Studies (CAPS).

With approval of general obligation bonds, the repayment of the bonds is through a debt service property tax levy. It is anticipated the bonds will be issued for a period of ten years. Based on the current assessed valuation, the estimated property tax levy required to repay the debt is $.1625 per $100 of assessed valuation on both real and personal property.

The general obligation bonds are needed to renovate, reconstruct and improve the former downtown Library Building for a joint partnership between MSSU, the Joplin R-VIII School District, the Joplin Chamber of Commerce Foundation/JEDC and the City of Joplin for Project Launchpad to help attract and retain students in the area, create digital workforce and create placemaking space in Joplin.

FUNDING SOURCE

This item is not applicable for this ordinance.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of this council bill on an emergency basis.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2021-515 **ORDINANCE NO.**

AN ORDINANCE Calling an Election in the City of Joplin, Missouri to authorize general obligation bonds in the amount not to exceed $10,000,000 to reconstruct, renovate and improve the former downtown Library Building in the City, and to improve related parking; and, containing an emergency clause.

WHEREAS, the former downtown Library Building will revert to the City of Joplin, Missouri; and,

WHEREAS, a partnership between MSSU, the Joplin R-VIII School District, the Joplin Chamber of Commerce Foundation, and the City of Joplin is being proposed to develop a joint venture to renovate and improve the former downtown Library Building; and,

WHEREAS, the facility will be used to build careers for high school and MSSU students, to provide digital workforce reskilling of displaced workers, and to create placemaking space for culinary and entrepreneurial startups known as "Project Launchpad"; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it necessary and hereby declares its intent to issue its general obligation bonds to reconstruct, renovate and improve the former downtown Library Building in the City (the "Project") for the joint venture "Project Launchpad."

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. An election is hereby ordered to be held in the City on April 5, 2022, on the following question:

QUESTION 2

Shall the City Council of the City of Joplin, Missouri be authorized to issue general obligation bonds in the amount not to exceed $10,000,000 to reconstruct, renovate and improve the former downtown Library Building and improve related parking?

Section 2. The form of the Notice of Election for said election, a copy of which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, is hereby approved.

Section 3. The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to notify the County Clerks of Jasper County and Newton County, Missouri of the adoption of this Ordinance no later than 4:00 P.M. on January 25, 2022, and to include in said notification all of the terms and provisions required by Chapter 115 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri, as amended.

Section 4. The City may make expenditures on and after the date of adoption of this Ordinance in connection with the Project, and the City intends to reimburse itself for such expenditures with the proceeds of the bonds. The maximum principal amount of the bonds expected to be issued for the Projects is $10,000,000.

Section 5. That this Ordinance, being an Ordinance submitting a bond question to the voters, is an emergency within the meaning of Section 2.12 (2) of the Home Rule Charter of the City of Joplin, Missouri, and as such, this Ordinance shall become effective immediately from and after its adoption and approval.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOUR, this _____ day of

_____, 2021, by a vote of _____.

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Ryan, D. Stanley, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Barbara J. Gollhofer, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Peter C. Edwards, City Attorney

NOTICE OF ELECTION

CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI

Notice is hereby given to the qualified voters of the City of Joplin, Missouri that the City Council has called an election to be held on April 5, 2022, commencing at 6:00 A.M. and closing at 7:00 P.M., on the question contained in the following sample ballot:

OFFICIAL BALLOT
CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI

APRIL 5, 2022

QUESTION 2

Shall the City Council of the City of Joplin, Missouri be authorized to issue general obligation bonds in the amount not to exceed $10,000,000 to reconstruct, renovate and improve the former downtown Library Building and improve related parking?

YES ☐
NO ☐

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS: If you are in favor of the question, place an X in the box opposite "YES." If you are opposed to the question, place an X in the box opposite "NO."

The election will be held at the following polling places in the District:

PRECINCT	**POLLING PLACE**

DATED: _____ _____, 2022.

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County Clerk of _____ County, Missouri

USE TAX CIZITEN'S COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Erik Bartlett	Chuck Brown
Jane Cage	Doris Carlin
Cleo Copeland	Kim Cox
Amber Duncan	CB Eastman
Stephen Grindle	Jhan Hurn
William Kean	James Ledford
Julia Narrell	Howie Nunnelly
Rob O'Brian	Mike Seibert
Gil Stevens	Gloria Turner