CITY OF JOPLIN
COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

ITEM
Council Bill 2024-600 - An ordinance authorizing the City of Joplin, Missouri, to enter into an agreement with Higginbotham Inc., for the purpose of professional insurance brokering and other loss control services; authorizing the City Manager to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin; and containing an emergency clause.

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT
Human Resources/Risk Management

MEETING DATE
January 2, 2024

REVIEWED BY
Director of Human Resources/Risk Management – Michelle Ducre
Director of Finance – Leslie Haase
City Attorney – Peter Edwards
City Manager – Nick Edwards

SUMMARY
The following agreement is between the City of Joplin and Higginbotham, Inc. for Insurance Brokerage services for Risk Management and Loss Prevention, Property and Casualty, Professional, Cyber, Law Enforcement, Airport, and Health Liability Coverage, Excess Worker's Compensation, Unmanned Aircraft Systems, and Commercial Coverage.

BACKGROUND
A Request for Proposal was issued in October 2023 to identify an insurance broker for the City of Joplin. Insurance coverage renewal is April 7, 2024. As a result of the selection process, Higginbotham, Inc. was selected to provide insurance broker and risk/loss prevention services for a three-year period, which can be extended for an additional two years. The cost for this service is not to exceed $60,000 annually for a three-year period.

FUNDING SOURCE
These services are included in the FY 2024-2025 budget of the Human Resources/Risk Management Department.

RECOMMENDATION
Staff recommends adoption of this Council Bill on an Emergency basis; being an ordinance dealing generally with payment of current city government expenses, to be an emergency within the meaning of Section 2.12(3) of the HOME RULE CHARTER of the City of Joplin, Missouri, and as such, this Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passage.

ATTACHMENTS

CB 2024-600 Ordinance; City of Joplin – Higginbotham Consulting Agreement