City of **JOPLIN** City Council Agenda Item

Requested Council Meeting Date: January 16, 2018

Item: Council Bill No. 2018-401
Originating Department: PLANNING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Attachments: 1) 2017 Public Service Agreement
3) Council Bill No 2018-401

Department Head: Troy Bolander
Finance Director: Leslie Haase
City Attorney: Peter Edwards
City Manager: Sam Anselm

INTRODUCTION:

The following agreement is between the City of Joplin and Economic Security Corporation for 2017 Community Development Block Grant funds.

DISCUSSION:

The Coordinated Entry Program is a critical tool to address the issue of homelessness and meet the needs of the City homeless. The program is the point of contact for the framework of local organizations to assess need, shelter, transition, and permanently house participants. The entry program streamlines the referral network of poverty and homelessness organization as well as provides data for the Homeless Management Information Database system.

The attached agreement is a renewal of funding for Economic Security Corporation to continue to administer the Coordinated Entry Program. This Council Bill provides Twenty Five Thousand Dollars and Zero Cents ($25,000.00) from Community Development Block Grant B17MC290008. The funds will be used to pay for personnel and office expenses.

RECOMMENDATION:

These activities have received prior approval from the Council as part of the 2017 Action Plan.

Staff recommends approval of the agreement so ESC can continue with administering the Coordinated Entry Program under the CDBG program.