COUNCIL BILL NO. 2024-501 ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE submitting to the electors of the City of Joplin, at a Special Election on Tuesday, April 2, 2024, the question of whether the City shall extend a Capital Improvements Sales Tax of three-eighths (3/8ths) of one percent (1%) for a period of twelve (12) years for the purpose of funding capital improvements, prescribing a form of Ballot thereof, and containing an emergency clause.

WHEREAS, on August 3, 2004, the electors of the City of Joplin passed a 3/8ths cent Capital Improvements Sales Tax to fund major transportation projects; and,

WHEREAS, on August 5, 2014, the electors of the City of Joplin passed a ten (10) year renewal of the 3/8ths cent Capital Improvements Sales Tax to fund major transportation projects and other capital improvements; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Joplin is desirous of continuing to fund major capital projects within the City with the renewal of the Capital Improvements Sales Tax; 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 April 2, 2024, the question of whether or not to extend a Capital Improvements Sales Tax of three-eighths (3/8ths) of one percent (1%) for a period of twelve (12) years.

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 2nd day of April, 2024, the following question concerning whether the City of Joplin shall extend a Capital Improvements Sales Tax, pursuant to the provisions of V.A.M.S. §94.577, et. seq., said question to be as follows:

> "SHALL THE CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI, EXTEND A SALES TAX OF THREE-EIGHTHS (3/8ths) OF ONE PERCENT (1%) FOR A PERIOD OF TWELVE (12) YEARS FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS?
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> If passed, the continued sales tax would commence at 12:01 a.m. on the first day of January, 2025."

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 questions 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, April 2, 2024

PROPOSITION "PROGRESS"

"SHALL THE CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI, EXTEND A SALES TAX OF THREE-EIGHTHS (3/8ths) OF ONE PERCENT (1%) FOR A PERIOD OF TWELVE (12) YEARS FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS?

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 January, 2025."

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, this 3/8ths of one percent sales tax will be effective at 12:01 a.m., on the 1st day of January, 2025.

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 _____, 2024, by a vote of _____.

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Douglas W. Lawson, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Holly Nagy, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Peter C. Edwards, City Attorney