CITY OF JOPLIN
COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

ITEM
Council Bill 2026-501 – Approving a budget amendment for FY 2026

MEETING DATE
January 20, 2026

ORIGINATING DEPT
Finance

ATTACHMENTS
CB 2026-501 Ordinance; Schedule "A" Budget Amendment

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

SUMMARY
This Council Bill amends the adopted 2025-2026 Budget of the City of Joplin.

BACKGROUND
In compliance with Charter regulations and accounting principles, the proposed adjustment is required to ensure that department expenditures do not exceed approved budget appropriations.

This budget amendment increases General Fund revenue and increases Fire expenditures by $56,600.00, respectively. Since the budget was adopted, the Fire Department applied for and has been awarded a Local Emergency Planning District (LEPD) grant. The grant is for the purchase of hazardous materials response equipment. Specifically, the grant will be used to purchase a handheld RAMEN, which will be utilized to identify unknown liquids and solids. The grant ends in May of 2026.

The purpose of the budget amendment is to recognize changes that have occurred since the annual budget was adopted. This budget amendment increases revenues and expenditures by $56,600.00, each.

FUNDING SOURCE
General Fund Revenue and Fire Department Grant expenditures are being amended to fund this item as shown on Schedule A.

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