CITY OF JOPLIN
COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

ITEM
Council Bill 2026-110 – Agreement with Jeff Asbell Excavating & Trucking, Inc. for the 7th Street Sanitary Sewer Relocation Project.

MEETING DATE
February 2, 2026

ORIGINATING DEPT
Public Works – Engineering

ATTACHMENTS
CB2026-110 Ordinance, Agreement, Bid Summary, Exhibit Map

REVIEWED BY
Director of Public Works, Daniel Johnson; Director of Finance, Leslie Haase; City Attorney, Peter Edwards; Assistant City Manager, Tony Robyn; City Manager, Nicholas Edwards

SUMMARY
This Council Bill will approve an agreement between the City of Joplin and Jeff Asbell Excavating & Trucking, Inc. for the 7th Street Sanitary Sewer Relocation Project in the amount of Two Million Seven Hundred Thirty Eight Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety Five and 92/100 DOLLARS ($2,738,795.92).

BACKGROUND
The Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) is undertaking a major improvement project along Route 66 (7th Street) in Joplin, spanning from Schifferdecker Avenue to Rangeline Road. MoDOT has contracted Olsson to design the project, which was initially scheduled for bid in Spring 2025 but has since been postponed to November 2025. Preliminary design plans have been shared with City staff, highlighting potential impacts to existing utilities. Several City-owned sanitary sewer mains and manholes located within MoDOT's right-of-way (ROW) have been identified. After coordination between the City of Joplin and MoDOT, it was agreed that the manholes will be relocated outside of MoDOT's ROW. However, the sanitary sewer lines that cross beneath the roadway will remain in place, as they do not interfere with the proposed improvements. On May 6, 2024, the City Council approved a work authorization with Olsson to provide engineering services for this project. Request for proposals for the 7th Street Sanitary Sewer Relocation project was advertised in Joplin Globe on December 20th, 2025, and bids were received by the City on January 20th, 2026. A total of 3 bids were received with Jeff Asbell Excavating & Trucking, Inc. being the lowest responsive bidder.

FUNDING SOURCE
This is included in the FY 2026 Budget in the Sanitary Sewer Fund.

RECOMMENDATION
Staff recommend approval of this Council Bill on first reading.