City of **JOPLIN** City Council Agenda Item

Requested Council Meeting Date: February 6, 2017
Council Bill No. 2017-106
Item: Joplin Street Resurfacing 2017

Originating Department: PUBLIC WORKS – ENGINEERING

Attachments:

1) Bid Tabulation
2) Location Map
3) Council Bill No. 2017-106

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Recommended Action: Approval of an award of a contract with Blevins Asphalt Construction Company Inc. in the amount of $1,788,311.15 for the Joplin Street Resurfacing 2017 project.

Background: City staff have developed a comprehensive pavement plan for resurfacing our busiest streets. These arterial and collector streets make up about 225 lane miles out of the over 800 lane miles in the city but these streets carry a very high percentage of our traffic and have a significant impact on driver satisfaction. The plan establishes a cycle of resurfacing utilizing a concept of "keeping good roads good" and guides our financial commitments in street resurfacing for the next generation based on existing funding. The work represented by this contract consists of approximately 28 lane miles.

The project also includes the resurfacing of 4 basketball courts including two at Schifferdecker Park, one at Parr Hill Park and one at Humphrey Park.

Discussion: City staff advertised this construction project in accordance with city procurement policy. Three firms submitted bids with Blevins Asphalt Construction Company, Inc. being the low bidder. Funding for the street resurfacing comes from the Transportation Sales Tax and funding for the basketball court resurfacing comes from the Parks and Stormwater Sales Tax. The reason for the combining of the work was to obtain lower prices for the basketball courts because of the high volume of work associated with the overall projects. We believe the bids are acceptable due to the price similarities compared to last year's bids despite higher oil prices.

Recommendation: City staff recommends award of contract to Blevins Asphalt Company Inc. in the amount of $1,788,311.15 for the Joplin Street Resurfacing 2017 project be approved on an emergency basis per Section 2.12 (6) of the Joplin City Charter. Blevins Construction has done work for the City of Joplin in the past. This bid is within the engineer's estimate. The funds will come from the 2016 - 2017 budget.
This council bill will amend the budget in the amount of $330,000.00.