City of Joplin City Council Agenda Item

REQUESTED COUNCIL MEETING DATE: FEBRUARY 20, 2018

ITEM: COUNCIL BILL NO. 2018-503
ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT: FINANCE DEPARTMENT
ATTACHMENTS: 1) Copy of Council Bill with attached Schedule A

Department Head: Leslie Haase
City Attorney: Peter Edwards
City Manager: Sam Anselm

INTRODUCTION:
This Council Bill amends the adopted 2017-2018 Budget of the City of Joplin.

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

Here is the explanation for the items in Schedule A:

- Amending the sewer budget by $60,000 to install fiber to the Shoal Creek Treatment Plant and the Turkey Creek Treatment plant. Amending the IT budget in the amount of $4,640 for the monthly fiber fee.

Currently, there are T1 lines supporting the treatment plants. Due to the age of this infrastructure, there have been numerous support issues taking approximately seven to ten days to get resolved. The new SCADA technology for the lift station monitoring requires more reliable technology, which is fiber. Installing the fiber upfront and then paying a monthly fee is the most cost effective option.

The purpose of the budget amendment is to recognize changes that have occurred since the annual budget was adopted. This budget amendment increases expenditures by $64,640.00.

RECOMMENDATION:
City Staff recommends this Council Bill be approved on an emergency basis.