CITY OF JOPLIN
COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

ITEM
Council Bill 2024-109 Construction Agreement between the City of Joplin and Municipal Pipe Tool Company, LLC for the ARPA Sanitary Sewer Renovations project and containing an emergency clause.

MEETING DATE
February 20, 2024

ORIGINATING DEPT
Public Works-Engineering

ATTACHMENTS
Council Bill 2024-109; Agreement; Exhibit Map; Bid Summary; Award Recommendation Letter

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

SUMMARY
This Council Bill authorizes the City Manager or his designee to enter into an agreement with Municipal Pipe Tool Company, LLC in the amount of Three Million, Six Hundred Eighteen Thousand, Three Hundred Sixty-Nine and 07/100 dollars ($3,618,369.07) for construction of the ARPA Sanitary Sewer Renovations project.

BACKGROUND
On May 16, 2022, the Missouri Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) published grant availability notification as part of Congress' American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding from the federal government. City staff identified a project for the grant, then on June 6, 2022, Council approved Resolution No. 2022-009, authorizing City staff to apply for a wastewater grant. In mid-November of 2022, MDNR notified the City that its wastewater grant application was chosen for funding. Subsequently, on June 20, 2023, Council approved an agreement with Allgeier, Martin and Associates, Inc. (AMA) for engineering services for the ARPA Wastewater Grant project. At that time, Council was informed that the grant-funded scope of improvements included both open-trench pipe replacement and trenchless reconstruction methods. AMA prepared bid documents for the first of two construction projects funded by this grant; see the Exhibit Map for the scope of the trenchless project. The project was advertised on Dec. 22, 2023; bids from three contractors were opened on January 25, 2024 in conformance with the City's procurement policy. Municipal Pipe Tool Co., Inc. was confirmed to be the low bidder, the bid was below the engineers estimate. The ARPA wastewater grant amount received by the City is $3,599,782. The remaining $1,667,000 for the projects come from current and future FY budgets from the Sanitary Sewer Fund. All ARPA funds must be earmarked by the end of this calendar year; all funds must be spent by late 2026.

FUNDING SOURCE
Sanitary Sewer

RECOMMENDATION
Staff recommends adoption of this Council Bill, approving a construction agreement on an

emergency basis; being an ordinance relating to a public improvement, it is an emergency within the meaning of Section 2.12(6) of the HOME RULE CHARTER of the City of Joplin, Missouri and the Council hereby declares that this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage. Specifically, adoption of this Council Bill on an emergency basis allows construction of the improvements to begin as quickly as possible, in light of the funding deadline.