JOPLIN CITY COUNCIL
MARCH 18, 2019 MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Joplin City Council was called to order at 6:00 p.m.by Mayor Gary Shaw.

INVOCATION was read by City Clerk Barbara Gollhofer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE to the United States of America was led by Hayden Adams, Troop 333 St Philips Episcopal Church.

ROLL CALL

Answering Roll Call were Council Members: Taylor Brown, Melodee Colbert-Kean, Doug Lawson, Anthony Monteleone, Diane Reid Adams, Gary Shaw, Ryan Stanley, and Phil Stinnett. Also, in attendance were Interim City Manager Dan Pekarek and Assistant City Attorney Jordan Paul.

PRESENTATIONS

Finance Director Leslie Haase gave a Recovery TIF update. The TIF was approved to help rebuild and recover our community from the May 2011 EF-5 tornado. The Joplin Redevelopment Corporation (JRC) issued TIF bonds in 2013 for two separate purposes: 1) purchase additional property for planned development, and 2) proved the local match for the Economic Development Authority (EDA) grant that was used to build the new Joplin Public Library and provide infrastructure at 32nd and Central City Road. The two types of projects resulted in two separate bond issues:

- Series "A" issued as taxable series for additional land purchase, which netted approximately $12.2 million in cash proceeds
- Series "B" – issued as tax exempt series for the local match for the EDA Grant, which netted approximately $5.7 million in cash proceeds.

The trustee posted the notice of partial redemption for the April 1 bond payments. The redemption calls for a payment of $3,115,000 toward Series "A" and $1,215,000 toward Series "B". The bond payment for Series "A" includes utilizing Debt Service Reserve account balance. As a result of this redemption, the Series "A" bonds will be paid off in full. With this payment, the Series "B" bonds will have an outstanding balance of $4,620,000.

Based on the collections in the year 2018, it is anticipated that the Series "B" bonds will be paid off by October 2020 (rather than the original 20-year schedule), at which time an ordinance will need to be passed dissolving the redevelopment area. At the point when the redevelopment area has been dissolved and the TIF closed the tax collections will go directly to the various taxing jurisdictions, which include the City of Joplin, Joplin Schools, Jasper County and Joplin Special Road District.
Director Haase stated the benefits of this TIF are visible today through the completed projects mentioned above. Future additional development will continue through the land assembly of the JRC, noting it is important to return the tax collections to the taxing jurisdictions as quickly as possible.

FINALIZATION OF CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Monteleone requested that Amended Council Bill No. 2019-257 be removed from the Consent Agenda. There being no further business to come before the Council, the Amended Consent Agenda was finalized.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

CITIZEN REQUESTS AND PETITIONS

PUBLIC HEARINGS
Public Hearing Procedures read by City Clerk Barbara Gollhofer

Public Hearing for Application for Vehicle for Hire Business License

Mayor Shaw opened the Public Hearing.

Martin McCabe, 228 S. Arizona, Joplin spoke in favor of this item.

Brad Baird, 1360 S. Kensor, spoke in favor of this item.

No one appeared in opposition to this item.

The Public Hearing was closed.

Motion by Mr. Stanley, second by Mrs. Colbert-Kean to approve the application for a vehicle for hire business for Martin McCabe. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley and Stinnett, 8. Nays: 0.

AMENDED CONSENT AGENDA
Motion by Mr. Stinnett, second by Mr. Stanley to approve the Amended Consent Agenda. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley and Stinnett, 8. Nays: 0.

Amended Minutes of the February 19, 2019 Council Meeting
Notes of the March 4, 2019 Informal Council Meeting
Minutes of the March 4, 2019 Council Meeting

Council Bill No. 2019-258 - an ordinance approving 715 S. Harlem Avenue to include in District C-3 (Commercial District), Jasper County, Missouri. **Ordinance No. 2019-046**

Council Bill No. 2019-356 -an ordinance amending Chapter 26 Buildings and Building Regulations by repealing and enacting a new Article III, Building Code, and setting a date when this ordinance shall become effective. **Ordinance No. 2019-047**

Council Bill NO. 2019-357-an ordinance amending Chapter 58 Fire Prevention and Protection by repealing and enacting a new Article II, Fire Prevention Code, and setting a date when this ordinance shall become effective. **Ordinance No. 2019-048**

Council Bill No. 2019-450 -an ordinance amending Article VII, Swimming Pools, of Chapter 62, Health and Sanitation Section 62-241, of the Joplin City Code by repealing Part 1; except section 1.1; and amending sections of Part 2 of this code; and setting a date when this ordinance shall become effective. **Ordinance No. 2019-049**

RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCES – EMERGENCY
Mr. Stanley introduced Council Bill No. 2019-113- an ordinance approving a Work Authorization with Allgeier Martin & Associates in the not to exceed amount of One Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand and

00/100 Dollars ($125,000.00) for Construction Inspection and Construction Management on the Schifferdecker Bridge Project funded through the Capital Improvement Sales Tax and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Stanley, second by Mr. Stinnett that Council Bill No.2019-113 be approved on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley and Stinnett, 8. Nays: 0. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2019-050**

Mr. Lawson introduced Council Bill No. 2019-114 - an ordinance approving Amendment 2 to Work Authorization 7th and Illinois Area Stormwater Improvements (TSO606 and TSO607) with Allgeier, Martin and Associates Inc. in the not to exceed amount of Thirty Thousand and 00/100 Dollars ($30,000.00) for engineering services associated with the 7th and Illinois Storm Water Project funded through the Parks and Storm Water Sales Tax and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Lawson, second by Mrs. Reid Adams that Council Bill No. 2019-114 be approved on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley and Stinnett, 8. Nays: 0. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2019-051**

ORDINANCES – FIRST READING

Mr. Stanley introduced Council Bill No. 2019-609 - an ordinance amending Chapter 86, Parks and Recreation, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Joplin, by adding a new Article VIII, Senior Citizen Center; and setting a date when this Ordinance shall become effective. Motion by Mr. Stanley, second by Mr. Brown that Council Bill No. 2019-609 be passed on First Reading and advanced to Second and Third Reading. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley and Stinnett, 8. Nays: 0. The Council Bill was read as **Council Bill No. 2019-609**

ORDINANCES – SECOND READING AND THIRD READING

Mr. Monteleone introduced Amended Council Bill No. 2019-257 - an ordinance approving the voluntary annexation by the Council of the City of Joplin, Missouri, approximately 3.4 miles of Right of Way, located along 32nd Street between Central City Road and Golf Link Road; and along Coyote Drive between McClelland Boulevard and Schifferdecker Avenue, Joplin, MO., Jasper County, Missouri. Motion by Mr. Monteleone, second by Mr. Brown that Amended Council Bill No. 2019-257 be passed on Second Reading, advanced to Third Reading and passed. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley and Stinnett, 8. Nays: 0. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2019-052.**

NEW BUSINESS

Interview and Election of candidate to fill Council seat vacancy.

Keenan Cortez gave a presentation to the city council detailing his interest in filling the vacant general city council seat. (He missed the March 11, 2019 City Council meeting due to illness).After the presentation, Assistant City Attorney Jordan Paul instructed the city council on the nomination process and the voting procedure. If three (3) or fewer applicants were nominated, the electronic voting board will be utilized to cast votes. If more than three applicants are nominated, a paper ballot will be used.

Before accepting nominations, Mayor Shaw thanked all the applicants and encouraged those who do not win tonight to stay engaged by considering volunteering to serve on one of the city's boards and commissions, and/or to pursue a council seat in the 2020 election.

Mayor Shaw asked for nominations.

Mr. Stanley nominated Mike Seibert.

Mr. Brown nominated Keenan Cortez.

Hearing no more nominations, the nomination process was closed.

The council members were instructed to use the "Yes" button to vote for Mr. Seibert (because he was nominated first), and to use the "No" button to vote for Mr. Cortez (because he was nominated second). Voting in favor of Seibert were Council Members: Lawson, Shaw; Stanley, and Stinnett, 4. Voting in favor of Mr. Cortez were Council Member Brown, Colbert-Kean, Monteleone, and Reid Adams, 4. Due to a tie vote, and after some of the council members gave their reason for their vote, they were instructed to vote again. The vote resulted in the same tie.

At this time, Mr. Stanley stated he received a text message from Mike Seibert and Mr. Seibert stated he would like to withdraw from the race.

The council members were instructed to vote again. Voting in favor of Keenan Cortez were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley and Stinnett, 8. Keenan Cortez was declared the winner.

City Clerk Barbara Gollhofer administered the oath of office to Mr. Cortez before Mr. Cortez took the vacant seat on the dais.

Mr. Stanley encouraged all the other applicants to consider running for City Council in the April 2020 election.

Additional Request to Address Council:
Allen Shirley addressed the City Council regarding a Titanic Relics exhibit at the Joplin Museum March 26, 2019 to April 20, 2019.

News from Public Information Officer, Lynn Onstot
Starting April 1st of this year, residents will experience a 2% increase on their residential trash services, which equates to 23 cents. The City contracts with Republic Services for this service and the optional curbside recycling service. This 2% is allowed as part of their contract with the City. Residents can set out bulky items and properly prepared tree limbs next to their blue polycarts for pick up on their service day. There is no additional fee, and it is not necessary to call Republic Services to schedule the bulky item pickup.

Curbside recycling service, which is optional for residents, will see a 10-cent increase as a result of the 2% increase. This service will move to $4.85 from the current $4.75 rate. Participating residents receive a 96-gallon polycart with a light blue lid labeled "Recyclables" for disposing all acceptable items. Recycling is serviced the same day as trash, but by a different truck at a different time. Interested residents can enroll in this program by contacting Republic Services directly.

Republic also operates the Transfer Station west of Joplin. More information about its services and fees, along with details for residential trash can be found on our website, joplinmo.org.

Happy Birthday Joplin! This Saturday, March 23, the City of Joplin turns 146 years young! With this milestone, I'd like to remind citizens that the City is forming a Centennial Celebrations Commission that will serve an important role in upcoming years.

In a few short years, Joplin and Missouri will have opportunities to celebrate a 5-year collection of milestone centennials:

Missouri Bicentennial – the 200th birthday of our state on August 10, 2021
City of Joplin Sesquicentennial – the City's 150th birthday on March 23, 2023
United States of America Sestercentennial – our Country's 250th birthday on July 4, 2026
Route 66 Centennial – the Mother Road's 100th birthday on November 11, 2026

The Commission will help determine and plan the most impactful ways our community can celebrate these historic milestones.

Convention & Visitors Bureau Director Patrick Tuttle is working with Joplin Historian Brad Belk in contacting organizations and individuals to serve on this commission. Individuals who have a keen interest in history, education, the arts along with the desire to promote Joplin would be great candidates for the group. Citizens who have an interest in serving on the Centennial Celebrations Commission or would like to help in upcoming events should complete a boards and commission application that can be found on the City's website. They can also contact Patrick Tuttle in the Joplin Convention & Visitors Bureau for more information. More details about these announcements can be found on the City's website, joplinmo.org. or they may contact Lynn Onstot in the Public Information office, here at the City. Thank you.

Comments from City Council:
Mayor Shaw introduced Dan Pekarek (Health Director), as the interim City Manager.

Mr. Stanley thanked the Public Safety personnel who assisted with a dangerous incident over the weekend.

Mayor Shaw stated he is proud of the Public Safety employees and all City employees.

Mr. Lawson thanked all the candidates who attended the meeting this evening and Boy Scout Hayden Adams for being here and leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

Vote to go into closed session, which shall pertain to the hiring, firing, disciplining, or promotion of an employee or particular employees of a governmental body involving personal information as set forth in Section 610.021(3) RS Mo, as amended, 2018, more specifically for the purpose of hiring certain Council employees. This meeting, record, and vote to be closed to the extent provided by law. The City Council shall adjourn at the end of the session. Motion by Mr. Brown, second by Mr. Stanley to go into closed session. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley and Stinnett, 9. Nays: 0.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

Respectfully,

Barbara Gollhofer, City Clerk