City of Joplin City Council Agenda Item

Requested Council Meeting Date: April 1, 2019

ITEM: Council Bill No. 2019-610. This Council Bill approves the Joplin Convention & Visitor Bureau's (JCVB) FY2019 grant funding relating to special events, festivals and celebrations to Special Olympics Missouri.

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT: Convention and Visitors Bureau
ATTACHMENTS: Council Bill No. 2019-610

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INTRODUCTION:

This Council Bill approves the application of Special Olympics Missouri (SOMO) for utilization of FY2019 Festivals and Celebrations support pursuant to Ordinance No. 2000-148, as authorized by the voters on November 7, 2000; authorizing the City Manager to execute appropriate agreement with Special Olympics Missouri for the utilization of such funds.

SUMMARY:

The purpose of the JCVB Grant Program is to assist qualified organizations with the promotion of tourism activities striving to directly increase hotel/motel occupancy and create a positive image for Joplin. On February 19, 2019, Special Olympics Missouri made a request of the JCVB Advisory Board for grant funding in the amount of Five Thousand Dollars ($5,000) for the 2019 SOMO *Truck Convoy*, a new event the organization is planning for September 28, 2019. With (prior grant recipient) 4-State Trucks moving their *Guilty By Association* truck show and convoy to every other year (even numbered years starting in 2020) the local SOMO team is working to keep the Truck Convoy an annual event and fundraiser, to be held on odd numbered years. The request, from the JCVB grant funding would be used towards event entertainment.

RECOMMENDATION:

The JCVB Advisory Board and Staff recommend for Joplin City Council approval the funding recommendations for Special Olympics Missouri and their 2019 Truck Convoy.

ATTACHMENTS:

None.