CITY OF JOPLIN
COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

ITEM
Council Bill 2026-265 – Authorizing the approval of an Agreement between the City of Joplin and Crafton, Tull & Associates, Inc. for professional planning services related to the creation of the Joplin Area Transportation Planning Organization's (JATSO) Active Transportation and Bicycle & Pedestrian Plan updates.

MEETING DATE
April 6, 2026

ORIGINATING DEPT
Planning, Development, and Neighborhood Services

ATTACHMENTS
Professional Planning Services Agreement; Tabulation Sheet; Evaluation Criteria; and Crafton Tull's Proposal; CB2026-265

REVIEWED BY
Director of Planning, Development and Neighborhood Services: Troy Bolander; Director of Finance: 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 approve an Agreement with Crafton, Tull & Associates, Inc. in the not to exceed total amount of One Hundred Forty-Nine Thousand Nine Hundred 00/100 dollars ($149,900) for professional planning services to update the Bicycle & Pedestrian and Active Transportation Plans. The Bike and Pedestrian Plan update portion of this project is 80% Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) funds and 20% City of Joplin local match. The Active Transportation Plan update portion of this project is 100% Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) funds. Project total $127,220 federal and $22,680 local.

BACKGROUND
Staff received formal proposals on February 13, 2026, to update the Bicycle & Pedestrian and Active Transportation Plans. The plan updates are to incorporate transportation, health, safety, accessibility, economic development, and tourism benefits into the active transportation network and establish future transportation infrastructure design and construction standards. Planning received five proposals, and Crafton, Tull & Associates Inc.'s proposal was scored highest by the review committee.

FUNDING SOURCE
JATSO Planning Fund. Plan updates were approved by Council in the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission Transportation Planning Consolidated Grant Agreement, Ordinance 2025-277 and are included in the adopted FY 2026 Planning Department budget. Federal funds $127,220 and $22,680 City of Joplin Transportation Sales Tax.

RECOMMENDATION
City staff recommends adoption of this Council Bill.