City of **JOPLIN** City Council Agenda Item

Requested Council Meeting Date: April 17, 2017
Council Bill No. 2017-129
Item: Award of Construction Contract for the W. 12th Street and Harmony Heights Public Sewer Line Replacement Project

Originating Department: Public Works – Engineering

Attachments: 1) Project Map
2) Bid Tab
3) Council Bill No. 2017-129

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Recommended Action: Approval of a Construction Contract with Jeff Asbell Excavating and Trucking, Inc., in the amount of $627,621.00 for the W. 12th Street and Harmony Heights Public Sewer Line Replacement project funded by the CDBG-DR-II grant.

Background: In 2013 the City of Joplin Council reviewed and approved the "Joplin Community Phase II Recovery Plan." On August 4, 2014 Allgeier Martin and Associates was awarded a consulting contract to evaluate the sewer system and prepare plans and bid documents for projects that include reconstruction of the sanitary sewer system within the recovery area.

Discussion: The project was advertised in accordance with the City of Joplin's procurement policies. Bids from 3 contractors were opened on February 24, 2017; Jeff Asbell Excavating and Trucking, Inc., was confirmed to be the lowest bidder. The low bid was below the Engineer's estimate. The project generally consists of replacing deteriorated 15" pipe with new 18" pipe along Iowa Avenue, between 14th and 20th Streets. Additionally, the sanitary sewer in 20th Street is being relocated to the south side of the street, from Iowa Ave. eastward to Indiana Ave. This is being done to lower future maintenance costs, improve the safety of those performing maintenance, and to reduce the burden to the City and its tax payers for costs and nuisances associated with manhole lids in driving lanes.

Recommendation: Staff recommends approval of a Construction Contract with Jeff Asbell Excavating and Trucking, Inc., in the amount of $627,621.00 for the W. 12th Street and Harmony Heights Public Sewer Line Replacement Project be approved on an emergency basis per Section 2.12 (6) of the Joplin City Charter.