COUNCIL BILL NO. 2016-007 ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE submitting to the electors of the City of Joplin, at an election on Tuesday, August 2, 2016, the question of whether or not the City shall extend a local sales tax of $2^{5/8}$% on titled property purchased by residents from out-of-state vendors; prescribing a form of Ballot thereof; and containing an emergency clause.

WHEREAS, the electors of the City have approved, and the City has imposed, a total local sales tax, as defined in §32.085 RSMo., at the rate of $2^{5/8}$%; and

WHEREAS, the City has until November of 2016 to receive voter approval to continue to impose the local sales tax on titled property purchased by residents from out-of-state vendors; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Joplin, Missouri, has appointed a citizen committee to issue a recommendation regarding what action, if any, the Council should take on this issue, and the committee has recommended that the question be submitted to the voters; and

WHEREAS, it is deemed by the Council of the City of Joplin, Missouri, to be in the public interest to submit to the electors of the City of Joplin at an election to be held in the City on August 2, 2016, the question of whether or not to extend a local sales tax of $2^{5/8}$% on titled property purchased by residents from out-of-state vendors.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI, as follows:

Section 1. That there be submitted to the qualified electors of the City of Joplin, Missouri, at an election to be held in said City on the 2nd day of August, 2016, the following question concerning whether the City of Joplin shall extend a local sales tax on titled property purchased by residents from out-of-state vendors, pursuant to the provisions of RSMo. § 144.069, said question to be as follows:

> Shall the City of Joplin discontinue applying and collecting the local sales tax on the titling of motor vehicles, trailers, boats, and outboard motors that were purchased from a source other than a licensed Missouri dealer? Approval of this measure will result in a reduction of local revenue to provide for vital services for City of Joplin and it will place Missouri dealers of motor vehicles, outboard motors, boats, and trailers at a competitive disadvantage to non-Missouri dealers of motor vehicles, outboard motors, boats, and trailers.
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> If rejected, the continued sales tax would commence at 12:01 a.m. on the first day of January, 2017."

Section 2. That said election shall be governed in all things by the provisions of the

statutes of Missouri and the Charter and Ordinances of the City of Joplin, Missouri, relating to elections in the City insofar as the same are applicable and not in contravention with the particular provisions of this Ordinance; that said election shall be held at the respective voting districts of said City as set out in a Notice to be published by the County Clerks of Newton and Jasper County, Missouri, according to law. Said Notice shall include the questions to be submitted as set forth herein, to be published by the County Clerks of Newton and Jasper Counties, in papers of general circulation in Newton and Jasper Counties, Missouri, the publications of which to occur in accordance with Missouri law.

Section 3. That the City Clerk shall prepare and execute the form of the Notice of said election and shall transmit the same to the County Clerks of Newton and Jasper Counties, and request that they conduct said election as required by law.

Section 4. That the ballot shall be in substantially the following form:

. . . . . .

"OFFICIAL BALLOT

Election - Tuesday, August 2, 2016

PROPOSITION "A"

"Shall the City of Joplin discontinue applying and collecting the local sales tax on the titling of motor vehicles, trailers, boats, and outboard motors that were purchased from a source other than a licensed Missouri dealer? Approval of this measure will result in a reduction of local revenue to provide for vital services for City of Joplin and it will place Missouri dealers of motor vehicles, outboard motors, boats, and trailers at a competitive disadvantage to non-Missouri dealers of motor vehicles, outboard motors, boats, and trailers.

Yes. ← —

No. ← —

Instructions to Voters

TO vote IN FAVOR OF the proposition, complete the arrow next

to the word “YES”.

TO vote AGAINST the proposition, complete the arrow next to the word “NO.”

If rejected, the continued sales tax would commence at 12:01 a. m., on the first day of January, 2017."

Section 5. That the City Clerk shall canvas the results of the election as verified by the Newton and Jasper County Clerks and report the same to the Council at the next scheduled Council meeting following the election.

Section 6. That, if rejected by the electors of the City of Joplin, this $2^{5/8}$% sales tax will be effective at 12:01 a.m., on the 1st day of January, 2017.

Section 7. That this Ordinance, being an Ordinance submitting a proposition to the voters, is an emergency within the meaning of Section 2.12(2) of the Home Rule Charter of the City of Joplin, Missouri, and as such, this Ordinance shall become effective immediately from and after its adoption and approval.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI, this _____ day of _____, 2016, by a vote of _____.

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Michael L. Seibert, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Barbara L. Hogelin, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Peter C. Edwards, City Attorney