COUNCIL BILL NO. 2019 – 261 ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE authorizing the City of Joplin to enter into an agreement with the Missouri Development Finance Board and Main Street Joplin doing business as Downtown Joplin Alliance for financing through the State Tax Credit for Contribution Program in support of the Empire Market Building Redevelopment Project.

WHEREAS, The Downtown Joplin Alliance, the owner of the Empire Market Building, has requested tax credits to help with the rehabilitation of the building and grounds; and

WHEREAS, The City of Joplin approved a resolution of support for the Joplin Downtown Alliance to make an application to the Missouri Development Finance Board for tax credits through the State Tax Credit for Contribution Program.

WHEREAS, The Downtown Joplin Alliance application for tax credits for contribution was approved by the Missouri Development Finance Board to help with the rehabilitation of the building and grounds of the Empire Market Building which would aid farmers in southern Missouri in becoming more financially stable through increased sales through a regional farmers market and improve access to healthy foods in underserved communities and populations.

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

Section 1. That an agreement between the City of Joplin, Missouri, the Missouri Development Finance Board and the Downtown Joplin Alliance is entered into that permits the Downtown Joplin Alliance to receive financing for the rehabilitation of the Empire Market Building and Grounds through the State Tax Credit for Contribution Program.

Section 2. That the City Manager of the City of Joplin, Missouri or his designee is hereby authorized and directed, upon recommendation and approval of the City Council, to execute said Agreement or Agreement in substantially similar form, by and on behalf of the City of Joplin, Missouri.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI, this _____ day of _____, 2019, by a _____ vote.

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Gary L. Shaw – Mayor

ATTEST:

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Barbara J. Gollhofer – City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Peter C. Edwards, City Attorney