JOPLIN CITY COUNCIL
MAY 20, 2024
MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER
The May 20, 2024, regular meeting of the Joplin City Council was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Keenan Cortez.

INVOCATION was read by City Clerk Holly Nagy.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA was led by 2 members of the Citizens Police Academy.

ROLL CALL
Answering Roll Call were Council Members: Joshua Bard, Charles Copple, Keenan Cortez, Josh DeTar, Mark Farnham, Ryan Jackson, Doug Lawson, and Gary Shaw. Also, in attendance were City Manager Nick Edwards and City Attorney Peter Edwards.

Absent: Doris Carlin

Mr. Lawson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Bard to excuse the absence of Ms. Carlin. Voting in favor were Council Members: Bard, Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Jackson, Lawson, and Shaw, 8. Absent: Carlin, 1.

PRESENTATIONS
Review of Prospect Village Development Proposal
Drew Snyder from Woodsonia presented.

Pam Buttram addressed Council and asked questions about the proposed project.

One Joplin Transportation Study

Nicole Brown from One Joplin presented.

Bike Walk Joplin Introduction
Cynthia Torres, Vice President, Bike Walk Joplin

Bike Month Proclamation
Children from Bike Walk Joplin accepted the proclamation.

Historic Preservation Commission Update
Jill Halbach, chair for Historic Preservation Commission presented.

Historic Preservation Commission Proclamation
Jill Halbach accepted proclamation.

RAISE Community-Refugee Resettlement Agency in Joplin, MO
Representatives from RAISE presented.

Joplin Area Chamber of Commerce Quarterly Update
Travis Stephens, Director of the Chamber of Commerce presented.

JHAP Update
Troy Bolander, Director of Planning, Zoning and Neighborhood Services presented.

FINALIZATION OF CONSENT AGENDA

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS
News from the Public Information Office
The City of Joplin continues to clean up from the significant storm damage caused on the night of May 6, 2024. There are a couple of key items I'd like to highlight for residential clean up:

Homeowners should contact their insurance company, if they have not already.

The City has extended the City's Tree Limb Drop-Off facility availability. It is open from 7 AM to 7 PM daily through Saturday, June 1. It will be closed on Monday, May 27 in honor of Memorial Day. Residents are encouraged to take their limbs and vegetation debris to this site located at 1702 N. Schifferdecker. There is no charge for this drop-off.

Joplin residents may burn tree and vegetation debris as Joplin Fire Department lifted the burn ban through May 25th. Call Joplin Fire Department at 417-623-0403 BEFORE burning and adhere to their safety rules. These are posted on our storm clean-up webpage.

Starting June 3, the City will provide a curbside pick-up of tree limbs and vegetation debris for residents within the designated tornado-affected areas who cannot take it to the drop-off site. Tree and vegetation debris must be at the curbside by the morning of June 3. Please do not place tree or vegetation debris on the streets or sidewalks.

This is a one-pass service. City crews and contractors hired by the City will pick up limbs and vegetation in the impacted area starting Monday, June 3, so residents must have it to the curb by that time. There will not be call backs to return to an area. To view the map of the tornado-impacted area that will be covered, go to the City's website at www.joplinmo.org/storm-clean-up.

It's also important to note that City crews and contractors cannot enter private property to cut or get tree limbs. Residents who need help cutting and moving their tree limbs should call the City to request help from volunteers at 417-624-0820, ext. 1542 or 1539, to ensure they're ready by June 3.

The Ozarks Health Commission (OHC), a coalition of public health entities, hospital partners, and community leaders in the Ozarks region, has come together again to better understand the health status, behaviors, and needs of the region's residents.

Every three years, the OHC convenes to reassess the health of our region and issue the Community Health Needs Assessment. This assessment requires input on the health issues and needs of the broader community.

The Joplin Health Department asks the public to provide feedback on their local healthcare needs and experiences by completing the survey available now. The survey link can be found on the City's website under Press Releases.

The survey takes approximately 8 to 10 minutes and is available in English and Spanish. Individual personal information will not be shared or connected with your responses. This assessment allows decision-makers to have a more holistic and up-to-date picture of community health concerns, which they can use to address them strategically.

The survey is open through May 31, 2024, and all citizens are encouraged to take part in this important tool to help gauge our community's health needs and conditions.

CITIZEN REQUESTS AND PETITIONS
Mary Price requested to speak on fiscal accountability, automated timesheets, sunshine requests.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

CONSENT AGENDA
Motion by Mr. DeTar, second by Mr. Lawson to approve the Consent Agenda. Voting in favor were Council Members: Bard, Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Jackson, Lawson, and Shaw, 8. Absent: Carlin, 1.

Minutes Of the May 6, 2024, Joplin City Council Meeting

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2024-001 -AN ORDINANCE approving a plan for an industrial development project; authorizing the City of Joplin, Missouri to issue its taxable industrial development revenue bonds in a principal amount not to exceed $77,300,000; and authorizing and approving certain documents and actions in connection therewith. **Ordinance No. 2024-061.**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2024-112 - AN ORDINANCE approving an agreement with Four State Doors LLC. in the amount of Thirty-Two Thousand Two Hundred Thirty-Six and 00/100 DOLLARS ($32,236.00) for Overhead Door Replacement at PWC and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin. **Ordinance No. 2024-062.**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2024-262 - AN ORDINANCE amending Ordinance No. 2022-274, passed by the Council of the City of Joplin, Missouri, August 1, 2022, by removing from District R-2 (Two-Family Residential) and District C-1 (Neighborhood Commercial) and include in District C-3 (Commercial) property as described below and located at 904 E 15th St. **Ordinance No. 2024-063.**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2024-263 - AN ORDINANCE amending Ordinance No. 2022-274, passed by the Council of the City of Joplin, Missouri, August 1, 2022, by removing from District R-1 (Single-Family Residential) and include in District R-3 (Multi-Family Residential) property as described below and located at 1401 E 33rd St. **Ordinance No. 2024-064.**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2024-400 - AN ORDINANCE approving an Agreement between the City of Joplin, Missouri, and Joplin Economic Housing Development Initiative that pertains to 2022 and 2023 HOME funds in the total amount not to exceed $352,000.00; authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute same on behalf of the City of Joplin. **Ordinance No. 2024-065.**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2024-401 - AN ORDINANCE approving an Agreement between the City of Joplin, Missouri, and CBO Financial, Inc.; authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute same on behalf of the City of Joplin. **Ordinance No. 2024-066**.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2024-452 - AN ORDINANCE approving an amendment to a Program Services Contract by and between the State of Missouri, Department of Health and Senior Services, and the City of Joplin, Missouri, for a term commencing July 1, 2021 and running through July 31, 2025, for the amount of up to Six Hundred Fifty Thousand, Sixty Dollars and No Cents ($650,060.00), to enable the Health Department to provide communicable disease response to the residents of Joplin, authorizing the City Manager to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin, Missouri. **Ordinance No. 2024-067.**

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-004

Mr. Copple introduced Resolution No. 2024-004 – A RESOLUTION to appoint new members to the Finance Committee. Motion by Mr. Copple, second by Mr. Bard to approve Resolution No. 2024-004. Voting in favor were Council Members: Bard, Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Jackson, Lawson, and Shaw, 8. Absent: Carlin, 1.

ORDINANCES – EMERGENCY

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2024-361

Mr. Jackson introduced Council Bill No. 2024-361- AN ORDINANCE approving the contract by and between the City of Joplin and USA Demolition for the demolition of the structure(s) and clearing of a lot located at 3312 S Moffet Ave. in the City of Joplin, Missouri, for Four Thousand Five Hundred dollars ($4,500.00); providing how the cost thereof shall be paid; how the assessment thereof shall be made; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Jackson, second by Dr. Farnham that Council Bill No. 2024-361 be passed on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Bard, Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Jackson, Lawson, and Shaw, 8. Absent: Carlin, 1. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2024-068**.

FIRST READING

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2024-117

Mr. Jackson introduced Council Bill No. 2024-117 - AN ORDINANCE authorizing the approval of the 2024 Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP) Safety Targets for the City of Joplin, MO, Metro Area Public Transit System (MAPS) and Sunshine Lamp Trolley. Approval of the annual PTASP Safety Targets are required by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) regulations set in 49 CFR Part 673 of the federal guidelines. Motion by Mr. Jackson, second by Dr. Farnham to pass Council Bill No. 2024-117 on First Reading and to advance to second and third. Voting in favor were Council Members: Bard, Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Jackson, Lawson, and Shaw, 8. Absent: Carlin, 1. This bill was read as Council Bill No. 2024-117.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2024-612

Mr. Lawson introduced Council Bill No. 2024-612 - AN ORDINANCE authorizing the City of Joplin, Missouri, to participate in the Missouri Fire Fighters Critical Illness Trust and Pool; authorizing the Mayor to execute such documents as may be necessary for the City's participation therein; and, amending the Annual Budget of the City of Joplin for the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 as adopted by Ordinance 2023-158 on October 16, 2023. Motion by Mr. Lawson, second by Mr. DeTar to pass Council Bill No. 2024-612 on First Reading and to advance to second and third. Voting in favor were Council Members: Bard, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Jackson, Lawson, and Shaw, 7. Absent: Carlin, 1. Abstained: Copple, 1 This bill was read as Council Bill No. 2024-612.

SECOND AND THIRD READING
UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Vote To Go Into Closed Session, Which Shall Pertain To Legal Action, Causes Of Action, Or Litigation Including A Public Governmental Body And Any Confidential Or Privileged Communications Between A Governmental Body Or Its Representatives And Its Attorneys Pursuant To State Law, And To Discuss Leasing, Purchase Or Sale Of Real Estate By A Governmental Body Where Public Knowledge Of The Transaction Might Adversely Affect The Legal Consideration Thereof, Pursuant To State Law; As Set Forth In Section 610.021 (1) (2) RSMo, As Amended, 2020. This Meeting, Record, And Vote To Be Closed. Council Shall Adjourn At The End Of The Session.

Mr. Copple requested an update on the speed zones for crosswalks. He would also like for staff to look into pedestrian traffic on 7th street.

Mayor Cortez stated he has appointed Dr. Farnham, Mr. Copple, Mr. DeTar and himself to the Legislative Affair Committee. Meetings will be coordinated by the City Manager and city staff.

Motion by Mr. DeTar, second by Mr. Jackson to convene into Closed Session. Voting in favor were Council Members: Bard, Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Jackson, Lawson, and Shaw, 8. Absent: Carlin, 1.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:22 p.m.

Respectfully,

Holly Nagy
City Clerk