JOPLIN CITY COUNCIL
MAY 5, 2025
MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The May 5, 2025, regular meeting of the Joplin City Council was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Pro Tem DeTar.

INVOCATION was read by Assistant City Clerk, Roschelle Forsythe

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA was led by the executive team, the board and volunteer group of the Joplin Humane Society.

ROLL CALL

Answering Roll Call were Council Members: Joshua Bard, Doris Carlin, Josh DeTar, Mark Farnham, Doug Lawson and Gary Shaw. Also, in attendance were City Manager Nick Edwards and City Attorney Peter Edwards.

Absent: Chuck Copple, Keenan Cortez and Ryan Jackson

Motion by Mr. Lawson, Second by Ms. Carlin to excuse the absence of Chuck Copple, Keenan Cortez and Ryan Jackson. Voting in favor were Council Members: Bard, Carlin, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson and Shaw, 6. Absent: Copple, Cortez and Jackson.

PRESENTATIONS

Joplin Sports Authority Quarterly Update
Jared Bruggeman, Executive Director of JSA presented.

FINALIZATION OF CONSENT AGENDA

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

News from the Public Information Office
Lynn Onstot, Public Information Officer, presented.

CITIZEN REQUESTS AND PETITIONS

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Public Hearing procedures were read by Assistant City Clerk Roschelle Forsythe

PUBLIC HEARING FOR COUNCIL BILL NO. 2025-269
Mayor Pro Tem DeTar opened the Public Hearing
Dave Pettit spoke in favor of this item.
No one spoke in opposition of this item.
The Public Hearing was closed.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2025-269
Mr. Lawson introduced Council Bill No. 2025-269 - AN ORDINANCE providing to vacate part of a street, lying north of property described as 2100 E Rolla St, City of Joplin, Jasper County, Missouri. Motion by Mr. Lawson , second by Mr. Bard that Council Bill 2025-269 be placed on the first reading and passed. Voting in favor were Council Members: Bard, Carlin, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson and Shaw, 6. Absent: Copple, Cortez and Jackson, 3.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR COUNCIL BILL NO. 2025-268
Mayor Pro Tem DeTar opened the Public Hearing
Darren Collins spoke in favor of this item.
No one spoke in opposition of this item.
The Public Hearing was closed.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2025-268
Mr. Bard introduced Council Bill No. 2025-268 - AN ORDINANCE amending Ordinance No. 2022-274, passed by the Council of the City of Joplin, Missouri, August 1, 2022, by removing from R-1 (Single-Family Residential) and include in District C-1 (Neighborhood Commercial) property as described below and generally known as 410 W 26th St, Joplin, Jasper County, Missouri. Motion by Mr. Bard, second by Dr. Farnham that Council Bill 2025-268 be placed on the first reading and passed. Voting in favor were Council Members: Bard, Carlin, DeTar, Farnham and Lawson and Shaw 6. Absent: Copple, Cortez and Jackson, 3.

CONSENT AGENDA
Motion by Mr. Shaw, second by Mr. Lawson to approve the consent agenda. Voting in favor were Council Members: Bard, Carlin, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson and Shaw, 6. Absent: Copple, Cortez and Jackson, 3.

Minutes of the April 21, 2025, City Council Meeting

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2025-116- AN ORDINANCE approving a Work Authorization with Allgeier, Martin and Associates, Inc. in the not to exceed amount of One Hundred Fifty Thousand and 00/100 DOLLARS ($150,000.00) for engineering services associated with MS4 Permit and Floodplain Management Support and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin. **Ordinance No. 2025-055.**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2025-117 - AN ORDINANCE authorizing the City of Joplin to enter into a work authorization with Allgeier, Martin and Associates, Inc. for engineering consultation services in the not to exceed amount of Seventy-Nine Thousand Five Hundred and 00/100 Dollars ($79,500.00) for the 2025 Evaluation and Rehabilitation Toolbox for Wastewater Collection System and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin; and setting a date when this Ordinance shall become effective. **Ordinance No. 2025-056.**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2025-121 -AN ORDINANCE approving an amended work authorization with Olsson Inc. in the not to exceed amount of One Hundred Ninety-Nine Thousand Five Hundred Eighty Dollars ($199,580.00) for ARPA Stormwater additional design scope and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin; and setting a date when this ordinance shall become effective. **Ordinance No. 2025-057.**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2025-271 - AN ORDINANCE authorizing the City of Joplin, Missouri, to enter into an Agreement with the Economic Security Corporation, for the purpose of cooperation in the provision of affordable housing; and authorizing the City Manager to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin. **Ordinance No. 2025-058.**

RESOLUTIONS

ORIDNANCES – EMERGENCY

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2025-353

Mr. Lawson introduced Council Bill No. 2025-353 - AN ORDINANCE approving the contract by and between the City of Joplin and B&D Yardbuilders for the demolition of the structure(s) and clearing of a lot located at 126 S Pearl Ave. in the City of Joplin, Missouri, for Six Thousand Four Hundred Seventy-Eight dollars ($6,478.00); providing how the cost thereof shall be paid; how the assessment thereof shall be made; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Lawson, second by Mr. Bard, that Council Bill 2025-353 be **stricken.** Voting in favor were Council Members: Bard, Carlin, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson and Shaw, 6. Absent: Copple, Cortez and Jackson, 3. Council Bill No. 2025-353 was **stricken.**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2025-513

Mr. Bard introduced Council Bill No. 2025-513- AN ORDINANCE approving the Real Estate Contract by and between the City of Joplin, Missouri, a Municipal Corporation, and Terry Wright, for the sale of one parcel located at 1215 Hill Street, totaling approximately 3,150 square feet of land; and authorizing the City Manager to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Bard, second by Dr. Farnham that Council Bill 2025-513 be passed on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Bard, Carlin, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson and Shaw, 6. Absent: Copple, Cortez and Jackson, 3. **Ordinance No. 2025-059.**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2025-514

Mr. Lawson introduced Council Bill No. 2025-514- AN ORDINANCE approving the Real Estate Contract by and between the City of Joplin, Missouri, a Municipal Corporation, and Lauren White, for the sale of one parcel located at 129 North Maple Street, totaling approximately 6,200 square feet of land; and authorizing the City Manager to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Lawson , second by Ms. Carlin, that Council Bill 2025-514 be passed on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Bard, Carlin, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson and Shaw, 6. Absent: Copple, Cortez and Jackson, 3. **Ordinance No. 2025-060.**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2025- 515

Mr. Lawson introduced Council Bill No. 2025-515 - AN ORDINANCE approving the Real Estate Contract by and between the City of Joplin, Missouri, a Municipal Corporation, and Lauren White, for the sale of one parcel located at 831 South Ozark Street, totaling approximately 6,000 square feet of land; and authorizing the City Manager to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Lawson , second by Mr. Bard, that Council Bill 2025-515 be passed on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Bard, Carlin, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson and Shaw, 6. Absent: Copple, Cortez and Jackson, 3. **Ordinance No. 2025-061.**

ORDINANCES – FIRST READING

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2025-120

Mr. Bard introduced Council Bill No. 2025-120- AN ORDINANCE approving an Agreement and Purchase Order 2025A with Ace Pipe Cleaning, Inc. for the 2025 Evaluation and Rehabilitation Toolbox for Wastewater Collection System in the amount of Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand and 00/100 Dollars ($750,000.00) and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin; and, setting a date when this Ordinance shall become effective. Motion by Mr. Bard, second by Dr. Farnham, that Council Bill 2025-120 be passed on the first reading and advance to second and third. Voting in favor were Council Members: Bard, Carlin, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson and Shaw, 6. Absent: Copple, Cortez and Jackson, 3. The Bill was read as Council Bill No. 2025-120.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2025-516

Mr. Lawson introduced Council Bill No. 2025-516 - AN ORDINANCE adopting an updated step pay plan by reference the City Salary Administration Plan; establishing the annual salary of certain Classified and Unclassified positions for Fiscal Year 2024-2025; and, setting a date when this Ordinance shall become effective. Motion by Mr. Lawson , second by Mr. Shaw, that Council Bill 2025-516 be passed on the first reading and advance to second and third. Voting in favor were Council Members: Bard, Carlin, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson and Shaw, 6. Absent: Copple, Cortez and Jackson, 3. The Bill was read as Council Bill No. 2025-516.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2025-611

Dr. Farnham introduced Council Bill No. 2025-611- AN ORDINANCE approving a Contract by and between the City of Joplin and RAVENii, LLC., to implement Co-Managed Services and Network Upgrades; authorizing the City Manager to execute said Contract by and on behalf of the City of Joplin; and containing an effective date. Motion by Dr. Farnham, second by Mr. Bard, that Council Bill 2025-611 be passed on the first reading and advance to second and third. Voting in favor were Council Members: Bard, Carlin, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson and Shaw, 6. Absent: Copple, Cortez and Jackson, 3. The Bill was read as Council Bill No. 2025-611.

SECOND AND THIRD READING

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Carlin stated that this coming week is Small Business Week; she wanted to thank all the small businesses in the community who open new businesses and recognized this week as *Small Business Week.*

The meeting was adjourned at 6:51 p.m.

Respectfully,

Roschelle Forsythe
Assistant City Clerk