CITY OF JOPLIN
COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

ITEM

Resolution 2026-012: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE JOPLIN FIRE DEPARTMENT TO APPLY FOR FEDERAL FUNDING THROUGH THE STAFFING FOR ADEQUATE FIRE AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE (SAFER) GRANT PROGRAM TO SUPPORT THE HIRING OF SIX (6) FIREFIGHTER POSITIONS APPROVED BY THE VOTERS THROUGH PROPOSITION POLICE & FIRE.

MEETING DATE

June 15, 2026

ORIGINATING DEPT

Fire Department

REVIEWED BY

Dept. Head: Gerald Ezell; City Attorney: Peter Edwards; Finance Director: Leslie Haase; City Manager: Nick Edwards

SUMMARY

This Resolution authorizes the Joplin Fire Department to prepare and submit an application for funding through the Federal Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) Grant Program for the purpose of supporting the early of six (6) firefighter swing personnel positions previously approved under Proposition Police & Fire.

BACKGROUND

This resolution will assist the Joplin Fire Department to fully staff the department, if awarded, utilizing Federal funding to assist in personnel costs for 6 swing firefighter positions, 3 that will hold the rank of Driver/Engineer and 3 that will hold the rank of firefighter.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of this resolution.