CITY OF JOPLIN
COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

ITEM
Council Bill 2025-109 Issuance of Purchase Order to United Access for purchase and replacement of two wheelchair lifts on the large trolley with a budget amendment.

MEETING DATE
May 19, 2025

ORIGINATING DEPT
Public Works-Transit

ATTACHMENTS
Council Bill 2025-109 Ordinance; Summary of Bids

REVIEWED BY
Director of Public Works, Daniel Johnson; Finance Director, Leslie Haase; City Attorney, Peter Edwards; Assistant City Manager, Tony Robyn; City Manager, Nicholas Edwards

SUMMARY
This Council Bill approves amending the budget for the issuance of a Purchase Order to United Access for the replacement of two (2) wheelchair lifts on the large Sunshine Lamp Trolley.

BACKGROUND
At the December 2, 2024, City Council meeting the Mayor announced the return of the Sunshine Lamp District Trolley Service. As part of the preparation for the relaunch, staff recognized the need to repair the largest trolley of our fleet to put it back into service. This trolley is currently out of service due to dual wheelchair lifts being non-functional and in need of repair or replacement. Before the large trolley can be put back into service, both wheelchair lifts must be operational to be ADA compliant.

With the cost of transportation, the repair and the future costs of maintenance being considered, staff explored all options. Staff contacted other transportation agencies and followed up with alternative manufacturers. Staff received evaluations for repairing the existing wheelchair lifts and found the trolley would possibly need to be transported to Florida to make the repairs/replacement due to the brand installed being served primarily on the east coast. The replacement was publicly bid on 4-19-2025. One bid was received from United Access in Springfield, Mo.

The budget is being amended to increase revenue in the amount of $44,402.00 and increase expenditures in the amount of $55,502.00. This item falls under the MAPS grant, which is an 80%/20% grant.

FUNDING SOURCE
This item includes a budget amendment.

RECOMMENDATION
Staff recommends approval of Council Bill 2025-109 on first reading.

Bid Tabulation

Project: Wheelchair ramp

Date and Time 5/2/2025 2pm

Contractor:	Total Bid Amount:
United Access	$ 55,052.00

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2025-109 **ORDINANCE NO.**

AN ORDINANCE approving the issuance of a Purchase Order to United Access in the amount of Fifty-Five Thousand Five Hundred Two Dollars and No Cents ($55,502.00) for the replacement of the two Wheelchair Lifts on the large trolley; amending the Annual Budget of the City of Joplin for the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 as adopted by Ordinance 2024-151 on October 21, 2024; and, setting a date when this ordinance shall become effective.

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

Section 1. That a Purchase Order to United Access in the amount of Fifty-Five Thousand Five Hundred Two Dollars and No Cents ($55,502.00) for the replacement of the two Wheelchair Lifts on the large trolley, be and the same is, hereby approved.

Section 2. That the City Manager of the City of Joplin, Missouri, or his designee, is hereby authorized and directed to execute said purchase order, or purchase order in substantially similar form, by and on behalf of the City of Joplin to United Access.

Section 3. That fiscal year 2024-2025 budgeted appropriations as adopted by Ordinance 2024-151 be amended by increasing revenue by the total amount of Forty-Four Thousand Four Hundred Two Dollars and No Cents ($44,402.00) and by increasing appropriations by the total amount of Fifty-Five Thousand Five Hundred Two Dollars and No Cents ($55,502.00).

Section 4. That the Director of Finance is hereby directed to make all necessary entries on the City records to show the increase in revenue and appropriations.

Section 5. That upon its passage this Council Bill shall have an effective date of June 3, 2025.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI, this _____ day of_____, 2025, by a vote of_____.

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ATTEST: Keenan T. Cortez, Sr., Mayor

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Holly Nagy, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Peter C. Edwards, City Attorney