CITY OF JOPLIN
COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

ITEM
Council Bill 2025-130 Utility Relocation Reimbursement Agreement between City of Joplin and AT&T Enterprises, LLC for the Zora Street Improvements Phase 2 project

MEETING DATE
July 7, 2025

ORIGINATING DEPT
Public Works-Engineering

ATTACHMENTS
Council Bill 2025-130; Agreement; Location Map

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 authorizes the City to enter into an agreement with AT&T Enterprises, LLC in the amount of One Hundred Forty-Eight Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty-Seven and 28/100 dollars ($148,727.28) for facility relocations required for the Zora Street Improvements Phase 2 project.

BACKGROUND
In August 2014, the voters passed the Renewal of the Capital Improvement Sales Tax Program for an additional 10 years. One of the projects was the improvement of E. Zora Street from Range Line Road to MO-249. Phase 1 of the Zora improvements project is defined as the construction of a new concrete roundabout at the intersection of Zora Street and Duquesne Road. Phase 2 of the project is defined as improving Zora Street from the new intersection at Duquesne Road east to MO-249, and Phase 3 is defined as improving Zora Street from Range Line Road to Duquesne Road. In June 2025, City Council approved a construction agreement with Emery Sapp and Sons, Inc. (ESS) for the construction of Phase 2 of the Zora Improvements project. The relocation of AT&T's facilities in this area are required for the completion of the construction project by ESS.

FUNDING SOURCE
This item is included in the FY 2025 Budget in the Capital Improvement Sales Tax Fund.

RECOMMENDATION
Staff recommend approval of Council Bill 2025-130, agreement with AT&T Enterprises, LLC in the amount of One Hundred Forty-Eight Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty-Seven and 28/100 dollars ($148,727.28) for facility relocations required for the Zora Street Improvements Phase 2 project on an emergency basis, in that said ordinance provides for public improvements and is considered to be an emergency per section 2.12(6) of the HOME RULE CHARTER of the City of Joplin, Missouri, and as such, this ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passage. Furthermore, approval of this council bill will allow the contractor for the roadway improvements project to proceed with the contracted work without any unnecessary delays, and is therefore an emergency.