# CITY OF JOPLIN
# COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

**ITEM**
Council Bill 2019-511 – Approving an updated agreement for city property tax collection with the Jasper County Collector

**MEETING DATE**
July 15, 2019

**ORIGINATING DEPT**
Finance

**ATTACHMENTS**
CB 2019-511 Ordinance; Exhibit "A", Cooperative Agreement

**REVIEWED BY**
Department Head: Leslie Haase; City Attorney: Peter Edwards; Interim City Manager: Dan Pekarek

**SUMMARY**
This Council Bill approves an updated agreement with the Jasper County Collector to collect real property taxes in the county on behalf of the City.

**BACKGROUND**
The City of Joplin entered into an agreement with the Jasper County Collector in February of 1998 to collect the real property taxes on behalf of the City. Steven McIntosh was recently elected as the Jasper County Collector following the retirement of Stephen Holt. As a result, a new Agreement is required with the new Collector.

The City wishes to continue the relationship that allows the County to collect the real property taxes on behalf of the City.

**FUNDING SOURCE**
The County assesses a 4% fee for this service. The funds that receive the property tax pay this fee and it is included in the budget for the Health Fund, Parks Fund, Solid Waste Management Fund and the Library Fund.

**RECOMMENDATION**
Staff recommends approval of this council bill on an emergency basis.