tCity of **JOPLIN** City Council Agenda Item

Requested Council Meeting Date: July 20, 2015
Council Bill No. 2015-141

Item: Contract with Southwest Missouri Traffic Management for the Traffic Control Project

Originating Department: Public Works – Engineering

Attachments: 1) Rate Schedule
2) Council Bill 2015-141

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City Attorney: Peter Edwards
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Recommended Action: Approval of a contract for the Traffic Control Project with Southwest Missouri Traffic Management.

Background: Utility companies and construction contractors periodically cut the city streets, sidewalks, and curb and gutter in order to make utility and sewer connections for new homes and businesses. Utility companies also find it necessary to make cuts so they can make repairs to existing services. In order for the pavement repair contract to work in arterial and collector streets it is necessary to use MUTCD compliant traffic control. This type of traffic control requires signage and safety equipment that is not normally used in residential areas and the pavement repair contractor does not have. The price of these repairs are billed back to the utility companies and contractors. This contract will allow the city to use the contractor for emergency or large traffic control issues at the rates that was bid under this project.

Discussion: In accordance with the City of Joplin's Procurement policies the project was advertised in the Joplin Globe Newspaper and on the city's website with 1 firm picking up bids for this project and 1 firm bidding.

Recommendation: Staff recommends approval of a contract with Southwest Missouri Traffic Management for the Traffic Control Project be approved on an emergency basis per Section 2.12 (6) of the Joplin City Charter.