CITY OF JOPLIN
COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

ITEM
Resolution No. 2020-011 - City of Joplin COVID-19 Proposed Project Listing

MEETING DATE
July 20, 2020

REVIEWED BY
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SUMMARY
This Resolution provides a summary of the City of Joplin's COVID-19 proposed project listing and requests the authority of City Council to submit the projects as listed to Jasper and Newton County Commissioners as the City's request for their CARES funding.

BACKGROUND
On March 27th, 2020, President Trump signed into law the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act which provides over $2 trillion in economic relief package in response to the economic and public health impacts of COVID-19. As a result of this Act, there are numerous Federal agencies and legislation making funds available to address the impact of the COVID-19.

The State of Missouri received $2.3 billion as part of their CARES Relief Funding (CRF). In April 2020, the Missouri State Treasurer allocated 25% of these funds to each Missouri County and City not within in a county with a population under 500,000**.** As a result of this distribution, Jasper County received $14,234,196 based on their 2019 population of 121,328, and Newton County received $6,832,245 based on their 2019 population of 58,236.

As a result of the COVID-19 Impact Assessment of the surrounding businesses, non-profits and residents as well as Department Head interviews, Guidehouse has consolidated all the identified needs and has developed the proposed project listing as shown in Attachment #2. The goal is to use this project listing to request for the CARES relief funding that has been allocated to the Counties and work with the City to pursue additional Federal funding related to the CARES Act, some of which include Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), and unallocated funding at the State level to help maximize all available funding and reduce duplicative efforts.

RECOMMENDATION
Staff recommends approval. Joplin City Council to approve COVID-19 project list, and request to seek the Jasper and Newton Counties' CRF, and work with the City to pursue other Federal funding sources to maximize the all available funding opportunities available to the City of Joplin.

ATTACHMENTS
1. Resolution No. 2020-011
2. City of Joplin Proposed Project Listing
3. Newton County CARES Funding Application template