City of **JOPLIN** City Council Agenda Item

Requested Council Meeting Date: August 3, 2015

Item: COUNCIL BILL NO. 2015-619
Originating Department: PUBLIC WORKS - AIRPORT

Attachments: 1) Copy of Council Bill

Airport Manager:	Steve Stockam
Department Head:	Nick Heatherly
Finance Department:	Leslie Haase
City Attorney:	Peter Edwards
City Manager:	Sam Anselm

Recommended Action: Approving two additional part-time airport operations workers; and, amending the Annual Budget of the City of Joplin for the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 as adopted by Ordinance 2014-177 on October 20, 2014.

Summary: As part of the FAA requirement for Part 139 Certification we must accommodate the category of emergency response index required by the Airlines. The Airport current staffing level and Certification Index is Index A.

ExpressJet took over for Envoy as the regional carrier flying for American Airlines into Joplin on July 6th. We were notified by their OPS staff that the model aircraft they are flying requires ARFF Index B which requires 1500 gal water on the truck(s) equipment. We received our new 500 gal ARFF truck last week. With our current 1000 gal unit we have the equipment to be able to meet those requirements in house. This equipment will require two operators, one for each truck.

In order to meet the FAA requirements for just the commercial flights the Airport will need to staff both ARFF units 15 minutes prior to landing and 15 minutes after take-off. Current staff will overlap at the mid-day flight to provide the cover age. The additional PT Staff is required for coverage of the early morning and late evening flights.

Discussion: That Fiscal year 2014-2015 budgeted appropriations as adopted by Ordinance 2014-177 be amended by increasing appropriations by the total amount of Nine Thousand Dollars ($9,000.00.).

Staff requests approval of the additional PT staff for the Airport.