JOPLIN CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
JULY 20, 2020

CALL TO ORDER
The July 20, 2020 regular meeting of the Joplin City Council was called to order at 6:00 p.m.by Mayor Ryan Stanley.

INVOCATION was read by City Clerk Barbara Gollhofer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE to the United States of America was led by Mr. Shaw.

ROLL CALL
Answering Roll Call were Council Members: Charles Copple, Keenan Cortez, Doug Lawson, Anthony Monteleone, Diane Reid Adams, Gary Shaw, Mayor Ryan Stanley, Phil Stinnett, and Christina Williams. Also, in attendance were City Manager Nick Edwards and City Attorney Peter Edwards.

PRESENTATIONS

FINALIZATION OF CONSENT AGENDA
There being no further business to come before the Council, the Consent Agenda was finalized.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

CITIZEN REQUESTS AND PETITIONS
Brian Jones, 1015 Sheridan Dr., Joplin, was not able to attend the council meeting to speak about anti-Covid preventative measures enforced; however, two other representatives spoke on his behalf: Ray Foreman, 106 Hickory Place, Carl Junction MO and Major Henry Cole, 1625 Grand Ave., Parsons, KS. They presented information regarding a community safety imitative hosted by the Federal Aviation Safety Team and incorporating programs at MSSU, Joplin Civil Air Patrol, and Mizzou Aviation on August 20.

Margey Upson, Joplin, spoke on her definition of respect.

Brian Evans, 4308 W. 28th Place, Joplin, spoke in opposition to the mask ordinance.

Juan "Cookie" Estrada, 3404 W. McIntosh Circle, Joplin, asked the City Council to consider childcare as a high priority from the CARES Act funds.

PUBLIC HEARINGS
Public Hearing Procedures were read by City Clerk Barbara Gollhofer

Mayor Stanley opened the Public Hearing for Council Bill No. 2020-518

Drew Snyder, 8770 N. 180th, Omaha NE appeared in favor of this item on behalf of Woodsonia.
Jack Frost, 15 Quail Ridge, Joplin, appeared in favor of this item and stated it would be an economic boost for the city.

No one appeared in opposition to this item.

The Public Hearing was closed.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2020-518- an ordinance approving a Petition to Establish the 32nd Street Place Community Improvement District and creating the 32nd Street Place Community Improvement District, will be placed on the August 3, 2020 agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA
Motion by Mr. Lawson, second by Mr. Shaw to approve the Consent Agenda. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett and Williams, 9. Nays: 0.

Minutes of the July 6, 2020 City Council Meeting
Minutes of the July 8, 2020 Special City Council Meeting

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2020-140 – AN ORDINANCE approving an occupancy agreement by and between the City of Joplin and Missouri & Northern Arkansas Railroad Company, Inc, as it pertains to construction of an underground storm sewer pipeline crossing and parallelism related to the 4th and School Stormwater Project (TS0612) and establishing certain obligations regarding the continuation of the occupancy; and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin. **Ordinance No. 2020-102**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2020-265-AN ORDINANCE approving the voluntary annexation by the Council of the City of Joplin, Missouri, approximately 400' West and 650' North of the West end of public right-of-way on W. 32nd St., Joplin, Jasper County, Missouri. **Ordinance No. 2020-103**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2020-266 - AN ORDINANCE establishing grades and accepting the Plat of QuikTrip No. 7061 Subdivision located at 6601 E. 32nd St. in the City of Joplin, Jasper County, Missouri. **Ordinance No. 2020-104**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2020-267 - AN ORDINANCE establishing grades and accepting the Plat of Eagles Edge Subdivision located at approximately 400' West and 650' North of the West end of public right-of-way on W. 32nd St., in the City of Joplin, Jasper County, Missouri. **Ordinance No. 2020-105**

RESOLUTIONS
RESOLUTION NO. 2020-011
Mr. Stinnett introduced Resolution No. 2020-011 - a resolution summarizing the City of Joplin's COVID-19 proposed project listing and requesting 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 Relief funding. Motion by Mr. Stinnett, second by Dr. Reid Adams to approve Resolution No. 2020-011. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett and Williams, 9. Nays: 0. Resolution No. 2020-011 was approved.

ORDINANCES – EMERGENCY

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2020-152

Mr. Shaw introduced Council Bill No. 2020-152 - an ordinance authorizing the City of Joplin to enter into a construction agreement with Encompass IDBO, LLC, in the not to exceed the amount of Four Hundred Eighty-Nine Thousand, Four Hundred Fourteen and 00/100 Dollars ($489,414.00) for construction services associated with the Miscellaneous Wastewater Treatment Facilities Improvements 2020 on behalf of the City of Joplin and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Shaw, second by Mr. Lawson that Council Bill No. 2020-152 be approved on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett and Williams, 9. Nays: 0. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2020-106**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2020-517

Mr. Lawson introduced Council Bill No. 2020-517 - an ordinance approving the Real Estate Contract by and between the City of Joplin, Missouri, a Municipal Corporation, and JMJ Rental Enterprises, Inc., a Missouri corporation, for the sale of one parcel at 903 Virginia Avenue, approximately 3,6000 square feet of land, in the amount of Four Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars and No Cents ($4,750.00) and authorizing the City Manager to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Lawson, second by Mr. Cortez that Council Bill No. 2020-517 be approved on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett and Williams, 9. Nays: 0. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2020-107**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2020-607

Dr. Reid Adams introduced Council Bill No. 2020-607 - an ordinance approving a Purchase Order to be issued to SHI/Microsoft Corporation to cover the annual support payment for the Public Safety and Financial software and related systems as budgeted in the Annual Budget of the City of Joplin for the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 as adopted by Ordinance 2019-166 on October 21, 2019; to adjust appropriations; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Dr. Reid Adams, second by Mr. Monteleone that Council Bill No. 2020-607 be approved on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett and Williams, 9. Nays: 0. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2020-108**

ORDINANCES – FIRST READING

Ordinances – Second Reading and Third Reading

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2020-516

Mr. Stinnett introduced Council Bill No. 2020-516 - an ordinance approving a Contract by and between the City of Joplin and SFS Architecture to complete a study of Memorial Hall; authorizing the City Manager to execute said Contract by and on behalf of the City of Joplin. Motion by Mr. Stinnett, second by Mr. Cortez to pass Council Bill No. 2020-516 on Second Reading, advance to Third Reading and pass. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Lawson, Reid Adams, Shaw, and Stinnett, 6. Nays: Monteleone, Stanley, 2. Absent: 0. Abstention: Williams, 1. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2020-109**

Unfinished Business

New Business

Additional Requests to Address Council

Christopher Rouse, 2006 E. Whitney Way Ave., Joplin, spoke on the COVID-19 mask ordinance and impact on city budget.
Caleb Tibbetts, 2525 E. 32nd St. Apt. J-55, Joplin spoke in favor of the mask ordinance.
Dr. John Knudsen, III 4807 S. Byers, Joplin, spoke on the coronavirus response.
Shane Merrill, 3336 S. Sergeant, Joplin, urged Council not to reinstitute a stay at home order.
Rodney Noran, 2301 S. Florida, Joplin, spoke against the mask ordinance.
Krissie Walsh, Joplin, asked Council to consider using CARES Act funds for more public education COVID-19. She also favored the mask ordinance.
B. A. Hayes, 2230 S. Willard Ave., Joplin, spoke in favor of the mask ordinance.

Discussion of the COVID 19 Response and Recovery Plan.

Assistant Health Director Ryan Talken presented an update on the status of Joplin's confirmed COVID-19 cases. The data reflects only Joplin residents. As of July 19, 2020, there were a total of 318 confirmed cases; 55 active, 248 inactive, 15 deaths, 5 hospitalized, 132 active quarantines. These numbers can be found on our COVID19 dashboard on the City's website. The numbers have shown slight improvement and are continuing to be monitored 7 days a week. Staff continues to investigate cases and perform contact tracing. Everyone is encouraged to continue to social distance, wear a mask, stay home if you are sick, and get a COVID test if you think you need one. The National Guard provided free COVID testing at Ozark Christian College yesterday and today. Mask etiquette: please be a good neighbor and don't throw your mask on the ground, dispose of it properly.

After Mr. Talken's presentation, City Manager Nick Edwards stated the staff recommendation is to remain in Phase 2, Step 2 of the Recovery Plan, with the mask ordinance in place. The City Council members concurred.

News from Public Information Officer, Lynn Onstot.

Masks are still available to Joplin residents and are being distributed at Memorial Hall parking lot this week on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Times are from 7 to 9 a.m.; 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 4 to 6 p.m. The entrance is located on Joplin Avenue, just south of 7th Street. Residents can come and get masks for themselves and those in their households, and we're also encouraging them to help their neighbors, friends, and other family members who want or need a mask but can't get to the parking lot. They are welcome to pick up for these people too. They do not need to bring identification for these other masks. Our goal is to get masks to people who want them or need them.

The City of Joplin has begun testing the sanitary sewers through a process called "smoke testing". Smoke testing helps find and locate defects or improper connections by blowing an odorless and non-toxic smoke into the sewer. When there are no defects or improper connections, smoke will only be seen from the roof vents of each building that is connected to the sewer. When there *are* direct improper connections, smoke will be seen where there are defects. Residents and

business owners will be notified 48 hours before testing begins. Door hangers with this information will be placed on, or given to the owners, of buildings and homes that will be in the test area. Local Police and Fire officials will also be notified so they are prepared if citizens who have forgotten about testing happen to become alarmed.

Joplin residents recently received The Citizen newsletter, and I have a couple of updates to events listed in this edition. The Great Race that was scheduled to arrive in Joplin on August 24 has been cancelled and will be held sometime next year. The Space Program exhibit at the Joplin Museum has been postponed until further notice.

And a reminder that the City Manager has posted a survey asking citizens to dream about Joplin's future. They can find it on the City's Facebook page or website. Written surveys are available at the Library, Recycling Center and City Hall. For more information about these announcements, or other City news, please visit our website at joplinmo.org.

Closed session

Vote to go into closed session which shall pertain to leasing, purchasing or sale of real estate by a public governmental body where public knowledge of the transaction might adversely affect the legal consideration therefore as set forth in Section 610.021 (2) RSMo, as amended, 2019. This meeting, record, and vote to be closed to the extent provided by law. The City Council shall adjourn at the end of the session. Motion by Mr. Monteleone, second by Mr. Cortez to go into closed session. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett and Williams, 9. Nays: 0.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

Respectfully,

Barbara J. Gollhofer, City Clerk