COUNCIL BILL NO. 2024-279 ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE approving an Agreement between the City of Joplin, Missouri, and the Economic Security Corporation to administer all activities and complete the Joplin Homeowners Rehabilitation Program provided through a American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Community Revitalization Program; authorizing the City Manager to execute same on behalf of the City of Joplin; amending the Annual Budget of the City of Joplin for the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 as adopted by Ordinance 2023-158 on October 16, 2023; and, setting a date when this Ordinance shall become effective.

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2021, the Department of Treasury established the State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (SLFRF) to build upon and expand the financial support provided to state and local governments as they navigate the long-term economic consequences of the COVID-19 public health emergency.

WHEREAS, the City of Joplin was awarded $3,500,000 (Three Million Five Hundred Thousand) with a matching fund requirement by the Missouri Department of Economic Development's ARPA Community Revitalization Grant Program.

WHEREAS, the City of Joplin's Community Revitalization Program is comprised of three housing programs that will advance the revitalization of neighborhoods by providing individuals an opportunity to secure homeowner status by contributing to down payment and closing costs through the Joplin Homebuyers Assistance program (JHAP), Joplin Homeowners Rehabilitation Program (JHRP) and a third program funding the demolition of dangerous and vacant structures.

WHEREAS, the City of Joplin and the Economic Security Corporation (ESC), are desirous of entering into an agreement whereby ESC will administer the Joplin Homeowners Rehabilitation Program to benefit the residents within Census tracts 101, 106.01, 108 & 110 through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Community Revitalization Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That an Agreement between the City of Joplin, Missouri, and Economic Security Corporation is entered into that describes the expenditure of $2,000,000 (Two Million dollars) to provide necessary repairs for eligible properties within the four qualified census tracts, a copy of same, or copy in substantially similar form, attached hereto and incorporated herein, be and the same is hereby approved.

Section 2. That the City Manager of the City of Joplin, or his designee, Director of Planning, Development & Neighborhood Services, is hereby authorized and directed, upon recommendation and approval of the City Council, to execute said Agreement or Agreement in substantially similar form, by and on behalf of the City of Joplin, Missouri.

Section 3. That upon the final approval and acceptance of the Subrecipient Agreement between the City of Joplin and Economic Security Corporation (ESC) that the Subrecipient may request Administrative Cost Reimbursement of an amount not to exceed $350,000 (Three Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars) that will be provided from Use Tax Funds.

Section 4. That fiscal year 2023-2024 budgeted appropriations as adopted by Ordinance 2023-158 be amended by increasing appropriations by the total amount of Three Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars and No Cents ($350,000.00).

Section 5. That the Director of Finance is hereby directed to make all necessary entries on the City records to show the increase in appropriations.

Section 6. That this Council Bill shall have an effective date of August 20, 2024.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI, this _____ day of _____, 2024, by a _____vote.

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Keenan T. Cortez, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Holly Nagy, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Peter C. Edwards, City Attorney