# CITY OF JOPLIN
# COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

**ITEM**
Council Bill 2025-452– Approving a Program Services Contract between the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) and the City of Joplin

**MEETING DATE**
August 18, 2025

**ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT**
Health Department

**ATTACHMENTS**
CB2025-452 Council Bill and the DHSS Program Services Contract

**REVIEWED BY**
Dept. Head: Ryan Talken; Director of Finance: Leslie Haase; City Attorney: Peter Edwards; Assistant City Manager: Tony Robyn; City Manager: Nicholas Edwards.

**SUMMARY**
This Council Bill authorizes a Program Services Contract between the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) and the City of Joplin providing funding for Public Health Emergency Preparedness activities.

**BACKGROUND**
This DHSS contract renewal provides funding from the state for public health preparedness activities in Joplin. The contract continues partial funding of one Regional Response Planner to be based in the Joplin Health Department. This staff person provides emergency planning and response activities for Joplin and Jasper County health departments. The county health department provides funding to the city for these services that allow for full funding of this position for six months.

Services provided generally include the exercise and update of public health emergency response plans for each department, facilitating staff training requirements for emergency preparedness as well as improvement of disease surveillance and reaction capabilities of each health jurisdiction.

The period for this agreement is July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026, and the total anticipated reimbursement from this agreement is $20,192.00. No local match is required for participation in this contract.

**FUNDING SOURCE**
The source of funding is the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services contract.

**RECOMMENDATION**
Staff recommends approval of this Council Bill No. 2025-452, on an emergency basis to prevent delay in implementation.