JOPLIN CITY COUNCIL
AUGUST 5, 2024
MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The August 5, 2024, regular meeting of the Joplin City Council was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Keenan Cortez.

INVOCATION was read by City Clerk, Holly Nagy

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA was led by the Joplin Outlaws.

ROLL CALL

Answering Roll Call were Council Members: Joshua Bard, Doris Carlin, Charles Copple, Keenan Cortez, Josh DeTar, Mark Farnham, Ryan Jackson, and Gary Shaw. Also, in attendance were City Manager Nick Edwards and City Attorney Peter Edwards.

Absent: Doug Lawson

Motion by Mr. DeTar, second by Mr. Jackson to excuse the absence of Mr. Lawson. Voting in favor were Council Members: Bard, Copple, Cortez, Carlin, DeTar, Farnham, Jackson, and Shaw, 8. Absent: Lawson, 1.

PRESENTATIONS

Community Revitalization Program Status Update

Troy Bolander, Director of Planning and Neighborhood Development Services and Chuck Banks from A&M presented.

FINALIZATION OF CONSENT AGENDA

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

News from the Public Information Office

Community members are invited to join Joplin firefighters during a "wet down" ceremony for the new pumper truck being put into service at Joplin Fire Station #6. This unique event will be held at 3 p.m. on Friday, August 9, at Joplin Fire Station #6, 5302 West 32nd Street.

After the wet-down portion of the event, everyone can join firefighters to "push" the truck into the station to be ready for the next call. Wet Down ceremonies began in the 1800s as a necessity after responding to a call. Horses pulled the fire apparatus, and after a call, the horses and apparatus were washed down.

To back the heavy fire apparatus into position for the next call, community members joined firefighters to push the heavy equipment into the bay.

Today, the tradition continues. Firefighters gather with the community to wash down the new apparatus and then push it into the station to prepare it for public service.
We hope many people come out for this on Friday, August 9.

Back to school – It's that time of year for getting supplies, planning schedules, and ensuring kids are up to date on their vaccinations. Joplin Health Department vaccinates children living within Joplin city limits or those enrolled in a Joplin school, public or private. We provide vaccinations to the insured, the uninsured, and the underinsured. Call to make an appointment. 417-623-6122.

Adults can also start the fall with some education through the Health Department's CPR training opportunities.... Two upcoming classes include:

Friends and Family® CPR class - Wednesday, August 7, from 9 to 11:30am at the Health Department.

This class is great for the general public. It's especially helpful for new parents, grandparents, and babysitters. No medical background needed. The cost is $25 a person. CPR HeartCode® BLS Skills Session - Wednesday, August 21, from 9 to 10 am. The cost is $20 a person. This course is for those who have previously completed the HeartCode® BLS Online course.

Classes are offered at the Joplin Health Department, 321 East 4th Street.

Pre-payment and registration is required. Sign up for this or future CPR classes under "Adult Programs" tab at www.JoplinParks.org .

Speaking of websites, the City's Marketing and Communications team has launched an important survey as the research phase for our website redesign project begins.

We've heard our citizens. We know our website needs work. We want to improve Joplinmo.org, and need the public's help!

We ask everyone to provide input on this 10-minute survey to provide a user-friendly and accessible city government website.

No matter how often someone uses the City's website, we want their ideas for improving it.

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/JoplinWebSurveyPublic1

This survey is just the beginning of the research phase for a major redesign of the City website. There will be more opportunities to provide feedback throughout the process.

We thank everyone for their participation.

CITIZEN REQUESTS AND PETITIONS

Mary Price spoke regarding Fiscal Accountability & City Council responsibility to citizens.

Joshua Shackles requested to speak during New Business.

Brian Evans spoke regarding Freeman demolition proposal and unequal treatment of Joplin residents.

Donna Bray spoke on Freeman Building Demo.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Public Hearing Procedures were read by City Clerk Holly Nagy

PUBLIC HEARING FOR RESOLUTION NO. 2024-012

Mayor Cortez opened the Public Hearing
Jen Hicks, Charlie Davis, Shannon Switzer, Asia Euros, Elisha Randell spoke in favor of this item.
Rhonda Fanning spoke in opposition of this item.
The Public Hearing was closed.

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-012

Mr. DeTar introduced Resolution No. 2024-012- A RESOLUTION granting a Special Use Permit (1st Request) for the operation of a Home Beauty Salon, located at 3502 S Park Ave in the City of Joplin, Newton County, Missouri. (Requested by Jennifer Hicks. Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval). Motion by Mr. DeTar second by Mr. Bard that Resolution No. 2024-012 be approved. Voting in favor were Council Members: Bard, Carlin, Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Jackson, and Shaw, 8. Absent: Lawson, 1.

There was a protest occurrence of 9.9060%

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Mr. Shaw, second by Mr. Copple to approve the Consent Agenda. Voting in favor were Council Members: Bard, Carlin, Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Jackson, and Shaw, 8. Absent: Lawson, 1.

Minutes of the July 15, 2024, City Council Meeting

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2024-275 - AN ORDINANCE authorizing the City of Joplin, Missouri, to enter into an Agreement with ALLO Communications LLC, a Nebraska limited liability company, for the purpose of leasing a certain land in the area commonly known as 1301 W 2nd Street, Joplin MO to ALLO Communications LLC to use the premises for a central office and/or data bunker, which is a building for utilities, computers and a generator using electricity, but without any temporary or permanent occupancy; authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin. **Ordinance No. 2024-090**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2024-276 - AN ORDINANCE authorizing the City of Joplin, Missouri, to enter into an Agreement with ALLO Communications LLC, a Nebraska limited liability company, for the purpose of leasing a certain land in the area commonly known as 2749 E 30th Street, Joplin MO to ALLO Communications LLC to use the premises for a central office and/or data bunker, which is a building for utilities, computers and a generator using electricity, but without any temporary or permanent occupancy; authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin. **Ordinance No. 2024-091**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2024-507 - AN ORDINANCE approving a Petition to Terminate the Northpark Lane Community Improvement District. **Ordinance No. 2024-092**

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-013

Mr. Copple introduced Resolution No. 2024-013 - A RESOLUTION of the City of Joplin, Missouri, stating the intent to apply for federal assistance from the Recreational Trails Program for the purpose of the City of Joplin Trail Amenities Project in the amount of $147,210.00; and, committing to the match funding of $98,140.00. Motion by Mr. Copple, second by Ms. Carlin, that Resolution No. 2024-013 be approved. Voting in favor were Council Members: Bard, Carlin, Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Jackson, and Shaw, 8. Absent: Lawson, 1.

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-014

Mr. Copple introduced Resolution No. 2024-014 - A RESOLUTION approving modification to the City of Joplin Purchasing Policy. Motion by Mr. Copple, second by Mr. DeTar, that Resolution No. 2024-014 be approved. Voting in favor were Council Members: Bard, Carlin, Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Jackson, and Shaw, 8. Absent: Lawson, 1.

ORDINANCES – EMERGENCY

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2024-132

Mr. Copple introduced Council Bill No, 2024-132 - AN ORDINANCE approving the City of Joplin to enter into a construction agreement with Rosetta Construction in the amount of One Million, Five Hundred Eighty-Eight Thousand, Five Hundred Ninety-Nine and 00/100 DOLLARS ($1,588,599.00) for the Tin Cup Lift Station and Pressure Line Improvement Section 2 (Force Main) and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin, and containing and emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Copple, second by Dr. Farnham, that Council Bill No. 2024-132 be passed on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Bard, Carlin, Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Jackson, and Shaw, 8. Absent: Lawson, 1. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2024-093.**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2024-615

Mr. DeTar introduced Council Bill No. 2024-615 – AN ORDINANCE approving the issuance of a Purchase Order to SHI/Microsoft Corporation to cover the annual support payment for the Public Safety and Financial software, as budgeted in the Annual Budget of the City of Joplin for the Fiscal Year 2023-2024, was budgeted and approved for by Council during the budget process and finalized by Council Bill 2023-519 on October 16, 2023; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. DeTar second by Mr. Copple, that Council Bill No. 2024-615 be passed on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Bard, Carlin, Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Jackson, and Shaw, 8. Absent: Lawson, 1. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2024-094**.

A break was taken at 7:43 PM. Reconvened at 7:50 PM.

ORDINANCES – FIRST READING

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2024-280

Mr. DeTar introduced Council Bill No. 2024-280 - AN ORDINANCE authorizing the City of Joplin to enter into a Donation Agreement by and between Randal and Shelly Kraft, "Donor", and the City of Joplin, Missouri, "Donee", dealing generally with the donation of certain real property (the old Freeman Hospital) located at 2008 South Sergeant A venue in Joplin, Missouri. Motion by Mr. DeTar, second by Mr. Copple that Council Bill No. 2024-280 be passed on the first reading and advanced to second and third. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, DeTar, and Shaw, 4. Nay: Bard, Farnham, Jackson, 3. Abstained: Carlin, 1. Absent: Lawson, 1.

Motion by Mr. Copple, second by Ms. Carlin that any costs above $1 million be brought back before the Council for approval. Voting in favor were Council Members: Bard, Carlin, Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, and Shaw, 7. Nay: Jackson, 1. Absent: Lawson, 1.

The Bill was read as Council Bill No. 2024-280.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2024-002

Mr. Copple introduced Council Bill No. 2024-002 - AN ORDINANCE re-adopting Chapter 2, Administration, of the Joplin City Code, Section 2-107, "Financial interest disclosure", requiring certain officials and employees of the City of Joplin to file Financial Interest Disclosure Statements as described herein. Motion by Mr. Copple, second by Mr. Bard that Council Bill No. 2024-002 be passed on the first reading and advanced to second and third. Voting in favor were Council Members: Bard, Carlin, Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Jackson, and Shaw, 8. Absent: Lawson, 1. The Bill was read as Council Bill No. 2024-002.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2024-126

Mr. DeTar introduced Council Bill No. 2024-126 - AN ORDINANCE approving the issuance of a Purchase Order to Armor Equipment (Sourcewell Contract #101221-SCA), in the amount of Three Hundred Twelve Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty-Eight Dollars and 89/100 Cents ($312,938.89) for the purchase of a 2024 800-HDR-ECO Series IV Truck Mounted High Pressure Sewer Cleaner; and, 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. Motion by Mr. DeTar, second by Mr. Copple that Council Bill No. 2024-126 be passed on the first reading and advanced to second and third. Voting in favor were Council Members: Bard, Carlin, Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Jackson, and Shaw, 8. Absent: Lawson, 1. The Bill was read as Council Bill No. 2024-126.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2024-130

Mr. DeTar introduced Council Bill No. 2024-130 - AN ORDINANCE approving the City of Joplin to enter into a construction agreement with Goins Enterprises, Inc. in the amount of One Million, Seven Hundred Seventy-Seven Thousand, Seven Hundred and 00/100 DOLLARS ($1,777,700.00) for the Tin Cup Lift Station and Pressure Line Improvement Section 1 (Lift Station) and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin, and setting a date when the ordinance shall become effective. Motion by Mr. DeTar, second by Mr. Jackson that Council Bill No. 2024-130 be passed on the first reading and advanced to second and third. Voting in favor were Council Members: Bard, Carlin, Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Jackson, and Shaw, 8. Absent: Lawson, 1. The Bill was read as Council Bill No. 2024-130.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2024-131

Mr. DeTar introduced Council Bill No. 2024-131 - AN ORDINANCE approving Amendment 1 to Work Authorization AND-15th ST. EXT-001 with OWN, Inc. (formerly Anderson Engineering) in the not to exceed amount of One Hundred Sixty-Five Thousand Four Hundred Ninety-Nine and 00/100 dollars ($165,499.00) for professional engineering services for the East 15th Street Extension project and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin; and setting a date when this Ordinance shall become effective. Motion by Mr. DeTar, second by Mr. Copple that Council Bill No. 2024-131 be passed on the first reading and advanced to second and third. Voting in favor were Council Members: Bard, Carlin, Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Jackson, and Shaw, 8. Absent: Lawson, 1. The Bill was read as Council Bill No. 2024-131.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2024-277

Mr. Jackson introduced Council Bill No. 2024-277 - AN ORDINANCE authorizing the City of Joplin, Missouri, to enter into an Agreement with ALLO Communications LLC, a Nebraska limited liability company, for the purpose of ALLO installing, maintaining, and operating facilities for communications related services including but not limited to wholesale broadband transmission service to Internet Service Providers within the City's Rights-of-Way and ensuring compliance with the City's requirements of such use of City property; authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin; and setting a date when this Ordinance shall become effective. Motion by Mr. Jackson, second by Ms. Carlin that Council Bill No. 2024-277 be passed on the first reading and advanced to second and third. Voting in favor were Council Members: Bard, Carlin, Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Jackson, and Shaw, 7. Nay: Farnham, 1. Absent: Lawson, 1. The Bill was read as Council Bill No. 2024-277.

A break was taken at 9:28 PM. Reconvened at 9:33 PM.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2024-278

Mr. Copple introduced Council Bill No. 2024-278 - AN ORDINANCE approving the First Amendment for Consulting Services "First Amendment" and Work Authorization 3 with Alvarez and Marsal Infrastructure and Capital Projects LLP to provide administrative services for Phase 2 implementing broadband and connectivity solutions in the not to exceed amount of Eight Hundred Thirty-Six Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety-Seven Dollars and No Cents ($836,897.00) and authorizing the City Manager to execute the same by and 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. Motion by Mr. Copple, second by Ms. Carlin that Council Bill No. 2024-277 be passed on the first reading and advanced to second and third. Voting in favor were Council Members: Bard, Carlin, Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Jackson, and Shaw, 7. Nay: Farnham, 1. Absent: Lawson, 1. The Bill was read as Council Bill No. 2024-278.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2024-279

Mr. Copple introduced Council Bill No. 2024-279 - 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; and setting a date when this Ordinance shall become effective. Motion by Mr. Copple, second by Mr. Jackson that Council Bill No. 2024-279 be passed on the first reading and advanced to second and third. Voting in favor were Council Members: Bard, Carlin, Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Jackson, and Shaw, 8. Absent: Lawson, 1. The Bill was read as Council Bill No. 2024-279.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2024-616

Mr. DeTar introduced Council Bill No. 2024-616 - AN ORDINANCE approving a contract by and between the City of Joplin and Bentek, LLC, a Florida limited liability company in the not to exceed amount of $50,000 for Benefit Administration SaaS and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the same by and 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. Motion by Mr. DeTar, second by Mr. Jackson that Council Bill No. 2024-616 be passed on the first reading and advanced to second and third. Voting in favor were Council Members: Bard, Carlin, Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Jackson, and Shaw, 8. Absent: Lawson, 1. The Bill was read as Council Bill No. 2024-616.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2024-617

Mr. Copple introduced Council Bill No. 2024-617 - AN ORDINANCE authorizing the City of Joplin, Missouri, to enter into an Agreement with Springfield Sign and Graphics Inc., a Missouri Corporation, d/b/a Springfield Sign, for the purpose of completing three wayfinding projects for the not-to-exceed price of Thirty-One Thousand Four Hundred and Thirty-Seven Dollars ($31,437.00) and authorizing the City Manager to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin. Motion by Mr. Copple, second by Mr. Bard that Council Bill No. 2024-617 be passed on the first reading and advanced to second and third. Voting in favor were Council Members: Bard, Carlin, Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Jackson, and Shaw, 8. Absent: Lawson, 1. The Bill was read as Council Bill No. 2024-617.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2024-619

Mr. DeTar introduced Council Bill No. 2024-619 - AN ORDINANCE approving a CMAR Contract by and between the City of Joplin and Branco Enterprises Inc., for general conditions, terms, and pre-construction services of the Ewert Splash Park Project; authorizing the City Manager to execute said Contract by and on behalf of the City of Joplin. Motion by Mr. DeTar, second by Ms. Carlin that Council Bill No. 2024-619 be passed on the first reading and advanced to second and third. Voting in favor were Council Members: Bard, Carlin, Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, and Shaw, 7. Nay: Jackson, 1. Absent: Lawson, 1. The Bill was read as Council Bill No. 2024-619.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2024-620

Mr. Jackson introduced Council Bill No. 2024-620 - AN ORDINANCE approving a Memorandum of Understanding by and between the City of Joplin Police Department and Ozark Center for the purpose of integrating a social work program within police department. Motion by Mr. Jackson, second by Mr. Bard that Council Bill No. 2024-620 be passed on the first reading and advanced to second and third. Voting in favor were Council Members: Bard, Carlin, Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Jackson, and Shaw, 8. Absent: Lawson, 1. The Bill was read as Council Bill No. 2024-620.

SECOND AND THIRD READING

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Josh Shackles, Shawna Ackerson, Zyneth Emory spoke to Council regarding reducing the speed limit on Euclid Ave and Utica Street.

Set Date for Public Hearing on FY 2025 Proposed Budget for August 19, 2024

Motion by Mr. DeTar, second by Mr. Bard to set the date for the public hearing for the FY 2025 Proposed Budget to August 19, 2024. Voting in favor were Council Members: Bard, Carlin, Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Jackson, and Shaw, 8. Absent: Lawson, 1.

Set Date for Public Hearing on Property Tax Levy for August 26, 2024

Motion by Mr. Jackson, second by Mr. DeTar to set the date for the public hearing for the Property Tax Levy to August 26, 2024. Voting in favor were Council Members: Bard, Carlin, Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Jackson, and Shaw, 8. Absent: Lawson, 1.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:36 p.m.

Respectfully,

Holly Nagy
City Clerk