Requested Council Meeting Date: August 20, 2018
Council Bills No. 2016-138
Item: Purchase of (2) MAPS vans & (1) Trolley van

Originating Department: PUBLIC WORKS –MAPS

Attachments: 1) Council Bill No. 2018-138
2) Bid Sheet #2018-07
3) Bid Sheet #2018-08

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Recommended Action: Approval of a purchasing agreement between the City of Joplin, Missouri and Master's Transportation Inc. in the amount of One Hundred Ninety-Two Thousand Five Hundred Fifty-Four Dollars and No/100 ($192,554) for the purchase of (3) three light duty cut-a-way vehicles per the specifications of Bid #2018-07 and #2018-08.

Background:
The City of Joplin has operated the Metro Area Public Transit System (MAPS) since 1998 and the Sunshine Lamp Trolley since 2007. MAPS provides curb-to-curb public transit to residents of the MPO area and the Sunshine Lamp Trolley provides deviated fixed route service within the City of Joplin. MAPS and the Sunshine Lamp Trolley are funded by a combination of rider fares, donations, and the financial participation of other communities in the Metro Area Planning Organization (MPO). Additionally, the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) reimburses the City at a rate of 80% for capital expenditures and 50% for operational expenses.

Discussion:
City Staff followed the City of Joplin procurement policy. Staff conducted a formal bid opening on July 19, 2018 for the purchase of (2) two light duty cutaway transit vehicles with ADA lifts to be used to provide MAPS service and (1) one light duty cutaway transit vehicle with ADA lift to be used to provide Sunshine Lamp Trolley service. Three bids were received. The lowest priced bid was submitted by Master's Transportation Inc. in the amount of $62,477 per MAPS vehicle and $67,600 per trolley vehicle. The funds for this purchase were allocated in the City of Joplin 2017-2018 budget using the Transportation Sales Tax funds. The total price is $192,554. The FTA will reimburse the City $154,043 which is 80% for this capital purchase.

Recommendation: Staff recommends that Council Bill No 2018-138 authorizing the City of Joplin to enter into an agreement with Master's Transportation Inc. for the purchase of (3) three light duty vehicles per the specifications of Bid #2018-07 and #2018-08. Staff recommends that Council bill 2018-138 be passed on an emergency basis in accordance with the Joplin City Charter 2.12 (4).