CITY OF JOPLIN
COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

ITEM
Council Bill 2025-103 – authorizing an agreement by and between the City of Joplin and Wright Construction Services, Inc. for the Passenger Boarding Bridge (PBB) replacement project for Gates 1 and 2 at the Joplin Regional Airport and amending the budget.

MEETING DATE
September 2, 2025

ORIGINATING DEPT
Public Works - Airport

ATTACHMENTS
Council Bill 2025-103; Contract Agreement, Bid Summary

REVIEWED BY
Director of Public Works, Daniel Johnson; Director of Finance, Leslie Haase; City Attorney, Peter Edwards; Assistant City Manager, Tony Robyn; City Manager, Nicholas Edwards

SUMMARY
This Council Bill approves an agreement by and between the City of Joplin and Wright Construction Services, Inc. in the amount of Three Million Six Hundred Seventy-Six Thousand and 00/100 Dollars ($3,676,000.00) for the Passenger Boarding Bridge (PBB) replacement project for Gates 1 and 2 at the Joplin Regional Airport.

BACKGROUND
The existing Passenger Boarding Bridges (PBBs) were relocated from the Springfield-Branson National Airport (SGF) and installed at JLN in 2009. The PBBs are over 30 years of age and have far exceeded their useful life. They are unreliable, require high maintenance and repair costs, and have outdated and inefficient features. The replacement PBBs will be state-of-the-art bridges that meet accessibility standards, improve operational efficiency, are more environmentally friendly by providing preconditioned air (PCA) and will provide new, more efficient and reliable ground power units (GPUs).

Replacing the PBBs at JLN will allow the airport the ability to continue to avoid ground loading of aircraft, which is more time consuming, less accessible for people with disabilities, and exposes passengers to weather elements.

This project involves procurement and installation of two new passenger boarding bridges (PBB) at the Joplin Regional Airport, Joplin, MO. The awarded contractor will furnish the boarding bridge components and assemble the units on site. The project scope of work includes interfacing & attaching the new boarding bridges to the airport terminal building exterior wall.

Total costs for this project amount to $3,676,000.00. This cost will be covered 95/5 federal to local

share with four grants. This results in the federal share of $3,492,200.00 and a local share of $183,800.00.

FUNDING SOURCE

FAA IIJA Airport Terminal Funding Grant No. 3-29-0037-060 (Gate 2 PBB), IIJA AIG Funding Grant No. 3-29-0037-061 (Gate 1 PBB), AIP Program Entitlement Fund Grant No. 3-29-0037-62 (Gate 1 PBB), IIJA AIG Funding Grant No. 3-29-0037-063 (Gate 2 PBB) and containing a Budget Amendment.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of Council Bill 2025-103, agreement with Wright Construction Services, Inc. for the Passenger Boarding Bridge (PBB) replacement project for Gates 1 and 2 at the Joplin Regional Airport in the amount of Three Million Six Hundred Seventy-Six Thousand and 00/100 Dollars ($3,676,000.00) on an emergency basis, in that said ordinance provides for public improvements and is considered to be an emergency per section 2.12(6) of the HOME RULE CHARTER of the City of Joplin, Missouri, and as such, this ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passage. Furthermore, approval of this council bill will allow the project to meet Federal Grant deadlines and is therefore an emergency.