JOPLIN CITY COUNCIL
AUGUST 16, 2021
MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The August 16, 2021 regular meeting of the Joplin City Council was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Ryan Stanley.

INVOCATION was read by City Clerk Barbara Gollhofer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA was led by Ms. Williams.

ROLL CALL

Answering Roll Call were Council Members: Charles Copple, Keenan Cortez, Doug Lawson, Anthony Monteleone, Diane Reid Adams, Gary Shaw, Mayor Ryan Stanley, Phil Stinnett, and Christina Williams. Also, in attendance were City Manager Nick Edwards and City Attorney Peter Edwards.

PRESENTATIONS

FINALIZATION OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Mr. Cortez, second by Mr. Lawson to move Council Bill No. 2021-008 to Second and Third Readings. Voting in favor were Council Members Copple, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett, and Williams, 9. Nays: 0.

Mayor Stanley also moved Council Bill 2021-007 to Second and Third Reading due to a citizen request to address that item.

There being no further business to come the Council, the Consent Agenda was finalized as amended.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATION

Report of the official results of the August 3, 2021 Special Election

The City Clerk's office has received the official results of the August 3, 2021 Special Election as verified by the Jasper and Newton County Clerks and on file in the Office of the City Clerk. For the City of Joplin's Proposition "Renewal" to extend a sales tax of one-quarter of one percent for a period of 10 years for the purpose of providing funding for stormwater control and local parks for the city, it is found and declared that the results are as follows: Yes: 1948 No: 503
The measure needed a simple majority for passage. Proposition Renewal was approved by majority votes received and will commence on April 1, 2022. Motion by Mr. Cortez, second by Mr. Monteleone to accept the August 3, 2021 election results as submitted. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett, and Williams, 9. Nays: 0.

Health Dept. Update

Health Director Ryan Talken presented an update of Covid cases, hospitalizations, deaths, and vaccinations. There was a decrease in the number of Covid cases, deaths, and hospitalizations in

our area and statewide since the last council meeting. Joplin is ranked #53 statewide for the number of cases, which is an improvement from #35. There was a slight increase in the vaccine demand over the past couple of weeks. Public walk-in clinics are available. For more information on this, citizens can call the Health Dept. at 623-6122. Director Talken then reviewed the contact tracing procedures and isolation/quarantine procedures.

News from Public Information Officer, Lynn Onstot

Republic Services, Joplin's residential trash service provider, does pick up bulky items at curbside for no extra charge. This includes mattresses, furniture, microwaves among other things. Please remember to keep these items out of the street and place them next to your polycart on your usual day of trash service. Republic uses a second truck to pick up bulky items, so don't be alarmed if it's still there after the trash truck comes by your house.

The City's tree limb and brush drop-off site will be open this Friday, August 20 and Saturday, August 21 from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. The drop-off site is located at 1702 North Schifferdecker Avenue, about ½ mile north of Belle Center Road on the west side of Schifferdecker. This program is open the third Friday and Saturday of the month through October 2021 to help residents with large limb disposal. It is free of charge for Joplin residents.

It's that time again – Back to School – for students of all ages. As kids go back to school it means there will be more cars on the roads along with school buses stopping along the roadways. It's never more important for drivers to slow down and pay attention than when kids are present – especially before and after school. Drivers, please use caution. Watch for children at school bus stops. Obey reduced speed limits in school zones. Prepare to stop for pedestrians in and near the crosswalks. If driving behind a bus, allow a greater following distance than if you were driving behind a car. This will allow more time to stop once the yellow lights start flashing. And please remember it is illegal to pass a school bus that is stopped to load or unload children. Be alert; children often are unpredictable. Please plan a little extra time and don't rush so you and everyone on the road can arrive to school, work and other destinations safely.

For more information, please visit our website at joplinmo.org.

CITIZEN REQUESTS AND PETITIONS

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Public Hearing Procedures were read by City Clerk Barbara Gollhofer

Public Hearing for the Property Tax Levy

Mayor Stanley opened the Public Hearing

No one appeared in favor or in opposition to this item.

The public hearing was closed and was read again under Emergency Ordinances.

Public Hearing for the Proposed FY2022 Budget

Mayor Stanley opened the Public Hearing

Finance Director Leslie Haase presented a summary of the FY2022 proposed budget. After her presentation, she stated the next steps for the budget proceedings are the city council work sessions

to cover the budget overview and issues and options, which are scheduled for September 27-28; and the final budget adoption is scheduled for the October 18, 2021 city council meeting.

The Public Hearing was closed.

CONSENT AGENDA
Motion by Mr. Shaw, second by Mr. Copple to approve the amended Consent Agenda**.** Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett, and Williams, 9.Nays:0.

Minutes of the August 2, 2021 City Council Meeting

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2021-146 - an ordinance approving a work authorization with Allgeier, Martin and Associates, Inc. in the not to exceed amount of Seventy Thousand and 00/100 Dollars ($70,000.00) for the Shoal Creek WWTF Drying Bed Covers Project; and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin. **Ordinance No. 2021-105**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2021-276 - an ordinance establishing grades and accepting the Final Plat of Lou and Odes Acres Subdivision located at the Southwest corner of the intersection of W. 26th St. and S. Winfield Ave. **Ordinance No. 2021-106**

RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCES – EMERGENCY
COUNCIL BILL NO. 2021-353
Mr. Lawson introduced Council Bill No. 2021-353 - an ordinance approving the contract by and between the City of Joplin and Nelson's Enterprises for the demolition of the structure(s) and clearing of a lot located at 1529 S. Connor Ave. in the City of Joplin, Missouri, for Four Thousand Two Hundred dollars ($4,200); providing how the cost thereof shall be paid; how the assessment thereof shall be made; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Lawson, second by Mr. Copple that Council Bill No. 2021-353 be passed on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett, and Williams, 9. Nays: 0. Council Bill 2021-353 was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2021-107**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2021-354
Mr. Copple introduced Council Bill No. 2021-354 - an ordinance approving the contract by and between the City of Joplin and Nelson's Enterprises for the demolition of the structure(s) and clearing of a lot located at 223 Galena Ave. in the City of Joplin, Missouri, for Four Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty dollars ($4,850.00); providing how the cost thereof shall be paid; how the assessment thereof shall be made; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Copple, second by Mr. Cortez, that Council Bill No. 2021-354 be passed on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett, and Williams, 9. Nays: 0. Council Bill No. 2021-354 was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2021-108**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2021-519

Mr. Cortez introduced Council Bill No. 2021-519 - an ordinance levying taxes in the City of Joplin, Missouri for the year 2021 in the amount of Seventeen and Forty-Six Hundredths Cents ($0.1746) on One Hundred Dollars of valuation of all real property in said City, and levying taxes in the Joplin Public Library District for the year 2021 in the amount of Twenty-Four and Fifty-Three Hundredths Cents ($0.2453) on One Hundred Dollars of valuation of all real property in said District, and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Cortez, second by Mr. Lawson that Council Bill No. 2021-519 be passed on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez. Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett, and Williams, 9. Nays: 0. Council Bill No. 2021-519 was declared adopted an entitled **Ordinance No. 2021-109**

ORDINANCES – FIRST READING

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2021-009

Mr. Stinnett introduced Council Bill No. 2021-009 - 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. Stinnett, second by Mr. Monteleone that Council Bill No. 2021-009 be passed on First Reading and advance to Second and Third Reading. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett, and Williams, 9. Nays: 0. The bill was read as **Council Bill No. 2021-009**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2021-148

Mr. Lawson introduced Council Bill No. 2021-148 - an ordinance authorizing the City of Joplin to enter into an agreement with Rosetta Construction, Inc., in the amount of Five Hundred Ninety-three Thousand, Seven Hundred Seventy-four and 25/100 Dollars ($593,774.25) for the East 7th Street Sewer Extension project; authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin. Motion by Mr. Lawson, second by Mr. Copple that Council Bill No. 2021-148 be passed on First Reading and advance to Second and Third Reading. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett, and Williams, 9. Nays: 0. The bill was read as **Council Bill No. 2021-148**

ORDINANCES – SECOND READING AND THIRD READING

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2021-007

Mr. Monteleone introduced Council Bill No. 2021-007 - an ordinance authorizing the City of Joplin, Missouri, a Missouri municipal corporation, to enter into an agreement with Integrated Roadways, LLC, a Missouri limited liability company, for the purpose of developing a smart infrastructure program; and authorizing the City Manager to execute said agreement by and on behalf of the City of Joplin.

Frank Thompson requested to address Council on this item. He stated he had concerns regarding the cost and viability of this project. City Manager Nick Edwards stated the council bill does not bind the City to any projects or expenditures; it formalizes a preliminary partnership with Integrated Roadways to investigate potential projects.

Motion by Mr. Monteleone, second by Mr. Cortez to pass Council Bill No. 2021 on Second and Third Reading. Voting in favor were Council Members: Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid

Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett, and Williams, 8. Nays: Copple: 1. Council Bill No. 2021-007 was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2021-104**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2021-008

Mr. Lawson introduced Council Bill No. 2021-008 - an ordinance authorizing the City of Joplin, Missouri, a Missouri municipal corporation, to enter into an agreement with Bird Rides, Inc., a Delaware corporation, for the purpose of implementing a shared active transportation operation; and authorizing the City Manager to execute said agreement by and on behalf of the City of Joplin. Motion by Mr. Lawson, second by Mr. Stinnett to **table** Council Bill No. **2021-008** to the September 7, 2021 meeting. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett, and Williams, 9. Nays: Council Bill No. 2021-008 was tabled.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Excess surplus property list

A preliminary list of surplus property for the September 18 annual City of Joplin auction was presented to the city council for their review. A final list will be presented at the September 7 meeting.

Closed Session

Vote to go into closed session, which shall pertain to the hiring, firing, disciplining, or promotion of an employee or particular employees of a governmental body involving personal information as set forth in Section 610.021(3) RS Mo, as amended, 2020. This meeting, record, and vote to be closed to the extent provided by law. The City Council shall adjourn at the end of the session. Motion by Mr. Cortez, second by Mr. Shaw to move into closed session. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett, and Williams, 9. Nays:0.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

Respectfully,

Barbara Gollhofer, City Clerk, MPCC