# CITY OF JOPLIN
# COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

**ITEM**
Council Bill 2020-006 - An Ordinance amending Chapter 42, Courts, Article II, Municipal Court Section42-35, Court costs and other fees, by amending Section 42-35 by a new subsection (k).

**MEETING DATE**
August 17, 2020

**ORIGINATING DEPT**:
Municipal Court

**ATTACHMENTS**
Council Bill NO. 2020-006

**REVIEWED BY**
Court Administrator: Lamonte Ratcliff; Finance Director: Leslie Haase; City Attorney: Peter Edwards; City Manager: Nicholas Edwards.

**SUMMARY**
The following ordinance enacts a new subsection (k), amending Chapter 42, Courts, Article II, Municipal Court, Section 42-35, Court costs and other fees.

**BACKGROUND**
The Supreme Court of Missouri mandates that Missouri Courts, to include all municipal divisions, utilize the statewide case management system (Show-Me Courts). In doing so, the Supreme Court of Missouri also requires a statewide automation fund fee of seven dollars ($7.00) in all civil cases filed in the circuit courts of this state and in all criminal cases, including violations of any municipal or county ordinance heard by an associate circuit judge or any violation of criminal or traffic laws of this state, including an infraction.

**FUNDING SOURCE**
N/A

**RECOMMENDATION**
Staff recommends approval.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2020-006 ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE amending Chapter 42, Courts, Article II, Municipal Court, Section 42-35, Court costs and other fees, by amending Section 42-35 by enacting a new subsection (k).

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI, as follows:

WHEREAS, the Municipal Court has adopted Show-Me Courts for the automation of certain tasks; and

WHEREAS, Missouri state law requires a statewide court automation fund fee of seven dollars ($7.00) in all civil cases filed in the circuit courts of this state and in all criminal cases including violations of any municipal or county ordinance heard by an associate circuit judge or any violation of criminal or traffic laws of this state, including an infraction; and

WHEREAS, Section 42-35 subsection (k) should be enacted in order to make Section 42-35 consistent with state law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI, as follows:

Section 1. There shall be assessed a statewide court automation fund fee of seven dollars ($7.00) in any case involving the violation of criminal or traffic laws of this state, including an infraction. Said fee shall be collected by the Municipal Court and transmitted monthly to the Missouri Director of Revenue to the credit of the Missouri Statewide Automation Fund, as provided in Section 488.12.3(5), RSMo. and Section 488.027.2, RSMo.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI, this _____ day of _____, 2020, by a vote of _____.

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Ryan D. Stanley, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Barbara J. Gollhofer, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Peter C. Edwards, City Attorney