CITY OF JOPLIN
COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

ITEM
Council Bill 2025-140 Municipal and Cost Apportionment Agreement between City of Joplin and Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission for Project J7S2185D, Route 66 (7th Street) Improvements from Route 43 to St. Louis Avenue

MEETING DATE
September 15, 2025

ORIGINATING DEPT
Public Works - Engineering

ATTACHMENTS
Council Bill 2025-140; Agreement; Location Map

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

SUMMARY
This Council Bill authorizes the City Manager or his designee to enter into a Municipal and Cost Apportionment Agreement with the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission for Project J7S2185D, Route 66 (7th Street) Improvements from Route 43 to St. Louis Avenue in the amount of Six Hundred Ninety-Two Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty-Six and 19/100 dollars ($692,936.19)

BACKGROUND
In April 2024, the voters passed the Renewal of the Capital Improvement Sales Tax Program for an additional 12 years. Three of the projects included in the program were 7th Street City-Owned Sidewalks, the 7th Street and Illinois Intersection, and the improvement of the Old Willow Branch Storm Sewer System.

The Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) has plans to reconstruct Route 66 / 7th Street in Joplin from Schifferdecker Avenue to Range Line Road. This project is currently in the design phase, with a bid letting scheduled for the Fall of 2025. Project J7S2185D is the portion of this project between Route 43 and St. Louis Avenue.

The attached agreement provides City funds for the replacement of the City-owned sidewalks between Route 43 and St. Louis Avenue in the amount of One Hundred Ninety-Two Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty-Six and 19/100 dollars ($192,936.19), (9.10% of the total cost of new sidewalks), and in the amount of Five Hundred Thousand and 00/100 dollars ($500,000.00) for improvements to the intersection of Route 66 and Illinois Avenue.

MoDOT is responsible for the construction engineering and construction oversight of this project.

FUNDING SOURCE

This item is included in the FY 2025 Budget in the Capital Improvement Sales Tax Fund.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of Council Bill 2025-140, a Municipal and Cost Apportionment Agreement with the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission on an emergency basis, 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 MoDOT to maintain the current project letting schedule, and is therefore an emergency.