CITY OF JOPLIN
COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

ITEM:
Council Bill No. 2025-009 - AN ORDINANCE dissolving the Board of Health and transferring any remaining functions, powers, or duties to the Health Department and the City Manager.

MEETING DATE
September 15, 2025

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT
Health Department

ATTACHMENTS
Council Bill No. 2025-009

REVIEWED BY
Director of Public Health, Ryan Talken; City Attorney Peter Edwards; and City Manager Nicholas Edwards.

SUMMARY
This council bill dissolves the Board and transfers any remaining duties to the Health Department and City Manager.

BACKGROUND
Health practices have become standardized and there is significant oversight from the State of Missouri. This board has historic quorum issues and difficulty appointing certain required members (two physicians and one veterinarian). This board last convened in 2021 as it had no quorum and had no necessary functions. The adoption of any annual health program is ultimately approved by the Council.

FUNDING SOURCE
N/A

RECOMMENDATION
Staff recommends this Council Bill be approved on First Reading.