AMENDED RESOLUTION NO. 2025-009

A RESOLUTION creating a nine (9) member Charter Review Commission for the City of Joplin; and, defining the purposes, membership and duties thereof.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That there is hereby created a Charter Review Commission for the City of Joplin which shall consist of nine (9) members; four (4) former Mayors and five (5) citizens at-large, who shall be appointed by the Mayor upon the advice and consent of the Council, hereinafter known as "Commission". The members shall be residents of the City of Joplin who are interested in the self-governance of the City and the continuation of the Charter form of government in the City.

The Commission Members are:

Phil Stinnett
Ryan Stanley
Melodee Colbert-Kean
Michael Seibert
Dan Pekarek
Diane Reid-Adams
Morris Glaze
Rob O'Brian
Chuck Brown (Chairman)

Section 2. That there shall be chosen by the Mayor upon the advice and consent of the Council from among the number selected for Commission, one (1) person to act as Chairman.

Section 3. That the Charter Review Commission shall not review the entire Charter but shall limit its review to items and issues referred to it by the City Council set forth below. It shall specifically not be the charge of Commission to recommend any change in the form of government or to create a new Charter in its entirety. The Commission is directed to only review the following five questions/items:

a. **Should the Charter be amended to change the rate of pay of the Council from $5.00 per meeting to an increased amount?**
b. **Should the Charter be amended to change Section 13.04 to reduce the number of signatures required for a nominating petition, and alternatively, for a nominating petition for an incumbent city council member who has already met the signature requirements?**
c. **Should the Charter be amended to change the term "emergency ordinance" in Section 2.12 to "expedited ordinance"?**
d. **Should the Charter be amended to remove the requirement that the Public Works Director be a professional engineer registered in the State of Missouri?**

e. Should the Charter be amended to remove any publication requirements that are required under the current Charter?

Section 4. That Commission shall prepare a report to the Council setting forth all recommended amendments to the existing Charter of the Council.

Section 5. That Commission shall periodically report its progress to the Council and submit its final report by December 1, 2025.

Section 6. That the City Manager, or his designee, the City Clerk, or her designee, and the City Attorney, or his designee, shall assist the Commission in its activities and shall provide all necessary staff support.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI, this _____ day of _____, 2025.

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Keenan T. Cortez, Sr., Mayor

ATTEST:

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Holly Nagy, City Clerk