CITY OF JOPLIN
COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

ITEM
Council Bill 2020-159 – approving a construction agreement with D & E Plumbing and Heating Inc. for construction of the 4th and School Storm Drainage Improvements, Phase II (TS0612).

MEETING DATE
September 21, 2020

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT
Public Works - Engineering

ATTACHMENTS
Location Map, Bid Summary; Agreement, CB2020-159

REVIEWED BY
Director of Public Works: David Hertzberg; Director of Finance: Leslie Haase; City Attorney: Peter Edwards; City Manager: Nicholas Edwards.

SUMMARY
This Council Bill authorizes the City Manager or his designee to enter into an agreement with D & E Plumbing and Heating Inc., in the amount of One Million One Hundred Thirty-Nine Thousand Thirty-Two and 80/100 Dollars ($1,139,032.80) for construction of the 4th and School Storm Drainage Improvements, Phase II (TS0612) project.

BACKGROUND
The Parks and Storm Water Sales Tax was approved by voters in 2011. A capital improvement project recommendation list was developed for the utilization of the 2012-2022 Parks and Storm Water Sales Tax funds which was approved by voters. Included in the list of approved projects was a project for culvert and ditch improvements at 4th and School. The existing ditch and culverts running between the existing railroad tracks and the Empire Market property do not have sufficient capacity and cause flooding in the adjacent Empire Market building. The ditch empties into 2-24" RCP culverts where it crosses under 4th street and into a 42" RCP which has a less than 5-year design capacity. The 4th and School stormwater project include ditch and culvert improvements to increase the system capacity and accommodate the 100-year event. The upstream stormwater improvements from the previous Phase I work, which primarily consisted of the installation of storm sewer and inlets on 2nd street between High street and McKee avenue, will tie into this new system installed during phase 2.

In accordance with the City of Joplin's procurement policies, a request for proposals for construction of the 4th and School stormwater project was advertised. Six proposals were received, and bids were opened on September 3, 2020 with D & E Plumbing and Heating Inc. selected as the lowest, most responsive bidder. The bid was below the Engineer's estimate. Construction inspection services are intended to be performed in-house by the Public Works department.

FUNDING SOURCE
These payments are included in the FY 2019-20 budget of the Parks and Storm Water Sales Tax fund.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of this Council Bill No. 2020-159 on an Emergency Basis, in that said ordinance provides for public improvements and is considered to be an emergency within the meaning of 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. Specifically, this ordinance needs to be approved on an Emergency Basis in order to begin construction as soon as possible, during the dry winter months, and ahead of the spring rains.