CITY OF JOPLIN
COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

ITEM
Council Bill 2021-151 Agreement with Paragon Architecture, LLC for Architectural Design Services for Joplin Fire Station #7

MEETING DATE
October 4, 2021

ORIGINATING DEPT
Public Works/Fire Department

ATTACHMENTS
Council Bill 2021-151; Agreement; Location Map

REVIEWED BY
Director of Public Works: David Hertzberg; Interim Fire Chief: Mark Cannon; Finance Director: Leslie Haase; City Attorney: Peter Edwards; City Manager: Nicholas Edwards

SUMMARY
This Council Bill authorizes the City Manager or his designee to approve an agreement with Paragon Architecture, LLC in the not to exceed amount of Two Hundred Ninety Thousand Four Hundred and 00/100 dollars ($290,400.00) for architectural design services for Joplin Fire Station #7.

BACKGROUND
In 2006 the citizens of Joplin, Missouri voted on and passed the Public Safety Sales Tax. One of the projects listed included the addition of an Eastside station (Fire Station 7). In 2016, a 2 square acre parcel of land was approved for purchase in the approximate area of 30th Street and CR 220 (now known as Jaguar Road). In that same year, the above-mentioned parcel of land was purchased and is ready for the second phase of this project. Phase II is the design and construction of Fire Station 7.

In accordance with the City of Joplin's procurement policies, a Request for Qualifications for Architectural Services was advertised in the Joplin Globe on March 21, 2021, with submittals due to the City by April 13, 2021. Qualification submittals were received from eight architectural firms, which were reviewed and scored by teams comprised of both City Fire Department and Public Works personnel. Based on the scoring, Paragon Architecture, LLC was selected as the most qualified firm to provide the requested services. A scoping meeting was held with Paragon to determine the scope of work to be included in the design agreement. The fees submitted by Paragon Architecture, LLC have been reviewed by City staff and found to be within industry standards.

FUNDING SOURCE
Public Safety Sales Tax

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of Council Bill 2021-151, Agreement with Paragon Architecture, LLC for Architectural Design Services for Joplin Fire Station #7 in the not to exceed amount of Two Hundred Ninety Thousand Four Hundred and 00/100 dollars ($290,400.00) for architectural design services for Joplin Fire Station #7 on an emergency basis, in that said ordinance provides for public improvements and is considered to be an emergency 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 this agreement to be executed in the City's Fiscal Year 2021, and is therefore an emergency.