City of **JOPLIN** City Council Agenda Item

Requested Council Meeting Date: October 5, 2015

Item: Council Bill 2015-367
Originating Department: Planning, Development and Neighborhood Services

Attachments: 1) Professional Service Agreement
2) General Terms and Conditions
3) Council Bill No 2015-367

Department Head: Troy Bolander
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City Attorney: Peter Edwards
City Manager: Sam Anselm

INTRODUCTION:

This Council Bill authorizes the City of Joplin to enter into Agreement with Heritage Strategies for Preservation Planning Services relating to the update of the City of Joplin's Preservation Plan amount not to exceed Fifty Thousand dollars ($50,000.00).

DISCUSSION:

This Council Bill authorizes the City of Joplin to enter into an Agreement with Heritage Strategies for Preservation Planning Services to update the Preservation Plan, authorizing the City Manager to execute said Agreement in substantially similar form; and containing an emergency clause.

The planning firm will work closely with City staff and leadership and members of the Historic Preservation Commission to update the Preservation Plan. These services will include, but are not limited to field surveys, background information studies, review of existing historical materials, facilitating public and steering committee meetings, making recommendations for further action, and composing a Historic Preservation Plan

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends this Council Bill be approved on an emergency basis within the meaning of Section 2.12(1) of the Home Rule Charter of the City of Joplin, Missouri. An emergency exists whereby the failure of updating the plan in a timely manner will cause potential historic properties to fall into disrepair where they are beyond rehabilitation and lost.