CITY OF JOPLIN
COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

ITEM:
Council Bill 2025-401 – Approving a Subrecipient Agreement between the City of Joplin and Economic Security Corporation (ESC)

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT:
Planning, Development, and Neighborhood Services

MEETING DATE;
October 6, 2025

REVIEWED BY;
Director of Planning, Development and Neighborhood Services- Troy Bolander, Director of Finance-Leslie Haase, City Attorney- Peter Edwards, Assistant City Manager-Tony Robyn, City Manager-Nick Edwards.

SUMMARY;
This council bill approves the Subrecipient Agreement authorizing Economic Security Corporation to administer the Joplin Lead Hazard Reduction Program. The Joplin Lead Hazard Reduction Program provides funding to remediate lead-based paint hazards from homes citywide to prevent lead poisoning among very-low and low-income families with an emphasis on homes with children aged 6 and below or with a pregnant occupant within the City Limits of Joplin. Activities include but are not limited to Lead-Based paint inspection and risk assessment, new windows, doors, siding, trim, exterior & interior painting, porch repair and home safety measures if identified as a lead or healthy homes hazard as well as targeted outreach, education and training. A household may receive $30,000.00 of abatement, and if costs to make the house safe exceed this threshold, the property is evaluated on a case by case basis, and waiver to exceed $30,000.00 can be requested from HUD.

BACKGROUND;
HUD's Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes (OLHCHH) was established in 1991 as the Office of Lead Based Paint Abatement and Poisoning Prevention to provide funds to state and local governments to develop cost-effective ways to reduce lead-based paint hazards to help protect children and their families from health and safety hazards in the home.

On October 8, 2024 the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) announced more than $420 million in awards to remove lead hazards from homes and HUD-assisted properties, ensuring the safety of children, residents, and families, to remove other housing-related hazards in conjunction with weatherization efforts and to facilitate research on better identifying and controlling lead and other housing-related hazards. The City of Joplin applied to and was awarded $3,150,000 with the $350,000 match provided through the City's General Fund-Use Tax dollars.

FUNDING SOURCE
Lead Hazard Reduction Grant (LHRD) $3,150,000
General Fund – Use Tax $350,000

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of this council bill for the administration of the Joplin Homeowners Rehabilitation Program with Economic Security Corporation (ESC).

ATTACHMENTS

Subrecipient Agreement with Economic Security Corporation
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