City of **JOPLIN** City Council Agenda Item

Requested Council Meeting Date: October 16, 2017

Item: CB 2017-277 - Agreement with Missouri Department of Transportation
Originating Department: Planning, Development, and Neighborhood Services

Attachments: 1) Copy of 2018 CPG Agreement
2) Copy of 2018 UPWP
3) Copy of CB 2017-277

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Recommended Action: Approval of Contract Agreement between the City of Joplin and Missouri Department of Transportation for Federal Transportation Planning Assistance.

SUMMARY:

This is an annual agreement between the Missouri Department of Transportation and the City of Joplin for Federal Transportation Planning Assistance. The purpose of this agreement is to allow the Joplin Metropolitan Planning Organization (whereas the City of Joplin is the designated recipient of the assistance) to receive monetary support to complete transportation planning duties and projects that are eligible for federal financial assistance.

The City will receive an 80% reimbursement of expenses. This year's expenses will total no more than $503,811.20. The reimbursement consists of $334,506.24 in Federal Consolidated Planning Grant Funds and $56,542.72 in FTA Section 5307 funding. The City will pay 20% of the project costs incurred to a maximum of $112,762.24 to draw down the Federal assistance.

The Joplin Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) will use a portion of the assistance to pay for administrative support and technical work completed by the Director of Planning, Development and Neighborhood Services, the Planner and other staff in the Engineering department. The remainder of the assistance will be used to help finance eligible planning projects.

Major projects included in this year's work program include:

- Completion of the Zoning Code update initiated in FY 2017
- Completion the Bicycle and Pedestrian Transportation Plan update initiated in FY 2017
- Traffic study of Fir Road (match funded by Carl Junction)
- New aerial photography of the MPO area

Attached is the 2018 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) that provides more detail on the planning projects being conducted during the next fiscal year. The Joplin Area Transportation Study Organization (JATSO) Policy Board voted to adopt the UPWP on October 12, 2017. JATSO is the designated MPO held with the responsibility of providing transportation policy and overseeing the federal transportation planning process for the Joplin region.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of this annual agreement with the Missouri Department of Transportation, so the MPO can carry out their transportation planning activities on an emergency basis.