CITY OF JOPLIN
COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

ITEM:
Council Bill No. 2025-013 – authorizing the City of Joplin to enter into an Agreement with the Joplin Area Chamber of Commerce for the purpose of providing economic development consulting services.

MEETING DATE
November 3, 2025

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT
Legal Department

ATTACHMENTS
Council Bill No. 2025-013, Agreement Exhibit "1"

REVIEWED BY
Department Head: City Attorney Peter Edwards; Finance Director Leslie Haase; and City Manager Nicholas Edwards.

SUMMARY
This Council Bill approves an Agreement for Economic Development Consulting Services between the City of Joplin and the Joplin Area Chamber of Commerce.

BACKGROUND
The Agreement between the City of Joplin and the Joplin Area Chamber of Commerce is for economic development services and the MoKAN Partnership. The Agreement defines the responsibilities and rights of both parties, including the itemization of specific deliverables for use in evaluating the services of the Joplin Area Chamber of Commerce. These areas include economic development infrastructure, business retention and expansion, business attraction, strengthened relationship with state and regional economic development organizations, and reports and representations to the Mayor and City Council. Each area of delivery has a detailed list of performance measures for use in evaluating the services of the Joplin Area Chamber of Commerce as to that particular piece. Additionally, the Joplin Area Chamber of Commerce will provide an itemized billing to the City of Joplin. At this year's budget work sessions, the Council voted to approve funds for this Agreement: $247,000.00 for economic development services, of which $25,000.00 is for development of an economic development strategic plan; and $65,000.00 for the MoKAN Partnership.

RECOMMENDATION
Staff places this Council Bill on 1st reading.

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attachments