City of **JOPLIN** City Council Agenda Item

Requested Council Meeting Date: November 16, 2015

Item: Agreement with Missouri Department of Transportation
Originating Department: Planning, Development, and Neighborhood Services

Attachments: 1) Copy of Agreement
2) Copy of UPWP
3) 2016Council Bill No. 2015-374

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City Attorney: Peter Edwards
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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 one hundred and fifty-seven thousand two hundred and seven dollars and sixty cents ($157,207.60). The reimbursement consists of one hundred and eighteen thousand one hundred and forty-seven dollars and fifty-two cents ($118,147.52) in Federal Consolidated Planning Grant Funds. The City will pay 20% of the project costs incurred to a maximum of thirty-nine thousand and sixty dollars and eight cents $39,060.08) 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 support staff from the City of Joplin. The remainder of the assistance will be used to help finance eligible planning projects.

Attached is the proposed 2016 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 at their meeting on October 29, 2015. 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. This Ordinance is an emergency within the meaning of Section 2.12 (6) in that said ordinance provides for public improvements and is considered an emergency by the Council and as such shall become effective immediately upon this passage as provided by the Home Rule Charter for the City of Joplin. This CPG Agreement must be submitted to, reviewed, and passed by the Missouri Highway and Transportation Commission for financial assistance to be made available to the City of Joplin, Missouri. The 2015 CPG Agreement expired on October 31, 2015.