CITY OF JOPLIN
COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

ITEM
Council Bill 2025-146 Work Authorization AMA-OC-025-008 with Allgeier Martin and Associates, Inc. (AMA) for professional engineering services for the I-44 Culvert and Silver Creek Detention project.

MEETING DATE
November 3, 2025

ORIGINATING DEPT
Public Works-Engineering

ATTACHMENTS
Council Bill 2025-146; Work Authorization AMA-OC-025-008; Location Map

REVIEWED BY
Director of Public Works, Daniel Johnson; Director of Finance, Leslie Haase; City Attorney, Peter Edwards; Assistant City Manager, Tony Robyn; City Manager, Nicholas Edwards

SUMMARY
This Council Bill authorizes the City to approve a work authorization with AMA in the not to exceed amount of Four Hundred Eighty Thousand and 00/100 dollars ($480,000.00) for professional engineering services for the I-44 Culvert and Silver Creek Detention project.

BACKGROUND
In April 2024, the voters passed the Renewal of the Capital Improvement Sales Tax Program for an additional 12 years. One of the projects included in the program was the Silver Creek Improvements I-44 Culvert Project, with a proposed cost of $10,000,000.00. This work authorization with AMA is the first agreement to be funded with these project funds. The Capital Improvement Sales Tax budget is being amended in the amount of $480,000.00.

The Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) is moving forward with the Forward 44: Southwest I-44 Improvements Project which will include capacity improvements to I-44 in Joplin between Main Street and Range Line Road. MoDOT's current schedule shows this project being advertised for Design-Build this winter. The City has had on-going discussions with MoDOT about the possibility of incorporating the City's I-44 Culvert improvements project into their I-44 capacity improvements project in this same area. In August 2025, City Council approved a work authorization with AMA to perform a hydraulic study for this area, to provide the results of the study to MoDOT. That work authorization, in the amount of $175,000.00, was funded separately, in whole with Parks and Stormwater Sales Tax funds. The Parks and Stormwater Sales Tax Program renewed by voters in 2021 included $175,000 for the Silver Creek Detention Study/I-44 Phase 1 project. The results of the study and conceptual planning information have been provided to MoDOT.

The design of the new I-44 Culvert and Silver Creek Detention is needed for this work to be included in MoDOT's project. This scope of work is included in this work authorization with AMA (AMA-OC-025-008, in the amount of $480,000.00). AMA was selected from the City's list

of on-call consultants for this type of work. The fees submitted by AMA for this work have been reviewed by City staff and found to be within industry standards.

FUNDING SOURCE

This item includes a fiscal year 2026 budget amendment to the Capital Improvement Sales Tax Fund in the amount of $480,000.00

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommend approval of this Council Bill on first reading.

CITY		ENGINEER	
CITY OF JOPLIN 602 S. MAIN STREET JOPLIN, MO 64801		Name: Allgeier, Martin and Associates, Inc. Address: 7231 East 24th Street, P.O. Box 2627 Joplin, MO 64804	
Attention: Mr. Daniel Johnson, P.E. Public Works Director		Attention: Mr. Kurt Higgins, P.E. Sr. Vice President	
Department: Public Works		Phone: 417.680.7200	Fax: 417.680.7300
Phone: 417.624.0820 ext: 500	Fax: 417.624.4620	Project: I-44 Culvert and Silver Creek Detention Engineering Design	

WORK AUTHORIZATION NUMBER __AMA-OC-025-008__

TO MASTER AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING CONSULTING SERVICES _Dated 01/31/2025__

City of Joplin and Engineer enter into this Work Authorization only for the work described below. This Work Order is issued pursuant to that Master Services Agreement for Professional Engineering Consulting Services ("MSA") previously executed by City and Engineer, and upon acceptance by hereof by both parties, shall form a part of the MSA. The terms of the MSA are incorporated herein by reference. The parties agree that the Engineer will perform the Services upon the terms and conditions set forth herein and in the MSA. Engineer's acceptance of the terms of this Work Authorization shall be evidenced by Engineer's execution and return of one copy of this Work Authorization to City. Unless sooner terminated as permitted in the MSA, this Work Authorization shall terminate upon completion of the Services for this Work Authorization, except to the extent of surviving obligations set forth herein and in the MSA.

1. Services. City agrees to engage the services of the Engineer and the Engineer agrees to perform the services hereinafter set forth in connection with projects described in *Exhibit A*.

2. Addition to Services. City of Joplin may add to the Engineer services or delete therefrom activities of a similar nature to those set forth in *Exhibit A*, provided that the total cost of such work does not exceed the total cost allowance as specified in Paragraph 5 hereof. The Engineer shall undertake such changed activities only upon the direction of the City. All such directives and changes shall be in written form and prepared and approved by the City and shall be accepted and countersigned by the Engineer.

3. Term. The services of the Engineer shall commence as soon as practicable after the execution of this contract, unless otherwise directed in writing, and shall be undertaken and completed in such sequence as to assure their expeditious completion in the light of the purposes of the contract, but in any event, all the services required hereunder shall be completed as set forth in the schedule for the project which is attached hereto as *Exhibit A*.

4. Costs not to Exceed. City of Joplin is limited by law with respect to the amount of money it can pay. Therefore, the City has established a fixed sum for this contract, which cannot be exceeded unless this contract is amended. The Engineer providing services hereunder shall be required to always keep track of the number of hours billable under this contract; and any work more than the fixed sum shall not be eligible for payment. The Engineer shall notify the City if Engineer anticipates that the contract amount may be exceeded, in order to determine whether or not the City is prepared to increase the total compensation. The Engineer shall establish a billing system showing the amount of money remaining on the contract, which shall be shown in each monthly billing.

5. Payment.

a. Conditioned upon acceptable performance. City agrees to pay the Engineer in accordance with the terms set forth in *Exhibit A*, which shall constitute complete compensation for all services to be rendered under this contract; provided, that where payments are to be made periodically to Engineer for services rendered under this contract, the City expressly reserves the right to disapprove in whole or in part a request for payment where the services rendered during the period for which payment is claimed are not performed in a timely and satisfactory manner in accordance with the schedule and description of services set forth in *Exhibit A*.

b. Total compensation not to exceed. It is expressly understood that in no event will the total compensation and reimbursement to be paid to the Engineer under the terms of this work Authorization Number ___AMA-OC-025-008_____ exceed the sum of __Four Hundred Eighty Thousand and 00/100_ Dollars ($480,000.00).

6. Insurance. Without limiting any of the other obligations or liabilities of the Engineer, the Engineer shall secure and maintain at its own cost and expense, throughout the duration of this Contract and until the work is completed and accepted by the City of Joplin, insurance of such types and in such amounts as may be necessary to protect it and the interests of the City of Joplin against all hazards or risks of loss as hereunder specified or which may arise out of the performance of the Contract Documents. The form and limits of such insurance, together with the underwriter thereof in each case, are subject to approval by the City of Joplin. Regardless of such approval, it shall be the responsibility of the Engineer to always maintain adequate insurance coverage during the term of the Contract. Failure of the Engineer to maintain coverage shall not relieve it of any contractual responsibility or obligation or liability under the Contract Documents.

The certificates of insurance, including evidence of the required endorsements hereunder or the policies, shall be filed with the City at the time that this contract is signed by the Engineer. All insurance policies shall provide thirty (30) days written notice to be given by the insurance company in question prior to modification or cancellation of such insurance. Such notices shall be mailed, certified mail, return receipt requested, to:

City of Joplin - Public Works, 602 S. Main, Joplin, MO 64801; and

Such policies shall name the City as an additional insured with limits of liability not less than the sovereign immunity limits for Missouri public entities calculated by the Missouri Department of Insurance as of January 1 each calendar year and published annually in the Missouri Register pursuant to Section 537.610, RSMo.
(See, http://insurance.mo.gov/industry/sovimmunity.php).

As of January 1, 2025, the minimum coverage for the insurance referred to herein shall be as set out below:

a. Workers' Compensation.... Statutory coverage per RSMo 287.010 et seq.
Employer's Liability..... $1,000,000.00

b. Commercial General Liability Insurance, including coverage for Contractual Liability and Independent Contractors Liability. Such coverage shall apply to bodily injury and property damage on an "Occurrence Form Basis" with limits of at least Three Million Four Hundred Forty-Eight Thousand Seven Hundred Ten and no/100 Dollars ($3,448,710.00) for all claims arising out of a single accident or occurrence and at least Five Hundred Seventeen Thousand Three Hundred Six and no/100 Dollars ($517,306.00) with respect to injuries and/or death of any one person in a single occurrence and an amount not less than at least $1,000,000 for all claims to property arising out of a single occurrence and at least $100,000 to any one owner with respect to damages to property. Engineer agrees that the proceeds of such insurance policy shall first be used to pay any award, damages, costs, and/or attorneys' fees incurred by or assessed against City, its employees, officers and agents, before payment of any award, damages, costs or attorney's fees of Engineer, its employees, officers or agents. Engineer agrees to cause its insurer to name City as an additional insured on such insurance policy, including the City as an additional insured for coverage under its products-completed operations hazard, and said policy shall be primary and noncontributory.

c. Automobile Liability Insurance covering bodily injury and property damage for owned, non-owned and hired vehicles, with limits of at least Three Million Four Hundred Forty-Eight Thousand Seven Hundred Ten and no/100 Dollars ($3,448,710.00) for all claims arising out of a single accident or occurrence and at least Five Hundred Seventeen Thousand Three Hundred Six and no/100 Dollars ($517,306.00) with respect to injuries and/or death of any one person in a single accident or occurrence.

d. Errors and Omissions Insurance. Engineer shall maintain a professional liability insurance policy in the amount of $1,000,000.00. This policy shall remain in full force and effect for a period of one year after completion and acceptance by the City of the construction of the project.

e. Subcontracts. In case any or all this work is sublet, the Engineer shall require the subcontractor to procure and maintain all insurance required in subparagraphs (A), (B) and (C) hereof and in like amounts. Engineer shall require all subcontractors with whom it enters into a contract to perform work on this project to protect the City of Joplin through insurance against applicable hazards or risks and shall, upon request of the City, provide evidence of such insurance.

f. Notice. Engineer and/or subcontractor shall furnish the City prior to beginning the work satisfactory proof of carriage of all the insurance required by this contract, with the provision that policies shall not be canceled, modified or non-renewed without thirty (30) days written notice to the City of Joplin.

g. Legislative or Judicial Changes. In the event the scope or extent of the City's tort liability as a governmental entity as described in Section 537.600 through 537.650 RSMo is broadened or increased during the term of this agreement by legislative or judicial action, the City may require Engineer, upon 10 days written notice, to execute a contract addendum whereby the Engineer agrees to provide, at a price not exceeding Engineer's actual increased premium cost, additional liability insurance coverage as the City may require to protect the City from increased tort liability exposure as the result of such legislative or judicial action. Any such additional insurance coverage shall be evidenced by an appropriate certificate of insurance and shall take effect within the time set forth in the addendum.

7. All other terms and conditions of the original Agreement shall remain in effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have set their hands and seals on the day and year herein stated.

REVIEWED FOR APPROVAL

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Name & Title of Staff Project Manager

CERTIFICATE OF DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

I certify that the expenditure contemplated by this document is within the purpose of the appropriation to which it is to be charged and that there is an unencumbered balance of appropriated and available funds to pay, therefore.

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Leslie Haase, Director of Finance

APPROVED AS TO FORM

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Peter Edwards, City Attorney

Engineer: _Allgeier, Martin and Associates, Inc.__

By: _____

Printed Name: __Kurt Higgins, P.E._____

Title: ____Sr. Vice President_____

Date: ___October 21, 2025_____

By: _____
Daniel Johnson, P.E., Public Works Director

Date: _____

EXHIBIT A TO WORK AUTHORIZATION NUMBER AMA-OC25-008 TO AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING CONSULTING SERVICES (Between the City of Joplin, Missouri and Allgeier, Martin and Associates, Inc. for Engineering Design Services Associated with the I44 Culvert and Silver Creek Detention

1. SERVICES

Engineer shall provide the City of Joplin, hereinafter referred to as OWNER, with the following services:

1.1 General

1.1.1 ENGINEER shall perform professional planning and design services as hereinafter stated which include customary civil engineering services for adding a ConSpan culvert under I44, an additional box culvert under Richard Joseph Blvd, and a new detention basin upstream of 44th Street following the recommendations of the Hydraulic/Hydrology Study done by AMA under a previous Work Authorization.

1.1.2 The ENGINEER shall perform services on an hourly basis up to the contract amount with the OWNER, at which time an additional Work Authorization will be negotiated and issued.

1.2 Planning and Design Phases.

1.2 Design Phase

ENGINEER shall provide the following planning and design services for the project, as follows:

1.2.1 Meet with OWNER, OWNER's representatives and MoDOT to discuss recommendations, project expectations, alternates, and costs.

1.2.2 Conduct topographic surveys to the extent necessary for design of the project facilities.

1.2.3 Conduct research and investigation into existing utilities and facilities located within project boundary.

1.2.4 Prepare preliminary design documents consisting of final design criteria and preliminary drawings, and review same with OWNER.

1.2.5 Based on the information contained in the preliminary design documents, submit to the OWNER an opinion of probable project costs.

1.2.6 On the basis of the accepted preliminary design documents and the opinion of probable project cost, prepare for incorporation in the contract documents final drawings and specifications to show the character and extent of the Project and/or documents requested by MoDOT for incorporation of the documents into their design/build RFP.

1.2.7 Advise OWNER of any adjustments to the latest opinion of probable Project cost caused by changes in extent or design requirements of the Project or construction costs and furnish a revised opinion of probable Project cost based on the drawings and specifications.

1.2.8 Compile for review and approval by OWNER legal description and easements needed on the Joseph property and provide acquisition services for said easements.

1.2.9 Compile for review and approval by OWNER, his legal counsel and other advisors contract agreement forms, general conditions, supplementary conditions, bid forms, invitations to bid and instructions to bidders, and assist in the preparation of other related documents.

1.2.10 Prepare a CLOMR and submit to SEMA for review.

1.2.11 Furnish three copies of the above documents and present and review them in person with OWNER.

1.3 Bidding and Construction Phase

Following approval of the design documents by the OWNER, ENGINEER shall assist in the bidding phase for this project described, as follows:

1.3.1 Assist OWNER in advertising and obtaining bids for construction of the Project. Develop and distribute invitations to bid to contractors, plan houses, etc. Provide interested contractors and suppliers with copies of the plans and specifications as requests are made.

1.3.2 Consult with and advise OWNER as to the acceptability of substitute materials and equipment proposed by contractor(s) when substitution prior to the award of contracts is allowed by the bidding documents.

1.3.3 Respond to pre-bid questions, provide clarifications, review pre-bid submittal, prepare any necessary addenda, and oversee the opening of bids.

1.3.4 Assist OWNER in opening and evaluating bids or proposals and in assembling and awarding contract.

1.3.5 Schedule and assist with a project pre-construction conference.

1.3.6 Review and approve (or take other appropriate action in respect of) shop drawings (as that term is defined in the standard general conditions) and samples, the results of tests and inspections and other data which the contrac¬tor is required to submit, but only for conformance with the design concept of the Project and compliance with the information given in the contract documents (but such review and approval or other action shall not extend to means, methods, sequences, techniques, or procedures of construction or to safety precautions and programs incident thereto); determine the acceptability of substitute materials and equipment proposed by contractor(s); and receive and review (for general content as required by the Specifications) maintenance and operating instructions, schedules, guarantees, bonds and certificates of inspec¬tion which are to be assembled by contractor in accordance with the contract documents.

1.3.7 Issue all instructions of OWNER to contractor(s); issue necessary interpretations and clarifications of the contract documents and in connection therewith prepare change orders as required; have authority, as OWNER's representative, to require special inspection or testing of the work; act as initial interpreter of the requirements of the contract documents and judge of the acceptability of the work thereunder and make decisions on all claims of OWNER and contractor(s) relating to the acceptability of the work or the interpretation of the requirements of the contract documents pertaining to the execution and progress of the work; but ENGINEER shall not be liable for the results of any such interpretations or decisions rendered by him in good faith.

1.3.8 Conduct site visits as necessary to answer questions which may arise as to design concepts.

1.3.9 Based on ENGINEER's on-site observations as an experienced and qualified design professional and on review of applications for payment and the accompanying data and schedules, determine the amounts owing to contractor and recommend in writing payments to contractor in such amounts. Such recommendations of payment will constitute a representation to OWNER, based on such observations and review, that the work has progressed to the point indicated: that, to the best of ENGINEER's knowledge, information, and belief, the quality of such work is in accordance with the contract documents (subject to an evaluation of such work as a functioning Project upon substantial completion, to the results of any subsequent tests called for in the contract documents, and to any qualifications stated in his recommendation); and that payment of the amount recommended is due contractor(s). But by recommending any payment, ENGINEER will not thereby be deemed to have represented that continuous or exhaustive examinations have been made by ENGINEER to check the quality or quantity of the work or to review the means, methods, sequences,

techniques, or procedures of construction or safety precautions or programs incidental thereto; or that ENGINEER has made an examination to ascertain how or for what purposes any contractor has used the moneys paid on account of the contract price; or that title to any of the work, materials, or equipment has passed to OWNER free and clear of any lien, claims, security interests or encumbrances; or that contractor(s) have completed their work exactly in accordance with the contract documents.

1.3.10 Conduct site observation periodically to determine if the Project is substantially complete and conduct a final site review to determine if the work has been completed substantially in accordance with the contract documents and if each contractor has fulfilled all of his obligations thereunder so that ENGINEER may recommend, in writing, final payment to each contractor and may give written notice to OWNER and the contractor(s) that the work is acceptable (subject to any conditions therein expressed); but any such recommendation and notice shall be subject to the limitations expressed in paragraph 1.3.9.

1.3.11 Provide the OWNER with one set of record prints of drawings showing those changes made during the construction process, based on the marked-up prints, drawings, and other data furnished by the contractor to ENGINEER and which ENGINEER considers significant.

1.3.12 ENGINEER shall not be responsible for the acts or omissions of any contractor, or subcontractor, or any of the contractor(s)' or subcontractors' agents or employees, or any other persons (except ENGINEER's own employees and agents) at the site, or otherwise performing any of the contractor(s)' work; however, nothing contained in paragraph 1.3.1 through 1.3.11, inclusive, shall be construed to release ENGINEER from liability for failure to properly perform duties set forth in this contract.

2. TERMS

2.1 The services of the Engineer shall begin as soon as a written Notice to Proceed (NTP) is provided by the OWNER and the duration is anticipated to extend to December 29, 2026.

3. PAYMENT

3.1 Payment to Engineer shall be at the hourly labor Rates and Non-Labor Rates set forth in the attachment Number One to Exhibit A: “RATE SCHEDULE 2025-2027”; with a total compensation ceiling of $480,000 as set forth in Work Authorization Number AMA–OC-25-007 to the Agreement for Professional Engineering Consulting Services, Section 5.b. with the estimated maximum fees broken down for respective services in more detail as follows:

Task	Estimated Fee
Standard Project Engineering Services	
Design Phase Engineering Services For MoDOT Portion of the Project	$280,000
Design Surveying Services	$5,000
Design Phase Engineering Services For Richard Joseph Blvd. & Detention	$90,000
Legal descriptions and easement acquisition services	$5,000
Bidding and Construction Phase Engineering Services	$50,000
CLOMR	$50,000
Total Estimated Maximum Fee – All Services	$480,000

4. SUMMARY OF ATTACHMENTS

Attachment Number 1 Rate Schedule

ATTACHMENT NUMBER ONE

ALLGEIER, MARTIN and ASSOCIATES, INC.

Consulting Engineers and Surveyors

RATE SCHEDULE
2025, 2026 and 2027

LABOR RATES

Classification	Hourly Billing Rate 01/01/2025 thru 12/31/2025	01/01/2026 thru 12/31/2026	01/01/2027 thru 12/31/2027
Principal/Engineer VI	$302	$316	$330
Principal/Engineer V	$269	$281	$293
Principal/Engineer IV	$243	$254	$266
Principal/Engineer III	$224	$234	$245
Project Manager/Engineer II	$199	$208	$217
Project Manager/Engineer I	$181	$189	$198
Technician IV	$164	$172	$180
Technician III/GIS Specialist	$164	$172	$180
Technician III	$139	$145	$152
Technician II	$125	$130	$136
Technician I	$118	$123	$128
Two-Man GPS Survey Crew	$230	$241	$251
One-Man GPS Survey Crew	$181	$189	$198
Three-Man Survey Crew	$251	$262	$274
Two-Man Survey Crew	$199	$208	$217
Registered Land Surveyor II	$212	$222	$232
Registered Land Surveyor I	$187	$195	$204
Survey Crew Member	$95	$99	$103
Right of Way Specialist	$145	$152	$158
Project Representative III	$139	$145	$152
Project Representative II	$125	$130	$136
Project Representative I	$115	$120	$126
Secretary/Assistant	$95	$99	$103
Print Specialist	$95	$99	$103

Note: All pre-approved overtime hours shall be invoiced at 1 ½ times the hourly billing rates shown above

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NON-LABOR RATES

Item	Rate
Travel	$0.70 per mile (or current IRS rate)
Subsistence	Actual Cost
Lodging	Actual cost
Special Postage or Shipping	Actual cost
Printing	Actual cost
Surveying Materials	Actual cost
Subcontract Specialty Services	Cost + 10%
Deposition & Court Testimony	Standard Hourly Billing Rate x 2
Drone Topographic Processing	$100 per acre

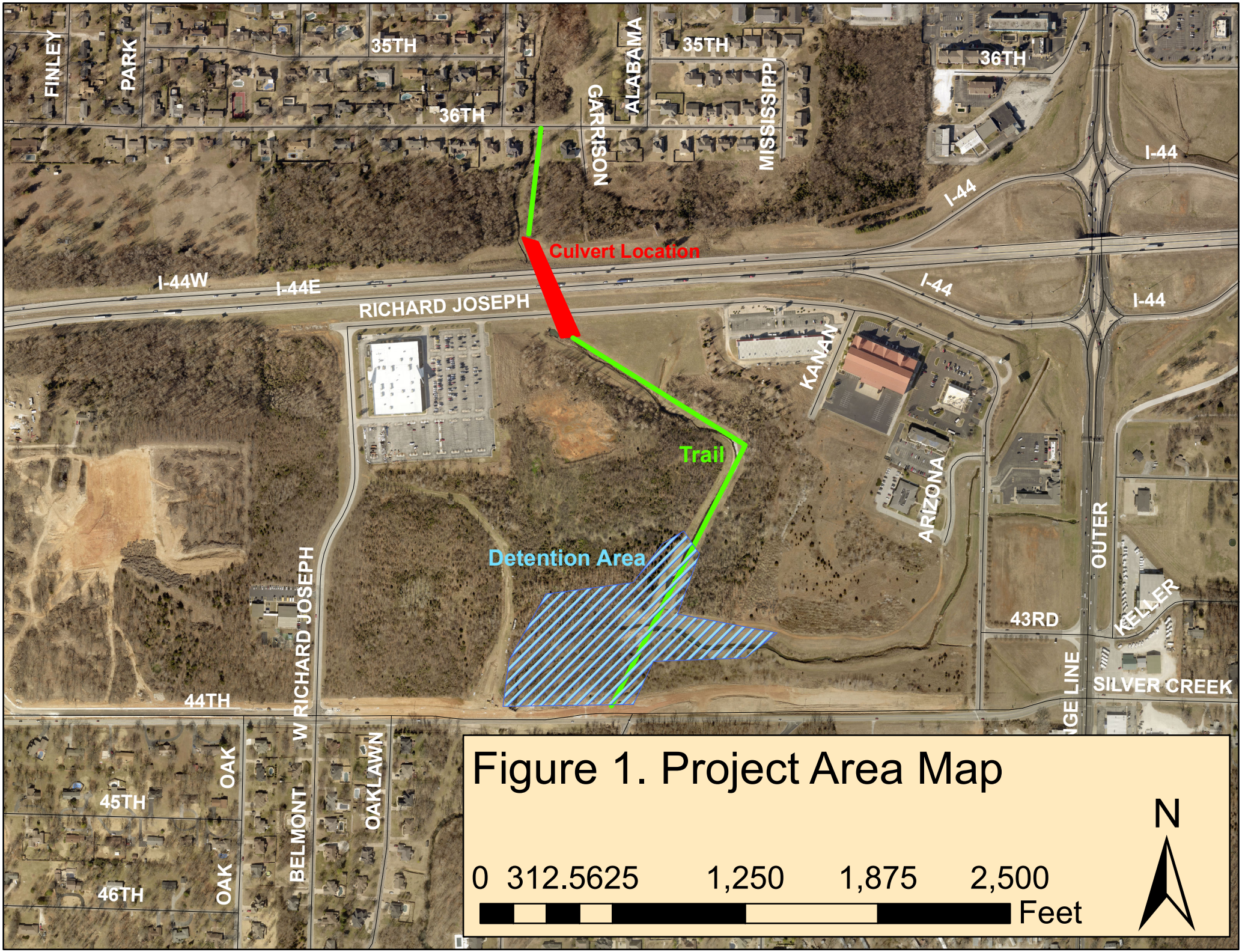

Figure 1. Project Area Map

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2025-146 **ORDINANCE NO.**

AN ORDINANCE approving Work Authorization AMA-OC-025-008 with Allgeier Martin and Associates, Inc. (AMA) in the not to exceed amount of Four Hundred Eighty Thousand and 00/100 dollars ($480,000.00) for professional engineering services for the I-44 Culvert and Silver Creek Detention project and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin; amending the Annual Budget of the City of Joplin for the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 as adopted by Ordinance 2025-143 on October 20, 2025; and setting a date when this Ordinance shall become effective.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOPLIN, as follows:

Section 1. That the Work Authorization AMA-OC-025-008 with Allgeier Martin and Associates, Inc. (AMA) in the not to exceed amount of Four Hundred Eighty Thousand and 00/100 dollars ($480,000.00) for professional engineering services for the I-44 Culvert and Silver Creek Detention project, for the City of Joplin, a true and accurate copy of said agreement being attached hereto and incorporated herein, be, and the same, is hereby approved.

Section 2. That the City Manager of the City of Joplin, Missouri, or his designee, is hereby authorized and directed to execute said agreement, or agreement in substantially similar form, by and on behalf of the City of Joplin with AMA.

Section 3. That fiscal year 2025-2026 budgeted appropriations as adopted by Ordinance 2025-145 be amended by increasing appropriations by the total amount of Four Hundred Eighty Thousand and 00/100 dollars ($480,000.00).

Section 4. That the Director of Finance is hereby directed to make all necessary entries on the City records to show the increase in appropriations.

Section 5. That upon the final approval and acceptance of the consultant's work under said contract, in substantial conformance with the attached exhibits, in writing by the Director of Public Works and his certification to the effect to the Director of Finance, the consultant shall be paid from the Capital Improvement Sales Tax Fund.

Section 6. That this Council Bill shall have an effective date of November 18, 2025.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI, this _____ day of_____, 2025, by a vote of_____.

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ATTEST: Keenan T. Cortez, Mayor

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Holly Nagy, City Clerk

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APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Peter C. Edwards, City Attorney