CITY OF JOPLIN
COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

ITEM
Council Bill 2025-152 Construction Agreement between City of Joplin and R.E. Smith Construction Company for the East Town Sidewalks 2025 project

MEETING DATE
December 1, 2025

ORIGINATING DEPT
Public Works-Engineering

ATTACHMENTS
Council Bill 2025-152; Agreement; Location Map; Bid Summary

REVIEWED BY
Director of Public Works, Daniel Johnson; Director of Planning and Community Development, Troy Bolander; Finance Director, Leslie Haase; City Attorney, Peter Edwards; Assistant City Manager, Tony Robyn; City Manager, Nicholas Edwards

SUMMARY
This Council Bill authorizes the City Manager or his designee to enter into an agreement with R.E. Smith Construction Company in the amount of Four Hundred Ninety-Nine Thousand Five Hundred Thirteen and 00/100 dollars ($499,513.00) for construction of the East Town Sidewalks 2025 project.

BACKGROUND
The City has received authorization for the release of funds for the 2025 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding for low and moderate-income neighborhoods. This program includes improvements to sidewalks, streets, curb and gutter, storm water, and sanitary sewer systems in designated neighborhoods. The East Town Sidewalks 2025 project focuses on sidewalk and curb and gutter improvements in the designated neighborhood. In accordance with the City of Joplin's procurement policies, a request for bid proposal for the construction of the East Town Sidewalks 2025 project was advertised in the Joplin Globe on October 18th, 2025, and bids were received by the City on November 12th, 2025. Three bids were received, with R.E. Smith Construction Company selected as the lowest responsive bidder. The bid was below the engineer's estimate. The Notice to Proceed will be issued once signed contract documents have been received and executed, and the project is to be completed by April 2nd, 2026. Federal CDBG grant funds in the approximate amount of $499,513.00 will reimburse the Infrastructure Fund for this project. This project was designed by city staff. Construction oversight and project management will be provided by city staff as well.

FUNDING SOURCE
This is included in the FY 2026 Budget in the Infrastructure Improvements Fund.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of Council Bill 2025-152 on 1st reading.