# JOPLIN CITY COUNCIL
# NOVEMBER 18, 2024
# MEETING MINUTES

## CALL TO ORDER

The November 18, 2024, regular meeting of the Joplin City Council was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Keenan Cortez.

**INVOCATION** was read by City Clerk, Holly Nagy

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA** was led by Community Support Services of Missouri.

## ROLL CALL

Answering Roll Call were Council Members: Joshua Bard, Doris Carlin, Charles Copple, Keenan Cortez, Josh DeTar, Mark Farnham, Doug Lawson and Gary Shaw. Also, in attendance were City Manager Nick Edwards and City Attorney Peter Edwards.

Absent: Ryan Jackson

Motion by Mr. DeTar, second by Mr. Lawson to excuse the absence of Ryan Jackson. Voting in favor were Council Members: Bard, Carlin, Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, and Shaw, 8. Absent: Jackson, 1.

## PRESENTATIONS

## FINALIZATION OF CONSENT AGENDA

## REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

News from the Public Information Office

Drew Douglas, Director of Marketing and Communications presented.

## CITIZEN REQUESTS AND PETITIONS

Mary Price spoke regarding Prop B Sunset Tax

## PUBLIC HEARINGS

Public Hearing Procedures were read by City Clerk Holly Nagy

PUBLIC HEARING FOR COUNCIL BILL NO. 2024-295

Mayor Cortez opened the Public Hearing
No one spoke in favor of this item.
No one spoke in opposition of this item.
The Public Hearing was closed.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2024-295

Troy Bolander, Director of Planning and Neighborhood Services introduced Council Bill No. 2024-295- AN ORDINANCE approving and authorizing the abatement of ad valorem real estate taxes on the improvements to the real property located at 401-411 South Virginia Avenue, Joplin, Missouri; also known as the Hollcroft and Stults Building; taxes will be abated at the rate of one hundred percent (100%) for ten (10) years, commencing January 1, 2025 and fifty (50%) for the following fifteen (15) years, commencing January 1, 2035 ; authorizing the City Manager to execute all instruments approved herein and any other instruments necessary to effectuate the intent of the Council as described herein upon recommendation of the City Attorney. No vote taken at this time. The item will be formally considered under First Reading.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion by Mr. Shaw, second by Mr. DeTar to approve the Consent Agenda. Voting in favor were Council Members: Bard, Carlin, Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, and Shaw, 8. Absent: Jackson, 1.

Approve minutes of the November 11, 2024, City Council meeting.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2024-149 - AN ORDINANCE approving an agreement with Jeff Asbell Excavating & Trucking Inc. in the amount of Four hundred thirty-four thousand, three hundred ninety-three dollars and 18/100 DOLLARS ($434,393.18) for Cox Avenue Stormwater Improvements and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin. **Ordinance No. 2024-161.**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2024-150 - AN ORDINANCE approving a consultation agreement with TransPro Consulting LLC. in the not to exceed amount of Three Hundred and Four Thousand, Eight Hundred and Fifty-nine dollars and Fifty-Two Cents ($304,859,52) to provide evaluation, planning and implementation services and the feasibility of a regional transportation authority for the City of Joplin Transit system. and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin; and setting a date when this Ordinance shall become effective. **Ordinance No. 2024-162.**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2024-284 - AN ORDINANCE amending Ordinance No. 2022-274, passed by the Council of the City of Joplin, Missouri, August 1, 2022, by removing from District R-1 (Single-Family Residential) and including in District C-1 PD (Neighborhood Commercial – Planned Development) property as described below and located at 2517 E 20th St. **Ordinance No. 2024-163.**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2024-285 - AN ORDINANCE providing to vacate a utility easement, lying on property described as 1403 E Valley St, City of Joplin, Jasper County, Missouri. **Ordinance No. 2024-164.**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2024-287 - AN ORDINANCE providing to vacate a sewer easement, lying on property described as 2128 S Maiden Ln, City of Joplin, Jasper County, Missouri. **Ordinance No. 2024-165.**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2024-516 - AN ORDINANCE amending Section 2.01A, Applications and Fees, Article 2, Procedures, of the Joplin Development Code, Appendix 29A as adopted by Ordinance No. 2022-119 of the City of Joplin and enacting in lieu thereof an amended Section 2.01A, Applications and Fees, Article 2, Procedures, of the Joplin Development Code, Appendix 29A; and, enacting Section 94-100, Application Fees, Article V, Permits and Fees, of Chapter 94, Planning, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Joplin to implement certain fee changes; and setting a date when this Ordinance shall become effective. **Ordinance No. 2024-166.**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2024-624 -AN ORDINANCE approving a Purchase Order to be issued to Superion to cover the annual support payment for the financial software and related systems as budgeted in the Annual Budget of the City of Joplin for the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 as adopted by Council Bill 2024-514 on October 21, 2024; and establishing a date when it shall become effective. **Ordinance No. 2024-167.**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2024-626 - AN ORDINANCE approving an agreement by and between the City of Joplin and Central Square Technologies, LLC., for the addition of an Enterprise Asset Management System, and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin; and, setting a date when this ordinance shall become effective. **Ordinance No. 2024-168.**

## RESOLUTIONS

## ORDINANCES – EMERGENCY

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2024-148

Mr. Lawson introduced Council Bill No, 2024-148- AN ORDINANCE approving an agreement with D&E Plumbing & Heating Inc. in the amount of Two million, five hundred eighty-eight thousand, five hundred sixty-one dollars and 00/100 ($2,588,561.00) for Joplin ARPA Group B Project and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute this agreement by and on behalf of the City of Joplin; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Lawson, second by Mr. DeTar, that Council Bill No. 2024-148 be passed on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Bard, Carlin, Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, and Shaw, 8. Absent: Jackson, 1. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled

**Ordinance No. 2024-169.**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2024-152

Mr. DeTar introduced Council Bill No, 2024-152- AN ORDINANCE approving the City of Joplin to enter into an agreement with Emery Sapp and Sons Inc. in the amount of Nine Million Eight Hundred Seventy-Eight Thousand Two Hundred Forty-One and 50/100 dollars ($9,878,241.50) for construction of the 20th Street Widening Project from Schifferdecker Avenue to Central City Road and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. DeTar, second by Mr. Bard, that Council Bill No. 2024-152 be passed on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Bard, Carlin, Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, and Shaw, 8. Absent: Jackson, 1. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2024-170.**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2024-153

Mr. DeTar introduced Council Bill No, 2024-153- AN ORDINANCE approving a Work Authorization with Olsson in the not to exceed amount of Five Hundred Sixty-Eight Thousand Two Hundred Fifty and 00/100 dollars ($568,250.00) for professional engineering services for the Pennsylvania Avenue Viaduct Removal project and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. DeTar, second by Mr. Copple, that Council Bill No. 2024-153 be passed on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Bard, Carlin, Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, and Shaw, 8. Absent: Jackson, 1. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2024-171.**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2024-154

Mr. DeTar introduced Council Bill No, 2024-154- AN ORDINANCE approving a Work Authorization with Olsson in the not to exceed amount of Six Hundred Two Thousand Five Hundred and 00/100 dollars ($602,500.00) for professional engineering services for the Willow Branch Stormwater Study project and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. DeTar, second by Mr. Copple, that Council Bill No. 2024-154 be passed on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Bard, Carlin, Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, and Shaw, 8. Absent: Jackson, 1. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2024-172.**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2024-155

Mr. DeTar introduced Council Bill No, 2024-155- AN ORDINANCE approving a Work Authorization with Olsson in the not to exceed amount of Two Hundred Twenty-Seven Thousand Six Hundred Sixty-Four and 00/100 dollars ($227,664.00) for professional engineering services for the Willow Branch 7th Street Improvements project and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. DeTar, second by Dr. Farnham that Council Bill No. 2024-155 be passed on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Bard, Carlin, Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, and Shaw, 8. Absent: Jackson, 1. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2024-173.**

## ORDINANCES – FIRST READING

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2024-151

Mr. Lawson introduced Council Bill No. 2024-151 - AN ORDINANCE amending Chapter 118, Utilities, Article II, Sewers and Sewage Disposal, Division 6 Rates and Charges, of the Joplin City Code, by repealing sections 118-201 through 118-202, inclusive, of Division 6 in their entirety and enacting new sections 118-201 through 118-202, inclusive of Division 6, Rates and Charges; dealing generally with the establishment of sewer rates for the City of Joplin, Missouri. Motion by Mr. Lawson, second by Mr. Bard that Council Bill No. 2024-151 be passed on the first reading and advanced to second and third. Voting in favor were Council Members: Bard, Carlin, Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, and Shaw, 8. Absent: Jackson, 1. The Bill was read as Council Bill No. 2024-151.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2024-295

Mr. DeTar introduced Council Bill No. 2024-295 - AN ORDINANCE approving and authorizing the abatement of ad valorem real estate taxes on the improvements to the real property located at 401-411 South Virginia Avenue, Joplin, Missouri; also known as the Hollcroft and Stults Building; taxes will be abated at the rate of one hundred percent (100%) for ten (10) years, commencing January 1, 2025 and fifty (50%) for the following fifteen (15) years, commencing January 1, 2035 ; authorizing the City Manager to execute all instruments approved herein and any other instruments necessary to effectuate the intent of the Council as described herein upon recommendation of the City Attorney. Motion by Mr. DeTar, second by Mr. Lawson that Council Bill No. 2024-295 be passed on the first reading and advanced to second and third. Voting in favor were Council Members: Bard, Carlin, Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, and Shaw, 8. Absent: Jackson, 1. The Bill was read as Council Bill No. 2024-295.

**SECOND AND THIRD READING**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

Respectfully,

Holly Nagy
City Clerk