JOPLIN CITY COUNCIL
December 3, 2018 MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER
The regular meeting for the Joplin City Council was called to order at 6:00 p.m.by Mayor Gary Shaw.

INVOCATION read by City Clerk Barbara Gollhofer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE to the United States of America was led by Mr. West.

ROLL CALL – Answering Roll Call were Council Members: Taylor Brown, Melodee Colbert-Kean, Doug Lawson, Anthony Monteleone, Gary Shaw, Ryan Stanley, Phil Stinnett and Jim West. Also, in attendance were City Manager Sam Anselm and City Attorney Peter Edwards. Absent: Diane Reid Adams. Motion by Mr. West, second by Mr. Monteleone to excuse Mrs. Reid Adams. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, Lawson, Monteleone, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett and West, 8. Nays: 0.

PRESENTATIONS
Mayor Shaw presented recognition and appreciation plaques to the following board/commission members who completed their terms in 2018.

Becky Heffren	Board of Health	2012-2018
Brad McIntyre	JRC	2012-2018
David Sweeney	Board of Health	2012-2018
Kyle Denham	Building Board of Appeals	2011-2018
Michelle Cahill	Board of Health	2012-2018
Chad Greer	Design Review	2010-2018
Harvey Hutchison	Parks & Recreation Board	2012-2018

The following were unable to attend the meeting but were recognized:

Maurice Clark	Airport Board	2011-2018
Gary Duncan	Planning & Zoning	2012-2018
Dorothy Willcoxon	Library Board	2012-2018
Christina Williams	Solid Waste Commission	2012-2018

Continue discussion of the Finance Committee's Revenue Options Report: City Attorney Peter Edwards gave the council members an update on a recent meeting that included Mayor Shaw, City Attorney Edwards, City Manager Anselm, Police Chief Stewart, Fire Chief Furgerson, Police Union head Shelby Howard and Fire Union head Jeremie Humphrey. The meeting was about working together to find solutions to the police and fire pay as well as pay issues for other city employees. Mr. Edwards stated that everyone left the meeting committed to working together going forward and having periodic meetings to come up with plans and solutions to address these issues. One issue that did come up was the April ballot. The consensus was that trying to put something on the April ballot would be rushing things because of the small window of time between now and January 21, 2019. (final certification date for ballot issues).

Another consideration discussed was that Council had given city staff the directive to engage an actuary to start performing an actuarial study on what it would take if it was decided to either

close the pension or fully fund it. Mr. Edwards stated the City has reached out to the actuary and given him the council's directive and the actuary has started work on that project. It's anticipated to take 60-90 days before he's able to come back to council with the results of his study. Mayor Shaw thanked everyone who was involved in the meeting and stated it was a productive meeting. Mr. Stanley recommended not pursuing putting anything on the April ballot until after the actuarial report so that by then they will have better clarity as to which direction they should go. Mr. Stinnett agreed with Mr. Stanley to not put anything on the April ballot. He also suggested that the council meet periodically to give input and hear feedback from the other group. City Manager Anselm stated that when the group met on Friday, it was decided to have follow-up meetings every 2-3 weeks and will provide updates to council as those meetings occur. Mr. Stinnett stated that as the council goes through this process, and since we're talking about potential tax issues, that we put together numbers on the wage side and general fund on the replacement side. We need to know what kind of dollars need to be generated for these issues.

FINALIZATION OF CONSENT AGENDA
There being no further business to come before the Council, the Consent Agenda was finalized.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

CITIZEN REQUESTS AND PETITIONS
Brian Handshy would like to speak in consideration of the City of Joplin joining the Missouri Clean Energy District to allow commercial property owners to utilize PACE finance. Mr. Handshy notified the City Clerk that he would be unable to attend this meeting and asked to be put on the January 7, 2019 agenda.

Charles Copple addressed the city council regarding upcoming tax proposals.

PUBLIC HEARINGS
Public Hearing Procedures read by City Clerk Barbara Gollhofer

Public Hearing for Council Bill No. 2018-273

Mayor Shaw opened the Public Hearing

John Bolte, 216 S. Main, and Bal Singh, 1632 LaSalle St. Springfield MO, appeared in favor of this item.

No one appeared in opposition to this item.

The Public Hearing was closed.

Mr. West introduced Council Bill No.2018-273 - an ordinance approving the voluntary annexation by the Council of the City of Joplin, Missouri, of approximately 22 acres of property, located immediately south of I-44 at Exit 13 and west of Prigmore Avenue, Jasper County. Requested by Skyline Travel Plaza, L.L.C. Motion by Mr. West, second by Mr. Mr. Lawson that Council Bill No. 2018-273 be placed on First Reading and advanced to Second and Third Reading. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, Lawson, Monteleone, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett, and West, 8. Nays: 0. Absent: Reid Adams, 1. The council bill was read as **Council Bill No. 2018-273**.

Public Hearing for Council Bill No. 2018-274

John Bolte, 216 Main. St., and Bal Singh, 1632 LaSalle St., Springfield MO, appeared in favor of this item.

No one appeared in opposition to this item.

The Public Hearing was closed.

Mr. Stinnett introduced Council Bill No. 2018-274 - an ordinance approving approximately 26 acres, located immediately south of I-44 at Exit 13 and west of Prigmore Avenue to include in District C-3, Jasper County, Missouri. Motion by Mr. Stinnett, second by Mr. West to place Council Bill No. 2018-274 on first Reading and advanced to Second and Third Reading. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, Lawson, Monteleone, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett, and West, 8. Nays: 0. Absent: Reid Adams, 1. The council bill was read as **Council Bill No. 2018-274**.

CONSENT AGENDA.
Motion by Mr. Stanley, second by Mr. Brown to approve the Consent Agenda. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, Lawson, Monteleone, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett, and West, 8. Nays: 0. Absent: Reid Adams, 1.

Minutes of the November 19, 2018 Council Meeting

RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCES – EMERGENCY
Mr. Stanley introduced Council Bill No. 2018-275 - an ordinance approving the Redevelopment Plans for properties known as the Muir Building and Willard Hotel located at 901 S. Main St. through 907 S. Main St.; by Jeremy and Lori Haun in accordance with the Redevelopment Plans as approved by the Joplin Redevelopment Corporation, Inc; approving and authorizing the abatement of ad valorem real estate taxes on the improvements to properties located at 901 S. Main St. through 907 S. Main St., Joplin, Missouri; taxes on the improvements to the real property will be abated at the rate of one hundred percent (100%) for ten (10) years, commencing January 1, 2019 and fifty (50%) for the following fifteen (15) years, ending after December 31, 2043; 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; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Stanley, second Mr. Brown that Council Bill No. 2018-275 be approved on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, Lawson, Monteleone, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett, and West, 8. Nays: 0. Absent: Reid Adams, 1. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2018-166.**

Mr. West introduced Council Bill No. 2018–371- an ordinance approving the contract by and between the City of Joplin and Jordan Disposal for the demolition of the structure(s) and clearing of lot area located at 312 S. Oak. in the City of Joplin, Missouri, for Two Thousand Four Hundred and 00/100 Dollars ($2,400.00); providing how the cost thereof shall be paid; how the assessment thereof shall be made; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. West,

second Mr. Stinnett that Council Bill No. 2018-371 be approved on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, Lawson, Monteleone, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett, and West, 8. Nays: 0. Absent: Reid Adams, 1. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2018-167.**

Mr. Brown introduced Council Bill No. 2018–372- an ordinance approving the contract by and between the City of Joplin and Jordan Disposal for the demolition of the structure(s) and clearing of lot area located at 1821 S. Pearl Ave. in the City of Joplin, Missouri, for Two Thousand Seven Hundred Thirty-Three and 00/100 Dollars ($ 2,733.00); providing how the cost thereof shall be paid; how the assessment thereof shall be made; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Brown, second Mr. Lawson that Council Bill No. 2018-372 be approved on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, Lawson, Monteleone, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett, and West, 8. Nays: 0. Absent: Reid Adams, 1. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2018-168.**

Mr. Monteleone introduced Council Bill No. 2018-617- an ordinance authorizing the City of Joplin to enter into an agreement with Missouri Place Properties, LLC for the purpose of leasing real estate for a police station for the not to exceed annual price of Seven Thousand Eight Hundred and 00/100 Dollars ($7,800); authorizing the City Manager to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Monteleone, second Mr. Stanley that Council Bill No. 2018-617 be approved on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, Lawson, Monteleone, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett, and West, 8. Nays: 0. Absent: Reid Adams, 1. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2018-169.**

Ordinances – First Reading

Mr. Stanley introduced Council Bill No. 2018-026 - an ordinance approving a plan for an industrial development project consisting of the acquisition and installation of manufacturing equipment, authorizing the city of Joplin, Missouri to issue its taxable industrial revenue bonds in a principal amount not to exceed $67,215,000 and approving certain related documents and actions. Motion by Mr. Stanley, second by Mr. West to pass Council Bill No. 2018-026 on First Reading and advance to Second and Third Reading. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, Lawson, Monteleone, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett, and West, 8. Nays: 0. Absent: Reid Adams, 1. The Council Bill was read as **Council Bill No. 2018-026.**

Ordinances – Second Reading and Third Reading

Unfinished Business

New Business

Additional Requests to Address the City Council:

Jeremie Humphrey requested to address the City Council regarding an invitation to attend the Fire Department's Christmas For Kids party. Fire Chief Jim Furgerson was also there for this request. Mr. Humphrey gave a brief history of the program and invited the city council to attend the event on Saturday, December 18 at Memorial Hall from 10:00 am – 9:00 p.m.

Renita Kitchingham, Joplin, requested to address the City Council regarding ordinances containing an emergency clause and budget issues. Mayor Shaw responded with a brief overview

of the process by which a council bill goes through before being presented to Council, either as an emergency ordinance or other recommendation by city staff. Mr. Stanley asked City Attorney Edwards to give a brief description of what an emergency ordinance is, and then to explain the situation with the AARF truck. Mr. Edwards stated the definition of an emergency ordinance can be found in Section 2.12 of the Joplin City Code and went on to name some types of items that can be an emergency ordinance. Mr. Edwards deferred the question about the AARF truck to City Manager Anselm, who stated the truck does fit into the building for which it was purchased, but the building will be modified to add an additional door on one of the end of the building to allow the truck to pull through for the efficiency of the operation of that vehicle. Mr. Anselm stated the city has a budget process every year and residents are invited to attend and speak about any item that's included in the list of upcoming capital improvement items. Mr. Anselm also invited anyone who has questions about any agenda item to contact him.

News from Public Information Officer Lynn Onstot:
Tuesday, Dec. 4 is Joplin's Christmas Parade starting at 6 p.m. The parade begins at 15th Street and travels north on Main Street to 3rd Street. Starting at 10 am tomorrow, parking will not be allowed either side of Main Street to allow young and old of all heights to enjoy the parade. Disability parking will be available at 8th and Main Street, in the northwest lot of that intersection. For those traveling in and around Joplin Tuesday evening, please use caution, especially near Main Street, from 26th Street to Murphy Boulevard. Streets intersecting with Main will be closed. We thank Freeman Health Systems for coordinating this year's parade and hope everyone enjoys it.

Leaf pick up program for residents is actively working in city neighborhoods. The pickup starts in both the southern part of Joplin and the northern part, with crews working toward the middle of town to complete the program. Residents are reminded not to bag their leaves, but rather rake them to the curb. No tree limbs, brush or rocks should be included in the piles, please. The City asks that residents DO NOT rake leaves into the street, as they may clog the storm drains which is what we're working to prevent with this pick-up program. Weather permitting, this collection could take over one month, so we appreciate everyone's patience.

To learn more about upcoming events, visit the Convention & Visitors Bureau's website at visitjoplinmo.com.

Council Comments:
Mayor Shaw acknowledged two elected officials who were in the audience: Jim Otey, Newton County Collector, and Steve McIntosh, Jasper County Collector.

Mr. Stinnett commented on the citizens who attend council meetings and ask questions. He appreciates their interest. He assured everyone that the council does care that they appear as transparent as possible not only because the council thinks it's for the for the best interest of the citizens, but that items been vetted before they're presented to Council. He mentioned the budget process that Mr. Anselm referred to and stated that even though budget meetings are open to the public, no one attends them or asks questions. The budget book is thick book, but there is an overview booklet of the capital expenditures and if you only look at that you would get a good idea about the way the city is spending money during the year. Mr. Stinnett encouraged citizens to stay involved and believe that the council is trying to be as transparent as possible.

Vote to go into closed session, which shall pertain to leasing, purchasing or sale of real estate by

a public governmental body where public knowledge of the transaction might adversely affect the legal consideration therefore as set forth in Section 610.021 (2) RSMo, as amended, 2017. This meeting, record, and vote to be closed to the extent provided by law. The City Council shall adjourn at the end of the session. Motion by Mr. Brown, second by Mr. Monteleone to go into closed section. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, Lawson, Monteleone, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett, and West, 8. Nays: 0. Absent: Reid Adams, 1.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

Respectfully,

Barbara Gollhofer, City Clerk