RESOLUTION NO. 2023-021

A RESOLUTION establishing a "Legislative Affairs Committee".

WHEREAS: The City Council desires to appoint a Council Committee to review and coordinate State and Federal legislative goals and priorities of the City and guide this organization in navigating legislative efforts on the local, state, and federal levels, and;

WHEREAS: As part of the goals set forth by the City Council, the Committee will identify community priority issues and how state and federal legislative policy and funding decisions affect the ability to deliver services, and;

WHEREAS: This Committee would identify City priorities to develop annual state/federal legislative programs, analyze and monitor legislation in coordination with departments, work with other agencies in coordinated legislative advocacy, and provide updates on legislative issues to the City Council, and;

WHEREAS: The Legislative Affairs Committee shall ensure representation of the community by identifying and nominating citizens of Joplin to various State and Federal boards, commissions, and councils, and;

WHEREAS: The Legislative Affairs Citizens Committee shall advocate, coordinate, and advance the City's legislative agenda to enhance the City's ability to govern and provide essential services to the community it serves.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Legislative Affairs Committee will adhere to all applicable laws, ordinances, and the Home Rule Charter for the City of Joplin.

Section 2. The Mayor shall, at his/her discretion, appoint four (4) members of the City Council to the Committee and select the chairperson.

Section 3. The Legislative Affairs Committee shall meet as needed and determined by the chairperson.

Section 4. The Legislative Affairs Committee meetings will be public meetings and the meeting dates, times, locations, agendas, and meeting minutes will be available to public.

Section 5. That this committee is charged with the ability to advocate, coordinate, and advance the City's legislative agenda to enhance the City's ability to govern and provide essential services to the community it serves.

Section 6. That the City Manager shall designate appropriate City staff to serve as liaison to the Committee.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI, this ___th day of December, 2023.

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Douglas W. Lawson, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Holly Nagy, City Clerk