JOPLIN CITY COUNCIL
NOVEMBER 21, 2022
MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The November 21, 2022, regular meeting of the Joplin City Council was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Doug Lawson.

INVOCATION was read by City Clerk Holly Nagy.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA was led by Mr. Josh DeTar

ROLL CALL

Answering Roll Call were Council Members: Charles Copple, Keenan Cortez, Josh DeTar, Mark Farnham, Doug Lawson, Gary Shaw, Kate Spencer, and Christina Williams. Also, in attendance were Assistant City Manager Tony Robyn and City Attorney Peter Edwards. Absent: Phil Stinnett

Motion by Mr. Cortez, second by Mr. DeTar to excuse the absence of Mr. Stinnett. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, and Williams, 8. Nays: 0. Absent: Stinnett, 1.

PRESENTATIONS

FINALIZATION OF CONSENT AGENDA

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

News from the Public Information Office

Just a reminder for those taking advantage of milder temps and have been raking their leaves – the City's Leaf Pick Up Program starts Monday, November 28, weather permitting. The City's two crews start in opposite outlying areas of the city and work their way toward the center of Joplin. To help residents know the general order of neighborhood locations, the City has created a map that indicates the order of neighborhoods the crews will be picking up leaves.

The Leaf Pick-Up map is posted on the City's website. This slide shows the first 3 sections for each crew. By using the map online, citizens can better prepare for their arrival to pick up their leaves. The program can take about a month or longer depending on the weather. Wet leaves cannot be vacuumed so moisture can delay the work a bit. We appreciate everyone's patience as we provide this popular service for our residents.

There are several fun activities for the holiday season that have been recently announced. Downtown Joplin Alliance is holding a Holiday Window Decorating Contest! This year's theme is MARCH OF THE TOYS and public voting runs from November 17 to December

16. We noticed a few businesses have already done their decorating – including our own City Hall. So, when out and about check out the downtown area storefronts.

To vote, look for the Holiday Window posters in the windows with the QR code. Winners will be announced on December 20.

Joplin Parks and Recreation's Holiday Tree Trail opens on Tuesday, November 29 with a fun family event from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Mercy Park, 26th and Maiden Lane. We invite the community to come to see this year's decorated trees, enjoy the entertainment, the cookies, and the cocoa. Children can also visit Santa Claus at this event. The display of decorated Christmas trees at Mercy Park will be up through December 31 for all to enjoy from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. daily. Don't' forget to vote for your favorite tree through Dec. 21.

Joplin's Christmas parade will be Tuesday, December 6. It starts at 6 p.m. beginning at 15th Street and goes to 3rd Street.

The City reminds everyone that there is no parking along Main Street after 3 p.m. on that day. This provides safety for spectators and participants and allows everyone to have a great view. ADA parking will be allowed at the 8th & Main Street parking lot.

For citizens interested in keeping up with Joplin's shopping, entertainment and dining options, there's a new resource that's easy to use. It's the Choose Joplin app! Residents can just download the app to their smartphone for a full listing of these places. Now's the time to add this too – it will serve as a great resource for residents who might be having friends and family visiting Joplin for the holidays. Divided into categories of Eat, Shop, Play and Live/Work, answers and ideas are just a few taps away. The app was developed by the Joplin Area Chamber of Commerce, our partner in Economic Development. So if on the go this holiday season, the Choose Joplin app puts everything you need in the palm of your hand.

And in closing, we want to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and remind them that the City is closed for the holiday as well as Friday. This closure includes our public transportation service and the recycling center. City Hall will reopen on Monday, November 28, and the Recycling Center will be open on that Monday as well to help our citizens who may have accumulated more items than usual during the holiday.

With this holiday, residential trash service does get altered. Service will not run on Thursday, so customers will have their trash picked up on Friday, and Friday service is moved to Saturday this week.

CITIZEN REQUESTS AND PETITIONS

Brian Evans spoke regarding the Park Rangers Program and fiscal responsibility.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Public Hearing Procedures were read by City Clerk Holly Nagy

PUBLIC HEARING FOR COUNCIL BILL NO. 2022-288

Mayor Lawson opened the Public Hearing.

Brad DeGraff spoke in favor of this item.

No one spoke in opposition to this item.

The Public Hearing was closed.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Mr. Shaw, second by Mr. Cortez to approve the Consent Agenda. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, and Williams, 8. Nays: 0. Absent: Stinnett, 1.

Minutes of the November 7, 2022, City Council Meeting

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2022-285- AN ORDINANCE providing the vacation of a utility easement lying on property described as 3209 S Range Line Rd., City of Joplin, Jasper County, Missouri. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2022-174.**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2022-286 - AN ORDINANCE amending Ordinance No. 2022-274, passed by the Council of the City of Joplin, Missouri, August 1, 2022, by removing from District M-2(Heavy Industrial) and including in District C-3 (Commercial) property as described below and located at 2323 S. Highview Ave., City of Joplin, Jasper County, Missouri. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2022-175.**

RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCES – EMERGENCY

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2022-151

Mr. Cortez introduced Council Bill No. 2022-151 - AN ORDINANCE approving an amendment (Change Order No. 2) to the construction agreement with Rosetta Construction, Inc., in the amount of One Hundred Thirty-eight Thousand Five Hundred and 00/100 Dollars, ($138,500.00) for the Joplin Creek Interceptor Replacement 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. Cortez, second by Dr. Farnham that Council Bill No. 2022-151 be passed on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, and Williams, 8. Nays: 0. Absent: Stinnett, 1. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2022-176**.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2022-155

Dr. Farnham introduced Council Bill No. 2022-155 - AN ORDINANCE authorizing the acceptance of a Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission Public Transit Operating Assistance Grant Agreement for state funds to be used for operating assistance for the Metro Area Public Transit System (MAPS); and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Dr. Farnham, second by Ms. Spencer that Council Bill No. 2022-155 be passed on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, and Williams, 8. Nays: 0. Absent: Stinnett, 1. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2022-177.**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2022-288

Mr. DeTar introduced Council Bill No. 2022-288 - AN ORDINANCE approving the Redevelopment Plans for properties known as the Moss-DeGraff Building located at 906 S. Main St. through 912 S. Main St.; by Brad DeGraff and Kate Moss-DeGraff 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 906 S. Main St. through 912 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, 2023 and fifty (50%) for the following fifteen (15) years, commencing January 1, 2033 ; 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. DeTar, second by Ms. Spencer that Council Bill No. 2022-288 be passed on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, and Williams, 8. Nays: 0. Absent: Stinnett, 1. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2022-178**.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2022-538

Mr. Copple introduced Council Bill No. 2022-538 - AN ORDINANCE adopting a revised step pay plan by reference the City Salary Administration Plan; establishing the annual salary of certain Classified and Unclassified positions for Fiscal Year 2022-2023; and, containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Copple, second by Ms. Williams that Council Bill No. 2022-538 be passed on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, and Williams, 8. Nays: 0. Absent: Stinnett, 1. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2022-179**.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2022-539

Mr. Cortez introduced Council Bill No. 2022-539 - AN ORDINANCE approving the Real

Estate Contract by and between the City of Joplin, Missouri, a Municipal Corporation, and Powell Land Development, LLC., for the sale of three parcels located at 2300 Golf Link Road, totaling approximately 84,942 square feet of land; and 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. Cortez, second by Mr. Copple that Council Bill No. 2022-539 be passed on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, and Williams, 8. Nays: 0. Absent: Stinnett, 1. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2022-180**.

ORDINANCES – FIRST READING

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2022-152

Mr. Shaw introduced Council Bill No. 2022-152 - AN ORDINANCE approving a purchase order for Nine Hundred Sixty-five Thousand and 00/100 Dollars ($965,000.00) with Ace Pipe Cleaning, Inc., for the 2022 Evaluation and Rehabilitation Toolbox for Wastewater Collection System Project; authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin. Motion by Mr. Shaw, second by Ms. Spencer that Council Bill No. 2022-152 be passed on the first reading and advance to second and third. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, and Williams, 8. Nays: 0. Absent: Stinnett, 1. The Bill was read as Council Bill No. 2022-152.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2022-153

Mr. Shaw introduced Council Bill No. 2022-153 - AN ORDINANCE approving a work authorization with Allgeier, Martin and Associates, Inc. in the not to exceed amount of Ninety-Six Thousand Nine Hundred and 00/100 Dollars ($96,900.00) for the Wastewater Collection System Rehabilitation Toolbox Project; and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin. Motion by Mr. Shaw, second by Dr. Farnham that Council Bill No. 2022-153 be passed on the first reading and advance to second and third. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, and Williams, 8. Nays: 0. Absent: Stinnett, 1. The Bill was read as Council Bill No. 2022-153.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2022-157

Mr. Cortez introduced Council Bill No. 2022-157 - AN ORDINANCE approving Amendment 1 to Work Authorization OLS-OC20-09 with Olsson in the not to exceed amount of Fifty-Eight Thousand Three Hundred and 00/100 dollars ($58,300.00) for professional engineering consulting services for intersection improvements at 4th and Murphy Blvd; and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin. Motion by Mr. Cortez, second by Mr. DeTar that Council Bill No. 2022-157 be passed on the first reading and advance to second and third. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, and Williams, 7. Nays: Spencer, 1. Absent: Stinnett, 1. The Bill was read as Council Bill No. 2022-157.

SECOND AND THIRD READING
UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Myrna Moser thanked Council for their service.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Respectfully,

Holly Nagy, City Clerk, MRCC