City of **JOPLIN** City Council Agenda Item

Requested Council Meeting Date: December 7, 2015
Council Bill No. 2015-376

Item: Work Authorization with Joplin Engineering Team (JET) for Construction Management for the Public Park Project in the Recovery Area
Originating Department: Planning, Development and Neighborhood Services

Attachments: 1) Agreement-Work Authorization for Park Construction Management
2) Services Fee Schedule
3) Council Bill No. 2015-376

Department Head: Troy Bolander
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City Attorney: Peter C. Edwards
City Manager: Samuel L. Anselm

Recommended Action: Approval of a Work Authorization with JET in the not to exceed amount of Seventy-Nine Thousand and Eight Hundred and Fifty-Three Dollars ($79,853.00) for Construction Management Services for the Public Park in the Recovery Area.

Background: In October 2015, Council Bill 2015-372 was approved authorizing the execution of a contract with the R.E. Smith for construction of the public park in the Recovery Area; that work is underway. This work authorization provides construction management and oversight services for the project. Funding is provided from existing approved budgeted park funds in CDBG-DR2.

Discussion: The current construction agreement with RE Smith provides limited direct construction compliance and oversight. This additional daily ongoing oversight is required to ensure compliance with construction specifications and in coordinating testing and inspections for soils, concrete, grading, steel, and other requirements as the construction proceeds. This oversight was intended to be brought onboard at the proper time as construction proceeds.

Recommendation: Staff recommends approval of a Work Authorization with JET for the aforementioned scope of work and it be approved on an emergency basis per Section 2.12 (6) in that said ordinance provides for public improvements and is considered an emergency by the Council and as such shall become effective immediately upon this passage as provided by the Home Rule Charter for the City of Joplin in order to maintain the project schedule to meet the EDA required completion date of May 22, 2017.