City of **JOPLIN** City Council Agenda Item

Requested Council Meeting Date: December 19, 2016
Council Bill No. 2016-162

Item: Contract with Sprouls Construction Inc. for the Utility Cut Pavement Restoration 2016 Project

Originating Department: Public Works – Engineering

Attachments: 1) Bid Tab
2) Detailed Bid Tab
3) Council Bill 2016-162
4) Contract

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Recommended Action: Approval of a contract for the Utility Cut Pavement Restoration 2016 Project with Sprouls Construction Inc.

Background: Utility companies and construction contractors periodically cut the city streets, sidewalks, and curb and gutter in order to make utility and sewer connections for new homes and businesses. Utility companies also find it necessary to make cuts so they can make repairs to existing services. In order to insure repairs are to city specifications the city hires a contractor to make the repairs. Cuts will be various sizes from as small as 2 ft by 2 ft to the width of a city street. In 2012-2013 there were 875 cuts, in 2014 approximately 535 cuts were reported and in 2015 approximately 847 were reported. Cost of the repairs will be billed back to the utility companies and contractors.

Discussion: City staff followed the City of Joplin procurement policy. Bids were opened on October 26, 2016 with 3 firms bidding. The project does not have a total project cost because the City does not know how many permits there will be during the year. The bids were based on assumed quantities and bidders were informed as to how their bid was going to be compared for bid analysis only. Since the quantities were assumed, the bids did not represent a total project cost. Thus, an engineer's estimate was not compiled. Sprouls Construction provided the lowest bid.

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the award of a contract with Sprouls Construction Inc. for the Utility Cut Pavement Restoration 2016 project be approved on an emergency basis per Section 2-12 (6) of the Joplin City Charter be approved on an emergency basis per Section 2.12 (6) of the Joplin City Charter.