JOPLIN CITY COUNCIL
DECEMBER 19, 2022
MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER
The December 19, 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 Ms. Christina Williams.

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

PRESENTATIONS

Capital Improvement and Public Safety Sales Tax Oversight Committee Semi-Annual Report.

Lori Haun, Oversight Committee Chairman presented.

FINALIZATION OF CONSENT AGENDA

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS
News from the Public Information Office

In recognition of the Christmas and New Year's holidays, the City of Joplin offices will be closed on Monday, December 26, and Monday, January 2, since the holidays fall on a Sunday. This closing includes MAPS transportation service and the Joplin Recycling Center, which will also be closed on Saturday, December 24, and Saturday, December 31.

Public safety services (Police and Fire Departments), airport operations, and wastewater treatment operations will continue to operate throughout the Christmas and New Year's holidays, as these departments run 24/7 throughout the year.

City offices, MAPS, and the Recycling Center will open and resume their regular operating hours on Tuesday, December 27, following Christmas weekend, and Tuesday, January 3, after the New Year's holiday.

Due to the holiday closures, the Joplin City Council meeting will be moved to Tuesday, January 3, 2023.

Residential trash service and curbside recycling schedules stay the same this year since the holiday falls on a Sunday.

With 2023 fast approaching, so will Joplin Sesquicentennial. We will be back in early January with details of events the Joplin Celebrations Commission is planning.

We are happy to announce VBBA – Vintage Base Ball Association will play an exhibition game in April. They are to baseball what Civil War reenactors are to preserving Civil War era history. The Westerns Base Ball Club of Topeka will play the St. Louis Brown Stockings at historic Joe Becker Stadium. Before and after the vintage will be high school varsity games.

CITIZEN REQUESTS AND PETITIONS
Kathy Martin spoke on business impact of homeless criminal behavior/reduced by lighting in high traffic locations/ ordinance conflict with public safety.

Brian Evans spoke on How the City of Joplin is wasting taxpayer resources through dependence on numerous costly studies by outside firms instead of utilizing numerous well-connected local organizations and resources.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

CONSENT AGENDA
Motion by Mr. Cortez, second by Mr. Shaw to approve the Consent Agenda. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, and Stinnett, and Williams 9. Nays: 0.

Minutes of the December 5, 2022, City Council Meeting

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2022-289 - AN ORDINANCE amending Ordinance No. 2022-274, passed by the Council of the City of Joplin, Missouri, August 1, 2022, by removing from District C-3 (Commercial) and including in District R-2 (Two Family Residential) property as described below and located at 3024 E 9th St, City of Joplin, Jasper County, Missouri. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2022-186.**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2022-291 - AN ORDINANCE providing the vacation of a utility easement lying on property described as McClelland Terrace and W 32nd St, City of Joplin, Newton County, Missouri. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2022-187.**

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-020

Mr. Stinnett introduced Resolution No. 2022-020 - A RESOLUTION of the City of Joplin, Missouri, authorizing the filing of an application with the Missouri Department of Natural Resources, Financial Assistance Center's State ARPA Grant Programs for subaward of federal financial assistance provided to the State of Missouri by the U.S. Department of the Treasury ("Treasury") pursuant to Section 602(b) of the Social Security Act, as added by Section 9901 of the American Rescue Plan Act, (Pub. L. No. 117-2 (March 11, 2021), 135 Stat. 4, 223-26). Motion by Mr. Stinnett, second by Mr. DeTar that Resolution No. 2022-020 be passed. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, and Stinnett, and Williams 9. Nays: 0.

ORDINANCES – EMERGENCY

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2022-369

Mr. DeTar introduced Council Bill No. 2022-369 - AN ORDINANCE approving the contract by and between the City of Joplin and B & D Yardbuilders for the demolition of the structure(s) and clearing of a lot located at 2012 S. Connor Ave. in the City of Joplin, Missouri, for Two Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty-Nine dollars ($2,759.00); providing how the cost thereof shall be paid; how the assessment thereof shall be made; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. DeTar, second by Mr. Cortez that Council Bill No. 2022-369 be passed on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, and Stinnett, and Williams 9. Nays: 0. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2022-188.**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2022-540

Mr. Copple introduced Council Bill No. 2022-540 - AN ORDINANCE approving the Real Estate Contract by and between the City of Joplin, Missouri, a Municipal Corporation, and Joplin Area Habitat for Humanity, for the sale of one parcel located at 1513 East Hill Street, totaling approximately 4,250 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. Copple, second by Ms. Spencer that Council Bill No. 2022-540 be passed on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, and Stinnett, and Williams 9. Nays: 0 The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2022-189.**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2022-541

Mr. Copple introduced Council Bill No. 2022-541 - AN ORDINANCE approving the Real Estate Contract by and between the City of Joplin, Missouri, a Municipal Corporation, and Joplin Area Habitat for Humanity, for the sale of one parcel located at 909 Broadway, totaling approximately 10,450 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. Copple, second by Dr. Farnham that Council Bill No. 2022-541 be passed on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, and Stinnett, and Williams 9. Nays: 0 The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2022-190.**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2022-542

Mr. Copple introduced Council Bill No. 2022-542 - AN ORDINANCE approving the Real Estate Contract by and between the City of Joplin, Missouri, a Municipal Corporation, and Joplin Area Habitat for Humanity, for the sale of one parcel located at 304 North Cox, totaling approximately 6,600 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. Copple, second by Dr. Farnham that Council Bill No. 2022-542 be passed on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, and Stinnett, and Williams 9. Nays: 0 The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2022-191.**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2022-614

Dr. Farnham introduced Council Bill No. 2022-614 - AN ORDINANCE approving a Purchase Order to be issued to Motorola Solutions, Inc. in the amount of Three Hundred Ninety-Four Thousand, Seven Hundred Ninety-Five Dollars and 83/100 Dollars ($394,795.83) for the purchase of portable and mobile radios; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Dr. Farnham, second by Ms. Spencer that Council Bill No. 2022-614 be passed on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, and Stinnett, and Williams 9. Nays: 0 The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2022-192.**

ORDINANCES – FIRST READING

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2022-158

Mr. Stinnett introduced Council Bill No. 2022-158 - AN ORDINANCE approving the City of Joplin to enter into a construction agreement with Joplin Industrial Electric Inc. in the amount of Seventy-Eight Thousand, Five Hundred Fifty-Seven and 00/100 Dollars, ($78,557.00) for the 1st Floor Remodel 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. Stinnett, second by Mr. Shaw that Council Bill No. 2022-158 be passed on the first reading and advance to second and third. Voting in favor were Council Members: Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Stinnett, Spencer, and Williams, 8. Nays: Copple, 1. The Bill was read as Council Bill No. 2022-158.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2022-403

Mr. Stinnett introduced Council Bill No. 2022-403 - AN ORDINANCE approving an Agreement between the City of Joplin, Missouri, and the Homeless Coalition that pertains to 2022 CDBG public service grant funds; authorizing the City Manager to execute same on behalf of the City. Motion by Mr. Stinnett, second by Mr. Copple that Council Bill No. 2022-403 be passed on the first reading and advance to second and third. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Lawson, Shaw, Stinnett, Spencer, and Williams, 8. Nays: Farnham, 1. The Bill was read as Council Bill No. 2022-403.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2022-404

Mr. Copple introduced Council Bill No. 2022-404 - AN ORDINANCE approving an Agreement between the City of Joplin, Missouri, and the Economic Security Corporation that pertains to 2022 CDBG public service grant funds; authorizing the City Manager to execute same on behalf of the City. Motion by Mr. Copple, second by Mr. Cortez that Council Bill No. 2022-404 be passed on the first reading and advance to second and third. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Lawson, Shaw, Stinnett, Spencer, and Williams, 8. Nays: Farnham, 1. The Bill was read as Council Bill No. 2022-404.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2022-543

Mr. Cortez introduced Council Bill No. 2022-543 - AN ORDINANCE approving a Memorandum of Understanding by and between the City of Joplin and Missouri Southern State University (MSSU) to provide One Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars and No Cents ($1,500,000.00) from the City's allocation of State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) as a part of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds for the construction of a new Health Science Innovation Center. Motion by Mr. Cortez, second by Mr. DeTar that Council Bill No. 2022-543 be passed on the first reading and advance to second and third. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Stinnett, Spencer, and Williams, 9. Nays: 0. The Bill was read as Council Bill No. 2022-543.

SECOND AND THIRD READING

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. DeTar would like to consider a more in-depth traffic study when it comes to pedestrian safety and our roadways.

City Council would like to consider turf for the ball fields.

Mr. Copple would like to know the cost of maintaining ball fields versus the use of turf.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

Respectfully,

Holly Nagy, City Clerk, MRCC