

Requested Council Meeting Date: July 5, 2016

Item: CDBG-DR Joplin Senior Citizen's Center –Bates and Associates, Inc.  
Originating Department: Planning, Development & Neighborhood Services

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Attachments: 1) Council Bill No. 2016-364  
2) Bates Architectural/Engineering Agreement  
3) Exhibit A - RFQ -2016-03  
4) Exhibit B – Architect Response and Proposal  
5) Exhibit C – Proposal Letter  
6) Exhibit D - Scoresheet

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Recommended Action: Approval of Council Bill No. 2016-364

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**INTRODUCTION:**

The following Council Bill is for a contract between the City of Joplin and Bates and Associates, Inc. for the Design and Construction Management of the new Joplin Senior Citizen's Center. The new Senior Center will facilitate programs, services, and social activities at a pleasant, safe, and welcoming gathering place that is accessible to all seniors and their friends and families. The Center will provide access to life- enriching quality programs and nutrition services that will help enhance the quality of life and maximize independence for seniors within the City of Joplin.

**DISCUSSION:**

The Joplin Senior Citizen's Center specifically aims to provide a positive and nurturing place for Joplin area seniors to connect. The Center will encourage seniors to live healthy lifestyles.

In support of on-going and expanded seniors programming in the community, CDBG-DR funds will be used to construct a new facility to serve the growing senior citizen population within the City of Joplin. The project will be approximately 15,000 feet and includes associated surface parking spots and trail connectivity to 26<sup>th</sup> Street, St. John's Boulevard, and the adjacent Mercy Park. The identified site and area is currently undergoing significant revitalization efforts through the construction of the City of Joplin's Mercy Park, Kansas City University of Medical Biosciences under renovation, street and sidewalk improvements along 26<sup>th</sup> Street, the recently approved Joplin Schools Early Childhood Education Center, and the recently opened Freeman Hospital's Autism Center. Once all projects are completed, this area will serve as a focal point/meeting place for all

sectors of the community to come together. The facility design will conform to the adopted 26<sup>th</sup> Street Design Guidelines of the 2012 Comprehensive Plan.

The contract is in the amount not-to-exceed Four Hundred and Seventy-Five Thousand dollars (\$475,000) for the design and construction management of the Joplin Senior Citizen's Center. The estimated reimbursable expenses shall not exceed Twenty-Four Thousand Dollars (\$24,000).

**RECOMMENDATION:**

City Staff recommends the approval of this Council Bill on an emergency basis, meaning of Section 2.12(1) of the Home Rule Charter of the City of Joplin, Missouri, in that said ordinance deals with public health and safety issues, so Bates and Associates, Inc. may complete the design and construction management of the Senior Citizen's Center to meet the grant schedule and provide improved services to local senior citizens within Joplin City limits.