

## **CITY OF JOPLIN COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM**

### **ITEM**

Council Bill 2019-404 - Agreement with Missouri Department of Transportation

### **MEETING DATE**

October 21, 2019

### **REVIEWED BY**

Director of Planning Development and Neighborhood Services- Troy Bolander, Director of Finance-Leslie Haase, City Attorney- Peter Edwards, Interim City Manager- Dan Pekarek.

### **SUMMARY**

This is an annual agreement between the Missouri Department of Transportation and the City of Joplin for Federal Transportation Planning Assistance. The purpose of this agreement is to allow the Joplin Metropolitan Planning Organization (whereas the City of Joplin is the designated recipient of the assistance) to receive monetary support to complete transportation planning duties and projects that are eligible for federal financial assistance.

### **BACKGROUND**

The Joplin Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) will use a portion of the assistance to pay for administrative support and technical work completed by the Director of Planning, Development and Neighborhood Services, the Planner and other staff in the Engineering department. The remainder of the assistance will be used to help finance eligible planning projects. Those projects include an update to the 20-year Metropolitan Transportation Plan, an ADA sidewalk and ramp assessment, and the purchase of new surveying equipment.

Attached is the FY 2020 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) that provides more detail on the planning projects being conducted during the next fiscal year. The Joplin Area Transportation Study Organization (JATSO) Policy Board voted to adopt the UPWP on September 26, 2019. JATSO is the designated MPO with the responsibility of providing transportation policy and overseeing the federal transportation planning process for the Joplin region.

### **FUNDING SOURCE**

The City will receive an 80% reimbursement of expenses. This year's expenses will total no more than \$929,629.00. The reimbursement consists of \$651,532.00 in Federal Consolidated Planning Grant Funds and \$66,171.00 in FTA Section 5307 funding. The City will pay 20% of the project costs incurred to a maximum of \$211,926.00 to draw down the Federal assistance.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends approval of this annual agreement with the Missouri Department of Transportation, so the MPO can carry out their transportation planning activities on an emergency basis.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

CB2019-404, Consolidated Grant Agreement, FY2020 UPWP