

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

### **ITEM**

Council Bill 2019-158 – authorizing the City of Joplin to establish the Airport Police Department and empower its Uniformed Officers at the Joplin Regional Airport; authorizing the City Manager to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin; and containing an emergency clause.

### **MEETING DATE**

November 18, 2019

### **ORIGINATING DEPT**

Public Works/Airport

### **ATTACHMENTS**

CB2019-158 Ordinance

### **REVIEWED BY**

Dept. Head: David Hertzberg; Director of Finance: Leslie Haase; City Attorney: Peter Edwards;  
Interim City Manager: Dan Pekarek

### **SUMMARY**

The City Council of the City of Joplin does hereby establish the Airport Police Department and empowers its uniformed officers, within their jurisdiction which is defined as the land and improvements known as the Joplin Regional Airport, to preserve peace and order, enforce the ordinances of the city, prevent crime, detect and apprehend violators of all laws and ordinances, regulate traffic and perform such other duties relating to public peace, order, and safety as the city council shall prescribe. The Uniformed Police Officers and other representatives as designated by the Airport Manager are empowered to require compliance with FAA/DHS and City ordinances. The Airport Manager is authorized to interpret and construe the regulations wherever necessary, by directives of general or specific application.

### **BACKGROUND**

In order to operate the Airport Police Department as a separate standalone entity, the Department must be empowered and established by the Joplin City Council under Sec. 22-33 of the City Code. Once the Department has been formally established, we will apply for an Originating Agency Number (ORI) through the Missouri State Highway Patrol.

### **FUNDING SOURCE**

N/A

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends adoption of this Council Bill on an Emergency basis, being an Ordinance dealing with a general appropriation, within the meaning of Section 2.12(4) of the Home Rule Charter of the City of Joplin, Missouri, and, as such, this Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passage.