

**CITY OF JOPLIN  
COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM**

**ITEM**

Council Bill 2019-528 – Approving certain fee changes in the zoning subdivision regulations

**MEETING DATE**

November 18, 2019

**ORIGINATING DEPT**

Finance

**ATTACHMENTS**

CB 2019-528 Ordinance

**REVIEWED BY**

Department Head: Leslie Haase; Planning & Community Development Director: Troy Bolander;  
City Attorney: Peter Edwards; City Manager: Dan Pekarek

**SUMMARY**

This Council Bill changes certain existing fees in the planning and zoning department.

**BACKGROUND**

The City recently completed the biennial user fee review, which was discussed with City Council at the budget work session on September 24, 2019. User fees are fees for services for specific users. User fees should recover most of the related cost of providing the service, so general taxes are not supporting services for specific users. Under Hancock provisions, the City is only allowed to recover the cost of providing the service. As detailed in the biennial user fee review, certain user fees need to be increased to recover more of the costs associated with providing these services.

In the fee review, staff proposed various changes to planning and zoning department fees.

The proposed changes are as follows:

- Change the subdivision plat fee from \$100.00 to \$150.00, and the additional lot fee from \$10.00 to \$15.00
- Change the lot split fee from \$100.00 to \$125.00

The fee changes will be effective on January 1, 2020.

**FUNDING SOURCE**

This revenue is included in the fiscal year 2020 community planning fund budget.

**RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends this council bill be approved on first reading.

AN ORDINANCE repealing Section 9, Filing Fees, of the Subdivision Regulations, Appendix 29B as adopted by Ordinance No. 97-161 of the City of Joplin and enacting in lieu thereof a new Section 9, Filing Fees, of the Subdivision Regulations, Appendix 29B of the City of Joplin to implement certain fee changes; and setting a date when this Ordinance shall become effective.

WHEREAS, the City performed the biennial fee review and the cost of services has increased and exceeds revenues; and,

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Joplin desires to increase fees to meet the reasonable expenditures of this function; and,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Joplin, Missouri, as follows:**

Section 1. That Section 9, Filing Fees, of the Subdivision Regulations, Appendix 29B as adopted by Ordinance No. 97-161 be repealed and a new Section 9, Filing Fees, of the Subdivision Regulations, Appendix 29B of the City of Joplin be enacted in lieu thereof to read as follows:

**"CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI  
SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS**

**SECTION 9**

**FILING FEES**

1. Subdivision Plats: There shall be paid by all persons or corporations submitting preliminary plats for approval by the City a filing fee of One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00), plus Fifteen Dollars (\$15.00) per lot. This fee shall be paid at the time that the preliminary plat is submitted to the Planning and Zoning Commission and shall apply to approval of the preliminary plat and final plat, provided that the final plat, includes the same area to be subdivided as the preliminary plat.
2. Lot Splits: The filing fee for lot splits shall be One Hundred Twenty-Five Dollars (\$125.00).
3. City Council shall review the costs of services associated with all user fees at least on a biennial basis during the budget process to determine the appropriateness of the fee charge.

Council Bill No. 2019-528 (continued)

Section 2. That this ordinance shall become effective on January 1, 2020.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI, this

\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2019.

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Gary L. Shaw, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Barbara J. Gollhofer, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Peter C. Edwards, City Attorney