

JOPLIN CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
September 21, 2020

CALL TO ORDER

The September 21, 2020 regular meeting of the Joplin City Council was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Pro Tem Keenan Cortez.

INVOCATION was read by City Clerk Barbara Gollhofer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE to the United States of America was led by Ms. Williams.

ROLL CALL

Answering Roll Call were Council Members: Charles Copple, Keenan Cortez, Doug Lawson, Anthony Monteleone, Diane Reid Adams, Gary Shaw, Ryan Stanley (via phone), Phil Stinnett, and Christina Williams. Also, in attendance were City Manager Nick Edwards and City Attorney Peter Edwards.

PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Pro Tem Cortez presented a proclamation to Bill Hunt to recognize him on his retirement as Director of Creative Services with KGCS-TV at Missouri Southern State University. Mr. Hunt was instrumental in coordinating the coverage of Joplin City Council meetings for KGCS-TV.

Mayor Pro Tem Cortez presented a proclamation to staff members of Southwest Missouri Job Center to recognize September as Southwest Missouri Job Center Month.

FINALIZATION OF CONSENT AGENDA

There being no further business to come before the Council, the Consent Agenda was finalized.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Toby Teeter, Joplin Area Chamber of Commerce president, presented a quarterly economic development update.

After Mr. Teeter's report, the following citizens requested to speak on this item:

Jerrod Hogan, Joplin, requested to speak in support of the JACC and economic development.

Jeremy Drinkwitz, Joplin, spoke in support of JACC and economic development.

Kelli Perigo, Joplin, requested to speak in support of the Chamber of Commerce and the positive relationship between the city and Chamber in term of economic development.

Alex Menejias, Joplin, requested to speak on budget, chamber, council, economic development.

Ryan Jackson, Joplin, requested to speak on city budgeting and economic development services.

Frank Thompson, Joplin, requested to speak on economic development.

Abigail Covington, Joplin, requested to speak on economic development.

Deborah Ferguson, Joplin, requested to speak on economic development and the future of Joplin.

CITIZEN REQUESTS AND PETITIONS

Doug Hunt, Carl Junction, provided an update on the Spirit Tree Project. The goal was to have the sculpture completed by May 22, 2021; however, the project requires more time and funding.

Krissie Walsh requested to speak on the mask ordinance back, but she was not in attendance.

Tom Robertson, Joplin spoke on the Pension and Pay increase.

Mike Pier, Joplin, requested to speak on an item in the upcoming budget.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Mr. Shaw, second by Mr. Stinnett to approve the Consent Agenda. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett and Williams, 9. Nays: 0.

Minutes of the September 8, 2020 City Council meeting

Minutes of the September 14, 2020 Special City Council meeting.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2020-270 - AN ORDINANCE amending Ordinance No. 2004-256, passed by the Council of the City of Joplin, Missouri, November 15, 2004, by removing from District R-2 and M-2 and included in District C-3 property as described below and located 1317 E 7th Street and 610 S Club Street, City of Joplin, Jasper County, Missouri. **Ordinance No. 2020-136**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2020-271 - AN ORDINANCE amending Ordinance No. 2004-256, passed by the Council of the City of Joplin, Missouri, November 15, 2004, by removing from District R-1 and including in District C-3-PD property as described below and located 1902 New Jersey Avenue, City of Joplin, Jasper County, Missouri. **Ordinance No. 2020-137**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2020-405 - AN ORDINANCE approving an Agreement between the City of Joplin, Missouri, and Missouri Highway and Transportation Commission which will provide FHWA Metropolitan Planning Assistance and FTA Section 5303 assistance, hereafter known as Consolidated Planning Funds, from November 1, 2020, through October 31, 2021, in accordance with the rules of the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) under 49 U.S.C. Section 5303 and 23 U.S. Code Sections 104(F) and 134 to conduct comprehensive and transportation planning programs, as the City of Joplin has been designated to conduct transportation planning programs for the Joplin Area Transportation Study Organization; authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute said Agreement for the City. **Ordinance No. 2020-138**

Mayor Pro Tem Cortez called a recess at 8:07 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 8:15 p.m.

Motion by Mr. Copple, second by Mr. Lawson to move the additional Requests to Address Council to this portion of the meeting. Voting in favor were Council Members: Cortez, Copple, Lawson, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stinnett and Williams, 7. Nays: Monteleone, Stanley, 2.

Additional Requests to Address Council:

Kevin VanStory, Neosho, requested to speak on disparaging remarks, redress of grievance about the chamber president and other issues.

Brian Evans, Joplin, requested to speak on Joplin taxpayer funded budget expenditures.

John (requested not to disclose last name) requested to speak on the nine percent pay raise.

Eileen Donnelly requested to speak on freedom.

Margey Upson requested to speak on promises made, promises broken.

June Blakely requested to speak on JACC, funds for 1st responders and proper budgeting.

RESOLUTIONS**RESOLUTION NO. 2020-013**

Dr. Reid introduced Resolution No. 2020-013 – a resolution authorizing the submittal of an application with the Missouri State Historic Preservation Office for the FY 2021 Historic Preservation Fund Grant for the National Historic Register Nomination of The Broadway District. Motion by Dr. Reid Adams, second by Mr. Copple to approve Resolution No. 2020-013. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Dr. Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett and Williams, 9. Nays: 0. **Resolution No. 2020-013**

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-014

Mr. Stinnett introduced Resolution No. 2020-014 - a resolution authorizing the acceptance of a stormwater grant from the Missouri Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) to be allocated towards the update of the City of Joplin's Stormwater Management Masterplan, 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. Lawson to approve Resolution No. 2020-013. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett and Williams, 9. Nays: 0. **Resolution No. 2020-014**

ORDINANCES – EMERGENCY**COUNCIL BILL NO. 2020-159**

Mr. Shaw introduced Council Bill No. 2020-159 - an ordinance approving the City of Joplin to enter into a construction agreement with D & E Plumbing & Heating Inc., in the amount of One Million One Hundred Thirty-Nine Thousand Thirty-Two and 80/100 Dollars (\$1,139,032.80) for construction of the 4th and School Storm Drainage Improvements, Phase II project; and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Shaw, second by Mr. Monteleone that Council Bill No. 2020-159 be approved on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett and Williams, 9. Nays: 0. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2020-139**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2020-161

Mr. Lawson introduced Council Bill No. 2020-161 - an ordinance authorizing the acceptance of a reimbursable agreement by and between the City of Joplin and the Department of Transportation, Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to provide advanced payment to the FAA for design, review and construction oversight of the Navigation Aids (NAVAIDS) during the Reconstruction of Runway 18-36 at the Joplin Regional Airport (JLN); and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Lawson, second by Mr. Shaw that Council Bill No. 2020-161 be approved on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett and Williams, 9. Nays: 0. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2020-140**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2020-452

Mr. Copple introduced Council Bill No. 2020-452 - an ordinance authorizing a Program Services Contract, by and between the State of Missouri, Department of Health and Senior Services, and the City of Joplin, Missouri, for the City of Joplin Health Department to receive compensation, for up to Fifteen Thousand Dollars, no Cents, (\$15,000.00); and, authorizing the City Manager to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin, Missouri; and, containing an emergency

clause. Motion by Mr. Cople, second by Mr. Stinnett that Council Bill No. 2020-452 be approved on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Cople, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett and Williams, 9. Nays: 0. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2020-141**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2020-608

Mr. Shaw introduced Council Bill No. 2020-608 - an ordinance authorizing the acceptance of a grant from the Missouri Department of Economic Development, Show Me Strong Destination Marketing Organization(DMO),Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act or “the Act”) to help the City of Joplin resume normal business operations and restore economic activity statewide in response to the COVID-19 public health emergency; authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin; and, amending the Annual Budget of the City of Joplin for the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 as adopted by Ordinance 2019-166 on October 21,2019; and, containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Shaw, second by Mr. Monteleone that Council Bill No. 2020-608 be approved on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Cople, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett and Williams, 9. Nays: 0. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2020-142**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2020-609

Dr. Reid Adams introduced Council Bill No. 2020-609 - an ordinance approving a Contract by and between the City of Joplin and Landworks Studio to complete a Parks Master Plan Study; authorizing the City Manager to execute said Contract by and on behalf of the City of Joplin; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Dr. Reid Adams, second by Mr. Cople that Council Bill No. 2020-609 be approved on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Cople, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett and Williams, 9. Nays: 0. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2020-143**

Ordinances – First Reading

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2020-007

Mr. Shaw introduced Council Bill No. 2020-007- an ordinance repealing Chapter 114, Traffic, Article II, Administration and Enforcement, Division 2, Traffic Violations Bureau. Motion by Mr. Shaw, second by Mr. Lawson to pass Council Bill No. 2020-007 on First Reading and advance to Second and Third Reading. Voting in favor were Council Members: Cople, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett and Williams, 9. Nays: 0. The Council Bill was read as **Council Bill No. 2020-007**.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2020-162

Mr. Stinnett introduced Council Bill No. 2020-162 - an ordinance authorizing the City of Joplin, Missouri, to enter into an Agreement with Wildwood Ranch, L.L.C., a Missouri Limited Liability Company, for the purpose of providing sanitary sewer service; and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute said Agreement by and on behalf of the City of Joplin. Motion by Mr. Stinnett, second by Dr. Reid Adams to pass Council Bill No. 2020-162 on First Reading and advance to Second and Third Reading. Voting in favor were Council Members: Cople, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett and Williams, 9. Nays: 0. The Council Bill was read as **Council Bill No. 2020-162**.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2020-164

Mr. Shaw introduced Council Bill No. 2020-164 - an ordinance approving a Work Authorization OLS-OC20-09 with Olsson in the not to exceed amount of One Hundred Eight Thousand Six Hundred and 00/100 dollars (\$108,600.00) for professional engineering consulting services for intersection improvements at 4th and Murphy Blvd; and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin. Motion by Mr. Shaw, second by Mr. Copple to pass Council Bill No. 2020-164 on First Reading and advance to Second and Third Reading. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett and Williams, 9. Nays: 0. The Council Bill was read as **Council Bill No. 2020-164.**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2020-165

Mr. Lawson introduced Council Bill No. 2020-165- an ordinance approving a construction agreement with Jeff Asbell Excavating and Trucking in the amount of Two Hundred Fifty-six Thousand, Five Hundred and No/100 Dollars (\$256,500.00) for the 20th & Malang Lift Station Improvement 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. Lawson, second by Mr. Stinnett to pass Council Bill No. 2020-165 on First Reading and advance to Second and Third Reading. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett and Williams, 9. Nays: 0. The Council Bill was read as **Council Bill No. 2020-165.**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2020-166

Mr. Shaw introduced Council Bill No. 2020-166- AN ORDINANCE approving a construction agreement with G&G Construction in the not to exceed amount of Two Hundred Thirteen Thousand, Nine Hundred and No/100 Dollars (\$213,900.00) for the 44th and Virginia Lift Station Improvement 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. Shaw, second by Mr. Stinnett to pass Council Bill No. 2020-166 on First Reading and advance to Second and Third Reading. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett and Williams, 9. Nays: 0. The Council Bill was read as **Council Bill No. 2020-166.**

ORDINANCES – SECOND READING AND THIRD READING**UNFINISHED BUSINESS****NEW BUSINESS**

Approve appointment of TIF Commission Chairman: Motion by Mr. Stinnett, second by Mr. Lawson to approve the appointment of Tom Franz as TIF Chairman. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett and Williams, 9. Nays: 0.

Approve amended excess surplus property list for the City’s annual auction, Sept. 26.

Motion by Mr. Lawson, second by Mr. Shaw to approve the amended surplus property list. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett and Williams, 9. Nays: 0.

News from Public Information Officer, Lynn Onstot

The City's annual Auction is set for this Saturday, September 26. The Auction begins at 9 a.m. and will be held in the Street Maintenance Barn located northwest of the Public Works Center, on West 2nd Street. Merchandise to be auctioned will be available for viewing from 1 to 4 p.m. on Friday, September 25 and prior to the start of the auction on Saturday. The list of auction items will soon be posted on the City of Joplin's website, www.joplinmo.org/auctionlist.

The City has been working on the Memorial Hall study and appreciates our citizens for their input. With more than 800 responses to the survey, we will hold a Public Meeting for the consultant to share some of the results along with ideas and program possibilities for Memorial Hall. This meeting will be from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 1 at the Memorial Education Center. Many people might know this as the former Memorial school at 825 Pearl Avenue. As we discuss the preliminary concepts and review different options, we would like more input from our residents. Mark your calendars and watch the City's Facebook and the Parks and Rec page for another survey. This is the second of three meetings planned for this study of Memorial Hall.

We are also updating the City's Master Stormwater Plan and have two upcoming public meetings to hear from our residents about any water retention issues they may have near their homes or in their neighborhoods. The meetings are set for Thursday, Sept. 24 and Tuesday, Sept. 29. Both will be held from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., with Sept. 24 meeting being held at the Housing Authority's community room at 5th and Turk; and the Sept. 29 meeting will be held at the Joplin Senior Center, 2616 Picher Avenue. All of the public meetings mentioned in these announcements are held in an Open House format, allowing a flexible schedule for people to come and go as their time allows. More information about these topics, please check our website, joplinmo.org. Thank you.

Other business

Mr. Copple asked for clarification on the size for political signs. City staff will follow up with him.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:55 p.m.

Respectfully,

Barbara J. Gollhofer, City Clerk