

**JOPLIN CITY COUNCIL  
JANUARY 19, 2021  
MEETING MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The January 19, 2021 regular meeting of the Joplin City Council was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Ryan Stanley.

**INVOCATION** was read by City Clerk Barbara Gollhofer.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** to the United States of America was led by Dr. Reid Adams.

**ROLL CALL**

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

**PRESENTATIONS**

Abigail Surbrugg presented an update of Joplin High School events and activities.

**FINALIZATION OF CONSENT AGENDA**

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

**REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

**COVID-19 Needs/Assessment Update:** presented by Finance Director Leslie Haase. The overview included possible future Covid-19 service needs; reimbursement status of County Cares Funds; possible Covid-19 funding sources beyond December 31, 2020; estimated costs of future service needs; and Next Steps.

**Health Department Update:** presented by Health Director Ryan Talken. Mr. Talken stated there is an average of 24 Covid cases per day; to date, there have been 5,229 positive Covid cases confirmed in Joplin; 27 Joplin residents are currently hospitalized with a total combined hospital occupancy of 58. Mr. Talken stated the numbers have flattened a bit, but to continue following the CDC guidelines for prevention. The State's vaccine distribution plan is divided into priority phases due to a limited supply of the vaccine. Currently, the plan is at Phase 1B -Tier 1. There are 25 sites in the Joplin area that are authorized to administer the vaccine as it becomes more available.

**News from Public Information Officer Lynn Onstot**

The City's tree limb and brush drop-off site will open every third Saturday, starting on Saturday, February 20, from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. This program will be open the third Saturday of the month from February through October. The site is located at 1702 North Schifferdecker Avenue, about a half mile north of Belle Center Road on the west side of Schifferdecker. Joplin residents always have the option to put limbs out with their residential trash service through Republic Services. Limbs should be cut to four feet maximum and bundled, weighing no more than 50 pounds.

The City of Joplin and Jasper County Health Departments announce a community COVID-19 testing site will be offered on Friday, January 22 at Access Family Care, 530 S. Maiden Lane in Joplin. Testing will be done from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Friday, January 22, 2021. According to the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, Missouri residency is the only requirement; individuals do not have to live in the county in which they are tested, and they do not have to be experiencing symptoms. Missouri residents who wish to be tested with an anterior nasal swab to determine if they have an active COVID-19 infection can do so at no cost to the individual. Missourians can register online for testing events at [health.mo.gov/communitytest](https://health.mo.gov/communitytest) and click on this date and location option.

And as a reminder for the vaccine: Citizens should watch for future announcements about vaccination opportunities in our area. The City's Health Department has not received vaccine yet, however, the department is working with their healthcare partners in planning vaccination clinics. As vaccine is shipped to our area, the City's Health Department, along with Jasper County Health Department will announce details of the clinics, as some of the logistics are still being finalized. The vaccines will be given to individuals qualifying in the tier groups identified by the State of Missouri in their vaccination plan. Missouri's phased approach to vaccinating citizens allows us to protect the most vulnerable among us, as well as populations who work to keep our communities safe and thriving during an emergency. For more information about the plan, go to [MoStopsCovid.com](https://MoStopsCovid.com). Once the City knows the schedules and specific details of vaccine opportunities, we'll be putting those out to the public. We appreciate everyone's patience.

For more information about these or other happenings at the City, check out our website at [joplinmo.org](https://joplinmo.org).

### **CITIZEN REQUESTS AND PETITIONS**

Tom Robertson requested to speak on the Essential Air Service for Joplin. He asked the city council to reconsider using American Airlines as the EAS for Joplin.

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

Public Hearing Procedures were read by City Clerk Barbara Gollhofer

#### Public Hearing for Council Bill No. 2021-502

Mayor Stanley opened the Public Hearing.

No one appeared in favor of, or in opposition to this item.

The Public Hearing was closed.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2021-502 - an ordinance approving an Amended Petition to Amend Boundaries and Remove Property from the 32<sup>nd</sup> Street Place Community Improvement District and rescinding Ordinance No. 2020-205. The council bill will be discussed under Emergency ordinances.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

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

Minutes of the January 4, 2021 City Council meeting.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2021-103 - an ordinance approving an agreement with Allgeier, Martin and Associates, Inc. (AMA) in the not to exceed amount of Eighty-Five Thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$85,000.00) for Right of Way Negotiation services for the Connecticut Avenue Widening Project, 32nd St. to I-44, and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin. **Ordinance 2021-004.**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2021-250 - 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 R-1-HP property as described below and known as Fairview Cemetery, City of Joplin, Jasper County, Missouri. **Ordinance No. 2021-005**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2021-251 - an ordinance providing the vacation of a 20-foot-wide drainage easement lying on property abutting the West right-of-way, City of Joplin, Jasper County, Missouri. **Ordinance No. 2021-006**

## RESOLUTIONS

### ORDINANCES – EMERGENCY

#### COUNCIL BILL NO. 2021-100

Mr. Cortez introduced Council Bill No. 2021-100 - an ordinance authorizing an agreement by and between the City of Joplin and Emery Sapp and Sons, Inc., for Phase 2 Project 1 Reconstruction of the South 3,000 Feet of Runway 18-36 and Replace Adjacent Runway Lights at the Joplin Regional Airport; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Cortez, second by Mr. Lawson that Council Bill No. 2021-100 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. 2021-007**

#### COUNCIL BILL NO. 2021-101

Mr. Copple introduced Council Bill No. 2021-101 - an ordinance authorizing the approval of the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) Grant Second Supplemental Agreement (Extension) for Air Service Promotion and Marketing 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. Motion by Mr. Copple, second by Mr. Monteleone that Council Bill No. 2021-101 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. 2021-008**

#### COUNCIL BILL NO. 2021-102

Mr. Lawson introduced Council Bill No. 2021-102 - an ordinance authorizing the acceptance of a Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) Airport Aid Agreement for Air Service Promotion and Marketing at the Joplin Regional Airport authorizing the City Manager or his Designee to execute the agreement on behalf of the City of Joplin; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Lawson, second by Mr. Copple that Council Bill No. 2021-102 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. 2021-009**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2021-105

Mr. Shaw introduced Council Bill No. 2021-105 - an ordinance authorizing an amendment of Work Authorization AMA-OC20-012 between the City of Joplin and Allgeier, Martin and Associates, Inc., for professional engineering consultation services not to exceed the amount of Forty Eight Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$48,000.00) for the Turkey Creek Wastewater Treatment Facility UV Disinfection Improvements, on behalf of the City of Joplin 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. Cortez that Council Bill No. 2021-105 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. 2021-010**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2021-501

Mr. Cortez introduced Council Bill No. 2021-501 - an ordinance amending the Annual Budget of the City of Joplin for the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 as adopted by Ordinance 2020-156 on October 19, 2020, to adjust appropriations and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Cortez, second by Dr. Reid Adams that Council Bill No. 2021-501 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. 2021-011**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2021-502

Mr. Shaw introduced Council Bill No. 2021-502 - an ordinance approving an Amended Petition to Amend Boundaries and Remove Property from the 32<sup>nd</sup> Street Place Community Improvement District and rescinding Ordinance No. 2020-205; and, containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Shaw, second by Mr. Lawson that Council Bill No. 2021-502 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. 2021-012**

**ORDINANCES – FIRST READING**COUNCIL BILL NO. 2021-104

Mr. Monteleone introduced Council Bill No. 2021-104 - an ordinance approving an agreement with Waste Corporation of Missouri LLC (WCA) to provide trash and solid waste removal at city buildings and facilities. and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin. Motion by Mr. Monteleone, second by Mr. Lawson that Council Bill No. 2021-104 be passed on First Reading and advanced 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. 2021-104**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2021-400

Mr. Copple introduced Council Bill No. 2021-400 - an ordinance approving an Agreement between the City of Joplin, Missouri, and Economic Security Corporation of Southwest Area that pertains to 2019 HOME funds; authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute same on behalf of the City. Motion by Mr. Copple, second by Mr. Lawson that Council Bill No. 2021-400 be passed on First Reading and advanced 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. 2021-400**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2021-401

Mr. Monteleone introduced Council Bill No. 2021-401 - an ordinance authorizing the City of Joplin to enter into an Agreement with Olsson Associates for Transportation Planning Services relating to an Active Transportation Assessment for the City of Joplin. Motion by Mr. Monteleone, second by Mr. Cortez that Council Bill No. 2021-401 be passed on First Reading and advanced 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. 2021-401**

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

Mr. Copple asked City Manager Edwards to provide more information regarding the Essential Air Service agreement with SkyWest; specifically, the background and methodology on how the decision was made to use SkyWest. Mr. Edwards stated he would provide a response to the concerns that were presented.

Mr. Stinnett echoed Mr. Copple's concern regarding clarification of whether accumulated airline points from American Airlines can be transferred to United Airlines. Mr. Stinnett also commented on the limb drop-off process and the possibility of extending the hours of service.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Vote to go into closed session, which shall pertain to legal action, causes of action, or litigation including a public governmental body and any confidential or privileged communications between a governmental body or its representatives and its attorneys pursuant to state law, and to discuss leasing, purchase or sale of real estate by a governmental body where public knowledge of the transaction might adversely affect the legal consideration thereof, pursuant to state law; as set forth in Section 610.021 (1) (2) RSMo, as amended, 2020. This meeting, record, and vote to be closed. Council shall adjourn at the end of the session. Motion by Mr. Lawson, second by Mr. Cortez to go into closed session. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Lawson, Monteleone, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett and Williams, 9. Nays: 0.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Respectfully,

Barbara Gollhofer, City Clerk