

**CITY OF JOPLIN  
COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM**

**ITEM**

Council Bill 2021- 126 Acquisition by Condemnation Proceedings for the 32<sup>nd</sup> Street Widening Project

**MEETING DATE**

April 19, 2021

**ORIGINATING DEPT**

Public Works-Engineering

**ATTACHMENTS**

Council Bill 2021-126

**REVIEWED BY**

Director of Public Works: David Hertzberg; Finance Director: Leslie Haase; Asst, City Attorney: Jordan Paul; City Manager: Nicholas Edwards

**SUMMARY**

This Council Bill approves an ordinance declaring a public necessity for the acquisition of real property and easements from Waterview Estates, LLC , by condemnation proceedings for the 32<sup>nd</sup> Street Widening Project.

**BACKGROUND**

In August 2014 the voters passed the Renewal of the Capital Improvement Sales Tax Program for an additional 10 years. One of the projects was the widening of 32<sup>nd</sup> Street from Schifferdecker Avenue to Central City Road. Currently the City has been unable to reach an agreement with Waterview Estates, LLC, for the purchase of 7,633 square feet of right-of-way and 25,172 square feet of temporary construction easement for the improvement project. The property owner was offered \$19,345.80, the fair market value as determined by professional appraisal.

**FUNDING SOURCE**

Capital Improvement Sales Tax

**RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends approval of Council Bill 2021- 126 Acquisition by Condemnation Proceedings for the 32<sup>nd</sup> Street widening project be approved on an emergency basis, in that said ordinance provides for public improvements and is considered to be an emergency per section 2.12(6) of the HOME RULE CHARTER of the City of Joplin, Missouri, and as such, this ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passage. Furthermore, approval of this council bill will allow right of way acquisition to be finalized, allowing construction to begin as scheduled, avoiding any unnecessary delays to the construction schedule, and is therefore an emergency.