

AN ORDINANCE submitting to the electors of the City of Joplin, at a Special Election on Tuesday, August 3, 2021, the question of whether the City shall extend a sales tax of one-quarter (1/4) of one percent (1%) for a period of ten (10) years for the purpose of funding stormwater control and local parks; prescribing a form of Ballot thereof, and containing an emergency clause.

WHEREAS, on August 20, 2001, the City Council of the City of Joplin, Missouri, passed Ordinance No. 2001-120 to authorize submission to the electors of the City of Joplin at a Special Election held on Tuesday, November 6, 2001, a question of whether the City should extend a Sales Tax of one-quarter (1/4) of one percent (1%) for a period of ten (10) years for the purpose of funding stormwater control and local parks; and,

WHEREAS, at the Special Election held on Tuesday, November 6, 2001, electors of the City of Joplin passed a Sales Tax of one-quarter (1/4) of one percent (1%) to run for a period of ten (10) years to commence April 1, 2002; and,

WHEREAS, on April 18, 2011, the City Council of the City of Joplin, Missouri, passed Ordinance No. 2011-050 to authorize submission to the electors of the City of Joplin at a Special Election held on Tuesday, August 2, 2011, a question of whether the City should extend a Sales Tax of one-quarter (1/4) of one percent (1%) for an additional period of ten (10) years for the purpose of funding stormwater control and local parks; and,

WHEREAS, at the Special Election held on Tuesday, August 2, 2011, electors of the City of Joplin passed a Sales Tax of one-quarter (1/4) of one percent (1%) to run for a period of ten (10) years to commence April 1, 2012; and,

WHEREAS, the period of ten (10) years for said Sales Tax will sunset at 12:00 p.m., on the 31st day of March, 2022, and the Council is desirous of continuing this Sales Tax for an additional ten (10) years to commence at 12:01 a.m., on the 1st day of April, 2022; and,

WHEREAS, it is deemed by the Council of the City of Joplin, Missouri, to be in the public interest to submit to the electors of the City of Joplin at a Special Election to be held in the City on Tuesday, August 3, 2021, one (1) question: whether or not to extend a Sales Tax of one-quarter (1/4) of one percent (1%) for a period of ten (10) years for the purpose of funding stormwater control and local parks.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOPLIN,

MISSOURI, as follows:

Section 1. That there be submitted to the qualified electors of the City of Joplin, Missouri, at a Special Election to be held in said City on the 3rd day of August, 2021, the following question concerning whether the City of Joplin shall extend a Sales Tax for the purpose of funding stormwater control and local parks, pursuant to the provisions of V.A.M.S. §644.032, et. seq., said

question to be as follows:

“SHALL THE CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI, EXTEND A SALES TAX OF ONE-QUARTER (1/4) OF ONE PERCENT (1%) FOR A PERIOD OF TEN (10) YEARS FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING FUNDING FOR STORMWATER CONTROL AND LOCAL PARKS FOR THE CITY?

If passed, the continued sales tax would commence at 12:01 a.m., on the first day of April, 2022.”

Section 2. That said election shall be governed in all things by the provisions of the statutes of Missouri and the Charter and Ordinances of the City of Joplin, Missouri, relating to elections in the City insofar as the same are applicable and not in contravention with the particular provisions of this Ordinance; that said election shall be held at the respective voting districts of said City as set out in a Notice to be published by the County Clerks of Newton and Jasper County, Missouri, according to law. Said Notice shall include the question to be submitted as set forth herein, to be published by the County Clerks of Newton and Jasper Counties, in papers of general circulation in Newton and Jasper Counties, Missouri, the publications of which to occur in accordance with Missouri law.

Section 3. That the City Clerk shall prepare and execute the form of the Notice of said election and shall transmit the same to the County Clerks of Newton and Jasper Counties, and request that they conduct said election as required by law.

Section 4. That the ballot shall be in substantially the following form:

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OFFICIAL BALLOT

Election – Tuesday, August 3, 2021

PROPOSITION “RENEWAL”

"SHALL THE CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI, EXTEND A SALES TAX OF ONE-QUARTER (1/4) OF ONE PERCENT (1%) FOR A PERIOD OF TEN (10) YEARS FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING FUNDING FOR STORMWATER CONTROL AND LOCAL PARKS FOR THE CITY?

Yes. ← —

No. ← —

Instructions to Voters

TO vote IN FAVOR OF the proposition, complete the arrow next to the word “YES”.

TO vote AGAINST the proposition, complete the arrow next to the word “NO”. ”

If passed, the continued sales tax would commence at 12:01 a. m., on the first day of April, 2022."

Section 5. That the City Clerk shall canvas the results of the election as verified by the Newton and Jasper County Clerks and report the same to the Council at the next scheduled Council meeting following the election.

Section 6. That, if passed by the electors of the City of Joplin, Missouri, this one-quarter (1/4) of one percent (1%) Sales Tax will be effective at 12:01 a.m., on the 1st day of April, 2022.

Section 7. That this Ordinance, being an Ordinance submitting a proposition to the voters, is an emergency within the meaning of Section 2.12(2) of the Home Rule Charter of the City of Joplin, Missouri, and as such, this Ordinance shall become effective immediately from and after its adoption and approval.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI, this _____ day of _____, 2021, by a vote of _____.

Ryan D. Stanley, Mayor

ATTEST:

Barbara J. Gollhofer, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Council Bill No. 2021-002 (Continued)

Peter C. Edwards, City Attorney