

**CITY OF JOPLIN  
COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM**

**ITEM**

Council Bill 2020-142 Authorization to accept a grant from the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Transit Administration Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act or “the Act”) to help offset operational expenses related to the Metropolitan Area Public Transit System (MAPS) and Sunshine Lamp Trolley.

**MEETING DATE**

June 1, 2020

**ORIGINATING DEPT**

Public Works/Transit

**ATTACHMENTS**

CB2020-142 Ordinance; Federal Transit Administration Grant

**REVIEWED BY**

Director of Public Works: David Hertzberg; Director of Finance: Leslie Haase; City Attorney: Peter Edwards; City Manager: Nicholas Edwards

**SUMMARY**

This project includes Three Million One Hundred Seventy-Six Thousand Four Hundred Eighty-Five and no/100 dollars (\$3,176,485.00) of federal funding (up to 100% federal share) for operations activities incurred beginning 01/20/2020. Operations activities to be funded are salaries, fuel, maintenance, personal protective equipment and other operational expenses.

**BACKGROUND**

This grant utilizes CARES Act funding to help respond to and recover from the COVID-19 emergency. The City of Joplin applied for its full allocation of CARES Act funds in the amount of \$3,176,485.00 to fund operating expenses for the MAPS and Sunshine Lamp Trolley. The City of Joplin agrees that if it receives Federal funding from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) or through a pass through entity through the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, a different Federal agency, or insurance proceeds for any portion of a project activity approved for FTA funding under this Grant Agreement, it will provide written notification to FTA, and reimburse FTA for any Federal share that duplicates funding provided by FEMA, another Federal agency, or an insurance company.

**FUNDING SOURCE**

US Department of Transportation, Federal Transit Administration Grant

**RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends adoption of this Council Bill on an Emergency basis, being an Ordinance dealing with a general appropriation, within the meaning of Section 2.12(4) of the Home Rule Charter of the City of Joplin, Missouri, and, as such, this Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon its passage. Furthermore, this is an emergency to expedite funds reimbursement.