

**CITY OF JOPLIN
COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM**

ITEM

Resolution 2022-002 – Approval for the support of the intent to apply for an approximate \$2 million Economic Development Administration (EDA) Grant and committing to the matching portion for the remainder of the project

MEETING DATE

January 18, 2022

ORIGINATING DEPT

Finance

ATTACHMENTS

Resolution 2022-002

REVIEWED BY

Department Head: Leslie Haase; Planning, Development and Neighborhood Services Director: Troy Bolander; Public Works Director: David Hertzberg; City Attorney: Peter Edwards; City Manager: Nick Edwards

SUMMARY

This Resolution grants approval for the support of the City’s intent to apply for an approximate \$2 million Economic Development Administration (EDA) Grant and committing to the matching portion of the Bakers Branch East Sewer Extension Project.

BACKGROUND

The American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) was passed by the Federal Government to support the response and recovery from the COVID-19 public health emergency. Various federal agencies, such as EDA, are accepting grant applications for the ARPA funds. The City engaged Baker Tilly to assist with this grant application process. After reviewing the different EDA programs for this grant process, the Bakers Branch East Sewer Extension Project meets all of the criteria outlined. It is estimated this project has a total cost of nearly \$3.1 million and the EDA grant will be approximately \$2 million. If the City is awarded this grant, the Sewer Fund will fund the balance of the project.

With this resolution, Council is committing to the EDA that upon grant award, the City will construct the project, provide the matching funds to complete the project and be the owner of the project.

FUNDING SOURCE

The Sewer Fund will provide the grant match for this project, if awarded.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of this resolution.