

**JOPLIN CITY COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 6, 2022
MEETING MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER

The September 6, 2022, regular meeting of the Joplin City Council was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Doug Lawson.

INVOCATION was read by City Clerk Holly Nagy.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA was led by Mr. Gary Shaw.

ROLL CALL

Answering Roll Call were Council Members: Charles Cople, Keenan Cortez, Josh DeTar, Mark Farnham, Doug Lawson, Gary Shaw, Kate Spencer, Phil Stinnett, and Christina Williams. Also, in attendance were City Manager Nick Edwards and City Attorney Peter Edwards.

PRESENTATIONS

International Travelers 2021 VISA Vue Report

Patrick Tuttle, CVB Director presented.

Solid Waste Master Plan Update

Julie Davis from Burns McDonnell presented.

FINALIZATION OF CONSENT AGENDA

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

News from the Public Information Office

Joplin Parks and Recreation will host a glow-tastic evening during their Mom Son Date Night. This year's event will be held on Friday, September 23rd, and Saturday, September 24th at the Joplin History and Mineral Museum.

This year's glow-themed event includes dinner, dessert, dancing, a digital photo download, their popular egg toss game, and prizes! A professional photographer will be on hand to capture the memories. A complimentary digital photograph of each couple is included in the ticket price. The dance is targeted for ages 3 to 12 years old, with prizes and games geared to them. Although the event's title uses the traditional mothers and sons reference, another parent or adult chaperone is welcome to accompany the child.

Pre-registration is required due to limited seating. Friday's session is from 6:30-9 pm and Saturday will feature a session from 5:30-8 pm. Tickets are \$40 per couple, and \$20 for

each additional son. Registration is available online at www.joplinparks.org, at the Joplin Parks and Recreation office, or by calling 417-625-4750. Tickets are only valid for the session purchased.

Another reminder - the City's annual Auction is set for this Saturday, September 10. at 9 a.m. It will be held in the Street Maintenance Barn located just northwest of the Public Works Center, on West 2nd Street.

Merchandise will be available for viewing from 1 to 4 p.m. on Friday, September 9, and from 8 to 9 a.m. Saturday, prior to the start of the auction. The list of auction items will be available on the City of Joplin's website, www.joplinmo.org/auctionlist.

And in case you missed it... Missouri Dept. of Transportation has closed the Range Line Bridge over Kansas City Southern Railroad just north of 32nd Street. Drivers will need to take the designated detour routes using 32nd Street, Missouri Route 249, 20th Street and 7th Street.

Access to all businesses will remain OPEN throughout the duration of the project. The bridge is scheduled to reopen by December 16. More details can be found at modot.org/range-line-roadkansas-city-southern-railroad-bridge-replacement.

Motion by Mr. Cortez, second by Ms. Spencer to move Council Bill No. 2022-007 up on the agenda. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 9. Nays: 0.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2022-007

Mr. Cortez introduced Council Bill No. 2022-007 - AN ORDINANCE establishing additional catastrophic injury and death benefits for certain police officers, firefighters and other employees.

Lane Roberts and Matt Stewart spoke on this item.

Motion by Mr. Cortez, second by Mr. Copple that Council Bill No. 2022-007 be passed on first reading and advance to second and third. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 9. Nays: 0. The Bill was read as Council Bill No. 2022-007.

CITIZEN REQUESTS AND PETITIONS

Brian Evans spoke regarding what is the difference in the financial audit we have been utilizing and a state or forensic audit. Also, the importance of regular government audits and additionally rotating audit firms in regards to fiscal responsibility and transparency.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Public Hearing Procedures were read by City Clerk Holly Nagy

PUBLIC HEARING FOR COUNCIL BILL NO. 2022-276

Mayor Lawson opened the Public Hearing.

Humzed Cameron spoke in favor of this item.

No one spoke in opposition to this item.

The Public Hearing was closed.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2022-276

Mr. Copple introduced Council Bill No. 2022-276- AN ORDINANCE amending Ordinance No. 2022-274, passed by the Council of the City of Joplin, Missouri, August 1, 2022, by removing from District C-1 (Neighborhood Commercial) and including in District C-O (Non-retail Commercial) property as described below and located approximately 215 feet north of the intersection of N. Florida Ave. and E. Newman Rd., City of Joplin, Jasper County, Missouri. Motion by Mr. Copple, second by Mr. Shaw that Council Bill No. 2022-276 be placed on First Reading and passed.

Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 9. Nays: 0. The Bill was read as Council Bill No. 2022-276.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR COUNCIL BILL NO. 2022-278

Mayor Lawson opened the Public Hearing

No one spoke in favor of this item.

No one spoke in opposition to this item.

The Public Hearing was closed.

Mr. Cortez introduced Council Bill No. 2022-278 - AN ORDINANCE amending Ordinance No. 2022-274, passed by the Council of the City of Joplin, Missouri, August 1, 2022, by removing from District R-1 (Single-family Residential) and including in District C-3 (Commercial) property as described below and located at 1911 and 2001 N. Range Line Rd., City of Joplin, Jasper County, Missouri. Motion by Mr. Cortez, second by Dr. Farnham to table this item. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 9. Nays: 0. This item was tabled.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR COUNCIL BILL NO. 2022-279

Mayor Lawson opened the Public Hearing

Leonard Hartford Tunnell spoke in favor of this item.

No one spoke in opposition to this item.

The Public Hearing was closed.

Mr. Copple introduced Council Bill No. 2022-279 - AN ORDINANCE amending Ordinance No. 2022-274, passed by the Council of the City of Joplin, Missouri, August 1, 2022, by removing from District R-1 (Single-family Residential) and including in District C-1-PD (Neighborhood Commercial Planned Development) property as described below and located at 2601 E. 20th St., City of Joplin, Jasper County, Missouri. Motion by Mr. Copple, second by Mr. DeTar that Council Bill No. 2022-279 be placed on First Reading and passed. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 9. Nays: 0. The Bill was read as Council Bill No. 2022-279.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Mr. Cortez, second by Mr. DeTar to approve the Consent Agenda. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 9. Nays: 0.

Minutes of the August 15, 2022, City Council Meeting.

Minutes of the August 22, 2022, Special City Council Meeting.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2022-006 - AN ORDINANCE re-adopting Chapter 2, Administration, of the Joplin City Code, Section 2-107, "Financial interest disclosure", requiring certain officials and employees of the City of Joplin to file Financial Interest Disclosure Statements as described herein. **Ordinance No. 2022-135.**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2022-144 - AN ORDINANCE approving the City of Joplin to enter into a construction agreement with D&E Plumbing and Heating Inc., in the amount of Four Hundred Eighty-One Thousand Five Hundred Sixty and 00/100 Dollars (\$481,560.00) for construction of the 7th and Canterbury Stormwater Improvements project; and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin. **Ordinance No. 2022-136.**

RESOLUTIONSRESOLUTION NO. 2022-013

Mr. DeTar introduced Resolution No. 2022-013 - A RESOLUTION declaring support for the construction of "Delaware Commons," a Senior Citizen Residential Community in Joplin, Missouri. Motion by Mr. DeTar, second by Ms. Spencer that Resolution No. 2022-013 be passed. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 9. Nays: 0.

ORDINANCES – EMERGENCY**COUNCIL BILL NO. 2022-008**

Mr. Cortez introduced Council Bill No. 2022-008 - AN ORDINANCE approving the Revised 2022 Labor Agreement by and between the City of Joplin, Missouri, and the Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #27; authorizing the City Manager to execute the same by and on behalf of the City; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Cortez, second by Mr. Copple that Council Bill No. 2022-008 be passed on an emergency basis with the following amendment to Section 18.05 Tier 1 Rehire, to remove the following language: "If the voters of the City of Joplin pass the general property tax at the August 2, 2022 election, effective November 1, 2022." Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 9. Nays: 0. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2022-137**.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2022-531

Mr. Copple introduced Council Bill No. 2022-531 - AN ORDINANCE adopting a new step pay plan by reference the City Salary Administration Plan; establishing the annual salary of certain Classified and Unclassified positions for Fiscal Year 2021-2022; and, containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Copple, second by Mr. DeTar that Council Bill No. 2022-531 be passed on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 9. Nays: 0. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2022-138**.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2022-609

Ms. Williams introduced Council Bill No. 2022-609 - AN ORDINANCE approving the applications of Active Lifestyle Events Inc for Joplin Memorial Run; Rufus Racing, LLC for Summer Roundup Triathlon; Ozark Christian College for a marketing campaigns for their 2023 conference series; Midwestern Built CrossFit for Monster Games; Joplin Disc Golf Club for the 18th Annual Four States Open; 4 State Trucks for Guilty by Association; Keg Media for Mother Road Mayhem; East Town Dreams District for Joplin Juneteenth Regional Black Expo; Neosho Arts Council for ArtCon 2023; Historic Murphysburg Preservation, Inc for Murphysburg Heritage Tourism marketing; JOMO Pride, Inc. for JOMO PrideFest 2023; Emancipation Celebration Committee for Emancipation "Park Days" Celebration; Freedom of Flight Museum for a museum marketing campaign; Joplin Trails Coalition for marketing the Jasper Vintage and Maple Leaf tours; North Heights Neighborhood for North Heights Porchfest; and the Celebrations Commission for a sesquicentennial community concert, for utilization of FY2023 Festivals and Celebrations support pursuant to Ordinance No. 2000-148, as authorized by the voters on November 7, 2000; authorizing the City Manager to execute appropriate agreements with each such organization for the utilization of such funds and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Ms. Williams, second by Mr. DeTar that Council Bill No. 2022-609 be passed on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 9. Nays: 0. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2022-139**.

ORDINANCES – FIRST READING**COUNCIL BILL NO. 2022-148**

Mr. Stinnett introduced Council Bill No. 2022-148 - AN ORDINANCE approving a work authorization with Allgeier, Martin and Associates, Inc. in the not to exceed amount of One Hundred Sixty-Six Thousand Five Hundred and 00/100 Dollars (\$166,500.00) for the Golf Links Lift Station Improvements Project; and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin. Motion by Mr. Stinnett, second by Ms. Spencer to that Council Bill No. 2022-148 be passed on the first reading and advance to second and third. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 9. Nays: 0. The Bill was read as Council Bill No. 2022-148.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2022-280

Mr. Copple introduced Council Bill No. 2022-280 - AN ORDINANCE establishing grades and accepting the E 32nd Place First Plat located at E. 32nd St. and Hammons Blvd., in the City of Joplin, Newton County, Missouri. Motion by Mr. Copple, second by Dr. Farnham that Council Bill No. 2022-280 be passed on first reading and advance to second and third. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 9. Nays: 0. The Bill was read as Council Bill No. 2022-280.

SECOND AND THIRD READING**COUNCIL BILL NO. 2022-608**

Mr. Cortez introduced Council Bill No. 2022-608 - AN ORDINANCE approving a Contract by and between the City of Joplin and PGAV Destinations to complete a Museum Strategic Plan Study; authorizing the City Manager to execute said Contract by and on behalf of the City of Joplin. Motion by Mr. Cortez, second by Ms. Williams to pass Council Bill No. 2022-608 on Second Reading, advance to Third Reading and pass. Voting in favor were Council Members: Cortez, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Stinnett, and Williams, 6. Nays: Copple, DeTar, Spencer, 3. **Ordinance No. 2022-140.**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS**NEW BUSINESS**

Declare Excess Surplus Property for the Annual City of Joplin Auction on September 10, 2022. Motion by Mr. DeTar, second by Mr. Copple to approve the current list of items to be auctioned off. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 9. Nays: 0.

Vote To Go Into Closed Session, Which Shall Pertain To The Hiring, Firing, Disciplining, Or Promotion Of An Employee Or Particular Employees Of A Governmental Body Involving Personal Information As Set Forth In Section 610.021(3) RSMo, As Amended, 2020, More Specifically For The Purpose Of Evaluating Certain Council Employees. This Meeting, Record, And Vote To Be Closed To The Extent Provided By Law. The City Council Shall Adjourn At The End Of The Session. Motion by Mr. Shaw, second by Mr. Cortez to adjourn

into closed session. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 9. Nays: 0.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully,

Holly Nagy, City Clerk, MRCC