

**JOPLIN CITY COUNCIL
OCTOBER 17, 2022
MEETING MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER

The October 17, 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. Doug Lawson.

ROLL CALL

Answering Roll Call were Council Members: 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.

Motion by Mr. Cortez, second by Mr. DeTar to excuse the absence of Mr. Cople. Voting in favor were Council Members: Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 8. Nays: 0. Absent: Cople, 1.

PRESENTATIONS

Buckle Up Phone Down Proclamation

FINALIZATION OF CONSENT AGENDA

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

News from the Public Information Office

Third Thursday in downtown Joplin is a fun community event for the whole family. This Thursday, October 20, is the final Third Thursday of the season and it's the spookiest time of the year! Join the Zombie Walk, visit the Trunk or Treat, show off your costumes, and visit some of the most haunted spots downtown. Third Thursday is held from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to enjoy local artisans, music, entertainment, and food.

Reliable Childcare is a topic of a panel discussion that will take place on Thursday, October 20. Missouri lost more than 12% of its childcare businesses since the start of the pandemic. The evening meeting will focus on how to increase the supply of childcare in the SW region of Missouri and will be held from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the Joplin Advance Training and Technology Center at 420 Grand Avenue.

Everyone is welcome and the hosts are hoping to visit with many interested people, from policymakers, caring community members, human resource representatives, business owners and managers, childcare providers and others.

The discussion is hosted by the Missouri Dept. of Social Services, the MoKan Partnership and the Alliance of Southwest Missouri. More information can be found from these organizations.

Join Joplin Parks & Recreation at 7 pm on Friday, October 21st for their annual Old-Fashioned Hayride! This FREE event will be held at McClelland Park, located at 44th and McClelland Boulevard.

The event will feature many family-friendly activities, including a hayride, making s'mores, yard games, and a movie in the park. S'mores kits will be handed out on a first-come, first-serve basis. Guests are encouraged to bring sticks to roast their marshmallows over the bonfires. The Salvation Army will be on hand providing hot chocolate to event guests. The Halloween-themed movie, "Hocus Pocus" will be shown during the event on the Department's giant inflatable movie screen. The Creative Learning Alliance will also be on site with some fun STEAM activities for people to try out!

Governor Parson has declared Friday, Oct. 21 as Missouri Buckle Up Phone Down Day. The Joplin Health Department is working with multiple Coalitions to reduce car crashes, as it is the number one cause of deaths in teenagers.

This Friday, the State of Missouri is pushing for ZERO fatalities on roadways. One way to do this is if everyone would buckle up every time they are in the car, put their phone down, or set it to "do not disturb" while driving. Distracted driving is on the rise. Distracted driving can also include "impaired" driving due to alcohol, drugs, excessive sleepiness, and other activities people do when driving.

Assistant Police Chief Brian Lewis will be on a local television morning show tomorrow talking about these same things in conjunction with the campaign.

The Health Department staff are willing to attend events to showcase the risks involved and offer guidance and tips. They have several resources such as Parent/Teen Contracts, and other info to hand out, along with some interactive props that people have enjoyed while learning more about Buckle Up Phone Down efforts. To learn more about this please call them at 623-6122, ext. 1254. They are looking for as many opportunities as possible to share this information.

Meanwhile, Show Me Zero this Friday, on MO BUPD day!

For more information or questions about these announcements please visit our website or find us on Facebook. Thank you.

CITIZEN REQUESTS AND PETITIONS

PUBLIC HEARINGS

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Mr. Cortez, second by Ms. Spencer to approve the Consent Agenda. Voting in favor were Council Members: Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 8. Nays: 0. Absent: Copple, 1.

Minutes of the October 3, 2022, City Council Meeting

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2022-282 - 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-PD (Neighborhood Commercial Planned Development) and including in District C-O (Neighborhood Office) property as described below and located at 1234 N. Duquesne Rd., City of Joplin, Jasper County, Missouri. **Ordinance No. 2022-153.**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2022-283 - AN ORDINANCE amending Ordinance No. 2022-284, passed by the Council of the City of Joplin, Missouri, October 3, 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. **Ordinance No. 2022-154.**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2022-284 - AN ORDINANCE establishing grades and accepting the Final Plat of Emerald Glades Plat 1 located at 3330 & 3332 N. St. Louis Ave. in the City of Joplin, Jasper County, Missouri. **Ordinance No. 2022-155.**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2022-611 - AN ORDINANCE authorizing the City of Joplin, Missouri, to enter into an Agreement with Oakhurst Signs & Graphics, for the purpose of replacing wayfinding signage for the not to exceed price of Thirty-Nine Thousand Three Hundred and 00/100 Dollars (\$39,300.00); and authorizing the City Manager to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin. **Ordinance No. 2022-156.**

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-016

Mr. DeTar introduced Resolution No. 2022-016 - A RESOLUTION of the City of Joplin, Missouri, supporting the intent to apply for a Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant for the Landreth and Dover Parks Trail Connector and Underpass and committing to the completion of the project as set forth in the grant requirements, if awarded. Motion by Mr. DeTar second by Ms. Williams to approve Resolution No. 2022-016. Voting in favor were Council Members: Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 8. Nays: 0. Absent: Copple, 1.

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-017

Mr. Stinnett introduced Resolution No. 2022-017 - A RESOLUTION to appoint new temporary members to the Finance Committee and to amend the charge of the Committee to include the review of City finances and recommend a long-term solution for employee compensation and staffing needs. Motion by Mr. Stinnett, second by Mr. DeTar to approve Resolution No. 2022-017. Voting in favor were Council Members: Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 8. Nays: 0. Absent: Copple, 1.

ORDINANCES – EMERGENCYCOUNCIL BILL NO. 2022-452

Mr. Stinnett introduced Council Bill No. 2022-452 - AN ORDINANCE approving an Agreement by and between the Joplin Humane Society, Inc., and the City of Joplin, Missouri, providing for animal sheltering services for the city animal control program, authorizing the City Manager to execute said Agreement by and on behalf of the City of Joplin, Missouri; and, containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Stinnett, second by Mr. DeTar that Council Bill No. 2022-452 be passed on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 8. Nays: 0. Absent: Copple, 1. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2022-157**.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2022-453

Dr. Farnham introduced Council Bill No. 2022-453 - AN ORDINANCE amending Chapter 18, Animals, of the Joplin City Code by amending certain fees found in Section 18-144; and, containing an emergency clause. Motion by Dr. Farnham, second by Mr. DeTar that Council Bill No. 2022-453 be passed on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 8. Nays: 0. Absent: Copple, 1. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2022-158**.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2022-532

Ms. Spencer introduced Council Bill No. 2022-532 - AN ORDINANCE approving a renewal by and between the City of Joplin and Delta Dental to provide dental insurance coverage for City employees on behalf of the employer, the City of Joplin; authorizing the City Manager to execute said renewal by and on behalf of the City of Joplin; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Ms. Spencer, second by Dr. Farnham that Council Bill No. 2022-532 be passed on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 8. Nays: 0. Absent: Copple, 1. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2022-159**.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2022-533

Mr. Cortez introduced Council Bill No. 2022-533 - AN ORDINANCE amending the Annual Budget of the City of Joplin for the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 as adopted by Ordinance 2021-149 on October 18, 2021, to adjust appropriations and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Cortez, second by Ms. Williams that Council Bill No. 2022-533 be passed on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 8. Nays: 0. Absent: Copple, 1. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2022-160**.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2022-534

Mr. DeTar introduced Council Bill No. 2022-534 - AN ORDINANCE providing for the Budget of the City of Joplin for the period from November 1, 2022, to October 31, 2023, estimating the revenues for said period and appropriating for the purposes stated the sums set forth therein; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. DeTar, second by Ms. Williams that Council Bill No. 2022-534 be passed on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 8. Nays: 0. Absent: Copple, 1. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2022-161**.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2022-535

Mr. DeTar introduced Council Bill No. 2022-535 - AN ORDINANCE providing for the Budget of the City of Joplin for the period from November 1, 2022, to October 31, 2023, estimating the revenues for said period and appropriating for the purposes stated the sums set forth therein; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. DeTar, second by Mr. Cortez that Council Bill No. 2022-535 be passed on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Cortez, DeTar, Lawson, Shaw, and Williams, 5. Nays: Farnham, Spencer, Stinnett, 3. Absent: Copple, 1. The Council Bill moved to Second and Third Reading at the November 7, 2022, meeting.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2022-536

Mr. Stinnett introduced Council Bill No. 2022-536 - 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 and Part-Time/Seasonal positions for Fiscal Year 2022-2023; and, containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Stinnett, second by Mr. DeTar that Council Bill No. 2022-536 be passed on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 8. Nays: 0. Absent: Copple, 1. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2022-162**.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2022-613

Dr. Farnham introduced Council Bill No. 2022-613 - AN ORDINANCE approving the issuance of a Purchase Order to MacQueen Emergency to cover the purchase of two (2) Pierce Velocity replacement fire engines which has been included in the Annual Budget of the City of Joplin for the Fiscal Year 2022-2023, to adjust appropriations and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Dr. Farnham, second by Mr. Cortez that Council Bill No. 2022-613 be passed on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 8. Nays: 0. Absent: Copple, 1. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2022-163**.

ORDINANCES – FIRST READINGCOUNCIL BILL NO. 2022-009

Mr. DeTar introduced Council Bill No. 2022-009 - AN ORDINANCE amending Section 10-17 – “Presence of underage persons in alcoholic beverage establishments” by adding an exemption for axe throwing clubs. Motion by Mr. DeTar, second by Ms. Williams to that Council Bill No. 2022-009 be passed on the first reading and advance to second and third. Voting in favor were Council Members: Cortez, DeTar, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 7. Nays: Farnham, 1. Absent: Copple, 1. The Bill was read as Council Bill No. 2022-009.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2022-010

Mr. Cortez introduced Council Bill No. 2022-010 - AN ORDINANCE amending Section 10-82 – “Presence of underage persons” by adding an exemption for axe throwing clubs. Motion by Mr. Cortez, second by Mr. DeTar that Council Bill No. 2022-010 be passed on first reading and advance to second and third. Voting in favor were Council Members: Cortez, DeTar, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 7. Nays: Farnham, 1. Absent: Copple, 1. The Bill was read as Council Bill No. 2022-010.

SECOND AND THIRD READING**UNFINISHED BUSINESS****NEW BUSINESS**

Mayor Lawson read a Proclamation for Fort Myers, Florida and asked Council if they approved of sending it to Fort Myers.

Motion by Mr. Cortez, second by Dr. Farnham to approve the Proclamation for Fort Myers Florida. Voting in favor were Council Members: Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 8. Nays: 0. Absent: Copple, 1.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:57 p.m.

Respectfully,

Holly Nagy, City Clerk, MRCC