

**CITY OF JOPLIN
COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM**

ITEM

Council Bill 2023-500 – Approving a budget amendment for FY 2023

MEETING DATE

January 3, 2023

ORIGINATING DEPT

Finance

ATTACHMENTS

CB 2023-500 Ordinance; Schedule “A” Budget Amendment

REVIEWED BY

Department Head: Leslie Haase; Fire Chief: Gerald Ezell; City Attorney: Peter Edwards; City Manager: Nick Edwards

SUMMARY

This Council Bill amends the adopted 2022-2023 Budget of the City of Joplin.

BACKGROUND

In compliance with Charter regulations and accounting principles, the proposed adjustment is required to ensure that department expenditures do not exceed approved budget appropriations.

The Fire Chief proposes adding three swing Fire Captains in order to reduce overtime and ensure proper staffing of the fire stations with the required positions. The shortage in swing personnel is at the Fire Captain level. This proposal will be funded by a part of the Public Safety portion of the Use Tax dollars. The strategies within the reduce crime and increase safety included adding fire personnel. The Fire Chief presented this concept to the Proposition Action Committee at their December meeting, which received unanimous support from the committee to move forward for City Council consideration.

The purpose of the budget amendment is to recognize changes that have occurred since the annual budget was adopted. This budget amendment increases expenditures by \$286,100.00.

FUNDING SOURCE

This item is not applicable for budget amendments.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of this council bill on an emergency basis.