

**JOPLIN CITY COUNCIL
JANUARY 17, 2023
MEETING MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER

The January 17, 2023, 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 Mayor Doug Lawson

ROLL CALL

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

PRESENTATIONS

Joplin Area Chamber of Commerce Quarterly Update

Travis Stephens, President & CEO, Joplin Area Chamber of Commerce and Amy Kauffman, Director of Workforce and Business Expansion from MOKAN Partnership presented.

Joplin Sports Authority Quarterly Update

Jared Bruggerman, Director of JSA presented.

Facility Assessment Update

Chad Greer, Kwame Smith, and Kelly Edinger Stindt from SFS Architecture presented.

Sesquicentennial Events Update

Patrick Tuttle, Director of Convention and Visitors Bureau presented.

Sales and Use Tax Update

Leslie Haase, Finance Director presented.

FINALIZATION OF CONSENT AGENDA

A ten-minute break was taken at 8 PM.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

News from the Public Information Office

Joplin Parks and Recreation invites all dads and their daughters to their 23rd annual Daddy Daughter Date Night event. It is being held on Friday, February 24 and Saturday, February 25. Dads are welcome to treat their favorite gal or gals to this year's fiesta-themed event including dinner, dessert, dancing, digital photo download, the popular egg toss game, and prizes. Although the event is traditionally for fathers and daughters, another parent/adult chaperone is welcome to accompany the child.

This is a limited seating event and pre-registration is required. Friday will feature one session from 6:30 to 9 p.m. and Saturday will feature 2 sessions, one from 12noon to 2:30 p.m. and another from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Tickets are \$40 per couple, \$20 for each additional daughter, and registration is available online at www.joplinparks.org, at the Joplin Parks and Recreation office, or by calling 417-625-4750. Tickets are valid for the session purchased.

Now's the time for those interested in playing in Joplin Parks and Recreation's Softball Leagues to pull their teams together. There is a men's league and a coed league. All games will be played at the Joplin Athletic Complex. Teams will play 9 games guaranteed, and will receive 4 softballs with registration. Players must be 18 years of age or older.

Cost is \$300 per team and the registration deadline is March 13 or until leagues are full, whichever comes first. Teams can register online at joplinparks.org, by calling 417-625-4750. Parks and Rec have many other great opportunities for both children and adults coming up this Spring. Be sure to check their Facebook page or the website at Joplinparks.org.

Citizens still have time to participate in a survey about City services. This survey gives Joplin residents the chance to provide meaningful feedback across all departments and divisions focusing on City services an operations utilizing currently available resources.

The survey was announced the first week in January and it will close at the end of the day on Friday, January 20. The survey can be taken at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/JoplinCS> and also on smartphones by utilizing this QR code.

All responses are anonymous and the tabulated results will be shared upon completion. Printed copies of the survey can also be completed at the Joplin Public Library, 1901 East 20th Street in Joplin. There are also links on our website and on our Facebook page.

To prevent fire hazards and encourage a safe environment, the Joplin Fire Department will soon be visiting Joplin businesses to conduct a routine safety inspection. Inspections are done for every business on an annual basis. They were paused during the pandemic and will restart in mid-January. New software has also been implemented to help with the efficiency of the inspections. Assistant Fire Chief Andy Nimmo said the

department is working to assist businesses by "identifying and mitigating safety hazards that put them, their employees, their customers, and their property at risk. It also provides an opportunity for Fire crews to familiarize themselves with the buildings within the city they serve.

Fire crews will contact businesses to schedule a time with business owners that will minimize any disruptions to the business. The inspections are a requirement of the Insurance Services Office (ISO) which directly impacts everyone's insurance premiums. For questions, business owners can contact the Fire Dept. at 417-623-3131.

For more information or questions about these announcements or other City items, please visit our website or our Facebook page. Thank you.

CITIZEN REQUESTS AND PETITIONS

Brian Evans spoke regarding fiscal responsibility and accountability with taxpayer dollars.

Mary Price spoke regarding communications & fiscal responsibility of City.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

CONSENT AGENDA

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

Minutes of the January 3, 2023, City Council Meeting

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-250 - 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 R-2 (Two-Family Residential) property as described below and located at 2310 W. 2nd St, City of Joplin, Jasper County, Missouri. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2023-010**.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-251 - 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 5850 E. 20th St, City of Joplin, Jasper County, Missouri. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2023-011**.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-001

Mr. Cortez introduced Resolution No. 2023-001- A RESOLUTION approving a request for the appointment of the slate of Board of Directors for the 510 Rangeline Community Improvement District. Motion by Mr. Cortez, second by Mr. DeTar that Resolution No.

2023-001 be passed. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, and Stinnett, and Williams 9. Nays: 0.

ORDINANCES – EMERGENCY

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-002

Ms. Spencer introduced Council Bill No. 2023-002 - AN ORDINANCE of the City of Joplin, Missouri, imposing an additional sales tax at a rate of three percent (3%) on all tangible personal property retail sales of adult use marijuana sold within the City pursuant to Article XIV, Section 2.6(5) of the Missouri Constitution, subject to approval by the voters of the City at the General Municipal Election to be held on April 4, 2023; designating the form of ballot; directing the City Clerk to provide notice of said election; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Ms. Spencer, second by Mr. DeTar that Council Bill No. 2023-002 be passed on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, and Stinnett, and Williams 9. Nays: 0. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2023-012**.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-104

Mr. Copple introduced Council Bill No. 2023-104 - AN ORDINANCE approving a Purchase Order to Vikings Cives Midwest in the amount of Two Hundred Thirty-Nine Thousand Five Hundred Ninety-Six Dollars and 00 cents (\$239,596.00) for the purchase of a 2024 International HV507 SFA Dump Truck with snowplow and salt spreader; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Copple, second by Dr. Farnham that Council Bill No. 2023-104 be passed on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, and Stinnett, and Williams 9. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2023-013**.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-501

Mr. Cortez introduced Council Bill No. 2023-501 - AN ORDINANCE approving termination of the North Park Crossing Tax Increment Financing Redevelopment Agreement by and between the City of Joplin, Missouri and North Park Crossing, L.C., and its successors and assigns; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Cortez, second by Ms. Spencer that Council Bill No. 2023-501 be passed on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, and Stinnett, and Williams 9. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2023-014**.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-502

Mr. Cortez introduced Council Bill No. 2023-502 - AN ORDINANCE dissolving the Special Allocation Fund for the North Park Crossing Tax Increment Financing Plan and Redevelopment Projects and terminating the designation of the Redevelopment Area of the North Park Crossing Tax Increment Financing Plan; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Cortez, second by Ms. Spencer that Council Bill No. 2023-502 be passed on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, and Stinnett, and Williams 9. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2023-015**.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-600

Mr. Copple introduced Council Bill No. 2023-600 - AN ORDINANCE approving a Purchase Order to be issued to Central Square Technologies to cover the annual support payment for the Time Clock Plus software subscription, implementation, and related systems support as budgeted in the Annual Budget of the City of Joplin for the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 as adopted by Council Bill 2022-534 on October 17, 2022; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Copple, second by Ms. Spencer that Council Bill No. 2023-600 be passed on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, and Stinnett, and Williams 9. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2023-016**.

ORDINANCES – FIRST READINGCOUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-003

Mr. Copple introduced Council Bill No. 2023-003 - AN ORDINANCE approving a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) by and between the City of Joplin and the Jasper County Commission allowing for the County to join with the City of Joplin on its Broadband Deployment Consultant Services (2022-RFP-10) with Alvarez & Marsal Infrastructure & Capital Projects, LLC. Motion by Mr. Copple, second by Mr. DeTar that Council Bill No. 2023-003 be passed on the first reading and advance to second and third. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Stinnett, Spencer, and Williams, 9. Nays: 0. The Bill was read as Council Bill No. 2023-003.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-601

Mr. Stinnett introduced Council Bill No. 2023-601 - AN ORDINANCE authorizing the City of Joplin, Missouri, to enter into an Agreement with Conventions, Sports & Leisure International, LLC, a Delaware Limited Liability Company, for the purpose of conducting a Tourism Venue Needs Assessment of the Joplin tourism market for the not to exceed the price of One-Hundred and Eleven Thousand Six Hundred and Eight and 00/100 Dollars (\$111,608.00); amending the Annual Budget of the City of Joplin for the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 as adopted by Ordinance 2022-161 on October 17, 2022; authorizing the City Manager to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin; and, setting a date when this Ordinance shall become effective. Motion by Mr. Stinnett, second by Ms. Williams that Council Bill No. 2023-601 be passed on the first reading and advance to second and third. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Lawson, Shaw, Stinnett, Spencer, and Williams, 8. Nays: Farnham, 1. The Bill was read as Council Bill No. 2023-601.

SECOND AND THIRD READING**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

NEW BUSINESS

Vote To Go Into Closed Session, Which Shall Pertain To Legal Action, Causes Of Action, Or Litigation Including A Public Governmental Body And Any Confidential Or Privileged Communications Between A Governmental Body Or Its Representatives And Its Attorneys Pursuant To State Law, And To Discuss Leasing, Purchase Or Sale Of Real Estate By A Governmental Body Where Public Knowledge Of The Transaction Might Adversely Affect The Legal Consideration Thereof, Pursuant To State Law; As Set Forth In Section 610.021 (1) (2) RSMo, As Amended, 2020. This Meeting, Record, And Vote To Be Closed. Council Shall Adjourn At The End Of The Session. Motion by Mr. DeTar, second by Dr. Farnham to adjourn into closed session. Voting in favor were Council Members: Cople, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 9. Nays: 0.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:38 p.m.

Respectfully,

Holly Nagy, City Clerk, MRCC