

**JOPLIN CITY COUNCIL
JULY 3, 2023
MEETING MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER

The July 3, 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 Mr. Phil Stinnett.

ROLL CALL

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

Absent: Josh DeTar

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

PRESENTATIONS

FINALIZATION OF CONSENT AGENDA

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

News from the Public Information Office

Joplin Parks and Recreation has partnered with Missouri Southern State University again this year to host Joplin's Independence Day Celebration tomorrow, July 4 at Fred G. Hughes Stadium on Missouri Southern's campus.

This family event will feature live music by The Mixtapes, food trucks, and fireworks. The Schedule includes

- 5:30pm: Event Kick Off: Food Trucks Open
- 7:00pm: Stadium Opens to Visitors
- 7:30pm: Live Music by The Mixtapes
- 9:45pm: Fireworks Show (approximate show time is 20 minutes)

The fireworks show will be set to music, and spectators can tune in at 88.7 KXMS, to enjoy this. Guests are welcome to sit on the west side of the stadium, or they may bring lawn chairs and/or blankets for lounging in the grassy area on the west side of the field.

The stadium's north end zone and east side will be closed to the public for safety purposes. There is no fee for admission to this family fun event; all ages are welcome.

Plenty of parking is also available throughout the campus. A map of the campus is posted along with other information at <https://www.mssu.edu/independenceday>

As Independence Day, July 4, approaches, citizens should keep safety in mind as they handle fireworks to avoid any problems. Important dates to remember:

- Fireworks may only be sold within the Joplin City limits through July 4th.
- They may be discharged from 12 Noon to 11 p.m., July 1 through the 4th.

The City also encourages residents to clean up their shoot sites to eliminate debris and trash in the city. Fireworks should be cooled before they are disposed of. To help ensure items are extinguished, remaining fireworks barrels can be sprayed with water or dunked in a bucket before disposing of them.

We wish everyone a Happy and Safe Independence Day!

City offices will be closed tomorrow, July 4.

All City services will resume their regularly scheduled hours on Wednesday, the 5th. Please note that residential trash service will not run on July 4th, and service will move to the next day so Tuesday customers will have service on Wednesday and so on through the week using Saturday as Friday's customer pick-up day.

For more information about these announcements or other items related to the City, please visit the City's website or Joplin's Facebook page. If wanting to review tonight's announcements, they can be found on our website at www.joplinmo.org/PIOnews

CITIZEN REQUESTS AND PETITIONS

Mary Price spoke on fiscal accountability and sunshine requests.

Lance Hoopai spoke on new resident's perspective of Joplin.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Public Hearing Procedures were read by City Clerk Holly Nagy

PUBLIC HEARING FOR COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-273

Mayor Lawson opened the Public Hearing.

Jeff Neal spoke in favor of this item.

No one spoke in opposition to this item.

The Public Hearing was closed.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-273

Mr. Stinnett introduced Council Bill No. 2023-273 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-2 (Two-Family Residential) to District R-3 (Apartment House) property as described below and located at 801 W 1st St. Motion by Mr. Stinnett, second by Ms. Spencer that Council Bill No. 2023-273 be placed on First Reading and passed. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 8. Nays: 0. Absent: DeTar, 1. The Bill was read as Council Bill No. 2023-273.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-274

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.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-274

Mr. Cortez introduced Council Bill No. 2023-274 - 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-3 (Commercial) to District R-2 (Two-Family Residential) property as described below and located at 3220 W Belle Center Rd. Motion by Mr. Cortez, second by Dr. Farnham that Council Bill No. 2023-274 be placed on First Reading and passed. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 8. Nays: 0. Absent: DeTar, 1. The Bill was read as Council Bill No. 2023-274.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-275

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.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-275

Mr. Stinnett introduced Council Bill No. 2023-275 - 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) to District C-1 (Neighborhood Commercial) property as described below and located at 1850 W 20th St. Motion by Mr. Stinnett, second by Mr. Copple that Council Bill No. 2023-275 be placed on First Reading and passed. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 8. Nays: 0. Absent: DeTar, 1. The Bill was read as Council Bill No. 2023-275.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-276

Mayor Lawson opened the Public Hearing.

John Volte spoke in favor of this item.

No one spoke in opposition to this item.

The Public Hearing was closed.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-276

Ms. Spencer introduced Council Bill No. 2023-276 - AN ORDINANCE approving the voluntary annexation by the Council of the City of Joplin, Missouri, of property generally located at 2100 S Prigmor Ave. Motion by Ms. Spencer, second by Dr. Farnham that Council Bill No. 2023-276 be placed on First Reading and passed. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 8. Nays: 0. Absent: DeTar, 1. The Bill was read as Council Bill No. 2023-276.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-277

Mayor Lawson opened the Public Hearing.

John Volte spoke in favor of this item.

No one spoke in opposition to this item.

The Public Hearing was closed.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-277

Mr. Copple introduced Council Bill No. 2023-277 - 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) to District C-3 (Commercial) property as described below and located at 2100 S Prigmor Ave. Motion by Mr. Copple, second by Ms. Williams that Council Bill No. 2023-277 be placed on First Reading and passed. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 8. Nays: 0. Absent: DeTar, 1. The Bill was read as Council Bill No. 2023-277.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-278

Mayor Lawson opened the Public Hearing.

David Smith spoke in favor of this item.

No one spoke in opposition to this item.

The Public Hearing was closed.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-278

Mr. Shaw introduced Council Bill No. 2023-278 - AN ORDINANCE amending Ordinance No. 2022-274, passed by the Council of the City of Joplin, Missouri, August 1, 2022, by removing from District C-1 (Neighborhood Commercial) to District R-3 (Apartment House) property as described below and located at 832 S Pennsylvania Ave. Motion by Mr. Shaw, second by Mr. Copple that Council Bill No. 2023-278 be placed on First Reading and passed. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 8. Nays: 0. Absent: DeTar, 1. The Bill was read as Council Bill No. 2023-278.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-279

Mayor Lawson opened the Public Hearing.

David Smith spoke in favor of this item.

No one spoke in opposition to this item.

The Public Hearing was closed.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-279

Mr. Copple introduced Council Bill No. 2023-279 - 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) to District C-O (Commercial Office) property as described below and located at 2601 S Jackson Ave. Motion by Mr. Copple, second by Ms. Williams that Council Bill No. 2023-279 be placed on First Reading and passed. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 8. Nays: 0. Absent: DeTar, 1. The Bill was read as Council Bill No. 2023-279.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-280

Mayor Lawson opened the Public Hearing.

Bobby Thomas spoke in favor of this item.

No one spoke in opposition to this item.

The Public Hearing was closed.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-280

Mr. Copple introduced Council Bill No. 2023-280 - AN ORDINANCE amending Ordinance No. 2022-274, passed by the Council of the City of Joplin, Missouri, August 1, 2022, by removing from District M-2 (Heavy Industrial) to District C-2 (Central Business) property as described below and located at 1728 S Main St. Motion by Mr. Copple, second by Mr. Cortez that Council Bill No. 2023-280 be placed on First Reading and passed. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 8. Nays: 0. Absent: DeTar, 1. The Bill was read as Council Bill No. 2023-280.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-281

Mayor Lawson opened the Public Hearing.

Carly Shore spoke in favor of this item.

No one spoke in opposition to this item.

The Public Hearing was closed.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-281

Dr. Farnham introduced Council Bill No. 2023-281 - AN ORDINANCE amending Ordinance No. 2022-274, passed by the Council of the City of Joplin, Missouri, August 1, 2022, by removing from District M-2 (Heavy Industrial) to District C-3 (Commercial) property as described below and located at 802 S Maiden Ln. Motion by Dr. Farnham, second by Ms. Spencer that Council Bill No. 2023-281 be placed on First Reading and passed. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 8. Nays: 0. Absent: DeTar, 1. The Bill was read as Council Bill No. 2023-281.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-282

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.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-282

Mr. Copple introduced Council Bill No. 2023-282 - 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-3 (Commercial) to District R-3 (Apartment House) property as described below and located at 908 E 7th St. Motion by Mr. Copple, second by Mr. Cortez that Council Bill No. 2023-282 be placed on First Reading and passed. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 8. Nays: 0. Absent: DeTar, 1. The Bill was read as Council Bill No. 2023-282.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

Minutes of the June 5, 2023, Special City Council meeting

Minutes of the June 20, 2023, City Council meeting

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-009 - AN ORDINANCE authorizing the City of Joplin, Missouri, to enter into a Right of Access and Construction Agreement (MOU) with East Town Dreams District for the purpose of building a park and playground for children – “HOPE PARK” – on the City’s Joe Becker Stadium Clubhouse North Lot; establishing responsibilities for the East Town Dreams District and the City relating to the construction of improvements and maintenance of HOPE PARK; and, authorizing the City Manager to execute said Agreement (MOU) by and on behalf of the City of Joplin.
Ordinance No. 2023-087.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-127 - AN ORDINANCE authorizing the City of Joplin, Missouri, to enter into an Intergovernmental Cooperative Agreement with the Joplin Special Roads District (JSRD), for the purpose of street construction improvements associated with the 20th Street Widening from Schifferdecker Avenue to Country Club Drive Project; authorizing the City Manager to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin.
Ordinance No. 2023-088.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-011

Mr. Cortez introduced Resolution No. 2023-011- A RESOLUTION amending the RULES AND REGULATIONS TO GOVERN THE TRANSACTIONS OF BUSINESS BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI, by deleting Sections 2.39, 2.40, and 2.41 in their entirety and adopting new Sections 2.39, 2.40, and 2.41 in lieu thereof. Motion by Mr. Cortez, second by Mr. Copple that Resolution No. 2023-011 be passed. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Lawson, Shaw, and Williams, 5. Nays: Farnham, Spencer, Stinnett, 3. Absent: DeTar, 1.

ORDINANCES – EMERGENCY

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-131

Mr. Copple introduced Council Bill No. 2023-131 - AN ORDINANCE authorizing the acceptance of an agreement by and between the City of Joplin and Crawford, Murphy & Tilly, Inc., in the amount of Eighty-Two Thousand Two Hundred Two and 23/100 dollars (\$82,202.23) for Design and Construction Administrative Services for the replacement of equipment within the Air Traffic Control Tower (ATCT) at the Joplin Regional Airport; 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; and, containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Copple, second by Mr. Shaw that Council Bill No. 2023-131 be passed on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Stinnett, and Williams, 7. Nays: 0. Absent: DeTar, Spencer 2. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2023-089.**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-132

Dr. Farnham introduced Council Bill No. 2023-132 - AN ORDINANCE authorizing the acceptance of an agreement by and between the City of Joplin and Crawford, Murphy & Tilly, Inc., in the amount of Sixty-One Thousand Five Hundred Seventy-Seven and 27/100 dollars (\$61,577.27) for Bidding, Design and Construction Administrative Services for the replacement of the Joplin Regional Airport Lighting and Control Management System (ALCMS); 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; and, containing an emergency clause. Motion by Dr. Farnham, second by Mr. Shaw that Council Bill No. 2023-132 be passed on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 8. Nays: 0. Absent: DeTar, 1. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2023-090**.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-357

Mr. Copple introduced Council Bill No. 2023-357 - AN ORDINANCE approving the contract by and between the City of Joplin and B&D Yardbuilders for the demolition of the structure(s) and clearing of a lot located at 2715 S Pennsylvania Ave. in the City of Joplin, Missouri, for Four Thousand Seven Hundred Sixty-Five dollars (\$4,765.00); providing how the cost thereof shall be paid; how the assessment thereof shall be made; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Copple, second by Ms. Williams that Council Bill No. 2023-357 be passed on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 8. Nays: 0. Absent: DeTar, 1. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2023-091**.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-451

Mr. Copple introduced Council Bill No. 2023-451 - AN ORDINANCE authorizing a Program Services Contract, by and between the State of Missouri, Department of Health and Senior Services, and the City of Joplin, Missouri, for the City of Joplin Health Department to receive compensation, for Forty Thousand, Three Hundred Thirty-Nine Dollars, no cents, (\$40,339.00); and, authorizing the City Manager to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin, Missouri; and, containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Copple, second by Ms. Spencer that Council Bill No. 2023-451 be passed on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 8. Nays: 0. Absent: DeTar, 1. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2023-092**.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-513

Mr. Cortez introduced Council Bill No. 2023-513 - AN ORDINANCE approving a Subrecipient Agreement by and between the City of Joplin and Missouri-American Water Company, a Missouri Corporation, to extend water infrastructure services under the State American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Legislative Priority Water Infrastructure Projects Grant; and, containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Cortez, second by Mr. Shaw that Council Bill No. 2023-513 be passed on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 8. Nays: 0. Absent: DeTar, 1. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2023-093**.

**ORDINANCES – FIRST READING
SECOND AND THIRD READING
UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

NEW BUSINESS

Site Plan Review Case 025-23: 1920 E 32nd St – Site Plan Review – A request to review a site plan for a medical office addition – Renee Walker. Motion by Mr. Cortez, second by Ms. Williams to approve the site plan. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 8. Nays: 0. Absent: DeTar, 1.

Site Plan Review Case 027-23: 3232 Enterprise Avenue – Site Plan Review – A request to review a site plan for a parking lot addition – Specialty Foods Distribution, Inc. Motion by Mr. Copple, second by Mr. Cortez to approve the site plan. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 8. Nays: 0. Absent: DeTar, 1.

Ratification of Joplin Sports Authority Bylaw Changes. Motion by Mr. Copple, second by Ms. Spencer to table the bylaws. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 8. Nays: 0. Absent: DeTar, 1.

Vote to go into closed session, which shall pertain to leasing, purchasing or sale of real estate by a public governmental body where public knowledge of the transaction might adversely affect the legal consideration therefore as set forth in Section 610.021 (2) RSMo, as amended, 2020. 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 go into closed session. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 8. Nays: 0. Absent: DeTar, 1.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Respectfully,

Holly Nagy, City Clerk, MRCC