

**JOPLIN CITY COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 5, 2023
MEETING MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER

The September 5, 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 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

Capital Improvement Sales Tax Renewal Process

Nick Edwards, City Manager presented.

Tin Cup Trail Update

Motion by Mr. Stinnett, second by Mr. Cople to proceed with Phase 1 of the trail and to continue to look for ways to fund through grants and the tunnel whenever we can find the funds to do it, without digging into our existing reserve funds. Voting in favor were Council Members: Cople, Cortez, DeTar, Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 9. Nays: 0.

FINALIZATION OF CONSENT AGENDA

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

News from the Public Information Office

Since Joplin's Centennial in 1973, the community has evolved and improved with the times. Fifty years later, popular music, like our community, has progressed. Joplin still rocks and stomps with a vibrant music scene.

Over the past five decades, local and regional musicians and bands have found a special place in our hearts -- long live the garage band! The final event of the Joplin 150th Celebration (1873-2023) will reunite local bandmates who may no longer formally play together but whose past performances have left lasting memories in the hearts of many. As a finale for the year-long Sesquicentennial, the Joplin Celebrations Commission, with Freeman Health System, presents a two-day concert.

ROCK STOCK: Joplin Local Legends Concert Weekend.

September 8 and 9, at The Amphitheater in Landreth Park, 905 N. Murphy Blvd, Joplin. Friday night will focus more on the music of the 90s to today, whereas Saturday night will reminisce on the 70s and 80s.

In addition to the entertainment, there will be a beer garden hosted by Daybreak Rotary, an opportunity for the public to meet with area not-for-profit organizations under the United Way Agency Midway, and a selection of local food truck cuisine. Food trucks and exhibitors will open at 3:00, with the staged entertainment from 5:30 to 11:00 p.m.

Lawn chair and blanket seating.

Friday

- Ben Miller Band Reunion
- TotoJojo
- TownHouseFire
- Vagabond Grove and The Drifting Heads

Saturday

- Smoot Mahuti
- Southern Fried
- Encore w/ Hank Rotten
- Larry Smith Group

Main Street will be closed from 7th Street to 2nd Street tomorrow, Wednesday, September 6 for the Joplin High School Homecoming Parade.

The parade starts at 6:30 P.M. The street closure will be from 5:30 to 7:30 PM. Come out and enjoy this fun tradition as we fire up our Eagles to beat the Ozark Tigers Friday night.

Friday's game time is 7:00 PM at the Dewey Combs Athletic Complex at Junge Field. Go Eagles.

This week is Pride Week.

Join JOMO Pride Committee for JOMO PrideFest 2023! Back bigger and better than ever Now 3 days, September 8th - 10th! Celebrate Pride weekend kick-off with the first-ever Joplin Pride Parade on Friday, September 8th! Festival activities last all weekend long!

September into October is a busy events time in Joplin.

Events at the Carver National Monument, Wildcat Glades, the conclusion of the Third Thursday series, Literacy Liftoff, Porch Fest, Bluegrass Festival, and the larger-than-life Guilty by Association Truck show.

For more details on all of these and more, go to Visit Joplin MO.com events page.

CITIZEN REQUESTS AND PETITIONS

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Public Hearing Procedures were read by City Clerk Holly Nagy

PUBLIC HEARING FOR COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-278

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.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-278

Mr. Cortez 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. Cortez, second by Mr. Copple to rescind Ordinance No. 2023-099 and remove it from the table. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, DeTar Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 9. Nays: 0.

Motion by Mr. Cortez, second by Ms. Spencer to strike Council Bill No. 2023-278. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, DeTar Farnham, Lawson, Shaw, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 9. Nays: 0. This item was stricken.

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 21, 2023, City Council Meeting

Minutes of the August 28, 2023, Special City Council Meeting

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-012 - AN ORDINANCE approving a plan for an industrial development project; authorizing the City of Joplin, Missouri to issue its taxable industrial development revenue bonds in a principal amount not to exceed \$36,960,000; and authorizing and approving certain documents and actions in connection therewith.
Ordinance No. 2023-129.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-135 - AN ORDINANCE authorizing the approval of the 2023 Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP) Safety Targets for the City of Joplin, MO, Metro Area Public Transit System (MAPS) and Sunshine Lamp Trolley. Approval of the annual PTASP Safety Targets are required by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) regulations set in 49 CFR Part 673 of the Federal guidelines. **Ordinance No. 2023-130.**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-147 - AN ORDINANCE amending Chapter 114, Traffic, Article IX, Pedestrians. **Ordinance No. 2023-131.**

RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCES – EMERGENCY

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-148

Mr. Stinnett introduced Council Bill No. 2023-148 - AN ORDINANCE approving a work authorization with Burns & McDonnell in the not to exceed amount of One Hundred Eighty Five Thousand Four Hundred Seventy Six and 00/100 Dollars (\$185,476.00) for professional engineering services associated with the Hydraulic Model Update and Flow Metering Project on behalf of the City of Joplin and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Stinnett, second by Mr. Copple that Council Bill No. 2023-148 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. 2023-132.**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-149

Mr. Copple introduced Council Bill No. 2023-149 - AN ORDINANCE approving the City of Joplin to enter into an agreement with G&G Construction Co., Inc. in the amount of One Hundred Ten Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-One and 80/100 Dollars (\$110,991.80) for construction services on the Turkey Creek Wastewater Treatment Facility Leachate Aerial Crossing project and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Copple, second by Ms. Spencer that Council Bill No. 2023-149 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. 2023-133.**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-609

Mr. Copple introduced Council Bill No. 2023-609 - AN ORDINANCE approving the applications of MO-KAN Dragway for marketing 2024 race events, Midwestern Built CrossFit for Monster Games, Joplin Disc Golf Club for the 19th Annual Four States Open, Mother Road Mayhem for the Mother Road Mayhem truck show, Joplin Esports Booster Club, for their Eagles Lair III and Eagles Lair IV, Twin Hills Golf and Country Club for the NJCAA (National Junior College Athletic Association) Men's Division 2 Golf National Championship, and the American Youth Golf Association Tournament, Ozark Christian College for marketing their 2024 conference series, Active Lifestyle Events Inc. for the 2024 Joplin Memorial Run, Heartland Concert Band for Community Band Outdoor Picnic, North Heights Neighborhood for North Heights Porchfest 2024, Neosho Arts Council for ArtCon 2024, Historic Murphysburg Preservation, Inc for a tour booklet for Murphysburg Historic Places, JOMO Pride, Inc. for JOMO PrideFest, Emancipation Celebration Committee for the 2024 Emancipation Celebration, and the Freedom of Flight Museum for a 2024 Marketing Campaign for utilization of FY2024 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 Mr. Copple, second by Mr. DeTar that Council Bill No. 2023-609 be passed on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Copple, Cortez, DeTar, Lawson, Spencer, Stinnett, and Williams, 7. Nays: Farnham, Shaw, 2. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2023-134**.

ORDINANCES – FIRST READINGCOUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-139

Mr. DeTar introduced Council Bill No. 2023-139 - AN ORDINANCE approving a work authorization with Allgeier, Martin, and Associates in the not to exceed amount of Four Hundred Ninety-Five Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$495,000.00) for professional engineering services associated with the 20th & Malang Lift Station improvements project on behalf of the City of Joplin and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin. Motion by Mr. DeTar, second by Dr. Farnham that Council Bill No. 2023-139 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. 2023-139.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-284

Mr. Cortez introduced Council Bill No. 2023-284 - AN ORDINANCE approving an Agreement between the City of Joplin, Missouri, and Missouri Highway and Transportation Commission which will provide FHWA Metropolitan Planning Assistance and FTA Section 5303 assistance, hereafter known as Consolidated Planning Funds, from November 1, 2023, through October 31, 2024, in accordance with the rules of the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) under 49 U.S.C. Section 5303 and 23 U.S. Code Sections 104(F) and 134 to conduct comprehensive and transportation planning programs, as the City of Joplin has been designated to conduct transportation planning programs for the Joplin Area Transportation Study Organization; authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute said Agreement for the City. Motion by Mr. Cortez, second by Ms. Spencer that Council Bill No. 2023-284 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. 2023-284.

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

Declare Excess Surplus Property for The Annual City of Joplin Auction on September 16, 2023.

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

Mr. Copple would like for the City Manager to look at how many mailboxes are placed on city sidewalks on 26th street. Mr. Copple would like to review the Ordinance or Policy for mailboxes on sidewalks.

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. Cortez, second by Mr. DeTar to go 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 8:06 p.m.

Respectfully,

Holly Nagy, City Clerk, MRCC