

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

**CALL TO ORDER**

The April 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 Ms. Kate Spencer.

**ROLL CALL**

Answering Roll Call were Council Members: Charles Copple, 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**

**Refresco Expansion Presentation**

Steve Coffman from Refresco presented.

**Joplin Area Chamber of Commerce Quarterly Update**

Travis Stephens, President, and CEO of JACC presented.

**Arbor Day Proclamation**

Paul Bloomberg, Director of Parks and Recreation accepted the proclamation.

**FINALIZATION OF CONSENT AGENDA**

**REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

**News from the Public Information Office**

The Joplin Recycling Center is hosting a FREE Tire Collection Event on Saturday, May 13 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Center. Automotive passenger tires, with or without rims, will be accepted with a ten-tire per household limit. Semi, tractor, ATV and racing tires will not be accepted.

This drop off event is available to residents of Joplin and counties of Jasper, Newton, McDonald, Barton and Vernon Counties. The Center is located at 1310 West A Street. This collection is funded by the City of Joplin as a community service to help beautify our communities.

Since the 1990s, when whole tires were banned from landfills to conserve landfill space and keep out hazardous materials, citizens need options to discard tires. Worse-case scenarios include tires becoming eyesores and mosquito havens when left in yards or ditches where they collect water. The City is pleased to offer this event for our area.

Everyone is welcome to join forces with Joplin Parks and Recreation, Wildcat Glades, Liberty, the Chert Glades Chapter of Master Naturalists, and the Missouri Department of Conservation to defend and celebrate Earth & Arbor Day on Saturday, April 22 at Wildcat Park. The festivities begin at 10 AM.

The celebration will feature several Earth and Arbor-friendly community groups that will encourage the care of our planet through demonstrations, hands-on activities, and giveaways. Other activities include a vendor booth scavenger hunt with prizes, a native tree and plant sale, live music by Chester Ellis and the Tumbleweeds and delicious food served by local food vendors.

As part of Arbor Day, Liberty is providing one free, three-gallon tree to the first 500 households who register. Quantities are limited. To register and for more information about the event visit [joplinmo.org/ArborDay](http://joplinmo.org/ArborDay).

This Thursday is Downtown's Third Thursday event. Be a Hero is this month's theme so it's sure to offer a variety of fun activities and information that pack a punch. Be sure and stop by Joplin City's Health Department's area in front of City Hall. They'll have information focused on spring weather and emergency preparedness, as well as Distracted Driving Awareness Month. And for those interested in receiving a COVID vaccination, they can also help you take care of that inside of City Hall.

### **CITIZEN REQUESTS AND PETITIONS**

Higher Society/Jon Buck spoke on banning alcohol shooter bottles.

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion by Mr. Cortez, second by Dr. Farnham 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 April 3, 2023, City Council Meeting

Minutes of the April 10, 2023, Special City Council Meeting

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-260 - AN ORDINANCE approving the voluntary annexation by the Council of the City of Joplin, Missouri, of property located at the intersection of W 32nd Street and S John Duffy Dr., approx. 3500 feet west of S John Duffy Dr. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2023-048**.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-261 - 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) and including in District M-2 (Heavy Industrial) property as described below and located 6701 E 26th St. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2023-049**.

AMENDED COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-262 - 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 (Residential) and including in District C-1 PD (Neighborhood Commercial Planned District) property as described below and located 2501 E 20th St. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2023-050**.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-263 - 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 R-2 PD (Two-Family Residential Planned District) property as described below and located at the intersection of W 32nd Street and S John Duffy Dr., approx. 3500 feet west of S John Duffy Dr. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2023-051**.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-264 - 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 MUC (Mixed Use Commercial) property as described below and located at the intersection of W 32nd Street and S John Duffy Dr., approx. 3500 feet west of S John Duffy Dr. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2023-052**.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-265 - 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 MUC (Mixed Use Commercial) property as described below and located at the intersection of W 32nd Street and S John Duffy Dr., approx. 3500 feet west of S John Duffy Dr. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2023-053**.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-266 - 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 R-2 (Two-Family Residential) property as described below and located at 507 N Wall Ave. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2023-054**.

**RESOLUTIONS****RESOLUTION NO. 2023-005**

Mr. Stinnett introduced Resolution No. 2023-005- A RESOLUTION authorizing the filing of a One Year Action Plan with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development as required for use of the City of Joplin's Community Development Block Grant Program (Entitlement) and the Joplin Consortium HOME Investment Partnership Program for fiscal year 2023; and authorizing the City Manager to execute said Plan for and on behalf of the City of Joplin. Motion by Mr. Stinnett, second by Mr. DeTar that Resolution No. 2023-005 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. 2023-118**

Mr. DeTar introduced Council Bill No. 2023-118 - AN ORDINANCE approving a construction agreement with Vance Brothers Inc. in the amount of Six Hundred Seventy-Eight Thousand Six Hundred Forty-Six and 20/100 dollars (\$678,646.20) for the Microsurfacing 2023 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. DeTar, second by Ms. Spencer that Council Bill No. 2023-118 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. 2023-055**.

**COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-123**

Dr. Farnham introduced Council Bill No. 2023-123 - AN ORDINANCE approving an Agreement and two Work Authorizations with CJW Transportation Consultants, LLC (CJW) the sum of which is in the not to exceed total amount of One Hundred Ninety-Two Thousand Six Hundred Twenty-Nine and 35/100 dollars (\$192,629.35) for professional engineering consulting services for the Joplin Area Transportation Planning Organization (JATSO) Safety Study; and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin. Motion by Dr. Farnham, second by Ms. Williams that Council Bill No. 2023-123 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. 2023-056**.

**COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-267**

Mr. Stinnett introduced Council Bill No. 2023-267 - AN ORDINANCE approving an Agreement with Simpson Lawn Care, Inc. for On-Call Nuisance Lot Mowing Service, 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 Ms. Spencer that Council Bill No. 2023-267 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. 2023-057**.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-401

Mr. Copple introduced Council Bill No. 2023-401 - AN ORDINANCE approving an Agreement between the City of Joplin, Missouri, and the Area Agency on Aging, Region X that pertains to CDBG-CV public service grant funds; authorizing the City Manager to execute same on behalf of the City and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Cortez, second by Mr. Cortez that Council Bill No. 2023-401 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. 2023-058.**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-402

Mr. Cortez introduced Council Bill No. 2023-402 - AN ORDINANCE approving an Agreement between the City of Joplin, Missouri, and Economic Security Corporation of the Southwest Area that pertains to CDBG-CV public service grant funds; authorizing the City Manager to execute same on behalf of the City and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Cortez, second by Mr. Copple that Council Bill No. 2023-402 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. 2023-059.**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-403

Mr. DeTar introduced Council Bill No. 2023-403 - AN ORDINANCE approving an Agreement between the City of Joplin, Missouri, and Crosslines Churches of the Joplin Area, Inc. that pertains to CDBG-CV public service grant funds; authorizing the City Manager to execute same on behalf of the City and containing and emergency clause. Motion by Mr. DeTar, second by Ms. Spencer that Council Bill No. 2023-403 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. 2023-060.**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2023-404

Mr. Stinnett introduced Council Bill No. 2023-404 - AN ORDINANCE approving an Agreement between the City of Joplin, Missouri, and the Ozark Center that pertains to CDBG-CV public service grant funds; authorizing the City Manager to execute same on behalf of the City and containing and emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Cortez, second by Mr. Cortez that Council Bill No. 2023-404 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. 2023-061.**

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

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

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

Respectfully,

  
Holly Nagy, City Clerk, MRCC