City of **JOPLIN**

Requested Council Meeting Date: February 21, 2017 Council Bill No. 2017-114

Item: Agreement with Empire District Electric Company in the amount of \$50,129.67 for the removal of street lights along Main St. from 15th to 32nd Street.

Originating Department: Public Works

Attachments: 1) Location Map 2) Contract 3) Council Bill No. 2017-114

Department Head: Troy Bolander	Date:
Department Head: Nicholas A. Heatherly	Date:
Finance Department: Leslie Haase	Date:
City Attorney: Peter Edward	Date:
City Manager: Sam Anselm	Date:

Recommended Action: Approval of an agreement with Empire District Electric Company for the removal of street lights along Main Street from 15th to 32nd Street funded through CDBG-DR.

Background: In July, 2015 City Council approved the Capital Plan for the expenditure of CDBG-DR funds which included this project. In September of 2015 the City of Joplin approved with Joplin Engineering Team lead by Olsson Associates for the design, bidding and construction management for the Main Street Improvements from 15th Street to 32nd Street. The improvements will include the removal of existing street lights and installation of new LED street lights.

Discussion: Attached is the proposed agreement between the City of Joplin and Empire District Electric Company. In order to make improvements to Main Street from 15^{th} to 32^{nd} it will be necessary to remove the existing street lights located on city right of way. The total cost of work required for the street light removal is \$50,129.67. This is under the contract bid for the same item of \$51,000. It is important that the agreement be signed as soon as possible. Removal of the lights on one side of the street will be a first order of work.

<u>Recommendation</u>: It is recommended that the proposed agreement with Empire District Electric Company for the removal of street lights along Main Street from 15th Street to 32nd Street be approved.