

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2015-532

ORDINANCE NO. 2015-185

AN ORDINANCE repealing Section 106-62, Inspection Fees, of Article III, Improvement Permits, and Section 106-93, Payment of Fees and Charges, of Article IV, Excavations, of Chapter 106, Streets, Sidewalks and Other Public Places of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Joplin and enacting in lieu thereof a new Section 106-62, Inspection and Permit Fees, of Article III, Improvement Permits and Section 106-93, Fees and Charges, of Article IV, Excavations, of Chapter 106, Streets, Sidewalks and Other Public Places, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Joplin to implement certain fee changes and make other changes; and setting a date when this Ordinance shall become effective.

WHEREAS, the City has not raised fees since 2008 and the cost of services has increased and exceeds revenues; and,

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Joplin desires to increase fees to meet the reasonable expenditures of this function; and,

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Joplin desires to establish certain new fees to recover the cost of services provided by the public works department.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI, as follows:

Section 1. That Section 106-62, Inspection Fees, of Article III, Improvement Permits, of Chapter 106, Streets, Sidewalks and Other Public Places, be repealed and a new Section 106-62, Inspection and Permit Fees, of Article III, Improvement Permits, of Chapter 106, Streets, Sidewalks and Other Public Places of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Joplin be enacted in lieu thereof to read as follows:

"ARTICLE III. IMPROVEMENT PERMITS

Sec. 106-62. Inspection and Permit fees.

(A) Before any permit shall be issued under the provisions of this article, the applicant therefor shall pay a fee determined as follows:

- (1) Driveway, one percent of the estimated cost, with a minimum fee of \$25.00.
- (2) Curb and gutter, one percent of the estimated cost, with a minimum fee of \$25.00.
- (3) Sidewalk, one percent of the estimated cost, with a minimum fee of \$25.00

(B) When a special event held within the limits of the City of Joplin requires city labor and materials, the applicant therefor shall pay a fee of \$100.00 per special event.”

Section 2. That Section 106-93, Payment of Fees and Charges, of Article IV, Excavations, of Chapter 106, Streets, Sidewalks and Other Public Places, be repealed and a new Section 106-93, Fees and Charges, of Article IV, Excavations, of Chapter 106, Streets, Sidewalks and Other Public Places of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Joplin be enacted in lieu thereof to read as follows:

“ARTICLE IV. EXCAVATIONS

Sec. 106-93 Fees and charges.

The excavation permit fee shall be \$75.00. City council shall review the costs of services associated with all user fees at least on a bi-annual basis during the budget process to determine the appropriateness of the fee charge.”

Section 3. That this ordinance shall become effective on January 1, 2016.

PASSED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOPLIN, MISSOURI, this 16th day of November, 2015.

Michael L. Seibert, Mayor

ATTEST:

Barbara L. Hogelin, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Jordan L. Paul, Assistant City Attorney