

JOPLIN CITY COUNCIL
INFORMAL MEETING NOTES
OCTOBER 19, 2020

Mayor Stanley called the October 19, 2020 Informal Meeting of the Joplin City Council to order at 5:15 p.m.

In attendance were Council Members: Charles Copple, Keenan Cortez, Doug Lawson, Anthony Monteleone, Diane Reid Adams, Gary Shaw, Ryan Stanley, Phil Stinnett and Christina Williams. Also, in attendance were City Manager Nick Edwards and City Attorney Peter Edwards.

Review of Special Event Permits and Fees

Lynden Lawson, Assistant Director of Public Works for Operations and Sergeant Jared Delzell, presented a Power Point overview of the process and procedures for requesting special use permits and the fees involved.

Mayor Stanley asked how the process is working for cruise requests. Sgt. Delzell stated he has not had any significant issues.

Sales Tax Update

Finance Director Leslie Haase stated the October sales tax report – which mainly represents August sales – was up 5.4% from October 2019, so for the fiscal year we're ending up by 1.40%.

2020 has been a good year despite COVID-19. The mall stores, discount stores, restaurants, home improvement stores, motor vehicles and big-ticket outdoor item sales were strong. Hotel/motel and entertainment sales were down; overall, the news is good on sales tax.

The meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Barbara Gollhofer, City Clerk