

ORDINANCE NO.

ORDINANCE PROPOSING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE 2024 JOLIET SPECIAL SERVICE AREA NO. 1 – BRIDGE STREET (NICHOLSON STREET – CENTER STREET)

WHEREAS, the City of Joliet is a home rule unit of local government and is authorized by the Constitution of the State of Illinois and by the Special Service Area Tax Law (35 ILCS 200/27-55 et. seq.) to propose and establish special service areas within its corporate limits for the purpose of providing special services to properties located within such areas and to levy and impose special taxes on said properties to produce revenues required to provide such special services; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council hereby find and determine that it is in the public interest that a special service area consisting of the territory described in Exhibit "A" (hereinafter referred to as the "Special Service Area") be proposed and considered in accordance with the Special Service Area Tax Law; and

WHEREAS, the special services to be provided to the real properties comprising the proposed Special Service Area are generally described as the installation of storm sewer extensions/drainage appurtenances, the excavation of the existing roadway and driveway aprons within the right-of-way, placement of an eight inch stone base course, construction of combination concrete curb & gutter Type B-6.12, construction of concrete driveway aprons, the placement of 3 inches of topsoil and sod; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council hereby find and determine that there is a need to provide special services to properties having frontage on that portions of Bridge Street lying between Nicholson Street and Center Street, (such territory being hereinafter referred to as the ("Area")); and

WHEREAS, according to information currently available to the Department of Public Works and Utilities it is estimated that the cost of providing the special services to the Area will be approximately \$288,117.00; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council hereby find and determine that the area will benefit specially from the provision of special services and that such services are unique and in addition to municipal services provided to the City as a whole and that the public interest requires that the establishment of a special service area be proposed and considered in accordance with the Special Service Area Tax Law in order to produce revenues comprising forty percent (40%) of the total cost of providing the special service; and

WHEREAS, the Area is compact and contiguous, has not been subject to special taxes during the last two years and otherwise meets the requirements of the Special Service Area Tax Law.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOLIET, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1: The foregoing recitals constitute the findings of the Mayor and City Council and are hereby incorporated by reference herein as if fully set forth and repeated.

SECTION 2: A public hearing shall be convened before the Mayor and City Council of the City of Joliet on the 2nd day of January, 2024, at 6:30 P.M. to consider the establishment of the 2024 Joliet Special Service Area No. 1 – Bridge (Nicholson - Center), for the purpose of providing special services to the Area, and for the levy an imposition of a special tax on taxable properties in the Area. The maximum rate of tax to be extended pursuant to this Ordinance is ninety-nine and 18/100 Dollars (\$99.18) per linear foot of frontage on Bridge Street of each taxable property situated within the Special Service Area. Said tax is proposed to be levied and imposed no more than one time. Said special tax shall be in addition to all other taxes, charges and assessments levied or imposed pursuant to law or ordinance.

SECTION 3: The Mayor and City Council hereby declare the Area to be qualified and eligible, subject to future appropriation, for participation in the Neighborhood Improvement Program Special Service Area Policy. Under the current provisions of said Policy, participating property owners receive financial assistance so as to reduce the maximum amount of special tax in accordance with the following table.

PROPERTY USE AND OCCUPANCY STATUS		RESIDENTIAL UNITS PER BUILDING				COMMERCIAL FRONT FOOTAGE @\$15 FRONT FOOT		
PROPERTY USE	OCCUPANCY STATUS	1 UNIT	2 UNITS	3 UNITS	4 OR MORE UNITS	0-50 FEET	50-100 FEET	OVER 100 FEET
Residential	Owner Occupied	\$300	\$300	\$300	\$1500	N/A		
Residential	Non-Owner Occupied	\$450	\$850	\$1200	\$1500	N/A		
Commercial	N/A	N/A				\$0-750	\$750-1500	\$1500 max

SECTION 4: Notice of the public hearing shall be given by publication and mailing. Notice by publication shall be given at least once not less than fifteen (15) days prior to the hearing in the Herald News, the same being a newspaper of general circulation within the City of Joliet. Notice by mailing shall be given by depositing said notice in the United States mail addressed to the person or persons in whose given name the general taxes for the last preceding year were paid on each lot, block, tract or parcel of land lying within the Area. Said notice shall be mailed not less than ten (10) days prior to the hearing.

In the event taxes for the last preceding year were not paid, the notice shall be sent to the person last listed on the tax rolls prior to that year as the owner of the property.

SECTION 5: The notice of the public hearing shall be in substantially the following form:

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
CITY OF JOLIET, ILLINOIS**

2024 JOLIET SPECIAL SERVICE AREA NO. 1 – BRIDGE (NICHOLSON - CENTER)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the 2nd day of January, 2024, at 6:30 p.m., a hearing will be convened before the Mayor and City Council of the City of Joliet in the Council Chambers of the Joliet Municipal Building, 150 West Jefferson Street, Joliet, Illinois 60432, to consider the establishment of a Special Service Area to be known as the 2024 Joliet Special Service Area No. 1 – Bridge (Nicholson - Center), consisting of the real property described herein below generally consisting of those properties having frontage on Bridge Street lying between Nicholson Street and Center Street. The purpose of establishing the Special Service Area is to provide special services to properties located in the Area and to obtain sufficient funds to provide said special services. The proposed special tax would be levied and imposed no more than one time. The special services to be provided in the special service area consist of the design and installation of storm sewer extensions/drainage appurtenances, excavation of the existing roadway and driveway aprons within the right-of-way, construction of combination concrete curb and gutter Type B-6.12, construction of concrete driveway aprons, and the placement of 3 inches of topsoil and sod in the parkway.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that all interested persons, including all persons owning taxable real property located within the special service area and all registered voters residing within the proposed special service area, will be given an opportunity to be heard at the hearing regarding the establishment of the special service area and an opportunity to file objections. The Mayor and City Council shall hear and determine all protests and objections at the hearing and the hearing may be adjourned to another date without further notice other than a motion to be entered upon the minutes fixing the time and place of its adjournment. The Mayor and City Council may adopt an ordinance establishing the proposed special service area at the hearing.

SECTION 6: The proposed special service area consists of the territory described in Exhibit "A" which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference. The Area generally consists of those properties having frontage on consisting of the real property on Bridge Street lying between Nicholson Street and Center Street.

SECTION 7: The special services to be provided in the special service area consist of the design and the installation of storm sewer extensions/drainage appurtenances, the excavation of the existing roadway and driveway aprons within the right-of-way, placement of an eight-inch stone base course, construction of combination concrete curb & gutter Type B-6.12, construction of concrete driveway aprons, the placement of 3 inches of topsoil and sod.

SECTION 8: This Ordinance shall be deemed severable, and the validity of any portion hereof shall not be deemed so as to invalidate the remainder.

SECTION 9: Any ordinance directly in conflict with the terms of this Ordinance is hereby repealed to the extent of such conflicts. Any statute in conflict with the terms of this ordinance is hereby preempted to the extent of such conflict pursuant to the home rule powers of the City of Joliet.

SECTION 10: This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its passage.

PASSED this _____ day of _____, 20____.

MAYOR

CITY CLERK

VOTING YES: _____

VOTING NO: _____

NOT VOTING: _____