



# Jackson County Missouri

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## Legislation Text

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December 10, 2015

### IN THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI

**AN ORDINANCE** establishing the Office of the Rock Island Rail Corridor Authority, authorizing the County Executive to appoint the Director of such office, and appropriating \$1,400,000.00 from the undesignated fund balance of the 2015 Special Road and Bridge Fund for use by the Office of the Rock Island Rail Corridor related to the County's contemplated acquisition of the Rock Island Rail Corridor.

**ORDINANCE NO. 4807**, December 1, 2015

**INTRODUCED BY** Dan Tarwater III, Crystal Williams, Frank White, Jr., Tony Miller, Scott Burnett, Alfred Jordan, Dennis Waits, Greg Grounds, and Theresa Galvin, County Legislators

WHEREAS, the County Administration has been in discussions with Union Pacific Railroad Company to acquire a portion of Union Pacific right-of-way located in Jackson County known as the "Rock Island Rail Corridor," from MP 288.3 to MP 270.6; and,

WHEREAS, Union Pacific and the County executed a Memorandum of Understanding on November 12, 2013, for Union Pacific to sell and for the County to purchase the specified portion of the Rock Island Rail Corridor; and,

WHEREAS, the Kansas City Area Transportation Authority has approved a Cooperative Agreement with Jackson County providing that the Kansas City Area Transportation Authority will pay for 50% of

the purchase price for the Rock Island Rail Corridor; and,

WHEREAS, the establishment of the Office of the Rock Island Rail Corridor Authority will allow the County to manage and maintain the Rock Island Rail Corridor; and,

WHEREAS, the Office of the Rock Island Rail Corridor Authority has immediate expenditures anticipated to total approximately \$1,400,000.00, related to the acquisition of the Rock Island Rail Corridor that include but are not limited to:

1. \$250,000.00 escrow payment due upon execution of the Line Sale Agreement between Jackson County and Union Pacific Railroad Company.
2. Legal and consulting work related to the acquisition of the Rock Island Rail Corridor and management of the Office of the Rock Island Rail Corridor Authority.
3. Environmental, survey, title and other work related to the acquisition of the Rock Island Rail Corridor;

and,

WHEREAS, the Office of the Rock Island Rail Corridor Authority will work on a variety of topics related to the Rock Island Rail Corridor, including but not limited to, corridor engineering and design, legal and regulatory issues related to corridor real estate and property development, corridor maintenance, corridor safety, communications, branding regarding the corridor, federal funding procurement and administrative support; and,

WHEREAS, additionally, the Office of the Rock Island Rail Corridor Authority will work with consultants, contractors, stakeholders and the Kansas City Area Transportation Authority on the corridor; now therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED by the County Legislature of Jackson County, Missouri, that the Office of the Rock Island Rail Corridor Authority be and hereby is established and that the County Executive be and hereby is authorized to appoint the Director of such office; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the County Legislature of Jackson County, Missouri, that the following appropriation from the undesignated fund balance of the 2015 Special Road and Bridge Fund be and hereby is made:

<u>DEPARTMENT/DIVISION</u>	<u>CHARACTER/DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
Special Road and Bridge Fund Non-Departmental			
004-5104	56080 - Other Professional Srvs - Rock Island	1,400,000	
004-2810	Undesignated Fund Balance		\$1,400,000
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Special Road and Bridge Fund Rock Island Rail Corridor Authority			
004-3601	56020 - Legal Services		\$500,000
004-3601	56790 - Other Contractual (Escrow)		\$250,000
004-3601	56790 - Other Contractual Services		\$320,000
004-3601	56080 - Other Professional Services		\$320,000
004-3601	57010 - Office Supplies		\$ 10,000

..Enacted and Approved

Effective Date: This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon its signature by the County Executive.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chief Deputy County Counselor

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County Counselor

I hereby certify that the attached Ordinance, Ordinance No. 4807 introduced on December 1, 2015, was duly passed on \_\_\_\_\_, 2015 by the Jackson County Legislature. The votes thereon were as follows:

Yeas \_\_\_\_\_

Nays \_\_\_\_\_

Abstaining \_\_\_\_\_

Absent \_\_\_\_\_

This Ordinance is hereby transmitted to the County Executive for his signature.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mary Jo Spino, Clerk of Legislature

I hereby approve the attached Ordinance No. 4807.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Michael D. Sanders, County Executive

Funds sufficient for this appropriation are available from the source indicated below.

ACCOUNT NUMBER: 004 2810  
ACCOUNT TITLE: Special Road and Bridge Fund  
Undesignated Fund Balance  
NOT TO EXCEED: \$1,400,000.00

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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Director of Finance and Purchasing