



Legislation Text

File #: 260061

ORDINANCE NO. 260061

Directing the City Manager to enter into agreements necessary to expand the Front Street Detention Facility into a permanent detention facility at the Front Street site; directing the City Manager to permit the lapsing of the land purchase option and reallocate associated funding to the detention facility expansion project; and mandating a report to Council within 20 days detailing steps taken and progress made.

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 250890 appropriated \$22,000,000.00 from the Public Safety Sales Tax Fund for the construction of a Temporary Modular Detention Facility; and

WHEREAS, Committee Substitute for Ordinance No. 251070 appropriated an additional \$3,830,000.00 for the construction of the Front Street Detention Facility; and

WHEREAS, the City has ongoing rehabilitation and detention needs that require a permanent solution beyond temporary modular facilities; and

WHEREAS, based on expert review, the Front Street site can facilitate the size of a permanent detention program; and

WHEREAS, based on expert review, the Front Street site will save substantial sums in the millions of dollars in site preparation at the Front Street site; and

WHEREAS, the City already has identified an alternative location for tow operations on land to be used for detention; and

WHEREAS, expanding the existing Front Street Detention Facility into a larger, permanent facility would provide cost efficiencies and address the City's long-term detention capacity needs; and

WHEREAS, Council desires to direct the City Manager to take immediate action to secure agreements necessary for the expansion and development of a permanent detention facility; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KANSAS CITY:

Section 1. That the City Manager is hereby directed to enter into necessary agreements to expand the Front Street Detention Facility into a larger, permanent detention facility at the Front

Street site, including but not limited to design, engineering, construction, and professional services agreements.

Section 2. That the City Manager is hereby directed to permit the lapsing and expiration of the option term for the purchase of land for a permanent detention facility, and to reallocate all funding previously designated for such land purchase into the Front Street Detention Facility expansion project.

Section 3. That the City Manager is hereby mandated to provide a report to the City Council within 20 days detailing:

- (a) Steps taken to secure agreements for the expansion of the Front Street Detention Facility;
- (b) Progress made toward finalizing design and construction plans;
- (c) Estimated costs for the expansion and permanent facility construction; and
- (d) Projected timeline for project delivery.


Approved as to form:



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Authenticated as Passed



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