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Sponsor: Director of Neighborhood Services Department

Accepting a \$250,000.00 Capacity Building Grant from the Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation to provide administrative support of KC BizCare's Storefront Vacancy Program, entitled, "City of Entrepreneurs", through KC BizCare with the City of Kansas City, Missouri, in partnership with the Economic Development Corporation of Kansas City.

**WHEREAS**, the City of Kansas City is committed to supporting small business development and commercial corridor revitalization through innovative programs and strategic partnerships; and

**WHEREAS**, KC BizCare is committed to providing access to opportunities for people to improve their lives and achieve financial stability, upward mobility, and economic prosperity; WHEREAS, KC BizCare is committed to providing access to opportunities for people to improve their lives and achieve financial stability, upward mobility, and economic prosperity;

**WHEREAS**, KC BizCare, in partnership with the Economic Development Corporation of Kansas City (EDCKC), supports the City of Entrepreneurs Program to address long-standing commercial vacancies and support small business owners, particularly those from underrepresented communities; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Entrepreneurs Program seeks to revitalize commercial corridors by activating vacant storefronts with eligible small business owners and providing technical assistance and Matchmaking program support services to ensure their long-term success; and

**WHEREAS**, the Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation has awarded a \$250,000.00 grant to the City of Kansas City, in partnership with the Economic Development Corporation to provide administrative support to KC BizCare for the implementation and oversight of the City of Entrepreneurs Program; NOW, THEREFORE,

## BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KANSAS CITY:

**Section 1.** That the Director of Neighborhood Services is authorized to accept and transfer a \$250,000.00 grant from the Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation on behalf of KC BizCare, to the Economic Development Corporation of Kansas City who in partnership with KC BizCare will disburse funds to support administrative costs for the City of Entrepreneurs KC Storefront Vacancy Program on behalf of KC BizCare.

**Section 2.** That the Director of Neighborhood Services is authorized to execute a grant agreement with the Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation to govern the administration of the grant. A copy of the grant agreement is on file with the Director of the Neighborhood Services Department.

**Section 3.** That the revenue in the following account of the General Grants Fund is estimated in the following amount:

26-2580-575206-G57KAUFFB-480070 \$250,000.00

Kauffman Foundation Grant

**Section 4.** That \$250,000.00 is appropriated to the following account: 26-2580-575206-G57KAUFFB-619080

Kauffman Foundation Grant

\$250,000.00

**Section 5.** That the Director of Neighborhood Services is authorized as requisitioning authority for 26-2580-575206-G57KAUFFB.

Section 6. That this ordinance is recognized as an ordinance with an accelerated effective date as provided by Section 503(a)(3)(D) of the City Charter and shall take effect in accordance with Section 503, City Charter.

I hereby certify that there is a balance, otherwise unencumbered, to the credit of the appropriation to which the foregoing expenditure is to be charged, and a cash balance, otherwise unencumbered, in the treasury, to the credit of the fund from which payment is to be made, each sufficient to meet the obligation hereby incurred.

Tammy Queen Director of Finance

Approved as to form and legality:

[Insert Name] Associate City Attorney