



City of Kansas City, Missouri

Docket Memo

Ordinance/Resolution #: 260506

Submitted Department/Preparer: Mayor/Council's Office

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Docket memos are required on all ordinances initiated by a Department Director. More information can be found in [Administrative Regulation \(AR\) 4-1](#).

Executive Summary

Amending Chapter 2, Article VI of the Code of Ordinances, entitled "Boards, Commissions and Committees," by enacting a new Division 6, entitled "Welcoming KC Commission," consisting of Sections 2-851 through 2-855, to formally establish such commission; and directing the City Manager to appoint a liaison and coordinate departmental support for the commission.

Discussion

Kansas City is home to newcomer, immigrant, and refugee residents whose full participation in civic life strengthens the City and its neighborhoods. The Mayor's Commission for New Americans conducted community engagement and developed recommendations concerning how the City can better serve immigrant and refugee communities and the City Council desires to build upon that work by establishing an advisory body to provide ongoing resident-led input regarding inclusive service delivery, civic participation, language access, emergency communications, and neighborhood inclusion. The January 2026 Certified Welcoming Audit identified the need for a formalized and active advisory body to sustain the City's welcoming efforts. The City Council finds that the Welcoming KC Commission will provide an ongoing forum for residents, community-based organizations, and City departments to identify barriers to City services and recommend improvements.

Fiscal Impact

1. Is this legislation included in the adopted budget? ☐ Yes ☒ No
2. What is the funding source?
This ordinance has no fiscal impact.
3. How does the legislation affect the current fiscal year?
This legislation does not appropriate funds.

4. Does the legislation have a fiscal impact in future fiscal years? Please notate the difference between one-time and recurring costs.
n/a
5. Does the legislation generate revenue, leverage outside funding, or deliver a return on investment?
n/a

Office of Management and Budget Review

(OMB Staff will complete this section.)

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| 1. This legislation is supported by the general fund. | ☐ Yes | ☒ No |
| 2. This fund has a structural imbalance. | ☐ Yes | ☒ No |
| 3. Account string has been verified/confirmed. | ☐ Yes | ☒ No |

Additional Discussion (if needed)

This legislation does not appropriate funds.

Citywide Business Plan (CWBP) Impact

1. View the [Adopted 2025-2029 Citywide Business Plan](#)
2. Which CWBP goal is most impacted by this legislation?
Inclusive Growth and Development (Press tab after selecting.)
3. Which objectives are impacted by this legislation (select all that apply):
- ☐ Develop strategies focusing on areas traditionally underserved by economic development and redevelopment efforts.
 - ☐ Ensure quality, lasting development throughout the City; and continuing to grow the economy and the population of Kansas City in all areas.
 - ☐ Increase and support local workforce development and small and locally owned businesses.
 - ☒ Create a more efficient, solutions-oriented environment, making it easier to operate within the City.
 - ☒ Implement an economic development and tourism strategy to attract major investment and visitors.

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Prior Legislation

n/a

Service Level Impacts

TBD

Staff Recommendation

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Select One: ☒ Sponsored
☐ Directive: Res/Ord # [Click to enter Res/Ord. No.](#)

Select One: ☐ Recommend
☐ Do Not Recommend
☒ Not Applicable

Click or tap here to provide reasoning.

Other Impacts

1. What will be the potential health impacts to any affected groups?
None
2. How have those groups been engaged and involved in the development of this ordinance?
n/a
3. How does this legislation contribute to a sustainable Kansas City?
[Click or tap here to enter text.](#)
4. Does this legislation create or preserve new housing units?
No (Press tab after selecting)

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5. Department staff certifies the submission of any application Affirmative Action Plans or Certificates of Compliance, Contractor Utilization Plans (CUPs), and Letters of Intent to Subcontract (LOIs) to CREO prior to, or simultaneously with, the legislation entry request in Legistar.

No - CREO's review is not applicable (Press tab after selecting)

Please provide reasoning why not:

Click or tap here to enter text.

6. Does this legislation seek to approve a contract resulting from an Invitation for Bid?

No(Press tab after selecting)

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7. Does this legislation seek to approve a contract resulting from a Request for Proposal/Qualification (RFP/Q)?
No(Press tab after selecting)