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RESOLUTION NO. 240197

Sponsor: Mayor Pro Tem Ryana Parks-Shaw

RESOLUTION - Directing the City Manager to develop a plan to provide additional mechanisms for City residents and visitors with non-verbal language barriers or other impairments affecting communication to access City communications and resources; to determine the budgetary costs of implementing the plan and to identify potential funding sources; and to present the findings to the City Council within 180 days.

WHEREAS, the City is dedicated to providing all City residents an opportunity to participate in the public meetings of the various boards, commissions, and committees discussing the business of the City, including the meetings of the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the City seeks to provide an inclusive and equitable environment to all residents and visitors; and

WHEREAS, the Council recognizes the importance of continuing to elevate, and improve upon, the City's processes to communicate with all members of the public; and

WHEREAS, Kansas City is committed to ensuring residents and visitors with non-verbal language barriers or other impairments affecting communication have the ability to engage with City government; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF KANSAS CITY:

Section 1. That the City Manager is hereby directed to develop a plan to provide additional mechanism for City residents and visitors with non-verbal language barriers or other impairments affecting communication. Such additional mechanisms shall include, but are not limited to, plain language, visual language, tactile language, and signage.

Section 2. That the City Manager is hereby directed to present the plan and identify funding within 180 days of the passage of this resolution.

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