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RESOLUTION - Directing the City Manager to study and develop recommendations for establishing an Office of Grants and Philanthropy Management and develop standardized grant policies and procedures with a report back to Council within 90 days.

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| 2/12/2026  | 3    | Council   | Adopted as Second Committee Substitute         | Pass   |
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| 1/6/2026   | 1    | Finance, Governance and Public Safety Committee | Hold on Agenda                                 |        |
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| 12/9/2025  | 1    | Finance, Governance and Public Safety Committee | Hold on Agenda                                 |        |
| 11/12/2025 | 1    | Finance, Governance and Public Safety Committee | Hold on Agenda                                 |        |
| 10/21/2025 | 1    | Finance, Governance and Public Safety Committee | Hold on Agenda                                 |        |
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| 9/16/2025  | 1    | Finance, Governance and Public Safety Committee | Hold on Agenda                                 |        |
| 9/9/2025   | 1    | Finance, Governance and Public Safety Committee | Hold on Agenda                                 |        |
| 7/29/2025  | 1    | Finance, Governance and Public Safety Committee | Hold on Agenda                                 | Pass   |

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| 7/22/2025 | 1 | Finance, Governance and Public Safety Committee | Hold on Agenda |
| 7/17/2025 | 1 | Council   | referred       |

[SECOND COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR] RESOLUTION NO. 250553

Sponsor: Mayor Quinton Lucas

**2<sup>nd</sup> COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE**

**RESOLUTION** - Directing the City Manager to study and develop recommendations for establishing an Office of Grants and Philanthropy Management and develop standardized grant policies and procedures with a report back to Council within 90 days.

WHEREAS, the City regularly and actively seeks and manages multiple federal, state, and private grants to support municipal operations and community programs; and

WHEREAS, studying the feasibility of establishing a dedicated Office of Grants and Philanthropy Management will create standardized and efficient processes for grants management across all departments; and

WHEREAS, establishing a dedicated grants and philanthropy office represents an emerging national best practice among Mayors' offices and City administrations, as such an office elevates these critical functions and creates a focused team capable of pursuing grants in all their forms from state and federal agencies as well as local and national philanthropic opportunities; and

WHEREAS, department staff have specialized programmatic expertise that must inform grant-related decisions, and this expertise shall guide the development of policies and procedures; and

WHEREAS, effective grant management maximizes funding opportunities, ensures compliance, and maintains proper documentation and reporting; and

WHEREAS, the current federal funding uncertainties require improved local capacity for strategic grant management and diversified funding approaches; and

WHEREAS, grant management software systems are recognized as a best practice by municipal governments and grant-making organizations to ensure efficient and compliant grant administration; and

WHEREAS, implementing such a system would improve operational efficiency, reduce administrative burden, and potentially increase the City's grant funding success; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF KANSAS CITY:

Section 1. The City Council directs the City Manager to:

- A. Work with Department Directors and the Mayor's Office to develop recommendations for comprehensive grant policies and procedures, including:
  - a. Standards for when Council approval is required;
  - b. Use of grants management software systems to streamline internal procedures;

- c. Guidelines for application, administration, compliance, and reporting, including standards for when and how the Finance and Law Departments review grants-related activities;
  - d. How the Office would serve as a centralized support hub for grant activities across all City departments, while programmatic decisions on grant applications and management remain with the departments possessing the relevant content expertise.
- B. Report back to City Council within 90 days with the following:
- a. Recommendations for establishing the Office of Grants and Philanthropy Management, including proposed structure, staffing, and implementation timeline;
  - b. Policy and procedure recommendations outlined in Section A;
  - c. Delineation of which recommendations require Council approval and which can be implemented administratively.
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