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RESOLUTION NO. 230056

Sponsor: Councilmember(s) Melissa Robinson and Brandon Ellington

RESOLUTION - Directing the City Manager to develop and implement a plan for Kansas City's Opportunity Agenda; and to present the plan to the City Council within forty-five days.

WHEREAS, Kansas City's "Opportunity Agenda" is designed to ensure economic mobility for residents and continue economic development which is thriving within historically redlined communities; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF KANSAS CITY:

Section 1. That the City Manager is hereby directed to develop and implement a plan for Kansas City's Opportunity Agenda which shall include the following:

- Partner with the City's Land Bank to provide an economic base for residents and neighborhoods;
- Maximize and enhance Community Benefits Agreements with financial institutions to increase access to capital for small business and home ownership;
- Collaborate with local trade organizations and workforce development agencies to ensure all high schoolers not entering college have access to living wage employment immediately following high school graduation;
- Build and execute a robust blight and trash remediation program with neighborhood oversight;
- Collaborate with public-school systems including K-12, Community Colleges and the University of Missouri-Kansas City to ensure they are adequately resourced to educate students who are experiencing opportunity gaps;
- Connect households to broadband and support families who are utility burdened; and
- Collaborate with local developers to attract jobs, services and attainable housing.

Section 2. That the City Manager is hereby directed to present the plan, within forty-five (45) days of the passage of this resolution.