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ORDINANCE NO. 20602

AN APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE introduced by City Manager Dr. Robert M. Perez, approving and adopting the operating budget for the City of Topeka for the year 2026 and appropriating the amounts for the purpose as set forth therein.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF TOPEKA, KANSAS, that:

Section 1. *Budget incorporated by reference as a part of this Ordinance.* The operating budget for the City of Topeka, Kansas, for the year 2026 as set forth in a document in the format prescribed by the Director of Accounts and Reports of the Kansas Department of Administration, as required by law, which has been published in a summary format together with a notice of public hearing, is hereby incorporated by reference as a part of this Ordinance with the same force and effect as if it were set forth herein in its entirety.

Section 2. *Budget approved and adopted.* The operating budget as described and incorporated by reference in Section 1 above is hereby approved and adopted as the operating budget for the year 2026.

Section 3. *Funds appropriated by budget.* The budget as approved and adopted herein shall constitute and shall be declared to be appropriations for the funds and departments as set forth therein, and the appropriations thus made shall not be used for any other purpose. No money in any fund or fund type shall be used to pay for any indebtedness created in excess of the amount appropriated for such fund or fund type, or for the departments of such fund or fund type as referred to in the operating budget. The appropriations made herein are for the year 2026 and no expenditures shall be incurred as being authorized by such appropriations prior to January 1, 2026 or subsequent to December 31, 2026.

Section 4. *Budget amendments.* Any amendment to the operating budget must be approved by the Governing Body and enacted in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. § 79-2929a.

Section 5. *As used in this ordinance "fund" is defined as follows:*

Fund. A fiscal and accounting entity with a self balancing set of accounts in which cash and other financial resources, all related liabilities and residual equities, or balances, and changes therein are recorded and segregated to carry on specific activities or attain certain objectives in accordance with special regulations, restrictions, or limitations.

Section 6. *The following fund types are authorized:*

Governmental (or statutory) Fund Type: including General Fund, Special Revenue Funds, Debt Service Funds, and Capital Projects Funds; Proprietary Fund Type: including Enterprise Funds and Internal Service Funds (fixed or flexible); Innovation Fund and, Fiduciary Fund Type: including Trust and Agency Funds. This Ordinance applies to all funds as listed on the budget certificate and fund summary adopted and submitted to the county and state.

Section 7. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force upon passage.

PASSED and APPROVED by the Governing Body on September 16, 2025.

CITY OF TOPEKA, KANSAS

Michael A. Padilla, Mayor

ATTEST:

Brenda Younger, City Clerk