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To:	Public Testimony; Loar, Teresa; Bunch, Eric; Robinson, Melissa; kathryn.shields@kcmo.org; ONeill, Kevin; Lucas, Quinton
Subject:	Re: Ordinance 220178
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Attachments:	bringing-infrastructure-home-fact-sheet-US.pdf

Dear Mayor Lucas and Councilmembers Loar, Bunch, Robinson, Shields and O'Neill,

Re: Ordinance 220178

I'm writing on behalf of Mothers Out Front KC to urge you to act on climate, improve indoor air quality, and save the City money by amending Ordinance 220178 to include and prioritize building electrification in energy performance contracts.

> *"Every time we miss an opportunity to replace an appliance with a clean, electric alternative, we extend the life of our fossil fuel infrastructure by the useful life of that machine."* - *rewiringamerica.org*

In order to meet Resolution 200005's goal of climate neutrality by 2040, we must replace gas heating and appliances with efficient electric versions. Since these appliances can last two decades, we must start now - and we need the City to lead by example.

With natural gas prices spiking and becoming more volatile, this is also an opportunity for the City to stabilize its energy costs. The most up-to-date data shows that switching to efficient electric appliances and heating reduces utility bills (see information sheet attached).

Burning natural gas in buildings is also harmful to our health and has been tied to higher asthma rates in children, so this is also about improving indoor air quality in municipal buildings.

For these reasons, I urge you to amend Ordinance 220178 as follows (changes are highlighted below) and **take the Municipal Leaders for Electrification Pledge** (https://www.rewiringamerica.org/policy/mayors-for-electrification), as two Overland Park Councilmembers already have, to continue Kansas City's regional leadership on climate action.

ORDINANCE 220178

Authorizing the Manager of Procurement Services to execute three Citywide Energy Performance Contract (ESCO) Contracts With Honeywell International Inc., Schneider Electric S.E., and Willdan Group Inc. for Energy Service Companies (ESCO) services; and authorizing six successive one-year renewal options.

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 170484 reaffirms Kansas City's commitment to take action to reduce greenhouse gas emissions and mitigate the impacts of climate change; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 18100 directs the City Manager to achieve Energy Star certification for 90% of all eligible municipal buildings of 25,000 square feet or more by no

later
than December 31, 2023, in order to make progress towards the City's commitment to achieve targets set out by the Paris Climate Agreement; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 200005 commits Kansas City to climate neutrality by 2040, the contract will not include purchasing or installing gas-powered heating or appliances.

WHEREAS, there are no financial obligations under this master agreement; and

WHEREAS, all funding requirements will be evaluated under individual task order contract; and

WHEREAS, the energy performance contract will include energy and operations analysis for **electrification**, savings and improvement opportunities in municipal buildings; and

WHEREAS, the Director of General Services and staff will determine the facilities to audit for maximum impact and savings; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KANSAS CITY:

Section 1. That the Manager of Procurement Services is authorized to execute Contract No. EV2820 A, B, &C with Honeywell International Inc., Schneider Electric S.E., and Willdan
Group Inc. for ESCO services. A copy of the contracts are on file in the office of Procurement Services Divisions General Services Department.

Section 2. That the Manager of Procurement Services is authorized to execute six successive one-year renewal options for this contract without additional Council approval.

Thank you for protecting our children by continuing to lead on climate action.

Sincerely,
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