



City of Kansas City, Missouri

Docket Memo

Ordinance/Resolution #: 260510

Submitted Department/Preparer: Law

Revised 01/30/25

Docket memos are required on all ordinances initiated by a Department Director. More information can be found in [Administrative Regulation \(AR\) 4-1](#).

Executive Summary

Amending Chapter 2 of the Code of Ordinances, "ADMINISTRATION," by enacting a new Article XX, "OPEN MEETINGS AND RECORDS" to codify the City's policy with respect to open records and meetings, modernize the policy, and enact governance changes that provide that the City Attorney will coordinate and have oversight of the request fulfillment process and repealing Section 2-115 of the City's code.

Discussion

Consistent with the adoption of the FY 2027 budget, it is the Council's desire to enact legislative change to the City's code that modernizes its existing provisions related to open records and meetings and establishes the Law Department's role in coordinating the open records request fulfillment process.

Fiscal Impact

1. Is this legislation included in the adopted budget? Yes No
2. What is the funding source?
N/A
3. How does the legislation affect the current fiscal year?
This ordinance does not have a direct fiscal impact.
4. Does the legislation have a fiscal impact in future fiscal years? Please notate the difference between one-time and recurring costs.
This ordinance does not have a direct fiscal impact.
5. Does the legislation generate revenue, leverage outside funding, or deliver a return on investment?

N/A

Office of Management and Budget Review

(OMB Staff will complete this section.)

- 1. This legislation is supported by the general fund. Yes No
- 2. This fund has a structural imbalance. Yes No
- 3. Account string has been verified/confirmed. Yes No

Additional Discussion (if needed)

This ordinance does not have a direct fiscal impact.

Citywide Business Plan (CWBP) Impact

- 1. View the [Adopted 2025-2029 Citywide Business Plan](#)
- 2. Which CWBP goal is most impacted by this legislation?
Finance and Governance (Press tab after selecting.)
- 3. Which objectives are impacted by this legislation (select all that apply):
 - Ensure City Government is responsive, representative, engaged, and transparent; particularly when faced with unforeseen challenges.
 - Operate an efficient City government workforce through effective employee recruitment, development, retention, and engagement.
 - Present a realistic view of financial indicators for improved communications on impact to the City.
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Prior Legislation

N/A

Service Level Impacts

N/A

Staff Recommendation

Law

Select One: Sponsored
 Directive: Res/Ord # [Click to enter Res/Ord. No.](#)

Select One: Recommend
 Do Not Recommend
 Not Applicable

[Click or tap here to provide reasoning.](#)

Other Impacts

1. What will be the potential health impacts to any affected groups?
N/A
2. How have those groups been engaged and involved in the development of this ordinance?
N/A
3. How does this legislation contribute to a sustainable Kansas City?
N/A
4. Does this legislation create or preserve new housing units?
No (Press tab after selecting)

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5. Department staff certifies the submission of any application Affirmative Action Plans or Certificates of Compliance, Contractor Utilization Plans (CUPs), and Letters of Intent to Subcontract (LOIs) to CREO prior to, or simultaneously with, the legislation entry request in Legistar.

No - CREO's review is not applicable (Press tab after selecting)
Please provide reasoning why not:

Click or tap here to enter text.

6. Does this legislation seek to approve a contract resulting from an Invitation for Bid?

No(Press tab after selecting)

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7. Does this legislation seek to approve a contract resulting from a Request for Proposal/Qualification (RFP/Q)?

No(Press tab after selecting)