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## Ordinance Fact Sheet

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Ordinance Number

Brief Title	Approval Deadline	Reason
Amend Sections 2-964 and 2-965, Chapter 2, Code of Ord.	06/16/21	Amend Code of Ordinances to add regional partners to brownfields commission

Details	Positions/Recommendations														
<p><b>Reason For Legislation</b></p> <p>Amending Chapter 2 of the Code of Ordinances by repealing Section 2-964, entitled Commission established; membership; officers, and by repealing Section 2-965 entitled Duties of commission, and enacting in lieu thereof new sections of like numbers.</p> <p><b>Discussion</b></p> <p>This ordinance will amend Section 2-964 of Chapter 2 of the Code of Ordinances to add representatives of Jackson County, Missouri; the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/ Kansas City, Kansas; Kansas City Area Development Council; and, Mid-America Regional Council to the brownfields commission, and replace one four existing representatives of citizen and community groups with an environmental justice commissioner. It also amends Section 2-965 to update the duties of the commission and its business procedures. The amendments will enable the commission to implement the Kansas City Regional Coalition Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund Grant awarded by EPA, Ordinance No. 200610 and continue its current business.</p>	<table border="1" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="width: 30%;"><b>Sponsor</b></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Programs, Departments, or Groups Affected</b></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Applicants / Proponents</b></td> <td> <b>Applicant</b>   City Department  Planning &amp; Development   Other </td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Opponents</b></td> <td> <b>Groups or Individuals</b>  None Known  <b>Basis of opposition</b> </td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Staff Recommendation</b></td> <td> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> For  <input type="checkbox"/> Against   Reason Against </td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Board or Commission Recommendation</b></td> <td> <input type="checkbox"/> For   <input type="checkbox"/> Against   <input type="checkbox"/> No action taken   <input type="checkbox"/> For, with revisions or conditions (see details column for conditions)   <input type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable </td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Council Committee Actions</b></td> <td> <input type="checkbox"/> Do pass  <input type="checkbox"/> Do pass (as amended)  <input type="checkbox"/> Committee Sub.  <input type="checkbox"/> Without Recommendation   <input type="checkbox"/> Hold  <input type="checkbox"/> Do not pass </td> </tr> </table>	<b>Sponsor</b>		<b>Programs, Departments, or Groups Affected</b>		<b>Applicants / Proponents</b>	<b>Applicant</b>  City Department Planning & Development  Other	<b>Opponents</b>	<b>Groups or Individuals</b> None Known <b>Basis of opposition</b>	<b>Staff Recommendation</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> For <input type="checkbox"/> Against  Reason Against	<b>Board or Commission Recommendation</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> For <input type="checkbox"/> Against <input type="checkbox"/> No action taken  <input type="checkbox"/> For, with revisions or conditions (see details column for conditions)  <input type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable	<b>Council Committee Actions</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Do pass <input type="checkbox"/> Do pass (as amended) <input type="checkbox"/> Committee Sub. <input type="checkbox"/> Without Recommendation  <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Do not pass
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**Details**

The EPA awarded an \$800,000 Brownfields Revolving Loan Fund Grant to the City on behalf of a coalition of the City, Unified Government and Jackson County, MO to finance the cleanup of hazardous waste and petroleum sites. The fund may be used to issue loans and subgrants to eligible sites and entities, in accordance with EPA regulations. Grant funds must be allocated to ensure that funds and sites are equitably distributed between the City, Jackson County and the Unified Government. The code amendments change the composition and duties of the brownfields commission so that the regional coalition members (Jackson County and Unified Government) have meaningful representation on the commission when conducting business involving the EPA coalition grant.

The amendments also eliminate provisions regarding duties of the commission to review development projects that seek city incentives and plan approvals and ensure proper management of environmental impacts. These duties were never vested in the commission nor performed by it, and would require significant alterations to existing city boards, commissions and code provisions for approval of city incentives and plan approvals.

**How will this contribute to a sustainable Kansas City?**

Brownfield redevelopment promotes the beneficial reuse of underutilized and contaminated properties. Brownfield redevelopment makes use of previously depreciated capital investment and infrastructure, promotes environmental cleanup, and improves neighborhoods in which the property is located. The ordinance directly furthers these goals.

**Policy/Program Impact**

<b>Policy or Program Change</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes
<b>Operational Impact Assessment</b>	Not Applicable

**Finances**

<b>Cost &amp; Revenue Projections -- Including Indirect Costs</b>	<b>Cost of Legislation</b>
<b>Financial Impact</b>	<b>Increase/Decrease in Revenue Expected Annually</b>
<b>Fund Source (s) and Appropriation Account Codes</b>	
<b>Is this Ordinance or Resolution Good for the Children?</b>	Yes. The proposed ordinance will facilitate the cleanup of blighted brownfield properties known to contain contaminants that could potentially negatively impact the children of our community.

**Applicable Dates:**

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**Reference Numbers**