



City of Kansas City, Missouri

Docket Memo

Ordinance/Resolution #: 260247

Submitted Department/Preparer: Mayor/Council's Office

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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

Establishing a Sister City relationship between Kansas City and Accra, Ghana and authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with the Mayor of Accra and take any other appropriate measures necessary to formalize and implement this Sister City relationship.

Discussion

Kansas City is a globally connected city with a strong tradition of international partnerships that strengthen economic growth, cultural exchange, and community development; and

Accra, Ghana is a major economic, cultural, and innovation hub in West Africa, serving as Ghana's capital city and a gateway for international commerce, technology, education, and tourism. Kansas City and Accra share key similarities as regional economic anchors, centers for entrepreneurship, vibrant arts and music communities, and diverse populations that contribute to each city's cultural identity and global outlook. Both cities are investing in workforce development, technology, infrastructure, and small business growth as part of their long term strategies for economic competitiveness. A Sister City relationship between Kansas City and Accra will create new pathways for trade, business development, educational partnerships, cultural exchange, tourism, and innovation that benefit residents and businesses in both cities.

The Mayor of Accra, has formally expressed interest in entering into a Sister City partnership with Kansas City and in building a strong, collaborative relationship between the two cities. Community leaders, business owners, and residents in Kansas City are forming the Kansas City Ghana Committee, a civic and cultural partnership group committed to supporting and sustaining this Sister City relationship through exchanges, programming, and economic engagement.

Fiscal Impact

1. Is this legislation included in the adopted budget? ☐ Yes ☒ No
2. What is the funding source?
There are no funds appropriated in this ordinance
3. How does the legislation affect the current fiscal year?
There are no funds appropriated in this ordinance
4. Does the legislation have a fiscal impact in future fiscal years? Please notate the difference between one-time and recurring costs.
There are no funds appropriated in this ordinance
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)

There are no funds appropriated in this ordinance

Citywide Business Plan (CWBP) Impact

1. View the [Adopted 2025-2029 Citywide Business Plan](#)
2. Which CWBP goal is most impacted by this legislation?
Inclusive Growth and Development (Press tab after selecting.)
3. Which objectives are impacted by this legislation (select all that apply):
 - ☐ Develop strategies focusing on areas traditionally underserved by economic development and redevelopment efforts.

- ☐ Ensure quality, lasting development throughout the City; and continuing to grow the economy and the population of Kansas City in all areas.
- ☐ Increase and support local workforce development and small and locally owned businesses.
- ☐ Create a more efficient, solutions-oriented environment, making it easier to operate within the City.
- ☒ Implement an economic development and tourism strategy to attract major investment and visitors.
- ☐

Prior Legislation

N/A

Service Level Impacts

N/A

Staff Recommendation

Click or tap here to enter department.

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?
Unknown
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?
No

4. Does this legislation create or preserve new housing units?
Please Select (Press tab after selecting)

no

[Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

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)