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Please do not vote for this. Any supporting vote on this would be an emotional and reactionary vote instead of a well researched vote. Kansas City is struggling to pay for repairing old sewers, our roads are and bridges need maintenance and repair. Kansas City can't afford this expense and neither can our businesses.

I agree we need to reduce natural gas use but remember we burn fossil fuels to generate electricity. We can not solely rely on renewables yet. Also, this will drive up the cost of all electrical equipment and appliances because of a rapid increase in demand and we don't have the electric generating capacity to support this. In addition there will be many other unintended consequences.

In the summer people and businesses still air condition their homes and businesses to unreasonable temperatures. Women often wear sweaters in offices. In the winter people heat homes and offices to warm temperatures while they lay around or work in short sleeves. People need to make changes in their lifestyles.

It is easy to push expenses onto cities and businesses. Instead the city should adjust the temp in their own buildings and request others to follow. Plant trees throughout the city and ask homeowners to do the same. And while the city is doing this they can do more research on the proposed changes. See if other cities have done it and study what went right and what went wrong.

Please don't rush into what will be a very expensive and difficult process.

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