ORDINANCE No. _240882

Accepting $12,000,0000 Grant from the United Stated Department of Agriculture's IRA Urban and Community Forestry Grant program. The purpose of this grant is to increase the density of Kansas City's Urban Tree Canopy through a collaborative effort by the Neighborhood Services Department and the Parks and Recreation Department.

WHEREAS, the City of Kansas City, Missouri is committed to adopting policies, programs and practices that align with the Climate Protection and Resiliency Plan to improve natural environments for all residents;

WHEREAS, the Neighborhood Services Department is committed to providing opportunities and access to resources that improve neighborhood environments;

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KANSAS CITY:

Section 1. That the Director of Neighborhood Services is authorized to accept a $12,000,000 Urban and Community Forestry Grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Forest Service to provide tree planting, maintenance, and removal, education on tree canopy importance to neighborhoods, and an updated tree inventory.

Section 2. That the Director of Neighborhood Services is authorized to execute a grant agreement with the U.S. Department of Agriculture to govern the administration of the grant. A copy of the grant agreement is on file with the Director of the Neighborhood Services Department.

Section 3. That the Director of the Neighborhood Services Department is authorized to execute contracts to effectuate the purposes of this ordinance by providing funding to organizations that will complete approved grant activity that meets the USDA's requirements and increase quality of the natural environment in Kansas City neighborhoods.

Section 4. That the revenue in the following account of the General Grants Fund is estimated in the following amount:

25-2580-575013-471465-G57USDA24	USDA Forest Service Grant	$12,000,000.00

Section 5. That $12,000,000.00 is appropriated to the following account:

25-2580-575013-A-G57USDA24	USDA Forest Service Grant	$ 388,388.00
25-2580-575013-B-G57USDA24	USDA Forest Service Grant	$11,606,356.00
25-2580-575013-C-G57USDA24	USDA Forest Service Grant	$ 5,256.00

Section 6. That the Director of Neighborhood Services is authorized as requisitioning authority for Account No. 23-2580-575013.

Section 7. That this ordinance is recognized as an ordinance with an accelerated effective date as provided by Section 503(a)(3)(D) of the City Charter and shall take effect in accordance with Section 503, City Charter.

I hereby certify that there is a balance, otherwise unencumbered, to the credit of the appropriation to which the foregoing expenditure is to be charged, and a cash balance, otherwise unencumbered, in the treasury, to the credit of the fund from which payment is to be made, each sufficient to meet the obligation hereby incurred.

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Tammy Queen
Director of Finance

Approved as to form and legality:

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Bret R. Kassen
Associate City Attorney