



Legislation Text

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ORDINANCE NO. 230575

Sponsor: Mayor Quinton Lucas

Authorizing the Director of Finance to pay the outstanding and anticipated debts and contractual obligations of the Westport Special Business District until such time as a new board of commissioners for the District is appointed and consented to; appropriating revenue in the amount of \$23,818.23 in the Westport Special Business District Fund for the purpose of paying the existing debts and contractual obligations of the District; designating requisitioning authority; and recognizing this ordinance as having an accelerated effective date.

WHEREAS, the Westport Special Business District (“WSBD”) was established by the City as a political subdivision in 1987 through Committee Substitute for Ordinance No. 61292; and

WHEREAS, the City authorized the WSBD to hold an election to impose a \$2.50 special assessment on the abutting foot of the lots, tracts, and parcels of land within the WSBD pursuant to Ordinance No. 65376 in 1989; and

WHEREAS, until December 2022, the board of commissioners of the WSBD used revenues derived from the special assessment primarily to install and maintain lights in the public rights of way within the district; and

WHEREAS, in a letter to the Mayor and City Manager, the entirety of the board of commissioners of the WSBD resigned effective December 1, 2022; and

WHEREAS, from December 1, 2022 to date, the WSBD maintains debts and contractual obligations due and owing; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to RSMo. § 71.799.2, the Council of Kansas City, Missouri has final discretion as to how revenue derived from the Westport Special Business District’s special assessment shall be used within the scope of RSMo. §§ 71.790-808; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to use revenues derived from the special assessment to cover the existing debts and contractual obligations of the WSBD until at such time a new board of commissioners is in place; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KANSAS CITY:

Section 1. That the Director of Finance is authorized to pay the outstanding and anticipated debts and contractual obligations of the Westport Special Business District until such time as a board of commissioners is appointed by the Mayor and consented to by the City Council.

Section 2. That the sum of \$23,818.23 is hereby appropriated from the Unappropriated Fund Balance of the Westport Special Business District Fund to the following account in the Westport Special Business District Fund:

24-6800-121060-B	Westport SBD - Admin	\$23,818.23
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Section 3. That the Director of Finance is hereby designated as requisitioning authority for Account No. 24-6800-121060.

Section 4. That this ordinance is recognized as an ordinance with an accelerated effective date as provided by Section 503(a)(3)(C) of the City Charter in that it appropriates money, and shall take effect in accordance with that section.

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.

Tammy L. Queen
Director of Finance

Approved as to form:

Samuel Miller
Assistant City Attorney