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ORDINANCE NO. 1385

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A WRITTEN SMOKING POLICY
FOR THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, KANSAS AND
ALL PROPERTY IT MAINTAINS FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC.**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF
THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, KANSAS:**

SECTION 1. On July 1, 2010 the Legislature of the State Kansas enacted K.S.A. 21-4010, et. seq., prohibiting smoking in enclosed areas that include public and private places and any place of employment.

SECTION 2. In order to protect and enhance indoor air quality and to contribute to the health and well-being of the public and its employees, the City of Columbus, Kansas will immediately enact policies and procedures to comply with the effective date of July 1, 2010 and enact policies and procedures to ensure that it is a smoke and tobacco free environment effective January 1, 2011.

SECTION 3. The use or consumption of all tobacco products is hereby prohibited in all enclosed buildings, common work areas, conference and meeting rooms, hallways, eating areas, restrooms, all City owned or leased vehicles and equipment at any time.

SECTION 4. The only designated smoking areas or areas for tobacco use is outdoors. No one may smoke along a pathway or walkway leading to or from a designated smoking area, nor may employees smoke at picnic tables or outdoors in any of the grass areas.

SECTION 5. Employees and the public may choose to use designated smoking areas at their own risk. No additional breaks are allowed to any employee who smokes or uses tobacco. Smokers and users of tobacco products must dispose of the remains in proper containers to help maintain a neat and clean environment for all employees and the public who visit or use our facilities.

SECTION 6. Failure to comply with the components of this policy will result in disciplinary action that can lead to and included termination of employment.

SECTION 7. That all areas maintained or open to the public that include but are not limited to city parks, city pool, community center and all other buildings or areas open to the public are smoke-free effective July 1, 2010 and shall be smoke and tobacco free effective January 1, 2011. Penalties for violation of this section shall be in accordance with the Uniform Public Offense Code for Kansas Cities 2010 edition, Section 10.26(d).

SECTION 8: This ordinance shall take effect after publication in the official city newspaper and according to the dates established herein.

PASSED BY THE GOVERNING BODY AND APPROVED this 6th day of

December, 2010.

APPROVED:

Marie Nepple
Marie Nepple, Mayor

ATTEST:

Janice Blancett
Janice Blancett, City Clerk

(SEAL)

I acknowledge receipt of and understand the City of Columbus, Kansas Smoke-Free Workplace Policy. Further, I understand the smoking ban by the State of Kansas is effective July 1, 2010, and the smoke and tobacco free environment policy of the City of Columbus is effective January 1, 2011.

Employee name (print)

Employee signature

Date