

RESOLUTION NO. 623

A RESOLUTION BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, KANSAS, MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS AND DETERMINATIONS AS TO THE NEED FOR HOUSING WITHIN THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, KANSAS, AND SETTING FORTH THE LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF REAL PROPERTY PROPOSED TO BE DESIGNATED AS A RURAL HOUSING INCENTIVE DISTRICT WITHIN THE CITY.

WHEREAS, K.S.A. 12-5241 *et seq.*, as amended (the "Act") authorizes any city incorporated in accordance with the laws of the state of Kansas (the "State") with a population of less than 60,000 to designate rural housing incentive districts within such city; and

WHEREAS, prior to such designation the governing body of such city shall conduct a housing needs analysis to determine what, if any, housing needs exist within its community; and

WHEREAS, after conducting such analysis, the governing body of such city may adopt a resolution making certain findings regarding the establishment of a rural housing incentive district and providing the legal description of property to be contained therein; and

WHEREAS, after publishing such resolution, the governing body of such city shall send a copy thereof to the Secretary of Commerce of the State (the "Secretary") requesting that the Secretary agree with the finding contained in such resolution; and

WHEREAS, if the Secretary agrees with such findings, such city may proceed with the establishment of a rural housing incentive district within such city and adopt a plan for the development or redevelopment of housing and public facilities in the proposed district; and

WHEREAS, the City of Columbus, Kansas, (the "City") has an estimated population of 3,086, and, therefore, constitutes a city as said term is defined in the Act; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the City has participated in the development of a Housing Study & Needs Assessment, completed in 2021 (the "Housing Study & Needs Assessment"), a copy of which is on file in the office of the City Clerk; and

WHEREAS, based on the Housing Study & Needs Assessment, the Governing Body of the City proposes to commence proceedings necessary to create a Rural Housing Incentive District in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, KANSAS, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The Governing Body hereby adopts and incorporates by this reference as part of this Resolution the Housing Study & Needs Assessment, a copy of which is on file in the

office of the City Clerk, and based on a review of said Housing Study & Needs Assessment, makes the following findings and determinations.

SECTION 2. The Governing Body hereby finds and determines that there is a shortage of quality housing of various price ranges in the City despite the best efforts of public and private housing developers.

SECTION 3. The Governing Body hereby finds and determines that the shortage of quality housing can be expected to persist, and that additional financial incentives are necessary in order to encourage the private sector to construct or renovate housing in the City.

SECTION 4. The Governing Body hereby finds and determines that the shortage of quality housing is a substantial deterrent to the future economic growth and development of the City.

SECTION 5. The Governing Body hereby finds and determines that the future economic well-being of the City depends on the Governing Body providing additional incentives for the construction or renovation of quality housing in the City.

SECTION 6. Based on the findings and determinations contained in Section 2 through 5 of this Resolution, the Governing body proposes to establish a Rural Housing Incentive District pursuant to the Act, within boundaries of the real estate legally described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and shown on the map depicting the existing parcel of land attached hereto as Exhibit "B" (the "District").

SECTION 7. The Governing Body hereby finds that the building located within the proposed District is more than 25 years of age, and the second floor will be primarily used for residential use, and is located in a central business district.

SECTION 8. The City Clerk is hereby directed to publish this Resolution one time in the official City newspaper, and to send a certified copy of this Resolution to the Secretary for the Secretary's review and approval.

SECTION 9. The City Administrator, Mayor, City Clerk and other City officials are hereby further authorized and directed to take such other actions as may be appropriate or desirable to accomplish the purposes of this Resolution.

SECTION 10. This Resolution shall take effect after its adoption and publication once in the official City newspaper.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 18th day of April, 2022, by the Governing Body of the City of Columbus, Kansas.

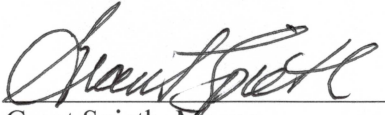
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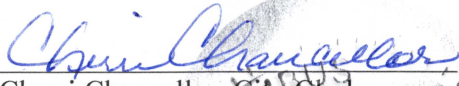
Grant Spieth, Mayor
City of Columbus, Kansas

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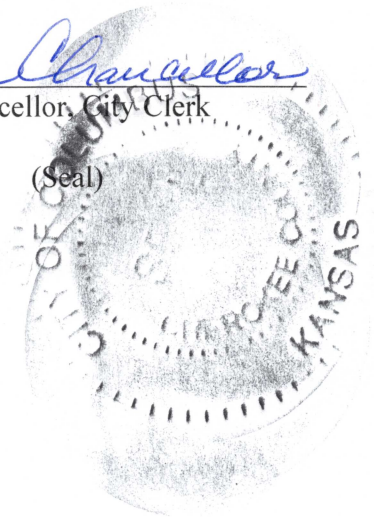
I, Grant Spieth, do hereby affirm that I am the duly elected or appointed Mayor of the organization known as the City of Columbus, Kansas, and I further affirm that the above Resolution is a true and correct copy of the Resolution adopted by the Governing Body.



Grant Spieth, Mayor



Cheri Chancellor, City Clerk



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EXHIBIT "A"

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED RURAL HOUSING INCENTIVE DISTRICT:

Street Address: 129 E. Maple Street, Columbus, KS 66725

County: Cherokee

School District: USD 493

Legal Description: Original plat CO, Block 15, Lot 19 - 20

