

RESOLUTION TO TEMPORARILY WAIVE CERTAIN PERMIT FEES

RESOLUTION NO. 138-2022

Adopted: Sept. 7, 2022
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WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Sedgwick County and the City of Wichita City Council have hereby adopted the Wichita-Sedgwick County Unified Building and Trade Code (“UBTC”) through Resolution No. 175-2012 and Ordinance No. 49-412, which became effective January 1, 2013; and

WHEREAS, the UBTC is the joint building and trade code within the city limits of the City of Wichita, the unincorporated area of Sedgwick County, and the second- and third-class cities within Sedgwick County that agree to have Sedgwick County inspect and/or enforce such codes within their city limits; and

WHEREAS, within Article 1 of the UBTC, the permit fees are listed for the codes included within such code; and

WHEREAS, on August 16, 2022, the City of Wichita City Council approved the Incentives for Infill Residential Construction program, which is a two (2) year program that, in pertinent part, waives UBTC fees for residential permits and waives up to \$10,000.00 in commercial permits for multi-family developments, all within the places identified as “Formative Areas” within the Established Central Area (“ECA”—map attached as Exhibit A, this area is within the City of Wichita that is generally bounded by 29th Street North on the north, Rock Road on the east, 31st Street South on the south, and Ridge Road on the west, with the Formative Areas identified in pink within such map), with the aim of encouraging infill development consistent with the goals of the Wichita: Places for People Plan, which is an element of the Wichita-Sedgwick County Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, as the UBTC is a code jointly administered by the City of Wichita and Sedgwick County, the Board of County Commissioners wishes to authorize Wichita-Sedgwick County Metropolitan Area Building and Construction Department (“MABCD”) staff, as members of a department jointly administered by the City of Wichita and Sedgwick County, to temporarily waive permit fees as described within the City of Wichita Incentives for Infill Residential Construction program and as specified within this resolution.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF SEDGWICK COUNTY, KANSAS:

SECTION 1.

Beginning October 3, 2022, and for a period not to exceed two (2) years from such effective date, MABCD staff may temporarily waive UBTC residential permit fees and commercial permit fees on multi-family housing permits within the Formative Areas in the ECA, as depicted by Exhibit A to this resolution, with the pink-colored portion including the Formative Areas.

SECTION 2.

In order to be eligible for a waiver of permit fees pursuant to this resolution, a participant must not have delinquent real estate taxes or delinquent special assessment taxes.

SECTION 3.

This resolution will result in the MABCD Revenue Fund foregoing the receipt of permit fees. MABCD staff and the Wichita Area Builders' Association will continue to monitor such fund to assess whether modifications might be needed for the City's Incentives for Infill Residential Construction program and this resolution.

SECTION 4.

The Sedgwick County Clerk is directed to publish this resolution once in the official county newspaper once upon its approval. This resolution shall become effective on October 3, 2022.

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Commissioners present and voting were:

PETER F. MEITZNER
SARAH LOPEZ
DAVID T. DENNIS
LACEY D. CRUSE
JAMES M. HOWELL

Aye
Aye
Aye
Aye
Aye

Dated this 7th day of September, 2022.

ATTEST:

[Signature]
KELLY B. ARNOLD, County Clerk



BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF SEDGWICK COUNTY, KANSAS

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