ORDINANCE NO. 20294

AN ORDINANCE introduced by Brent Trout, City Manager, pertaining to an amendment to the text and map of the Topeka Comprehensive Plan for the Downtown Topeka Master Plan. (CPA 21/02)

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TOPEKA, KANSAS:

Section 1. The Comprehensive Plan for the City of Topeka may be adopted by the Governing Body upon the recommendation of the Topeka Planning Commission.

Section 2. Section 18.05.020 of the Topeka Municipal Code lists the elements that may be included in the Comprehensive Metropolitan Plan, and specifies that the Plan may include neighborhood plans for all geographic sub-areas of Topeka.

Section 3. The Downtown Topeka Master Plan, a copy of which is attached hereto as Attachment A and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein, provides long-range guidance for the future growth and development of the area generally bounded by Topeka Boulevard to the west, Morse Street to the north, BNSF rail lines to the east, and 13th Street to the south. The Downtown Master Plan sets forth a ten plus (10+) year vision, that aligns nine district plans, with goals and strategies that will guide Downtown’s physical development and land use, housing, and infrastructure in a comprehensive manner that recognizes the desire to increase the quality of life in Downtown Topeka. Goals for housing, office space, and retail space, are market-based (expected within 10 years) and aspirational (expected in 10+ years) and when developed will provide a welcoming downtown that is physically connected, a complimentary mix of uses, and a 24 hour mix of spaces.

Section 4. The Topeka Comprehensive Metropolitan Plan is hereby amended by the addition of the Downtown Topeka Master Plan as a separate Plan Element.
Section 5. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage, approval and publication in the official City newspaper.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Governing Body of the City of Topeka, May 4, 2021.

CITY OF TOPEKA, KANSAS

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Michelle De La Isla, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Brenda Younger, City Clerk