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ORDINANCE NO. 19236

AN ORDINANCE introduced by Councilmember Jack Woelfel, amending City of Topeka Code § 2-331 concerning the expenditure of monies from the historic asset tourism fund and specifically repealing said original section.

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

Section 1. That section 2-331, Historic asset preservation fund, of The Code of the City of Topeka, Kansas, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Historic asset ~~preservation~~ tourism fund.

There is hereby created in the city a special fund to be known as the historic asset ~~preservation~~ tourism fund. Monies from the city's general fund, community block grant funds, any transient guest tax funds allocated to this fund, or funds from any other source legally available for such purpose shall be credited to this special fund. ~~Monies so credited may be expended, upon approval by the city manager for the acquisition, rehabilitation and preservation of historic landmarks or historic resources located within the city.~~ Monies deposited into this fund ~~from the transient guest tax~~ shall be expended only on projects of a public heritage tourism benefit located within the city and shall not be expended on projects that are private or primarily commercial in nature, unless open or intended to be open to the public on a regularly scheduled basis. Projects funded by ~~transient guest tax~~ these funds shall be subject to the review and recommendations of ~~at the Historic Sites for Heritage Tourism~~ the Historic Sites for Heritage Tourism committee (Historic Tourism committee) consisting of the following members:

- a. Two members of the Landmarks Commission,
- b. Two members of the Topeka Tourism Alliance,

30 c. Two members of the Topeka and Shawnee County Area "Freedom's
31 Frontier" Heritage Tourism Alliance, and

32 d. One member of the Topeka Lodging Association.

33 Bylaws for the Historic Tourism committee, as well as guidelines for grant
34 application and the grant application form will be established and may be amended by
35 the Historic Tourism committee, subject to approval by the City Council Transient Guest
36 Tax committee.

37 The expenditure recommendations of ~~this~~ the Historic Tourism committee, for
38 disbursement of transient guest tax monies from this fund, shall be forwarded to the City
39 Council Transient Guest Tax committee for final approval of the expenditures. The
40 expenditure recommendations of the Historic Tourism committee, for disbursement of
41 monies from this fund that are from sources other than transient guest tax, shall be
42 forwarded to the City Manager for final approval of the expenditure.

43 Section 2. That original § 2-331 of The Code of the City of Topeka, Kansas, is
44 hereby specifically repealed.

45 Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its
46 passage, approval and publication in the official City newspaper.

47 PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council March 24, 2009.

48 CITY OF TOPEKA, KANSAS

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54 William W. Bunten, Mayor

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58 Brenda Younger, City Clerk