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3 **ORDINANCE NO. 19809**

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5 AN ORDINANCE introduced by City Manager Jim Colson, amending City of Topeka
6 Code § 2.15.020 and specifically repealing said original section,
7 concerning the times and dates for council meetings for the next
8 two (2) years.
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10 WHEREAS, City of Topeka Charter Ordinance No. 94 § 12, as codified at § A2-
11 26 of the City Code, requires the City Council, at its first regular meeting after a city
12 election, to establish a regular schedule of meeting times and dates for the next two
13 years.

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

15 Section 1. That section 2.15.020, Time of council meetings – To be open to
16 the public, of The Code of the City of Topeka, Kansas, is hereby amended to read as
17 follows:

18 **Time of council meetings – To be open to the public.**

19 (a) The council shall, for the period of ~~April 26, 2011, to April 23, 2013~~ April 30,
20 2013, to April 28, 2015, meet in the council chambers/municipal court complex on the
21 second floor of the municipal building, the first four Tuesdays of each month at 6:00
22 p.m. for the purpose of conducting the business of the city.

23 (b) Notwithstanding subsection (a) of this section, when the date of a regular
24 meeting falls on a legal holiday or any city primary or general election, the meeting may
25 be rescheduled to another day fixed in advance by the council.

26 (c) Notwithstanding subsection (a) of this section, a council meeting may be
27 canceled under any of the following circumstances; provided, that the number of council
28 meetings in a month is not less than that required by Appendix A, Section A2-26:

29 (1) By a majority vote of the council;

30 (2) When the mayor, with the concurrence of the deputy mayor,
31 determines that special circumstances exist, including but not limited to the
32 scheduling of a special event or a lack of agenda items; or

33 (3) By the city manager in the event of inclement weather.

34 Section 2. That original § 2.15.020 of The Code of the City of Topeka, Kansas,
35 is hereby specifically repealed.

36 Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from April 29, 2013,
37 and after its passage, approval and publication in the official City newspaper.

38 Section 4. This ordinance shall supersede all ordinances, resolutions or rules,
39 or portions thereof, which are in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance.

40 Section 5. Should any section, clause or phrase of this ordinance be declared
41 invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the same shall not affect the validity of this
42 ordinance as a whole, or any part thereof, other than the part so declared to be invalid.

43 PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council on April 9, 2013.

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45 CITY OF TOPEKA, KANSAS

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Larry E. Wolgast, Mayor

51 ATTEST:

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56 Brenda Younger, City Clerk