



City Commission Agenda Item

Meeting Date: November 18, 2025

From: Larry Schwartz, City Attorney

Item: Uniform Public Offense Code for Kansas Cities,
41st Edition

Motion: An Ordinance adopting by reference the Uniform Public Offense Code for Kansas Cities, 41st Edition, prepared and published in book form in 2025, by the League of Kansas Municipalities. **(Roll Call Vote)**

Background: The League of Kansas Municipalities has published the Uniform Public Offense Code (UPOC) since 1980. The UPOC is designed to provide a comprehensive public offense ordinance for Kansas cities and does not take effect in a city until the governing body has passed and published an ordinance incorporating it by reference. LKM updates include changes made by the Kansas Legislature and generally mirrors Kansas statute and case law, allowing violations of those laws to be prosecuted in Arkansas City Municipal Court.

The following sections were modified in the 41st edition of the UPOC published in 2025. Details provided by LKM as listed in the Kansas Government Journal July-August 2025 Edition, article enclosed.

Changes:

Section 40.3 Passing a Stationary Vehicle Displaying Hazard or Caution Signals

Section 114.5 Unlawful Operation of a Work-Site Utility Vehicle

Section 201.1 Failure to Comply with a Traffic Citation

Commission Options:

1. Approve the Ordinance on first reading so City Law mirrors State Law.

Fiscal Impact: Amount: **Publication & Book Order Costs**

Fund: Department: Expense Code:

☒ Included in budget ☐ Grant ☐ Bonds ☐ Other Not Budgeted

Attachments: Ordinance & Kansas Government Journal July-August 2025 Edition

Approved for Agenda by:

Randy Frazer, City Manager