STAFF REPORT

DATE: January 31, 2023

TO: Governing Body, City Manager

FROM: City Attorney

RE: Annual Recodification Ordinance



SUMMARY:

K.S.A. 12-3015 provides that municipalities may compile and revise the general ordinances of the City, change sections deemed advisable, omit section deemed unnecessary, add new provisions, and adopt the whole by an adopting ordinance and publication in permanently bound or loose-leaf book form. Pursuant to that authority, it is recommended that the City of Bel Aire merge the ordinances passed this year into the municipal code to ensure the local laws are uniformly updated in accordance with State law and that local laws continue to meet the needs of the public in an organized and accessible manner. The proposed codification will incorporate the following ordinances passed since last codification into a new code edition titled, "Code of the City of Bel Aire, Kansas, 2023".

DISCUSSION:

Changes to the Code since last codification include ordinances passed related to the animal code, street parking in Prairie Preserve, detonation of fireworks, mayor and council terms, and other general changes and annual updates to the Standard Traffic Ordinances and the Uniform Public Offence Code. Since the City invested in publishing a current searchable version of the code online, these changes have been made in that online version in addition to the official code book at City hall. After the Governing Body adopts the all changes will go live on the City website.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the recodification ordinance, incorporating the changes as presented and publish to the City website.