
AGENDA ITEM

TO: Tim Vandall, City Administrator
FROM: Matthew Schmitz, MPA – Director, Community and Economic Development
DATE: Sept. 15, 2022
SUBJECT: Ordinance No. 1090 – Updating Chapter 9, Article III – Environmental Requirement,
Section 313 – Weeds and Grass of the City of Lansing, KS Code

Explanation: During the August 25th City Council Work Session, staff discussed with council potential updates to the City Code in reference to allowable grass heights in Lansing. The attached ordinance would codify the changes discussed during the work session as follows:

1. Reduce allowable height of grass in residentially zoned areas to 10” maximum.
2. Reduce allowable height of grass in developed commercially zoned areas to 8” maximum.
3. Reduce allowable height of grass in undeveloped commercially zoned and/or agriculturally zoned areas to 10” maximum height for the first 30’ from street or neighboring properties.
4. Removal of the requirement that the area be platted or within 100 feet of any platted area, developed area, or any public street or right-of-way
5. Clarify that property owners are responsible for property maintenance for his or her property and the public right-of-way to the curb line of the street.

Policy Considerations: The modification of this part of the code and control over the maximum height grass is allowed to grow before being maintained is consistent with other cities in the area as outlined during the work session discussion.

Financial Consideration: Not applicable.

Action: Motion to approve Ordinance No. 1090, an ordinance updating Chapter 9, Article III – Environmental Requirement, Section 313 – Weeds and Grass of the City of Lansing, KS Code.

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