

COUNCIL ACTION FORM

Meeting Date: June 13, 2024

Staff Contact: Leslie Herring, City Administrator

Agenda Item: Consider Resolution No. 130-2024 Appointing Mary Bosco Heinrich to the Westwood Foundation Board

Background

The Westwood Foundation is a Kansas not-for-profit corporation organized and existing as an instrumentality of the City of Westwood, Kansas and is governed in the conduct of its affairs by its Board of Directors, its articles of incorporation, and its bylaws. The Westwood Foundation bylaws as amended state that residents of the City of Westwood, Kansas may be appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by a resolution adopted by a majority of the members of the Westwood City Council to serve terms of four (4) years on the Westwood Foundation Board of Directors. Pursuant to Section 3.2(b) of the Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Westwood Foundation, the Mayor transitioned to ex-officio membership resulting a vacancy on the Westwood Foundation Board of Directors with a term expiring May 31, 2025, which is to be filled.

Mayoral Recommendation

Following adoption of the Amended and Restated Bylaws in July 2023 , the Mayor issued an open call for candidates. Statements of interest from two (2) residents were received. Following review of those statements of interest, Mayor David Waters and Westwood Foundation President Justin Bridges conferred, and the Mayor is recommending the Governing Body consent to the appointment of Mary Bosco Heinrich.

Ms. Bosco Heinrich is a 9-year resident of Westwood. She holds a professional position as Philanthropic Director of Strategy & Communications at Children’s Mercy and has served in a variety of board roles including most recently as President of the KC Healthy Kids Board. In Westwood, she has served on the Westwood View Educational Enrichment Fund (EEF).

Staff Comments

With the adoption of Resolution No. 130-2024, the Westwood Foundation Board of Directors would be as follows:

Westwood Foundation Board of Directors	Date Appointed	Term Expiration Date
Justin Bridges	May 2021	May 2025
Mary Bosco Heinrich	June 2024	May 2025
Sean O’Brien	April 2013	May 2027
Kumud Pyakuryal	September 2013	February 2027
Thomas Scott	May 2021	May 2025
Robert C.J. Thompson	April 2013	February 2027
Rita Zeller	May 2021	May 2025

Budget Impact

N/A

Suggested Motion

I move to adopt Resolution No. 130-2024 confirming the appointment of Mary Bosco Heinrich to the Westwood Foundation Board of Directors.