

# COUNCIL ACTION FORM

Meeting Date: July 10, 2025

Staff Contact: Curtis Mansell, Chief of Police

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**Agenda Item:** Consider Ordinance No.1047 adopting the 2025 Edition of the Uniform Public Offense Code for Kansas Cities

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## Background/Description of Item

The Uniform Public Offense Code (UPOC) is a document developed each year by the League of Kansas Municipalities. This organization has published the UPOC since 1980. The Code is designed to provide a comprehensive public offense ordinance for Kansas cities. The UPOC, in large part parallels the state criminal code. This ordinance allows the City of Westwood to utilize the Uniform Public Offense Code as the basis for criminal investigation and enforcement actions.

## Staff Comments/Recommendation

The League of Kansas Municipalities has now published the 2025 Edition of the Uniform Public Offense Code. City staff recommend the City of Westwood update from the 2024 Edition. The UPOC does not take effect in a city until the governing body has passed and published an incorporating ordinance.

Staff recommend the City Council authorize the Mayor to sign the ordinance prepared by the City Attorney in incorporating these changes.

## Budget Impact

None

## *Suggested Motion*

*I move the City Council adopt Ordinance No. 1047 incorporating by reference the Unified Public Offense Code for Kansas Cities, 2025 edition and repeal Ordinance No. 1044.*