

CHARTER ORDINANCE NO. 20

A CHARTER ORDINANCE EXEMPTING THE CITY OF WESTWOOD, KANSAS, FROM THE PROVISIONS OF K.S.A. 12-1651, ET. SEQ., PROVIDING SUBSTITUTE AND ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS WHICH RELATE TO THE NAMING OF AN OFFICIAL CITY NEWSPAPER, AND REPEALING ANY ORDINANCE IN CONFLICT THEREWITH:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF WESTWOOD, KANSAS, as follows:

Section 1. The City of Westwood, Kansas, by the power vested in it by Article 12, Section 5 of the Constitution of the State of Kansas, hereby elects to exempt itself and make inapplicable to it K.S.A. 12-1651, which applies to this city but does not apply uniformly to all cities.

Section 2. The governing body shall designate by authorizing, upon proper resolution, the City of Westwood's website as the official city newspaper. In the event that State law specifically requires print publication, the governing body shall designate a print publication newspaper of record through the adoption of a proper resolution.

Section 3. This charter ordinance shall be published once each week for two consecutive weeks in the official city newspaper.

Section 4. This charter ordinance shall take effect 61 days after the final publication unless a sufficient petition for a referendum is filed, requiring a referendum to be held on the ordinance as provided by Article 12, Section 5, Subsection (c)(3) of the Constitution of the State of Kansas, in which case this charter ordinance shall become effective upon approval by the majority of the electors voting thereon.

Passed by the governing body, not less than two-thirds of the members-elect voting in favor thereof, this 18th day of December 2025.

David E. Waters, Mayor

ATTEST:

Abby Schneweis, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Ryan B. Denk, City Attorney