

**ADMINISTRATION AND HUMAN SERVICES
STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES
Monday, October 21, 2019**

The meeting of the Administration and Human Services Standing Committee was held on Monday, October 21, 2019, at 6:35 p.m., in the 5th Floor Conference Room of the Municipal Office Building. The following members were present: Commissioner Markley, Chairman; Commissioners Johnson, Kane and Bynum. Commissioner Philbrook was absent. The following officials were also in attendance: Misty Brown, Deputy Chief Counsel; Alan Howze, and Emerick Cross, Assistant County Administrators; Terry Brecheisen, Director of Public Health; Wesley McCain, Health Department; Officer Cahill, Police Department; and Jay Doleshal Sergeant-at-Arms.

Chairman Markley called the meeting to order. Roll call was taken and all members were present as shown above.

Approval of standing committee minutes from June 17, 2019. **On motion of Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Kane**, the minutes were approved.

Committee Agenda:

Item No. 1 – 19981...GRANT: CHIP COORDINATION

Synopsis: Request to submit a Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) Coordination Grant application, and accept if awarded, from the Health Forward Foundation in the amount of \$174,000, submitted by Terry Brecheisen, Director of Public Health. The in-kind match will be provided by staff.

Terry Brecheisen, Director of Public Health, said I am here with Wesley McCain this evening and he was instrumental in writing the grant that we're asking approval to accept the funds if awarded. Wesley is the head of our Community Health Division at the Health Department. The grant is very straightforward. It's just to provide coordination for the Community Health

Improvement Plan from the different supporting agencies, the key agencies in town and providing a full-time person at the Health Department to provide the overall coordination as we work with the other agencies.

Action: **Commissioner Johnson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Bynum, to approve.** Roll call was taken and there were four “Ayes,” Johnson, Kane, Bynum, Markley.

Item No. 2 – 19987...ORDINANCE: AMENDING THE UNLAWFUL DUMPING ORDINANCE

Synopsis: An ordinance amendment offering a reward of \$250 to any person that provides information materially contributing to a conviction of unlawful dumping, amending Section 31-12, submitted by Daniel Kuhn, Assistant Counsel.

Chairman Markley said I am really excited about this. I have some neighborhood groups and I told them I expect to be giving them a check any day now. I want them to jump all over this.

Daniel Kuhn, Assistant Counsel, said Officer Cahill approached me with an idea for this ordinance. I wish I could take the credit, but I can't. I'll turn it over to him.

Officer Cahill said I just want to thank you for hearing this idea this evening. This isn't a solution for everything with illegal dumping; it's just a tool. What we're proposing is that the ordinance be changed where if someone is a witness to somebody dumping illegally and it is deemed fit by a municipal judge, that they could receive a \$250 reward for that. The question usually comes up, where does the money come from. We would like to see it as part of the fine that the person who is the suspect would have to pay the reward for the person who actually turns them in. That's where we're thinking the money would come from.

The UG pays a large amount of money cleaning up trash in the breeze across the road, up and down the streets. All neighborhoods are affected by this. I just think it is a tool that would help us. I've been investigating illegal dumping for several months since I've been in

Community Policing. We're working on new ideas. There are several cities that have an ordinance that's kind of like this. I don't have a lot of research on that to see the numbers and how successful it is.

The graffiti ordinance that we have currently does have a \$250 reward in it, and a lot of money doesn't get paid out of that currently, I understand. I believe with illegal dumping it is a tool that we can use where if the public is educated on it and the potential suspect who is going to illegal dump knows that if somebody sees them they can receive money from turning them in, that it might be a deterrent. That's something that we could go to social media, some of our billboards, some of our advertisements, things like that. I have no idea of what the affects of this would be. There's no way to track that. There's no way to know. It's just a tool that, I think, would assist in the—come with combatting illegal dumping and the challenges that it brings.

Mr. Kuhn said, Commissioners, as a point of clarification. I'm afraid we cannot actually do the funding for this through a fine. Speaking with the Finance Department, it would come through others; money in community programs where there's typically a surplus that should be able to cover any rewards that would be offered.

Commissioner Bynum said just a quick comment. I appreciate, again, your thinking about a tool in the tool box. I know that you probably spend a lot of your time trying to think well, what could we do that might be a little different to combat a certain issue. I'm appreciative of the effort. I'm looking forward to collecting my \$250. I live in an area where we have quite a bit of dumping. Nothing would make me happier than to have someone be convicted of that dumping that occurs in my area on a fairly regular basis. I just wanted to say thank you for thinking about something that you're dealing with all the time in maybe a new way.

Action: **Commissioner Johnson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Bynum, to approve.**

Chairman Markley said a shout out to Don and Joyce Lawrence and Morris, keep chasing down those dumpers. You're gonna get money now.

Roll call was taken on the motion and there were four "Ayes," Johnson, Kane, Bynum, Markley.

Public Agenda:

Item No. 1 – 19989...APPEARANCE: RON KELSEY

Synopsis: Appearance of Ron Kelsey requesting that Planned Parenthood Great Plains or any related organization not be allowed to open a location in Kansas City, KS.

Ron Kelsey, KCK, said I am proud to be a KCK resident. I'm actually in Commissioner Kane's district. I'm also the president of Planned Parenthood Exposed. Planned Parenthood Exposed is a non-profit corporation dedicated to educating the public about planned parenthood. I would like to begin by thanking commissioners and other officials for your service to our community here in Wyandotte County/KCK.

As a KCK resident, I am very happy to live here. I'm also grateful for the opportunity to address you regarding the efforts to stop Planned Parenthood from opening an abortion clinic in Kansas City, Kansas.

We know that Planned Parenthood is interested in opening up an abortion clinic in KCK from more than one source. One, Planned Parenthood had a lease on the property at 1854 Minnesota Avenue, which was canceled in September according to the building owners. Two, on September 10th, Planned Parenthood stated at a public meeting in KCK that they were planning on a location within two miles of downtown KCK. Three, on October 2nd, Planned Parenthood stated that the state of Kansas. Special Committee on Judiciary meeting that they had talked with "partners in the community," and that Planned Parenthood was excited about exploring options to open a location in Wyandotte County.

Missouri has strong laws regulating abortion and Planned Parenthood has reacted to this with a new Illinois mega abortion clinic that is Planned Parenthood's east bookend to what I'm calling the west bookend is their KCK location with Missouri having strict regulations on abortions and that, Planned Parenthood has put in place to bookend Missouri with abortion clinics. The people

from across Kansas and Missouri and other states would now come to KCK for abortions. Note that Planned Parenthood used a shell company in Illinois to hide its intentions during construction. That's silly.

Certainly, we strongly object to Planned Parenthood and its abortion business. We must never forget that abortion is a killing of innocent human beings; innocent unborn children. We should not want the businesses that participate in this to locate in our community. Fortunately, abortions among Wyandotte County residents have dropped 50% since 2006. They've gone from 749 in 2006 to 352 in 2017, according to the state of Kansas Department of Health and Environment Vital Statistics. An abortion clinic in KCK is going to reverse this positive trend.

As horrific as the killing of unborn children is, this is not the only strong objection that we have with Planned Parenthood. Planned Parenthood embraces ideology that accepts and promotes virtually any kind of sexual activity as normal to our youth.

I believe this book titled *It's Perfectly Normal* to be child pornography. This is listed on Planned Parenthood's website under books for children. I'm uncomfortable with discussing the pictures and the contents of this book with you adults, yet, this book is targeted to children aged 10 and up. I will quote just one sentence from the book, "Sexual intercourse, having sex, can involve the penis and the vagina or the mouth and the genitals or the penis in the anus." Again, 10-years olds. I will leave three copies of this book for you to review, and I will also mail you some YouTube points on Planned Parenthood's public and explicit promotions of sex. These videos will shock you.

We can learn much about Planned Parenthood by absorbing what they do not talk about. They do not emphasize virtues such as modesty, sexual purity, faith, abstinence and saving sex until marriage. Instead, they prey upon the innocence of our youth.

With abortion, Planned Parenthood emphasizes, my body, my choice. They ignore the body of the unborn human being. They promote intentional and violent killing of innocent human beings. Planned Parenthood kills over 300,000 unborn children in the United States each year. Planned Parenthood emphasizes the prevention to pregnancies and STDs at the same time they promote sexual activity. They fail to emphasize the inadequacies of the prevention methods that they promote and thereby create a sense of false confidence in our youth.

Planned Parenthood claims to be the largest sex educator in the United States. The result of

it's education and epidemic levels of STDs nationwide, especially among teens, sex education is not working.

We've encouraged the UG's public Health Department to emphasize the value of abstinence in its prevention efforts. Certainly, common sense would strongly suggest that this should be a major focus to help our community. We should explore legal ways to exclude Planned Parenthood from our community; however, if we cannot legally exclude Planned Parenthood, we should use all available ordinances to regulate them. Additionally, can we create any new ordinances as part of a new KCK zoning rewrite?

In summary, this boils down to the values that we want to embrace in our community. As leaders, you are in position of influence to help determine our values. In our democratic republic, values are debated and in competition with other values. It is up to we, the people, as to which values prevail. Ultimately, someone's values are adopted in laws and regulations, but these should not be the values of Planned Parenthood. To promote positive values, Kansas City Pregnancy Clinic has recently been incorporated and we'll locate at Mercy and Truth at 721 N. 31st St. after adequate funding has been raised.

Finally, we respectfully request that the UG, Mayor and each commissioner state publicly that they do not want Planned Parenthood within our community.

Action: No action taken.

Adjourn

Chairman Markley adjourned the meeting at 6:50 p.m.

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