

**CITY OF ROELAND PARK, KANSAS
ORDINANCE NO. 814**

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE; ADDING ARTICLE 13 TO CHAPTER 1 OF THE CODE OF CITY OF ROELAND PARK, KANSAS; ADDING NEW SECTIONS 1-1301, 1-1302, 1-1303, 1-1304, 1-1305, 1-1306, AND 1-1307 TO THE CODE OF THE CITY OF ROELAND PARK, KANSAS.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF ROELAND PARK, KANSAS:

SECTION 1. Article 13 is hereby added to Chapter 1 of the Code of the City of Roeland Park, Kansas, to be titled "Environmental Sustainability Committee."

SECTION 2. Section 1-1301 is hereby added to the Code of the City of Roeland Park, Kansas, and shall read as follows:

1-1301. **PURPOSE.** The purpose of the Environmental Sustainability Committee is to make recommendations to the Governing Body concerning issues relating to or affecting environmental sustainability.

SECTION 3. Section 1-1302 is hereby added to the Code of the City of Roeland Park, Kansas, and shall read as follows:

1-1302 **CREATION AND ESTABLISHMENT.** There is hereby created and established an Environmental Sustainability Committee for the City which shall consist of not less than nine members. All of the members shall be nominated by the Mayor and approved by the City Council. The terms of all members shall be for one year beginning January 1 of each year. In the event a vacancy should occur during the term of any member, his or her successor shall be appointed in the same manner for the unexpired portion of the term. There is no limitation on the number of times an individual may be re-appointed. Any member of the Committee may be removed at any time by a majority vote of the City Council. Neither the Committee nor any individual members shall have any authority to financially obligate, commit or contract on behalf of the City. The Mayor shall also appoint two members of the City Council to serve as ex-officio members of the Committee for a one-year term.

SECTION 4. Section 1-1303 is hereby added to the Code of the City of Roeland Park, Kansas, and shall read as follows:

1-1303 **COMPENSATION.** Members of the Committee shall serve without compensation.

SECTION 5. Section 1-1304 is hereby added to the Code of the City of Roeland Park, Kansas, and shall read as follows:

1-1304 **DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES.** It shall be the responsibility of the Committee to review current uses and practices as they relate to environmental sustainability, including a review of the City's own practices and procedures, and to make recommendations to the Governing Body relating to policies, guidelines or programs, including but not limited to, maintaining and enhancing air quality, reducing waste disposal and need for landfills, increasing awareness of the need to conserve natural resources and generally educating the public on methods to protect the environment.

SECTION 6. Section 1-1305 is hereby added to the Code of the City of Roeland Park, Kansas, and shall read as follows:

1-1305 **ADVISORS.** The City Council may designate or employ, with or without compensation, such advisors to the Environmental Sustainability Committee as the City Council shall hereafter determine to be necessary and advisable to accomplish the purposes of this article.

SECTION 7. Section 1-1306 is hereby added to the Code of the City of Roeland Park, Kansas, and shall read as follows:


1-1306 **MEETINGS, RULES AND REGULATIONS.** The Environmental Sustainability Committee shall elect a Chairperson and a Vice-Chairperson at its first meeting of each calendar year. The Committee shall meet at such times and places deemed appropriate upon the call of the Chairperson, the Vice-Chairperson or by any three members of the Committee. Any bylaws or other rules and regulations relating to the Committee's meetings and proceedings must be approved by the City Council. The Committee shall keep minutes of its meetings and shall provide a copy thereof to the City Clerk. A majority of the members appointed to the Committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of the business of the Committee.

SECTION 8. Section 1-1307 is hereby added to the Code of the City of Roeland Park, Kansas, and shall read as follows:

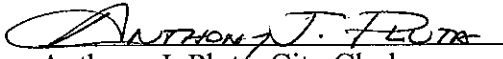
1-1307 **CODE OF ETHICS.** The Code of Ethics for Elective and Appointive Offices, as adopted pursuant to Charter Ordinance No. 12, and any amendments thereto, shall apply to the appointed members of the Environmental Sustainability Committee.

SECTION 9. This ordinance shall take effect upon its publication in the official City newspaper.

PASSED by the City Council this 3rd day of December, 2007. **APPROVED** by the Mayor.


Steve Petrehn, Mayor

ATTEST:


Anthony J. Pluta, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Neil R. Shortlidge, City Attorney