

ORDINANCE NO. 5209-26

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF NEWTON, KANSAS, ADOPTING AN UPDATED COMPREHENSIVE PLAN PURSUANT TO K.S.A. 12-747 *et seq.*, AND REPEALING SECTION ONE OF ORDINANCE NUMBER 4766-11.

WHEREAS, Pursuant to K.S.A. 12-747 *et seq.*, Staff of the City of Newton, Kansas and the Newton Area Planning Commission have conducted an extensive study and survey, with numerous meetings in which resident input was received, toward the development of a new comprehensive plan for the City of Newton to provide a plan and outline, guided by articulated goals, policies and strategies, for the future growth and development of the City;

WHEREAS, upon the conclusion of such efforts, the Newton Area Planning Commission conducted a public hearing on October 5, 2026 to consider a draft of such Comprehensive Plan;

WHEREAS, upon the conclusion of the public hearing the Newton Area Planning Commission did then vote to recommend to the Governing Body of the City of Newton the adoption of a final draft of such Comprehensive Plan, entitled “Newton Next Comprehensive Plan” and forwarded a certified copy of the same for the consideration of such Governing Body; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body has received and now considers the “Newton Next Comprehensive Plan” and is prepared to act upon such recommendation;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF NEWTON, KANSAS:

SECTION 1. That the recommended final draft of “Newton Next Comprehensive Plan” should be and is hereby adopted as the Comprehensive Plan for each such City pursuant to K.S.A. 12-747 *et seq.*, replacing in their entirety all prior Comprehensive Plans heretofore adopted, and all amendments thereto. The provisions of “Newton Next Comprehensive Plan” are hereby incorporated herein by reference. No fewer than three copies of “Newton Next Comprehensive Plan” shall be marked or stamped "Official Copy as Adopted by Ordinance No. 5209-26 of the City of Newton, Kansas" and filed with the City Clerk to be open for inspection and available to the public at all reasonable hours. All boards and administrative departments of the City charged with the functions of land use, planning, and zoning, and with the enforcement of the zoning ordinances of the City, shall be supplied such number of official copies of “Newton Next Comprehensive Plan” similarly marked as may be deemed expedient.

SECTION 2. This Ordinance shall not be effective unless it is adopted by the Governing Body of the City of Newton, Kansas and, upon such adoption, this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its summary publication in THE NEWTON KANSAN, the official newspaper of the City.

SECTION 3. Repealer. Section 1 of Ordinance 4766-11 is hereby repealed.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 13th day of October, 2026.



Rich Stinnett, Mayor

ATTEST:



Denise R. Duerksen, City Clerk