



**REQUEST FOR COMMISSION ACTION**  
**CITY OF INDEPENDENCE**  
**March 10, 2022**

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**Department Admin**

**Director Approval Kelly Passauer**

**AGENDA ITEM** Consider adopting an ordinance authorizing the Mayor to remove members of Boards or Commissions for non-attendance.

**SUMMARY RECOMMENDATION** Adopt the ordinance.

**BACKGROUND** Section 2-99 of the City Code provides criteria for removing members from the Planning Commission for non-attendance. Since attendance is important in conducting business, it is recommended that this section on non-attendance be applied equally to all City appointees of Boards or Commissions. It should be noted that the wording is "may" remove any persons for non-attendance as extenuating circumstances should be taken into consideration before the removal of any member.

**BUDGET IMPACT** N/A

**SUGGESTED MOTION** I move to adopt an ordinance authorizing the Mayor to remove members of Boards or Commissions for non-attendance.

**SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS**

1. Ordinance-Board Absences

**ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**An Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to Remove  
Members of Boards or Commissions for Non-Attendance**

*BE IT ORDAINED* by the Governing Body of the City of Independence, Kansas:

**Section 1.** City Code Section 2-99 which is specific to members of the planning commission is hereby repealed.

**Section 2.** The Mayor, upon a majority vote of the governing body, may remove any persons appointed by the governing body to any board or commission of the city for non-attendance based upon the following criteria:

- a. Absence from three consecutive meetings at which a vote can be taken; or
- b. Absence during any 12-month period of one-third of the total meetings at which votes can be taken.

**Section 3.** This Ordinance shall take effect upon its publication in the official City newspaper.

*Adopted by the Governing Body of the City of Independence, Kansas, on the 10th day of March, 2022.*

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DEAN HAYSE, Mayor

ATTEST:

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DAVID W. SCHWENKER, City Clerk