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CHARTER ORDINANCE NO. 12

A CHARTER ORDINANCE EXEMPTING THE CITY OF PHILLIPSBURG, KANSAS, FROM THE PROVISIONS OF K.S.A. 14-440, RELATING TO MANDATORY CONTRACT ESTIMATE BY A CITY ENGINEER.

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

SECTION 1. The City of Phillipsburg, Kansas, by virtue of the power vested in it by Article 12, Section 5 of the Constitution of the State of Kansas, hereby elects and does exempt itself and make inapplicable to it K.S.A. 14-440, relating to the requirement of contract estimates by a city engineer: for building bridges or sidewalks or for any work on streets or for any other work or improvement, which said statute applies to this city, but does not apply uniformly to all cities.

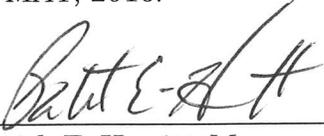
SECTION 2. Before the City shall make any contract for building bridges, streets, or sidewalks or for major work on bridges, streets, or sidewalks, or for any other major work or improvement, an estimate of the cost thereof shall be made and submitted to the City Council; and no contract shall be entered into for any work or improvement for a price exceeding such estimate, unless the City Council has obtained more than one (1) bid for such improvement and the City Council awards the contract to the lowest reasonable responsible best bid; or the City Council deems it expedient and necessary to do the project due to exigent circumstances. The City Council shall designate an employee with suitable education and/or experience to perform the estimate or may use outside engineering services when deemed advisable by the designated employee with the prior approval of the City Council.

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 final publication unless a sufficient petition for a referendum is filed and a referendum held on the Charter Ordinance as provided in Article 12, Section 5, Subsection (c)(3) of the Constitution of the State of Kansas, in which case this Charter Ordinance shall become effective if approved by the majority of the electors thereon.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL THE 16th DAY OF MAY, 2016, WITH NOT LESS THAN 2/3RDS OF THE ELECTED MEMBERS VOTING IN FAVOR THEREOF.

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR THIS 16TH DAY OF MAY, 2016.



Patrick E. Hewitt, Mayor

Attest:



Brenda L. Chance, City Clerk