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**ORDINANCE NO. G-1201**

**AN ORDINANCE**, creating Article VIII in Chapter 74 of the Pittsburg City Code for the purpose of creating an Active Transportation Advisory Board, describing the Board's authority and duties, and providing for the appointment of members thereof.

WHEREAS the creation of transportation alternatives that offer options to residents and visitors have been shown to provide economic, health and environmental benefits, and

WHEREAS the City desires to create a process to review transportation projects to maximize the opportunity for biking, walking and public transit

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF PITTSBURG, KANSAS:**     SECTION 1. Article VIII of the Pittsburg City Code is hereby created as follows:

Article VIII. ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD.

**Sec. 74-244. Creation; membership.** There is hereby created an Active Transportation Advisory Board for the City of Pittsburg, Kansas. The board shall consist of seven (7) members who shall serve without compensation. The members shall be appointed by the Governing Body; four (4) of whom shall be appointed for a term of four (4) years and three of whom shall be appointed for a term of two (2) years. Following the expiration of the term of the (3) members appointed for two (2) years, all appointees to the Board shall be appointed for four (4) year terms. No appointee to the Board shall be eligible for re-appointment after serving two (2) consecutive terms on the Board.

**Sec. 74-245. Member Qualifications.** Four (4) of the appointees to the Board shall be residents of the City with one (1) member representing each quadrant divided by the intersection of 4<sup>th</sup> Street and Broadway. The three (3) additional appointees shall reside within Crawford County with: one (1) appointee from the health care industry; one (1) appointee being a disability advocate; and one (1) appointee being a member of a non-profit organization promoting healthy lifestyles in the Pittsburg area. Preference may be given to any applicant residing in the City of Pittsburg. Appointees shall be drawn from diverse segments of the public, and shall be selected for their wisdom, broad perspective, and ability to assist in planning and development of active transportation.

**Sec. 74-246. Quorum; action.** A majority of the Board shall constitute a quorum. A majority affirmation vote of a quorum shall be necessary for any action taken by the Board.

**Sec. 74-247. Officers.** The Board at its organizational meeting, and each annual meeting thereafter, shall elect from its membership a chairperson and a vice-chairperson. The chairperson and vice-chairperson shall have and perform such duties as are commonly associated with respective titles and shall serve for one (1) year and until successors are appointed. The Director of Planning and Community Services shall appoint a secretary for the Board, which person shall be an employee of the City of Pittsburg, and who shall not be entitled to vote on any matter considered by the Board.

**Sec. 74-248. Filling of vacancies; removal.** Should any member of the Board resign, move from the City of Pittsburg or Crawford County, or be removed by the Governing Body after missing three (3) consecutive regular meetings, the Governing Body shall appoint some other qualified individual to serve the former member's unexpired term.

**Sec. 74-249. Meetings; public records.** The Board shall have regular monthly meetings to be established by the majority vote of the Board. Special meetings shall be called by the chairperson, vice-chairperson, or upon request of a majority of the members of the Board. Such calls for special meetings and notices shall be given at least forty-eight (48) hours before the time of the meeting so called. The request shall be read and entered into the minutes of such special meeting and no business shall be transacted except that stated in the call for special meeting. The Board shall keep minutes of its meeting and records of its proceedings and other official actions, all of which shall be promptly filed with the City Clerk and shall be public records.

**Sec. 74-250. Open meetings; public participation.** All meetings of the Board shall be open to the public, with copies of the Agenda available to all interested persons, the City Clerk, and the media at least forty-eight (48) hours in advance of the meeting. It is the intent of the Board to encourage and promote public participation at all meetings of the Board.

**Sec. 74-251. Reports; recommendations.** The Governing Body may refer to the Board proposals and propositions relating to construction, reconstruction and improvement of roadways, trails and sidewalks. The Board shall make reports and recommendations to the Governing Body on all matters referred to it within the time fixed by the Governing Body. The Board further shall review all future active transportation facilities and projects.

**Section 74-252. Additional duties.** Additional authority and duties of the Board are:

- a) To advise the Governing Body on interests of active transportation;
- b) To advise the City of Pittsburg on matters related to active transportation and connectivity within the City of Pittsburg;

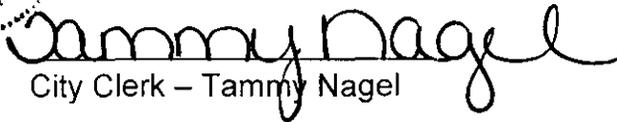
- c) To assist in the City of Pittsburg with promoting and public relations of new active transportation networks;
- d) To assist the City of Pittsburg with seeking grants and private funding for the development of active transportation; and
- e) To direct all inquiries regarding active transportation, from persons or groups, to the Director of Planning and Community Services without delay.

**PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY ON THIS 8<sup>th</sup> DAY OF JULY, 2014.**



  
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Mayor, Monica Murnan

ATTEST:

  
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City Clerk – Tammy Nagel