

The Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 4:00 p.m., on Wednesday, December 10, 2025, in the Commission Room at City Hall with Mayor Johnson presiding and Commissioners Banzet and Truelove present. The meeting was recorded via Zoom platform.

Commissioner Banzet moved to approve the agenda as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Truelove. Motion carried.

Civic organization reports were invited and heard.

Commission reports were heard.

City Administrator comments were heard.

Community Development Director reports were heard.

Financial reports were distributed.

Public Comments were invited and heard.

Commissioner Truelove moved to approve the consent agenda as presented consisting of minutes from the November 26, 2025 meeting; and Appropriation (2025) 22. Seconded by Commissioner Banzet. Motion carried.

Administrator Jones addressed the Commission regarding the approval of an ordinance that incorporates by reference, the 2025 edition of the Standard Traffic Ordinance (STO). The STO is published by the League of Kansas Municipalities, and allows the City to incorporate by reference the various traffic offense codes applicable to most cities in Kansas. Discussion held.

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 1827**

**AN ORDINANCE REGULATING TRAFFIC WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF NEODESHA, KANSAS, INCORPORATING BY REFERENCE THE “STANDARD TRAFFIC ORDINANCE FOR KANSAS CITIES”, EDITION OF 2025, WITH CERTAIN OMISSIONS, CHANGES AND ADDITIONS, PROVIDING CERTAIN PENALTIES AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 1806 AND ALL ORDINANCES AND PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HERewith.**

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

**Section 1: STANDARD TRAFFIC ORDINANCE INCORPORATED.** There is hereby incorporated by reference for the purpose of regulating traffic within the corporate limits of the City of Neodesha, Kansas that certain standard traffic ordinance known as the “Standard Traffic Ordinance for Kansas Cities”, Edition of 2025, prepared and published in book form by the League of Kansas Municipalities, Topeka, Kansas, save and except such articles, sections, parts or portions as are hereafter omitted, deleted, modified or changed. One official copy of said Standard Traffic Ordinance shall be marked or stamped “Official Copy as Adopted by Ordinance No. 1827”, with all sections or portions thereof intended to be omitted or changed clearly marked to show any such omission or change and to which shall be attached a copy of this ordinance, and filed with the City Clerk to be open to inspection and available to the public at all reasonable business hours. The Police Department, Municipal Judge, and all administrative departments of the City charged with enforcement of the ordinance shall be supplied, at the cost of the City, such number of official copies of such Standard Traffic Ordinance similarly marked, as may be deemed expedient.

**Section 2: TRAFFIC INFRACTIONS AND TRAFFIC OFFENSES:**

- a) An ordinance traffic infraction is a violation of any section of this ordinance that prescribes or requires the same behavior as that prescribed or required by a statutory provision that is classified as a traffic infraction in K.S.A. 8-2118.
- b) All traffic violations which are included within this ordinance, and which are not ordinance traffic infractions as defined in subsection (a) of this section, shall be considered traffic offenses.

**Section 3: PENALTY FOR SCHEDULED FINES.** The fine for violation of an ordinance traffic infraction or any other traffic offense for which the municipal judge established a fine in a fine schedule shall not be less than \$10 nor more than \$1,200. A person tried and convicted for violation of an ordinance traffic infraction or other traffic offense for which a fine has not been established in a schedule of fines shall pay a fine fixed by the court not to exceed \$1,200.

**Section 4: MAXIMUM SPEED LIMITS.**

Section 33 of Article 7 of the Standard Traffic Ordinance for Kansas Cities, 2025 Edition, is hereby changed to read as follows:  
Section 33. Maximum Speed Limits

- a) Except when a special hazard exists that requires lower speed for compliance with Section 32, the limits specified in this section or established as hereinafter authorized shall be maximum lawful speeds, and no person shall drive a vehicle at a speed in excess of such maximum limits.
  - 1) Twenty (20) miles per hour in any business district;
  - 2) Twenty-five (25) miles per hour in any residential district;
  - 3) Twenty (20) miles per hour in school zones between the following hours during the school term on days school is in session: 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m.; 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.; and 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The following areas are school zones:

Eighth Street between Iowa and Bell Streets Granby Street between Fourth and Tenth Streets Fourth Street between Oak and Elm Streets Idaho Street between Sixth and Seward Streets Tank Street between Sixth and Seward Streets Ninth Street between Iowa and Lincoln Streets Church Street between Eighth and Tenth Streets

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- 4) Thirty (30) miles per hour on that portion of U.S. Highway 75 between Third Street and the Eastern City limits.
  - 5) Forty-Five (45) miles per hour on that portion of U.S. Highway 75 from the Western City limits to 14<sup>th</sup> Street.
  - 6) Thirty (30) miles per hour on that portion of U.S. Highway 75 from 14<sup>th</sup> Street to 9th Street.
  - 7) Thirty (30) miles per hour on that portion of the West half of Fourth Street between Tank and Fifth Streets.
- b) Unless otherwise directed by a police officer, the driver of any vehicle within the City Limits shall obey the instructions of all signs and other traffic control devices placed within the City Limits by the City of Neodesha. This requirement is subject to the exceptions granted to the driver of an authorized emergency vehicle in this ordinance.

**Section 5: ORDINANCES REPEALED.** Ordinance No. 1806 and all or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

**Section 6: EFFECTIVE DATE.** This ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its publication in the official city newspaper.

Commissioner Banzet moved to approve Ordinance 1827 as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Truelove. Motion carried.

Administrator Jones addressed the Commission regarding the approval of an ordinance that incorporates by reference the 2025 edition of the Uniform Public Offense Code (UPOC). The UPOC is published by the League of Kansas Municipalities, and allows the City to incorporate by reference the various criminal offense codes applicable to most cities in Kansas. Discussion held.

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 1828**

**AN ORDINANCE REGULATING PUBLIC OFFENSES WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF NEODESHA, KANSAS, INCORPORATING BY REFERENCE THE “UNIFORM PUBLIC OFFENSE CODE FOR KANSAS CITIES,” EDITION OF 2025, WITH CERTAIN OMISSIONS, CHANGES AND ADDITIONS, PROVIDING CERTAIN PENALTIES AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 1807 AND ALL ORDINANCES AND PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH.**

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

**Section 1: INCORPORATING UNIFORM PUBLIC OFFENSE CODE.** There is hereby incorporated by reference for the purpose of regulating public offenses within the corporate limits of the City of Neodesha, Kansas that certain code known as the “Uniform Public Offense Code,” Edition of 2025, prepared and published in book form by the League of Kansas Municipalities, Topeka, Kansas, save and except such articles, sections, parts or portions as are hereafter omitted, deleted, modified or changed. One official copy of said Uniform Public Offense Code shall be marked or stamped “Official Copy as Adopted by Ordinance No. 1828”, with all sections or portions thereof intended to be omitted or changed clearly marked to show any such omission or change and to which shall be attached a copy of this ordinance, and filed with the City Clerk to be open to inspection and available to the public at all reasonable business hours.

**Section 2: SECTION 10.13 AMENDED.** Section 10.13 of Article 10 of the Uniform Public Offense Code, Edition of 2025, is hereby amended to read as follows:

**10.13 BARBED WIRE AND ELECTRIC FENCES.** It shall be unlawful for any person to construct, set up or maintain any barbed wire or above ground electric fence or enclosure within the City in any Residential Zone or Local Business Zone as shown on the Official City Zoning Map incorporated by Ordinance No. 1199.

**Section 3: SECTION 10.29 OMITTED.** Section 10.29 of Article 10 of the Uniform Public Offense Code, Edition of 2025, Violation of a Public Health Order, is hereby omitted:

**Section 4: ORDINANCE REPEALED.** Ordinance No. 1807 and all or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

**Section 5: EFFECTIVE DATE.** This ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its publication in the official city newspaper.

Commissioner Banzet moved to approve Ordinance 1828 as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Truelove. Motion carried.

Administrator Jones addressed the Commission regarding an ordinance which includes a minor adjustment to the monthly ECA calculation which would reduce the charge to our customers. This agenda item was tabled from the November 26, 2025 meeting. Discussion held. The agenda item died due to a lack of a motion.

Administrator Jones addressed the Commission regarding an update to the Interlocal Agreement with Labette Health for EMS Services. This item was tabled from the November 26, 2025 meeting awaiting final revision attorney review. Discussion held.

Commissioner Truelove moved to approve the Interlocal Agreement with Labette Health as provided with a start date for services set for January 1, 2026. Seconded by Mayor Johnson with Commissioner Banzet abstaining from the vote. Motion carried 2 ayes with one abstention.

Administrator Jones addressed the Commission regarding the consideration of a Social Media Policy which provides guidance the City needs to move forward in today’s fast-evolving digital landscape and set clear expectations for all City of Neodesha employees regarding what is and is not considered appropriate conduct on social platforms. Discussion held. No action taken. Staff will present this policy as an agenda item at the December 18, 2025 meeting.

Administrator Jones along with Building Inspector Tommy John addressed the Commission regarding a variance for the property located at 301 N 10<sup>th</sup> Street for the placement of a new modular home. This agenda item has been reviewed by the Planning & Zoning Commission for consideration and approval by the Governing Body. Discussion held.

Commissioner Banzet moved to approve the variance for 301 N 10<sup>th</sup> as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Truelove. Motion carried.

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Administrator Jones addressed the Commission regarding the approval of submitted 2026 Cereal Malt Beverage Licenses. Discussion held.

Commissioner Truelove moved to approve the 2026 Cereal Malt Beverage Licenses for Casey's General Store and G & W Foods Inc. Seconded by Mayor Johnson with Commissioner Banzet abstaining from the vote. Motion carried 2 ayes with one abstention.

Administrator Jones addressed the Commission regarding the resignation of a Public Works Department employee. Discussion held.

Commissioner Banzet moved to accept the resignation of Ryan Cummins effective December 19, 2025. Seconded by Commissioner Truelove. Motion carried. The Governing Body passed along best wishes to Ryan and his family on his new endeavor.

Public Comments were again invited and heard.

Commissioner Banzet, along with Commissioner Truelove, expressed thanks to current and former Neodesha Fire/EMS Department employees for their years of service to the community, and extended best wishes to all as the City embarks on a new direction for EMS services.

The next regular meeting of the Governing Body will be held at City Hall on Thursday, December 18, 2025, at 4:00 p.m.

At 5:14 p.m. Commissioner Banzet moved to adjourn. Seconded by Commissioner Truelove. Motion carried.

ATTEST:

/s/ Devin Johnson

Devin Johnson, Mayor

/s/ Stephanie Fyfe

Stephanie Fyfe, City Clerk