

REQUEST FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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Completed by County Counselor's Office:

Res/~~Ord~~ No.: 20620

Sponsor(s): Jalen Anderson

Date: February 8, 2021

<p>SUBJECT</p>	<p>Action Requested <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resolution <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance</p> <p>Project/Title: A Resolution authorizing the County Executive to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement between the Mid-America Regional Council, Kansas City, Missouri; Jackson County, Missouri and the Unified Government of Wyandotte County/Kansas City, Kansas related to participation in the Kansas City Regional Brownfields Coalition.</p>										
<p>BUDGET INFORMATION <i>To be completed By Requesting Department and Finance</i></p>	<table border="1"> <tr> <td>Amount authorized by this legislation this fiscal year:</td> <td>\$0.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Amount previously authorized this fiscal year:</td> <td>\$0.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total amount authorized after this legislative action:</td> <td>\$0.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Amount budgeted for this item * (including transfers):</td> <td>\$0.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Source of funding (name of fund) and account code number: N/A</td> <td>\$0.00</td> </tr> </table> <p>* If account includes additional funds for other expenses, total budgeted in the account is: \$</p> <p>OTHER FINANCIAL INFORMATION:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No budget impact (no fiscal note required) <input type="checkbox"/> Term and Supply Contract (funds approved in the annual budget); estimated value and use of contract: Department: _____ Estimated Use: _____</p> <p>Prior Year Budget (if applicable): _____ Prior Year Actual Amount Spent (if applicable): _____</p>	Amount authorized by this legislation this fiscal year:	\$0.00	Amount previously authorized this fiscal year:	\$0.00	Total amount authorized after this legislative action:	\$0.00	Amount budgeted for this item * (including transfers):	\$0.00	Source of funding (name of fund) and account code number: N/A	\$0.00
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<p>PRIOR LEGISLATION</p>	<p>Prior ordinances and (date): _____ Prior resolutions and (date): _____</p>										
<p>CONTACT INFORMATION</p>	<p>RLA drafted by (name, title, & phone): Matt Davis, Rock Island Program Manager, 816-519-8905</p>										
<p>REQUEST SUMMARY</p>	<p>This Resolution would authorize the County Executive to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with the Mid-America Regional Council, Kansas City MO, and the Unified Government of Wyandotte County and Kansas City, KS, which formally enters Jackson County into the Kansas City Regional Brownfields Assessment Coalition. This action would have no cost to the County, but would allow Jackson County communities outside of Kansas City to apply for EPA grant funds for the assessment of brownfields in their communities. The Mid-America Regional Council is the lead agency for this project.</p>										
<p>CLEARANCE</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Tax Clearance Completed (Purchasing & Department) <input type="checkbox"/> Business License Verified (Purchasing & Department) <input type="checkbox"/> Chapter 6 Compliance - Affirmative Action/Prevailing Wage (County Auditor's Office)</p>										
<p>COMPLIANCE</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> MBE Goals <input type="checkbox"/> WBE Goals <input type="checkbox"/> VBE Goals</p>										
<p>ATTACHMENTS</p>	<p>Memorandum of Agreement, 2019 Letter of Support from County Executive Frank White</p>										

REVIEW	Department Director: <i>Michele Newman</i>	Date: 1/25/2021
	Finance (Budget Approval): <i>If applicable</i>	Date:
	Division Manager: <i>Ray M. Schabo</i>	Date: 2-4-21
	County Counselor's Office: <i>Beyon Cominsky</i>	Date: 2/4/2021

Fiscal Information (to be verified by Budget Office in Finance Department)

- This expenditure was included in the annual budget.
- Funds for this were encumbered from the _____ Fund in ____.
- There is a balance otherwise unencumbered to the credit of the appropriation to which the expenditure is chargeable and there is a cash balance otherwise unencumbered in the treasury to the credit of the fund from which payment is to be made each sufficient to provide for the obligation herein authorized.
- Funds sufficient for this expenditure will be/were appropriated by Ordinance # _____
- Funds sufficient for this appropriation are available from the source indicated below.

Account Number:	Account Title:	Amount Not to Exceed:

- This award is made on a need basis and does not obligate Jackson County to pay any specific amount. The availability of funds for specific purchases will, of necessity, be determined as each using agency places its order.
- This legislative action does not impact the County financially and does not require Finance/Budget approval.



FRANK WHITE, JR.
Jackson County Executive

November 27, 2019

David Warm, Executive Director
MARC
600 Broadway
Kansas City, MO 64105

RE: Kansas City Regional Brownfields Coalition

Dear Mr. Warm,

On behalf of Jackson County, it is my pleasure to announce our participation with the Mid-America Regional Council, the City of Kansas City, Missouri and the Unified Government of Wyandotte County and Kansas City, Kansas in establishing the Kansas City Regional Brownfields Coalition to assess brownfield properties throughout these jurisdictions and promote their cleanup and redevelopment. We are proud to support the submission of the attached proposal to the United States Environmental Protection Agency for a \$600,000 Coalition Assessment Grant.

Jackson County is excited about the opportunity to continue brownfield assessments, and especially to assist our smaller Eastern Jackson County municipalities who have not accessed these resources before. Through this grant, all Jackson County communities will have the opportunity to access to funds that will allow them to investigate brownfield sites, help secure the resources needed for cleanup and redevelopment, and reduce the health risks associated with environmental contamination. The County recognizes the need for participating in this Coalition, as the many communities throughout the County have a wide range of exceptional redevelopment areas containing brownfield properties. We have a record of working together as unified communities within Jackson County and in the Kansas City Regional Brownfields Coalition, we are proud to build upon these collaborative efforts.

Jackson County has firsthand experience in how these funds can help kick-start important projects. Without the previous Brownfields Coalition grants with the City of Kansas City, Missouri in 2009 and 2015, Jackson County would not have been able to undertake the important first environmental site assessments done prior to our acquisition of the Rock Island Railroad Corridor. These Coalitions granted necessary funding when no other funding source was available. This example underscores how important these funds can be in moving vital projects forward.



We look forward to a bright future of partnership with Kansas City, MO, Kansas City, KS and the Mid-America Regional Council to reclaim and reuse our multitude of vacant and distressed properties for the mutual benefit of our regional economy and our citizens.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Frank White, Jr.', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the left.

Frank White, Jr.
Jackson County Executive