

INDEPENDENCE CITY COMMISSION
REGULAR SESSION AGENDA

January 8, 2026

5:30 PM

Commission Room City Hall

To participate by conference call:
1 785-289-4727 Conference ID: 847 753 695#

The Agenda shall be as follows:

I. REGULAR SESSION

- A. Call to Order
- B. Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America
- C. Adoption of Agenda

II. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Consider approving the minutes of the December 11th, 2025 meeting.
- B. Consider authorizing the Mayor to sign the Request for Release of Funds form regarding the CDBG project at Riverside Park.
- C. Consider authorizing the Mayor to sign a Preannexation Agreement for Lots 3–7 and Lots 12–17 in Autumn Hills Subdivision No. 1, owned by Diamond Property Management, LLC, pursuant to existing Development Agreements.
- D. Consider approving an amended Moderate Income Housing Grant agreement with Kansas Housing Resources Corporation and Trident Partnerships LLC.

III. APPOINTMENTS

- A. Consider appointment to the Planning Commission and Board of Zoning Appeals.
- B. Consider appointment to the Independence Historic Preservation and Resource Commission (IHPRC).

IV. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Reorganization of the Commission

- 1. Oath of Office
 - a. Tim White — 2 Year Term
 - b. Scott Smith — 4 Year Term
- 2. Election of Mayor
- 3. Election of Vice Mayor
- 4. Designation of Official City Newspaper
- 5. Designation of Official City Depository
- 6. Consider changing the day of week and time for Commission meetings

- B. Orientation by the City Attorney.

V. CONSENT AGENDA

(*Consent* is that class of Commission action that requires no further discussion or which is routine in nature. All items on the Consent Agenda are adopted by a single motion unless removed from the Consent Agenda.)

A. Consider approving the following Cereal Malt Beverage licenses:

1. Matthew Kent DBA Gramps Tavern 811 N. 11th, Independence KS 67301
2. Akas 1 LLC 3024 W. Main, Independence KS 67301
3. Walgreens #09454 301 W. Main, Independence KS 67301
4. Mikie's 1901 N Penn, Independence KS 67301 (Certificate Pending)

B. Consider authorizing award of the annual concrete patching bid.

C. Consider authorizing temporary closure of an alley on the southern portion of the 100 block of East Main Street for construction purposes.

D. Consider authorizing purchase of liquid chlorine for the Water Treatment Plant from Brenntag Southwest, Inc., and potassium permanganate from Univar, LLC.

E. Consider revising the Capital Improvement Plan for submittal to the Federal Aviation Administration.

VI. ITEMS FOR COMMISSION ACTION

A. Consider proclaiming January 18, 2026 as Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Commemoration Day, and consider funding the recording and live-streaming of the program.

B. Consider proclaiming the year 2026 as America's Semiquincentennial Celebration.

C. Consider adopting a resolution implementing the 2026 Pay Plan.

D. Consider authorizing the Mayor to sign an amendment to the Grant Agreement with Kansas Department of Commerce concerning the CDBG project at Riverside Park.

E. Consider a resolution to approve the authority to award contract and commitment of City funds for the construction of the Transportation Alternative Project 063 TE-0521-01 TA-T052(101).

F. Consider adopting a resolution authorizing the abatement of unhealthy and unsafe exterior conditions at 828 W. Cottonwood Street.

G. Consider setting the date of March 12, 2026, for a Public Hearing to consider the condemnation of 821 E. Maple Street as dangerous and unsafe.

H. Consider setting the date of March 12, 2026, for a Public Hearing to consider the condemnation of 1100 W. Laurel Street as dangerous and unsafe.

I. Consider setting the date of March 12, 2026, for a Public Hearing to consider the condemnation of 108 S. Wald Ave. as dangerous and unsafe.

J. Consider setting the date of March 12, 2026, for a Public Hearing to consider the condemnation of 316 S. Earl St. as dangerous and unsafe.

K. Consider setting the date of March 12, 2026, for a Public Hearing to consider the condemnation of 214 S. 12th St. as dangerous and unsafe.

L. Consider setting the date of March 12, 2026, for a Public Hearing to consider the condemnation of 515 N. 13th Street as dangerous and unsafe.

M. Consider setting the date of March 12, 2026, for a Public Hearing to consider the condemnation of 509 N. 13th Street as dangerous and unsafe.

N. Consider authorizing the use of a vacant lot located at 401 North 10th Street for the purpose of constructing a 3D printed demonstration home by the Independence Housing Authority.

O. Consider an amendment to Ordinance 4474 codified as City Code Section 42-87.

- P. Consider setting a joint meeting between the City Commission and the Planning & Zoning Commission on February 3, 2026, at 5:30 p.m., to discuss potential landscaping requirements in the Zoning Code.
- Q. Consider scheduling a Special Commission Meeting to review proposals and determine the consultant selection process for the Community-Based Strategic Plan.

VII. REPORTS

- A. City Board Minutes
- B. Public Works
- C. Admin and Housing Goals
- D. November & December 2025 Sales Tax Reports
- E. Appropriations

VIII. CITY MANAGER'S COMMENTS

IX. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

X. PUBLIC CONCERNS

XI. ADJOURNMENT