CITY OF WESTWOOD HILLS, KANSAS ORDINANCE NO. 253

AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE TERMS OF OFFICE OF ELECTED OFFICERS, THE TRANSITION OF THOSE TERMS TO THE NOVEMBER ELECTION CYCLE, AND NOMINATION PETITION REQUIREMENTS.

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

- **Section 1.** Section 3-101 of the Code of the City of Westwood Hills, Kansas, is hereby amended to read as follows:
- **3-101 OFFICERS ELECTED; TERM; QUALIFICATIONS.** (a) The governing body consists of a mayor and five council members. The mayor and council members shall be residents and qualified electors of the City of Westwood Hills, Kansas. Every two years an election shall be held for a mayor and five council members. The mayor and council members shall hold their offices for two years and until their successors are elected and qualified.
- (b) Those city council positions that would have expired in April of 2017 shall expire on the second Monday in January of 2018, when the city officials elected in the November 2017 general election take office. The position of Mayor which would have expired in April of 2017 shall expire on the second Monday in January of 2018, when the Mayor elected in the November 2017 general election takes office.
- **Section 2.** Section 3-102 of Chapter 3 of the Code of the City of Westwood Hills, Kansas, is hereby adopted and shall read as follows:
- **3-102 DECLARATION OF CANDIDACY OR NOMINATION PETITION.** In accordance with K.S.A. 25-205, and amendments thereto, any person may become a candidate for city office elected at large by having had filed on their behalf a nomination petition or a declaration of candidacy, accompanied by any fee required by law. The nomination petition must be signed by five (5) of the qualified electors of the City of Westwood Hills, Kansas.
- **Section 3.** Section 3-103 of Chapter 3 of the Code of the City of Westwood Hills, Kansas, is hereby adopted and shall read as follows:
- **3-103 CITY ELECTIONS NON-PARTISAN.** All elections for the City of Westwood Hills, Kansas, shall be non-partisan.
- **Section 4.** The ordinance shall take effect and be in full force and effect immediately following its adoption and publication as provided by law.

Passed by the Governing Body, with a majority of the members elect voting in favor thereof, this 9th day of May, 2016.

Paula Schwach, Mayor

Attest:

Beth O'Bryan, City Clerk