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Ordinance No. _____

Council Bill No. B 294-25

AN ORDINANCE

amending Chapter 2 of the City Code to establish a collegiate advisory council; and fixing the time when this ordinance shall become effective.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. A new Division 5 under Article V of Chapter 2 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Columbia, Missouri, is hereby enacted as follows:

DIVISION 5. COLLEGIATE ADVISORY COUNCIL

Sec. 2-261. Established.

The collegiate advisory council is hereby established to advise the city council on issues relating to students.

Sec. 2-262. Duties and responsibilities.

The collegiate advisory council shall:

- (1) Act in an advisory capacity to the city council in all matters pertaining to graduate and undergraduate students within the city.
- (2) Conduct surveys, focus groups, and listening sessions to gather input from student communities.
- (3) Collaborate with city departments, university offices, and community organizations on shared priorities.
- (4) Promote civic engagement, public safety, sustainability, and workforce development among students.
- (5) Submit an annual report summarizing its activities, recommendations, and outcomes.

Sec. 2-263. Membership; appointment; terms.

(a) The collegiate advisory council shall consist of nine (9) members as set forth below. Members shall be enrolled undergraduate or graduate students at one of the following institutions:

- (1) University of Missouri – Columbia, three (3) members;
- (2) Columbia College, two (2) members;
- (3) Stephens College, two (2) members; and
- (4) Moberly Area Community College – Columbia Campus, two (2) members.

(b) Individuals desiring to serve on the collegiate advisory council must submit an application together with a letter from an officer of the student government organization, president, or chancellor of the respective institution certifying that the applicant has been approved by the organization, president, or chancellor to serve as its representative, if appointed.

(c) The city council shall make appointments following an application process coordinated with participating institutions and student government organizations. Efforts shall be made to ensure diversity in academic disciplines, backgrounds, and experiences.

(d) Members shall serve a one-year (1 year) term and may be reappointed for one (1) additional term.

Sec. 2-264. Officers; meetings; quorum; attendance.

(a) The collegiate advisory council shall elect from among its members a chair and vice-chair annually.

(b) The chair shall serve as liaison to the mayor's office.

(c) The vice-chair shall assist the chair and oversee subcommittees as needed.

(d) The collegiate advisory council shall meet monthly during the academic year (August–May).

(e) Meetings of the collegiate advisory council and any subcommittees shall be open to the public in accordance with the Missouri Sunshine Law.

(f) A quorum for the transaction of business shall consist of not less than five (5) members. The chair is authorized to excuse any member from attendance at a meeting; provided that the member requested to be excused before the meeting. Any member who is absent, without being excused, from three (3) regular meetings held in an academic year

shall automatically forfeit the office. The chair shall promptly notify the mayor and city council through the city clerk of any such vacancy.

SECTION 2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

PASSED this _____ day of _____, 2025.

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Mayor and Presiding Officer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Counselor