

RESOLUTION NO. 7458

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A RESOLUTION introduced by Councilmember Lisa Stubbs relating to the establishment of an unpaid volunteer position of Chaplain to the City Council.

WHEREAS, it is a chaplain's role to provide non-denominational, support as well as crisis intervention, counseling, and guidance to those in need; and

WHEREAS, workplace stress is at its highest level in decades. Chaplaincy provides privileged communication which is helpful in seeking clarity in tense situations; and

WHEREAS, providing a chaplain to assist the City Council through stressful times is one more resource the City can utilize to reach out with concern to its employees.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Topeka that an unpaid volunteer position of Chaplain to the City Council be established to provide the following services:

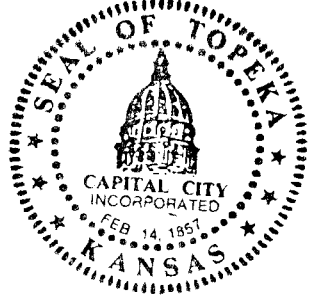
1. Participate in Council work sessions as least once a month to become familiar with the issues.
2. Visit City Council office every other week to check in on and be available for consultation with the City Council.
3. Provide intervention in times of crisis for the City Council.
4. Share his/her point of view in private consultation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any type of public advocacy on the part of the chaplain relating to issues before the City Council shall be prohibited.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chaplain shall be appointed by the Deputy
28 Mayor on May 1 of each year.

29 ADOPTED and APPROVED by the City Council APR 20 2004

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James A. McClinton
James A. McClinton, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Iris E. Walker, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY
DATE 4/23/04 BY [Signature]