

RESOLUTION NO. 1276

A RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF OSAWATOMIE, KANSAS (“CITY”) ESTABLISHING A TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON APPLICATIONS, ADMINISTRATIVE PROCESSING, AND APPROVAL OF PERMITS FOR STRUCTURES THAT UTILIZE SHIPPING CONTAINERS WITHIN THE CITY OF OSAWATOMIE KANSAS

WHEREAS, K.S.A. 12-741 et seq. allows for the enactment of planning and zoning laws and regulations by cities and counties for the protection of the public health, safety and welfare; and

WHEREAS, the City Council just recently adopted a comprehensive plan and future land use map (FLUM) and is now poised to spend 2025 working with staff and the Osawatome Planning Commission to overhaul the city’s zoning regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Comprehensive Plan and FLUM communicates where we, as a community want to be, the zoning regulations dictate the paths we take to get there; and

WHEREAS, it is important that as an organization, the city stays on top of trends that could have an impact on the community either positively or negatively, and the utilization of shipping containers is just one of those trends that, if not controlled properly could have a deleterious impact on the growth and development of the city.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF OSAWATOMIE, KANSAS:

SECTION ONE: In the interests of ensuring that the issue of “container homes” is addressed properly in the city’s zoning regulations and building codes, the Governing Body of the City of Osawatome hereby establishes a temporary moratorium until December 31, 2025, on any applications, administrative processing and approval of any building permits that propose to utilize shipping containers or similar materials in the construction of any structure within the corporate limits of the city.

SECTION TWO: The Governing Body hereby directs the City Manager to evaluate what the zoning regulations currently permit in terms of shipping containers being utilized as structures (residential, commercial, accessory or otherwise) and direct the Planning Commission to incorporate language to clarify what should or should not be permitted within the City of Osawatome regarding shipping containers.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Governing Body of the City of Osawatome, Kansas, this 23rd day of January 2025, a majority voting in favor of.

APPROVED and signed by the mayor.

Nick Hampson, Mayor

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ATTEST:

Tammy Seamands, City Clerk