

ORDINANCE NO. 3003 -2025

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A CONTRACT BETWEEN COLLECTIONS BUREAU OF KANSAS INC. AND THE CITY OF GARDEN CITY, KANSAS; AUTHORIZING COLLECTIONS BUREAU OF KANSAS INC. TO PROVIDE DEBT COLLECTION SERVICES ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF GARDEN CITY, KANSAS

WHEREAS, The City of Garden City, Kansas requires collections of debts and of related fines, fees, and costs associated with such collection; and

WHEREAS, the Collections Bureau of Kansas Inc. provides such debt collection services; and

WHEREAS, the City of Garden City, Kansas and the Collections Bureau of Kansas Inc. executed a contract for such debt collection services on January 21, 2025

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF GARDEN CITY, KANSAS:

SECTION 1. Pursuant to such contract and this ordinance, citizen/debtor shall pay any and all charges related to the reasonable costs of collection of any fine, fee, and/or costs of services, as well as any costs/assessments for clean-up of the property for a municipal violation. This specifically applies to, but is not limited to, charges for water, trash, electricity, property code violation fines, parking tickets, municipal court fines, fees, court costs, interest accrued thereon, and any other debt due and owing to the municipality. The costs of collection include, but are not limited to, court costs, surcharges, attorney's fees, and collection agency fees, except that such costs of collections may not include both attorney's fees and collection agency fees.

SECTION 2. Severability. If any section, clause, sentence, or phrase of this ordinance is found to be unconstitutional or is otherwise held invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, it shall not affect the validity of any remaining parts of this ordinance.

SECTION 3. Headings. The headings used in this Ordinance are intended for convenience of reference only and shall not affect the interpretation or construction of this Ordinance or any part hereof.

SECTION 4. Effective Date; Publication. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its publication, or a publication of a summary thereof, in the Garden City Telegram, the official city newspaper.

APPROVED AND PASSED by the Governing Body of the City of Garden City, Kansas, this 21st day of January, 2025.



ROY CESSNA, Mayor

ATTEST:

Celynn Hurtado

CELYN N. HURTADO, City Clerk



APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Jennifer V. Cunningham

JENNIFER V. CUNNINGHAM, City Attorney

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SUMMARY

On January 21, 2025, the City of Garden City, Kansas adopted Ordinance No. 3003-2025, approving a contract between Collections Bureau of Kansas Inc. and the City of Garden City, Kansas; authorizing Collections Bureau of Kansas Inc. to provide debt collection services on behalf of the City of Garden City, Kansas.

A complete copy of the ordinance may be viewed free of charge at www.garden-city.org or may be obtained from the City Clerk, at the City Administrative Center, 301 North Eighth Street, Garden City, Kansas 67846. This Ordinance Summary is certified that it is legally accurate and sufficient, by Jennifer V. Cunningham, City Attorney.