COUNCIL CHAMBER, Topeka, Kansas, Tuesday, January 8, 2013. The Councilmembers of the City of Topeka met in regular session at 6:00 P.M., with the following Councilmembers present: Councilmembers Hiller, Ortiz, Everhart, Wolgast, Manspeaker, Archer, Gray and Harmon -8. Mayor William W. Bunten presided -1. Council District No. 2 – Vacant.

A SERVICE RECOGNITION CEREMONY was conducted for Councilmember John Alcala, Council District No. 2 and Councilmember Archer, Council District No. 7. William W. Bunten, Mayor, and Jim Colson, City Manager, expressed their appreciation to the Councilmembers for their dedicated service to the City of Topeka and offered well wishes to Councilmember Archer in his newly elected position as Shawnee County Commissioner of District No. 3; and Councilmember Alcala in his newly elected position in the Kansas House of Representatives for the 57th District.

Councilmember Alcala stated it was an honor and privilege to serve on the City of Topeka City Council and appreciates the community’s support and looks forward to serving the public in a new capacity.

Mr. John Alcala left the Council meeting.

AFTER THE MEETING was called to order, Councilmember Harmon asked for a moment of silent meditation.

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was recited by those present in the chamber.

THE CONSENT AGENDA was presented as follows:

BOARD APPOINTMENT recommending the appointment of Paul Miller to the Board of Plumbing Examiners for a term ending January 31, 2015, was presented.
BOARD APPOINTMENT recommending the appointment of Bryan Caskey to the Topeka Landmarks Commission for a term ending January 31, 2016, was presented.

MINUTES of the regular meetings of December 18, 2012, was presented.

A Dance Hall License application for Skivies Bar & Grill located at 921 S. Kansas Avenue, was presented.

Councilmember Harmon moved to approve the consent agenda. The motion seconded by Councilmember Ortiz carried unanimously. (8-0-0)

Retail Cereal Malt Beverage License applications were presented for the following:

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<td>Cypress Ridge Golf Course</td>
<td>2533 SW Urish Road</td>
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Councilmember Ortiz moved to approve the retail cereal malt beverage license applications as presented. The motion seconded by Councilmember Wolgast carried unanimously. Mayor Bunten voted “yes.” (9-0-0)

PRESENTATIONS BY THE CITY MANAGER, MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL;

Jim Colson, City Manager, reported Payless Shoesource, Inc., announced they would be reducing their workforce by 45 positions at their Topeka Headquarters location as a result of restructuring to better align and focus the organization. He announced he has scheduled a meeting with the company’s senior executives to discuss what their future plans are regarding economic development in the Topeka community. He also announced there would be a Candidate School held on January 24, 2013, and February 28, 2013, at the Topeka-Shawnee County Public Library. He reported the school is intended to provide an opportunity to citizens considering running for city council to gain a working knowledge of the local political process.
and assist in a candidate’s decision making process. He asked interested citizens to contact the library at 785-580-4540 for more information.

Ron Miller, Topeka Police Chief, expressed his personal and professional thanks for the amazing outpour of love, condolences, sympathy and support expressed by the community, elected officials, the City Manager, City Administrative staff members, Kansas Expo Centre staff members and the Topeka Police Department in dealing with the loss of fallen Topeka Police Corporal David Gogian and Topeka Police Officer Jeff Atherly.

Councilmember Hiller stated her thoughts and prayers are with law enforcement families as they serve the Topeka community and remember fallen officers, Topeka Police Corporal David Gogian and Topeka Police Officer Jeff Atherly. She thanked Councilmembers Alcala and Archer for their service on the City Council.

Councilmember Ortiz thanked Councilmember Archer for his service on the City Council.

Councilmember Everhart thanked Councilmember Archer for his service on the City Council and looks forward to working with him in his new capacity as Shawnee County Commissioner. She stated she continues to keep the families of the fallen officers in her thoughts and prayers and thanked the Fort Riley Calvary Unit for their participation in the funeral services.

Councilmember Wolgast distributed a memo outlining the Council’s options in filling Council District No. 2 and Council District No. 7 vacancies. He suggested the Council determine several weeks in advance when they want to hold elections to fill the vacancies and noted they could call a Special Meeting on January 29, 2013, to allow additional time to conduct
candidate interviews. He commended Councilmember Archer for his service on the City Council.

Councilmember Archer thanked Council District No. 7 constituents for their support, as well as, City staff members. He commended Ginny Burghart, City Council Assistant, for being a great co-worker and friend. He complimented Jim Colson, City Manager, for the work he has performed to date and wished him well in moving the City forward. He stated he hopes for a new era of cooperation between the City Council and Shawnee County Commission.

Councilmember Gray stated it has been an honor working with Councilmember Archer and thanked him for his guidance and service.

Councilmember Harmon thanked Councilmember Archer for his service on the City Council and stated he appreciates his fiscal conservatism and data-driven decisions. He commended Councilmember Archer for bringing forward a more performance-driven accountability in regards to the City budget and wished him well in his new position as Shawnee County Commissioner.

Mayor Bunten thanked Councilmembers Alcala and Archer for their service on the City Council. He stated he believes both councilmembers served their constituents well and wished them good luck in their future endeavors.

Curtis Pitts appeared to speak under public comment.

NO FURTHER BUSINESS appearing the meeting was adjourned at 6:37 p.m.