RESOLUTION NO. 8848

A RESOLUTION introduced by interim City Manager Doug Gerber relating to the appointment of three council members to the Metropolitan Topeka Planning Organization Board (MTPO) Policy Board and repealing Resolution No. 8822

WHEREAS, each metropolitan area in the country is required to have a Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) to carry out the continuing, cooperative and comprehensive (3C) planning program, including transportation planning; and

WHEREAS, the Kansas Department of Transportation Secretary, Deb Miller, on behalf of Governor Kathleen Sebelius, designated the Metropolitan Topeka Planning Organization (MTPO) as the MPO for the Topeka area on March 3, 2004; and

WHEREAS, the MTPO Designation Agreement signed by the City of Topeka, Topeka Metropolitan Transit Authority, and the Kansas Department of Transportation specifies the membership of the MTPO Policy Board; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor or the Mayor’s Council designee is a member of the MTPO Policy Board as are two Council members selected by the governing body.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following procedure shall govern the appointment of members to the MTPO Policy Board.

1. Should the Mayor not wish to serve on the MTPO Policy Board, the Mayor shall appoint a Council member to serve on the MTPO Policy Board. The Mayor’s designee will serve a two-year term that commences at the third governing body meeting in January of even numbered years.
2. The governing body shall elect two council members to serve on the MTPO Policy Board at the third governing body meeting in January of even numbered years. Council members will serve a two-year term.

3. For purposes of Section 2, a council member may self-nominate or be nominated. Following the nominations, each governing body member shall be allowed two votes on each ballot. Only one vote may be used for a candidate. The two council members receiving the highest number of votes will be elected, providing they have a minimum of six votes. Should a tie vote exist or a position not be filled due to an insufficient number of votes, balloting will continue until the voting requirement is met.

4. If a council member is no longer a member of the Council or resigns from the Board, the Mayor or governing body, as appropriate, shall appoint a successor who will serve the remainder of the unexpired term.

5. The terms of the Council members who are currently serving will expire at the third governing body meeting in January of 2018.

6. Resolution No. 8822 is hereby repealed.

ADOPTED and APPROVED by the Governing Body on January 17, 2017.

CITY OF TOPEKA, KANSAS

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Larry E. Wolgast, Mayor

ATTEST:

Brenda Younger, City Clerk