CHAPTER VI. ELECTIONS

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6-101 CONDUCT OF ELECTION. The election of city officials shall be conducted in all respects as provided by the laws of Kansas governing the holding of city elections. (K.S.A. 25-2101 et seq.; Code 2004)

6-102 HOURS OF VOTING. At all city elections the polls shall be open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 7:00 p.m., unless different hours are set and publicly announced by the county election officer. (K.S.A. 25-2111, 26-206; Code 2004)

6-103 COMMENCEMENT OF TERMS OF OFFICE; OATH OF OFFICE. (a) A regular city election shall be held on the first Tuesday in April of each year, commencing April, 1976. In April, 1976, an election shall be held for a mayor and five councilmen. The mayor shall hold office of two years and until his successor is elected and qualified.

(b) There shall be elected at the April, 1976 election a board of five councilmen and the two members who shall have received the highest vote at said election shall hold their respective offices for a term of two years each and the remaining three councilmen elected at said election as aforesaid shall hold their respective office for a term of one year each. Thereafter, two and three councilmen, alternately, shall be elected each year and shall hold their respective offices for a term of two years each and until their successors are elected and qualified.

(c) Whenever a tie shall occur in the vote of any of the aforesaid officers, the results shall be decided by lot by the board of canvassers. The city clerk shall, within seven days after the canvass of the returns and determination by the board of canvassers of the person elected, deliver to each such person a certificate of election, signed by him with the seal of the city and such certificate shall constitute notice of election. The terms of the officers shall begin at the first regular meeting of the council in May following their election in April and they shall qualify at any time before or at the beginning of said meeting. If any person elected to the office of councilman does not qualify within the required time, he shall be deemed to have refused to accept the office and a vacancy shall exist and, thereupon, the mayor shall, with the consent of a majority of the remaining councilmen, appoint a suitable elector of the city to fill the vacancy for the term to which the refusing person was elected. In case of a vacancy in the office of councilman occurring by reason of resignation, death, or removal from office or from the city, the mayor, by and with the consent of the majority of the remaining councilmen, shall appoint some suitable elector of the city to fill the vacancy until the next election for that office. (C.O. No. 1. Secs. 3:5; Code 2004)