

## **RESOLUTION NO. 44-2025**

### **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF LEON, KANSAS TO ABATE YARD AND PROPERTY NUISANCE VIOLATIONS AT 402 S. MAIN STREET, LEON, KANSAS**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Leon, Kansas, has determined that the property located at 402 S. Main Street, Leon, Kansas, owned by Doug Kingsley, has excessive yard violations, including the accumulation of junk, debris, discarded items, overgrown grass, weeds, and unmaintained trees, creating a public nuisance in violation of the Code of the City of Leon, specifically Section 8-101(a)(e), Section 8-203(1), and Section 8-608(a)(1), 8-608(b)(1), and 8-608(b)(2);

**WHEREAS**, the City of Leon previously provided financial assistance in 2024 to have the yard cleaned and brought into temporary compliance to prevent citations and further deterioration of the property;

**WHEREAS**, despite this goodwill effort, the property owner has remained uncooperative, and the yard has once again fallen into a state of significant disrepair;

**WHEREAS**, the property owner was served certified notice on March 10, 2025, and as of the date of this resolution has made no effort to correct or address the violations;

**WHEREAS**, the City of Leon finds the conditions at this property to be injurious to the health, safety, and general welfare of the public, and detrimental to surrounding properties and the neighborhood;

**WHEREAS**, under Ordinance No. 700, Chapter 8, Article 6, the City is authorized to abate such nuisances ten (10) business days after the adoption of this resolution if corrective action has not been taken;

**WHEREAS**, this resolution shall be posted on the property and published in the official city newspaper ([www.cityofleon.org](http://www.cityofleon.org)) and the Butler County Times-Gazette for two consecutive weeks;

THEREFORE, be it resolved by the Governing Body of the City of Leon, Kansas, that the City hereby authorizes its public officers or designated agents to enter the premises at 402 S. Main Street, Leon, Kansas, and abate all yard, weed, debris, and property maintenance violations if the conditions are not corrected within ten (10) business days of the adoption of this resolution.

IN ADDITION, all costs incurred by the City for abatement shall be assessed against the property. If not paid within thirty (30) days, the City Clerk shall certify such costs to the County Clerk for assessment to the property taxes of the described real estate in accordance with K.S.A. 12-1,115, and amendments thereto.

IN ADDITION, the Public Officer may file a complaint in the municipal court against any person found in violation of the cited code sections. Upon conviction, such violator shall be fined not less than fifty dollars (\$50) nor more than one hundred dollars (\$100), or be imprisoned for up to thirty (30) days, or both. Each day the violation continues shall constitute a separate offense.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the Governing Body of the City of Leon, Kansas, this 7th day of April, 2025.

  
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Kristina Semisch, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Jodie Laidler, City Clerk

