

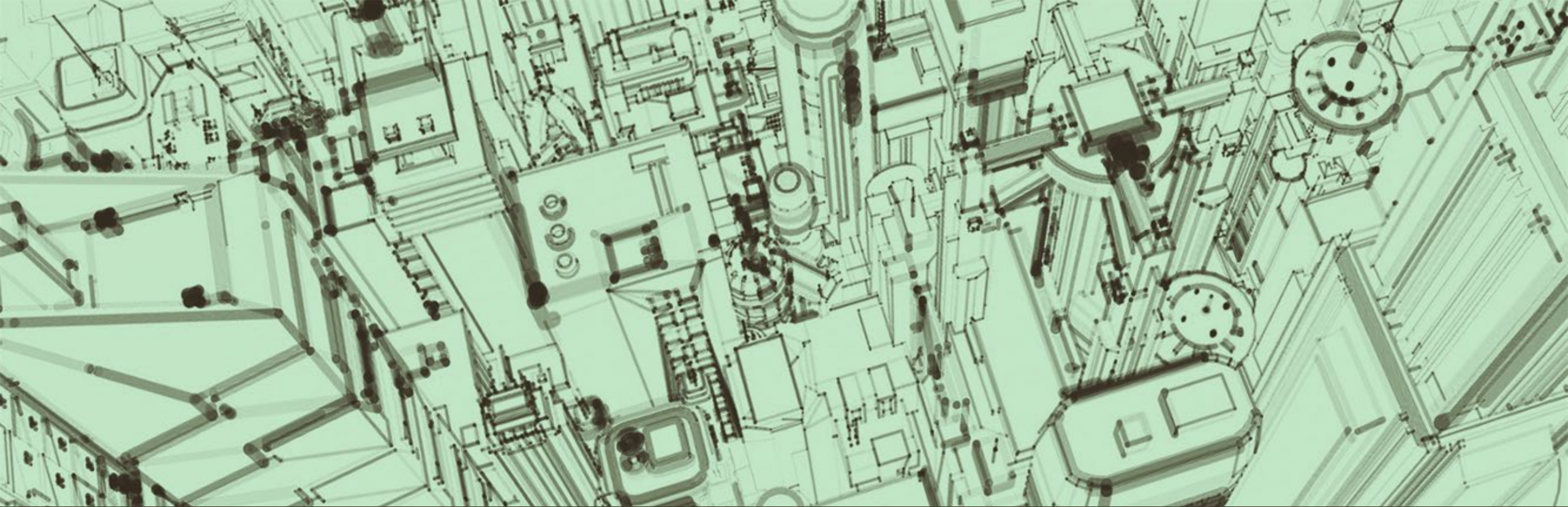
Law Enforcement Advisory Board

July 15, 2023

9:AM – 2PM

City Hall, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor – Presentation by Department of Justice.

The LEAB meeting held at City Hall, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor July 15 2023 at 9:30AM. Presentation by Department of Justice. No board action taken.



# Law Enforcement Advisory Board

*Scope of Authority*



# March 2006 Memorandum of Understanding:

- The intent of the parties to the MOU is to offer a tangible means for improving the relationship between entities within the Unified Government and also between law enforcement entities of the UG and Community which those entities serve.
- The Unified Government will assist in the **creation of a Joint Internal Investigations Process** where Kansas City Kansas police and Wyandotte County Sheriff simultaneously respond to a given call and a complaint is registered in the course of the response. **The Unified Government pledges to formalize an operating procedure for future incidents.**
- The Unified Government will **create a position within the Legislative Auditor's Office known as the Law Enforcement Legislative Auditor.** The position will be responsible for auditing and monitoring various UG law enforcement agencies. The position will also function as independent reviewer of law enforcement activities, policies and procedures. The position will serve as a resource for best practices and suggested policy changes for local law enforcement.

# March 2006 Memorandum of Understanding:

- The Unified Government will oversee the **creation of a Joint Law Enforcement Advisory Board** which will act as an advisory board to the Kansas City Kansas Police, Wyandotte County Sheriff, and Wyandotte County Park Rangers. **This board will have continual interaction with the Legislative Auditor's Office.**
- The Unified Government will **strengthen and review Diversity and Sensitivity training programs for its law enforcement agencies. Members of the community and the UG will work with the Advisory Board and Legislative Auditor to conduct these reviews and suggest new programs where necessary.**
- Signatories to the MOU: Mayor, County Administrator, Assistant County Administrator, UG Human Resources Office, Human Relations Commission, Wyandotte County Sheriff, Chief of Police for Kansas City, Kansas, El Centro, NAACP Kansas City Kansas Branch, Baptist Ministers Union, Wyandotte Interfaith Sponsoring Council, Mt Carmel Church of God in Christ

# Law Enforcement Advisory Board – UG Ordinance

- Ordinance No. 0-62-06 § 1,7-13-2006
- Sec 2-572 - Duties.

*The Law Enforcement Advisory Board shall advise the unified commission, county administrator, the sheriff and chief of police on existing and potential law enforcement problems in the county and city and shall serve as an informational liaison between the sheriff's department, the police department and the citizenry at large on law enforcement activities, programs and initiatives.*

*The sheriff, chief of police and/or command staff designee shall regularly attend meetings of the law enforcement advisory board.*

- Sec 2-573 – Membership.

*The Law Enforcement Advisory Board shall consist of 15 members occupying positions numbered one through 15.*

*Positions one through eleven (1-11) shall be appointed by each member of the unified board of commissioners according to sections 2-381 and 2-382.*

*Positions twelve through fourteen (12-14) shall be appointed by the county sheriff.*

*Position fifteen shall be the chairperson of the Commission on Human Relations and Disabilities (and shall change only when a new chairperson on the Human Relations and Disabilities issues is appointed)*

- Sec 2-574 & 5 – Chairman & Executive Director

*The chairperson of the Law Enforcement Advisory Board shall be the person appointed by the mayor.*

*The Board shall meet at least monthly and report no less than semi-annually to the Unified Commission, the Community, the Sheriff and the Chief of Police on matters germane to its purpose.*

*The County Administrator shall appoint an executive director from existing staff or the public to provide such additional administrative services as the Law Enforcement Advisory Board shall require.*

# Law Enforcement Advisory Board – KS statute

- Kansas Statute No. 22-4610
- (2) (B).

*Law Enforcement agencies may appoint an advisory body of not less than five persons composed of representatives of law enforcement, community leaders and educational leaders to recommend and review appropriate training curricula.*

- (3) (A)

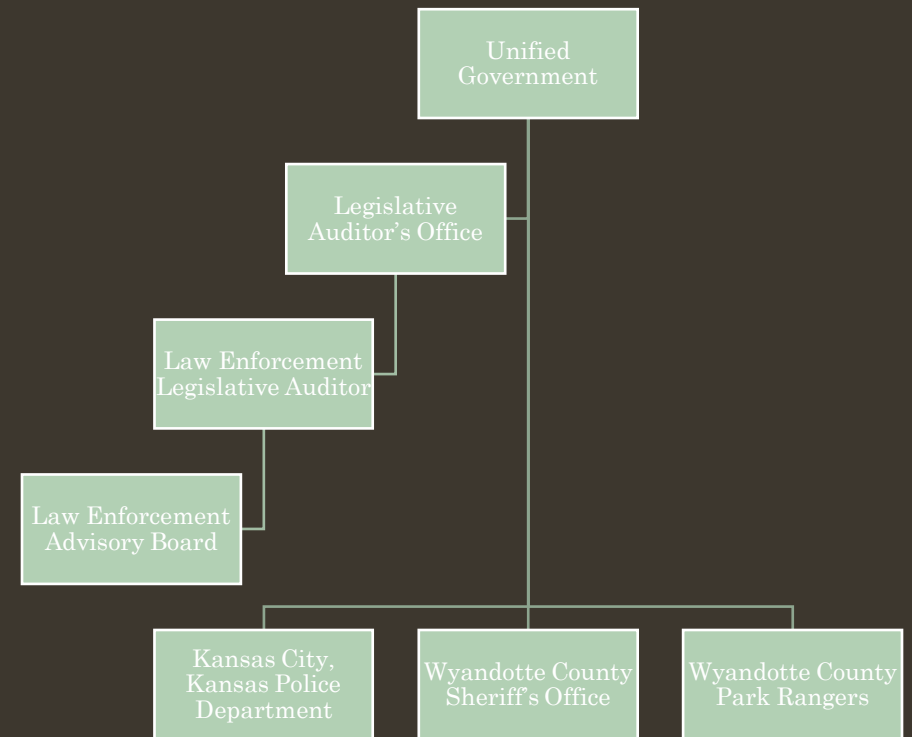
*For law enforcement agencies of cities or counties that have exercised the option to establish community advisory boards pursuant to K.S.A. 2021 Supp. 22-4611b, and amendments thereto, use of such community advisory boards which include participants who reflect the racial and ethnic community, to advise and assist in policy development, education and community outreach and communications related to racial or other biased-based policing by law enforcement officers and agencies.*

- (3) (B)

*Community advisory boards shall receive training on fair and impartial policing and comprehensive plans for law enforcement agencies. (see (7) (d)(1), (2) (J))*

# Law Enforcement Advisory Board - MOU

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- Joint Law Enforcement Advisory Board which will act as an advisory board to the Kansas City Kansas Police, Wyandotte County Sheriff, and Wyandotte County Park Rangers. This board will have continual interaction with the Legislative Auditor's Office.
- The Unified Government will strengthen and review Diversity and Sensitivity training programs for its law enforcement agencies. Members of the community and the UG will work with the Advisory Board and Legislative Auditor to conduct these reviews and suggest new programs where necessary.



# Law Enforcement Advisory Board – Authorities

- Improve the relationship between entities within the Unified Government and between law enforcement entities of the UG and Community which those entities serve
- Act as an advisory board to the Kansas City Kansas Police, Wyandotte County Sheriff, and Wyandotte County Park Rangers. **The Law Enforcement Advisory Board shall advise the unified commission, county administrator, the sheriff and chief of police on existing and potential law enforcement problems in the county and city and shall serve as an informational liaison between the sheriff's department, the police department and the citizenry at large on law enforcement activities, programs and initiatives. As well as *advise and assist in policy development, education and community outreach and communications related to racial or other biased-based policing by law enforcement officers and agencies.***
- Strengthen and review Diversity and Sensitivity training programs for UG law enforcement agencies. Members of the community and the UG will work with the Advisory Board and Legislative Auditor to conduct these reviews and suggest new programs where necessary.
- **Report no less than semi-annually to the Unified Commission, the Community, the Sheriff and the Chief of Police on matters germane to its purpose.**



# Law Enforcement Advisory Board – Authorities

- Purpose:

Improve the relationship between entities within the Unified Government and between law enforcement entities of the UG and Community which those entities serve.

- Scope of Authority:

Advise and assist:

- Existing or potential law enforcement problems in the county and city
- Education and community outreach
- Policy development (related to racial or other biased-based policing by law enforcement officers and agencies?)
- Communications related to racial or other biased policing by law enforcement officers and agencies
- Diversity and sensitivity training for UG Law enforcement agencies

Serve as informational liaison:

- Existing law enforcement activities, programs and initiatives

Reporting:

- No less than semi-annually to the Unified Commission, the Community, the Sheriff and the Chief of Police on matters germane to its purpose.

Training:

- Fair and impartial policing
- Comprehensive plans for law enforcement agencies