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*Marilyn Calhoun*  
Marilyn Calhoun, Register of Deeds

## ORDINANCE NO. 4486

### An Ordinance Authorizing Contracted Collection Services and Assessing Costs of Collection

Be it Ordained by the Governing Body of the City of Independence, Kansas:

**Section 1.** The Governing Body is hereby authorized to contract with outside debt collection agencies or attorneys in order to collect delinquent accounts owed to the City including, but not limited to, utility bills, municipal court fines, costs of abatement and assessments of any type.

**Section 2.** All delinquent accounts which are referred for outside collection shall be assessed all costs of collection including, but not limited to, court costs, surcharges, reasonable attorney fees and any collection agency fees, except that such cost of collection may not include both attorney fees and collection agency fees.

**Section 3.** All ordinances, or any part thereof, which may be in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

**Section 4.** This Ordinance shall take effect upon its publication in the official City newspaper.

*Adopted by the Governing Body of the City of Independence, on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2025.*

W.S. Smith, Mayor

ATTEST

David Schwenker, City Clerk

