

DR 67-37 - City of Maize requests inclusion as a member of the Wichita-Sedgwick County Metropolitan Area

ACTION

DATE

COMMITTEE

(My Adenda Item) M.A.P.C., Directed Secretary 2/14/67
to take the necessary steps to have
City of Maize included in N-S.M.A.P.C.
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Maize notified MMPC that they
wish to withdraw membership
effective June 1, 1968. MMPC 5-13-1968

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Russell E. McClure, City Manager
C. Bickley Foster, Director of Planning

SOIL group activities in the Maize-Colwich Area

From the attached material, you can surmise the amount of misunderstanding and misinformation which has occurred in the Maize-Colwich area due to the activities of the SOIL group. You may recall that this was the group that caused considerable difficulty for the Urban Renewal Agency in regard to the Waco-Finn Project Area. They have made the meetings of the Maize City Council rather difficult and one member of their Planning Commission felt it necessary to resign due to the economic reprisals on his local business. I am amused by the statement that "MAPC has eight members on its board in addition to the horde of professional parasites that administrate" and then two sentences later refer to the fact that the appointed Director, who draws such and such a salary, and raises the question of "What kind of honest enterprise would pay that much for someone to supervise a handful of employees?" Several statements are made to the effect that the City Manager of Wichita would control the activities of the Maize City government if they joined MAPC, and that the City Manager makes the four appointments from Wichita.

Our role in this has been to provide the elected officials with more appropriate facts than is being presented by the SOIL group. They are not used to handling such matters and we have spent considerable time in personal work with their officials to help them. This group further reinforces what the Colwich Union Township people have tried to convince other cities, in that they say that Wichita will run their local planning program if they join MAPC.

This past October, MAPC had an excellent meeting with the Chairmen of 10 of the 11 local planning commissions in the County. This Monday evening, December 4, you have already received information regarding another meeting of this group, plus the Mayors of those cities who do not have planning commissions. Our check on attendance today indicates that all but four cities will have representatives there. The two main topics are the proposed revisions in the Joint Ordinance-Resolution and the new Subdivision Regulations. Minor topics

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will include the priority for community planning assistance to them, as well as the status of their concern on mobile home parks in the County.

Based on our #701 application, it is our hope that the community planning school for local officials, to be conducted in the early half of next year, would be of considerable assistance in overcoming some of these problems of misunderstandings and lack of knowledge in the planning field and the purposes of MAPC.

While in the process of dictating this memorandum, we have had a call to the office from an unidentified person who probably attended the SOIL meeting last night, inquiring about a meeting either at the Courthouse or our office today on some matter related to their area. This would lead me to believe that they may have initiated some effort to have the members attend the County Commission meeting next Wednesday, December 6, at 9:00 a.m., when the County Commission considers the Revised Ordinance-Resolution. Although the County Commissioners desired to have the information distributed to second and third class cities, it seems to me very important that Wichita be represented at their meeting, either by you or Mr. Wulz. My impression is that the item will appear at the beginning of their agenda and very soon after 9:00 a.m.

CBF:ber

December 1, 1967

Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners
320 Sedgwick County Courthouse
Wichita, Kansas 67203

Gentlemen:

This is to inform you of the desires of the Cities of Andale and Maize to process the legal and administrative documents necessary to have them become a member city of the Wichita-Sedgwick County Metropolitan Area Planning Commission as soon as possible. At the last meeting of MAPC on November 22, 1967, a letter was received from the City of Andale indicating that they had completed the two conditions placed on their joining MAPC last year when their request was initiated. This was to create a local planning commission and to agree to initiate preliminary planning for their area prior to future consideration of zoning the three mile ring. By a letter dated November 16, 1967 from them they have agreed to these conditions and MAPC has directed me to proceed to assist them immediately in arrangements to become a member.

We have also had calls from the city officials of Maize desiring to have their application processed as soon as possible. Both Andale and Maize would benefit from the new procedure in that they could pass a simplified local concurring ordinance. Included in the new procedure is a 15-day notice to the MAPC of intentions to join. Due to the fact that both cities have made previous formal requests for membership, it can be concluded that they have fulfilled the 15-day notice embodied in the new procedure, and if it is passed we would proceed to assist them in their local ordinances.

Very sincerely yours,

C. Bickley Foster
Secretary

CBF:ber

cc: Theodore H. Hill, Chairman
MAPC

December 1, 1967

Mr. J. C. Eubanks, Mayor
City of Maize
600 Atherton
Maize, Kansas 67101

Dear Mr. Eubanks:

We understand that it is the desire of the City of Maize that the arrangements for joining Wichita-Sedgwick County Metropolitan Area Planning Commission be completed as soon as possible. As you know from recent previous correspondence, the new procedure now being considered by the County Commissioners would make it possible for Maize to join by passing a simplified local concurring ordinance. Part of the features of this proposal included a 15-day notice to the Metropolitan Area Planning Commission of the intention to join by a City. This letter is to indicate to you that should the new procedure be adopted, by virtue of the previous request from Maize, we can conclude that this 15-day notice has already been given. If for any reason the new procedure is not approved by the County Commission, then it would be necessary to revert to the previous procedure of individual adoption by all the present eight members, and could take approximately 3 months. Due to your interest in this matter, you may wish to be present or represented at the meeting on December 6 to express to the County Commissioners your views on this matter.

Very sincerely yours,

C. Bickley Foster
Secretary

CBF:ber

cc: J. R. Cravens, Chairman
Maize Planning Commission
644 James, Maize, Kansas 67101
Mrs. Marian Abraham, City Clerk
P. O. Box 245, Maize, Kansas 67101
Theodore H. Hill, Chairman
MAPC

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ORDINANCE NO. 178

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ORDINANCE NO. 176, WHICH RATIFIED AND CONCURRED IN A JOINT ORDINANCE-RESOLUTION AND AN AGREEMENT DATED DECEMBER 19, 1967, WITH ANY AMENDMENTS THERETO, OF THE CITY OF WICHITA, KANSAS, AND SEDGWICK COUNTY, KANSAS, ATTACHING THE CITY OF MAIZE, KANSAS, TO THE WICHITA-SEDGWICK COUNTY METROPOLITAN AREA PLANNING COMMISSION.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF MAIZE, KANSAS.

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SECTION 2. The City Clerk is hereby directed to serve a copy of this Ordinance to each governing body who is a member of the Wichita-Sedgwick County Metropolitan Area Planning Commission and the Secretary of the Metropolitan Area Planning Commission.

SECTION 3. This Ordinance shall be in force and take effect June 1, 1968 after having been published in the official city paper.

PASSED AND APPROVED at Maize, Kansas, this 18 day of March, 1968.

J. C. Eubanks
J. C. Eubanks
Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Clerk
(SEAL)

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ATTEST:
Marion Abraham
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(SEAL)

September 25, 1967

Honorable J. C. Eubanks, Mayor
City of Maize, Kansas
Post Office Box 245
Maize, Kansas 67101

Dear Mayor Eubanks:

This will acknowledge your letter of September 12, 1967, regarding the request of the City of Maize to become a member-city of the Wichita-Sedgwick County Metropolitan Area Planning Commission. In order to expedite this matter, the Planning Commission considered your request as an off-agenda item at their regular meeting of September 14, 1967. It was unanimously voted to direct the Secretary to initiate the proper legal steps to have the City of Maize accepted into membership of the Metropolitan Area Planning Commission. In addition to this action, they directed me to consider possible ways of streamlining the present Joint Ordinance-Resolution so as to reduce the amount of advertising costs, and to make it possible for future member cities to be added without the necessity of readvertising the full Ordinance-Resolution, since it cost \$535 to process the advertising for the City of Goddard. I am sure that you can see the desirability of reducing this cost each time new cities are added. It is not the intent to change the purposes stated in the copy of the Ordinance-Resolution which you have already received as a sample, but merely to find ways of reducing the cost of advertising. We will initiate this work immediately and will be in touch with you as soon as possible so that you may proceed to adopt the necessary legal documents to begin the concurring adoptions which will be needed in all present member cities and counties.

Regarding the matter of zoning in your three-mile area, the Metropolitan Area Planning Commission is inviting the Chairman of each of the Planning Commissions in Sedgwick County to a dinner meeting on October 11, and it is hoped that your Chairman will be able to attend. It will provide an opportunity to mutually discuss with

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these other cities the best ways for the Metropolitan Area Planning Commission to provide this service of zoning the three-mile limits.

The members of the Metropolitan Area Planning Commission look forward to having the City of Maize as a member-city.

Very sincerely yours,

C. Bickley Foster
Secretary

CBF:ber

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Metropolitan Area Planning Commission

J. R. Cravans, Chairman
Maize City Planning Commission
Maize, Kansas

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CITY OF MAIZE, KANSAS

POST OFFICE BOX 245
MAIZE, KANSAS 67101

September 12, 1967

Wichita-Sedgwick County
Metropolitan Area Planning Commission
104 South Main Street
Wichita, Kansas 67202

Gentlemen:

The Maize City Council by official action at a regular meeting on September 11, 1967, voted to ask for membership in the Metropolitan Area Planning Commission at the earliest possible date.

Any help your group can give us in our zoning in the 3-mile area surrounding Maize will be greatly appreciated.

Yours truly,

J. C. Eubanks

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OFF AGENDA ROOM

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