ORDINANCE NO. S-3160

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING ESTABLISHING A TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON ISSUING PERMITS FOR ANY FENCING UNTIL AMENDMENTS ESTABLISHING NEW REQUIREMENTS FOR FENCE PLACEMENT WITHIN THE CITY OF JUNCTION CITY, KANSAS, HAVE BEEN CONSIDERED.

WHEREAS, the City of Junction City, Kansas, has some requirements established within its City Code for the permitting placement of fences; and,

WHEREAS, the City Commission of Junction City, Kansas, recognizing that a need exists to amend those requirements to provide better direction of how and where fencing may occur in order to protect the public health, safety and welfare; and,

WHEREAS, the time necessary to complete this task could result in the construction of fences that may not be in the best interests of the citizens of Junction City, Kansas; that could be detrimental to the health, safety and general welfare of the citizens of Junction City, Kansas; and, that might be inspired to occur only in an attempt to become established before any regulations are adopted which might limit, restrict or prohibit said fencing;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF JUNCTION CITY, KANSAS, THAT:

1. The Governing Body hereby establishes a temporary moratorium, from the effective date hereof until October 31, 2015, or the earlier effective date of an ordinance that amends the City Code concerning requirements for fencing with the City of Junction City, Kansas ("Temporary Moratorium Period"), on the construction of new fences within the corporate limits of Junction City, Kansas. No permit for the construction or erection of fencing shall be accepted and considered by the City until the expiration of the Temporary Moratorium Period.

2. All City of Junction City, Kansas officials, agencies, agents and/or boards charged with the responsibility to approve, license, permit, or otherwise authorize the construction of, or erection of fencing are hereby directed to suspend the granting of such approval, licenses, permits or authorization for the period stated herein. Fences that are covered by permits or approvals prior to the effective date of this Ordinance may be erected under the terms and conditions of that permit or approval.

3. The Metropolitan Planning Commission for Junction City, Milford and Geary County, Kansas, is directed to pursue the amendment of the fencing requirements within the City Code of Junction City, Kansas, including provisions within the Zoning Regulations, with due diligence.

4. The Director of Planning and Zoning and the Codes Administrator are hereby directed to be the administrators of the provisions of this Ordinance. Any question as to the applicability of any provision of this Ordinance shall be directed to those officials.

5. This Ordinance shall be in effect from its adoption and publication as required by law.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 4th DAY OF AUGUST, 2015.