ESTABLISHMENT OF GUIDELINES FOR HEALTHY FOODS AND BEVERAGES OPTIONS IN VENDING MACHINES ON CITY PROPERTY

WHEREAS, approximately 65.4% of Tulsa county residents are overweight or obese; and

WHEREAS, obesity costs $854 million each year in Oklahoma in health care cost, contributing to costly and debilitating diseases such as heart disease, cancer, stroke, and diabetes; and,

WHEREAS, it is the goal of the City of Tulsa (“City”) to develop policy recommendations and implement programs directed at improving the health and well-being of employees; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Tulsa believes that a positive change in the nutritional quality of food sold or provided by the City on public property will assist people to make healthier choices; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Tulsa desires to institutionalize a healthier food and beverage vending program for vending machines located at City Hall and other City-owned or leased facilities including City parks (“City Property”); and to further promote the City’s commitment to improving the health of its’ employees and visitors to all City Property; and

By virtue of the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of Tulsa, it is hereby ordered:

Section 1:    PURPOSE OF THIS EXECUTIVE ORDER

The purpose of this Executive Order is the development and implementation of a standard for healthier foods and beverages in the vending options on City Property.

Section 2. POLICY MEMORANDUM

The Mayor shall issue a Policy Memorandum including, but not limited to, the following:

i. Minimum nutritional standards that shall be met by foods and beverages offered on City Property;

ii. The procedure for selecting appropriate vendors to supply such foods and beverages, which shall comply with all applicable City and State procurement laws and rules;

iii. Locations where such foods and beverages shall be made available;
iv. Any and all other considerations necessary to implement the program set forth above in a timely and efficient manner.

Section 3. POLICY MODIFICATIONS

The Mayor may accept, reject or modify policy recommendation(s) submitted in furtherance of the City’s healthier food and beverage program.

Section 4. EFFECTIVE DATE

This order shall be effective on the 30th day of June 2015

Dewey F. Bartlett, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

Date: 6/30/2015

Melissa Skaa
City Clerk Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Attorney

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