

# City of Cunningham



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To: Senate Federal and State Affairs Committee

I am writing this to voice my concerns about SB 474 to remove the administrative ordinance restrictions from K.S.A 12-2013. The City of Cunningham is a community with an approximate population of 450 citizens. Over the past several years we have worked tirelessly to ensure that our citizens enjoy a clean and well-maintained community. We do this to keep a high quality of life for them and our youth by enforcing codes that keep properties safe and appealing. By doing this we have been growing by population and bringing new businesses to town. The current City Council has been vigilant to update ordinances on fences, property enforcement, building codes, etc. If these codes can be overturned by a petition this will easily nullify what we have strived for so many years. Our council has done a very good job of listening to citizens' concerns and addressing them individually but at the end of the day it's our jobs to be good stewards of the City's resources. Again, our goal is to keep properties safe and keep the property values up.

This would essentially strip the ability from any council to enforce vital codes.

Sincerely



Aaron Murphy, Mayor  
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