

## 2023 Kansas Statutes

**19-4501. Department of public works; establishment; establishment of divisions within department; assignment of functions and duties; division of highways.** The board of county commissioners of any county may by resolution of the board establish a department of public works to secure the efficient management and coordination of various public works activities and services, including all functions conferred by law on the county engineer. Each department created under this act shall have a division of highways which shall include the construction and maintenance of highways, roads, bridges, culverts, signing and related activities. The board shall by resolution establish such other divisions of the department as deemed advisable and may transfer or assign to the department and divisions thereof any one or more of the following functions, services and activities which they may be authorized by law to perform or provide: (a) The maintenance of public buildings, grounds and facilities; (b) the maintenance of public parks and recreation facilities and other public grounds of the county; (c) the construction and maintenance of any sewers, drainage facilities and flood control projects; (d) the construction and maintenance of airport facilities; (e) solid waste management functions, including refuse collection and disposal services; (f) building, planning and related inspection services to secure the administration of regulatory codes and land use regulations; (g) the maintenance and custody of all machinery, equipment, supplies and other personal property used in connection with the public works services of the county; (h) such other public works functions or services as deemed advisable to secure the efficient and effective performance of county government and which are authorized by law.

**History:** L. 1972, ch. 94, § 1; July 1.