the Matter of the LAWRENCE PATION EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION

Petitioner,

and

CITY OF LAWRENCE, KANSAS

Respondent

UDC 2-1976

ORDER DISMISSING PETITION

On January 14; 1976, a petition for unit determination and certification of certain employees of the City of Lawrence, Kansas, was filed by Mr. Arnold Berman, Attorney for the Lawrence Sanitation Employees Association.

A letter dated January 22, 1976 under signature of Mr. Buford M. Watson, Jr., City Manager of Lawrence, Kansas, was received by PERB office stating that the City Commission of Lawrence elected \underline{not} to bring the public employer under the provisions of the Public Employer-Employee Relations Act pursuant to K.S.A. 75-Supp. 75-4321(c).

• In light of prior Public Employee Relations Board decisions - specifically UDC 3-1975 and CAE 6-1975 - the Board finds that: "The Public Employee Relations Board has no jurisdiction in this matter until such time as the City Commission of Lawrence, Kansas, elects, by majority vote of all members, to bring the public employer under the provisions of the Public Employer-Employee Relations Act."

THE PETITION FOR UNIT DETERMINATION AND CERTIFICATION IS DISMISSED. ORDERED this 17th day of

Nathan W. Thatcher, Chairman, PERB

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Richard R. Rock, Member, PERB

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