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Mike Amyx, Mayor  
City of Lawrence  
6 East 6<sup>th</sup> Street  
P.O. Box 708  
Lawrence, KS 66044

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**CITY MANAGERS OFFICE  
LAWRENCE, KS**

Re: Final plat for Maple Lane Addition No. 2

Dear Mayor Amyx,

On Monday, November 13, 2006, the Lawrence Douglas County Metropolitan Planning Commission approved the above referenced final plat subject to several conditions. One of them is "provision of a public improvement plan showing sanitary sewer service for Lots 1 and 2, if the City Commission does not grant a waiver to Chapter 19, Section 214 of the City Code."

On behalf of my client, I respectfully request a waiver to eliminate this requirement. This waiver is requested for the following reasons. First, my client has purchased the two parcels that are being platted into these two lots, both of which were properly zoned and both were able to obtain building permits without being platted. My client is platting them to facilitate the normal division and sale of individual units as affordable housing. Second, my client obtained a building permit last year to construct a duplex on what is proposed to be Lot 1. He was told by the Utilities Department that he could construct private services from the sanitary sewer main which runs generally down the center of Maple Lane Street. He laid two services in the same trench to avoid two separate street cuts and they serve the existing duplex. Third, all other residences along Maple Lane in this area have direct service connections to this main. It would seem a hardship at this point to require one of the last remaining undeveloped parcels to have to extend a sanitary main into the property, when all others are directly serviced to the existing main. My client would propose to construct the services exactly as before for the sake of simplicity and to minimize more street cuts, to be consistent with surrounding residences and to avoid unnecessary expense to the ultimate residents.

We would therefore request a variance as stated above.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

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