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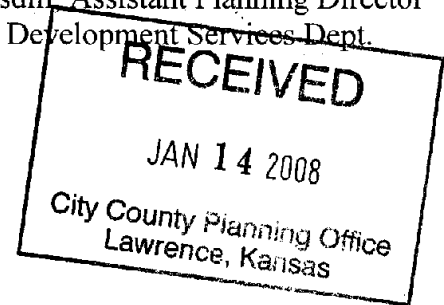
To: Dave Corliss, City Manager
City of Lawrence

Cc: ☒ Sheila Stogsdill, Assistant Planning Director
Planning & Development Services Dept.

Fm: Loring Henderson, Director
Lawrence Community Shelter

Dt: January 14, 2008

Re: LCS Relocation Search



In response to your request via Sheila Stogsdill, this is to give you an update on the Lawrence Community Shelter's search for a permanent location. In the nine months since the approval of its three year SUP,

1. The Shelter board organized itself into three relocation committees for Site, Program, and Funding.
2. The Shelter hired Doug Brown of McGrew Realty as its buyer's representative.
3. The Shelter hired Jack Greenwood of Greenwood Consulting to conduct a feasibility study (completed) and to lead the shelter through its capital campaign.
4. The Shelter intends to launch its capital campaign in 2008.
5. The Shelter has located a building that meets its physical and program requirements and is working to resolve zoning and funding issues.
6. The Shelter has met twice with the officers of the appropriate neighborhood association and once with a key adjacent neighbor of the potential site. More meetings are planned.
7. The Shelter had one meeting with the City Manager, Director of City Planning & Development, and Planning Office staff and has a second meeting scheduled with the Planning & Development Office on January 17.
8. The Shelter hired Price Banks, Attorney to assist it with zoning and SUP issues.
9. The Shelter has presented its basic program proposal to the Community Commission on Homelessness and has been approved and designated by the Commission on Homelessness as the emergency agency component of the Vision for Housing the Homeless approved by the City Commission.

If you have further questions, please contact me at the Shelter or on my cell phone, 764-2095.

Thank you for your consideration.

Mission Statement: The mission of the Lawrence Community Shelter is to provide safe shelter and comprehensive support services and programs that provide a path to a positive future for people experiencing homelessness and people who are at risk of homelessness.



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