

Commission Minute Archive

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Minutes

Thellman called the regular session meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. on Wednesday, May 6, 2009 with all members present.

*Pulled from the Consent Agenda:*

**ANNEXATION 05-06-09**

Tabled from the Monday, May 4, 2009, the Board continued the discussion on setting a public hearing date, in accordance with K.S.A. 12-521, for annexation of the former Farmland Industries property located in Sections 4 and 5 of Township 13 South, Range 20 East in Douglas County.

Flory moved to set the public hearing date for Monday, July 13, 2009 at 8:10 a.m. in the County Commission chamber. Motion was seconded by Thellman and carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC WORKS 05-06-09**

The Board conducted a public hearing on the findings of the Solid Waste Management Committee's (SWMC) five-year update of the Jefferson County and Douglas County regional Solid Waste Management Plan as required by K.S.A. 65-3405.

Keith Browning, Director of Public Works, presented the item. The Solid Waste Management Committee (SWMC) met on February 18, 2009 with seven of 11 members in attendance. The SWMC recommends no revisions to the SWM plan at this time. Both counties use the Hamm Landfill located on the north side of US-24/59 Highway at the Jefferson/Douglas county line. The Hamm Landfill has significant remaining capacity and should serve the region for several more decades. The total solid waste generated is stable or declining due to recycling and diversion efforts. Also present at the meeting were Bob Yoos, Solid Waste Manager for the City of Lawrence Public Works, and Charlie Sedlock, Hamm Landfill.

Thellman opened the item for public comment. No comment was received.

Thellman stated recycling is at 35% in our community. She asked if that is a good rate. Rose stated it is, for the City and the State. Thellman also questioned why curb recycling isn't more widely used. Rose stated it is the cost. People can use drop off facilities at no cost.

Flory moved to adopt the five-year update report of the Jefferson County and Douglas County Regional Solid Waste Management Plan. Motion was seconded by Gaughan and carried unanimously.

Flory moved to appoint Nancy Thellman as the Board of Commissioners representative for the Solid Waste Management Committee. Motion was seconded by Gaughan and carried unanimously.

#### **PLANNING 05-06-09**

The Board considered the approval of CPA-2008-6, West of K-10 Plan, as approved the Planning Commission. Dan Warner, Lawrence-Douglas County Metropolitan Planning Department, gave a review of the past history of the West of K-10 plan drafts as they have evolved to date. The plan presented shows the transition between high and low density making the property east of the proposed E902 Road, medium density.

Thellman opened the item for public comment.

Francois Henriquez, 1436 E 920 Road, stated he supports the plan as approved by the Planning Commission on March 25, 2009. He feels every reasonable attempt has been made to compromise. He commended staff for their work on the plan.

Marianne Hoffman, MD, 1439 E 920 Road, also stated she supports the plan approved on March 25, 2009. She commended staff on how diligently they worked with property owners.

Kristel Lewis, 1430 E 902 Road, supports the final draft of which she feels is a compromise. She stated the neighborhood is appreciative of staff's work and process. She asked that this Commission not take anymore density away.

Thellman asked for clarification that the 902 Road, as drawn on the map, is not a set location. Warner stated staff does not know where the final alignment of the road will end up being.

Gaughan asked how staff determines what size property goes from one density to another. Warner replied that they assign density according to what is next to the property and what makes sense with a transition to another density. Sometimes the density will follow existing property lines. Sometimes there will be multiple future densities on an existing property.

Thellman moved to approve Joint Ordinance 8391 of the City of Lawrence, and Resolution 09-16 of the Board of County Commissioners of Douglas County, Kansas, amending the Comprehensive Land Use Plan "Horizon 2020" by amending Chapter Fourteen Specific Plans to add a reference to the West of K-10 Plan and adopting and incorporating by reference the "West of K-10 Plan, May 6, 2009 Edition" prepared by the Lawrence-Douglas County Metropolitan Planning Office. Motion was seconded by Gaughan and carried unanimously.

Thellman moved to adjourn; Flory seconded and the motion carried.