Memorandum City of Lawrence and Douglas County Planning & Development Services

TO: David L. Corliss, City Manager

FROM: Dan Warner, AICP, Long-Range Planner

CC: Cynthia Boecker, Assistant City Manager

Diane Stoddard, Assistant City Manager

Date: 7/8/09

RE: Lawrence SmartCode – Architectural Standards Text Amendments

Staff presented the proposed text amendments [TA-5-8-09] concerning the architectural standards of the Lawrence SmartCode to the Lawrence-Douglas County Planning Commission on June 24, 2009. Staff recently discovered an error in the amendments presented to the Planning Commission. Staff failed to change most of the "shall" statements to "should" statements in the language presented to the Planning Commission.

Staff has since made the changes to the language. "Should" statements fall within the overall intent presented to the Planning Commission of changing the architectural standards to design guidelines and the City Commission can consider the proposed amendments.