

RESOLUTION NO. 5-3-09

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING AMENDMENTS TO HORIZON 2020, THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN FOR THE CITY OF LAWRENCE AND UNINCORPORATED DOUGLAS COUNTY, KANSAS PERTAINING TO CONFERENCE, RECREATION, AND TOURISM FACILITIES IN THE RURAL AREA OF DOUGLAS COUNTY

WHEREAS, the City Commission of Lawrence, Kansas and the Board of County Commissioners of Douglas County, Kansas, for the purpose of promoting the public health, safety, morals, comfort and general welfare, conserving and protecting property values throughout Lawrence and Douglas County, are authorized by K.S.A. 12-741 *et seq.* to provide for the preparation, adoption, amendment, extension and carrying out of a comprehensive plan; and

WHEREAS, the Lawrence-Douglas County Metropolitan Planning Commission, the City Commission of Lawrence, Kansas and the Board of County Commissioners of Douglas County, Kansas have adopted an official comprehensive plan for the coordination of development in accordance with the present and future needs and to conserve the natural resources of the City and County, ensure efficient expenditure of public funds and promote the health, safety, convenience, prosperity and general welfare of the citizens of Lawrence and Douglas County; and

WHEREAS, the Lawrence-Douglas County Metropolitan Planning Commission held a public hearing on May 18, 2009, for the proposed amendments to Chapter 4 – Growth Management and Chapter 6 – Commercial Land Use, Horizon 2020, the comprehensive plan, to expand the possible locations of conference, recreation, or tourism uses in the Rural Area of Douglas County, after notice by publication in the official city and county newspaper.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LAWRENCE-DOUGLAS COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION:

SECTION ONE: The above stated recitals are by reference incorporated herein, and shall be as effective as if repeated verbatim.

SECTION TWO: Pursuant to K.S.A. 12-747, the Lawrence-Douglas County Metropolitan Planning Commission adopts and recommends for approval CPA-3-2-09, the amendments to Horizon 2020, the Comprehensive Plan for the City of Lawrence and Unincorporated Douglas County.

SECTION THREE: The amendments to *Horizon 2020*, Chapter 4 – Growth Management and Chapter 6 – Commercial Land Use are amended as noted below.

Chapter Four – Growth Management, pg. 4-4

RURAL AREA

The Rural Area is the land that lies outside the designated Urban Growth Areas of the incorporated cities. Lands in the Rural Area are not planned to develop or to support urban densities of development during the planning period. Rural development shall be subject to the overall policies, recommendations and standards of the Comprehensive Plan. There are a few locations, however, in the Rural Area which may be expected to receive some significant level of urban development consistent with the Plan. ~~These~~ these include commercial areas to serve county residents and, potentially, to provide (i) conference and recreation facilities at Clinton Lake, and (ii) conference, recreation, or tourism facilities that benefit from or integrate with the rural setting, at such other

locations that substantially satisfy the following criteria: (a) direct access to an improved arterial roadway; (b) public water supply available; (c) separated from existing conference, recreation, or tourism facilities by 3 miles or other appropriate distance as determined by the Board of County Commissioners; and (d) designed to preserve and/or integrate natural resources and the rural environment through appropriate land use, site design, buffering, or other methods. Otherwise, urban uses are not planned within the Rural Area.

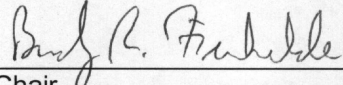
Chapter Six – Commercial Land Use, p.6-23, last paragraph

Commercial activities related to *conference, recreational, or tourism* uses associated with Clinton Lake, Lone Star Lake, or Douglas County Lake, ~~or other Rural Areas that satisfy the criteria for growth management in Chapter Four,~~ shall be exempt from the locational criteria applied to new commercial areas or expansions of existing commercial areas. A commercial area serving the recreational needs (boat rental, bait shop, lodging, etc.) of persons using the county's lake facilities may be located at an entrance point to a lake.

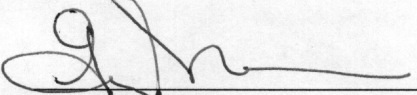
Conference, recreational, or tourism uses located in the Rural Area, and which include some significant level of urban development, shall satisfy the criteria listed in Chapter Four. Such uses shall also include a mandatory 200' natural buffer area. Proposed conference, recreational, or tourism facilities shall include a site specific site plan with rezoning applications to demonstrate that the criteria listed in Chapter 4, and the 200' buffer area, have been met.

SECTION FOUR: Resolution 5-3-09 together with a certified copy of the amendments to Chapter 4 – Growth Management and Chapter 6 – Commercial Land Use of Horizon 2020, the Comprehensive Plan for the City of Lawrence and Unincorporated Douglas County, and a written summary of the public hearing shall be submitted to the City Commission and the Board of County Commissioners.

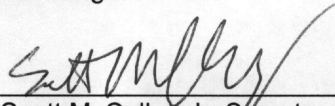
Adopted by the Lawrence-Douglas County Metropolitan Planning Commission on this, the 18th day of May, 2009.



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Scott McCullough, Secretary
Lawrence-Douglas County Metropolitan
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