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**To:** Diane Stoddard  
**Subject:** RE: Letter of Support for Tonights CC Review of 1106 RI

**From:** Phil Collison [<mailto:phil@collison.com>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 08, 2014 12:37 PM  
**To:** Diane Stoddard; David L. Corliss; Brandon McGuire  
**Cc:** Aaron Paden; Jacki Becker; Christine Kosirog; Lane Eisenbart  
**Subject:** Letter of Support for Tonights CC Review of 1106 RI

Hello City Manager's Office.

Would you include this letter in the City Commission Packet for tonight's meeting? It is intended for the Regular Agenda Item Number 2 regarding 1106 Rhode Island.

Thank You,

Phil Collison

P.S., In case there is an issue with the attachment, here is the text of the document:

July 8, 2014

To: The Lawrence City Commission

Re: 1106 Rhode Island Proposal

The East Lawrence Neighborhood Association voted at our July 7 General Meeting to support the 1106 Rhode Island Proposal for a Neighborhood Revitalization Area Plan, including the plan, the sale of the property and the maximum development incentive. 1106 Rhode Island has been a long-neglected property in the footprint of the County Courthouse and it is good to see this long awaited rehabilitation. This Project will help support the neighborhood revitalization that has been ongoing along the east side of this block. It is an appropriate use for the location, and it will directly benefit residents of East Lawrence and Lawrence proper. This is the type of grassroots development that is conducive to stabilizing our neighborhood with minimal unintended consequences. It will not be too big. It will not displace residents. It will enhance the National Historic District. This development will help ensure stability for this corner and the entire block, and it reflects a commitment by the development group to blend in with the existing surroundings with no surprises on the horizon.

We support the approval of the Neighborhood Revitalization Area Plan, support the sale of the property for \$90,000, and support the approval of the City-provided development grant for the entire amount so that this project can move forward.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide input,

Aaron Paden

President, East Lawrence Neighborhood Association