



Mark Thiel
Assistant Public Works Director
City of Lawrence, KS

Re: Temporary ROW Application - 800 New Hampshire

Mr. Thiel,

First Construction has submitted the application and traffic control design for the duration of the 800 NH apartments construction project, the construction, development and design team has conducted its own research in an effort to identify, understand and help to address concerns from surrounding businesses and neighbors.

A preliminary meeting was held with the city to help determine the potential traffic impact to the area and a contact list was developed.

I met personally with the building owners and largest tenants in the building directly to the east - across the alley. The plan was reviewed and a compromise was reached to purchase eleven annual public parking passes to compensate for the loss of private parking spaces in the alley during the project. These spaces will be inaccessible due to the safety buffer created by the project fence.

A similar meeting with Farmers Market representatives was held with a similar agreement reached. A safety buffer on the south side of the project will need to be established that will capture the northernmost row of parking stalls in the city parking lot, so the agreement was reached that the south fence that currently exists as a part of a separate project will be moved on Saturdays to allow for greater vendor visibility.

A public Q&A session was held on 1/29/16 at City Hall. This meeting was attended by businesses and neighbors impacted by the construction project, as well as City of Lawrence officials, First Construction, project architects and development representatives. All attendees left with a greater understanding of the plan and were excited to see the project moving forward.

The construction group has made every effort to engage the public and further causes – whether it be holding public meetings or contributing \$75,000 to the Affordable Housing Trust Fund. We are extremely excited about the project moving forward. Thank you for taking the time to assist with this process.

Respectfully,

Sincerely,

Seth Martin
Project Manager
First Construction LLC