

Dear City commissioners and City Staff,

11-15-16

As a resident of the Oread Neighborhood for eighteen years, I would like to voice my support for **Option #2** as presented by the planning director with regard to the lots that will provide surface parking for the HERE project. Residents wish to maintain the lower density of the area as per the Oread Neighborhood Plan.

An adjustment to the original recommendation, Option #2, seems to be a fair and reasonable solution on behalf of the neighborhood.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration, Candice Davis Oread Resident

Dear City Commissioners,

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The Lawrence Association of Neighborhoods (LAN) continues to enthusiastically support the proposed Design Guidelines and Overlay District for the Oread Neighborhood. This document provides important tools that will help preserve the historic integrity of Oread and enhance the livability of the area for both renters and homeowners. This is an exceptionally well-crafted document.

These guidelines reflect the intention of the **Oread Neighborhood Plan** that specifies areas of varying density as well as addressing the unique characteristics of old town-site plans, which differs from newer city neighborhoods. Sensitive and thoughtful planning tools are important to address these differences and respect the historic and unique nature of the Oread Neighborhood.

Oread zoning was unwisely changed over 40 years ago from low density to the highest density in the city. This has created on-going problems and conflicts among property owners due to the single-family nature of the neighborhood and high density zoning that does not conform to existing structures, lot sizes or alleyways.

The Planning Department has put together an impressive document that will be of great benefit to the Oread Neighborhood and the City. The Design Guidelines and the Overlay District will help promote increased stability and vitality in historic Oread by encouraging responsible development and redevelopment. Ideas of new urbanism will be apparent when both renters and homeowners live in a well-planned environment that considers the design and livability of the area.

Sincerely,
Candice Davis, LAN Chair and Oread Resident