

### **Land Use Master Plans Overview**

Horizon 2020: The Comprehensive Plan for Lawrence and Unincorporated Douglas Co. Adopted: 1998 | Amended: 2019

*Horizon 2020* is the comprehensive plan for the city of Lawrence and unincorporated Douglas County. A comprehensive plan expresses a community's desires about the future image of the community. It provides the foundation and framework for making physical development and policy decisions.

The planning process was initiated in 1992. After years of public involvement, Horizon 2020 was adopted in 1998 and has continuously been amended to address changing trends and beliefs about development in the community.

#### **Northeast Sector Plan**

Adopted: 2003 | Amended: 2015

The dominant character of this portion of Douglas County is rural, although there are a variety of uses within the area. This area is agriculturally used throughout the majority of the planning area, which is not anticipated to urbanize in the foreseeable future.

#### HOP District Plan Adopted: 2005

The Hillcrest, Old West Lawrence and Pinckney Neighborhood Associations jointly requested this plan which includes portions of each neighborhood. This district plan was named the HOP (Hillcrest, Old West Lawrence, and Pinckney) District Plan. This plan provides direction for residential and commercial infill and redevelopment, while preserving the character of the area, its historic environs and properties.

**East Lawrence Neighborhood Revitalization Plan** 

Adopted: 2000

The East Lawrence Neighborhood Revitalization Plan includes initiatives in virtually every area of neighborhood life. This neighborhood revitalization plan is not a land use plan but a preservation and social action strategy to maintain features that are most important to the homeowners,

property owners, business owners, and tenants.

**Burroughs Creek Corridor Plan** 

Adopted: 2006

Until the 1960s, this portion of Lawrence was beyond the eastern most city limits. After the railroad line was abandoned in 1987, almost all of the industrial uses and zonings have remained. The purpose of this plan is to provide guidelines for using the abandoned railroad corridor as a linear park and recreational trail, emphasizing residential infill and neighborhood friendly redevelopment of existing industrial and commercial uses.

**Oread Neighborhood Plan** 

Adopted: 2010

Today this planning area is primarily residential, with a variety of housing types to accommodate the diversity of people calling the neighborhood home. Addressing compatibility, maintaining housing variety, and continuing neighborhood-scale commercial areas are addressed by this plan. Creative solutions to address crime, owner occupants, landlords and structural neglect are recommended.

**Farmland Industries Redevelopment Plan** 

Adopted: 2008 | Amended: 2016

The former Farmland Nitrogen Manufacturing plant began operations in 1954 and closed in 2001. This plan brings together the community goals of creating additional employment and open space by providing a plan to redevelop an approximately 467 acre brownfield site into a community asset.

**Southeast Area Plan** 

Adopted: 2008 | Amended: 2019

The development of a Southeast Area Plan began in 1997, with the primary issues at that time being the timing of development, the completion of the South Lawrence Trafficway, and the extension of city utilities. This area is anticipated to develop with a wide-range of uses with more intensive industrial and commercial use areas in close proximity to E. 23rd Street/K-10 Highway, and residential uses generally located in the southern portion of the planning area.

Revised Southern Development Plan Adopted: 2007 | Amended: 2013

The original Southern Development Plan was adopted in 1994, at a time when this part of the community was principally agriculture. As Lawrence grew south and west, a development guide was needed. Growth did not develop to the extent that the original plan anticipated; therefore, the 2013 revision updated the boundary, land use policies, and future land use maps to reflect the current conditions and community visions.

**Inverness Park District Plan** 

Adopted: 2013

The Inverness Park area began developing when annexation was approved in 1999. The Inverness Park District Plan is the official land use guide for the remaining undeveloped property within the planning area.

West of K-10 Plan

Adopted: 2008 | Amended: 2015

This plan initially started with the W. 6th Street and K-10 Nodal Plan in 2003, but soon an expanded scope was needed for growth in this area. This revision supersedes the former plan, and provides guidance for urban density growth in the area west of K-10.

# An Area Plan for the Intersection of W. 6<sup>th</sup> Street and Wakarusa Drive Adopted: 2003 | Amended: 2015

This small area plan ensures appropriate and compatible development of the W. 6th Street and Wakarusa Drive intersection. Initially anticipated to evolve into one of the more prominent commercial centers of the community, this intersection is recommended as most appropriate for commercial development.

## K-10 and Farmer's Turnpike Plan Adopted: 2009 | Amended: 2016

Located northwest of Lawrence and southeast of Lecompton, this planning area is anticipated to develop with a wide range of uses and intensities extending from very low-density residential to industrial uses as Lawrence grows into this planning area.