



Neighborhood Update for LAN

October 21, 2020

October Planning Commission Participation Procedures

The meeting will be broadcast at www.lawrenceks.org/live and on public access cable Channel 25.

Due to federal, state, and local guidelines regarding social distancing and crowd size in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, public meetings and public comment during public meetings will require modification. These modifications will be in place until further notice.

Individuals wishing to provide general public comment or public comment on an agenda item are **strongly encouraged** to make such comment in **writing**. Written comments should be submitted to planning@lawrenceks.org no later than 10:00 a.m. on Monday, October 26, 2020. Public comments will be posted with agenda materials in advance of the meeting. Comments received after the deadline will not be posted and there is no guarantee that such comments will be considered.

While written public comment is strongly encouraged, live public comment will be accepted via web conference (requiring internet connection) or telephone. Those wishing to provide live public comment must register with the Planning & Development Services office by 10:00 a.m. on Monday, October 26, 2020 by emailing planning@lawrenceks.org or calling 785-832-3159. Individuals will be required to submit their name, email address, telephone number and the agenda item they wish to speak to. Those registering in advance will be provided instructions on how to connect with the live meeting.

The City is sensitive to members of the public who may not have access to technology. For those persons, written comments may be dropped in the Utility Billing Drop Box, located at the cut-out at 6th Street and New Hampshire Street. Comments should be marked for the Planning Commission. Additionally, the City will provide a method at City Hall for individuals without access to technology options to observe or participate in the meeting. **In-person comments will be reserved for those without access to technology options.** Mask/cloth face coverings should be worn inside City Hall.

October 26th and 28th Planning Commission Items

Monday, October 26, 2020: Work session regarding Maple Grove watershed county stormwater regulations; [North Lawrence Drainage Plan](#); NE Sector Plan.

The Planning Commission will consider the following public hearing and non hearing items at their **Wednesday, October 28, 2020** meeting:

All information listed can be found at the City of Lawrence website: www.lawrenceks.org/pds

The Neighborhood Update is produced for LAN during the first week of every month to keep members updated on neighborhood oriented issues via communication directly from the City of Lawrence. For any additional information regarding CDBG information, please contact Danelle Dresslar by phone at 785-832-3108 or email ddresslar@lawrenceks.org or for any other information contact Becky Pepper by phone at 785-832-3153 or email bpepper@lawrenceks.org. Comments are always welcome.

1. Consider approving a variance from Section 20-811 (c) of the Subdivision Regulations for Fall Creek Farms 20th Plat, MS-20-00316, located at 104 N. Wilderness Way, to defer construction of public sidewalks for Fall Creek Farms 20th Plat, minor subdivision/replat of Lot 1, Block 1, Fall Creek Farms 3rd Plat and Lot 1, Block 1, Fall Creeks Farms 12th Plat, a subdivision in the City of Lawrence, Douglas County, Kansas. Submitted by Landplan Engineering, P.A, on behalf of Gary L. Woodland Revocable Trust, property owner of record.
[Agenda Item Report 20-795 - Pdf](#)

2. Consider a variance from Section 20-810 of the Subdivision Regulations for a minor subdivision, MS-20-00298, T&M Subdivision, located at 1312 W. 6th Street to allow reduced right-of-way width for a principal arterial street. Submitted by Grob Engineering Services LLC, on behalf of T&M Properties LLC, property owner of record.
[Agenda Item Report 20-871 - Pdf](#)

3. Consider approving a Special Use Permit, SUP-20-00113, for the Stratford Water Tower for the construction of a new, approximately 140 foot tall, water tank and the demolition of the existing water tank. Development also includes space for relocated telecommunication equipment and antennas mounted to the structure, located at 1225 Sunset Drive. Submitted by the City of Lawrence, property owner of record. This item was deferred at the August 24, 2020 Planning Commission meeting.
[Agenda Item Report 20-797 - Pdf](#)

4. Consider approving a conditional use permit for Mining and Excavation, on approximately 38.5 acres at the northeast corner of the intersection of E. 1200 Road and N. 1800 Road/County Route 438, for a borrow pit. Material removed will be used to fill the Evergy Kansas Central ash and effluent disposal pits approved with conditional use permit, CUP-1-1-91, on the adjacent parcel to the north. Submitted by Evergy Kansas Central, Inc., on behalf of Taylor Four LLC, property owner of record.
[Agenda Item Report 20-786 - Pdf](#)

5. ****DEFERRED****
~~Consider a Text Amendment, TA-20-00002, to the City of Lawrence Land Development Code with the goal of reducing the cost to construct housing by 5% overall. Changes targeted are street tree requirements, plat studies, and sidewalk installation timing. Initiated by City Commission on 2/6/18.~~

6. ****DEFERRED****
~~Consider a Preliminary Development Plan, PDP-20-00304, for mixed residential uses on Lots 3 and reconfiguring Lot 4 and Tract A of The Jayhawk Club, located at 1610 Birdie Way. Submitted by Paul Werner Architects on behalf of Eagle 1968 LC, property owner of record.~~

Update Neighborhood Association Information on City Website

Please visit the city website at <https://lawrenceks.org/pds/neighborhoodcontacts/> and check that your neighborhood association contact information is up-to-date. This contact information is used to notify neighborhoods about pending planning proposals. If the contact information

needs updating, please fill out the Neighborhood Registration Form at https://lawrenceks.org/pds/neighborhood_registration/. If you have any questions, please contact Denny Ewert at dewert@lawrenceks.org or 785-832-3159.

City Resources

- **Planning and Development News**

The monthly memo previously attached at the end of the report will now be distributed as a monthly email via the Planning and Development News list. To receive updates regarding the Planning and Development Services, go to <https://lawrenceks.org/subscriptions/> to update your subscription preferences and sign up for the Planning & Development News emails.

- **Rental Licensing Program**

The City has developed a website devoted to the Rental Licensing Program, which can be viewed at www.lawrenceks.org/pds/rental-licensing or www.lawrenceks.org/rent. The website contains information such as a Program Handbook, the adopting ordinance, inspection forms and guidance, licensing process and inspection brochures, a tenant information brochure, diagrams of program processes and FAQs for both owners and tenants. The website also features monthly and annual program reports that have been provided to the City Commission. New or updated information is frequently being added to the website. Please contact the City with any questions at (785) 832-3345 or by email at rentallicensing@lawrenceks.org.

- **Interactive Rental Licensing Map**

The Planning and Development Services Department has published a Residential Rental License Interactive Map for citizens, prospective renters and landlords to access. The map can be found at: <http://www.lawrenceks.org/pds/rental-licensing/map>. The map identifies all rental dwelling units that are licensed and in good standing with the rental licensing and inspection program requirements. The map is intended to provide consumers information about units that comply with the city's rental program as well as help landlords market their code-compliant properties. The map is linked to the department's home page. Citizens can click on the blue map dot of a rental property and view the landlord name, zoning district, the number of units licensed and the apartment complex name, if applicable. Staff believes the map will be a valuable resource for tenants, landlords and the general public as the program continues to license properties through 2015 and beyond.

- **Find Active Building Permits on City Website Interactive Map**

In May 2014, Planning & Development Services launched a new Building Permits interactive map that shows locations and provides basic information about active City of Lawrence building permits (for both non-residential and residential new construction and addition projects, and for non-residential remodeling or change of use projects). Zoom in on the map to see building permits that have been recently issued in or around your neighborhood. Find the map on the City's website at http://lawrenceks.org/city_maps or <http://lawrenceks.org/pds/building-permits/map>.

- **Project Submittals**

Planning project submittals can now be accessed on the Planning Division's website through the following address: <https://lawrenceks.org/pds/submittals/>. The list is updated every Monday and also includes a link to an interactive map that shows the locations of the projects.

- City of Lawrence Subscription Services

How can I stay involved with the latest City of Lawrence Notifications?

Interested citizens can sign up to receive notification updates for various City services, events, and information, including advisory board information for the City Commission, Planning Commission, Board of Zoning Appeals, Historic Resources Commission, Community Commission on Homelessness (CCH) and the Community Development Advisory Committee (CDAC), as well as City News, Public Meeting Notices, Recreation Announcements, and Neighborhood news. All these subscriptions can be found at <http://www.lawrenceks.org/subscriptions>.