



## Neighborhood Update for LAN

January 20, 2021

### **January Planning Commission Participation Procedures**

To view this meeting live: [Live Video Stream](#) or the [City's YouTube Channel](#)

To provide public comment: [Virtual Meeting Registration via Zoom](#)

Written public comment must be received by the Planning & Development Services office by 10:00 a.m. on Monday, January 25, 2021. Send correspondence electronically to [planning@lawrenceks.org](mailto:planning@lawrenceks.org). Comments received after the deadline will not be posted and there is no guarantee that such comments will be considered. 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.

*The City will provide a method at City Hall for individuals without access to the internet or a telephone - and only such persons - to observe or participate in the meeting. Face masks are required inside City Hall.*

### **January Planning Commission Items**

Agenda items may be taken out of order at the Commission's discretion.

#### **Monday, January 25, 2021 meeting**

Mid-Month Presentation: Lifecycle of Planning Commission Submittals

The Planning Commission will consider the following public hearing and non hearing items at their **Wednesday, January 27, 2021** meeting:

1. Consider approving a request to rezone, Z-20-00361, approximately 1.26 acres from IBP (Industrial Business Park) District to RMO (Multi-Dwelling Residential - Office) District, located at 5020, 5030 & 5040 Bob Billings Parkway. Submitted by BG Consultants, Inc. for Garber Enterprises, property owner of record.  
[Agenda Item Report 21-025 - Pdf](#)
- 2a. Consider approving a Comprehensive Plan Amendment, CPA-20-00443, to Plan 2040, Chapter 8 to modify the HOP District Plan to expand commercial land uses north of W. 6th Street. Submitted by BG Consultants Inc.  
[Agenda Item Report 20-1049 - Pdf](#)
- 2b. Consider approving a request to rezone, Z-20-00441, approximately 0.54 acre from RM24 (Multi-Dwelling Residential) District to CS (Commercial Strip) District, located at 508 Minnesota Street. Submitted by BG Consultants Inc., on behalf of McCray Lumber Company, property owner of record.

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**All information listed can be found at the City of Lawrence website: [www.lawrenceks.org/pds](http://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](mailto:ddresslar@lawrenceks.org) or for any other information contact Becky Pepper by phone at 785-832-3153 or email [bpepper@lawrenceks.org](mailto:bpepper@lawrenceks.org). Comments are always welcome.*

[Agenda Item Report 20-1050 - Pdf](#)

3. Consider a conditional use permit, CUP-20-00365, for an Equipment Storage, Heavy use, located northeast of the intersection of N. 1700 Road (North Street) & N. 2nd Street. Submitted by Paul Werner Architects, for MG Holdings, LC, property owner of record.

[Agenda Item Report 21-026 - Pdf](#)

4. 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.

[Agenda Item Report 21-037 - Pdf](#)

5. Consider approving a Comprehensive Plan Amendment, CPA-20-00196, to Plan 2040, Chapter 8B; Specific Land Use Plans: K-10 & Farmer's Turnpike Plan. (Initiated by the Board of County Commissioners at their May 6, 2020 meeting. Planning Commission voted 8-1 at their July 22, 2020 meeting to deny the amendment. Board of County Commissioners voted 2-1 at their September 30, 2020 meeting to approve the amendment.)

[Agenda Item Report 20-1083 - Pdf](#)

### **Notable Development Projects in the Planning Phase**

The following list details newly added notable and large development projects that have filed applications with the Planning Division. A complete list of planning submittals can be viewed at <https://lawrenceks.org/pds/submittals/>.

- Office Building for Ad Astra Eye (4995 Research Park Way)
  - Located in the West Lawrence Neighborhood Association
  - Located at the southeast corner of Research Park Drive and Research Park Way
  - Proposed one-story 5,088 square foot building

### **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/](https://lawrenceks.org/pds/neighborhood_registration/). If you have any questions, please contact Denny Ewert at [dewert@lawrenceks.org](mailto:dewert@lawrenceks.org) or 785-832-3159.

### **City Resources**

- Planning and Development News

The monthly memo previously attached at the end of this 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](http://www.lawrenceks.org/pds/rental-licensing) or [www.lawrenceks.org/rent](http://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](mailto: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](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>.