



Neighborhood Update for LAN
February 2011

Item #1: Sidewalk Snow Removal Information

The Code Enforcement Division of the Planning and Development Services Department would like to remind property owners of their responsibility to remove snow or ice from public sidewalks adjacent to their property. In December 2008, the City amended the snow removal ordinance to shorten the compliance time period to clear snow/ice from sidewalks. The ordinance requires property owners to remove snow or ice from the sidewalk 48 hours after the cessation of accumulation. City staff enforces the ordinance through citizen complaints and citations are issued to property owners who are in violation.

The City of Lawrence believes safe pedestrian walkways in the winter season are an important element in maintaining a walkable city. For those citizens who are unable to clear their sidewalk; the City of Lawrence has joined with the Douglas County Senior Services to match residents needing assistance with volunteers who want to do a neighborly good deed. Volunteers can sign up by calling 785-832-3338 or registering online at www.lawrenceks.org.

Questions regarding the ordinance may be directed to Brian Jimenez, Code Enforcement Manager, at 785-832-3111 or bjimenez@lawrenceks.org

Item #2: 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, Planning Office Project Submittals, Public Meeting Notices, Recreation Announcements, and Neighborhood news. All these subscriptions can be found at <http://www.lawrenceks.org/subscriptions>.

Item #3: CDD Information

The Community Development Advisory Committee has begun their CDBG/HOME allocation discussions. There will be a Public Hearing held in April.

There are two At Large positions available on the Community Development Advisory Committee. These positions have no neighborhood affiliation requirement. Any citizen can apply for the At Large positions if they are not in a low-moderate income area, which is generally anything west of Iowa Street with a few exceptions. A detailed low-moderate neighborhood map based on Census Tracts can be found at our website at <http://www.lawrenceplanning.org/documents/NHA.pdf>.

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

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 please contact Danelle Dresslar by phone at 785-832-3108, email ddresslar@ci.lawrence.ks.us, or at Planning and Development Services Community Development Division; 1 Riverfront Plaza; Level 1, Suite 110; PO Box 708; Lawrence, KS 66044. Comments are always welcome.