



Neighborhood Update for LAN

May 2013

Item #1: City of Lawrence Subscription Services

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Item #2: CDD Information

The Community Development Advisory Committee has two openings for appointments to the committee. The open positions are for low-moderate income area representatives. The appointees must come from an area that is 51% or more low-mod and is not already geographically represented on the committee. Please forward any letters of interest to either Danelle Dresslar or to the City Manager's office.

Item #3: Neighborhood Contact Information

Is your neighborhood a registered neighborhood? By registering your neighborhood group, you are given notification regarding pending development applications received by the Planning Department, giving your group the opportunity to comment on development projects that may impact your neighborhood. Register your neighborhood at http://lawrenceks.org/pds/neighborhood_registration. To find out if your neighborhood information is current, see the neighborhood list at <http://www.lawrenceks.org/pds/neighborhoodcontacts>. For any questions, contact Michelle Leininger at 832-3163 or at mleininger@lawrenceks.org.

Item #4: Project Updates

1. **Text Amendment to Remove the Requirement that Projects be Consistent with Horizon 2020** – The City Commission denied this request at their April 23rd meeting.
2. **Oread Design Guidelines** – Staff is working on the draft document and will soon begin meeting the appointed PC and HRC members to review. A joint meeting with the PC and HRC will occur this spring to introduce the draft to both commissions before public hearings on the rezonings (guidelines) and text amendments.
3. **Downtown Redevelopment Issues Memo** – The HRC and PC are meeting to discuss the recommendations outlined in the report at the regular meeting of the Historic Recourses Commission on Thursday, June 20th at 6:30 pm in the City Commission Room at City Hall.
4. **The True Value of Trees: How our rural and urban forests benefit Douglas County - Results of the 2012 Douglas County Forest Assessment provided by David Nowak with the USDA Forest Service.** Thursday, May 9th 6:30 PM to 7:30 pm, Helen Dreher Building at the DG County Fairgrounds, 2110 Harper Street, Lawrence. Findings from this assessment can help create a better understanding of our area forest and the services and values it provides. Local leaders, planners, and residents can use the study results to develop improved long-term management plans and policies that will protect and preserve our trees for future generations.

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

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Item #5: May Planning Commission Items

The Planning Commission will meet on May 20th at 6:30 p.m. in the Commission Meeting Room on the first floor of City Hall, 6 E. 6th Street. The deadline for receipt of all written communications is *no later than 10:00 a.m. on Monday, May 20, 2013*. Visit our website at www.lawrenceks.org/pds/pc_agendas_minutes for more information or call us at 785-832-3150. The order in which the items will appear is not set.

Monday, May 20, 2013 meeting:

MS-13-00114: Minor Subdivision for University Corporate and Research Park Subdivision No. 3 request for variance from 20-808 (c)(2) (i) and section 20-601(b) requiring a 200' minimum width and section 20-810 (e)(5) requiring a minimum 150' of right-of-way along Wakarusa Drive. **SD**

CUP-13-00126: Consider a Conditional Use Permit for a revised phasing schedule for Big Springs Quarry, located at 2 N 1700 Rd. Submitted by Mid-States Ventures, LLC, property owner of record. *Big Springs Quarry was approved with Conditional Use Permit CUP-7-2-90.* **MM**

TA-12-00204: Consider a Text Amendment to the City of Lawrence Land Development Code, Chapter 20, to establish lighting standards and requirements as an alternative to the photometric plan. *Initiated by City Commission on 8/21/12.* **MM**

Receive Presentation on 2012 Retail Market Study. AM

TA-12-00205: Consider a Text Amendment to the City of Lawrence Land Development Code, Chapter 20, Article 11, to modify the requirements for a Retail Market Study. *Initiated by City Commission on 8/21/12.* **AM**

CPA-13-00067: Consider Comprehensive Plan Amendment, CPA-13-00067, to Horizon 2020 Chapter 6 Commercial Land Use and Chapter 14 Specific Plans, Revised Southern Development Plan, to expand the S. Iowa Street commercial corridor east along W. 31st Street to include 1900 W 31st Street and identify the area as a Regional Commercial Center. Submitted by Menard, Inc. *Deferred by Planning Commission on 4/22/13.* **ML**

Z-13-00071: Consider a request to rezone approximately 41.5 acres from RM12 (Multi-Dwelling Residential) to CR (Regional Commercial), located at 1900 W 31st Street. Submitted by Menard, Inc., for Mid-American Manufactured Housing, Inc., property owner of record. *Deferred by Planning Commission on 4/22/13.* **SD**

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