



Lawrence Association of Neighborhoods

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Draft Minutes

August 21, 2024

Participants: Michael Almon, Vice President, Brook Creek Neighborhood Association; Phil Collison, Representative, East Lawrence Neighborhood Association; Gene Dorsey Resident, Schwegler Neighborhood Association; Peggy Englehart, Representative, Vice President, Pinkney Neighborhood Association; Phil Englehart, Resident, Pinkney Neighborhood Association; Holli Joyce, LAN Chair, President, Schwegler Neighborhood Association; Courtney Shipley, LAN Vice Chair, Resident, Dad Perry Park Neighborhood; Dustin Stumblingbear, Representative, Pinkney Neighborhood Association; Kyle Thompson, LAN Treasurer, Representative, Oread Residents Association; Gary Webber, LAN Secretary, President, Sunset Hill Neighborhood Association; Bill Winkler, Resident, Barker Neighborhood Association; Haley Bruns Resident, Old West Lawrence Neighborhood Association; Greg Huebner, President, Hillcrest Neighborhood Association

- I. Downtown Transit Station Steering Committee report: Stumblingbear reported that Steering Committee received 25 site recommendations, 11 were not eligible sites. 14 sites were evaluated individually and in groups. Those ranked highest included; 8th between Kentucky & Tennessee, City lot #9, Old Borders property, City lot #8, 7th between Kentucky and Tennessee.
- II. Changes/Approval of July 17, 2024, minutes: approved by acclamation.
- III. Treasurer report: Thompson reported the current balance is \$4,333.33. There are 7 of 14 member representatives present. Webber reported the Zoom account has been cancelled.
- IV. New Business
 1. Land Development Code meeting report: Almon reported that he has always wondered how things get decided on Steering Committee. They have never taken a vote. Changes happen with no real reason or explanation of who made the change. The consultant said at a Planning Commission meeting that they have accepted suggestions that were consistent with city plans and policies. What are these plans and policies? He recently focused on bikeways, which went nowhere. Consultant stated that bikeways were prevue of subdivision plans. He reported that regarding site plans, no decision to extend site plan beyond 9 days. However, developer will give earlier notice of site plan submission, and perhaps require input meetings for more procedures. Englehart cautioned that neighbors need more warning in case they want to sell their home. Webber stated that earlier warning seems of little value, since the conversion would be by right. Almon reported there is ongoing discussion of the proposed R1 district, which is 10,000 SF and greater lots, that would be restricted to single detached dwellings only. This means that large lot owners would not be threatened by densification. The consultant will be issuing a "major changes table" that would compare existing codes with the updated versions. Next Monday and Wednesday are last chances to comment to Planning

Commission on residential changes. Pinckney is opposing to the current minimum of 1 off-street parking spot per residence and stating that the minimum should be greater and asked for LAN support. Webber moved, Thompson seconded to authorize Pinkney to include LAN on this statement of opposition to this 1 space per residence minimum. Motion carried unanimously. Collision moved to state to the planning commission that LAN believes that one parking spot per bedroom is a more realistic minimum. Englehart seconded. Unanimously approved. Bruns will present to the Planning Commission at their Monday meeting.

Shipley reported that University Place and Lawrence Preservation Alliance are advocating for no teardowns in University Place for two years until Historic Preservation is approved.

2. Zero Steering Committee report: Shipley reported that the next meeting is in September. The first data will be provided to the committee.
3. Brick Streets/Sidewalks report: Peggy Englehart reported the Area of Permissiveness has been expanded. They started conservatively due to budget concerns, but the community asked for more flexibility. Now brick sidewalks will be allowed city wide. Collision is concerned that there are no brick sidewalk contractors.
4. Stadium Expansion Neighborhood Team report, Thompson: Gateway district committee will meet with KU next week. There will be quarterly meetings from now on.
5. City Budget: Joyce asked if we need to discuss the budget. Shipley stated that the only adjustment the city has made is to add one code inspector position to the budget.

V. Neighborhood Reports:

1. Barker: no report.
2. Brook Creek: no report.
3. Dad Perry Park: no report.
4. East Lawrence: Block party September 28. 5-9 PM.
5. Heatherwood Heights: no report.
6. Hillcrest: 6 board members, meet 2nd Wednesday of month. Potluck on Oct. 6 at Hillcrest School
7. Old West Lawrence: First traffic circle is under construction at 7th and Indiana. Block party on Sept. 7th, 5:00 pm.
8. Oread Residents: no report.
9. Pinkney Neighborhood: Trunk or treat last Sunday of October.
10. Prairie Park: no report.
11. Schwegler: no report.
12. Southsiders: no report.
13. Springwood Heights: no report.
14. Sunset Hill: Webber reported that they cancelled their annual potluck tentatively scheduled for September.
15. University Place: no report.

- VI. Next meeting: September 18, 2024. We need a venue for the October 16th meeting, this room is not available. Nov.20th and Dec.18th are confirmed for this room. NOTE: We will meet in Meeting Room B at the Public Library for the October 16 meeting.

- VII. Adjourned by acclamation, 8:20 PM.