



## Lawrence Association of Neighborhoods

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### Draft Minutes

16 January 2025

Participants: Michael Almon, Vice President, Brook Creek Neighborhood Association; Phil Collison, Representative, East Lawrence Neighborhood Association; Sheri Ellenbecker, Representative, Sunset Hill Neighborhood Association; Holli Joyce, LAN Chair, President, Schwegler Neighborhood Association; Sacie Lambertson, Representative, East Lawrence Neighborhood Association; Courtney Shipley, LAN Vice Chair, Resident, Dad Perry Park Neighborhood; Dustin Stumblingbear, LAN Secretary, Pinkney Neighborhood Association; Gary Webber, President, Sunset Hill Neighborhood Association; Allen Blair, Representative, Hillcrest Neighborhood Association; John Pfeifer, Representative, Schwegler Neighborhood Association

- I.** Changes/Approval of 16 October & 18 December 2024 minutes: approved by acclamation.
- II.** Treasurer Report: Joyce reported the current balance is \$4,332.28. Oread and Sunset Hill have paid dues. Hillcrest and Schwegler paid dues at the meeting. There are 5 of 14 neighborhoods represented.

### **III.** New Business

#### **A.** City Rental Information Update (Courtney Shipley & Sheri Ellenbecker)

1. Sheri provided an updated sample short-term rental application that includes new proof of residency standards. 4 Handouts were provided; current City of Lawrence short-term rental property license application; Sheri's draft short-term rental license application with proof of principal requirements added; A list of other U.S. cities with colleges and universities and their proof of residence requirements, the current City of Lawrence application for assistance for low-income senior citizens.

Sheri pointed out that the information required for the senior citizen assistance application is more than what is required for a short rental license. Shipley posited that the standard could be applied similarly to short-term rental applications. Sheri shared her draft license application with new

proof of residence requirements. Suggested changes would enable Code Enforcement staff more tools to hold agreement holders accountable.

Goal: Present this recommendation to Casey Toomay as a change to the policy that can be executed administratively.

2. Holli began a discussion regarding penalties associated with violation of short-term rental agreements. Courtney suggested the penalty discussion is something LAN works on later.

**B.** Land Development Code-Phil Collison compiled a list of items that the LAN subcommittee felt as unresolved prior to April 1<sup>st</sup> LDC implementation. This list comprises occupancy, lot sizes in R1, code enforcement, parking, and city services.

Goal: Collison will consult with the LAN subcommittee to create a letter addressing the 5 issues for the city commission and city staff. This letter will be vetted on 20 February 2025 LAN meeting.

**C.** Lawrence-Douglas County Metro Planning Organization-Phil Collison: This is the 5-year plan bike update. Phil reported participation in Doodle polls for first meeting date. Possible first meeting 28 or 30 January 2025.

Goal: Add update from Phil on this project to future LAN agendas.

**D.** Stadium Expansion Update-Holli reporting for Kyle Thompson; Courtney Shipley:

1. Upcoming Gateway Project meeting with city representatives Tuesday 21 January 2025 @ 3pm in The Union International Room, all are welcome.
2. Kyle reported on letter to Brad Harrell, Parking Supervisor, City of Lawrence, no direct response received. Kyle will take a shallow dive on city website for updates.
3. Courtney reported on a meeting KU held prior to their 17 December 2024 presentation to the Lawrence City Commission. About 10 people were in attendance. The issue of parking was brought up with no resolution. Upon observing the meeting Courtney suggests a parking permit system have fines equivalent to KU parking fines. The equivalent penalty could alleviate parking issues within university adjacent neighborhoods. No neighborhood has volunteered to be the site for a parking permit pilot program.

**E.** Downtown Transit location-Dustin Stumblingbear: The steering committee has ended. This item can be removed from future LAN agendas.

**F.** Neighborhood Reports

1. Sunset Hill Neighborhood-Sheri Ellenbecker: There is snow and ice in their neighborhood, it was difficult to get around.
2. Schwegler Neighborhood-Holli Joyce and John Pfeifer: Road construction between 23<sup>rd</sup> St. and 15<sup>th</sup>/Bob Billings Parkway begins soon. Residents wonder about tractor trailer alternate traffic routes, don't want their

neighborhood streets to become unsafe. The Crossing correspondence is consistent. Question was posed about Iowa St. construction. Webber elaborated the construction is addressing stormwater, waterlines, shared use paths on the east and west of the street, and a reconstruction of the roadway.

3. Brook Creek Neighborhood-Michael Almon: New coordinator is learning their position duties.
4. East Lawrence Neighborhood-Phil Collison: Delaware St. has new 20 mph stickers from 8<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> Streets on every street. The neighborhood is very happy after their 3 years of hard work via CDBG funding. The neighborhood is working with Watkins Museum, Kaw Valley Kickball League, Parks and Rec, LPA to raise funds to get Hobbs Park on the National Register of Historic Places. An attempt is being made to get some homes on the local registry continuing Dennis Domer's project from 2015. Researching a demolition moratorium in East Lawrence.
5. Hillcrest Neighborhood-Allen Blair: Applying for Heritage grant for the water tower. Looking for funding to get artwork on the new water tower, neighborhood has Stan Herd ready to participate.

**IV.** Next meeting 20 February 2025 @ Fire station #5, Jayhawk Room, 6:30pm

**V.** Adjourned.