

**LIVABLE STREETS ADVISORY BOARD
ACTION LETTER
CITY OF LEE'S SUMMIT**

Tuesday, January 20, 2015
6:30 p.m.

Present –

<i>Craig Faith</i>	<i>Present</i>	<i>Ed Kraemer</i>	<i>Present</i>
<i>*Bob Busby</i>	<i>Present</i>	<i>Molly Wichman</i>	<i>Present</i>
<i>Dan Wiltshire</i>	<i>Present</i>	<i>Eric Kratz</i>	<i>Present</i>
<i>Eric Vaughan</i>	<i>Present</i>	<i>Greg Hunsucker</i>	<i>Present</i>
<i>Barbara Keller</i>	<i>Present</i>	<i>Matthew Fuller</i>	<i>Present</i>
<i>Gary Denny</i>	<i>Present</i>		

*City Council Liaison Trish Carlyle was present. *Chair*

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Bob Busby called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

On motion of Dan Wiltshire, second by Greg Hunsucker, the Board voted unanimously to approve the agenda as published.

4. APPROVAL OF October 21, 2014 and November 18, 2014 MEETING MINUTES:

On motion of Ed Kraemer, second by Dan Wiltshire, the Board voted unanimously to approve the October 21st, 2014 meeting minutes as written.

On motion of Eric Vaughan, second by Gary Denny, the Board voted unanimously to approve the November 18th, 2014 meeting minutes as written.

There was no meeting in December 2014; there were no meeting minutes for December to consider.

5. PRESENTATION:

- New Longview Walkability

Ross Pierson and Jason Swords, Sunflower Development Group discussed the New Longview Project, owned by the Mariner. This discussion included walkability of the project, redevelopment and use of historic buildings and solicitation of feedback on potential uses. Northpoint Development is constructing apartments in the area. Mr. Denny asked how many properties were included in the New Longview Project. The area of current development is bound by Longview Road to the south, 3rd Street to the north and between existing subdivision (Bridlewood) to the east and Longview Community College to the west. It is approximately 70 acres of remaining undeveloped property mostly intended for single family homes east of Longview Boulevard. The historic buildings are listed on the Historic Registration and related tax credits are available. They also own acreage south of Longview Road. The Mansion is located on 65 acres also owned by the group, mostly planned for single family homes. Some of

that property would be given back to the Longview Foundation and HOA. The Mansion needs further restoration and permanent event space (replacing the tent). The barns need restoration. The north barn could be a restaurant with patio; they are looking for users. Eric Vaughan asked if they had sought advice on walkability. They had not, but planned on meeting with various interest groups and residents to talk about the project. Those discussions would likely include walkability. Ed Kraemer recommended connectivity of paths and sidewalks, safety enhancements, bike lanes/accommodations, crosswalks and bike parking. Eric Vaughan recommended continuous paths (no segmented breaks), bike parking close to commercial entrances (examples of artful bike parking in KC). He also asked they consider a connection with Bike Sharing at Longview Lake (2016 plan) and partnership with the MO Bike Events typically held at Longview (Bike Tour of KC). Dan Wiltshire recommended they try to attract businesses that accommodate and drive local neighborhood foot and bike traffic. Mr. Pierson and Mr. Swords indicated a couple grocers have expressed interest. Matthew Fuller advised the developer talk with the neighbors and listen to their interests. Ms. Carlyle noted numerous neighborhood meetings have happened. Ed Kraemer wanted something “kid” or “family” oriented in design as opposed to another 3rd Street corridor between Pryor and View High. He also wants pedestrian friendly parking lots with accommodating walkways separate for pedestrians to access the buildings from their vehicle without traveling through traffic, parked cars and drive aisles. Bob Busby requested they consider addressing mechanical issues. Greg Hunsucker asked the development group if new jobs and offices would be provided. They said office use is a desirable component of the project (about 70% with office). Craig Faith mentioned the need for accessibility; an example of van parking for seniors. Ed Kraemer recommends consideration of a design overlay district similar to M-150 Overlay District. Mr. Busby requested the LSAB work through Michael Park to coordinate any board recommendations for the developer. He noted that Mr. Park would be relied on for Livable Streets recommendations during the project review by staff.

6. ACTIVITIES, ASSIGNMENTS AND REPORTS:

- Encouragement/Education Committee

Molly Wichman reported last month’s article was written by Bob Busby about trash pick-up, cleanliness and taking care of the community image increases walkability and biking. An article for Livable Streets in winter and tips was submitted. Molly is seeking contributions for future articles. Articles of 250-400 words are accepted.

- Development Standards/Codes Committee

There are no current activities by the Committee. New activities for the Committee will be discussed in the near future.

- Event/Organizational Champions
 - Miscellaneous Topics

Carrie with Blue Springs School District called and wants more involvement in next year’s walk and bike to school day event.

7. BUSINESS/DISCUSSIONS:

- Ordinances/Standards Review (What’s Next?)

Craig recommends drafting a new list of ordinances to consider working on and reprioritize.

Using a new list, consider the benefits of acting of the prioritized topics, what value exists to Livable Streets and identify/match corresponding relationships for each item from the list with the list of board partners and associated member “champions”. Draft the new list and matched partners at the next LSAB meeting. Craig will then work with Michael Park to review the list.

Staff Liaison Michael Park present at 7:30 p.m.

- LSAB Shirts/Tags

By consensus, the board prefers tags in lieu of shirts.

8. PROJECT UPDATES/UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Development Activity Update

Mr. Park provided an update on recent development and capital projects. Examples include an apartment project south of Chipman Road and east of M-291 Highway, New Longview development, and Thoroughfare Master Plan. Craig Faith shared an update on the John Knox Village redevelopment plan, walkability, buildings removed, new buildings and services, added restaurant, theatre, and new parking. He noted the intersection of Shamrock and O'Brien would no longer exist as a four-way intersection. Significant and positive changes at John Knox Village are on the way and Livable Streets considerations are included.

9. ROUNDTABLE:

Michael Park addressed project questions related to M291 & US 50 interchange (south junction). Eric Vaughan noted a bill exists on the state floor regarding insurance requirements for bicyclists (he will email the board the bill).

10. NEXT MEETING: February 17, 2015

11. ADJOURN:

*There being no further business, on motion by Greg Hunsucker, second by Craig Faith, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting. The January 20, 2015 Livable Streets Advisory Board meeting was **ADJOURNED** at 7:45 p.m.*

Michael Park, PE, PTOE
City Traffic Engineer