East Lawrence News

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ELNA

General Meeting

Monday, January 9th 7-9pm

New York Elementary
9th & New York

Agenda items:

- ⇒ Holiday Fundraising Update
- ⇒ Rezoning Project Update
- ⇒ Board Retreat
- ⇒Fundraising Ideas

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From The President

Greetings Folks! By the time you read this the Holidays will have come and gone and we will be in the depths of winter. The Neighborhood Association held elections in November and elected officers in December. January will find a new board ready to take on the New Year's slate of activities.

We will be doing some board training in January where we will learn some new skills about how to function more effectively.

January will also find us at the Annual New York School Martin Luther King Chili Feed on January 17th. This is a big fundraiser for NY School, and an all around fun neighborhood event.

We will also be following the re-zoning plans that we initiated north of 9th street. The goal of this project is to get properties zoned to their existing use. Along the way we will learn about what zoning is, how it affects us, and also how it can be used as a tool to shape what is to come in the future.

We will also be looking to find new ways to generate revenue. We have always counted on Community Development Block Grants to fund our newsletter and our Coordinator. This year those CDBG funds will probably only cover our coordinator. We will have to find a way to fund our paper newsletter. We know everyone is going digital, but we still believe the most effective way for us to communicate with everyone is via the paper newsletter. We will have our regular fundraising functions, which include the Yart Sale (this year on April 1 at New York School), and our annual Block Party in September. In the last few years we have started running concessions at some of the weekly Kaw Valley Kickball games on Sunday nights at Hobbs Park. If you have some good ideas about how to generate additional funds let us know! One of the things that sometimes gets forgotten is that ELNA is an all volunteer group, and it takes people to volunteer to get things done.

We will also continue to communicate via social media. If you haven't signed up for our weekly Thursday E-news, please do. You can also follow us on twitter (@elnaks). And keep an eye on our web page. If you want to help spread the word or have news to share let us know! We can't do anything without you! Check us out!



Save the Date for the 2017 Yart Sale!

Everybody's favorite neighborhood Yard and Art sale will return Saturday April 1st, 2017 from 8am to 2pm, to the New York School gym. Put these too-cold-to-go-outdoors days to good use cleaning out your spaces --

your basements and attics and spare rooms. And save those rediscovered gently used and unique items to donate to ELNA for the Yart Sale! Want to get that stuff out of your house ASAP? Let us know, and we'll take it off your hands, and find a place to store it. Email us at eastlawrence@yahoo.com. And be sure to mark your calendars to attend the sale as well. You never know what treasure will emerge for the ELNA Yart Sale!!

ELNA Board Election Results

A new 2016-2017 Board was selected on November 14th 2016. According to our bylaws, the outgoing president is required to serve the year following his presidency, and therefore, President Aaron Paden's position on the board was not up for re-election. A total of 15 candidates ran for 13 positions. A total of 84 votes were cast. Because the top vote getter only received 70 votes, it is indicated that 14 ballots were not entirely completed. Here are the final tallies, in alphabetical order:

Mike Anderson 39 Pam Blackburn 66 Phil Collison 65 Josh Davis (Penn St) 64 Joshua Davis (NY St) 44 Jennifer Distlehorst 39 Katherine Harris 59 Eric Jay 70 Johni Lacore 43 Chris Lempa 57 Dave Loewenstein 63 Timothy Morland 27 Catherine Reed 41 Cindy Suenram 53 KT Walsh

After the final tally, a tie between Jennifer Distlehorst and Mike Anderson for the 13th position was apparent. The resolution of the tie was on the December 5th ELNA meeting agenda for discussion. At the December 5th meeting, Josh Davis (Penn St) resigned his position to make room for both Jennifer and Mike to serve. Thank you for your service, Josh! Welcome, Jennifer and Mike! At the same meeting, Phil Collison was selected by the attendance as President, with Chris Lempa as Vice President. Pam Blackburn agreed to continue as Secretary. KH Harris is our Treasurer through the fiscal year.

Your new ELNA board is:

Phil Collision, Chris Lempa, Pam Blackburn, Mike Anderson, Joshua Davis (NY St), Jennifer Distlehorst, KH Harris, Eric Jay, Johni Lacore, Dave Loewenstein, Catherine Reed, Cindy Suenram, and KT Walsh. Contact information for each member is listed on the front page of this newsletter, should you wish to contact them. Lane Eisenbart continues as Coordinator.

Pam Blackburn



KT Walsh



2017 Board Interviews

Mike Anderson

1. What projects do you want to work on this year? The ELNA budget is a big one for me. But really I'm enthusiastic about working on all projects surrounding the future of East Lawrence. I've lived here for over a decade now and I'm grateful for the opportunity to make a positive difference.



- 2. What do you want people to know about you as a board member? I have my doctorate in Communication Studies from The University of Kansas. I'm a great listener and love a good discussion/argument. I'm also a big believer in transparency. I hope everyone who reads this understands that I want to hear from them. I have a strong grasp on the issues, values, and pulse of this community and Lawrence as a whole. I certainly however, don't pretend to know it all. This is exactly why I consider communication paramount. I'm very much a "why not" person who is ready to work.
- 3. Anything else you want to tell East Lawrence? "Communication + Unity = Community" *The Simpsons*

Phil Collison

1. What projects do you want to work on this year? I want to follow along with the items that come in front of the City Commission and various supporting boards that impact East Lawrence both directly and indirectly.



- 2. What do you want people to know about you as a board member? I want to do a deep dive into the issues that confront us, and understand and note the intricacies in each issue.
- 3. Anything else you want to tell East Lawrence? Hello East Lawrence! I am glad you are here!

Johni Lacore

1) What projects do you want to work on this year? As Chris and I did for the ELNA Adopt-an-Agency this holiday season, I'd love to help organize other fundraising events to help vital agencies in our community. I believe it's going to be especially im-



- portant in the coming year that members of our community feel welcomed and supported by their neighbors.
- 2) What do you want people to know about you as a board member? I'm excited and appreciative for the opportunity to be a young female voice on the board. I'm an involved member of the community and I'm looking forward to making new meaningful connections. I'll work to preserve the unique flavor that East Lawrence has to offer.
- 3) Anything else you want to tell East Lawrence? East Lawrence, you're a gem.

KH

1. What projects do you want to work on this year? As Treasurer for ELNA, I like the idea Aaron had of putting our income and expenses spreadsheets up on Google Cloud so that they are available for all to see. Transparency of the organization will be healing for



the neighborhood after such an intense year as we had last year.

2. What do you want people to know about you as a board member? I am open minded and willing to listen to all opinions. I love jokes. My winter hat is a chicken, so I'm easy to find in a cold crowd.



Eric Jay

1. What projects do you want to work on this year? Home Tour and other means of fundraising.

2. What do you want people to know about you as a board member? My amazing wife, two incredible daughters, nerv-

ous wiener dog and hungry cat reside in the house that I built at 824 NJ. I co-own Struct/ReStruct with a life long friend of mine and over the past 9 years we've been fortunate enough to provide well-designed and built residential projects throughout East Lawrence. When I'm not putting in time at SRS I like to hang with the family, cook, listen to tunes and remind myself I'm not the athlete I used to be.

3. Anything else you want to tell East Lawrence? Yeah, a few wise words by this guy.....

"May your hands always be busy, May your feet always be swift, May you have a strong foundation, When the winds of changes shift."

Bob Dylan



Dave Loewenstein

1. What projects do you want to work on this year? Opening up the Murphy-Bromelsick house to East Lawrence programming; Board Training; Conservation overlay for north of 9th st.; Exploring the idea of a Cultural Impact Study

review for new development projects.

- 2. What do you want people to know about you as a board member? I am honored to serve on the most active neighborhood board in Lawrence.
- 3. Anything else you want to tell East Lawrence? We are the representative caretakers of a remarkable working-class, historic and culturally rich neighborhood. Because of this, East Lawrence is attractive to many including real estate speculators and developers who's interests may not always align with ELNA's values. It's our task to ensure that East Lawrence remains truly affordable for our current residents and small businesses.

Josh Davis



What projects do you want to work on this year? River Cleanup, Adopt-a-Family holiday gifts and Zoning

2. What do you want people to know about you as a board member? I wel-

come neighbors to contact me to discuss issues that are important to them.

3. Anything else you want to tell East Lawrence? You don't have to be on the board to get involved. Echoing our neighborhood board president, anyone who wants to work on projects is welcome to attend meetings and volunteer.

Chris Lempa

1. What projects do you want to work on this year? I was recently involved in an effort to retire the lunch debt at New York Elementary School. This spring I plan to do the same at Liberty Memorial Central Middle School. I will also be exploring options to make this a regular thing.



Additionally I am interested in working on the proposed conservation overlay.

2. What do you want people to know about you as a board member? I eat mostly plants and like to run long distances at moderate paces. One of my favorite sayings is that we all do better when we all do better. In that sense I believe it is important to listen to different ideas and treat people with respect.

Oh yeah, I really like punk rock.

3. Anything else you want to tell East Lawrence? It is an honor to serve as Vice President of the best hood in Lawrence. Please contact me with any questions, comments or concerns - 542-0106 or 8lempa8@gmail.com. Stay rad.

Catherine C. Reed

- 1. What projects do you want to work on this year? Any projects involved the outdoors, parks, trails, gardens, trees, etc.
- 2. What do you want people to know about you as a board member? I'm a thoughtful person with a strong knowledge of science and a strong interest in art.
- 3. Anything else you want to tell East Lawrence? I love the neighborhood and walk everywhere. I always want to know what's going on.

Cindy Suenram

- 1. What projects do you want to work on this year? YART Sale and the Block Party; continue with the printed newsletter.
- 3. Anything else you want to tell East Lawrence? It's a wonderful day in the neighborhood...



2017 Board Interview continued

Aaron Paden

1. What projects do you want to work on this year Fundraising so we can continue our tradition of a having a great newsletter; Finishing the zoning updates and starting an overlay district; Affordable housing / commercial spaces; Bylaws! Whoop!



- 2. What do you want people to know about you as a board member? I am an avid fan of Farnsworth Bicycle Laboratories. There is probably no finer art than Kinetic bicycle sculpture made right here in East Lawrence. If you haven't ridden a Farnsworth original you haven't lived. This year come by ELNA's block party or head down to the Art Tougeau parade and ride the best! I also like pie. Vive la East Lawrence!
- 3. Anything else you want to tell East Lawrence? East Lawrence has a long history of being a working class neighborhood. This means that the majority of homes are small affordable houses. A relatively recent rise in the popularity of the neighborhood has caused an upswing in the speed of gentrification which for some is a threat to the culture and history of community friendly 'naturally occurring' affordable housing. There is a rich history in the old lots of East Lawrence and it informs who we are and where we are going and what do we want to be remembered for. While I welcome all neighbors I believe it is in the best interest of Lawrence and our neighborhood to work to remain the welcoming home of those less fortunate.



Jennifer Distlehorst

Hello ELNA neighbors! My name is Jennifer and I've been a resident of East Lawrence for almost ten years. My first stint on the ELNA board was even before I moved to East Lawrence, back when I was working to get Delaware Street Com-

mons designed and built. I've always admired the passion and creativity that East Lawrencians bring to life in our neighborhood. I'm looking forward to working on neighborhood projects and issues, such as balancing preservation and development, and supporting ELNA events like the Yart Sale and the Block Party. Facilitating good meetings and listening to hear all sides of issues are important to me and I'm looking forward to serving ELNA in these ways.

About me personally, I'm a research engineer with the Department of Transportation who lives at Delaware Street Commons with my husband and two kitties. I'm also a Spaceholder apprentice of 5Rhythms movement meditation/conscious dance at Be Moved Studio in Downtown Lawrence. If I'm not dancing, I can be frequently found with either knitting needles or a book in my hands.

Demographic Insight

A committee of ELNA members just recently completed an application for Community Development funds through the City, and we thought you all might like a look at some of the raw numbers that represent East Lawrence.

From city.data.com

http://www.city-data.com/city/Lawrence-Kansas.html
East Lawrence Income figured by 2010 Census Data via
city.data.com

In three parts:

- 1. Mass E to Almira, 13th S to 15th
- 2. Mass to E. Burroughs Creek Trail, 8th S to 13th With notes from
 - 3. Mass E to River, River S to 8th, plus Brook Creek Area

Area 1.

Race 80% White

5% Black

7% Hispanic

7% Native American

1% Multirace

Median Income \$15,750

Median House Value \$125,000

Median Rental Cost \$532/month

Residents below the poverty level 19%

Median Resident age 38

Percent of Households defined as family 34%

Area 2.

Race 92% White

4% Hispanic

4% Multirace

Median Income \$40,833

Median Rental Cost \$681/month

Median House Value

Residents below the poverty level 22%

Median Resident Age 30

Percent of Households defined as family 18%

Area 3. (which includes E Lawrence North of 8th)

Race 82% White

17% Hispanic

1% Multirace

Median Income \$35,667

Median House Value \$130,008

Median Rental Cost \$428/month

Residents Below Poverty Level 12%

Median Resident Age 33

Percent Households defined as family 24%

According to http://www.publicschoolreview.com/new-york-elementary-school-profile

Our New York Elementary, where all East Lawrence children K-5 attend has 65% qualification for free and reduced lunches.

Some numbers from our own archives:

Newsletters sent out to households 1250+

Active, dues paid members 158

Facebook followers 1,270

Active Email contacts 1.134

Enews recipients 361

Voter turnout 2015 - 240, 2016 -- 84

In summary, go team! Thanks ELNA board and members, for making all those archive numbers look so good!

Please attend!

New York Elementary's Annual MLK Chili Feed

Tuesday, January 17th, from 5-7pm

In the New York School gym and cafeteria

All friends, family, neighbors are welcome. This is an all community event!

A free will cash donation will be collected at the door.

Chili (both meat and vegetarian), with sides, drinks, and desserts will be served. Our wonderful neighbors at St Luke AME Church will perform, and we're hoping our dear Kitchen Manager Rauna McCoy will be our special guest. This will be Rauna's 25th year attending, volunteering, and working for the Chili Feed!

What you can bring:

Students of New York are asked to contribute an item to the Chili Feed, and to bring that item to school the day of, Tuesday January 17th.

- Kindergarten and 1st: carrot and celery sticks, for sides
- 2nd and 3rd: shredded cheese for topping
- 4th and 5th: saltine crackers, for sides

Students, families, friends, and neighbors can bring:

Anyone can bring desserts to contribute. Bars, cookies, slices of pie or cake, anything easily portioned would be great. Those contributions can be brought to the school anytime during the school day Tuesday January 17th. Just ask at the office! If anyone would like to contribute vegetarian chili, that would be welcome too!

New this year

We find our school clothing room is spare on coats. If you have any youth winter coats you're getting rid of, please bring them with you to the Chili Feed. All sizes, all genders needed. We're ok on gloves and hats and other winter gear, just missing coats. We'll wash your donated coat and store it in the clothing room for next time someone forgets or doesn't have a coat and they need one to go outside for recess.

Questions? Email Lane leisenbart@yahoo.com.

New and Renewing Members

We're still sorting through all your lovely membership forms from the November ELNA elections, and before, so what follows is by no means comprehensive list of new and renewing ELNA members. Thanks for your support neighbors!

Ron Wright

Johni Lacore

Martha Thorpe

Ken Easthouse

Josh and Ania Brewer

Joe Bickford and marci francisco

Henry Fortunato

Arch Naramore and Cindy Suenram

Jennifer Distlehorst

Irene Tsuneta and Katherine "KH"Harris

Natasha Karlin

Dennis Reed

Oliva Marshall, Richard Niquette,

Brysen Russell

Hilary Barnet

Janet Good

James C. Dunn

Frank Janzen

John Sebelius

Allison Sebelius

Boog Highberger

Jaqueline Counts

Bruce Eggers

Brad Gibson

Jasmine Westphal

Mick Palmer

Sarah Rooney

Intersection Repair Update

Friends and neighbors,

We hope your winter is going well and that you and yours are staying warm! After discussion, we have decided we are going to repaint the 10th and New Jersey intersection mural at another location in East Lawrence. We are still ironing out the details as to what that location is, but will let everyone know when its settled.

We are meeting at the Lawrence Public Library on Thursday, February 2nd at 7:00pm in Meeting Room A to discuss the project. At that time, we will have more information about the future mural location. Anyone who wants to be involved in organizing the next mural painting or who has ideas or suggestions for the overall project is encouraged to attend!

Thanks as always for your continued support and don't hesitate to reach out with suggestions! You can reach us by email at katy.clagett@gmail.com or katy.clagett@gmail.com or katy.clagett@gmail.com or visitation.com or visitation.com or visitation.com or <a href="mailto:visitation.com"

Best, The Intersection Repair Team

City Offers Loan Program for Furnace Repairs

City Offers Loan Program for Emergency Repairs

Emergency & furnace loans available for income-qualified Lawrence homeowewners.

For emergency situations, the city offers an emergency loan program that can provide up to \$5,000 for emergency repairs that eliminate immediate hazards to health and safety or to repair damage to the structure likely to cause health and safety hazards.

The furnace loan program can provide up to \$5,000 for the replacement/addition of existing heating and/or cooling source with approved energy-efficient appliances.

Both programs require a zero interest, zero payment mortgage to be placed on the property. The loan amount is due in full when the applicant is no longer the owner/occupant.

Please contact Community Development staff at (785) 832-7700 for additional terms and conditions, or visit www.lawrenceks.org/pds/housing_programs to download an application.

Sunrise Project Winter Updates

Sunrise Project stays busy throughout the winter!

- Renovations are ON at the site! (1501 Learnard Ave.) We've received our building permit from the city and will be making progress over the winter turning the old retail building into a beautiful community space!
- We're organizing community cooking classes with Haskell Light Center to teach the basics of cooking good food.
- Food Rocket spring semester sessions are in full swing at New York and Cordley Elementary Schools. Food Rocket will be making a delicious batch of veggie chili for the MLK chili feed!
- We're hosting a baking class where participants will learn how to make basic scones and French yogurt cake. Check out our website for more information & to enroll! (www.sunriseprojectks.org)
- Nicholas Ward has been picking up food scraps from New York Elementary and delivering to our on-site worms as part of our vermicomposting Green Schools Grant partnership! We plan to expand the number of worms and number of compost pick-up sites in the coming months.

Happy holidays from Sunrise Project!

Questions? Contact Emily and Melissa at info@sunrise.org



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Store Hours

Monday – Friday 7:30 am – 6:00 pm

Saturday 8:00 am – 5:00 pm

Sunday 10:00 am – 5:00 pm

Cottin's Hardware Farmers Market – Indoors!
Thursdays {through April}
4:00 pm – 6:00 pm
Located inside Cottin's Hardware & Rental

From the folks at the Downtown Grocery Committee, here are a few notes about the project. Dec. 2016

What is this purpose of this FAQ? The Downtown Grocery Committee has published these frequently asked questions both to dispel some of the current misinformation about the project as well as build community support for the downtown grocery store. We are responsible for this content, and the retailer has made changes to his satisfaction; as information changes or new questions come in, we will update this document and publish a new version on our Facebook page.

Who is the Downtown Grocery Committee? We are friends and neighbors who are concerned about the lack of access to fresh, healthy, affordable food in our core neighborhoods. We first gathered in 2013 to address the issue of the food desert in Lawrence and have been meeting regularly ever since. Our weekly meetings at 9 am on Thursdays are open, and we hold a public meeting at the library on the last Thursday of each month (barring holidays). Join us on Facebook: We publish meeting information on our Facebook page well in advance of the meeting date. You may request to join the group to receive updates. Our Facebook page is: https://www.facebook.com/groups/DTGrocery/

What is a food desert? How would a downtown grocery fix that problem? A food desert is an area where the majority of people live more than one mile from a grocery store and at least 20% of the residents meet the federal poverty level standard. The downtown grocery store will not completely resolve the food desert in Lawrence, but it will make a significant impact toward defeating the food desert in quite a large swath of our core neighborhoods.

Will the store be a local or regional grocer? Will it be Checkers? Currently, the strong interest to date is a regional grocer out of Kansas City – Price Chopper. The Queen family is committed to offer the Lawrence community a unique grocery and gourmet store.

Will the groceries be affordable? Yes. One of our main goals has been to attract a retailer that offers goods and services that most people in the surrounding area can afford. This retailer has such a history.

Will the store double SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program)? That is undetermined as of this writing. The Downtown Grocery Committee supports this type of program, and the retailer has experience doing this in other communities. Price Chopper is signed on with this program for the next few years, starting in 2017.

Will the store offer specialty and gourmet foods? Of course. This will be a full-line grocery store that will carry everything from store brands to name brands, including gourmet meats, cheeses, and specialty food made on-site.

Will the store sell local and/or regional produce, meat, and other products? Yes. Queen's Price Chopper has their own regional produce purchasing program via a local wholesaler, C&C Produce. Local and regional farmers are welcome to participate; the farmers included must qualify for the program, be inspected, and have liability insurance.

Will the store have a selection of organically grown foods? Yes. Expect a selection of fresh, frozen and packaged organic items.

Will the store offer "grab-n-go" (prepared and prepackaged) food? Yes, as well as fresh food prepared on-site.

Will there be a bulk foods section? Yes, but on a limited basis due to space available.

Will the store sell live bait for people who fish on the river Not at this time.

When will the store open? We expect the store will open some time in 2018. As of this writing, representatives involved in the project say they hope for mid-2017 for the groundbreaking.

Will the store be open 24/7? No. Current operational hours will be 6 a.m. - 10 p.m.; possibly midnight.

What size will the building be? What height will it be? Current designs for the building have the grocery store at 40-45 thousand sq. ft, slightly larger than the Dillons on Massachusetts street. The overall height of the building with the residential project will be 40' – which is just 10' higher than the current "Borders" building.

Where will the mechanicals (heating, cooling, electrics) for the building be located? There are many options being discussed including rooftop or enclosed areas; concern for noise and light pollution in the neighborhood is being taken into consideration in the design.

Will the historic Donnelly Stables (and former auto garages) wall on the north side of the current building be saved? Yes. The architectural plans include saving the north wall and integrating it into the design.

What does "mixed-use building" mean? "Mixed use" means a mixture of commercial and residential uses. The commercial use will be a grocery store.

Will the store deliver groceries? Will there be a drive-up for grocery pickup? The store will offer pickup for online ordering with an eye on possible future delivery services.

Will the store have a pharmacy? If so, will it have a drive-thru pickup? As of this writing, a local pharmacy is being considered, and the architectural plans incorporate a drive-thru for the pharmacy.

How will vehicle traffic flow onto and off of the site? There are a number of different types of vehicles that will visit the site, from semi trucks to bicycles.

The semi truck entrance will be on the northeast side, off of 7th street. Truck deliveries will happen overnight, so should not affect daytime traffic.

Light truck (bread, chips, soda) delivery is likely to be on the east side of the building throughout the day.

The pharmacy drive-thru will be on the south side of the building, in the surface parking lot.

Shoppers will use the parking garage, which will have its entrance on the southeast corner of the structure. Shoppers who park here will enter the store from within the underground structure.

The primary street and surface parking entrance for the store will be on New Hampshire street, and there will be bike racks available nearby.

There will be no vehicle access between the Hobbs Taylor parking lot and the grocery parking lot.

Will delivery trucks stack up on the street? Will there be a noidling clause for delivery trucks? We don't anticipate a cycle of deliveries that will exceed the capacity of the enclosed delivery bay, which means idling should not happen.

How will the project affect resident parking in East Lawrence? The discussion between East Lawrence neighbors and developers is ongoing.

What will the impact be on adjacent downtown parking? The developer is making every effort to accommodate the increase in



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parking on-site by building two levels of underground parking and keeping some surface parking available. There will be 200 approximately spaces underground; 100 for the store and 100 for the building's residents.

How much surface parking will remain? How much of it will be dedicated to grocery parking? The number of stalls is still to be determined; however, all of the surface parking on the property will be dedicated to grocery parking.

Will there be bus stops convenient to the grocery store? Will these stops have shelters? The committee and residents plan to advocate strongly to the city and the transportation company regarding the location and relocation of stops and inclusion of shelters as the project develops.

Will there be shopping carts that can be taken to each bus stop – perhaps paid carts? The shopping carts will have locking mechanisms on them, which means they won't be able to be taken off of the store grounds. Employees will be available to assist carrying groceries for people who need help getting to their car or a bus stop. The building design takes into consideration seating on the outside of the building for the bus lines and a grocery loading area inside the garage.

How will shoppers get carts to and from the underground parking? Design plans include a cart escalator as well as a people escalator between the store and the parking structure.

What will this project cost us as taxpayers? Some of the funding for the grocery project will come out of federal funding designated for areas identified as food deserts. We are anticipating a request for public incentives for both the parking and living structures. We do not know at this time what will be asked for or how this will affect tax rates. The normal planning process involves several opportunities for public commentary and input.

How many jobs will the store create? 150-200 new jobs, both full and part-time.

Will the jobs at the store provide a living wage? We expect so, but we don't have data at this time. Incentives from the city may require a living wage.

What overall benefit will the grocery store have for our downtown and our city? This store will enhance the character of our downtown by broadening and diversifying its economic base. The store will bring over 2500 people a day to our downtown, many of whom will also seek other goods and services in the neighborhood. It will be an anchor store that supplies local employment, community connection, and convenient access to a variety of foods and other goods to help serve the varied needs of area residents, downtown restaurants, and out-of-town visitors. It will improve access to healthy, affordable food in the food desert, which will have a positive effect in our core neighborhoods.

Our Facebook is: https://www.facebook.com/groups/DTGrocery/

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\$1.00 for in-neighborhood individuals \$5.00 for out-of-neighborhood individuals \$10.00 for in-neighborhood non-profit entities \$20.00 for in-neighborhood businesses \$100.00 lifetime individual membership

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	We print the names of new and returning members in the bimonthly paper newsletter. Check here if it's OK to print your name.		

- We're working on creating a block-by-block calling/check-in network of neighbors to contact in the event of an emergency. It's a work in progress. Check here if you'd like to be contacted about being a BlockHead—a contact person for your block in the event of emergency or issue.
- Check here if you'd like to be added to our "Thursday ELNA News" weekly e-newsletter email list.

Send this form and your check payable to ELNA to: ELNA, PO Box 442393 Lawrence KS 66044

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YART (Yard/Art) Sale		
Block Party		
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Art		
Music		
Photography		
Gardening		
Grilling		
Fund Raising		
Historic Preservation		
Serving on the ELNA Board		
Website/Technical Management		
Baking/Cooking		