

Unified Government of Wyandotte County and Kansas City, Kansas



Neighborhood & Community Development Meeting

5th Floor Conference Room

701 N. 7th Street Trafficway, Kansas City, KS 66101

Commissioner Andrew Davis, Chair

*Commissioner Gayle Townsend – Commissioner Evelyn Hill –
Commissioner Christian Ramirez – Commissioner Melissa Bynum*

MINUTES

Monday, September 30, 2024

7:25 PM-10:24 PM

Attendance:

Committee Members Present:

- Commissioner Andrew Davis (Chair)
- Commissioner Hill
- Commissioner Townsend
- Commissioner Bynum

Committee Members Absent:

- Commissioner Ramirez

Staff Present:

- Brittnie MacDonald (Clerk)
- Deasiray Bush (Director of Public Transportation)
- James Malloy (Urban Planning and Zoning)
- Judd Knapp (Land Bank Administrator)
- Wendy Green (Deputy Chief Counsel)
- Rodney Lucas (Interim Assistant County Administrator)
- LaVert Murray (Economic Development Advisor to the Mayor)

Call to Order:

Commissioner Davis called the meeting to order at 7:25 PM.

Revisions to Agenda:

No revisions to the agenda were reported.

Approval of Previous Minutes: (Discussion Begins 2:15:29)

No previous minutes were presented for approval.

Committee Agenda:**Item 1: PRESENTATION: UNIFIED GOVERNMENT TRANSPORTATION 2025 SERVICE OPTIMIZATION (Discussion Begins 2:15:34)**

Deasiray Bush, the director of the Unified Government Transportation Department, presented the 2025 service optimization plan. She was accompanied by James Malloy from Urban Planning and Zoning, who helped her present the data during the meeting.

Key Points

- Optimizing existing fixed routes for a revenue-neutral budget
- Proposing six route changes
- Reducing from nine fixed routes to seven routes
- Changing most route frequencies to 60 minutes
- Reducing weekend service from four routes to two routes (101 and Seventh Street)
- Eliminating some routes like 18th Street and Leavenworth Road
- Expanding micro transit services to fill service gaps
- Addressing financial challenges due to the end of COVID relief funds
- Aiming to maintain service to core areas with high population density
- Introducing a \$3 micro transit ride-share service in the Northeast community

Public Comments:

- Lisa Walker Yeager (Kansas City, KS)(Comment Begins 2:53:36)
- Carolynn Wyatt (Kansas City, KS)(Comment Begins 2:57:08)

This item was for information only and no action was required.

Item No. 2 - LAND BANK OPTIONS (Discussion Begins 3:13:23)

Jud Knapp presented several land bank applications.

A. Single Family Homes – 15 Homes + Nehemiah Project

7. Junior Miguel Paz Morales – 1 home
 - i. 3431 Barnett Ave – 059421
8. Pillar KC LLC – 1 home
 - i. 1517 N 55th St – 918005
9. Fran Sutton, FMJ Properties – 1 home
 - i. 3501 Lust Dr – 079409
10. Juan Gilt / Patricia Carreon – 2 homes
 - i. 17 S 13th ST – 103245
 - ii. 1241 Ridge Ave – 067000
11. Jared Storhaug – 1 home
 - i. 841 N 84th St – 009406
12. Mohamed Huubse – 1 home
 - i. 1852 S Early St – 155050
13. Jorge Gutierrez – 1 home
 - i. 1122 Lafayette Ave – 157002
14. Altar Support – 7 homes
 - i. 2605 Sherman St – 109666
 - ii. 2607 Sherman St - 109667
 - iii. 2611 Sherman St - 109668
 - iv. 2615 Sherman St - 109669
 - v. 2701 Sherman St – 109670
 - vi. 619 Georgia Ave – 132109
 - vii. 622 Rowland Ave - 111801
15. Nehemiah Project -???
 - i. 3090 N 18TH ST - 162402
 - ii. 3084 N 18TH ST - 162403
 - iii. 3056 N 18TH ST - 162407
 - iv. 3054 N 18TH ST - 162408
 - v. 3042 N 18TH ST - 162410
 - vi. 3058 N 18TH ST - 162506
 - vii. 2936 N 18TH ST - 162600
 - viii. 3061 N 20TH ST - 162416
 - ix. 3063 N 20TH ST - 162417

- x. 3069 N 20TH ST - 162418
- xi. 3075 N 20TH ST – 162419
- xii. 3035 N 20th St – 162604
- xiii. 3019 N 20th St - 162602
- xiv. 2836 HIAWATHA ST - 158759
- xv. 1818 YECKER AVE - 115779
- xvi. 1828 YECKER AVE - 158753
- xvii. 1826 YECKER AVE - 158754
- xviii. 1816 YECKER AVE - 158756
- xix. 1810 YECKER AVE - 158757
- xx. 1806 YECKER AVE - 158758
- xxi. 1800 YECKER AVE - 158760
- xxii. 1811 YECKER AVE - 158764
- xxiii. 1821 YECKER AVE - 158766
- xxiv. 1823 YECKER AVE - 158767
- xxv. 1825 YECKER AVE - 158769
- xxvi. 1829 YECKER AVE - 158770
- xxvii. 1831 YECKER AVE - 158771

B. Multi Family – 2 units

- 1. Don White – 2 Units
 - i. 1007 N 33rd St – 194334

C. Commercial

- 1. RA Engineering Corp
 - i. 5320 State Ave - 406501

Public Comments for A7-A14:

- Elnora Jefferson (Kansas City, KS)(Comment Begins 3:19:39)
- Lisa Walker Yeager (Kansas City, KS)(Comment Begins 3:21:10)
- Pamela Hicks (Wyandotte County)(Comment Begins 3:23:36)

Public Comments for A15:

- Lisa Walker Yeager (Kansas City, KS)(Comment Begins 4:01:49)
- Dejsha Bush (Kansas City, KS)(Comment Begins 4:04:44)
- Greg Kindle (Kansas City, KS)(Comment Begins 4:05:25)
- Stephanie (Wyandotte County)(Comment Begins 4:08:05)
- Stevie Wakes (Kansas City, KS)(Comment Begins 4:09:10)
- Carolyn Wyatt (Kansas City, KS)(Comment Begins 4:10:07)
- Sandra Green (Wyandotte County)(Comment Begins 4:10:50)
- Jules Smiley (St. Louis)(Comment Begins 4:13:40)

- [No name and residency provided due to no audio] **(Comment Begins 4:14:50)**
- Terry Bradshaw, Sr. (Johnson County)**(Comment Begins 4:16:40)**
- Eric Murray (Kansas City, KS)**(Comment Begins 4:18:01)**
- Karen Daniels (Kansas City, KS)**(Comment Begins 4:18:23)**
- Pamela Hicks (Wyandotte County)**(Comment Begins 4:20:04)**
- Melissa Phillips (not a resident of Wyandotte County)**(Comment Begins 4:20:43)**
- Sherry Cade (not a resident of Wyandotte County)**(Comment Begins 4:22:28)**

Commissioner Hill moved to approve Items A7 – A12. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Townsend.

Vote: Motion carried 4-0

- Ayes: Hill, Townsend, Bynum, Davis
- Nays: none
- Absent: Ramirez

Commissioner Townsend moved to approve Item A13. The motion failed for lack of a second. Commissioner Townsend moved to approve Item A13. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bynum.

Vote: Motion carried 4-0

- Ayes: Hill, Townsend, Bynum, Davis
- Nays: none
- Absent: Ramirez

Commissioner Townsend moved to continue Item A14. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Davis.

Vote: Motion carried 4-0

- Ayes: Hill, Townsend, Bynum, Davis
- Nays: none
- Absent: Ramirez

Commissioner Townsend moved to continue Item A15. The motion was withdrawn.

Commissioner Davis moved to approved Item A15 with conditions. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Townsend.

Vote: Motion carried 4-0

- Ayes: Hill, Townsend, Bynum, Davis
 - Nays: none
- Absent: Ramirez

Commissioner Bynum moved to approve Items B1 and C1. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hill.

Vote: Motion carried 4-0

- Ayes: Hill, Townsend, Bynum, Davis
 - Nays: none
- Absent: Ramirez

Item 3: Land Bank Property Transfers (Discussion Begins 5:11:48)

Jud Knapp presented several land bank applications.

PT- – Property Transfers

Nehemiah Project

- i. 1815 Yecker Ave – 158765

Transfer of an UG owned property into the Land Bank for the Nehemiah Project.

Commissioner Bynum moved to approve Item PT1. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hill.

Vote: Motion carried 4-0

- Ayes: Hill, Townsend, Bynum, Davis
 - Nays: none
- Absent: Ramirez

Public Agenda

Item No. 1 - APPEARANCE: KAREN DANIELS (Comment Begins 5:13:42)

Karen Daniels, CEO of Boston Daniels Corporation, and Sherrie Cade, Gateway Regional Council, presented a brief overview of the Quindaro Peace and Arts District proposal, requesting designation as a Tax Increment Financing district.

No formal action was taken on this item.

Adjournment: (Discussion Begins 5:18:47)

Commissioner Townsend moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hill.

Vote: Motion carried 4-0

- Ayes: Hill, Townsend, Bynum, Davis
- Nays: none
- Absent: Ramirez

The meeting was adjourned at 10:24 PM.

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