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EAST LAWRENCE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATIÓN 1200 New York Street Lawrence, Kansas 66044

Mayor Sandy Praeger Lawrence City Commission c/o City Hall 6 East 6th Street Lawrence, Kansas 66044



February 20, 1987

Dear Mayor and Commissioners,

At our Association's monthly membership meeting earlier this week, our representative to the Community Development Advisory Committee, Mr. Val Romero was queried about CD budget proposals, the process of recommendation and decision, and the performance of East Lawrence's other "representative", Ms. Krizman. Mr. Romero, who is chairman of the committee, informed the group that Ms. Krizman had failed to make any of the sessions at which the committee has been considering funding proposals. As a result of that revelation and ensuing discussions, the association voted unanimously to direct me to write this letter.

In years past, Community Development funds have played an important role in funding improvements for our neighborhood. Such projects as the East-Side Community Grocery, Homesteads, Paint-up, Clean-up, Trees, Sidewalks, Trash racks, housing rehabilitation, etc. have contributed to the liveability of our neighborhood. CD money built the infrastructure of our association which is now largely self-sufficient. All of these projects were made possible by having representatives who were willing to attend meetings and advocate strongly for the needs of the neighborhood. Incidentally, a vast majority of our representatives have also taken a community view and compromised many items on the East Lawrence "wish list" in favor of proposals from other neighborhoods which might have addressed more pressing needs.

Because of the importance of dedicated representation to our neighborhood, and the importance of a committee with members who take their responsibilities seriously to the functioning of the whole system, the East Lawrence Improvement Association respectfully requests that you ask Ms. Krizman to resign from the Committee and appoint someone who is interested and committed to attending meetings and representing the points of view of East Lawrence residents.

Attached is a list of three people nominated by the membership of the association for your consideration. It makes good sense to provide the neighborhood with representation and the committee with an active member when there are three quality people willing to serve the community as a representative to the committee. Thank you for your consideration

Sincerely,

Barry M. Shalinsky President, ELIA

Attachment

cc: Lynn Goodell

#### ELIA Nominees for Community Development Advisory Committee

All of the following nominees are homeowners and residents in East Lawrence. All have families with children growing up in the neighborhood. All are members of ELIA and have been active in a variety of community activities, both inside and outside of their involvement in the neighborhood association. All are thoughtful, intelligent, fair people who know how to take individual responsibilities and also know how to work as part of a group.

In alphabetical order:

JOLENE ANDERSEN 1402 New York St. 842-2533

cabinet maker and carpenter

PATRICIA DORIA 1240 Rhode Island St. 841-6575

social services -- Independence, Inc.

JOHN RALSTON 940 Rhode Island St. 749-3598

faculty, K.U. Physics Dept.



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August 1, 1987

Barry Shalinsky President, ELIA 645 Connecticut Lawrence, KS 66044

Dear Mr. Shalinsky:

This letter is a request for your assistance in the City's endeavors to promote fair housing in Lawrence. As part of its fair housing outreach and education efforts, the City would like to submit a series of articles about fair housing laws, tenant rights, etc. for publication in the ELIA Newsletter. The City would also appreciate any time that could be set aside at one of your regular monthly association meetings for Arvilla Vickers of the Human Relations/Human Resources Department to speak on fair housing and to answer any questions that neighborhood residents may have about fair housing.

If you are interested in assisting us in this matter, please call Arvilla Vickers at extension 314 or me at extension 106 to discuss possible publication dates, speaking dates, etc. We hope to begin the series in the near future, so your prompt response will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Kurt A. Schroeder

CDBG Program Analyst

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cc: Arvilla Vickers



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January 20, 1988

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Barry Shalinsky 645 Connecticut Lawrence, KS 66044

Dear Mr. Shalinsky:

As you are aware the CD Department is now in its budget process for the 1988 CDBG program, and we are evaluating past projects that remain incomplete with balances of unused monies. The ELIA Trash Can Rack project is just such a project. Presently, the project has an unencumbered balance of \$3,198.92 and an outstanding purchase order (PO32202) to Whelan's in the amount of \$758.36.

The 90 day extension to the December 29th, 1986, Agreement, expired on August 29, 1987, and we are going to reallocate the unencumbered balance of \$3,198.92. Also, please advise us as to the status of the material listed on PO32202. If the material has not been delivered, we will cancel the purchase order and reallocate the \$758.36 along with the \$3,198.92. If the material has been delivered, please send us the invoice.

We regret taking this action but we can no longer tie up CDBG funds which could otherwise be used in the community.

If you have any questions, please contact Tom Cooley or me.

Sincerely

Lynn A. (Goodell

Director of Community Development



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June 21. 1988

Mr. Barry Shalinsky 645 Connecticut Lawrence. Kansas 66044

Dear Mr. Shalinsky:

I am writing in regards to the East Side Community Grocery (ESCG), formerly located at 1200 New York Street here in Lawrence. Both of us are familiar with its creation, as Community Development (CD) funding formed the basis for its operations and you were a member of the ESCG Board of Directors. Less well known, at least to me, are the circumstances surrounding its closing. My staff and I have received little information as to the disposition and condition of any equipment remaining in the store at the time ESCG ceased doing business.

It is for this reason that I am writing you now. My staff and I are currently contacting members of the ESCG Board of Directors in search of additional information. My concern, at least initially, is to simply make a final accounting of any ESCG property purchased with Community Development funds. There is also the possibility of federal review of the ESCG project in the future. As Director of Community Development, I have a responsibility to ensure compliance with federal statutes and regulations, as well as Lawrence City Commission directives. I am asking for your assistance in this matter.

Specifically, I need to know the location of all durable equipment If items are purchased by the ESCG Board of Directors with CD money. stored. I need to know where; if items have been sold, I need to know to whom, at what price and the use made of any proceeds from the sale. As you may recall, title to all equipment was vested in the City of Lawrence at the time the ESCG project was funded. files contain title papers for the following items: (6) Lozier. Shelving Units; (1) Super Cold Cooler; (3) freezers; (1) safe; (1) Aero We also hold copies of bills paid by the Comstainless steel sink. munity Development Department for numerous other items, including shopscalers, racks, a handtruck, a ladder, a telephone, and In addition, you may remember that the Sharp cash register ping carts. was the subject of a repurchase agreement with the original seller, Data Master, should ESCG cease to exist.

My staff and I would like to meet with you to discuss any information you have concerning the whereabouts of this or any other equipment purchased by the ESCG with CD funds. Please call CDBG Program Analyst Margene Swarts or myself at 841-7722. ext 109 or 112 to arrange a convenient time for us to confer.

Sincerely,

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Director of Community Development

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January 24, 1989

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John Swift 818 New York Street Lawrence, Kansas 66044

Dear Mr. Swift:

First, I want to apologize to you if I offended you with some of my remarks at the recent CDBG Advisory Committee meeting. My goal was to make sure the committee understood that you were the new president of the E.L.I.A. and had nothing to do with past actions.

In any event, thank you for the chart showing general locations of the trash can racks. What I really need are names and addresses of those who received a trash can rack. By this time, it may be impossible for you to get this much information, but I would like a listing of addresses where the racks are located.

thank you for your conscientious efforts to cooperate with Again, my office.

Sincerely,

Director of Community Development

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March 3, 1989

John Swift 818 New York Lawrence, KS 66044

Dear Mr. Swift:

Recently it has come to my attention that we have not been receiving copies of the ELIA Newsletter or minutes of the meetings. The Citizen Participation Plan adopted by the City of Lawrence in June, 1988 sets forth guidelines to be followed by CDBG funded neighborhood associations. I have included a copy of this section of the plan.

As you will note, #7 requires that the minutes be forwarded to the Community Development Office within 30 days after the meeting. If the minutes are published in the newsletter, it is acceptable to just provide us with a copy of the newsletter.

Since we are not receiving copies of the newsletter or minutes, would you please put us on the mailing list for both?

In an unrelated issue. I noticed in Wednesday's Journal World that a Keith Abrams who was involved in the riverfront cottonwood tree removal protest, gave his address as 818 New York. According to the MHIC application you filled out, you list only one person as the household size. If this individual resides in your residence, his income must also be considered in the computation of total income to meet the guidelines.

Please call me at 841 7722. ext. 109, regarding this matter.

Sincerely. Marshu L Awart

Margene K. Swarts CDBG Project Analyst

Community Development Department

- 2. The board will perform its duties as prescribed in the Policies for Housing Rehabilitation Deferred Loans, as amended from time to time.
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said Riehm was arrested about officers his name. the man chained to the tree, was the first person arrested. Police 30 a.m. after he refused to give Michael P. Riehm, 25, 1002 Pa.

demonstrators would have been at Olin said officers and risk if police had tried to remove mediate attempt to remove them from the area. Police Chief Ron under arrest, there was no imched in the trees were placed Although the demonstrators per-

temperatures and light snow. driven out of the trees by 23-degree Instead, the protesters were

alerted to cover emergency calls County sheriff's officers at the scene. KU police officers were the protest. while city officers were handling spokesman, said the protesters part, cooperative with the 12 to 15 were peaceful and, for the most awrence police CHRIS MULVENON, and Douglas police

came down from the trees. trees were taken to jail as they The three who perched in the

N.Y. relented shortly afterwards. was taken into custody shortly before 9 a.m. Keith Abrams, 31, 818 Deirdre Goldfarb, 20, 1325 Vt.,

Gilbert, 27, 1216 Ohio, came down between 10:15 and 10:30 a.m. last protester, Kermit

Those arrested were booked into



County District Court. pear next Wednesday in Douglas trespass and are scheduled to apbonds. All face charges of criminal the Douglas County Jail and then 9 \$100 recognizance

asked to leave the area. dispersed peacefully after being Olin said the other protesters

the group originally planned to remain in the trees until the removal interviewed from his perch, said ABRAMS, WHO WAS

> water, blankets and hot coffee. and had offered demonstrators law officers had been considerate of the trees was canceled. He said Gilbert, who also spoke while sit-

ing in a tree, said the group was

tree." a bald eagle fish from this very "I'm just a concerned citizen," he said. "Three weeks ago, I sat on a sandbar down there and watched not organized by POETs.

When asked whether he thought his efforts would protect the

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eagles, he replied, "If it doesn't, it's the best I can do."

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Chelsea Group, project developer, said workers Tuesday marked about 10 trees that would be saved. marking tape from several trees, he said, workers will mark the trees again today. Because protesters removed David Longhurst, spokesman for

Formal groundbreaking for the factory outlet development is scheduled for Tuesday.

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#### MEMORANDUM

To:

Margene K. Swarts, CDBG Program Analyst September 6. 1000

September 6, 1989 Date:

From:

Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity Subject:

In an effort to continue furthering fair housing and equal opportunity in the block grant program, as well as address a few problems, the Community Development Department wishes to institute a few changes. These changes deal with the solicitation of participants on the CDBG Advisory Committee and Grant Review Board, as well as participants in the various programs offered by the Department, and a reminder of the requirements to be met as set forth in the Citizen Participation Plan.

Effective immediately, we will be requiring documentation of how your neighborhood solicits participation for this program. When openings are available on the CDBG Advisory Committee or Grant Review Board, we would prefer that notice be given in the neighborhood newsletter and/or a special mailing to all residents of the neighborhood. Special emphasis should be given to encourage minority participation. If solicitation for these openings must be made by personal contact, we will require a list of the names and demographics for all persons so notified. When the programs we offer are publicized in the newsletter, we ask again that minority participation be stressed.

Additionally, I wish to remind you that the City Commission has adopted a Citizen Participation Plan that provides guidelines to be followed by CDBG funded neighborhood associations. One of the requirements is that the association meet regularly on at least a quarterly basis. Copies of the minutes of those meetings are to be forwarded to this office within thirty days after each meeting.

I have been made aware that some of the neighborhood associations are not meeting on a regular, minimum quarterly basis. Also, we have not been receiving copies of minutes of the meetings that do transpire. If the association has altered the meeting frequency or made any other changes, the bylaws must be amended to reflect this. A copy of all amendments shall be submitted to this department to be kept on file along with the minutes.

I have enclosed a copy of the guidelines for neighborhood associations as adopted by the City Commission in the Citizen Participation Plan. In addition to the minutes we would like to receive copies of all newsletters, clean up fliers, or other special mailings, on a regular basis. If we are not on your mailing list, please add us to it.

At this time, there is one neighborhood association that has yet to sign their subgrantee agreement. Please be advised that no funds will be forthcoming to any association (either by reimbursement or direct payment of bills) unless the association is in compliance with all requirements.

If you have further questions, please do not hesitate to call me at 841-7722, ext. 109.

Brook Creek Neighborhood Association Don Binns, President

East Lawrence Improvement Association John Swift, President

North Lawrence Improvement Association Bob Moody, President

Oread Neighborhood Association Eric Cleveland, President Jennifer Brown, Coordinator

Pinckney Neighborhood Association Suzanne Perry, President

University Place Neighborhood Association Neva Entrikin, President

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September 19, 1989

Bernie Norwood 1025 New York Street Lawrence, KS 66044

Dear Bernie:

Your name was given to me as a possible appointee to the CDBG Advisory Committee.

I would like for you to serve on the committee if you are willing to do so. You would replace Val Romero as the East Lawrence representative on the 17-person committee. The committee usually meets once a week (probably Thursday) from 7-10 in the evening at City Hall during the months of January through April. After that, meetings are rare - maybe two or three times during the year.

I have enclosed a copy of the Citizen Participation Plan which outlines the duties and responsibilities of the committee.

If you can and will serve on the committee, please call me before next Tuesday, so I can pass the word to Mayor Schumm. I think you would be a great addition.

Sincerely,

n A. Goodell

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ROBERT L WALTERS

October 26, 1989

John Swift, President East Lawrence Improvement Assoc. 818 New York Street Lawrence, Kansas 66044

Dear John,

Thank you very much for your kind letter. We have all experienced a great loss. On behalf of the City staff, I want you to know we want to work with your association to accomplish mutual goals and maintain strong communications.

Please call me at any time if you have questions.

Very truly yours,

Mike Wildgen Acting City Manager

Mayor and City Commission Lynn Goodell





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January 23, 1990

East Lawrence Improvement Association 818 New York Lawrence, KS 66044

Dear Mr. Swift:

I asked George Williams, Public Works Director, and Fred De Victor, Parks and Recreation Director, to comment on CDBG proposals submitted by various neighborhood associations. I have enclosed a copy of the comments for your use. If you have further comments or questions regarding the proposals or staff comments, please contact me at 841-7722, ext. 100.

Thank you for your interest in revitalizing your neighborhood.

Lynn H. Godell

Lynn A. Goodell

Director of Community Development

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Enclosure

#### STATEMENT TO LAWRENCE CITY COMMISSION

from Jo Andersen, representing EAST LAWRENCE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

At the general meeting of Sept. 10, 1990, a motion was made and passed unanimously by a quorum of the membership stating that we would be in favor of the city commission's returning the request (to rezone the east side of the 700 block of New Hampshire from C-4 to C-3) to the planning commission.

This motion was passed in accordance with an understanding reached between myself, Mit Winter and his attorney, and some of the DLA members that we would then have an opportunity to discuss the future of the entire block and try to come up with a plan for its use that would better meet the needs of all interested parties.

As far as ELIA is concerned, only rezoning the western half of the block with no consideration being given to the disposition of the Rhode Island side would be unsatisfactory, for it is that side that most affects our residents. It is very important to us, and especially to those of us who live in and/or own property in that block, that the western side of Rhode Island not be paved over to provide parking for shoppers at the mall! We would like to see that side of the block be rezoned residential/office, with parking provided for that usage and to support whatever businesses may be established on New Hampshire.

During our discussion, it was proposed and generally agreed to that we would favor a "Planned Unit Development" status for that block. This would give all parties concerned a greater opportunity to explore options without limitations and increase our chances for agreement. In short, we favor a win/win/win solution for ourselves, DLA, and Mr. Winter. A flat denial of the request by city commission tonight would make this sort of solution much harder to achieve.

### EAST LAWRENCE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION Lawrence, Kansas 66044

November 17, 1991

The Honorable Mike Wilgen City Manager City of Lawrence P. O. Box 708 Lawrence, Kansas 66044

Dear Mr. Wilgen:

The East Lawrence Improvement Association is pleased to announce the election of a new President for our organization. Ms. Deidre Weismiller, 940 Connecticut, (913) 842-7160 will be serving for the 1991-1992 term.

Please forward all mail that has to do with city work which affects the neighborhood to her address. Also, please phone her if you have concerns which may be addressed personally.

The organization is pleased to have Ms. Weismiller as our President. She brings a great deal of knowledge and balance to the position, and looks forward to a cooperative and fruitful year.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Manette Rouledeaux
Nanette S. Roubideaux

Coordinator

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cc: Margene Swarts

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## EAST LAWRENCE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS 1991-1992

Officers:		
President: Deidre Weismiller	940 Conn.	842-7160
V-President: Travis Crandell	1043 Delaware	842-7488
Secretary: Carmon Crouse	806 E. 12th	842-6039
Treasurer: Jon Nepsted	916 Rhode Island	749-3078
Members:		
Andersen, Joleen	1402 New York	842-2533
Gray, Mary	P.O.Box 442305	
Hope, Jack	1201 New York	
Hutcheson. Tracy	813 Conn.	842-6656
Miller, Dennis	828 E, 12th	841-6159
Miller, Shelly	936 Penn.	841-7518
Parker, Brad		
Schneider, Jim	3708 Stetson Dr.	841-1074
Stancliff, Craig	1244 Rhode Island	842-6432
<u>Coordinator:</u>		
Nanette Roubideaux	1609 Barker	842-9336

#### Meeting Dates:

Monday, December 9, 1991 - Board of Directors
Monday, January 13, 1992 - General Membership
Monday, February 10, 1991- Board of Directors
Monday, March 9, 1992 - General Membership
Monday, April 13, 1992 - Board of Directors
Monday, May 11, 1992 - General Membership
Monday, June 8, 1992 - Board of Directors
Monday, July 13, 1992 - General Membership
Monday, August 10 - (Maybe no meeting ?)
Tuesday, September 8, 1992 - General Membership
Monday, October 12, 1992 - Board of Directors
Monday, November 9, 1992 - General Membership-Elections
Monday, December 9, 1992 - Board of Directors

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Matthew Bostick	1246 New York	749-3502
Travis Crandell	1043 Delaware	842-7488
Curt Enos	1208 New York	842-2730
Mary Gray	P.O. Box 442305	
Marsha Klinknett	1225 Delaware	842-2730
Patricia Marvin	810 E. 13th	842-7385
Joe Rose	226 Perry	841-8555
Jim Schneider	3708 Stetson Dr. 66047	841-1074
Craig Stancliff	1244 Rhode Island	842-6432
Deitre Weismiller	940 Connecticut	842-7160
Coordinator:		
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Meeting Dates: New York School, 936 New York, 7:00 p.m.-9:30 p.m.

Monday, April 8 - General Meeting

Monday, May 13 - Board of Directors

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Monday, September 9-Board of Directors

Tuesday, October 15-General Meeting

Tuesday, November 12-Board of Directorss

Monday, December 9-General Meeting



MIKE WILDGEN, CITY MANAGER

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December 9, 1991

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BOB SCHUMM

Deidre Weismiller 940 Connecticut Lawrence, KS 66044

Dear Ms. Weismiller:

Congratulations on your election as the president of East Lawrence Improvement Association. I look forward to working with you on CDBG programs and projects.

Recently, I was given a note that stated the ELIA would like for Shelley Miller to be appointed to the CDBG Advisory Committee to replace Bernie Norwood. Mr. Norwood's term expires on September 30, 1992.

I do not know who delivered the note, nor do I know the procedure used by the ELIA in selecting Ms. Miller as a candidate for replacing Mr. Norwood. As part of the CDBG program's Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity strategy, I developed a procedure for encouraging minority persons to participate in the program through the CDBG Advisory Committee. The ELIA may have already followed this procedure, but I must have documentation if that is the case. I have enclosed a copy of the procedural guidelines for your review.

If the ELIA followed the guidelines, please submit to me the information required. If the ELIA did not follow the guidelines, and wishes to submit a name or names for consideration, please begin the process as soon as possible, as the committee will begin its review of CDBG program proposals in January. If all of this is confusing to you, feel free to call me at 832-3122 for clarification.

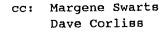
I also enclosed a copy of the CDBG program Citizen Participation Plan. The plan includes information about the committee's duties, makeup, and timetable.

I wish you the best of luck in serving your neighborhood, and I stand ready to assist you in any way I can.

Sincerely,

I/ynn A. Goodell

Director of Community Development



### PROCEDURE FOR NOMINATING NEIGHBORHOOD REPRESENTATIVES TO THE CDBG ADVISORY COMMITTEE

- Notify all neighborhood residents that a committee vacancy exists, or will soon exist, and the association will select candidates for filling this position at the next scheduled meeting.
- 2. The notice will include the date, time, and place of the next scheduled meeting.
- 3. The notice shall inform residents that the association invites anyone, particularly minority persons, to express an interest in serving on the committee, and such interest should be expressed at the meeting or by notifying the association president.
- 4. The notice shall be given a reasonable time in advance of the meeting, and a copy of the notice is to be sent to the City's Director of Community Development at the same time.
- 5. After the meeting, the association will submit to the Director of Community Development a list of all persons who expressed an interest in serving on the committee and the person or persons preferred by the association.
- 6. A copy of the minutes of the meeting shall be submitted to the Director of Community Development within 30 days after the meeting, and preferably at the same time the list of interested persons is submitted.
- 7. The Director of Community Development will forward to the City Commission the list of names and preferences for consideration. The City Commission is not obligated to honor any recommendation.

#### East Lawrence Improvement Association General Membership Meeting January 13, 1992

The meeting was called to order by President Weismiller at 7:00 p.m. at New York School, 936 New York, Lawrence, Kansas.

Carman Crouse was absent so the minutes from the November General Membership meeting were not read. The coordinator will take minutes for this meeting.

Treasurers Report: Jon Nepsted

Kennedy Glass and the Etc. Shop have Joined as business members. Fund balance: Omega Fund \$1,675. of which an invoice is forthcoming from the Buffalo Seed Company for the Wildlife Habitat Project in the spring. \$760.00 in the General Fund.

#### Business Meeting:

- 1. Water lines, 7th through 10th on Rhode Island, will be replaced in the Spring. President Weismiller reported she had received a letter from the City requesting support for East Lawrence water lines projects to be paid for by CDBG Funds. There was discussion held on this. Discussion resolved around the city should assume this as a normal city service function and how the new water lines that were being laid were being paid for. Shelly Miller made motion, seconded by Jon Nepsted that President Weismiller respond in the following manner: ELIA supports the replacement of water lines whose age dates from 1823 to 1932, but feel that 105 years of paying water bills should allow for the city to pay for the project from non-CBDG funds. Motion carried 21 for and 1 against.
- 2. CDBG Board Representative: There was discussion on the choice of a representative's name to be submitted to the city. Shelly Miller has voluntered. President Weismiller asked if there were any other volunteers. Pat Marvin made motion that Shelly Miller's name be submitted to the City of Lawrence as the nomination for representation for the East Lawrence Community. Seconded by Jon Nepsted. Passed unamiously. Shelly accepted and spoke briefly about the function of the Board and that she had serviced in the past.
- 3. Greenspace Update: Some planting has been done, but there has been no movement on the city's part to start the process for the Citizen's Group, nor have any signs been put up stating that there was a regeneration project in process. The fence was knocked down during Christmas and there was parking on the newly planted ground. Shelly Miller made motion, seconded by Jack Hope that President Weismiller contact the city, either by letter or in person to see what progress has been made in regard to the Citizen's Group and signs protecting the project. Passed 21 for 1 against.

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- 4. Eastern By-Pass: President Weismiller reported that Route # 1 had been chosen and passed around a map for the membership to view. The access roads are supposed to be on 15th, 11th, and 7th. There are no plans at this point for any bicycle routes. There is some concern about the access road cutting into the neighborhood and how bicycle and pedistrian traffice would be handled. The 14 Criteria contains some relevant points on truck access. It was suggested that LAN be contacted and made aware of the concerns.
- 5. Shelter Up-Date: As Travis is out of town, there was only a brief discussion and it was felt the neighbors should gather information on a concret nature to present to Captain Windham.
- 6. LAN Representative: President Weismiller stated that the Association is in need of a Lan representative. She intends to attend as many meetings as possible and the Coordinator stated that she was also to network with the other coordinators.
- 7. School Beacon: President Weismiller stated that she had discussed school beacons with the PTL and they would assist in fundraising to come up with \$1,600 for share of costs. Shelly Miller made motion, seconded by Jon Nepsted that ELIA seek school beacons for New York School. Motion passed unamiously.
- 8. Martin Luther King Day, New York School: The schedule was give to members for ELIA participation. We are to provide deserts and volunteer to help service.
- 9. There was discussion on the activities of a particularly agressive landlord in East Lawrence and some of the publicity about ELIA and this landlord. It was the general consensus that the matter be brought to the Board of Directors for discussion and possible action.
- 10. Paul Winn and Ryan Hodges were introduced as guests. Mr. Hodge is working on the possibility of establishing a credit union for low income persons. After the presentation, and discussion, it was thought to have Mr. Hodge contact the Mercantile Credit Union to establish contact and perhaps work from that base. At the February Board of Directors meeting the Board will consider the outcome of Mr. Hodge's meeting with Mercantile and further consideration of the Credit Union idea.
- 11. Hobbs Park: President Weismiller asked for feedback to the condition of the park. Patricia Marvin felt the park could use some maintenance. President Weismiller to let Fred Devictor know of the needs.

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12. Chamber of Commerce: There was considerable discussion on the recent events and the chamber report. A statement giving the ELIA's position , i.e. have and will continue to support a strong downtown, but have reservations about the Chamber report because of the lack of input from neighborhood associations. The statement was gone over paragraph by paragraph with voting on the sentences by all present.

The consensus was that the statement should be amended by rewriting one paragraph and striking another paragraph. The rewriting of the one paragraph would be done by a committee of three, Dee Weismiller, Barry Salinsky, and Jo Andersen.

Meeting adjourned at 9:55 p.m. Motion to adjourn made by Jon Nepsted and seconded by Dennis Miller. Passed unamiously.

N/n

#### EAST LAWRENCE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

940 Connecticut Lawrence, Kansas 66044 (913) 842-7160

January 15, 1992

Lynn Goodell Community Block Development Program City of Lawrence P. O. Box 708 Lawrence, Kansas 66044

Dear Mr. Goodell:

Attached you will find copies of the notice ELIA sent to all residents of East Lawrence via our newsletter asking for a volunteer to serve on the CDBG Board, and the minutes of the January 13, 1992 General Membership meeting in which we asked for volunteers to submit to the City as a representative from the East Lawrence community.

We would like to submit the name of Shelly Miller, 936 Pennsylvania, Lawrence, Kansas 66044, (913) 841-7518 to serve on the Community Block Development Board. Ms. Miller was chosen unamiously by the membership at the January meeting.

Please let me know if you need further information. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Deitre Weismiller President, ELIA

DM:nr

Attachments

cc: Shelly Miller

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#### MEMORANDUM

To: Dave Corliss, Management Analyst

From: Lynn Goodell, Director of Community Development Subject: East Lawrence Rep for CDBG Advisory Committee

Date: January 17, 1992

The East Lawrence Improvement Association (ELIA) has submitted the name of Shelly Miller, 936 Pennsylvania, to fill the unexpired term of Bernie Norwood on the CDBG Advisory Committee. This term expires September 30, 1992.

The ELIA has complied with the CDBG program procedure requirements for recruiting neighborhood residents, especially minorities, to fill this position. As a matter of fact, Paul Winn, Human Relations Specialist, attended the association meeting and was asked if he knew of any minorities who might be interested in serving on the committee, and he answered negatively.

The CDBG program Citizen Participation Plan states that a neighborhood association may submit a name to the City Commission for consideration for appointment, but the commission is not obligated to appoint that person. The commission may have a list of persons interested in serving on various boards and committees, but I have no other names to submit for consideration.

I have attached a copy of a letter from Deitre Weismiller, president of the ELIA, asking that Ms. Miller be appointed.



# EAST LAWRENCE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION 940 CONNECTICUT LAWRENCE, KANSAS 66044 (913) 842-7160

January 18, 1992

Margene Swarts
CBDG Program Analyst
City of Lawrence
P. O. Box 708
Lawrence, Kansas 66044

Dear Ms. Swarts:

Thank you for your letter of December 20, 1991. I regret the lack of timeliness in my response, but I felt it necessary to consult the membership prior to commenting.

At our General Meting on January 13, 1992, the membership voted 21-1 to oppose the use of CBDG funds to improve water lines along Pennsylvania and Connecticut Streets. While we are certainly an adamantly in favor of basic infrastructure improvements in East Lawrence, we equally adamantly believe basic city services should not be funded with CBDG funds. We don't believe these funds were meant to be used to replace the city's fiscal responsibility to its low income neighborhoods. Rather we believe they were intended to supplement city expenditures in target neighborhoods. We believe projects such as the ones along Pennsylvania and Connecticut Streets should be financed through General Revenue, Capitol Outlay, Water Department or other funds generated throughout the city. We believe, having used these water lines for 62-106 years, surely East Lawrence has paid enough in water bills to justify their replacement.

To sum up: While we welcome water line improvements and similar basic infrastructure projects, we are extremely opposed to their funding by either CBDG funds or the use of Special Benefit Districts. We believe the City has an obligation to provide adequate basic services to all neighborhoods regardless of their economic status.

Sincerely,

Deitre Weismiller President, ELIA

cc: Roger Coffee

cc: Chair, CBDG Board

#### MEMO

DATE: 28 January 1992

FROM: Deitre L. Weismiller President, East Lawrence Improvement Association

Concerned Departments and Individuals TO:

City of Lawrence

Apparently there is some confusion regarding East Lawrence Improvement Association business correspondence. Henceforth, all correspondence regarding matters pertaining to the East Lawrence Improvement Association should be directed to me. My name, address and telephone number are:

Deitre L. Weismiller President, ELIA 940 Connecticut Lawrence KS 66044 842-7160

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

DLW/jw

## East Lawrence Improvement Association %Dee Weismiller, President 940 Connecticut Lawrence, Kansas 66044

(913) 842-7160

February 2, 1992

Margene Swarts CBOG P. O. Box 708 Lawrence, KS 66044

Dear Margene:

Attached you will find the minutes from the September, October, November, December, and January meetings of the ELTA. There was no meeting in August. I believe this should bring our file up to date on minutes.

Please let me know if you need anything further to us to be current Thank you.

Sincerely,

Nanette S. Roubideaux Coordinator

NSR Attachments

cc: President Weismiller



MIKE WILDGEN, CITY MANAGER

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MAYOR ROBERT L. WALTERS

COMMISSIONERS BOB SCHULTE SHIRLEY MARTIN-SMITH JOHN NALBANDIAN BOB SCHUMM

February 5, 1992

Deitre Weismiller, President East Lawrence Improvement Association 940 Connecticut Street Lawrence, Kansas 66044

RE: January 18, 1992 Letter

Dear Deitre,

Mayor Walters reviewed your recent letter of January 18 to Margene Swarts and asked me to relay his comments regarding the issues that you mentioned in that letter. He asked specifically that you refer to the January 16, 1992, minutes of the Advisory Board wherein Mr. Cleveland provided a description of the grant limits, specifically, that only 15% of the grant may be used for social services and the rest is to be spent on capital improvements.

We appreciate your comment about basic infrastructure projects and the use of the CDBG money to provide those. Historically, the City Commission has used CDBG funds for capital infrastructure projects in certain neighborhoods as a way to expand and speed up improvements to these basic infrastructure projects. Each year the City repairs streets, water lines, sewer lines and a variety of infrastructure items. Within the confines of restricted revenues, each project throughout the city must compete for the fiscal resources available. The advantage of using CDBG funds is that projects that have high priority within the qualifying neighborhoods can be done quicker and jump over other projects that are ahead of them.

Respectfully,

Mike Wildgen

City Manager

Mayor Bob Walters Lynn Goodell





# EAST LAWRENCE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION Deitre Weismiller, President 940 Connecticut Lawrence, Kansas 66044 (913) 842-7160



February 23, 1992

The Honorable Mike Wildgen City of Lawrence P. O. Box 708 Lawrence, Kansas 66044

Dear Mr. Wildgen:

Thank you for responding to our concerns regarding the Greenspace. The delay in my response to you is due to the fact that I am representing a Board of Directors, of which there are 14 members. Additionally, I wanted to consult with former members of the Board, and read the minutes of prior meetings so as to answer your letter in an informed and thoughtful manner. Apparently, there has been misunderstanding regarding ELIA's intentions, both in inquiring about the formation of the Citizen's Group, and comments regarding Native Americans.

Many times the membership and the Board of Directors have discussed the status of the Greenspace in terms of the Citizens Advisory Group. My inquiry to you was based on a vote by the General Membership at our January meeting. Concerns about the formation of the Citizen's Group have been voiced since September, 1991. Evidently this concern, and the assumption that the city was going to appoint the group was not communicated to you until my letter. Please accept my apologies for implying that the city was dragging its feet on fulfilling a condition that it was apparently not made aware of until that letter.

I regret any misinterpretation of my comments about Native Americans. Perhaps the letter about the Greenspace was not the best forum for raising these concerns.

I have every desire to have a positive working relationship with you personally, and for our organization to have a positive working relationship with every city department.

Sincerely,

Deitre Weismiller President, ELIA

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MIKE WILDGEN, CITY MANAGER



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BOB SCHUMM

March 3, 1992

Ms. Deitre Weismiller President, ELIA 940 Connecticut Lawrence, Kansas 66044

Dear Deitre,

Thank you for your letter of February 23, 1992, regarding our communications related to the 7th and New York Greenspace. I appreciate the explanation and information regarding the concerns that you voiced in your letter. I believe that Fred DeVictor has contacted you recently about the sign and finishing the work in the area that is planned for this spring.

Additionally, I wanted to advise you that preliminary work-up on the street projects this summer show that work will be done on 11th Street and on New York Street as part of the City street repair projects. I will keep you up to date as to final determination on the work that will be done, but I wanted to give this preliminary information at this time. I do not expect to have this ready for bids until later this spring.

If there is ever any question about City projects or services, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully,

Mike Wildgen

City Manager

cc: City Commission Fred DeVictor Lynn Goodell George Williams



Scott A. Gesner 946 1/2 Rhode Island Lawrence, Ko. 66044

East Lawrence Improvement Assn. C/O Ms. Dee Weismiller 940 Connecticut Lawrence, KS 66044

Dear Ms Weismiller,

Mar. 12, 1992

I am writing to formally notify you that due to the press of other business, I am resigning as an East Lawrence representative to the CDBG Advisory Board. I apologize for the delay in giving you this notification and hope that the interests of East Lawrence have not been compromised as a result.

Singerely, furf a Kon Scott A. Gesner

cc: Lynn Goodell, City of Lawrence



Deitre Weismiller President, East Lawrence Improvement Association 940 Connecticut Street Lawrence: Kansas 66044

Dear Deatre:

This is in regard to a matter that has been concerning me ever since I first learn of it. Apparently, several months ago, at a general meeting that I was unable to attend, it was decided that the East Lawrence Improvement Association should purchase and loan out a garden tiller. At subsequent board and general meetings I expressed my concern and opposition to the idea of purchasing and loaning out the tiller; however, apparently, the purchase went forward.

As I understand it, the idea behind the garden tiller purchase was so that it could be loaned out to East Lawrence residents so that they could prepare plots of ground for gardens. While the tiller purchase may have been seen as positive by the people voting for it, my concern is that someone may get injured using this machine. Again, I have expressed this concern at both general and board meetings, yet the tiller purchase went forward. I realize that a majority vote in a general or board meeting is what counts when it comes to policy, or, in this case, the purchase and loaning of the tiller. Normally, I would go along with a majority vote; however, I feel so strongly about this matter that I can not associate myself with majority in this case. Therefore, I am informing you that I hereby resign from the East Lawrence Improvement Association.

In closing, I am resigning because I feel strongly about the matter outlined above. I have high regard for East Lawrence and its people, and I am interested in the neighborhood. Therefore, when meetings are open to the "general public," you may find me attending meetings as a member of the general public.

Sincerely,

James A. Schneider 3708 Stetson Dr. Lawrence, Kansas 66049

cc: Lynn Goodell, Director, Community Development Department, City Hall, Lawrence, Kansas 66044

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Lynn Goodell, Director Community Development Department City Hall Lawrence, Kansas 66044

Dear Mr. Goodell:

Attached is a copy of my resignation from the East Lawrence Improvement Association (ELIA). The resignation, outlining my concerns and my reason for resigning, was submitted to the President of the East Lawrence Improvement Association, at a 3/16/92 meeting of the organization. I am submitting a copy to you: (1) because your department is City government's link to ELIA, and (2) because I wanted City government to be aware of my concerns.

James A. Schneider, Ph.D.

3708 Stetson Dr.

Lawrence, Kansas 66049

# EAST LAWRENCE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION Deitre Weismiller, President 940 Connecticut Lawrence, Kansas 66044 (913) 842-7160

Mr. Lynn Goodell Community Block Development Program P. O. Box 708 Lawrence, Kansas 66044

RE: Nomination for CDBG Board

Dear Mr. Goodell:

The E.L.I.A. is please to nominate Ms. Brenda Nunez, 815 Pennsylvania, Lawrence, Kansas 66044 for representation on the CDBG. We are confident that Ms. Nunez will represent the neighborhood in a fair, and competent manner and be an asset to the CDBG Board.

The call for nominations was publicized in the May newsletter with the time, date and place of the meeting listed.

We look forward to hearing from you and having Ms. Nunez represent the East Lawrence neighborhood.

Sincerely,

Deitre Weismiller, President

DW:n

cc: Margene Swarts Brenda Nunez





Nanette S. Roubîdeaux 1609 Barker Avenue Lawrence, Kansas 66044

September 4, 1993

Shelley Miller
President
East Lawrence Improvement Association
936 Pennsylvania
Lawrence, Kansas 66044

Dear President Miller:

This is to inform you of my intent to file a complaint against you with the City of Lawrence Human Relations Department, with an option to file a Federal complaint. I consider the 90 days in which to file the complaint to start on the date of your letter to me and which was copied to the Board of Directors. Should I choose to file the complaint with the Federal E.O.O. in Kansas City, I have 180 days from that date to file.

Until this complaint is completed, investigated, and resolved, I hope that I can count on you to conduct yourself in a professional manner and not engage in any retaliatory behavior that might jeopardize the East Lawrence Improvement Association anymore than your behavior towards me has to this point.

Sincerely,

Manette S. Keuluseuns Nanette S. Roubideaux

cc: Paul Winn Margene Swarts

Lynn Goodell



Ms. Nanette S. Roubideaux 1609 Barker Avenue Lawrence, Kansas 66044

October 11, 1993

TO: East Lawrence Improvement Assocation

It is with regret that I am tending my letter of resignation as coordinator of the East Lawrence Improvement Association, a position in which I have served for three years. My last day of as coordinator will be the November Board of Directions meeting of November 8, 1993.

Any questions about my reasons for resigning may be directed to Mr. Paul Winn, City of Lawrence Human Relations Office.

Sincerely,

Nanette S. Roubideaux

cc: Margene Swarts
Paul Winn

Board of Directors