

May 7, 2014

Mike Amyx, Mayor  
City of Lawrence  
6 East 6<sup>th</sup> Street  
Lawrence, KS 66044

Dear Mayor Amyx,

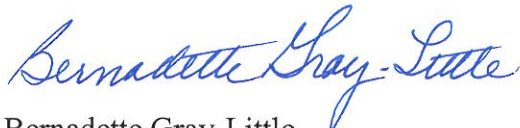
I am writing to advise that the University of Kansas will not be providing funds for the K-10 Connector service above our current level of in-kind support. Funding for the KU on Wheels transit system comes from fees that students assess upon themselves. Any increase in transit funding would require Student Senate approval. Recent student leaders have expressed opposition to increasing fees for this purpose.

KU Parking & Transit spends about \$86,000 annually to provide an extra Route 41 bus to pick up the passengers the K10 Connector drops off at the Park & Ride Lot on West Campus. This bus is required in addition to our regular service to ensure that our own riders will have space on a bus. Parking & Transit also sells K10 Connector bus passes for Johnson County Transit. This costs KU approximately \$6,000 annually, between the labor to sell them and the administrative overhead and credit card fees we incur.

This summer Parking & Transit will be funding the \$43,000 reconstruction of the turning radius at Irving Hill Road and Naismith Drive so that the 50-foot K10 buses will be able to make that turn without encroaching into the oncoming traffic lane. This will allow K10 passengers to board and deboard at the Allen Fieldhouse parking garage, much closer to the main campus than the current stops on west campus, and 18<sup>th</sup> and Naismith.

Please know how much I appreciate the continued close partnership between the City of Lawrence and the University and the ability to engage in meaningful and honest conversations around community issues.

Sincerely,



Bernadette Gray-Little  
Chancellor

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cc: Donna Hultine, Director, Parking Services