

East Lawrence Neighborhood Association

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To: City of Lawrence
c/o Lynne Zollner, Historic Resources Officer
Mayor Dever
PO Box 708,
Lawrence, KS 66044

Re: 1106 Rhode Island rezoning

To Whom it may concern,

The East Lawrence Neighborhood Association strongly supports the application for the rezoning of 1106 Rhode Island from RM12 to RMO.

The neighborhood is excited to see completion of the 1106 Rhode Island project as it will be a beneficial addition to the neighborhood and downtown area - as well as providing a beautiful historic renovation to the Cultural Arts District.

Thank you,
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To: The City of Lawrence Planning Department, Planning Commission, and City Commission

Re: 1106 Rhode Island Proposal by Hernly Associates

Tenants to Homeowners, Inc. voted unanimously at our July 24, 2014 Board Meeting to support the Hernly Associates Special Use Permit application, rezoning, and zoning variances for the property at 1106 Rhode Island Street.

Tenants to Homeowners, Inc. and the Lawrence Community Housing Trust owns and manages the properties directly adjacent to the south property line of 1106 Rhode Island - 1110, 1114, 1118, and our historic rehab at 1120 Rhode Island.

1106 Rhode Island has been a neglected, blighted property directly north of our Rhode Island properties since long before the construction of our project. Our adjacent rental properties have had some issues with critters in their trash due to the old blighted structure there and the redevelopment of this site would improve the quality of life for those in our affordable housing here. The property is on the edge of the Historic Downtown area, South Park, and the Douglas County Courthouse and Law Enforcement Center and is an important part of the neighborhood history. The proposed project will clean up a very visible corner and will also help support the neighborhood revitalization in East Lawrence that we are a part of. We think the mixed uses proposed on the site are compatible with the area and with our directly adjacent property. We will see direct benefits to our property assets as a result of the project.

We fully support the approval of the Special Use Permit and associated rezoning and zoning variances.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rebecca Buford".

Rebecca Buford,
Executive Director
Tenants to Homeowners, Inc.