

July 11, 2014

Mr. David L. Corliss, City Manager  
City of Lawrence  
6 East 6<sup>th</sup> Street  
P.O. Box 708  
Lawrence, Kansas 66044

RE: Request for temporary lane closures on Iowa Street (U.S. 59) between 15<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> Streets to facilitate construction of safety improvements on the Irving Hill Road Bridge

Dear Mr. Corliss:

On behalf of The University of Kansas, I respectfully request approval from the City of Lawrence for temporary lane closures on Iowa Street (U.S. 59) between 15<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> Streets. The purpose of these temporary lane closures is to protect the safety of motorists on Iowa Street during the widening of sidewalks and installation of safer railings on the Irving Hill Road Bridge, and to provide work areas for the contractor.

These temporary lane closures are planned to commence in November 2014 when the intersection work at Iowa & 23<sup>rd</sup> is completed to a point where there are no longer lane restrictions at that location. We anticipate the temporary lane closures will be needed for a period of 8 to 12 weeks depending on weather and other factors. Lane closures on Iowa Street will be removed providing four lanes open to traffic during holidays, KU football games and KU men's basketball games, inclement weather, and other extended breaks in construction. KU will notify the City of Lawrence Public Works Director and City Engineer at least 48 hours in advance when the work is scheduled to commence or resume. Traffic control devices conforming to the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices will be employed to notify drivers and direct traffic past the temporary lane closures. At least one northbound lane and one southbound lane will remain open at all times during the temporary lane closures.

Thank you for your consideration of this request. We look forward to completing these important safety improvements.

Sincerely,



Bernadette Gray-Little  
Chancellor

cc: Jim Modig, University Architect