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Lawrence City Commission
Diane Trybom, Acting City Clerk
Lawrence City Hall
6 East 6th Street
Lawrence, KS 66044

Re: Notice of Appeal from Historic Resources Commission
Demolition Request for 620 East 8th Street DR-15-00035

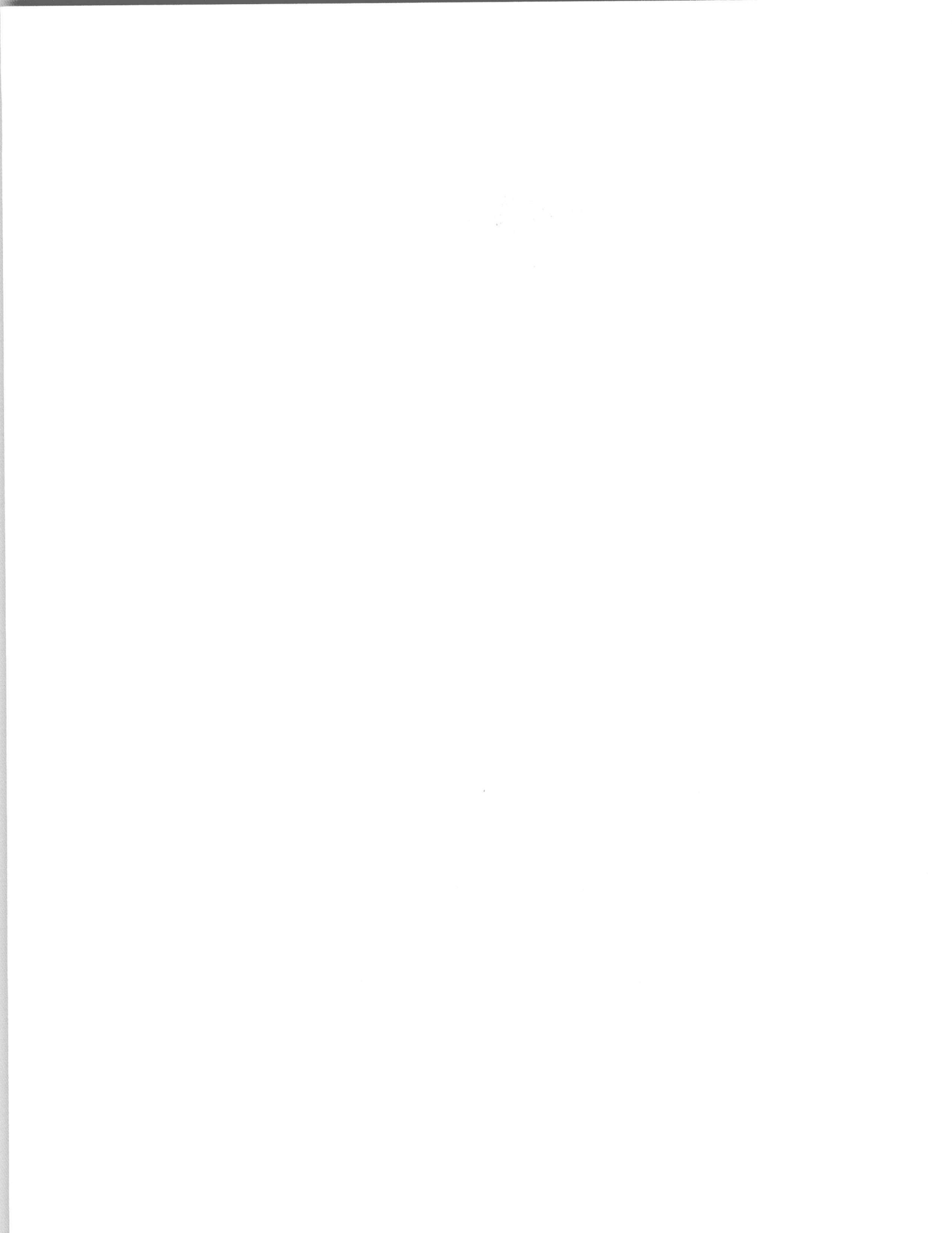
Dear City Commission Members:

Our firm represents Black Hills/Kansas Gas Utility Company, LLC d/b/a Black Hills Energy ("Black Hills"), which owns real property at 620 East 8th Street, Lawrence, Kansas, where it formerly operated a service and maintenance garage. On January 20, 2015, Black Hills submitted a request to demolish its former service garage, a corrugated metal building constructed in approximately 1955. On March 26, 2015, the Historic Resources Administrator issued a letter disapproving Black Hills' demolition request. At its meeting on March 26, 2015, the Historic Resources Commission:

1. Interpreted the *Design Guidelines 8th and Penn Neighborhood Redevelopment Zone* to include Black Hills' structure in the category of Quonset Huts;
2. Found the request was not related to public safety and demolition would require additional documentation; and
3. Denied the proposed project as it did not meet the intent of the *Design Guidelines 8th and Penn Neighborhood Redevelopment Zone*.¹

Pursuant to Section 20-308(g) of the Land Development Code, Black Hills hereby appeals the decisions of the Historic Resources Commission to the City Commission for hearing. Black Hills asks the City Commission to reverse the Historic Resources Commission's decision and grant Black Hills' demolition request.

¹ The Historic Resources Commission findings were documented in a letter from Lynne Braddock Zollner dated March 31, 2015.



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Sincerely,

Stinson Leonard Street LLP

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Sarah Toevs Sullivan", with a long, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

Sarah Toevs Sullivan

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cc: Randy Larkin, Assistant City Attorney
Lynne Braddock Zollner, Historic Resources
Administrator
Chuck Hoag, Black Hills Energy

