



From City Council meeting . . . to the Business Council

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Note: As a reminder, the notes below represent topics that, in my judgement, might be of interest to the business community. It does not include everything that was on the agenda.

Work Session – 6:00 p.m.

The purpose of this work session was to update the City Council about plans for the downtown streetscape improvement project that was approved by a previous City Council in 2019. The area included is from Buchanan to Fayette and from 18th to 21st.

A document explaining the project can be found on the City’s website at this link:
<http://www.nkc.org/common/pages/DisplayFile.aspx?itemId=18050936>

Planned improvements include replacement of sidewalk pavers, landscaping, irrigation, street trees and existing lighting, along with other amenities. The existing streetscape elements, including pavers and street trees, are reaching the end of their life expectancies and the existing irrigation lines have required extensive ongoing maintenance to keep them in working order.

Here are photos of examples of various types of problems that reflect the deterioration occurring in the downtown district which would be remedied with this project.



The updated estimated cost of the project is now \$3.7 million and will take about 9 months to complete. It will be done in 8 stages so that there is less concentrated disruption in any one area of downtown. It could begin as early as November of this year. The City plans to have frequent communication with downtown businesses concerning the progress of the project. The first action will be removing trees that have been identified as not healthy enough to be a part of the future streetscape.

Next Steps

- MegaKC completes pricing/bidding
- City approves GMP Contract (November 16)
- Team begins outreach
- Schedule is finalized
- Tree removal

Regular Session – 7:00 p.m.

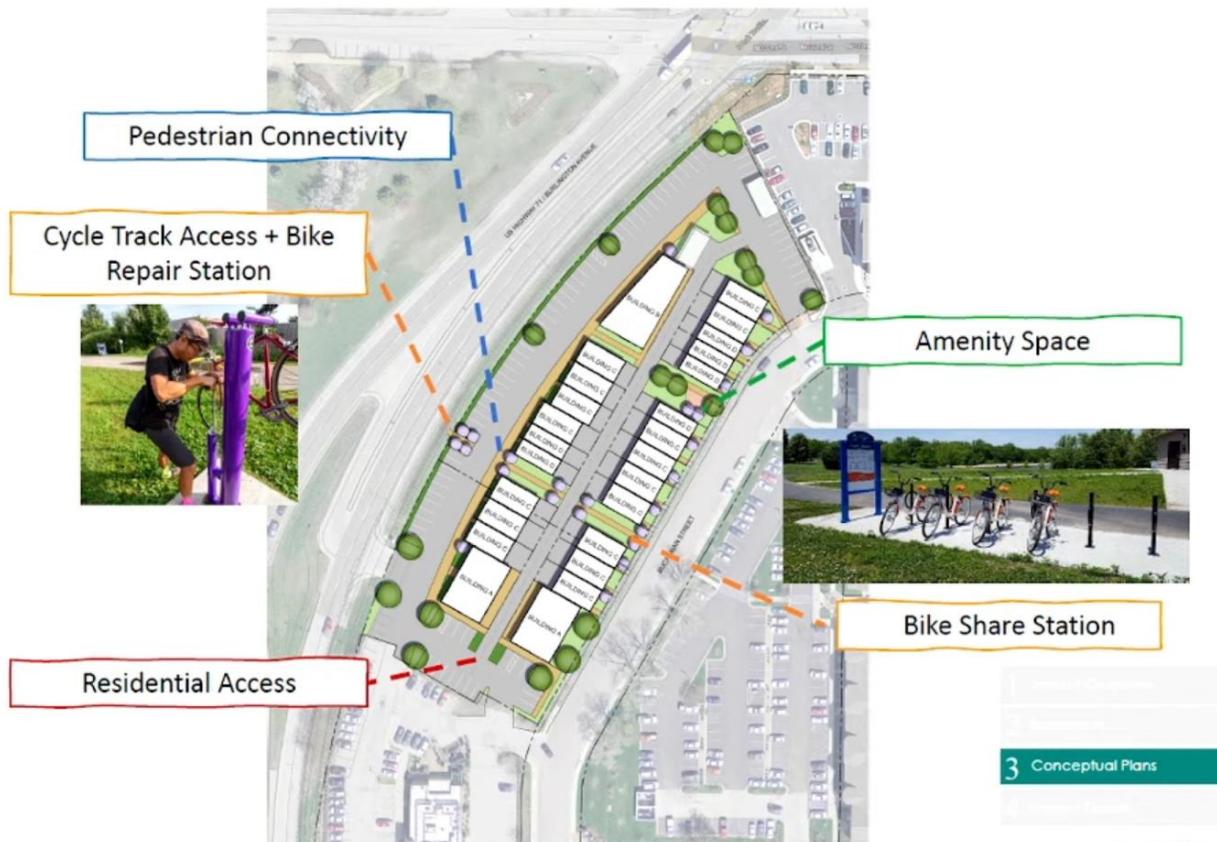
Agenda Topics relevant to the Business Community

Northgate Commercial Property

Blume NKC, LLC requested approval to purchase for mixed use residential and commercial in the section of Northgate Village along Burlington north of the former restaurant site. The concept they plan to use will have an “industrial” feel with single family residences on the 2nd and 3rd floors with the ground floor including a 1 or 2 car garage and an office. The offices would face to the “outside” while resident entry will be from a driveway/alley separating two rows of buildings. Approved.



- INDIVIDUALLY PLATTED/OWNED
- SEPARATED BY DEMISING WALL
- PRIVATE ENTRIES
- MAIN FLOOR RETAIL/OFFICE
- MAIN FLOOR PRIVATE GARAGE
- RESIDENTIAL ABOVE
- 'FOR SALE' QUALITY FINISHES
- DURABLE EXTERIOR MATERIALS





Staff Comments

Covid-19 Report from Dr. Reintjes at North Kansas City Hospital

	Sept 29	Sept 15	Sept 8
Total Active COVID cases:	35	41	41
Total recovering COVID cases:	19	25	18
Total COVID patients in the ICU:	16	16	19
Total COVID patients on a ventilator:	11	14	15

NKCH is closely monitoring the increase of COVID cases affecting our community and we continue to ask for all support to encourage those who are unvaccinated to get vaccinated. We will continue to meet the healthcare needs of our community. Thank you.

The full agenda for this meeting with links to critical documents is available on the City’s website www.nkc.org under the heading of Agendas and Minutes. As always, additional details about City Council agenda topics are often available as attachments on the City’s website www.nkc.org and later as <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z-6WpmTG2Ss> part of the approved minutes.