



City of Bonner Springs

KANSAS

Tuesday, June 17, 2025

200 East Third Street, Bonner Springs, KS 66012
Bonner Springs City Hall
Council Chambers

PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING - 6:30 p.m.

The meeting is open to the public.

PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING - 6:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER - ROLL CALL

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Minutes of the May 20, 2025 Planning Commission Meeting

Action Make a motion to approve, amend or deny the minutes as presented.

Recommendation Staff recommends approval as presented.

Documents:

1. 5.20.25 PC Minutes Draft

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

1. Consider a Replat - Consider a Replat of Lots 6 – 10 of the East Grandview Subdivision, located at 1755 S. 136th Street, the new subdivision will be named the ‘East Grandview New Addition’.

Action

Recommendation Staff recommends that the Planning Commission approve the Replat of Lots 6 – 10 of the East Grandview subdivision for the revised East Grandview New Addition with the following stipulations.

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4. The Replat shall be filed with the Wyandotte County register of Deeds by the developer, with one copy being returned to the City of recording.

5. In addition to the stipulations in this report, the developer/property owner agrees to abide by all regulations contained in the Bonner Springs Unified Development Ordinance

Documents:

1. Complete Staff Report - Replat - RP-02-25 - 1755 S. 136th St

2. Review revision to 2025 and Beyond – The Comprehensive Plan of Bonner

Springs

Action None at this time - for review only

Recommendation Staff has no recommendation at this time. Public Hearing is set for July 15, 2025.

Documents:

1. BSZO-01-25 Comp Plan Amendment - 2025 Updates

OPEN AGENDA

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR'S REPORT

ADJOURNMENT

Memorandum

Date: June 17, 2025
To: Mayor and City Council
From: Mark Lee

Subject: Minutes of the May 20, 2025 Planning Commission Meeting

Recommendation: Staff recommends approval as presented.

Action: Make a motion to approve, amend or deny the minutes as presented.

Background: Meeting minutes are attached.

Discussion: NA

Financial Impact: NA



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Planning Commission Minutes - Regular Meeting - May 20, 2025

PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING - 6:30 PM -

CALL TO ORDER - ROLL CALL - Greg Gebauer called the meeting to order at 6:30p.m. Paul Zeps was absent.

CONSENT AGENDA -

Approval of the minutes from the April 15, 2025 meeting. - Larry Clark motioned and Vincent Bombardier seconded to approve the minutes from the April 15, 2025, Planning Commission Meeting.

OLD BUSINESS -

NEW BUSINESS -

PUBLIC HEARING – Rezoning – BSRZ-01-25 – 13905 Archer Road (Greg Woolard) - Lloyd Messmer made the motion to open the public hearing at 6:34p.m.

Greg Wollard 13905 Archer Rd, talked about his 20 acres and how he has been out there taking care of the land since 2021. He has been cleaning up the place. He wants to make it look as nice as the homes across the street. He will be calling it Archer Meadows. Would like to let 10 acres go to someone else and make them a nice home.

Larry Clark made the motion Nick Perica seconded to close the public hearing at 6:36 p.m.

Larry Clark made the motion Lloyd Messmer seconded to approve the Rezoning - BSRZ 01-25 - 13905 Archer rd.

Lloyd Mesmer had a question as to why the land surveyors divided the property as they did. The property is not divided into two 10-acre lots. One is 9 3/4 acres and the other is 10 1/4. Greg Wollard stated that because of the driveway, it was as close as they could get, to 10 acres each.

FP-01-25 – Consider a Final Plat for 13905 Archer Road - Larry Clark asked if there was a house on the property? Mark Lee stated, not at this time.

Lloyd Messmer made the motion and Nick Perica seconded to approve the Final Plat for FP 01-25 13905 Archer Rd.

OPEN AGENDA - Mark Lee talked about the 2025 Updates to the Comprehensive Plan to include the Downtown Master Plan. No action needed. He will print out the changes to add to their copies of the plan.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR'S REPORT - Next month BZA meeting to start at 6p.m.

There will be a special exception for 1755 S 136th St - lot width to depth ratio exceeds 3:1 and the Replan for 1755 S 136th St.

At the Planning Commission meeting after that we will discuss Short-Term rental.

Matel has stalled as of right now. Incentives and water lines are still being discussed. We have already got the zoning done.

ADJOURNMENT - Greg Gebauer adjourned the meeting at 6:51 p.m.

Memorandum

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To: Mayor and City Council
From: Mark Lee

Subject: Consider a Replat - Consider a Replat of Lots 6 – 10 of the East Grandview Subdivision, located at 1755 S. 136th Street, the new subdivision will be named the 'East Grandview New Addition'.

Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Planning Commission approve the Replat of Lots 6 – 10 of the East Grandview subdivision for the revised East Grandview New Addition with the following stipulations.

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Action:

Background: The property is currently zoned GR (General Residential District) and divided into multiple lots in 1915 that never developed.

The current area included in the recorded final plat is vacant. The proposed replat will re-subdivide the property into four (4) lots, allowing for the construction of three single-family dwellings. The proposed replat will take the existing five (5) lots and reduce them to 3 or 4. This would include two 'standard' lots meeting the minimum lot requirements of the UDO, including the depth to width ratio of 3:1, along with one larger acreage tract. Storm water detention/retention will be handled by the existing retention/detention basin on the southern boundary of the property.

The proposed development will not change any lots outside the proposed replat area.

Discussion: Staff's Report is attached.

Financial Impact: NA

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Agenda Item Cover Sheet

Agenda Item No. 4

CASE #: FP-02-25
Replat

Topic: Consider a Replat - Consider a Replat of Lots 6 – 10 of the East Grandview Subdivision, located at 1755 S. 136th Street, the new subdivision will be named the ‘East Grandview New Addition’.

Narrative:

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The proposed development will not change any lots outside of the proposed replat area.

Presented by: Mark Lee – Community Development Director

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends that the Planning Commission approve the Replat of Lots 6 – 10 of the East Grandview subdivision for the revised East Grandview New Addition with the stipulations listed in the Staff report.

Attachments:

Staff Report (3pgs)

Aerial Image (included in report)

Copy of East Grandview Addition (1pgs)

Copy of Replat (1pg)

A REPLAT OF LOTS 6-10 OF THE EAST GRANDVIEW SUBDIVISION, FOR THE CREATION OF THE EAST GRANDVIEW NEW ADDITION – REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF THE REPLAT OF LOTS 6-10 INTO 4 NEW LOTS.

MEETING DATE: April 15, 2025
REPORT WRITTEN: April 3, 2025
CASE #: RP-02-25

APPLICANT:

- Ronald (Ron) Domerse

SURVEYOR/ENGINEER:

- Atlas Land Consulting
14500 Parallel Rd.
Basehor, KS 66007

REQUEST:

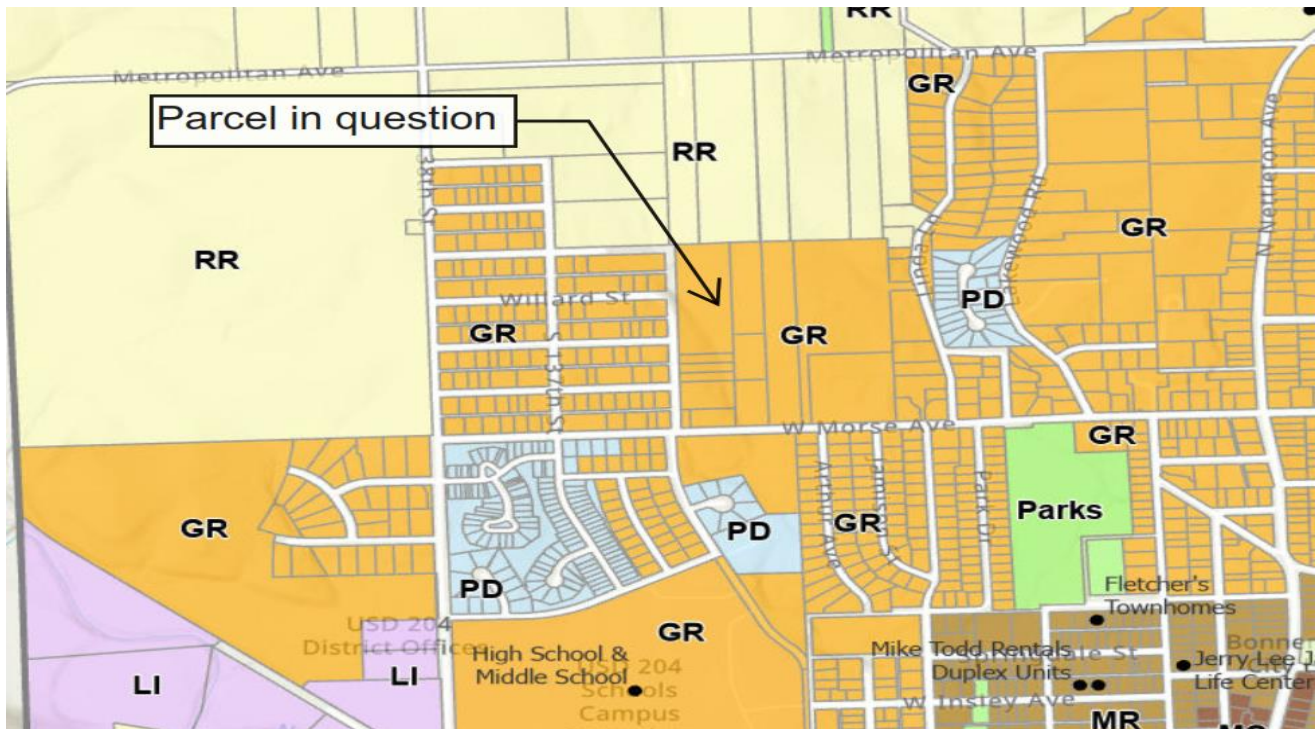
The applicant is requesting a Replat of the East Grandview Subdivision, Lots 6-10 located at 1755 S. 136th Street, for the East Grandview New Addition.

ZONING:

- The property is currently zoned “GR” General Residential District

SURROUNDING ZONING:

- North RR (Rural Residential District)
- South GR (General Residential District)
- East GR (General Residential District)
- West GR (General Residential District)

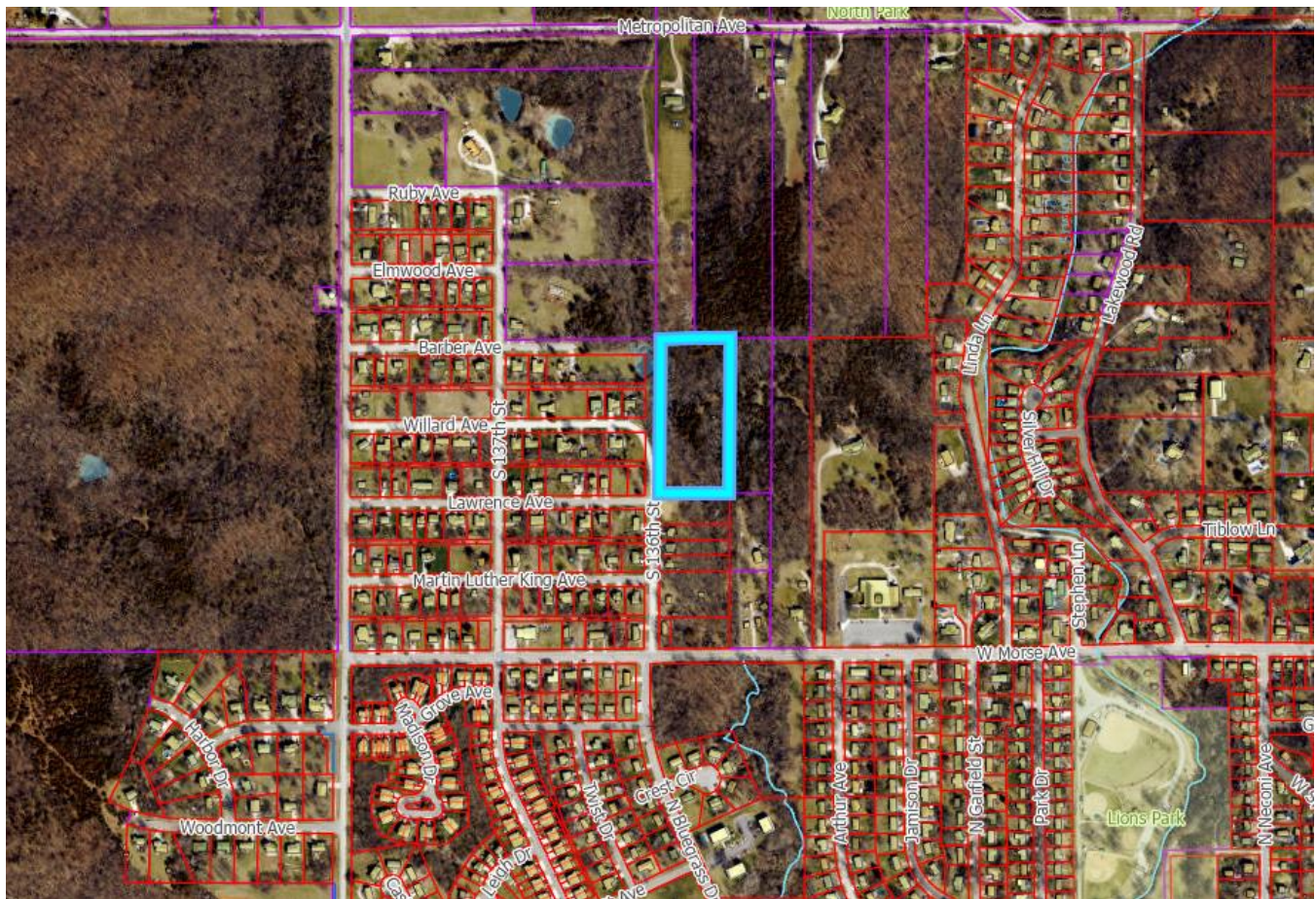


BACKGROUND:

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The proposed development will not change any lots outside of the proposed replat area.



The typical replat procedure is being utilized for this application. The purpose of a Replat is to modify existing platted Lots without the need for a Vacating Plat and to ensure compliance with the Unified Development Ordinance of the City of Bonner Springs.

A Replat shall be required when altering the Lot Lines, Lot identification number, Block identification number, setbacks, or any Easement or property dedicated to the City previously established by a lawful subdivision as determined by these regulations.

Traffic Impact

Additional traffic will be created by the proposed replat and development itself. The increase in traffic created by the new dwelling units will ingress and egress to and from South 136th Street via different directions with access to Morse Avenue to the south, one of three streets to the west that will take residents to S. 138th Street as well.

Stormwater Management

Stormwater Management facilities are in place with the existing subdivision area of the Grandview development and no changes are anticipated or being required.

Utilities

New utilities are proposed with the subject plat. As part of the replat appropriate utility easements are being put in place to accommodate utility service extensions.

Utility providers have been notified of the replat and have been given an opportunity to comment.

Subdivision Regulations Requirements

The items to be submitted with and included on the replat per the Unified Development Ordinance requirements are under review by UG Staff, the City Engineer and the Community Development Director, comments have been returned to the applicant as of the writing of this report and staff awaits replies.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

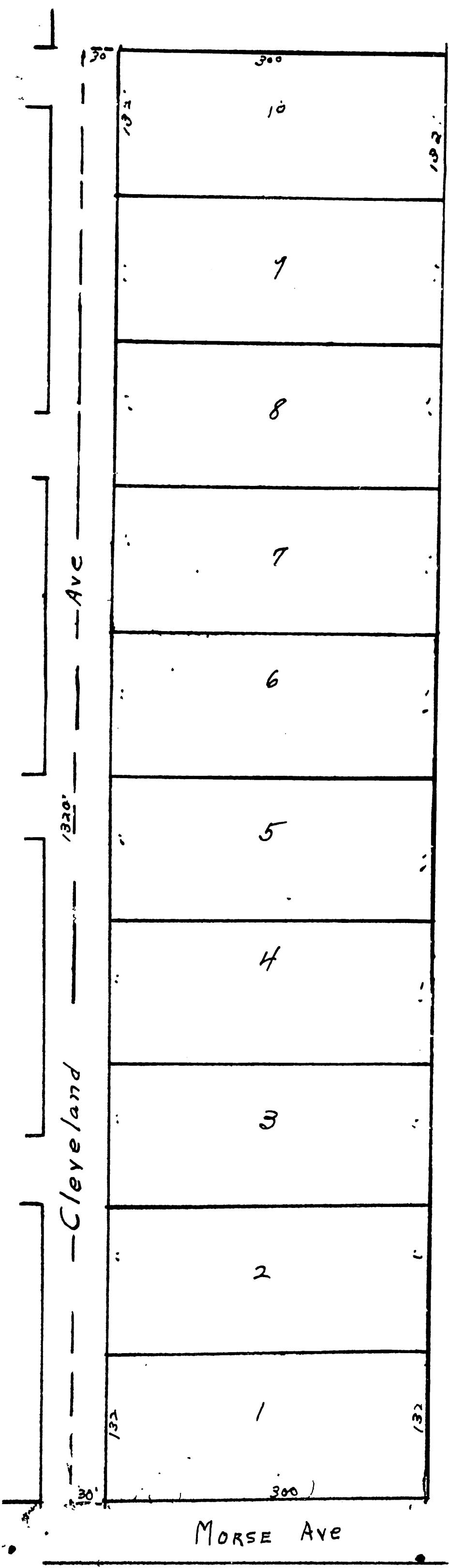
Staff recommends that the Planning Commission approve the Replat Lots 6 - 10 of the East Grandview subdivision for the East Grandview New Addition with the stipulations listed below.

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EAST GRANDVIEW SUBDIVISION

AN ADDITION IN WYANDOTTE CO. KAN.



Description

This plat of East Grandview Subdivision comprises land in Wyandotte County, Kansas described as follows:-
The West 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of Section 30-T11 S.R 29 E. in Wyandotte County, Kansas.

Dedication

The lands intended for sale are designated by numbers as lots in East Grandview Subdivision
The Streets shown on the within plat are already opened to public travel

Signed Jacob T. Williamson
Rebecca A Williamson.

State of California)

County of San Diego) ss

Before me the undersigned a Notary Public in and for the State and County aforesaid came Jacob T. Williamson and Rebecca A Williamson his wife to me personally known to me to be the persons who executed the within instrument and acknowledged the same to be their free act and deed.

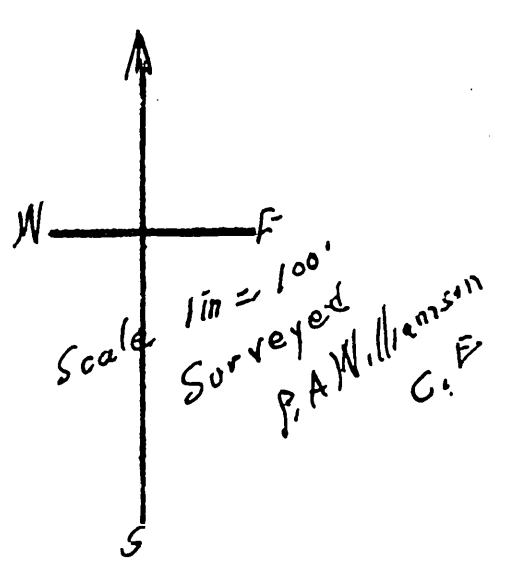
In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal this 19th day of April AD 1915

[Signature]
Seal

A.D. Piersall
Notary Public

My Commission expires April 12-1916.

159187
Filed for record
May 15-1915 at 10:10 clock P.M.
William Beggs
Register of Deeds
By U. G. Gates
Deputy.



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LEGEND

- NORTHEAST FACE OF POWER POLE

SECTION CORNER
BENCHMARK AS NOTED

FOUND PROPERTY CORNER AS NOTED
SET 1 1/2" X 24" REBAR CAP A I C K S C I S 363

BUILDING SETBACK LINE
CALCULATED

DEEDED
MEASURED

MEASURED
PLATTED

GENERAL NOTES

1. THE BASIS FOR THE BEARING SYSTEM FOR THIS SURVEY IS KANSAS NORTH ZONE U.S. STATE PLANE 1983
2. ALL DISTANCES SHOWN HEREON ARE IN FEET
3. KS ONE-CALL WAS CALLED ON THIS SURVEY TICKET #25017322
4. REFERENCED SURVEY MARK FINAL PLAT
- EAST GRANDVIEW SUBDIVISION FINAL PLAT
- CERTIFICATE OF SURVEY COMPLETED BY BHC RHODES DATED AUGUST 23, 2004.
5. FLOODPLAIN NOTE: ACCORDING TO "FIRM" MAP, COMMUNITY PANEL NUMBER 20209C0109E ON SEPTEMBER 2ND, 2015, AREA ZONE "X" AREA OF MINIMAL FLOOD HAZARD"
6. CLOSURE PRECISION: 1 PART IN 4432766.000
7. CURRENT ZONING- RESIDENTIAL-GR (GENERAL RESIDENTIAL)
8. NO TITLE WORK WAS PROVIDED FOR THIS SURVEY.
9. UNRECORDED PLAT COMPLETED BY LARRY HAHN INTENDED THIS DISCREPANCY TO BE 250.00 FEET.

This is to certify on this 31ST day of DECEMBER, 2025 this field survey was completed on the ground by me, or under my direct supervision and that said survey meets or exceeds the Kansas Minimum Standards" for boundary surveys.

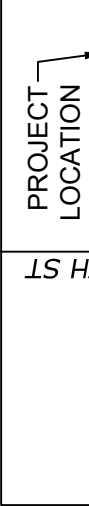


ANDREA N WEISHAUBT, PLS 1730

JOB NO:25-045S

VICINITY MAP

METROPOLITAN AVE



VICINITY MAP:
SEC 30-11S-23E
1"=2000'

SEC-TWN-RNG | RONALD G DOMERSE

ADDRESS: 1755 S 136TH ST
BONNER SPRINGS, KS 66012

DATE _____

APRIL 17, 2025

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Memorandum

Date: June 17, 2025
To: Mayor and City Council
From: Mark Lee

Subject: Review revision to 2025 and Beyond – The Comprehensive Plan of Bonner Springs

Recommendation: Staff has no recommendation at this time. Public Hearing is set for July 15, 2025.

Action: None at this time - for review only

Background: Staff has been working over the past year gathering information to provide updates to several sections of our Comprehensive Plan. Those updates have been added into the document and are presented for review and discussion at this evening's meeting.

Discussion: In order to meet specific deadlines, staff has sent a public hearing notice out for publication. This will allow the updates plan to proceed to the regularly scheduled meeting in July.

Financial Impact: NA

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Agenda Item No. 5

Topic: Review revision to 2025 and Beyond – The Comprehensive Plan of Bonner Springs -
At the May 20th meeting staff provided a list of pages that would have changes and or
updates to them. Staff is providing those pages today. The item will move forward for a
Public Hearing and adoption at the July 15th meeting.

Narrative:

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sections of our Comprehensive Plan. Those updates have been added into the document and are
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Presented by: Mark Lee – Community Development Director

Staff Recommendation: Staff has no recommendation at this time as no action is required.

Attachments:

Description of pages and or sections of 2025 and Beyond – The Comprehensive Plan of Bonner Springs
(1pg)

Referenced pages with updates (40pgs)

2025 UPDATES TO THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF BONNER SPRINGS

- Update the Table of Contents to include the Downtown Master Plan
- Update the population count/estimate (1)
- Update the Demographics Table and associated charts (13-15)
- Update and/or revise Economic Development Incentives (16)
- Update sales tax and property tax information (17-19)
- Update all Zoning Districts (20)
- Added to the Transportation section, public transit (21)
- *Should we address trails along Minor Arterial streets and how reconstruction or construction of the streets should contain a 10' path on one side and sidewalk on the other?*
- Revised page 25
- Updated all sections of the Community Facilities portion (except School District) (28-38) including updates sewer and water infrastructure maps
- Updated Environmental Management section (41)
- Updated Land Use and Development (42)
- Updated Zoning and Physical Image (44)
- Updated the Zoning Districts (45)
- Added new zoning map (46)
- Revised pages 47 -51
- Made appropriate changes to Future Land Uses/Future Land Use Map (55-62)
- Made appropriate changes to Future Land Uses/Future Land Use Map (64)
- Added new Future Land Use map (65)
- Updated all U.S. Census Bureau demographics tables
- Added an Addendum for the PSP Downtown Masterplan

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Introduction

Located within three separate counties; Wyandotte, Leavenworth and Johnson Counties; Bonner Springs is minutes from regional attractions along with having our own thriving downtown retail district. Bonner Springs is a historic community with a great past, but is also an up-and-coming community with great development potential.

Entertainment options such as the Azura Amphitheater, Children's Mercy Park - home of Sporting KC, the Monarch's baseball stadium, and the Kansas Speedway provide exciting family-friendly options. Along with two museums; Bonner Springs has many outdoor recreational opportunities as well; Sunflower Hills golf course, the Kansas City Renaissance Festival and over 500 acres of parks and recreational areas; entertainment choices are endless when it comes to retail and outdoor activities. Bonner Springs is a destination with something for everyone.

Located within minutes of downtown Kansas City, and within thirty minutes of the Kansas City International Airport, by providing direct access to Kansas Highway 7, Kansas Highway 32, US 24/40 and Interstate 70, Bonner Springs is poised for continued residential, commercial and industrial growth.

History

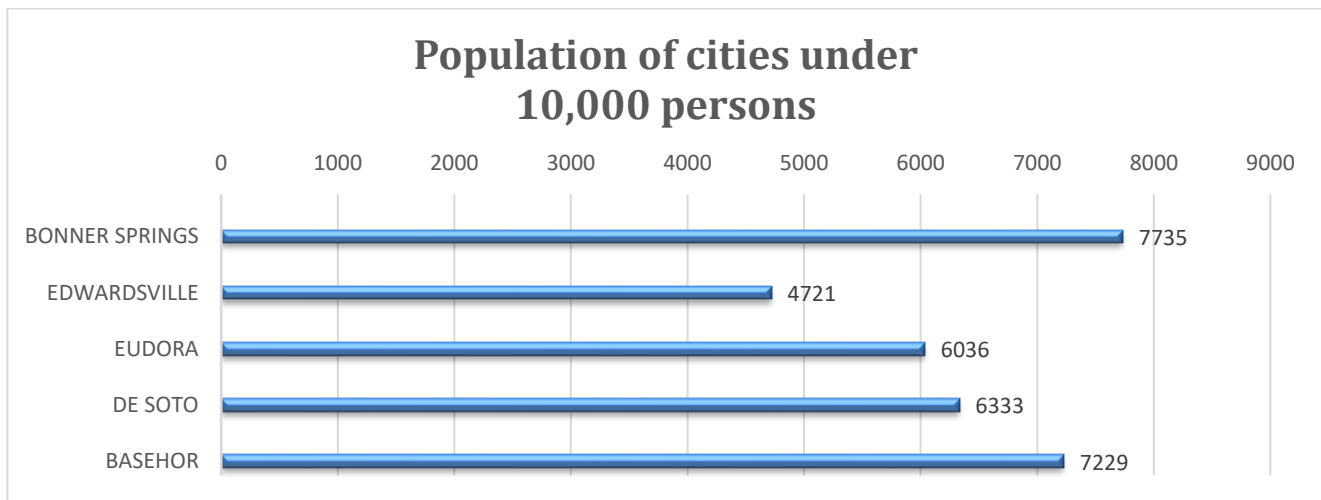
Nestled among the rolling hills on the edge of the Kansas River, Bonner Springs is one of the oldest cities in the state of Kansas. In 1812, the Chouteau family established the first European trading post in the state. This bustling trading post was called Four Houses, now the site of Bonner Springs. Between 1840 and 1865, steamboat traffic and the arrival of the railroads brought new people and commerce to the area.

The name was changed to Tiblow in honor of Henry Tiblow, a Delaware Indian who operated a ferry across the Kansas River. It remained as Tiblow until Philo Clark platted the area in the 1880's and succeeded in renaming the entire town Bonner Springs. "Bonner" was chosen to honor Clark's long-time friend Robert Bonner, editor of the New York City Ledger, "Springs" was chosen because of the many natural springs in the community. Philo Clark became the first Mayor of Bonner Springs when the city incorporated in 1898.

What was once a boomtown of agriculture and trade where fortunes were won and lost has now become a vibrant, family friendly, community of over 7,83700 residents, rich in opportunities for light industry, commercial business and retail. No longer characterized as agricultural, this busy community now boasts a wealth of attractions, entertainment, recreational opportunities and unique retail shopping.

While the town boasts up and coming housing, educational and commercial opportunities, the special touch of the tree lined streets downtown, ice cream socials in the park, city band concerts and friendly merchants offering personal service are still valuable assets of the city along the Kansas River.

DEMOGRAPHICS TABLE														
SUBJECT	BONNER SPRINGS		EDWARDSVILLE		EUDORA		DE SOTO		BASEHOR		LANSING		KANSAS CITY	
2025 ACS Estimates	7735		4721		6036		6333		7229		11229		154,776	
2020 Census Poulation	7837		4506		6408		6118		6896		11239		156,607	
Population Change (2020-2025, Estimated)	(-) 1.31%		(+) 4.77%		(-) 5.80%		(+) 3.51%		(+) 4.83%		(-) .09%		(-) 1.17%	
2010 Census Population	7314		4340		6136		5720		4613		11265		145,786	
2025 American Community Survey vs. 2020 U.S. Census Population Characteristics														
	2025 ACS vs 2020		2025 ACS vs 2020		2025 ACS vs 2020		2025 ACS vs 2020		2025 ACS vs 2020		2025 ACS vs 2020		2025 ACS vs 2020	
Population Denisty (pop/sq.mi.)	(+) 495.8	489.8	(+) 524.5	481.9	(-) 2081.4	2105.3	(+) 565.4	542.3	(+) 1018.2	952.4	(+) 912.9	905.6	(+) 1240.2	1220.6
Average Household Size	(+) 3.3	2.59	(-) 2.96	3.08	(+) 3.10	2.99	(+) 3.22	2.8	(+) 3.21	2.83	(+) 3.12	2.95	(+) 3.21	2.73
Median Age ⁽¹⁾	(+) 37.2	40.5	(+) 36.7	37.5	(-) 40.2	35.1	(-) 38.1	35.9	(-) 38.6	36.9	(-) 39.1	34.4	(-) 35.1	33.5
Homeownership Rate %	73.8%	66.7%	74.2%	81.9%	71.4%	62.9%	73.0%	63.6%	73.6%	74.3%	81.3%	75.8%	59.9%	57.5%
% Vacant Housing Units	5.40%	3.10%	6.18%	6.18%	5.05%	5.90%	7.28%	4.50%	2.57%	1.90%	5.20%	5.50%	11.15%	11.90%
% Strucutres Built Prior to 1999 ⁽²⁾	(+) 76.8%	79.7%	(+) 76.2%	76.8%	(-) 57.4%	53.9%	(+) 73.3%	80.8%	(+) 40.3%	45.8%	70.8%	70.8%	(+) 87.8%	89.4%
Median House Value	\$223,800.00	\$179,000.00	\$165,700.00	\$139,300.00	\$231,500.00	\$177,800.00	\$370,700.00	\$241,000.00	\$314,100.00	\$237,900.00	\$247,500.00	\$177,600.00	\$169,300.00	\$101,300.00
Over 25 w/College Degree	24.8%	21.8%	22.2%	24.6%	31.3%	31.8%	38.0%	33.9%	38.5%	32.6%	41.3%	38.7%	20.2%	17.9%
Median Household Income	(+) \$81,865	\$68,250.00	(+) \$76,847	\$40,086.00	(+) \$106,356	\$87,392.00	(+) \$105,500	\$60,568.00	(+) \$106,325	\$84,906.00	(+) \$100,871	\$87,154.00	(+) \$60,739	\$46,424.00
Per Capita Income (2019-2023) ⁽³⁾	\$36,239.00		\$31,082.00		\$40,537.00		\$48,886.00		\$43,815.00		\$37,593.00		\$28,059.00	
Family Poverty Rate - Past 12 months (% of population) ⁽⁴⁾	(+) 12.6%	8.0%	(+) 11.1%	5.7%	(-) 8.3%	8.7%	(-) 2.6%	3.2%	(-) 5.9%	8.8%	(+) 5.2%	0.5%	(+) 17.4%	15.5%
% Workforce in Manufacturing	12.3%	13.0%	10.6%	8.2%	16.4%	12.2%	15.7%	11.1%	6.8%	5.0%	10.8%	6.9%	11.6%	13.4%
Bold Blue equals positive or increase (+) Bold Red equals negative or decrease (-) 1. An increase in the Median age; while shown as a negative or decrease is not the actual case. It may indicate a long term shift in residency. It may indicate families settling down and staying in one community longer than previous years, it may indicate an increase in affordable housing for the agining population or residences constructed specifically for age related housing, or a community that is 'aging in place', in which specific planning opportunities could and should be utilized. 2. The decrease indicated in the percentage of housing strucutres built prior to 1999 indicates the increase in new housing stock, it indicates new residential development. A negative number in this instance is a good thing. 3. Per Capita Income levels have not been adjusted from the Census numbers of 2020. 4. Increases are indicated in red in this category, an increase is not a positive in this instance as it signifys more residents living at or below the federal poverty line.														

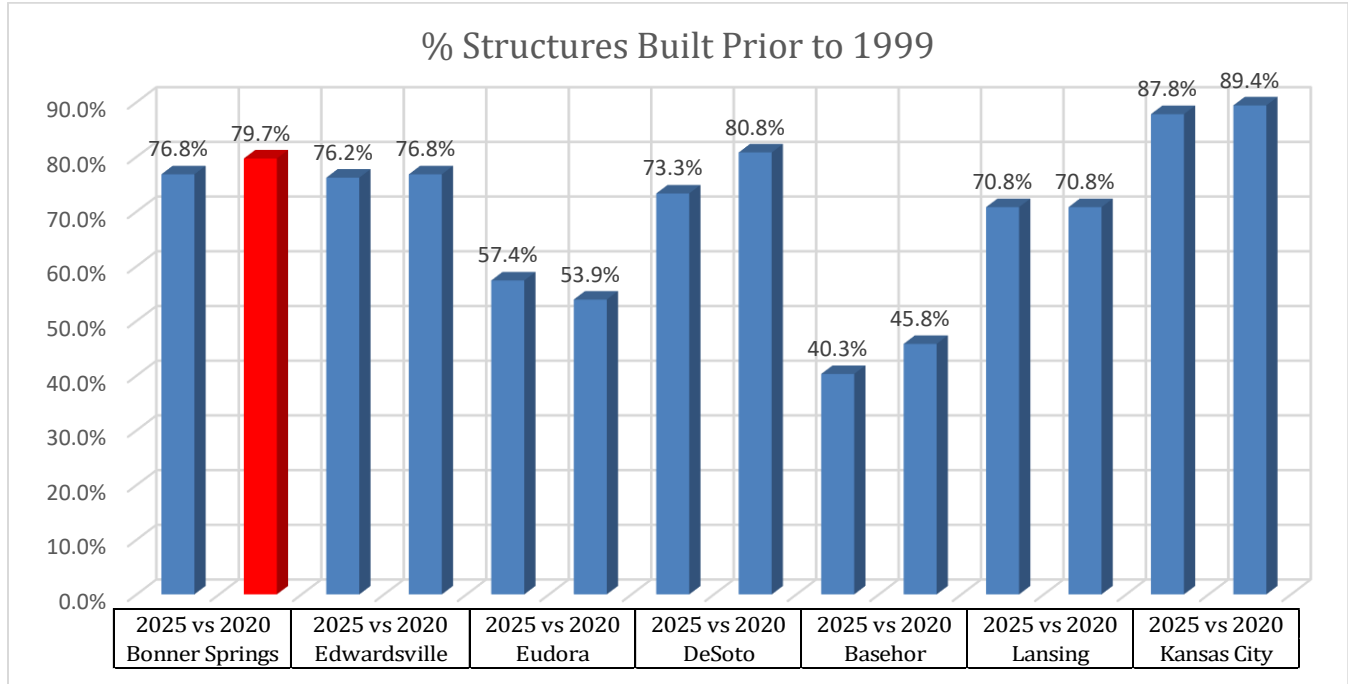


The table above is taken from the demographics table on the previous page and the American Community Survey

Policy Implications Similar to the other smaller communities around the metro region, Bonner Springs is likely to experience continued population growth. An increase in population will place an increased demand on services, infrastructure, and schools, these must be taken into account.

Housing

In general, the seven (7) communities evaluated have similar housing characteristics with above average percentages of owner-occupied homes and low percentages of vacant structures. 74% of Bonner Springs housing stock is owner occupied. Overall, there has been a reduction in housing structures built prior to 1999, this equates to an increase in new housing or a loss in older housing units. In terms of housing value, Bonner Springs has the third highest median house value at nearly \$179,000.



The table above is taken from the demographics table on the previous page and the American Community Survey

Building permits had seen a steady increase annually between 2001 and 2008. Between 2016 and 2020 the valuations of permits fluctuated with large commercial/industrial projects boosting the construction values of permits above \$30 million. Residential home construction had seen a steady decline over the past ten (10) years but began to climb again slowly, with 2020 having an estimated construction value of \$2,535,000, and an additional \$605,450 in remodels, additions and alterations.

BUILDING PERMITS ISSUED

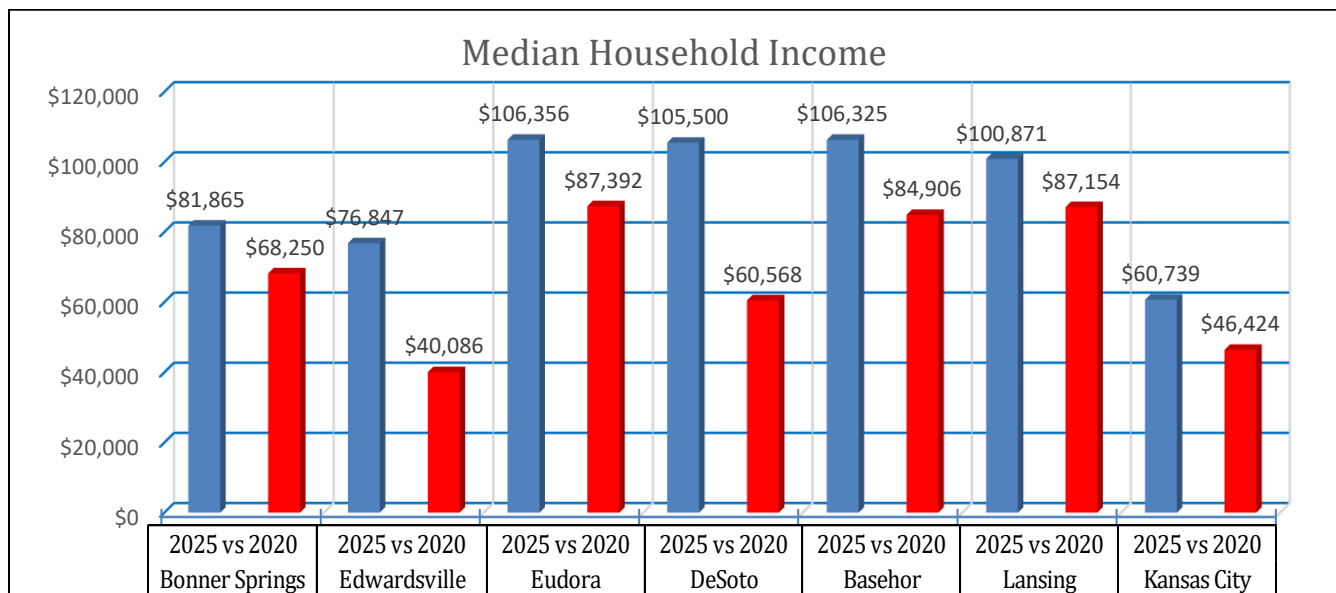
Year	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020-2016
Residential	21	13	11	4	56
Commercial/ Industrial	13	28	17	1	16
Additions, Alterations, Remodels, etc.	17	19	12	25	841
Total Valuation	\$38,708,897	\$47,749,829	\$5,962,306	\$43,054,344	\$83,025,112

Policy Implications

It is anticipated that Bonner Springs will begin to see an uptick in growth in the coming years, which should create a demand for housing once again. With such a small portion of the existing structures being vacant, new housing construction is a necessity and development should be encouraged. Sewer Masterplan improvements should be addressed in relation to housing starts and persistent sewer capacity issues in certain locations.

Economics / Education

Generally, there is a correlation between educational attainment, income and poverty rates. There seems to be a few examples of this among the communities compared. All of the communities compared have a median household income that averages \$91,214, this is above the Kansas median of \$70,333. Bonner Springs sits at a household income level of \$81,865, a nearly 20% increase from the 2020 Census. Bonner Springs has a below average percentage of residents holding post-secondary degrees at 24.8% vs. the average of 30.9%. While this number remains below the average, it is an increase from the 2020 Census data.



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Policy Implications

Bonner Springs is fortunate enough to be in close proximity to a variety of employment opportunities due to the closeness of the Kansas City metro area. There has been a slight decrease in the number of workforce members in manufacturing, this could be attributed to external factors (decrease in overall population, increase in those with college degrees).

Considering the connection between educational attainment and income levels it will be important for the community to continue to support education.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Bonner Springs continually markets itself to draw people to the community, with our many festivals and downtown gatherings, the community and surrounding residents are finding out Bonner Springs is a vibrant destination. Downtown has seen recent investments—by both the public and private sectors—but has opportunities for continued investment.

However, the city must continue to promote itself as a unique destination. The city needs to plan for and invest in further land for industrial and business park development.

In order to promote and foster quality community and economic growth, the City has developed an Economic Development Incentive Policy which grants certain financial incentives to new and existing businesses. Included in the Policy are seven (7) specific incentive packages, they are as follows:

Neighborhood Revitalization Property Tax Rebate Plan (NRP) – The Neighborhood Revitalization Plan Property Tax Rebate Programs help promote revitalization of the inner urban area of the city, Lake of the Forest, and northwest area of the city. The programs also promote vitalization of the K-7 commercial corridor, a large area extending north to I-70 from the inner urban area, and the area adjacent to the Kansas Speedway. Set to expire on December 31, 2025

Tax Increment Financing (TIF) – Tax increment financing (TIF) is a real estate redevelopment tool applicable to industrial, commercial, and residential projects. TIF uses the anticipated increases in real estate tax revenues to reimburse the developer for qualified costs or retire bonds sold to finance qualified redevelopment costs. Qualified costs may include: public improvements, site preparation, parking facilities, landscaping and decorative amenities, and land acquisition costs. Buildings or other structures owned or leased by a developer do not qualify.

Industrial Revenue Bonds (IRB) – This is a cost-efficient method that finances up to 100% of the purchase of land and costs to construct and equip new facilities or the costs to acquire, remodel, and expand existing facilities. Industrial Revenue Bonds (IRB) are securities issued by cities, counties, and the Kansas Development Finance Authority. There are tax-exempt and taxable bonds based upon what is financed. Other IRB benefits include eligibility for a property tax exemption for up to 10 years and a sales tax exemption for labor and materials purchased for new facilities.

Transportation Development District (TDD) –

A transportation development district (TDD) may be created to finance certain transportation related projects or infrastructure in connection with a development. Eligible projects may include bridges, streets, interchanges, intersections, signage, traffic signals, parking lots, parking garages, bus stops and stations, airports, docks, lake or river ports, railroad, light rail, mass transit facilities, and land acquisition

Community Improvement District (CID) –

Community Improvement District (CID) financing allows cities / counties to levy special assessments or a sales tax of up to 2% within a CID and to use proceeds of the assessments and/or sales tax to either finance projects within the CID or to pay debt service on Special Obligation (SO) or General Obligation (GO) bonds issued to finance projects within the CID.

Special Benefit District – This type of financing may be used for public streets, sanitary sewers, water mains, storm water, and other public improvements when those improvements confer a special benefit upon property within a defined area. Established special benefit districts levy and collect special assessments upon property in that district and provide for the payment of all or part of the improvement costs from proceeds of such special assessments.

Rural Housing Incentive District (RHID) -

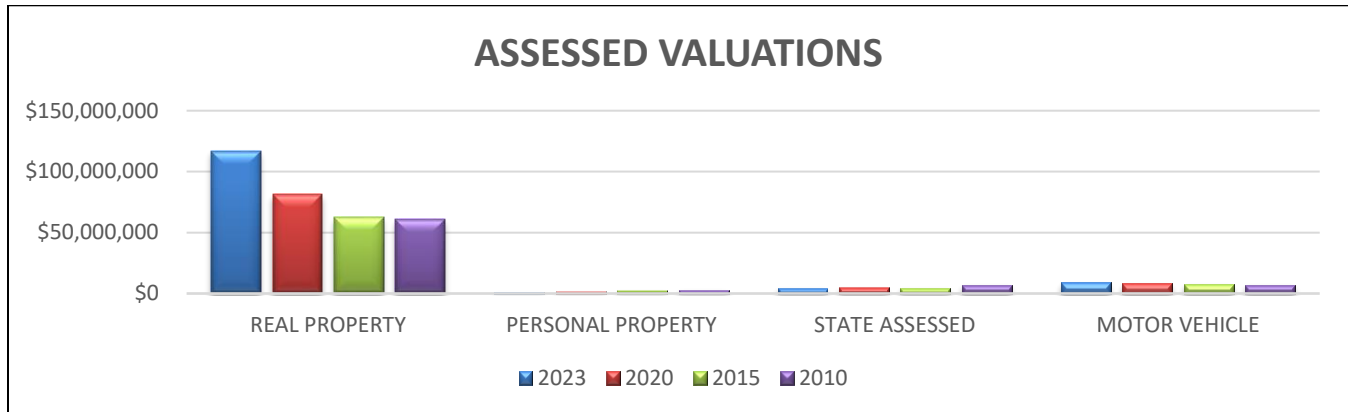
provide reimbursements to developers in building housing in rural communities by financing housing development infrastructure or renovations of buildings or structures built over 25 years ago for residential use in a central business district. There must be an established RHID defined by an adopted City or County resolution. RHID captures the incremental increase in property taxes created by the development project for up to 25 years. RHID is available for any city with a population under 60,000, counties under 80,000, or the City of Topeka.

Small Business Attraction & Incentive Program – For a qualifying business, the city will provide grant funds based upon a certain percentage of their retail sales on goods and/or services of which the Kansas retailer's sales tax is actually paid to the Kansas Department of Revenue. The city will also waive and reimburse certain fees. If a new or existing retail business moves into a vacant tenant space, the business owner may qualify for this incentive program based upon the eligibility requirements and program policies.

Assessed Valuation

The city is located primarily in Wyandotte County, Kansas. However, a small portion of the city (approximately 5 percent of assessed valuation) is located in adjacent Leavenworth and Johnson Counties. The following table gives the total assessed valuation of the city for the years indicated.

YEAR	REAL PROPERTY	PERSONAL PROPERTY	STATE ASSESSED	MOTOR VEHICLE	TOTAL ASSESSED VALUATION
2023	\$117,062,603	\$1,262,419	\$4,586,527	\$8,969,397	\$131,880,946
2020	\$80,899,028	\$1,646,874	\$4,869,437	\$8,390,104	\$95,805,443
2015	\$62,615,821	\$2,234,081	\$4,633,982	\$7,843,876	\$77,327,760
2010	\$60,609,018	\$3,114,864	\$6,900,839	\$6,900,839	\$74,963,447



Estimated Actual Valuation

Based on assessment percentages provided by Kansas Statutes and estimated appraised valuations provided by the Wyandotte, Leavenworth, and Johnson County Clerks' Offices, the following table provides an estimated actual value for all taxable property within the City in the years indicated.

YEAR	RESIDENTIAL REAL ESTATE EQUALIZATION RATIO	ESTIMATED ACTUAL VALUE
2023	10.70%	\$904,969,480
2020	10.51%	\$636,777,057
2015	11.2%	\$515,183,894
2010	11.59%	\$485,689,438

Largest Taxpayers

The following table lists the largest taxpayers in the City, and their most recent assessed valuations.

Table 2.1—Assessed Valuations

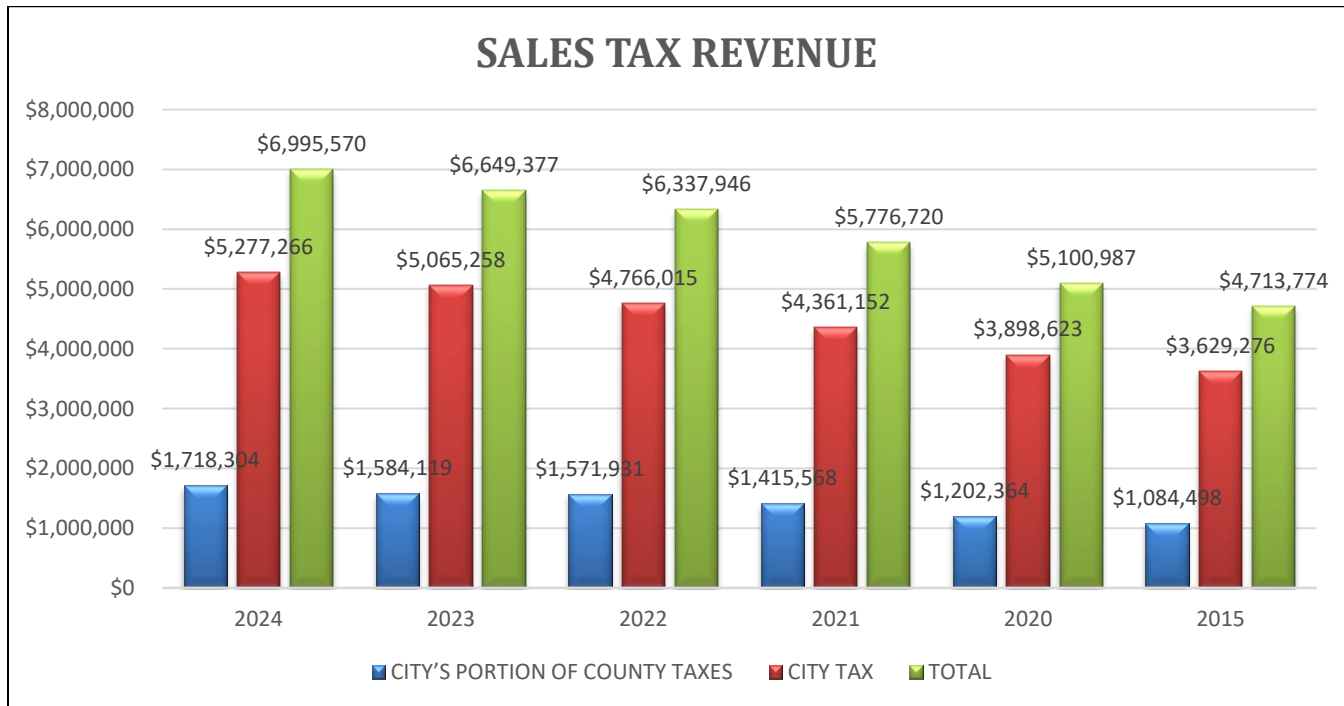
Taxpayer	Assessed
OLD DOMINION FREIGHT LINE	\$6,322,066
WAL MART REAL ESTATE BUSINESS TRUST	\$2,354,566
EVERGY KANSAS CENTRAL, INC	\$1,677,170
ATMOS ENERGY CORP	\$1,273,380
NEW VENTURE I, LLC	\$1,074,452
WALLTIES & FORMS, INC.	\$1,072,112
TRIANGLE SELF STORAGE LLC	\$1,065,306
PIPE PORTFOLIO OWNER LP	\$1,028,425
OLDCASTLE APG MIDWEST, INC.	\$1,002,156
INDIVIDUAL	\$932,905

Sales Tax

The City levies a 1.75% local option sales tax on all applicable goods and services purchased or provided within City limits. The City tax includes a .50% of the City tax was implemented in 1981, another .50% City tax was implemented in 1985, and .25% was implemented in 2017. In October 2003, an additional .25% was added by the City to fund emergency service improvements. This was a 10-year tax which was extended in 2023 for an additional 10 years. In November 2004, an additional .25% was added by the City to fund capital improvements. This is a 10-year tax which was extended in 2014 and again in 2024. Wyandotte County and Leavenworth County currently levy a 1% local option sales tax on all applicable goods and services purchased or provided within the county. These taxes are in addition to the State's 6.5% sales tax. The total sales tax in the Wyandotte County and Leavenworth County portions of the City is 9.25% of cost.

Johnson County currently levies a 1.475% local option sales tax making the total sales tax in the Johnson County portion of the City 9.725%. The State of Kansas is responsible for collection and distribution of all sales taxes. Countywide local option sales taxes are distributed monthly to the County and the cities within the County on a basis of population and relative tax levy. Citywide local option sales taxes are disbursed monthly in full directly to the City. Statewide sales taxes are retained by the State and not distributed to local municipalities. The following table shows the amount of county and city local option sales taxes distributed to the City since 2015.

YEAR	CITY'S PORTION OF COUNTY TAXES	CITY TAX	TOTAL
2024	\$1,718,304	\$5,277,266	\$6,995,570
2023	\$1,584,119	\$5,065,258	\$6,649,377
2022	\$1,571,931	\$4,766,015	\$6,337,946
2021	\$1,415,568	\$4,361,152	\$5,776,720
2020	\$1,202,364	\$3,898,623	\$5,100,987
2015	\$1,084,498	\$3,629,276	\$4,713,774
2010	\$847,747	\$2,919,000	\$3,766,747



Tax Levies

The City may levy taxes in accordance with the requirements of its adopted budget. The County Clerk determines property tax levies based upon the assessed valuations provided by the Appraiser and spreads the levies on the tax rolls. The following data lists the total mill levy of the City for the last five years. One mill equals \$1 of taxes per \$1,000 of assessed valuation.

FUND	2024 levy for 2025 Budget	2023 levy for 2024 Budget	2022 levy for 2023 Budget	2021 levy for 2022 Budget	2020 levy for 2021 Budget
GENERAL	29.014	29.658	30.120	29.398	24.530
LIBRARY	3.702	3.527	3.942	4.477	4.477
BOND & INTEREST	6.118	6.686	7.814	9.017	9.321
TOTAL	38.834	39.871	41.876	42.892	38.328

In 2023 the value of one Mill is currently equal to \$117,062.00

The total Mill Levy rate for Wyandotte County (2024) sits at 150.130

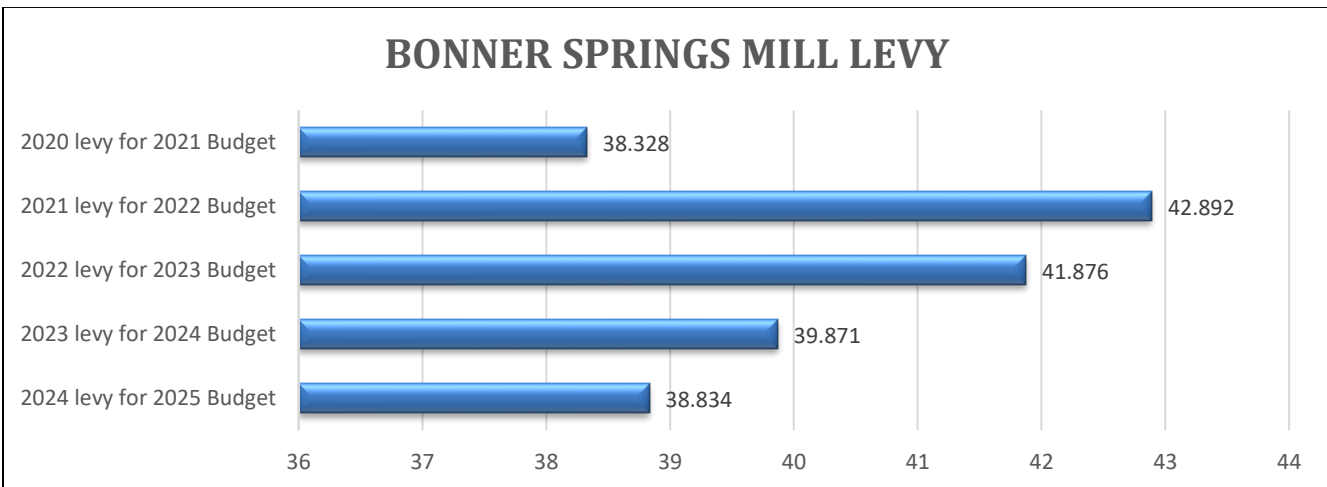
The total Mill Levy rate for the City of Bonner Springs sits at 41.876 (as indicated above)

**Impact of Total Mills on an Individual Home
(2024 Mill Levy Rate)**

Formula:

First Step:	<u>\$250,000</u> (value of the home)	x	<u>0.115</u> (Residential %)	=	<u>\$28,750</u> (assessed value)
Second Step:	<u>\$28,750</u> (assessed value)	x	<u>150.5610</u> (total mill rate)	/ 1000 =	<u>\$4,328.63</u> (total property taxes due)

BONNER SPRINGS MILL LEVY



Existing Land Use

The way in which land use is distributed throughout a city requires thoughtful decision-making and is not simply a random process. Several factors influence how a piece of property is zoned and used. Economic variables such as market demands, the cost of property, and the cost of construction, as well as, environment factors like soil conditions, topography, and locations of floodplains all influence land use patterns. Although these factors are out of the control of the City there are other influencing factors that the City can control. This includes traffic patterns, the capacity and location of public utilities, the delivery of municipal services and the City's physical appearance. However, these factors are not constant and just as they influence land use, each change in land use impacts them.

Bonner Springs currently has sixteen zoning districts, of which ~~seven~~ five are strictly residential land uses; ~~two of those are for mobile home or manufactured home parks/subdivisions, three~~ four are ~~business~~ commercial land uses; ~~one is~~ two are mixed-use, one allowing for a variety of residential (single-family, duplex and apartment) uses to be grouped together in a single development; ~~while the other allows for commercial and residential~~ and uses simultaneously. The remaining two are industrial uses. The "PD - Planned Development District" provides for innovative development standards that achieve three main goals, flexibility, framework and intensity.

Following are the current zoning districts:

Residential

LA Loring Agricultural District
LR Loring Residential District
RR Rural Residential District
ER Estate Residential District
GR General Residential District

Commercial Districts

CC Central Commercial District
LC Local Commercial District
GC General Commercial District
HC Highway Commercial District

Special Overlay Districts

MR Mixed-Residential District
MC Mixed-Use Commercial District
PD Planned Development District
RV Recreational Vehicle Parks
ENT Entertainment and Amusement District

Industrial

LI Light Industrial District
HI Heavy Industrial District

The majority of land within the City is zoned either AGLA (Loring Agricultural District ~~Loring Service District~~) or ~~A-1RR- (Agricultural Rural Residential District Bonner Springs city limits)~~. Additionally, there are several large pockets of dense residential located near downtown and north of the city proper. The bulk of the commercial areas are located at major intersections along Kansas Highway 7 or within downtown.

Excluding the rock quarry east of K-7, ~~four~~ multiple large industrial areas exist throughout the City. However, it is important to remember that zoning classification and land use do not always coincide.

In recent years Bonner Springs has experienced significant industrial growth causing an increase in the number of acres used for this land use category. Although there are some vacant and agricultural properties inside the City, much of the growth has, and is occurring, in agriculturally zoned areas throughout the City. Considering growth trends, it is likely this development will persist and additional land will continue to be developed in this manner.

Policy Implications

The City is experiencing growth and several requests for land use changes. These changes will require careful consideration to ensure the proposed land use patterns are most appropriate for the City and the particular area. Bonner Springs ~~should~~must evaluate its anticipated annexation area and the anticipated land use of those areas. ~~To improve clarity and be in-line with current development standards, updates to the zoning code will be necessary.~~

Within the zoning districts are uses listed as permitted and permitted via Special Use Permit, these uses should be reviewed, updated, revised or deleted on an annual basis.

Transportation

The transportation system is a vital component of the community. It affects almost every aspect of activity within the community either directly or indirectly. The transportation system is highly visible and deficiencies and improvements are readily noticed. The City currently maintains 144 lane miles or 72 miles of streets, but this number is expected to steadily increase due to development.

Community planning and transportation systems are greatly interrelated and interdependent. An adequate transportation network is a key component of new growth. For this reason, development almost always entails the construction of new transportation networks or the upgrading of existing ones. The costs associated with constructing and maintaining roads continues to rise. In 202~~24~~ dollars, it costs ~~nearly~~approximately \$800 per linear foot for new collector level streets and \$1000-\$1200 per linear foot for retrofitting. Considering these figures, it is important for the City to plan well. It is cheaper and more efficient to construct and maintain a community that is compact and well connected because it reduces the miles of streets that must be built, repaired, and maintained. Additionally, a compact and well-connected city can reduce the response times of emergency vehicles.

The City maintains a major street plan (**Ref. Bonner Springs Future Transportation Map pg 23**).

To assist in the planning, design and maintenance of a street network, streets are broken down using a functional classification system. This system identifies different types of roads based on their design and intended function. While no classification system can fit all situations, they do serve as an effective guide in helping the community adopt standards appropriate to its needs.

The City has adopted the Complete Streets Policy as instituted by the Mid-America Regional Council (MARC). These design regulations are intended to provide for an integrated transportation network with infrastructure and design that allows for safe and convenient travel along and across streets for all users, including pedestrians, bicyclists, public transit riders and motorists; along with individuals of all ages and abilities, including children, families, older adults and individuals with disabilities.

Public transportation has been a long-standing tradition in Bonner Springs, the city operates the small but mighty Tiblow Transit bus service, providing transportation for residents locally within the city limits, it is being expanded in 2025 to once again include trips into Kansas City, Kansas. Being able to provide transportation out of Bonner Springs proper, to employment opportunities in Wyandotte, Johnson and Leavenworth counties is of vital importance, this will take support and involvement from the existing regional transit services such as the KCATA, -The Jo and RideKC.

The City should furthermore define areas that would be beneficial for the surrounding residents and consider installing bus stop locations. The classification table below should be utilized when determining viable locations.

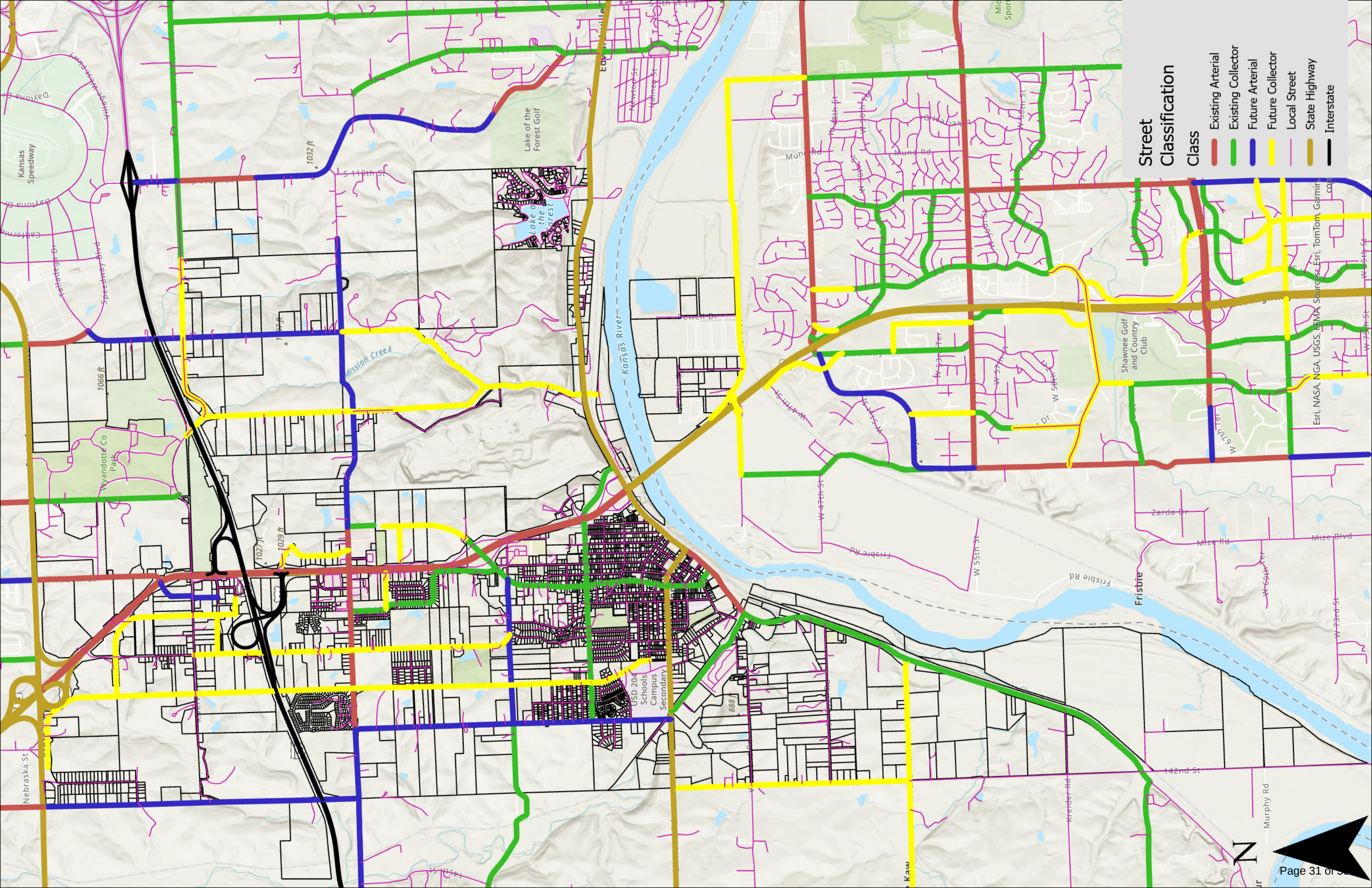
A typical classification system identifies four basic types of streets: Expressway/ Major Arterial, Minor arterial, collector, and local. Expressways are most often regional facilities, such as I-70 and K-7, constructed and maintained by the State. For the purpose of this plan, expressways will not be included in the functional classification of streets for the City. The following table provides additional information on the functional classification of streets in Bonner Springs.

	Minor Arterial	Collector	Local
Purpose	Move large volumes of traffic efficiently	Move moderate amounts of traffic	Provide direct access to properties
# of Lanes/ Lane Width	3-4 (12')	2 to 4 (12'-11')	2 (10.5'-12')
Minimum ROW Width	80'	60'-80'	50'
Pavement Width	36'-48'	24' to 48'	28'
Sidewalks	Minimum 5' wide sidewalks on both sides	5' wide both Sides	5' wide one side
Parking	Prohibited	Permitted	Permitted
Average Daily	More than 12,000	1,500 – 12,000	Less than 1,500
Speed (MPH)	40 MPH	30 – 35 MPH	25 MPH

Based on the table above and current conditions, existing streets within Bonner Springs can be placed into an appropriate classification that takes function, land use and traffic volumes into account. Currently Bonner Springs has several major arterial streets located within the city limits; Kansas Highway 7, Kansas Highway 32, U.S. Highway 24/40 and Interstate 70. Minor arterials include portions of Kansas Avenue, portions of 142nd Street and 130th Street. Current or future collector street classifications can be found on streets such as Morse Avenue, Nettleton Avenue, 134th Street, Scheidt Lane and others. The majority of other streets throughout Bonner Springs are classified as local.

The utilization of people-powered bicycles, electric scooters and E-bikes as a viable transportation modes have been steadily increasing over the last several years. To accommodate the growing trend, governments at all levels are implementing bicycle programs. The Federal Government has provided funding and guidelines for bike facilities with programs. Cities are becoming more conscious of incorporating trails, multi-use paths and sidewalks into their transportation network as well.

Policy Implications *As development and potential annexation continue; the way existing and new roads interface, as well as, design specifications should be examined. Additionally, the city should begin to plan for the incorporation of bicycle transportation systems, installation of multi-use paths along Minor Arterial streets as well as public transportation amenities in new developments and in older neighborhoods.*



Street Classification

Class

- Existing Arterial
- Existing Collector
- Future Arterial
- Future Collector
- Local Street
- State Highway
- Interstate

INTRODUCTION – SOILS AND TOPOGRAPHY

This section summarizes natural conditions and man-made improvements that impact Bonner Springs's long-term future. Environmental characteristics and infrastructure in Bonner Springs are the focus of the summary, as they play a significant role in the location and cost of serving development—both existing land uses and “urban systems” ~~and~~ along with future development. Significant barriers to development in some portions of the city include floodplains and high-water tables, shrink swell soils, soils unsuited for on-site septic systems, and severe slopes.

Soils

Bonner Springs is located in the general soil area of Kansas labeled “deep Loess Drift”. The Soil Survey of the region published by the US Department of Agriculture lists 34 soil series in the three counties. Bonner Springs is further defined into eight (8) general soil associations, with the most widespread being the Sharpsburg-Macksburg association, the Knox-Sibley association, and the Armster-Lagonda-Sharpsburg association. A majority of the soil types in Bonner Springs are unsuited for on-site septic systems due to flooding, soil wetness and slow percolation. Also, local roads may require careful treatment due to the poor quality of the soils.

Mineral Resources

The geologic formations in Bonner Springs are the Lansing Group and the Kansas City Group. These two groups are generally described as having the potential for production of quarried limestone materials such as riprap, road surface material, and products for the manufacture of cement. In addition, the Kansas City Group contains irregular or thin beds of high sulfur content coal. Neither fossil nor non-fossil mineral resources are actively being extracted in Bonner Springs.

Bedrock

The presence of bedrock near the surface can significantly increase development costs and may make new development prohibitive due to excavation costs. The shallow bedrock in Bonner Springs that may interfere with excavation is mostly soft and rippable with the aid of commonly used construction equipment such as a backhoe.

Ecological Profile / Physical Limitations

The physical characteristics of a community can reveal a lot about its growth patterns, health and vitality. Additionally, understanding the existing physical condition and limitations of the community will offer a better understanding of what issues need to be addressed. Identifying both positive and negative aspects of the community's physical environment will provide valuable insight in developing specific strategies on improving the overall physical image and condition of the community and understanding growth limitations.

Steep Slopes

Slopes greater than 15 percent are generally considered a severe limitation for residential development; and greater than 20 percent, barriers to surface infrastructure extensions, such as roads. In the eastern portions of the city, steep slopes occur along the edges of the floodplains and north of the Kansas River in the quarry and campground regions; and west of the city in portions of the Wolf Creek sub basins. (Ref Bonner Springs Development Challenges map page 26).

Overall, the land within the City limits has a rolling hill topography with significant topographical features moving farther south towards the Kansas River. Bonner Springs is located in nine (9) different watershed drainage areas; thus, providing sanitary sewer service is a vital concern. A considerable amount of land within the community and the future growth area is located in the Wolf Creek basin while the wastewater treatment plant is located nearest the majority of the basins at the southern end of the watershed. This requires a large portion of the City's sewer and potential future portions to be pumped to the wastewater treatment facility.

COMMUNITY FACILITIES

To be truly comprehensive, this Plan must explore the relationship between growth and the services and facilities which must support this growth. If the necessary support facilities are not made available, growth will cease. In particular, the City must monitor its public works and utility services, public safety, and its public building and recreational facilities to properly accommodate new and current citizens and businesses as the community grows.

The City's Capital Improvement Program is adopted annually with each budget. The city is continually budgeting maintenance and reinvestments to bring older systems in line with current needs. For example, there are still many gaps in the city's sidewalk network that need to be repaired and/or constructed. It is difficult for children to walk to school given the limited sidewalk network in the older core area of the community. New infrastructure systems are needed to assist and promote new development. The City is planning for proactive management of growth compared to past decades. There is a general recognition that regional growth is more and more present, and there is a need for strategic planning when providing infrastructure for growth. Again, with the example of sidewalks, the City has been continually replacing dilapidated sidewalk sections and building where there was none, on a priority basis, such as on routes to public schools.

City Offices

City Hall is located in the newly renovated "1918" building at 200 E. 3rd Street, one block off abutting our vibrant downtown. The building is occupied by the City Clerk, Utility Billing/Finance Department, Municipal Court, City Administration, Planning & Zoning Community Development, Tiblow Transit dispatch, Parks and Recreation Department and the City Council/Municipal Court Chambers. City Hall is adjacent and attached to our Community Center, which houses our Senior Resource Center, several rooms for meetings and a community gymnasium.

Parks and Recreation

The City of Bonner Springs is home to 8 community parks and 2 community buildings. The Community Center is located near the heart of downtown and within walking distance of 3 pocket parks. The Center has 4 rentable rooms for events including a gymnasium, and a separate area for senior activities. The building is programmed with a mixture of activities for persons of all ages

Centennial Park is a small pocket park in the downtown area, is currently used for several different festivals and the farmer's market. It is a landmark for the town as it sports a large yellow caboose, water garden, and large pavilion for the market.

Kelly Murphy Park is another small pocket park that hosts the band stand drawing thousands of people to enjoy in the City Band's music each year. It is a memorial park built in memory of police officer, Kelly Murphy.

Kerry Roberts Memorial Park is a 10-acre memorial park in memory of 11-year-old Kerry Roberts who was fatally injured during a baseball game. The family donated the park to the City to be maintained as a nature park that contains an unpaved trail loop, shelter, and swing set.

Lions Park is a 17.5-acre park located in the heart of the city. It contains 3 fully lit baseball fields with concrete dugouts, 3 playgrounds with varying equipment, a concession stand with restroom, two shelters, a trail system that connects to South Park, and a fenced dog park.

North Park is located in a quiet residential area outside of the downtown area and is home to many diverse recreational opportunities. It contains an 18-hole disc golf course, the largest outdoor water park in the county, fishing dock and lake, memorial site, 2 soccer fields, 2 sand volleyball courts, a shelter and playground and soon, additional public restrooms.

South Park is a neighborhood park that is near the elementary school. It has a skate park, a rentable community building, 12 horseshoe pits, a shelter, and trail connection to Lions Park.

Center Park is a small pocket park located near the downtown area that hosts a fitness court, with the potential for future amenities.

Bonner Springs also plays host to the 250-acre Wyandotte County park along with a public golf course - Sunflower Hills.

As the community's population continues to grow, the existing number of parks and recreational opportunities will not meet the needs of the citizens. As new residential development occurs, the City must work with developers to provide recreational opportunities in the boundaries of these new developments.

Library

~~The Bonner Springs City Library, located at 201 N. Nettleton Avenue, offers a variety of books and programs for children, teens, and adults. Additionally, the library provides audiovisual materials, e-resources, inter-library loans, computers for public use, WIFI, private study rooms, a community room, fax and copy machine services, voter registration, tax forms.~~

~~The Library receives more than 6,000 visitors a month and has over 8,500 active cardholders, who check out, download, or stream over 100,000 items a year. There are over 60,000 physical items in the collection. The Bonner Springs City Library, located at 201 N. Nettleton Avenue, offers a variety of books and programs for children, teens, and adults. Additionally, the library provides DVDs, inter-library loans, public internet access, computers for public use, WIFI, private study rooms, a community room, fax and copy machine services, voter registration, tax forms.~~

~~Prior to the onset of COVID-19 and restrictions put in place at that time, the library received an average of 9,000 visitors a month. Since 2019 the number of visitors has declined, over the current year the library has received on average 4,500 visits per month and offers 60,650 items in the collection.~~

Education

Unified School District 204, Bonner Springs-Edwardsville, serves students and families in a 38 square mile area of Wyandotte County. PreK-12 students attend one of six district attendance centers. The McDaniel Preschool Center located in Bonner Springs, serves the PreK students, while three elementary facilities serve K-5 and are located throughout the district. Students in grades 6, 7, and 8 attend Clark Middle School located in Bonner Springs. Bonner Springs High School, is a 5A school, serving students in grades 9 through 12. In addition, the district offers a Head Start program that promotes the school readiness of infants, toddlers, and preschool-aged children from families with low income. A virtual school option for USD 204 is also offered through Greenbush Virtual Academy.

During the 2022-2023 school year, the total enrollment for all schools was approximately 2,465 pupils. The district also employs 225 professional staff members and 191 support staff.

Electric System

Evergy provides Bonner Springs and surrounding areas with electrical services. The company is adequately prepared to handle increasing demands for the next twenty years as there are currently several substations located near Bonner Springs, which possess expansion capabilities. To ensure Evergy may accommodate growing needs and changing circumstances, the City must engage the provider during the planning stages of development, major road improvements, and right-of-way exchanges.

Gas System

Bonner Springs natural gas is supplied by Atmos Energy. As development occurs, the company has installed the necessary infrastructure and will continue to provide infrastructure on an as needed basis. To ensure Atmos may accommodate growing needs and changing circumstances, the City must engage the provider during the planning stages of development, major road improvements, and right-of-way changes.

Water System

The Bonner Springs Water Division has been in operation for over 100 years. Our water treatment plant produces an average of 1.15 million gallons per day. The source water is pumped from five wells, located on the north bank of the Kansas River and is filtered to remove iron and manganese and disinfected prior to distribution.

The distribution system consists of over 50 miles of water mains, 3,100 meters, 450 fire hydrants, a pump station, and 2 one-million-gallon storage tanks. Peak water demands in the summer can reach 2 million gallons per day. Main upgrades will be necessary to meet the needs of new development and the city has established long term plans which address this issue.

In 2021 the city began the process of updating our water treatment facility, the new facility was completed and began operation in the Fall of 2024. This facility provides clean “soft” water to the citizens of Bonner Springs. After nearly 18 months of construction, the City’s new water treatment plant will begin serving the residents of Bonner

Springs early this fall. At a cost of \$29 million, this important infrastructure project was funded via the Kansas State Revolving Loan Fund. The new plant increases Bonner Springs' water treatment capacity, allowing our community to independently treat and supply our residents with clean drinking water year-round. We will no longer need to purchase water from Kansas City, Kansas BPU during the summer months when our water usage is at its highest. This added capacity also positions our community for future growth and development. Using a new nanofiltration process, residents and rate payers should expect much softer water than they are accustomed to and may opt to discontinue use of water softeners and hard water systems. See below for additional information regarding the transition to the new water treatment plant.

The City will need to address the rural water district issues in Leavenworth County as annexation and development occur in the Wolf Creek basin west of the county line.

Stormwater System

Overall, the City's stormwater system is functioning properly and efficiently with no significant inadequacies in the system. Some areas of town do not possess curb and gutter conveyance systems and still rely on ditch lined roads with culverts being placed at driveway intersections. Although some citizens would like the older portions of town to be retrofitted with curb and gutter, the open ditch drainage system currently in place works properly and improves water quality by providing for natural filtration of the stormwater. All new subdivisions are being constructed with curbs, gutters and underground conveyance systems.

In January 2008, the city adopted new Storm Water Management Program and Utility (**Ref. Appendix C**). In January 2019, a comprehensive storm water master plan was completed for several of the drainage basins throughout the city. Currently only limited areas have been studied (i.e., Spring Creek basin and the "Clark" area). KC American Public Works Association standards have been adopted for storm water run-off to limit post development runoff to predevelopment conditions. The MARC BMP Manual was also adopted to improve water quality throughout the City and require stormwater treatment for all new developments.

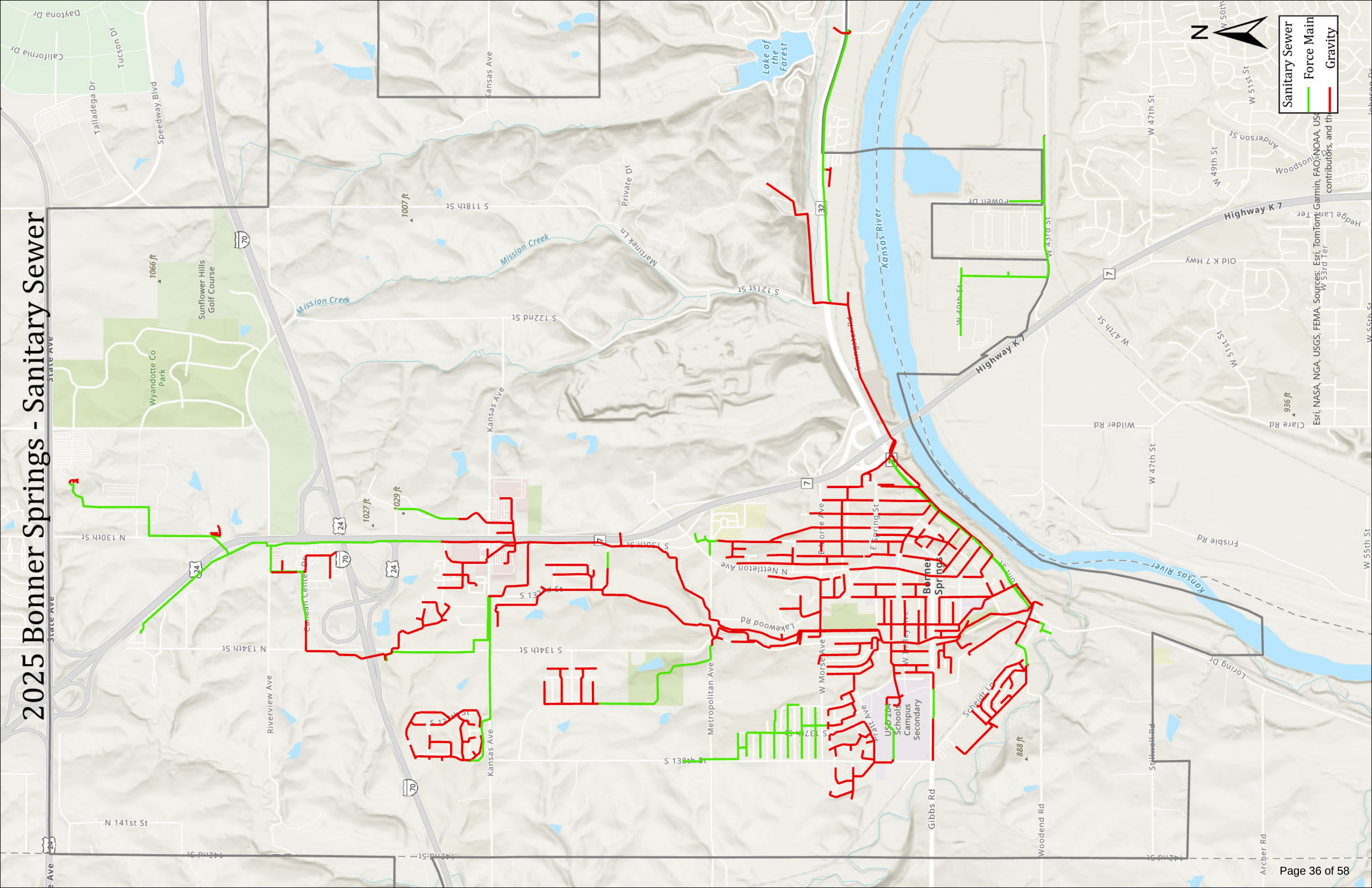
The City is studying options for regional storm water detention to augment individual site by site facilities—a stormwater utility fund was established may be an option to consider as a way to fund regional improvements. The City is considering standards for stream protection (i.e., setbacks and stream buffers); and, how stream buffer areas will be maintained and who will maintain them.

Wastewater System

The wastewater system is a critical issue for Bonner Springs, Kansas. The wastewater facility completed an expansion project in 1994, the City's collection system consists of over 36 miles of gravity mains of various sizes, 7 miles of force mains of various sizes, as well as 10 lift stations of various sizes to convey all raw sewage to the facility.

- The wastewater treatment plant has a capacity to treat 1.4 million gpd, and averages about 700,000 gpd. Wet weather peak flows exceed treatment capacity, in which case back up and holding mechanisms are employed.
- Along with the planned Wolf Creek sanitary sewer interceptor the City needs to plan for other major infrastructure needs including water, roads, parks, etc.
- There is only limited capacity remaining in the Spring Creek sewer basin and therefore new developments proposing to pump sanitary sewer from other basins into the Spring Creek basin could consume the remaining capacity to serve future development in the basin.
- The city contains nine (9) distinct watersheds, as new development occurs developers must account for extending services within the watersheds in order for development to occur. The City offers certain incentive packages that can aid in this process.

2025 Bonner Springs - Sanitary Sewer

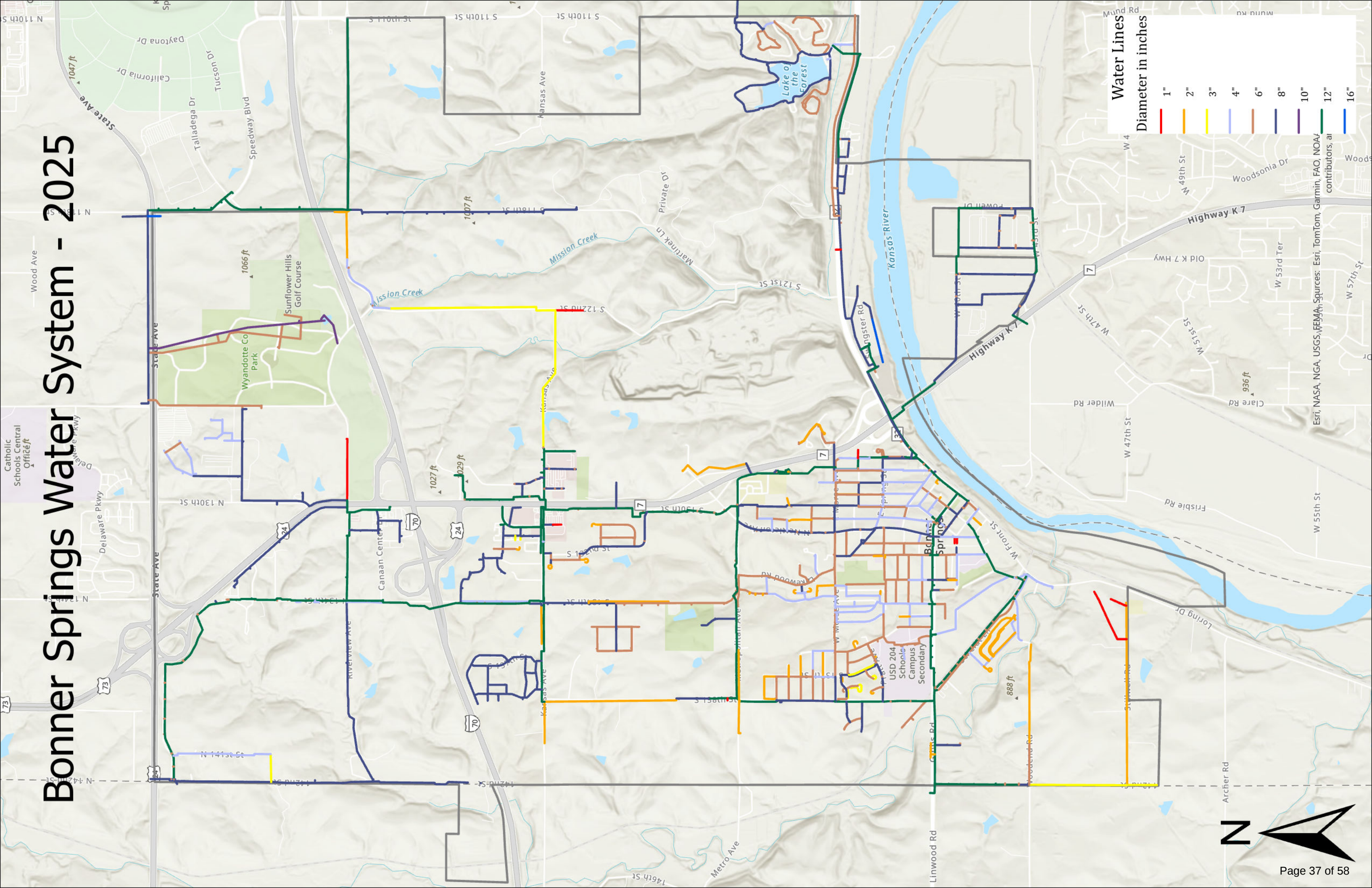


Sanitary Sewer

Force Main

Gravity

Bonner Springs Water System - 2025



Law Enforcement

The Police department consists of 26 full time staff members, including 23 sworn officers and three civilian positions. In 2020, the Police Department moved into a state-of-the-art Police facility. While population continues to progress incrementally, development and service demands within the community will need to be considered relative to the current sworn work force. The department needs to continue to assess personnel needs, distribution of resources, needs for touchdown locations within the community to better serve developing areas, and acquisition of advancing law enforcement technologies to remain efficient and effective.

Fire Protection and Emergency Medical Services (EMS)

The City of Bonner Springs Fire Department is a full-service, all-hazards emergency response agency tasked with minimizing our community's loss of life and property. Through our own emergency response capabilities and established automatic aid agreements with regional partners, we provide comprehensive fire protection, technical rescue, wildland firefighting, hazardous materials response, and disaster response services. Additionally, we deliver Paramedic-level Advanced Life Support (ALS) ambulance services to the community.

Beyond emergency response, our department has established a community risk reduction program utilizing fire and life safety inspections, fire investigations, and public education initiatives. On January 15, 2022, the department transitioned to a full-time fire department. Before this, a long legacy of volunteers staffed the fire department since 1903.

Staffing and Operations

Our daily staffing model ensures initial response capabilities to emergencies, while automatic aid partners are simultaneously dispatched to supplement our resources when needed. Each day, six personnel are assigned to staff one fire engine and one ambulance. Operational personnel are cross-trained in fire suppression and emergency medical services to maximize efficiency and adaptability. A part-time employee supplements fire department staffing.

The department is led by a fire chief and a deputy fire chief who also serves as the EMS service director. A part-time fire inspector is in place and conducts fire inspections throughout the community.

Environmental Management

GOAL:

Plan for, utilize and preserve natural resources.

OBJECTIVE: (Environmental Management)

Protect the City's existing environmental assets and ensure future development in harmony with natural features, the Kansas River, the Wolf Creek basin, and other streams and tributaries.

ACTION STEPS: (Environmental Management)

- A. Continue local environmental planning—and subsequent standard updates—with regional cooperation on storm water management, including education of the public about erosion from water coming from outside the City corporate limits.
- B. Continue to revise and update City standards with new and valuable regulations so that development is designed and continues with “green practices”, and environmental degradation is minimized during construction.
- C. ~~Implement~~Continue regulations to protect natural systems as a conveyance for stormwater, and to reduce erosion, sedimentation, and flooding. **(Ref. Appendix C)**
- ~~D. Preserve floodplains as greenway biodiversity conservation corridors for permanent open space, parks, and recreation.~~
- ~~E. Implement buffers in new development to mitigate adverse environmental impacts on the Kansas River, the Wolf Creek basin and related streams, and associated natural resource areas based on the size of the drainage basin.~~
- F. Implement measures such as Conservation Districts to protect natural resources such as: stream corridors, floodplains, woodlands, steep slopes and other environmentally sensitive features.

D and E have been addressed in the Unified Development Ordinance – Section 4.10 Stormwater and Floodplain Controls – 4.10.E –

~~F.~~ *E. Environmentally Sensitive Area (ESA) and Flood Hazard Buffers*

3. ESA or Flood Hazard Buffer Required

a. A buffer no less than one hundred (100) feet in width shall be established from the outermost limitations of the following features:

- (1) Regulatory Floodways within areas having a one percent annual chance of Flooding as identified on the latest Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) FIRMs;*
- and*

(2) Environmentally sensitive areas identified by City.

b. ESA or flood hazard buffers shall be identified on all applicable plan sets and Plat applications within an Easement.

Land Use and Development

GOAL:

Provide the opportunity for future urban growth as urban infill and in the planned growth areas of Bonner Springs.

OBJECTIVE: (Land Use and Development)

Manage growth in an orderly manner that creates compact and contiguous development patterns and not leapfrog beyond areas that can be reasonably served by utilities and services.

ACTION STEPS: (Land Use and Development)

- A. Partner with Leavenworth County to establish an Urban Service Area boundary and land use plan in the unincorporated area outside the city limits.
- B. Promote annexation of unincorporated “infill” areas contiguous to the city limits in response to growth.
- C. Continue promoting the Bonner Springs industrial/business park; designate new commercial and industrial park land areas on the Future Land Use map.
- D. Require developments to analyze their impact on public utilities and to make improvements to accommodate the development’s impact.

Annexation

Growth brings a number of benefits to a community; however, it also brings a number of impacts and costs. This makes annexation a vital part of planning for the future of the City because it provides a mechanism to incorporate those areas outside the city limits anticipated for future growth. It also ensures there is adequate land and space for future growth and development.

Annexation does come with a cost, which must be carefully analyzed. The City must evaluate its ability to provide an adequate level of services to the annexed area. Additionally, the City needs to promote a development pattern that represents the sustainable use of land, energy and other resources by encouraging orderly, contiguous growth and minimizing single-use or low-density, dispersed development. Annexation is an important topic for Bonner Springs as the City grows.

OBJECTIVE: (Development and Natural Resources)

Minimize the loss of natural resources due to urbanization.

ACTION STEPS: (Development and Natural Resources)

- A. Locate new developments in areas which are free of environmental hazards or problems relating to soil, slope, bedrock and water table.
- B. ~~Continue to~~ Limit development in the 100-year floodplain to recreational uses, green space and parks.
- C. Design and construct new development to retain the natural and visual character derived from topography, woodlands, streams, and riparian corridors.
- D. ~~Implement~~ Maintain current practices in new developments that increase storm water infiltration and adequately treat storm water runoff from a site before discharge.

Zoning and Physical Image

Zoning is the legal tool for regulating growth, land use and design and development specifications. Additionally, zoning regulations are a key to implementing the goals of the comprehensive plan and the City's physical image. The physical image of the community entails the perception people have of the physical assets of the City. Improving the physical image has a wide variety of benefits to the community including improved property values, enhanced economic development, increased tourism, and community pride.

GOAL: Maintain City regulations and policies which encourage a strong vibrant growing community.

OBJECTIVE:

Provide zoning regulations which are up-to-date and reflect the goals of the community

ACTION STEPS:

- A. Review the ~~Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision Regulations~~ Unified Development Ordinance annually.
- B. Review the permitted and permitted via special use – uses annually and make additions and adjustments when necessary.
- C. Consider zoning for the long term and beyond the City limits.
- D. Tie zoning to the Future Land Use Map and Comprehensive Plan.

OBJECTIVE:

~~Possess~~ Utilize the Architectural Design Guidelines for commercial and industrial developments to ensure that they have an attractive design.

ACTION STEPS:

- A. Require more traditional type developments that have personality and unique character.
- B. Blend new development to existing development when feasible.
- C. ~~Follow Architectural Design Standards for building design throughout the City.~~

OBJECTIVE:

Encourage a variety of residential developments and styles that incorporate sufficient open space and provide housing for all.

ACTION STEPS:

- A. Utilize different architecture to reduce “cookie cutter” homes and break up monotony and create diversity.
- B. Implement New Urbanist ideas for residential development. New Urbanism promotes the creation of diverse, walkable, compact places with an emphasis on quality of life. These types of development are often referred as traditional developments because they incorporate traditional design elements such as grid pattern streets, alleyway, recessed garages, front porches and amenities (parks, schools, stores) located within walking distance.
- C. Identify areas for multi-family development within the Future Land Use Map
- D. Use the Future Land Use Map and ~~Zoning Regulations~~ Unified Development Ordinance to better blend new development areas with existing developments.

Measures:

Because physical image entails people's perception, it is recommended that community surveys be utilized to determine citizens' attitudes towards the physical image of the City.

Zoning Districts

Bonner Springs currently has seventeen zoning districts, of which eight are strictly residential land uses, two of those are for mobile home or manufactured home parks/subdivisions, two for agricultural uses, which also allow for single family dwellings, three are retail-oriented land uses, one is mixed-use, allowing for residential and commercial simultaneously and two are industrial uses.

The Planned District shall be utilized in conjunction with one or more of the zoning districts, known as the "underlying district(s)". The requirements of the Planned District shall be in addition to the requirements of the underlying district, except that the Planned District may modify some of the regulations of the underlying district in specific situations.

The current zoning districts are as follows:

Residential

LA	Loring Agricultural District
LR	Loring Residential District
RR	Rural Residential District
ER	Estate Residential District
GR	General Residential District

Commercial Districts

CC	Central Commercial District
LC	Local Commercial District
GC	General Commercial District
HC	Highway Commercial District

Special Overlay Districts

MR	Mixed-Residential District
MC	Mixed-Use Commercial District
PD	Planned Development District
RV	Recreational Vehicle Parks
ENT	Entertainment and Amusement District

Industrial

LI	Light Industrial District
HI	Heavy Industrial District

Public Works Specifications

Low maintenance and longevity of developments are also vital to the community's livability. Public works specifications will ensure streets, sewer systems, and water systems are built to a uniform standard. In order to facilitate this process, it is recommended that the City review and update specifications as needed or annually.

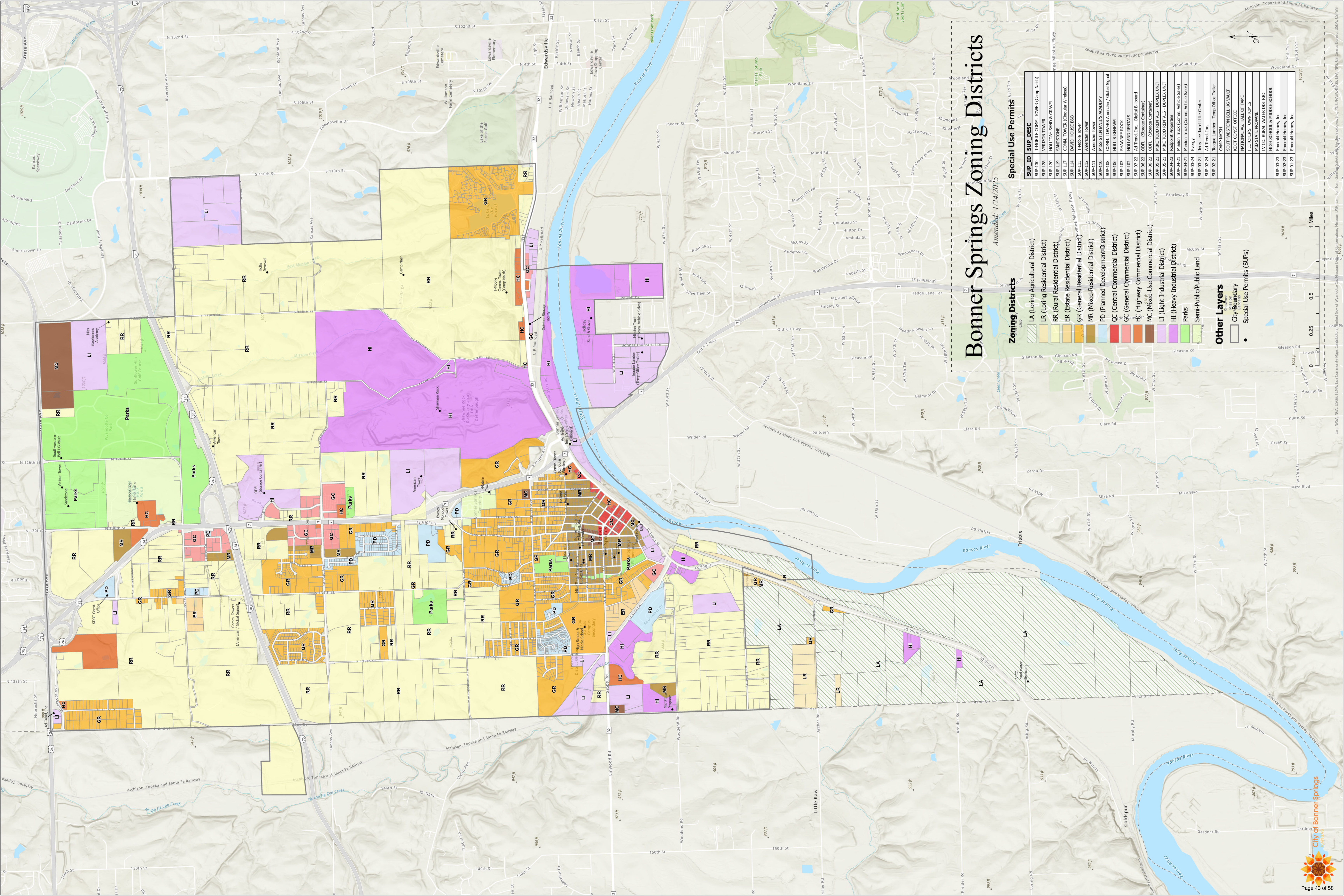
Corridor Studies

The Kansas Department of Transportation has created a K-7 Corridor Plan. This plan and study will have an impact on Bonner Springs. The City will need to be actively engaged in the implementation of the K-7 Corridor Plan as it will impact many aspects of the highway such as traffic flow, access management, and physical image. Additionally, the K-32 Highway Corridor study, the Tri-City Multi-modal Redevelopment Plan outlines the long-term transportation and redevelopment vision for the 8-mile corridor, spanning from N. 57th Street on the east to westernmost limits of Bonner Springs. Both of these plans should and will play a role in the decision-making process for development along both roadways.

- <https://www.ksdot.gov/Assets/wwwksdotorg/bureaus/burtransplan/pdf/K7/K-7CorridorMgmtPlan.pdf>
- <https://www.bonnerrsprings.org/DocumentCenter/View/2363/K-32-Tri-City-Multimodal-Redevelopment-Plan-Draft-83116?bidId=>

Citizen Survey

In early 2022 a survey was utilized to collect data on where residents within the city and surrounding growth area would like certain types of land uses placed. Following the inserted current Zoning Map are 2 additional maps indicating the preferred locations of Commercial and Industrial uses as gathered from the survey results. These survey results are also provided in Appendix B.



Infrastructure

A City's infrastructure helps define the community and is important to the planning process. The street network provides for the community's internal movement and connects it to places beyond its boundaries. The location and pattern of roads, sewer lines, water lines and electric lines will influence the pattern of growth within the community. Additionally, infrastructure such as parks, pedestrian amenities, and recreational areas help establish the quality of life in the community. The goals established in this Plan directly affect future infrastructure improvements because it helps create a priority list. By having the community's goals for growth and development outlined, local officials can ensure they are allocating money for infrastructure improvements that the community believes are important.

GOAL: INFRASTRUCTURE

Provide enhanced infrastructure systems throughout the city.

OBJECTIVE: (Infrastructure—Municipal Utilities)

Encourage city/county coordination and cooperation regarding municipal infrastructure extension into growth areas and future development areas to maximize resources, supply, facilities and distribution of utility services.

ACTION STEPS:

- A. Initiate wastewater improvements into Bonner Springs growth areas, not only those listed upon the Future Land Use Map, but areas east of Kansas Highway 7 that lack the necessary infrastructure for future development.
- B. Encourage watershed protection and regional storm water management in rural portions of the designated "Urban Service Areas."

OBJECTIVE: (Infrastructure—Finance)

Provide funding for adequate capital facilities throughout the city, for both new construction and to address deferred maintenance.

ACTION STEPS:

- A. **Implement a dedicated funding mechanism for infrastructure improvements (i.e., a new Transportation Impact Fee) as has been adopted for a citywide stormwater management program and utility fee.**
- B. Develop development / growth financing systems based on a consistently applied formula.
- C. Consider regional storm water detention options when available; rather than individual site by site facilities—the stormwater utility fund should be considered as an option to fund these regional improvements.

Streets/Transportation

Transportation is a vital component of the community and affects almost every aspect of activity within the community. Community planning and transportation are greatly interrelated and interdependent. Development is often contingent upon an adequate transportation system, which generally requires construction of new roadways or repair of existing ones. To ensure the transportation network is developed in a manner that will adequately handle the City's traffic and be conducive to efficient maintenance, it is important for the community to develop transportation goals and a Major Streets Plan.

OBJECTIVE: (Infrastructure—Major Streets)

Provide a major street system which allows safe and efficient travel citywide.

ACTION STEPS:

- A. Balance investment between both existing and new areas of the community.
- B. Require new development to provide road right-of-way for the ultimate development of the area.
- C. Manage direct access onto major thoroughfares by implementing an access management plan, limiting the number of curb cuts, and by the use of reverse frontage roads for adjacent commercial and residential land uses.
- D. Space curb cuts on major thoroughfare roads in such a manner so not to impede traffic.
- E. Prohibit residential curb cuts (driveways) onto arterial streets.
- F. Evaluate the impact of new development to determine Transportation Impact Fees (**Ref. Appendix C**), including: Woodend, Stilwell, and Riverview west of K7; KDOT plans for 136th Street; and Kansas Avenue east of Hwy 7; Kump Street; Metropolitan; and 138th Street.
- G. Require new developments to fund infrastructure improvements, both on-site and a proportionate share of off-site improvements, that primarily serve property owners of that subdivision (i.e., deceleration lanes, drainage structures, etc.)
- H. Provide pedestrian **and cyclist** accommodations along all roadways, including major roadways. Amenities such as sidewalks, bike lanes and multi-use paths should be considered.

OBJECTIVE: (Infrastructure—Traffic Management)

Minimize traffic congestion throughout the city through transportation system capacity enhancements.

ACTION STEPS:

- A. Develop a capital improvement program (CIP) for major streets, based on future land use trends and traffic counts as the basis for prioritizing future road improvements.
- B. Present the comprehensive plan—and the Transportation Plan plans for future improvements—to KDOT for better communication between the city and state funding agency.
- C. Require more than one street entrance/exit for new residential developments when economically feasible and possible.
- D. The arrangement of streets in new subdivisions should make provisions for the continuation of the principal existing streets in adjoining additions (or their proper projection where adjoining

property is not subdivided) insofar as they may be necessary for convenient movement of traffic, effective fire protection, and efficient provision of utilities.

OBJECTIVE: (Infrastructure—Construction and Extension)

Provide adequate municipal facilities in response to growth.

ACTION STEPS:

- A. Extend new streets from existing system as shown on the Future Transportation Map
- B. Extend sidewalks and walking paths from Spring Creek to Bluegrass Drive to a trail ~~by the river, use of the Kaw Valley Right-of-Way~~ along Front Street and Kansas Highway 32. Loop towards Edwardsville to Kansas Avenue or to Wolf Creek flat land.
- C. Address the rural water district issues in Leavenworth County as annexation and development occurs in the Wolf Creek basin west of the county line.
- D. Ensure quality construction to reduce maintenance costs.

ACTION STEPS:

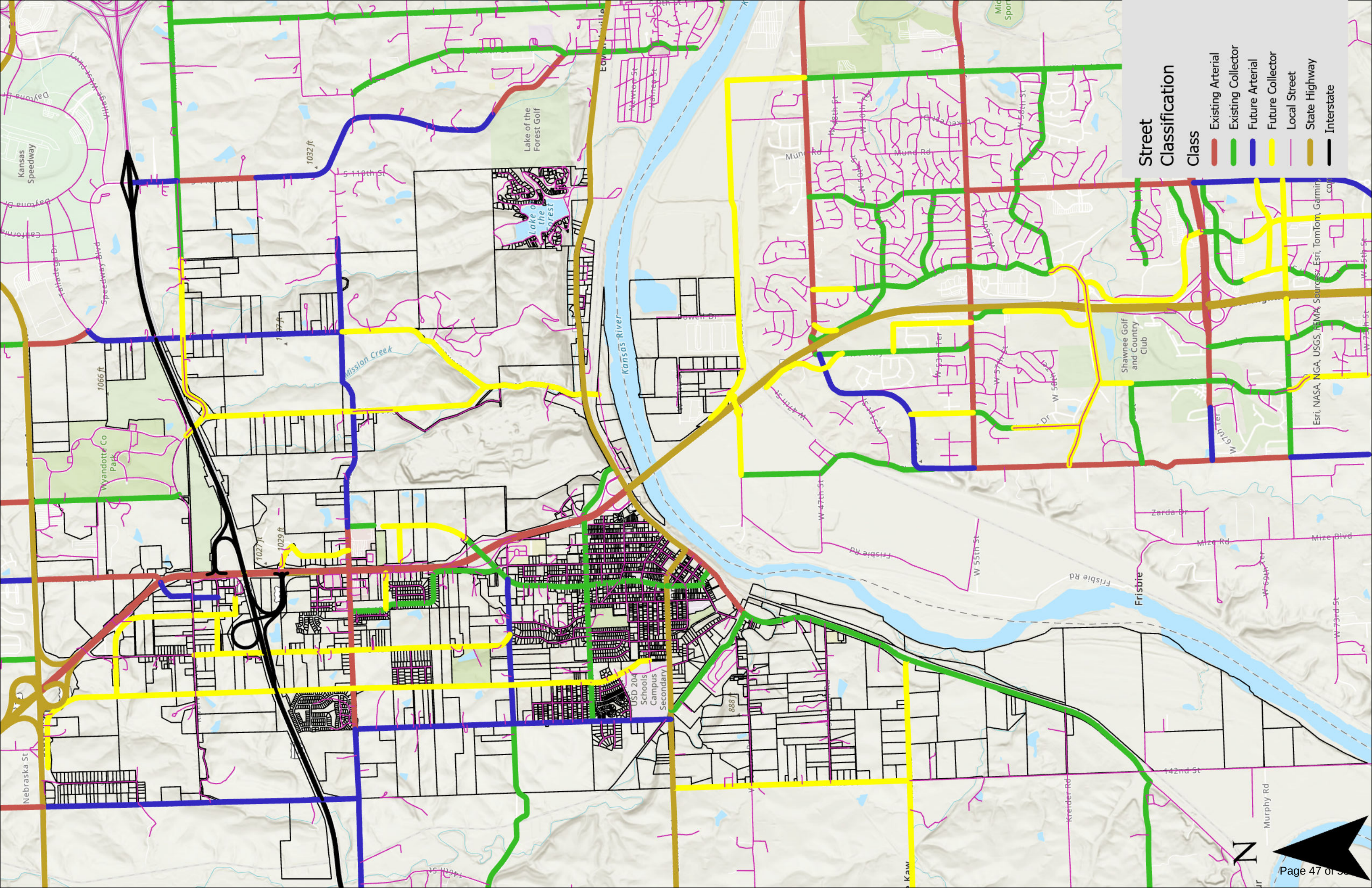
- A. Review proposed streets in terms of compactness and connectedness to increase maintenance efficiency.
- B. Review design standards and specifications for roadway construction and update as needed.

OBJECTIVE: (Infrastructure – Pedestrian Realm)

Provide appropriate facilities to accommodate pedestrian traffic.

ACTION STEPS:

- A. Review transportation plans in relation to the Parks Plan to ensure pedestrian and bicycle connections.
- B. Utilize the sidewalk gap survey by prioritizing areas of improvements.
- C. Partner with the School District on submitting applications to Safe Routes to School Program and other programs for sidewalk improvements.
- D. Implement the use of Multi-Use Pathways along arterial roadways in which portions of the city trail plan closely follow to allow for pedestrian and cycling traffic.
- E. The City must engage in outside resources to better improve our public transit network, while our local Tiblow transit is a benefit to the community as a whole, we need to invest in getting individuals to exterior workforce locations, other areas of the Metro in general.



Street Classification

Class

- Existing Arterial
- Existing Collector
- Future Arterial
- Future Collector
- Local Street
- State Highway
- Interstate

Parks and Recreation

GOAL: PARKS, OPEN SPACE, AND RECREATION

Provide parks, open space, and recreation uses to preserve natural resources, and for the use and enjoyment by residents and visitors. While Bonner Springs has done well to preserve and acquire land for parks and recreational spaces; more are needed. Trail connections and extensions should be highly sought.

Per the 2022 Citizen Survey results, citizens support construction investments toward sidewalks, bike lanes and trails.

OBJECTIVE: (Parks, Open Space, and Recreation)

Develop a Trail Master Plan that links parks and residential areas together.

ACTION STEPS:

- A. Require developers to dedicate land for trails where necessary for connections and extensions.
- B. Ensure that street plans include pedestrian connections.
- C. Join with the Mid-America Regional Council (MARC) and Leavenworth County to plan for a regional trail along the abandoned railroad right of way from the potential Kansas River park area to 138th at K-32 Highway, west and north, with a small pocket park at northern end of Whispering Woods near the Wyandotte and Leavenworth County lines.

OBJECTIVE: (Parks, Open Space, and Recreation)

Promote and expand parks and recreation into under-served areas of the city.

ACTION STEPS:

- A. ~~Coordinate with the u~~Updated ~~the~~-Parks Master Plan ~~and to~~ plan for ~~improvement of~~ future park locations for land acquisition; ~~along with improving existing parks.~~
- B. Study how to connect more to the Kansas River, including linear park linkages to Johnson County systems. ~~While we know direct connections with the river will be difficult based on the Union Pacific Railways right of way, other options should be looked at. A connection using the existing K-7 bridge or a supplemental pedestrian bridge could be options.~~
- C. Consideration should be given to multi-service sporting area

OBJECTIVE: (Parks, Open Space Connectivity)

Expand the city and county trails systems.

ACTION STEPS:

- A. Create and implement a Trail Master Plan to coincide with the existing Parks Master Plan
- B. Identify connection points and trail extensions that would provide connectivity between all parks and public open spaces.
- C. Pursue land and easement donation / dedications for trails and bike lanes, and secure land or easements from landowners and new developments.
- D. Incorporate trails into the design and construction of new developments.

The following page is left blank intentionally, it will serve as a placeholder for a future trail and park map.

Future Land Uses/ Future Land Use Map

With continued growth the City must make decisions on expansion, new developments and zoning. A key factor in the decision-making process, especially regarding zoning, is conformance with the Comprehensive Plan and Future Land Use Map. The Future Land Use Map identifies locations where different land uses may occur during the next 10 to 20 years and where the City would support the development of these uses. The Future Land Use Map is not intended to provide specific land use designations for individual parcels. Instead, it establishes broad guidelines for land use patterns and should be applied in combination with the goals, guiding principles, and policies contained in the Comprehensive Plan document. The Future Land Use Map shows general land use categories - residential, mixed use, commercial, industrial, parks and public - while the Comprehensive Plan explains the types of developments that may occur within each land use designation.

A large portion of the current Future Land Use Map is left as 'Not Designated' use, while other areas are shown as 'Agricultural/Large Lot Residential'. Open Space is a valuable asset to communities, but it must be noted that not all areas designated 'Not Designated' should remain that way. The vast majority of future development depends solely on the ability to provide gravity sanitary sewer service through large mains and interceptors.

The Future Land Use Map is a tool in which the City, its citizens, potential developers and others; utilize in visualizing a direction in which the city and surrounding areas should develop. Without a clear direction on future land uses; those looking to develop land within the city begin to piece-meal the land. The Future Land Use Map should make the best effort to designate all parcels within the city limits and the future growth boundary area as having a specific long-term use.

Agricultural – Large Lot Residential

Locations within the city limits; or within the Future Growth Area; that are not easily serviced by current or future gravity sanitary sewer mains, should be viewed as remaining an agricultural land use with limited residential. This category consists of land principally in use for agricultural production and may be used for farming, crops, pasture, agribusiness ventures such as growing and marketing of products, and a limited number of rural residences. This zone may include woodland, agricultural lands, and grasslands. Such areas are intended to remain undeveloped until logical expansion of the urban area occurs. This category serves as a holding zone to preserve land from premature development that would negatively affect the area while preserving the agricultural uses in the immediate area. While single family residential living is allowed within this use categories, they should anticipate using on-site private sewage disposal systems to support those residences located within these use areas.

Agricultural land is a valuable asset to a community, much of the Loring Service Area; that is under the Planning Authority of Bonner Springs, is currently utilized in this manner. While all areas within the city limits are located within specific watersheds, the Loring area's watershed does not border the city limits and in fact, falls away from the City proper, this makes sanitary sewer serviceability difficult and expensive, as all sanitary sewer within that area would need to be pumped to other areas of the City via lift station or multiple lift stations. The zoning category associated with this land use is LA; Loring Agricultural District.

Not Designated

This category serves as a holding zone to preserve land from premature development that would negatively affect the area while preserving the ~~agricultural~~ uses in the immediate area. While single family residential living is allowed within this ~~use~~ use categories, they ~~should anticipate~~ are typically large lot residential utilizing using on-site private sewage disposal systems. More than likely, these area should be designated a use which is similar to those abutting. ~~to support those residences located within these use areas.~~

While large areas within the core of Bonner Springs are designated as residential, easily serviceable areas of the outlying “vacant/agricultural” area should be looked at to support residential living. Although the Map generally shows this as one classification, there are seven different types of residential development: Loring Residential District, Rural Residential District, Estate Residential District, General Residential District, Mixed-Residential District, and Planned Development Districts; these now include manufactured home park and manufactured home subdivision districts. The type of residential development appropriate for a specific area will depend on several factors including, but not limited to, surrounding land uses, transportation systems and availability of services. The following information describes each type of residential development and will assist in determining the appropriate location for each type and in evaluating development proposals.

LORING RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT (LR) – Loring Service Area:

The purpose of this district is to provide for very low density single-family residential development within the Loring Service Area, including those uses which reinforce residential neighborhoods at a density less than that of the ER District. This zoning district applies to the Loring Service Area only as defined in Section 1.01.D. Lot sizes and layouts for Loring Residential developments are largely dependent upon topographical constraints. In many cases, large portions of the lot remain in an undisturbed state, reinforcing the rural character of this development pattern. Due to their location in the Loring Service Area, individual private sewage treatment systems, and either individual water wells or rural water districts, may serve the homes. Homes typically occur on tracts larger than 5 acres in size, but in some cases, tracts may exceed 10 acres in size. Loring Residential development is typically located at the fringe of urban development and near existing rural/ suburban residential subdivisions. These residential sites are generally located in outlying agricultural areas, areas where the terrain offers rolling hillside sites, and areas with more terrain relief, such as near rivers. In some cases, they serve as a transition between more intense urban neighborhoods and natural features to be protected. Cluster development patterns should be utilized as a means of preserving scenic views and providing open space for the common use and enjoyment of residents. The use of cluster development patterns as a means of preserving cohesive blocks of agricultural land is also encouraged.

Access road and driveway configurations should follow the natural contours of topographic features to minimize slope disturbances, maximize scenic views, and conserve natural features and vegetation. Access management policies should be established along rural highways and highway corridors leading into the community to reduce the number of uncontrolled access points and improve safety.

ESTATE RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS (ER):

The purpose of this district is to provide for low density single-family residential development within the city limits, including those uses which reinforce residential neighborhoods. This category is also appropriate for planned public and semi-public uses which are generally considered compatible with residential uses. 2 to 4 units per acre. The intent of this districts is to create a transition between large lot single family tracts to traditional smaller lot General Residential (GR) development patterns. Low Density Residential neighborhoods are typically located away from major shopping centers and major thoroughfares, such as Highway 24, 7 and 32; however, they still remain connected to these services with convenient access and interconnected roadway systems.

GENERAL RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT (GR):

The purpose of this district is to provide for single-family residential development at a higher density than the “ER” and “LR” Districts, including those uses which support and encourage residential neighborhoods. General Residential is considered Low Density Residential consisting mainly of single-family detached dwellings. This category is also appropriate for planned public and semi-public uses which are generally considered compatible with residential uses. The intent of this district is to create a transition between Estate Residential (ER) and General Residential (GR) development patterns. Low Density Residential neighborhoods are typically located away from major shopping centers and major thoroughfares, such as

Highway 24, 7 and 32; however, they still remain connected to these services with convenient access and interconnected roadway systems. Low Density Residential neighborhoods are within walking distance to community facilities and services that will be utilized by residents of the neighborhood, including schools, parks, and other community facilities. Where topographically feasible, neighborhoods should be bounded by parks, public areas or collector streets with accessible connection to work, shopping and leisure activities.

To avoid monotonous streetscapes, the incorporation of a variety of housing models and sizes is strongly encouraged in all new development.

MIXED-RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT (MR)

The purpose of this district is to provide for single-family residential development at a higher density than “ER” or “GR” Districts as well as appropriate multiple-family residential development, including those uses which support and encourage residential neighborhoods. The majority of this use category encompasses the original areas of Bonner Springs and is meant to combine different living arrangements within areas previously developed. Multi-family dwellings are allowed by Special Use permit within this use area and dependent on the surrounding block(s).

GENERAL RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT (GR): The General Residential District is considered medium density residential consisting of smaller lot single-family detached and attached dwellings and duplexes. This category is also appropriate for planned public and semi-public uses which are generally considered compatible with residential uses. 4.0 to 6.0 units per acre.

PLANNED DISTRICTS The intent of this district is to provide for flexibility from these regulations regarding design, placement, arrangement, bulk, and other considerations involved in designing a site. It furthermore provides a framework within which buildings and uses may be interrelated with adjacent development and areas. Planned Districts shall maintain the desired overall intensity of land use, desired population densities and desired areas of open space throughout the City.

This category is also appropriate for Manufactured Home Parks and Manufactured Home Park Subdivisions, as well as planned public and semi-public uses which are generally considered compatible with residential uses.

MIXED USES

MIXED-RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT (MR):

The Mixed- Residential District is considered High Density Residential consisting of multi-family dwellings. More than 6 units and up to 18 units per acre. The intent of this district is to provide for a mix of residential development types within a single project, but does not provide for the development of supporting commercial uses. In developed areas of the City, the scale and density of individual structures should be limited as necessary to maintain harmony with the surrounding area. However, retirement homes, rest homes, adult congregate living facilities and similar uses also may be appropriate in this category at higher densities and higher unit counts given that the impact of these types of dwellings units is often far less than a “standard” residential development. Mixed-Residential Districts should be located close to arterial and collector streets. The neighborhoods should possess direct connections to work, shopping, and leisure activities, but settings where the only access provided consists of local streets passing through lower density neighborhoods should be avoided. To avoid monotonous streetscapes, the incorporation of a variety of housing models and sizes is strongly encouraged. Larger buildings shall be designed with a variety of wall planes and roof forms to create visual interest. Projects should be compatible with the established mass and scale of other buildings along the block.

MIXED-USE COMMERCIAL DISTRICT

The vision for Mixed-Use Commercial entails a traditional feel with a compact, vibrant setting at a pedestrian scale with a mix of uses including businesses, services, shopping, recreational opportunities, and residential. The most prominent mixed-use commercial areas will have an urban residential character that will support mixed use, provided the scale, location and design is compatible with the character and intensity of the neighborhood.

The Comprehensive Plan encourages that walkable, mixed-used neighborhoods be incorporated into Bonner Springs new developments. These developments are intended to consist of a variety of residential uses, civic, cultural, retail, commercial and business uses, and professional offices and financial institutions in a compact, vibrant setting at a pedestrian friendly scale. They shall be designed to include a network of direct and interconnected streets, pedestrian, and bicycle connections.

Mixed-use areas should be internally served by a system of collector and local streets, as well as sidewalks and pedestrian and bicycle pathways.

Developments should contain a focal point or activity center which possess the most intense and largest number of uses. From this activity center uses should become less intense transitioning from commercial to higher density residential to low density residential. The transitioning should be gradual, allowing one area to interface well with the other. Mixed use neighborhoods shall be designed in a manner which protects and preserves natural features of the site, including mature stands of trees, wetlands, drainages, or ridgelines, as open space amenities that serve as identifying or character defining features.

Infill and redevelopment shall be designed in a manner that is sensitive to and reflects the character of the surrounding neighborhood. Important design considerations include building scale, mass, roof form, height, and orientation, parking location, lot coverage, architectural character, and landscape elements.

As in the existing downtown Bonner Springs area, conversion of upper floors above retail storefronts to office or residential uses is strongly encouraged to reinforce the variety and vitality of the downtown environment. The provision of outdoor dining and seating areas along the sidewalk edge is strongly encouraged, particularly in the city center area, to create activity along the street and increase the overall vitality of the area.

Active, visible uses that encourage pedestrian activity, such as restaurants or retail storefronts, are most appropriate as first floor uses in the core area of the mixed-use area. Offices, residential, or other uses that typically are “closed off” from the street and lend little to the pedestrian atmosphere should be encouraged as upper floor uses in retail areas. Neighborhood streets and access roads should follow the natural contours of topographic features to minimize slope disturbances, maximize scenic views, and conserve natural features and vegetation. Access management shall be provided along arterial streets to limit the number of curb-cuts and maintain traffic carrying capacity and safety.

Commercial

Currently, a small number of commercial areas provide the residents with goods and services. Commercial developments must be located and designed to balance market opportunities with access and location. In addition, the location and design of commercial areas must be incorporated into surrounding areas, rather than altering the character of surrounding neighborhoods. The intersection of Kansas Avenue and Kansas Highway 7 along with downtown continue to remain the primary hubs of commercial activity for the City of Bonner Springs. Future commercial activity will increase along Kansas Highway’s 7 and 32 and U.S. 24/40. Several major intersections are designated as commercial in order to provide opportunities for neighborhood commercial development. The exact location and size of these commercial areas will be contingent upon development. Commercial proposals shall be evaluated based on several factors including the compatibility with the surrounding neighborhood, the impact on the area, and the following guidelines.

COMMERCIAL- GENERAL GUIDELINES FOR ALL CATEGORIES

The scale, purpose, location, and intensity of a commercial development will determine whether it is designated as Central Commercial District, General Commercial District, Highway Commercial District or Mixed Use; all new commercial and mixed-use buildings must adhere to the adopted Architectural Design Standards.

Commercial centers should be distributed throughout the community to provide ease of access for all residents and minimize the need for cross-town vehicle trips.

Commercial services should be concentrated and contained within planned activity centers, or nodes, throughout the community. Development of distinct commercial nodes will help preserve the residential character of many of the major street corridors throughout the community and help prevent the negative impacts caused by multiple access points along a corridor. Commercial activities, when grouped in cohesive centers or nodes, result in more viable areas compared to scattered or isolated single use commercial sites. Activity centers, or nodes, provide a variety of services in a concentrated location to promote “one-stop shopping” and minimize the need for multiple vehicle trips. Each center has a limited number of vehicle access points to minimize impacts on surrounding uses and maintain an efficient traffic flow to and from the site. Uses are typically clustered on larger sites near the intersection of two major streets rather than being developed in linear, “strip” configurations along major street corridors. Linear development patterns, particularly when parcels provide a single use and are developed independently, can require multiple access points and lead to disruption of traffic flow on adjacent streets. Although lot sizes and/or configurations in some areas may warrant the use of a more linear development pattern, it is generally discouraged.

New development and redevelopment should include a mix of uses of different types and sizes of commercial uses, creating a diversity of activity and avoiding large, single-use buildings and dominating parking areas.

The physical design of commercial development areas shall promote a high-quality environment, as expressed by site layout, building materials and design, landscaping, parking area design, and pedestrian-oriented facilities.

CENTRAL COMMERCIAL DISTRICT (CC)

The Central Commercial District is intended to provide for a range of infill commercial development and supporting uses downtown. Development is intended to be walkable and contiguous along all Block faces.. The Bonner Springs Central Commercial District is currently limited to the existing downtown. Smaller, limited use centers may be fully integrated into the surrounding neighborhood and be accessed primarily by pedestrian or bicycle; while larger centers, such as downtown, will function more independently, providing ample parking and numerous stores.

Central Commercial District areas shall be designed to be compatible with and sensitive to surrounding residences. Building materials and architectural detailing should be compatible with and reflect the character of the surrounding neighborhood. Building heights and scale should be similar to surrounding residences.

Main entrances and driveways should be integrated with the surrounding street network to provide clear connections between uses for vehicles, pedestrians, and bicycles. Clear, direct pedestrian connections shall be provided between uses within the center and to the surrounding neighborhood.

Large, uninterrupted expanses of parking should be avoided. Parking areas shall be divided into smaller “blocks” by landscaping and walkways. To the extent possible, parking blocks shall be distributed between the front and sides of buildings, or the front and rear, rather than placed solely in front of the building.

Attractive transitions should be provided between the area and surrounding residences, while not limiting access between the area and the neighborhood for all modes of travel. Transitions can be accomplished by stepping down the height of taller structures to meet residences, providing landscape buffers or screening. It is vital to use creative design to avoid simply “walling” off residential areas from neighborhood centers.

LOCAL COMMERCIAL DISTRICT (LC)

The Local Commercial District provides for commercial Development near or within residential areas to serve local residents with convenient goods and services. These commercial areas should be small in nature and provide quick and convenient service.

GENERAL COMMERCIAL DISTRICT (GC)

General Commercial District Centers provide a mix of retail and commercial services in a concentrated and unified setting that serves the local community and may also provide a limited draw for the surrounding region. These centers are typically anchored by a larger national chain, between 120,000 and 250,000 square feet, which may provide sales of a variety of general merchandise, grocery, apparel, appliances, hardware, lumber, and other household goods. Centers may also be anchored by smaller uses, such as a grocery store, and may include a variety of smaller, complementary uses, such as restaurants, specialty stores (such as books, furniture, computers, audio, office supplies, or clothing stores), professional offices and health services. The concentrated, unified design of a community commercial center allows it to meet a variety of community needs in a “one-stop shop” setting, minimizing the need for multiple vehicle trips to various commercial areas around the community.

General Commercial District Centers should be located at the intersection of one or more major arterial streets, specifically along Kansas Highway 7, 32 and U.S. 24/40. They may be located adjacent to higher density residential neighborhoods and may occur along major highway corridors. Large footprint retail buildings (often known as “big-box” stores) shall only be permitted in areas of the City where adequate access and services can be provided.

Typically, a site of between 3 and 30 acres is required.

General Commercial District Centers shall be required to meet a level of architectural detailing, compatibility of scale with surrounding areas, pedestrian and bicycle access, and mitigation of negative visual impacts such as large building walls, parking areas, and service and loading areas. While these requirements apply to all General Commercial District development, they are particularly important to consider for larger footprint retail buildings, or “big box” stores.

Community commercial services should be concentrated and contained within planned activity centers, or nodes. Within each activity center or node, complementary uses should be clustered within walking distance of each other to facilitate efficient, “one-stop shopping”, and minimize the need to drive between multiple areas of the center. Large footprint retail buildings or “big-box” stores should be incorporated as part of an activity center or node along with complementary uses. Isolated single store developments are discouraged.

Uninterrupted expanses of parking should be avoided. Parking areas should be broken into smaller blocks divided by landscaping and pedestrian walkways. Parking areas should be distributed between the front and sides of buildings, or front and rear, rather than solely in front of buildings to the extent possible.

Clear, direct pedestrian connections should be provided through parking areas to building entrances and to surrounding neighborhoods or streets. Integrate main entrances or driveways with the surrounding street network to provide clear connections between uses for vehicles, pedestrians, and bicycles.

Industrial

The Industrial designation is intended to provide locations for manufacturing, warehousing and distribution, indoor, and screened outdoor storage, and a wide range of other industrial services and operations.

Because of their potential environmental impacts, industrial uses should generally be located away from population centers or must be adequately buffered. Traffic generated by industrial uses should not pass-through residential areas. Sites should have access to one or more major arterials or highways capable of handling heavy truck traffic. Railroad access is also beneficial to certain types of industrial uses. Light industrial uses can typically be located in areas that also contain some highway-oriented commercial uses, and might benefit from close proximity and better access to their local customer base. Storage, loading, and work operations should be screened from view along all industrial area boundaries (when adjacent to non-industrial uses) and along all public streets. Such screening shall incorporate features such as trees, plantings and berms.

Public/ Institutional and Open Space

Public/ Institutional and open space uses may exist in any of the other land use categories provided they are compatible with and have a minimal impact on the surrounding neighborhood. Public or institutional uses involve an array of public facilities such as schools, government offices, community centers, fire stations, libraries, hospitals, cemeteries, and places of worship. It also entails facilities needed for essential public services such as electrical substations, water, and wastewater facilities.

Open space uses include numerous kinds of recreational and conservation uses, ranging from ball fields and tot lots to preserved natural areas along stream corridors. Both public and open space uses play an important role in the community and should be incorporated into neighborhoods as development occurs.

Future Land Use Map Introduction

The Future Land Use Map depicts several different categories, of them are residential, city, civic, or privately owned, the majority of privately owned properties are owned by religious organizations. Other classifications include commercial and planned/mixed use, the planned and mixed-use designations are to be developed with commercial properties fronting major roadways and descending in density from commercial to single family residential. The intent of Planned and/or Mixed-Use Developments is to provide for a city within a city, with small to medium retailers provided for quick pedestrian travel and to provide residents with a variety of retail options.

The following map will indicate 10 distinct land uses, below are those uses and their descriptions:

Agricultural – typical residential density of 1 unit per 20 acres

This category consists of land principally in use for agricultural production and may be used for farming, livestock, crops, pasture, agribusiness ventures such as growing and marketing of products, and a limited number of rural residences. This zone may include woodland, agricultural lands, and grasslands. Such areas are intended to remain undeveloped until logical expansion of the urban area occurs. This category serves as a holding zone to preserve land from premature development that would negatively affect the area while preserving the agricultural uses in the immediate area.

Low-Density Residential – typical residential density of 2 to 4 dwelling units per acre

This category is appropriate for single-family detached dwellings. It may also include planned public and semi-public uses considered compatible with residential uses, such as schools, religious institutions, and civic uses. ~~This district may be modified as a ‘Planned’ district through the City Zoning Ordinance.~~

Medium-Moderate-Density Residential – typical residential density of 4 to 6 dwellings per acre

This category includes attached residential dwellings such as two-family, three-family, townhomes, areas. Such uses may serve as a transition to areas of higher intensity development and should provide additional open space, amenities, and quality design in accordance with common planning principles and the duly adopted Architectural Design Guidelines for Multi-Family, Commercial and Industrial Zoning Districts. ~~This district may be modified as a ‘Planned’ district through the City Zoning Ordinance.~~

High-Density Residential – typical residential density of 6 to 18 dwelling units per acre

This category includes townhomes, apartments and condominium areas. Such uses should provide additional open space, amenities, and quality design in accordance with common planning principles and the duly adopted Architectural Design Guidelines for Multi-Family, Commercial and Industrial Zoning Districts. ~~This district may be modified as a ‘Planned’ district through the City Zoning Ordinance.~~

Commercial

This category includes a broad variety of office, retail, and general business service uses whether located in centers or in stand-alone buildings. Uses are generally larger in scale and are more automotive-oriented in nature. **Downtown** is indicated as “Commercial” on the map and is subject to overlay district policies that promote a mixture of office, retail-commercial, institutional, civic, and medium to higher density residential uses intermixed through compatible site planning and building design consistent with the historic fabric of this area. A variety of these land uses should be comingled at specific locations to promote diversity and a successful pedestrian environment. Given close proximity to residential neighborhoods ringing the downtown, all development projects should be well-planned and designed to ensure a high level of compatibility with surrounding development. Non-residential uses should be limited to compact, main-street / pedestrian-oriented services, rather than large-scale or free-standing automotive-oriented uses.

Mixed Use --~~Primarily Commercial; and~~ if residential, more than 6 dwelling units per acre –

The Mixed-Use category includes a variety of office, small-scale retail, and general business uses that are service-commercial oriented, located in centers that can accommodate related uses. Such nonresidential uses are intended to provide services primarily to residents of the surrounding area and placed in locations with a design character that blends into the district and the neighborhood. If a Mixed Use-Residential component is proposed, it must be designed in a manner to promote pedestrian activity through a system of interconnected streets and varied streetscapes that also provide safe and efficient movement of vehicular traffic. This category promotes a variety of high-density residential land uses including a variety of commercial and mixed use-residential/commercial land uses if approved by the City; and would be limited to townhouse, condominium, and multifamily apartment dwellings. They would be designated MX districts. They should be reviewed for land use compatibility against the City's common planning principals and duly adopted Architectural Design Guidelines for Multi-family, Commercial and Industrial Zoning Districts. Additional uses including live-work, and limited retail- commercial stores are permitted in this category under strict architectural and land use controls.

Industrial -

This category accommodates land uses associated with industrial activities such as assembly, manufacturing, warehousing, and limited office/commercial activities as defined in the city's zoning regulations. This district corresponds to the 'I-1'LI', and 'I-2'HI' districts of the city zoning regulations.

Parks/Common Areas -

Areas of predominately active and passive parks, open space, recreation, environmentally sensitive areas, or any other lands reserved for permanent open space purposes. Land identified as preferred or acceptable areas for public parks tend to be more formal in nature.

Public/Semi-Public -

This category consists of public or semi-public uses such as schools, religious institutions, post offices, hospitals, fire stations, libraries, cemeteries, governmental uses, and other civic uses.

Future Growth Area –

This category indicates the surrounding land areas that due to watersheds and flow directions could be provided sanitary sewer service via gravity flow, from Bonner Springs and eventually be incorporated in to the City. This is generally an area located northwest of the current city limits and lying within Leavenworth and Wyandotte counties. This area though is located within one large watershed – the Wolf Creek Watershed, this is one of the largest watersheds in the area. This watershed extends from Parallel Road in Wyandotte County, south through eastern Basehor continuing south through Bonner Springs and ending at the Kansas River. As indicated on the Future Land Use Map, Bonner Springs would anticipate extending services and its city limits in the future, the map defines this anticipated area of growth.

The following map depicts the City of Bonner Springs anticipated Future Growth Area, along with the associated future land uses within the incorporated city limits. This map will be adopted as the Future Land Use Map (FLUM) of Bonner Springs. It will be utilized to guide development to areas that will best be served by existing and future infrastructure, along with addressing the needs and wants of the citizens, while keeping the guiding principles of the Comprehensive Plan in mind;

