

CITY OF MISSION, KANSAS
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6, 2016

6:30 p.m.

Mission City Hall

PUBLIC COMMENTS

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS / INFORMATIONAL ONLY

ACTION ITEMS

1. Street ID Sign Replacement - John Belger
2. Replacement of Hydraulic Lift - John Belger
3. Resolution of Support Brinshore Development - Laura Smith

DISCUSSION ITEMS

4. Action Item Consideration: Communities for All Ages - Emily Randel

OTHER

Pat Quinn, Chairperson
Suzie Gibbs, Vice-Chairperson

Mission City Hall, 6090 Woodson / 913-676-8350

City of Mission	Item Number:	1.
ACTION ITEM SUMMARY	Date:	12/30/2015
PUBLIC WORKS	From:	John Belger

Action items require a vote to recommend the item to full City Council for further action.

RE: Street ID Sign Replacement

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the replacement of street ID signs from 55th Street to Martway in the amount of \$7,414.26.

DETAILS: Over the past few years, street ID sign replacement has been one of the most requested items from citizens. Many of the signs have faded or become illegible. Last winter, Public Works staff replaced all street ID signs from 55th Street to the north City Limits. Sign posts were also updated at this time.

We are proposing the replacement of all street ID signs from 55th Street to Martway. This would include 244 ID signs at 61 intersections. Signs replaced during the Martway and Johnson Drive Projects will not be replaced. These replacements are part of the PW Maintenance Programs included in the 2016 CIP. The plan is to replace the street ID signs over four years, so once the 2016 program is complete, approximately one-half of the City's signs will have been updated.

The signs are produced in-house and installed by the Public Works staff.

Related Statute/City Ordinance:	
Line Item Code/Description:	PW Maintenance Programs - CIP
Available Budget:	\$75,000

City of Mission	Item Number:	2.
ACTION ITEM SUMMARY	Date:	12/30/2015
PUBLIC WORKS	From:	John Belger

Action items require a vote to recommend the item to full City Council for further action.

RE: Vehicle Lift Replacement

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the replacement of the hydraulic vehicle lift from Myers Brothers in the amount of \$12,770.

DETAILS: The vehicle lift is an essential piece of equipment for the Public Works Department. It is used for the regular maintenance of vehicles and equipment.

The current lift has an operating capacity of 12,000 lbs. Due to the addition of items such as emission control equipment, central hydraulics, and other systems on new vehicles being purchased, our current fleet is beginning to test the capacity limits of the current lift. This is a safety concern for employees using/operating the lift. Staff is proposing replacement of the current hydraulic lift with a 15,000 lb capacity model. The existing lift would be declared surplus and sold.

Proposals were received from three vendors. The results are shown in the table below. The quotes are inclusive of \$1,500 in installation costs.

Factory Motor Parts	\$12,832
Car Quest	\$13,525
Myers Brothers	\$12,770

The lift was originally scheduled for replacement as a part of the long term Vehicle and Equipment Replacement schedule. This item was on a 20 year replacement schedule. Concerns with the capacity of the lift became apparent when the lift was unable to pick up the newer model vehicles. The concerns were identified after the budget was approved, and staff has taken the time to fully research both current and future needs to ensure the appropriate replacement lift is proposed.

Funds for replacement of the lift are recommended to be paid with an allocation from fund balance realized from savings in the Department's 2015 capital budget for the street sweeper. Funds had originally been budgeted for two lease payments in 2015, but actually only one lease payment was made in 2015 on the new sweeper.

Related Statute/City Ordinance:	
Line Item Code/Description:	01-00-001-00 Operating Reserve
Available Budget:	\$12,770

City of Mission	Item Number:	3.
ACTION ITEM SUMMARY	Date:	December 29, 2015
Community Development Department	From:	Laura Smith

Action items require a vote to recommend the item to full City Council for further action.

RE: Resolution of Support Brinshore Development

RECOMMENDATION: Approve the Resolution of support for Brinshore Development, LLC's application for Kansas Housing Resource Corporation Low Income Housing Tax Credits for the Herald Corner project, and give authority for the Mayor and Staff to submit letters in support of the application.

DETAILS: As a component of financing the Herald Corner project, Brinshore Development, LLC applied for Low Income Housing Tax Credits (LIHTC) from the Kansas Housing Resource Corporation (KHRC) during the 2014 and 2015 funding cycles. The project was not funded in either, and the Developer plans to submit another application for 2016. Following negotiations between the Developer and the City, the City Council voted to amend/extend the Development/Purchase Agreement to allow Brinshore the opportunity to re-apply for the tax credits in 2016.

Tax Credit applications are due at the end of January. As part of the application packet, the KHRC requires a Resolution of Support passed by the Governing Body and other letters of support from the City:

- **Resolution of Support:** Resolution, using language provided by KHRC, that demonstrates support of the application and for the project as proposed.
- **Letter of Support:** Letter, signed by the Mayor, which describes how the City will benefit from the project, including increased senior housing choices and further redevelopment of the West Gateway area.
- **Zoning Letter:** Letter, signed by the City Planner, indicating that project is consistent with underlying zoning.
- **Site Control Letter:** Letter, signed by the City Administrator, indicating that City currently owns site and intends to convey the site to the Developer.
- **Financing Commitment:** Letter, signed by the City Administrator, indicating City will consider the use of certain economic development tools for the project, including Tax Increment Financing and Industrial Revenue Bonds.

Assuming Brinshore is successful in obtaining 2016 Tax Credits (decision expected by May 2016), work will begin on review of TIF Redevelopment Project Plan application. Closing and construction would occur in the fall of 2016.

Related Statute/City Ordinance:	N/A
Line Item Code/Description:	N/A
Available Budget:	N/A

RESOLUTION NO. ____

A RESOLUTION AFFIRMING SUPPORT FOR THE PROPOSED 32-UNIT AFFORDABLE SENIOR HOUSING PROJECT BY BRINSHORE DEVELOPMENT, LLC, AT 7080 MARTWAY STREET IN THE CITY OF MISSION, KANSAS

WHEREAS, the City of Mission, Kansas (“City”) has been informed by Brinshore Development, LLC (“Developer”) that a housing tax credit application will be filed with the Kansas Housing Resources Corporation for the development of affordable rental housing to be located at 7080 Martway, Mission, Kansas (“Property”) with a Johnson County Parcel ID# of KF251208-2003 and following legal description:

8-12-25 BG 402.18' S & 41.19' E NW COR SW1/4 E 135.17' NE 110.66' NW 135.17' SW 111.13' .35 AC & .03 AC BG 402.18' S & 41.19' E NW COR SW1/4 TO BEG E135' S 10' W 137.19' NE 10.21' TO BG & EX .0058 AC .3742 AC M/L MIC 254A

WHEREAS, this housing development will contain 32 units;

WHEREAS, the units will be targeted to senior affordable households;

WHEREAS, the development will be new construction;

WHEREAS, the Property will have the following amenities: elevator, art gallery, community room, on-site manager, on-site ~~covered and uncovered~~ parking, private rooftop garden~~courtyard~~, laundry room

WHEREAS, the City has established a TIF District to support the project and the Developer has requested additional local assistance through industrial revenue bonds. In addition, the City and the Developer executed a Purchase and Predevelopment Agreement dated October 16, 2013, amended on June 18, 2014, ~~and~~ July 16, 2014, and July 15, 2015 designating the Developer as the exclusive developer of record for the Property and agreeing to sell the property to Developer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF MISSION, KANSAS:

Section 1. The City generally supports the development of affordable housing in our community and specifically for the Property at 7080 Martway.

Section 2. Final approval of this project is subject to city ordinances, final zoning approval, the buildings permitting process and final sale of Property.

Section 3. This resolution is effective until December 31, 201~~6~~5. In the event that any of the characteristics mentioned above should change prior to the issuance of a building permit, or final zoning is not approved, this resolution is null and void.

THIS RESOLUTION IS PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MISSION, this 20th+st day of January 20165.

THIS RESOLUTION IS APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this 20th+st day of January 20165.

Steve Schowengerdt, Mayor

ATTEST:

By _____
Martha Sumrall, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

By _____
David K. Martin, City Attorney



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Fred Bentley
Director of Rental Development
611 South Kansas Avenue, Suite 300
Topeka, Kansas 66603

RE: Herald Corner (7080 Martway) LIHTC Application - Zoning

Dear Mr. Bentley:

The City of Mission Community Development Department has reviewed the development proposal submitted by Brinshore Development, LLC for Herald Corner, a 32 unit new construction affordable senior apartment community proposed to be located at 7080 Martway in Mission, Kansas. Based upon the preliminary site plan and other drawings submitted for review, I believe the project's proposed uses and physical improvements to be in substantial compliance with the applicable zoning regulations of the City of Mission.

The proposed development is located within the West Gateway Form Based Code underlying zoning district in the West Gateway Redevelopment Area. Per City of Mission municipal code, the project will require a Final Site Plan approval by the City's Planning Commission. However, given that the project appears to meet the applicable zoning "Regulating Plan" (location/height/massing/parking) of the district, and based upon the proposal documents submitted, this project should not require rezoning of property subject to a public hearing or protest petition. Subject to additional design review by Staff, and feedback received from the public during public workshops, the project should receive a recommendation of approval to the Planning Commission.

Overall, the intent of the West Gateway Form Based Code is to encourage pedestrian friendly sustainable redevelopment which adds long-term value, while increasing housing options, thereby adding to the growing urban fabric of the area. This project, as currently proposed, meets many of those pre-established goals. As such, conformance with the applicable zoning codes can be attained.

Please note that this determination applies only to the proposal's compliance with the City of Mission's Zoning Ordinance in effect on this date and it does not relieve the applicant from any of the necessary review, approvals and fees required to proceed with the proposed development, including a mutually-agreeable acquisition of the real property from the City.

If I can be of further assistance in this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Danielle Murray, AICP
City Planner



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RE: Herald Corner (7080 Martway) LIHTC Application – Site Control

Dear Mr. Bentley:

The City of Mission supports the Brinshore Development, LLC's application for a 9% Low Income Housing Tax Credit allocation to the Kansas Housing Resources Corporation, assuming acquisition of the real property, final zoning approval, receipt of building permits, firm commitments for financing sources and final approval of a development agreement by the City Council.

We believe that this project could be an important cornerstone of the revitalization of the West Gateway District and nearby Johnson Drive and could provide much needed housing options for senior residents. Brinshore shall have an exclusive option to acquire the real property subject to the conditions listed above good through July 1, 2016.

Please note the following details with regard to this transaction:

- Project Address: 7080 Martway Mission, KS
- Property Identification Number KF251208-2003
- Legal Description 8-12-25 BG 402.18' S & 41.19' E NW COR SW1/4 E 135.17' NE 110.66' NW 135.17' SW 111.13' .35 AC & .03 AC BG 402.18' S & 41.19' E NW COR SW1/4 TO BEG E135' S 10' W 137.19' NE 10.21' TO BG & EX .0058 AC .3742 AC M/L MIC 254A
- Purchase Price: \$140,000 shall be paid in cash. In addition, the cost of demolition shall be reimbursed at closing.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 913-676-8350.

Sincerely,

Laura Smith
City Administrator



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RE: Herald Corner (7080 Martway) LIHTC Application – Financing Commitment

Dear Mr. Bentley:

The redevelopment of 7080 Martway is a critical component of the West Gateway Redevelopment Area and Form Based Code Overlay. The referenced project could further the City of Mission's revitalization of this important corridor and provide much needed affordable senior housing to the area.

Although final redevelopment incentives are at the sole discretion of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Mission, this project appears to meet the approved City Council policies on the use of certain Economic Development Tools. As such, we would consider the use of the following tools for this particular project:

- Tax Increment Financing. The City created a tax increment financing (TIF) district at the project site ("Herald Corner TIF District") to allow additional financing to support the construction of the project. A resolution authorizing the Herald Corner TIF District passed City Council on November 19, 2014. Currently, the site is owned by the City of Mission and pays no property taxes. Preliminary analysis suggests the project could generate approximately \$25,000 in its first year at full valuation, and the City expects to receive and consider an applicant proposal for annual TIF reimbursements for a term not to exceed 20 years.
- Industrial Revenue Bonds. The City will consider authorization of Industrial Revenue Bonds to be used for the project, which will reduce total construction costs through a sales tax exemption on materials.

Successfully implementing the West Gateway Redevelopment Area and Form Based Code Overlay and building quality affordable senior rental apartments are among the highest priorities of the City of Mission.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Laura Smith
City Administrator



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RE: Herald Corner (7080 Martway) LIHTC Application – Letter of Support

Dear Mr. Bentley:

I am pleased to enthusiastically support Brinshore Development, LLC's request to the Kansas Housing Resources Corporation (KHRC) for a tax credit reservation for Herald Corner, a 32 unit new construction affordable multifamily rental housing development for seniors proposed for Mission's West Gateway Redevelopment Area. I am excited that through a public/private partnership with KHRC, the City of Mission and Brinshore, we will have the capacity to develop much needed affordable senior housing and advance an important revitalization initiative in the City of Mission.

I understand that this letter will become a part of Brinshore's application requesting a reservation of Low Income Housing Tax Credits.

The City of Mission supports Brinshore's application to KHRC for the following reasons:

- Strong Demand for Affordable Senior Housing. City of Mission senior residents are much more likely to be low income than our population as a whole. 26.2% of seniors (age 65+) have an annual household income of less than \$25,000 per year vs. only 8.9% of overall Mission population¹. Further, our senior residents experience housing expense "cost burden" where housing comprises a disproportionate portion of their income. These "cost burden" data are kept at the county level and published within the Johnson County Consolidated Plan, but I believe that their findings hold true within Mission as well. Within Johnson County, an astounding number of senior households (73.2%) with household incomes between 30% and 50% of the Area Median Income (AMI) are either housing cost burdened or severely housing cost burdened, which means that they are devoting more than 30% (cost burdened) or 40% (severely cost burdened) of their income towards housing expenses². Further, other new senior housing built or proposed within Mission is too expensive for low/moderate income seniors on fixed income. Recent projects including Mission Square and the Welstone at Mission Crossing target higher income seniors.
- Recycling of Housing Stock is a Priority. In order for Mission to attract new residents, scarce single family housing stock needs to be available to younger families. This will require options for low income seniors on a fixed-income currently aging in place in single family homes. Herald Corner provides quality housing for these seniors.

¹ U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 2011. Please note that senior is defined two ways in this letter. "Senior" refers to households 62 and older within Herald Corner. Please note that the Census Bureau does not break down its data by households 62 and older; instead the Census Bureau uses 65 and older. Thus we used the data for households 65 and older because the 62 and older division does not exist.

² Johnson County Kansas 2010-2014 Consolidated Plan.



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- Herald Corner is Near Significant Amenities. The Herald Corner site is proximate to the full range of amenities necessary for senior residents. Public transportation, walking trails, shopping, supermarket, pharmacy, hospitals and medical uses, city and county services are all within walking distance of Herald Corner. In addition, a Panera Bread restaurant is within 70 feet of the front door of the building. Herald Corner truly is located in a “naturally occurring” retirement community.
- Project is Key to Advancing Revitalization and Housing Goals for the City of Mission. Herald Corner is situated within the West Gateway Redevelopment Area, Herald Corner TIF District (formed specifically to support this project) and Form Based Code Overlay, and clearly advances housing priority needs for the City of Mission. This project involves the use of housing to advance the City of Mission’s community revitalization plan for the West Gateway area (Development Characteristic C.5 on page 12 of the KHRC 2015 QAP). The City of Mission has experienced and is experiencing significant economic development. This is due in part to great efforts undertaken to reverse prior population decline and erosion in tax base in surrounding areas. Recent successes include the 54-unit Mission Square senior housing project, ongoing growth in the ScriptPro Corporate Office Campus and significant reinvestment and revitalization of public infrastructure roads and bike/ped facilities, storm sewer, transit, etc. Projects currently underway include the addition of the Welstone residential facility (\$11 million) to the \$25 million mixed-use Mission Crossing project, the \$10.5 million Johnson Drive Rehabilitation and Streetscape project, and the \$9 million Cornerstone Commons development (which includes a Natural Grocers store) within easy walking distance of this site. Likewise, northeast Johnson County has experienced significant employment growth creating a significant need for affordable and mixed-income housing. Finally, as discussed earlier in this letter, Mission and northeast Johnson County contains a “greying” population and aging housing stock with many people aging in place and cost burdened. The project will ensure that low income seniors are not left out of the revitalization underway in our City.

Brinshore has worked closely with City staff and the Council to brief us on their company and the proposed project. In addition, the former City Administrator, the former Director of Community Development and the previous Mayor visited their projects in the Chicago area and were impressed by the quality of their workmanship and significant track record (50 LIHTC developments completed in last 20 years). Further, to fully engage the public, Brinshore and the City jointly hosted a community design workshop, where community members weighed in on the building design. Thirty (30) constituents attended the two-part workshop which resulted in a consensus vision for the project.



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For the reasons listed above, I believe that Herald Corner will be an excellent addition to the City of Mission. We look forward to working with KHRC and Brinshore to make Herald Corner a reality.

Please feel free to call me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Steve Schowengerdt
Mayor

City of Mission	Item Number:	4.
DISCUSSION ITEM SUMMARY	Date:	December 28, 2015
ADMINISTRATION	From:	Emily Randel

Discussion items allow the committee the opportunity to freely discuss the issue at hand.

RE: Adding Communities for All Ages impacts to Action/Discussion Item summaries.

DETAILS: Staff, with the assistance of the Sustainability Commission, continue to look for ways to incorporate the Communities for All Ages (CFAA) work into more aspects of our on-going service delivery. Applying the CFAA lens to our work improves Mission’s ability to anticipate and/or meet the needs of residents over the next 20 years, as an increasingly greater percentage of the population reaches age 65+.

We currently include statutory/regulatory and budgetary impacts when preparing agenda items for Council consideration. Including these in the standard format of the item cover sheet ensures they are considered as a matter of routine. Adding information on how CFAA was considered provides an additional check and opportunity to communicate how the “all ages” philosophy is being taken into account.

The CFAA work continues on several fronts. The Sustainability Commission recently completed an initial assessment of the material in the CFAA Checklist. The group will evaluate whether particular issues are priorities for future work and will share their findings with the governing body and other groups as appropriate. The Checklist considers topics organized into six issue areas including:

- Public outdoor spaces and buildings
- Housing and commercial development
- Transportation and mobility
- Social inclusion, communication and participation
- Civic participation and employment
- Community and health services

Mission’s Sustainability Commission and representatives from the Parks and Recreation Commission, Planning Commission, and Governing Body have been invited to CFAA summit on January 27. The Mid-America Regional Council (MARC), will host the meeting for the cities of Mission, Roeland Park, Raytown and Gladstone to collaborate on ways to advance CFAA goals in 2016. Mission department directors will be asked to implement 1-2 new program improvements that achieve these goals in 2016 and elements of CFAA have been incorporated to the preliminary drafts of the Comprehensive Plan and Parks Master Plan.

Mission participated in MARC’s CFAA recognition program in 2015 and received bronze recognition. We expect to apply for silver recognition in April 2016. A fact sheet on the program is attached. More resources about the regional effort, including the Communities for All Ages Checklist and Toolkit, are available at the MARC website:

www.marc.org/Community/KC-Communities-for-All-Ages

Related Statute/City Ordinance:	N/A
Line Item Code/Description:	N/A
Available Budget:	N/A

RESOLUTION 930

A RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING AND SUPPORTING THE WORK OF THE MISSION COMMUNITIES FOR ALL AGES TASK FORCE AND ADOPTING AS THE CITY'S POLICY THE CONCEPTS, STRATEGIES AND PROGRAMS OF COMMUNITIES FOR ALL AGES.

WHEREAS, the City of Mission has worked in partnership with the First Suburbs Coalition, KC Communities for All Ages and the Mid-America Regional Council (MARC); and

WHEREAS, the First Suburbs Coalition, KC Communities for All Ages and MARC have developed a Communities for All Ages Toolkit and Idea Book; and

WHEREAS, the First Suburbs Coalition, KC Communities for All Ages and MARC have, through the efforts of its membership, developed a *Communities for All Ages* Checklist which helps communities orient their physical and service efforts to meet the needs of residents of all ages:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF MISSION, KANSAS:

1. The City of Mission adopts as its policy the promotion of *Communities for All Ages* as a strategy for developing vibrant, prosperous communities for all of its residents.

2. The City of Mission, through its upcoming 2015 Comprehensive Plan update process, will consider adopting elements of the *Communities for All Ages* Checklist as a tool for the City to build awareness of changing demographics and plan services and infrastructure responsive to residents of all ages.

3. The City of Mission will use the checklist to assess their policies, programs, and investments to make sure they are responsive to the needs of all residents.

4. The City of Mission will work with regional partners to further promote the *Communities for All Ages* concepts, strategies and policies.

ADOPTED AND PASSED by the Governing Body of the City of Mission, Kansas, this 15th day of October 2014.


Steve Schowengerdt, Mayor

ATTEST:


Martha Sumrall, City Clerk

A great place to grow up and grow old.

Is your city age friendly? *Be recognized for the work you've done.*

KC Communities for All Ages (CFAA) and the First Suburbs Coalition (FSC) are offering the Community for All Ages Recognition Program as an incentive for your city to become a Community for All Ages.

How it works

This program will recognize communities that have taken steps to become more welcoming to residents of all ages and, in the process, more vibrant, healthy and prosperous. It is not meant to be a formal certification program.

A community can earn one of three levels of recognition representing the extent of its work in becoming a Community for All Ages: **Bronze** (Awareness), **Silver** (Assessment) or **Gold** (Implementation).

Recognition for each level requires a community to complete a set of tasks (see reverse). The tasks don't necessarily require a great financial commitment, but do require time and effort from elected officials and staff, as well as citizen engagement. In most cases, the tasks can be included in already-existing processes and programs.



Application process

To apply for Communities for All Ages recognition, submit an application form and supporting documentation to the First Suburbs Coalition via the Mid-America Regional Council (MARC) by 5 p.m., April 1, 2015.

A joint First Suburbs Coalition and KC Communities for All Ages committee will review applications and certify those communities that meet the criteria. Communities will be notified by June 1, 2015 if they have met the recognition criteria and, if not, what additional work needs to be done.

Communities are encouraged to use "Making Your Community Work for All Ages: A Toolkit for Cities" and the "Communities for All Ages Checklist" to guide their work. They are also encouraged to seek assistance from the First Suburbs Coalition, KC Communities for All Ages and MARC.

An application form may be downloaded at www.KCCommunitiesforAllAges.org.



Advantages of participating

- A more aware, well-planned community that meets the needs of all its residents.
- Regional recognition that your city is looking to the future, creating a community that is vibrant, connected and green, and serves the needs of all residents regardless of age.
- Recognition at First Suburbs Coalition and or Communities for All Ages events and on websites.
- Assistance with materials for websites, newsletters and news releases.
- News releases on the recognition and why it is important for communities.
- Templates for Community for All Ages street signs.

Actions that earn recognition

To earn Bronze / Awareness recognition:

- Adopt a resolution to become a Community for All Ages.
- Make a presentation to governing bodies and relevant commissions on becoming age friendly and the Communities for all Ages program, and take at least two of the following actions:
 - Hold at least one community meeting to discuss Communities for All Ages issues and present information.
 - Prepare written materials on age-friendly communities and distribute to the public.
 - Establish a speakers bureau to share information with neighborhood groups, businesses and civic groups.
 - Put information about demographic changes and CFAA on your website.



To earn Gold recognition:

- Meet the Bronze / Awareness and Silver / Assessment level criteria.
- Adopt a Communities for All Ages Plan or include a Community for All Ages component in a major local plan, such as a comprehensive plan, strategic plan or park plan.



To maintain your recognition level:

- After achieving one of these levels of recognition, a community must demonstrate that it is continuing to work to become a Community for All Ages, by moving to the next level and demonstrating a substantive investment in infrastructure, services or programming identified in the Communities for All Ages plan.
- If a community fails to meet this maintenance standard, it will forgo its recognition and the benefits that result.



To earn Silver / Assessment recognition:

- Meet the requirements for Bronze / Awareness level.
- Form a Community for All Ages committee of community members (or assign tasks to an existing committee) and have members use the [Communities for All Ages Checklist](#) to assess your community and issue a report based on their findings.



Application submission and review

Applications are due by 5 p.m., April 1, 2015, and can be delivered by one of the following methods:

- Mail to Mid-America Regional Council, Attn: Dean Katerndahl, 600 Broadway, Suite 200, Kansas City, MO 64105
- Deliver in person to MARC, to the attention of Dean Katerndahl, at the above address.
- Email to Dean Katerndahl at deank@marc.org.

A joint First Suburbs Coalition and KC Communities for All Ages committee will review applications and certify those communities that meet the criteria. Official recognition announcements will be made by June 1, 2015.

Download these resources at KCCommunitiesForAllAges.org:

- [Communities for All Ages Application Form](#)
- [Making Your City Work for All Ages: A Toolkit for Cities](#)
- [Communities for All Ages Checklist](#)
- [Communities for All Ages Checklist Workbook](#)

For more information, contact Cathy Boyer-Shesol at cboyer@marc.org or Dean Katerndahl at deank@marc.org.



KC Communities for All Ages is an initiative of the Mid-America Regional Council (MARC), with major funding from the Pfizer Foundation and in partnership with Grantmakers In Aging, with local funding from the Jewish Heritage Foundation and the WJ Brace Charitable Trust, Bank of America, Trustee. KCC has joined with the First Suburbs to lead the development of practical tools for cities in the Kansas City region.