

From: [Downtown Lawrence](#)
To: ["Bob Schumm"](#); ["Mike Amyx"](#); ["Hugh Carter"](#); mdever@sunflower.com; ["Aron Cromwell"](#)
Cc: [Jonathan Douglass](#)
Subject: farmer's market location - DLI position
Date: Thursday, February 28, 2013 2:55:36 PM

Mayor Schumm, City Commissioners and City staff:

While Downtown Lawrence, Inc. considers the Lawrence Farmers Market an important asset to Downtown Lawrence, we have serious concerns about the proposed location for the weekday markets (800 block of Rhode Island). With parking at a premium, especially in the next year with the Library in its temporary location, we feel that locating the market in that area would be a burden to Downtown residents, workers and customers, and cause too much of a disruption in "prime time" on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Parking is tight enough in that area that customers for the market will likely have trouble finding parking, which might push them into the neighborhood.

That said, we would certainly consider another Downtown location as a favorable alternative.

On behalf of the DLI board of directors,

Cathy Hamilton, Executive Director
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From: [Stephanie Thomas](#)
To: [schummfoods@gmail.com](#); [mdever@sunflower.com](#); [hughcarter@sunflower.com](#); [mikeamyx515@hotmail.com](#); [aroncromwell@gmail.com](#); [Jonathan Douglass](#)
Subject: Weekday farmers market location
Date: Tuesday, February 26, 2013 11:32:31 AM

We urge the city commission to support our community and local farmers by voting to keep both the Saturday and the Tuesday weekday farmers markets at the 800 Rhode Island St. location. The reasons are many, from being the safest and most accessible location for pedestrians, to the mutual benefit of consumers and downtown business owners.

Sincerely,
Stephanie Thomas and Thomas Maiorana
Spring Creek Farm
Baldwin City, KS

From: [Mina Hull](#)
To: [Jonathan Douglass](#)
Subject: Lawrece farmers market
Date: Monday, February 25, 2013 12:21:41 PM

To City commissioners,

My name is Mina Hull and I am general manager of yokohama sushi.

I believe the farmers market on new Hampshire street will leads to the activation of the region.

We would like to bring a lot of people to new Hampshire street and I hope it will support our tough restaurant business as well.

Sincerely,
Mina Hull
yokohama sushi
811 New Hampshire st.
Lawrence, KS 66044

From: [ACME Lawrence](#)
To: schummfoods@gmail.com; mdever@sunflower.com; hughcarter@sunflower.com; mikeamyx515@hotmail.com; aroncromwell@gmail.com; [Jonathan Douglass](#)
Subject: Farmers Market
Date: Friday, February 22, 2013 6:32:23 PM

We support the idea of moving the weekday farmer's market to 800 Rhode Island Street.

Thank you!
Jennilyn Keinsley
General Manager

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From: [Jennifer Kongs](#)
To: schummfoods@gmail.com; mdever@sunflower.com; hughcarter@sunflower.com; mikeamyx515@hotmail.com; aroncromwell@gmail.com; [Jonathan Douglass](#)
Subject: Lawrence Farmers Market location
Date: Thursday, February 21, 2013 10:42:41 AM

As a long-time volunteer at the farmers market and a lover of local foods and Lawrence, I strongly urge all of you to support keeping both the Saturday and the Tuesday weekday farmers markets at the 800 Rhode Island St. location. It would be such a shame to belittle the local farmers by putting them in an out of the way spot, especially one across the bridge in North Lawrence, and reduce access to some of the healthiest food, both for the residents' bodies and the community as a whole. Please elect to send the right message and support our farmers market and those who are growing our food.

Thank you for your time,

Jennifer Kongs
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From: [Eccentricity Boutique](#)
To: [Jonathan Douglass](#)
Subject: Weekday Farmers Market
Date: Tuesday, February 19, 2013 3:10:03 PM

Hello,

I am writing to voice my support for the Farmers Market to use the 800 Rhode Island St. Parking location during the week now that their previous location is no longer available. The Farmers Market is a wonderful part of downtown and we would love to have them there during the week.

Thanks,

Morgan Fellers
Owner of Eccentricity Too
716 Massachusetts St.

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Eccentricity
716 Massachusetts St.
Lawrence, KS 66044
785.830.9100

From: [Dusty Bookshelf](#)
To: [Jonathan Douglass](#)
Subject: Lawrence Farmers Market
Date: Tuesday, February 19, 2013 3:46:36 PM

Dear City Manager,

We are writing to inform you that we 100% support the Lawrence Farmers Market in their attempt to move to 800 Rhode Island Street during the weekday. Not only does this location use fewer parking spaces than any other, it has the best accessibility to the elderly, disabled, and non drivers. We especially will be happy that it is there since it is easier for us to visit!

Sincerely,
The Dusty Bookshelf

From: [Aaron Paden](#)
To: [Josh Davis](#); [Jonathan Douglass](#); [Aaron Paden](#)
Subject: Re: Farmers Market Proposal to move weekday markets to 800 block of Rhode Island
Date: Monday, January 28, 2013 9:39:40 PM

Jonathan,

Thanks for the information - I'm going to pass this onto our board and see if we have any email responses.

In passing I know that everyone would like to see the week day farmers market at that location or nearby.

but

I know that several of us are concerned about the hedge and don't want to see it cut down as it is a visual break between the houses and the downtown.

Leslie stepped down as ELNA President.
Josh Davis is president and I am VP

I'll be handling the farmer's market issue so you can make me your contact on this issue - my cell phone is 785 840-6400.

Thanks!
Aaron

On Jan 25, 2013, at 12:38 PM, Leslie Soden wrote:

Leslie Soden

From: Jonathan Douglass <jdouglass@lawrenceks.org>
Date: Fri, 25 Jan 2013 10:41:03 -0600
To: 'lestickia@yahoo.com' <lestickia@yahoo.com>
Subject: Farmers Market Proposal to move weekday markets to 800 block of Rhode Island

Hi Leslie –

I sent the attached letter to the properties surrounding the 800 block of Rhode Island. I'm also sending a copy to KT Walsh. Do you or the East Lawrence Neighborhood Association have any comments on the Farmers Market request to move their weekday markets to the right-of-way adjacent to the city parking lot on the 800 block of Rhode Island?

Jonathan Douglass, *City Clerk/Assistant to the City Manager*

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From: [Cathy Reinhardt](#)
To: [Jonathan Douglass](#)
Date: Wednesday, January 30, 2013 4:38:42 PM

Jonathan,

I am responding to your request for comments concerning the move of the weekday Farmers Market to the 800 block of Rhode Island.

I believe this will not work for several reasons.

- 1) The parking lot is normally full, and there is not room to displace 9 cars for two afternoons per week. Many of those cars already have 10 hour parking permits.
- 2) Businesses are functioning in and around that area and they need their private parking spaces which will be difficult to protect if market attendees are improperly using them.
- 3) Compton's construction will be ongoing in this block.
- 4) Rhode Island street is always fully lined with parked cars.
- 5) Even if it were reasonable to have the market take up the east side of the lot, there is no parking for attendees within a few blocks, and the parking garage may be difficult because of the construction of two more buildings at 9th and New Hampshire.
- 6) The Farmer's Market should find a space that has adequate parking for attendees without trespassing on the private property of others.

For these reasons I strongly object to the 800 block of Rhode Island location.

Thank you.

Cathy Reinhardt

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From: [Cindy Maude](#)
To: [Jonathan Douglass](#)
Subject: Farmers Market
Date: Monday, February 04, 2013 2:55:52 PM

I sent this last week but used an incorrect email address and it was returned. Cindy Maude
Begin forwarded message:

From: MAILER-DAEMON@mail.callahancreek.com (Mail Delivery System)
Subject: Undelivered Mail Returned to Sender
Date: February 3, 2013 11:58:03 AM CST
To: cmaude@callahancreek.com

From: Cindy Maude <cmaude@callahancreek.com>
Subject: Farmers Market
Date: January 29, 2013 11:39:52 AM CST
To: jdouglass@lawrence.org
Cc: Mike Riling <Mriling@rilinglaw.com>

I am writing in response to your letter regarding the Farmer's Market moving to the 800 block of Rhode Island Tuesday and Thursdays. While I support the Farmer's Market, and I think it is a huge benefit to Lawrence, I do have some concerns. They may be able to be overcome, but I would like to express the concerns.

The healthy future of downtown Lawrence depends on a good balance of retail, restaurants and businesses. This particular parking lot is used by several Lawrence businesses and is usually full. M-F 8-5. As I write this, I look out the window and see that both lots are completely full. If we look into the future growth of downtown, using this lot during regular business hours will limit the ability of business to grow or locate in this area.

I do not oppose the use of the grassy area, and there could be some days where using 9 or 10 parking spots may not be a big problem. However, we pay for our employees to have 10 hour passes every year in order to park in one of these lots. I would be opposed to asking them to move their cars if those are the only spots available. I would be opposed to them being towed if they were in one of the spots if there was no where else to park.

But mostly, I am concerned about the ability to grow in this location if we are not able to provide ample parking for our employees. If the City Commission's plan is to ensure the future of downtown with only retail and restaurants, then it would be good for the downtown businesses to understand this plan, so that we can take that into consideration when

we plan our future growth.

Thank you for allowing me to express my concerns about this.

Cindy Maude
CEO

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RE: Farmers Market Request During the Week Day

Dear Mr. Douglas:

I want to express my opposition to the Farmers Market moving to the 800 Rhode Island location for Tuesdays and Thursdays. I understand that the Market will only be using part of the parking area with nine spots. Many businesses rely heavily on this parking area for its employees. Finding places to park is becoming more difficult. With the Library in the old Borders building parking is at a premium. I am afraid that once the development goes in on the corner of 9th Street, parking is going to become a even more difficult though the developers will have parking areas planned as part of the development. I do not believe that moving the Market to this area is appropriate. I strongly oppose the move and request that any such request be denied.

I know that space is available in the Warehouse Arts District on Pennsylvania Street. Tony Krsnich told me he would love to provide space for the Market in the vacant lots down there. I think this would be a much better venue for the Market during the week.

Sincerely,



Michael E. Riling

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From: [Jonathan Douglass](#)
To: [Jonathan Douglass](#)
Subject: Phone call from Tim Hite
Date: Tuesday, January 29, 2013 2:56:28 PM

Tim Hite, 211 E 8th St, called today regarding the farmers market proposal to use a portion of Lot 8 for the weekday markets. He was concerned with the loss of parking, and said his company has purchased 15 or more parking passes for their employees, so they probably use a good portion of the parking there.

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