



# 2022 City of Lawrence Community Survey Open-Ended Comments

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**Q34. What are THREE issues you believe the City needs to be prepared to address in the coming 12 to 24 months? (1<sup>st</sup> choice)**

- 2nd library in west lawrence
- Access to affordable health care
- Access to housing
- access to schools, the war on the poor in the east side is digusting
- Add 600 acres for future growth.
- ADDING A TURN LANE ON WAKARUSA
- Adequate police personnel that are fair toward public and private.
- ADEQUATE SINGLE FAMILY HOUSING
- affordability for residents
- Affordability
- Affordable and Quality Housing
- AFFORDABLE and SAFE housing
- affordable childcare
- affordable childcare
- affordable healthy foods
- Affordable Housing

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- Affordable housing
- Affordable housing and non-university housing development
- affordable housing, single family homes
- Affordable housing.
- affordable housing/rights of renters
- AFFORDABLE HOUSING-ZONING FOR SMALLER HOMES
- Affordable Senior Housing
- Amount of homelessness spreading throughout the city.
- angry gatherings for Roe VS Wade reversal
- angry people
- Another pandemic
- Architectural accessibility in public buildings
- Asset Management Plan - hands down #1
- Attract industry
- Attracting quality employers to Lawrence
- Availability of affordable housing
- AVAILABILITY OF AFFORDABLE PROPERTIES TO RENT
- Availability of housing (both rentals and owned)
- availability of low income housing
- Awful outside dining areas downtown full of drunks
- BETTER AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING-AVAILABILITY
- Better care of parks
- BETTER CARE OF STREETS, MULTIPLE POTHOLEs THAT ARE DANGEROUS
- BETTER COORDINATION OF TRAFFIC LIGHTS-WITH SENSORS
- better JW news delivery
- better repairs on trash trucks, they break down.
- BETTER SNOW REMOVAL IN WINTER-ICY LARGE PATCHES IN NEIGHBORHOOD
- better traffic control
- Better trust with the police dept.
- better upkeep of streets
- Better value to taxpayers through expanded aquatic and recreational facilities

- BICYCLE PATHS AND ACCESSIBILITY
- Bicycle ridability
- bring good jobs to Lawrence
- Bringing in businesses and new constructions that don't pollute and maim our beautiful city
- Bringing property taxes down
- Budget - lack of understanding of how it works, what the city controls vs county vs school board
- Budget issues
- Budget transparency -- record tax revenue should not equate to a budget shortfall
- Build or buy homes for the homeless
- BUILDING MORE HOUSES
- building too many apartments
- Burning of yard waste by a neighbor, no action taken by the city.
- Bus stop covering
- change water billing to not block billing
- child care
- city bus transport
- CITY CURBS AND GUTTERS-MY STREET IS AWFUL
- City funded capital projects
- CITY GROWTH
- CITY MANAGER TYPE OF GOVERNEMENT
- City must oversee new police chief and restrictions
- city needs to fulfill waste collection services
- City planning - STOP with all the apartment complexes! We have too many!
- City road maintenance. Keep semi's off side streets.
- CITY ROADS AND SIDE STREETS ARE IN WORSE CONDITION
- city safety- more police patrols
- city street maintenance
- City Street repairs
- city streets
- City Streets
- CITY STREETS 23RD ST NEED REAPIRED
- city upkeep of sidewalks
- City utilities are impossible to contact. It takes forever and you rarely get a call back from a city employee.
- City/neighborhood streets
- clean up mass street - remove weird white lines from sidewalk, have standards for the outdoor dining that are more aesthetically pleasing than pylons, foot patrol downtown thursday thru sunday, enforce panhandling laws, clean the sidewalks regularly, plant more perennials, ban flag signs or any extraneous signage outside businesses, enforce littering laws, enforce loitering laws, ban outside smoking downtown, enforce open container laws, enforce parking violations during games
- Climate change

- Climate change reduce use of fossil fuels to heat city buildings
- code enforcement
- code enforcement
- CODE ENFORCEMENT AT PROBLEM HOUSES
- Code enforcement
- Communication
- Complete the loop
- COMPLETION OF ROAD IMPROVEMENTS
- Condition of city streets
- Condition of neighborhood streets
- condition of older streets and sidewalks
- Condition of roads in the entire city
- condition of roads/sidewalks on east side of town
- condition of streets and curbs
- Condition of streets and gutters.
- CONDITION OF STREETS AND SIDEWALKS
- Conditions of city streets
- CONFIDENCE IN THE POLICE
- CONSTRUCTION PLANNING
- continued growing needs in housing & transportation
- continued overall quality of life in the city
- continued park upkeep
- contractors trashing neighborhoods.
- control growth
- Convert waste water biogas to natural gas
- COOLING CENTERS FOR PEOPLE WITHOUT AIR CONDITIONERS
- Correct mal functioning traffic lights, takes too long out of my time
- Cost of afford housing
- COST OF LIVING
- cost of living in Lawrence, includes taxes, housing, etc.
- cost of living, housing
- Cost of suburban development at expense of infrastructure
- Cost of utilities (water and solid waste) is high compared to where I used to live (KCMO) in spite of how often trash/recycle collection at my residence has been skipped in the last year.
- Cost of water
- Cost of Water Utility and other city services
- COVID
- COVID
- CREATE ATMOSPHERE TO WELCOME NEW EMPLOYERS
- Creating a city utility for internet access.
- crime
- crime
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- Crime
- CRIME PREVENTION-NOT TRAFFIC STOPS
- CURBS-WE HAVE NONE BY OUR HOUSE NEXT TO BOB BILLINGS
- Defunding the police
- DEI
- democratic control of resources
- Developing existing commercial property
- Developing housing targeted at families/couples NOT just students.
- development
- Disease Outbreak Management and Planning
- diversity
- DIVERSITY-RELATED ISSUES
- Do not change the form of gov't
- dont raise property taxes
- downtown outdoor dining
- Downtown development - retail vs. residential vs. parking
- DOWNTOWN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT-BE MORE FLEXIBLE
- downtown lawrence
- downtown outdoor seating for eating, parking
- downtown parking
- DOWNTOWN PARKING
- Downtown Planning
- downtown safety
- downtown upgrade
- DOWNTOWN-BEAUTY, SAFETY, PARKING, HOMELESS. MIX OF RETAIL AND RESTAURANTS
- EAST LAWRENCE DEVELOPMENT-EQUITY EAST AND WEST
- East Lawrence sidewalk repair
- Economic Development
- Economic development and expansion of downtown area
- Economic development- Attracting high paying jobs
- ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN LAWRENCE-LETS NOT MAKE A SLEEPER COMMUNITY
- Economic expansion with new high (or decently high) paying jobs
- Economic Growth and Planning
- Economic growth--fill up Venture park
- Economic recession/depression
- education
- education facilities
- Either raise people's wages or lower the costs
- election of a mayor
- ELECTION SECURITY
- electric vehicle infrastructure

- Empty rental apartments.
- enforce traffic laws
- enforce traffic laws- stop lights, speeding
- Engagement with property owners, especially landlords
- ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS-THE GROWTH IS UNSUSTAINABLE AND NOBODY IS PUTTING THE ENVIRONMENT FIRST
- Equitable access to healthy affordable food
- Excessive activity by police officers poli
- EXCESSIVELY HIGH UTILITY BILL-H2O, TRASH, STORM
- Expansion
- EXPANSION OF CITY LIMITS
- EXTEND PM ROUTES OF TRANSIT SYSTEM ON CERTAIN ROUTES
- Fairness with the utility bill rates
- Finish Loop trail
- FINISHING THE LOOP AND TRAILS
- fix sidewalks
- FIX THE ROADS
- fix the roads, they are terrible
- FIX THE STREETS
- FIX THE STREETS FALLING APART-WAKARUSA STREET
- FLOW OF TRAFFIC WITH CITY'S INFLUX OF STUDENTS
- Flow of traffic/coordinating traffic lights
- food security
- funding city budge
- Funding for Animal Shelter and Prairie Park Nature Center
- Funding our schools and retaining teachers.
- Funding Prairie Park Nature Center
- FUNDING SCHOOLS ON EAST SIDE OF TOWN AND HOW TO RETAIN TEACHERS
- future growth
- GENERAL APPEARANCE AND VIABILITY OF BUSINESSES DOWNTOWN-HOMELESS SLEEPING INDOORWAYS OF SPACES-DOORWAYS OF UNLEASED BUSINESS SPACES
- Gerrymandering of our city
- Gerrymandering of the legislative map that has rendered Lawrence voiceless in the political process.
- Get rid of tent communities
- Getting through any building or repair permits is a hellish experience
- golf course planning & mgmt needs to be fixed
- good land use
- Growing economy
- GROWTH
- growth and planning
- GROWTH WITH PLAN-WE ARE GOING TO LOSE PROGRESS IF NOT
- Growth, especially on the edges of town
- GROWTH/DEVELOPMENT PLANNING
- Growth-expansion beyond K-10.
- gun control

- gun violence
- GUN VIOLENCE
- GUTTER AND STREET REPAIRS IN OUR ARESIDENTIAL AREA
- Health services
- HEAVY TAX BURDEN
- Help the the school district- it's a hot mess!
- Helping the homeless does not mean enable the homeless.
- high cost of living
- High cost of living in Lawrence
- high cost of utilities
- HIGH COST OF WATER, SEWER AND WASTE PICKUP
- high rent
- Higher income employment
- Higher standards for building codes and materials, urban sprawl,
- homeless
- homeless
- Homeless
- homeless activity
- homeless and panhandling in parks & downtown
- Homeless Camps - Should not be allowed to trash/over run public parks.
- Homeless community. We need to control the homeless population.
- Homeless encampments
- homeless- enforce the laws.
- HOMELESS ESPECIALLY MENTAL
- HOMELESS ISSUES
- homeless issues downtown and in parks
- homeless people and the problems
- HOMELESS PEOPLE LIVING IN THE PARK OR HANGING AROUND THE STREETS
- Homeless persons occupying public spaces which impacts business
- homeless population
- homeless population
- Homeless population downtown is becoming dangerousw
- homeless population in Lawrence
- Homeless population taking over downtown and parks.
- homeless population/mental health issues
- Homeless ruining downtown
- Homeless situation
- homeless vandalism
- Homeless, affordable housing.
- homeless/panhandling
- Homelessness
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- HOMELESSNESS IN PARKS AND DOWNTOWN
- HOMELESSNESS ON OUR STREETS AND PARKS
- HOMELESSNESS-STOP PROVIDING CONTINUED SUPPORT SO THAT THEY REMAIN INDEPENDENT ON CITY AND ORGANIZATIONAL HANDOUTS
- HOMELESS-REMOVE FROM PARKS-LIBRARY-MASS STREET
- honeless/panhandling
- horrible roads
- HOUSEHOLESS PEOPLE
- houseless population
- HOUSELESSNESS
- Housing
- Housing affordability
- housing affordability
- housing affordability
- Housing affordability and availability
- Housing affordable
- housing costs are far too high and availability is way too low
- housing- need more inventory
- HOUSING SHORTAGE
- HOUSING, HOMELESS
- HOW ARE WE GOING TO FIX PUBLIC EDUCATION
- how to better attract business
- how to recruit & retain families for long term growth
- If property values are going to increase at this rate, despite home or neighborhood improvements, tax rates should be adjusted to avoid excessive homeowner costs.
- Improve downtown outdoor dining.
- Improve Lawrence Transit frequency and number of stops
- Improve road maintenance especially in neighborhoods
- Improve safety for bicycle usage for transportation as well as exercise
- Improve schools academies, there not what they should be.
- improve sidewalk conditions
- Improve sidewalks

- improve streets
- Improve the Loop path, complete it, add trees
- Inclusive / safe environment for minority groups and non-English speaking citizens
- INCREASING TAXES QITH THE INCREASED PRICE OF HOUSING-RATES NEED LOWERING
- INFILL OF VACANT STOREFRONTS
- INFLATION
- Inflation/gas/utilities prices
- Infrastructure
- Infrastructure
- INFRASTRUCTURE-WHAT IS THE PLAN
- INJUSTICES TO MINORITY GROUPS
- Insuring public schools near Downtown maintain their quality despite dropping enrollment. I am very concerned about recent budget cuts to schools in the area as I think about buying a house in Lawrence.
- issues with the homeless
- Job opportunities that provide a living wage
- jobs- economic growth
- jobs with a living wage
- K-10 making it 4 lanes
- K-12 EDUCATION
- KEEP HOMELESS FROM MAKING MESSES AROUND COMMUNITY
- keep schools open
- Keep schools open and safe
- keep spending under control
- KEEPING PARKS CLEAN AND SAFE AND FREE OF CAMPING
- Keeping property tax level despite inflation
- Lack of affordable childcare
- lack of affordable housing
- Lack of good paying jobs
- Law enforcement integrity, honesty, bias, discrimination
- Lawrence is dying because of bad planning for decades.
- Let growth happen
- Living wage jobs for diverse populatioib
- living wages
- LIVING WAGES/MINIMUM WAGE
- Local Water/trash bill
- LOSS OF OUR FREEDOM
- maintain programs
- Maintaining streets and markings
- MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENT OF STREETS
- maintenance of biking/hiking trails
- maintenance of residential streets
- maintenance of streets
- Maintenance of streets
- MAJOR REAPIR OF WAKARUSA BEGINNING AT CLINTON PKWY
- major street repair on Wakarusa, East 23rd

- Maybe rather than trying to attract more tech/high-paying businesses to Lawrence, we could attract more remote workers
- mental health
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- Mental Health
- Mental health access
- MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES
- MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES-TREATMENT, THERAPIES, SOCIAL/RECREATION
- Mental Health support
- MORE COMMUNITY INPUT ABOUT SCHOOL CUTS-LIKE LATIN-BAD IDEA
- MORE DOWNTOWN PARKING
- MORE FACILITIES AND ACTIVITIES FOR FAMILIES-NOT JUST COLLEGE STUDENTS AND RETIREES
- More jobs
- More Police And Law Enforcement
- more police officers
- More professional jobs w/professional wages
- more tax credits
- More visible police presence in various settings in Lawrence
- Much improvement is needed in marking the lanes and symbols on the streets. They are very faded and unsafe.
- My biggest problem is allowing people to put junk/trash street side all week long. Makes neighborhood look like a dump/slum. There needs to be a law that is ENFORCED
- MY STREET NEEDS TO BE FIXED
- My utility bill has sky rocketed.
- need good streets
- NEED OLIVE GARDEN OR RED LOBSTER
- neighborhood code enfrocement
- Neighborhood road maintenance
- NEIGHBORHOOD STREETS AND CURBING ARE FALLING APART
- neighborhood street conditions
- NEIGHBORHOOD STREETS
- neighborhood streets in disrepair
- Neutral city council
- New Jersey street needs repaved.
- night safety in Old East & West Lawrence
- NOISE ORDINANCE-PUT A TIME ON IT-TOO VAGUE AGAINST PEOPLE
- North part of town needs medical
- not enough jobs
- Offering of additional grocery stores - PricChopper or Costco, Sam's
- open back up all the streets that you've closed and ruined with blocks (21st st)
- out incomes are stretched from inflation, do not raise taxes
- overall quality of streets and traffic
- PANDEMIC RESPONSE
- Park and Rec
- Park maintenances, e.g., by preventing riverbank erosion in Burcham Park
- parking downtown

- parking parking parking
- Parks: the parks are too old, limited, and in great need of updates
- pavement markings, especially iintersections
- PAY ATTENTION TO NORTH LAWRENCE-STILL NO GROCERY STORE-NEED MORE SIDEWALKS
- Pay for police
- Paying teachers more money.
- Pedestrian and bicycle safety
- pickleball facilities
- planning
- planning
- POLICE
- Police accountability and reform
- POLICE AND CITY VIOLENCE AGAINST UNHOUSED COMMUNITY MEMBERS
- Police Attitude & Professionalism
- Police budget
- police force.
- police- salary
- Poor bike path and vehicle planning.
- Poor condition of city streets
- POPULATION GROWTH
- Pot holes
- Pot holes
- potential crime
- potholes
- potholes
- POTHOLEs
- Potholes
- potholes in alleys
- potholes on streets in SE part of town
- potholes.
- PPOLICE AND GUN REGULATIONS
- Prairie Mature park staying open
- PRESERVE DOWNTOWN-LIMIT BIG GROWTH-NEW HOMES, SPRAWL, MORE STUDENT HOUSING
- Promote growth and business on the sw side.
- Property tax too high
- PROPERTY TAXES
- property taxes are too high
- property taxes are too high
- Property taxes values rapid increase in an inflationary economy and the effect on fixed income seniors.
- PROVIDING SERVICES FOR UNDERSERVED POPULATIONS
- public safety
- Public Safety
- public school enrollment
- PUBLIC TRANSIT FOR DISABLED INDIVIDUALS
- Public transportation

- public transportation
- public transportation
- public transportation/buses
- Publicize public information
- PURPLE/BLUE STREET LIGHTS
- Quality and amount of retail activity
- QUALITY EDUCATION
- quality of medical and mental health care
- quality of schools
- quality of sidewalk/street repairs
- Quality of street repaving
- quality of streets
- Quit forcing mask mandates on the citizens
- recruitment of industry with livable wages
- Redistricting of Douglas county
- reduce single use plastics
- RE-INFECTION
- REMARKING DOUBLE LEFT TURN LINES
- remove dead trees in easement on Wakarusa between 6th and 1200 block
- REMOVING THE HOMELESS FROM CITY PARKS AND BIKING AND WALKING TRAILS
- Rent control, specifically for residents.
- repaint ALL street pavement markings so they can be seen during rain and darkness
- Repair 31st Street
- repair of streets
- repair streets
- Repair streets and sidewalks
- repair streets, esp Wakarus and Clinton
- REPAIR STREETS-ESPECIALLY 23RD ST, EAST END OF TOWN
- repair the streets
- Repairing the poor condition of our streets.
- REPAIRS ON STREETS
- repave Tennessee st from 9th to 13th st
- replace city management
- Replacing curbing, flow line and resurfacing major streets.
- Residential streetrepairs
- Respecting and following city's building codes
- RESTRICTIONS ON ALL NEW CONSTRUCTION OF APARTMENT COMPLEXES
- rezoning of Mi Banchito for a drive thru- NO
- Ridiculous, freaky blue street lights
- road condition
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- Road conditions
- road conditions on east side
- Road Maintenance

- road maintenance
- ROAD MAINTENANCE
- ROAD MAINTENANCE AND SNOW REMOVAL
- road repair
- road repair
- road repairs
- Road repairs.
- roads & public transportation
- ROADS ARE BAD-PAVEMENTS
- roads upkeep
- Roads/paths that support multiple modes of transportation (bikes, pedestrians, cars, etc)
- roads/potholes
- Roadwork on E. 23rdStreet
- SAFE AFFORDABLE QUALITY WELCOMING HOUSING
- Safe bike paths
- Safe Routes to School
- safe travel paths for students, cross guards
- Safe/good tasting drinking water
- safety
- safety
- SAFETY
- safety
- Safety
- safety- crime related
- SAFETY DOWNTOWN
- Safety for downtown. Too many homeless and its not fun to walk
- SAFETY FROM HOMELESS POPULATION IN PUBLIC AREAS-DOWNTOWN, PARKS, ETC
- SAFETY IN SCHOOLS-WE HAVE 3 GREAT GRANDCHILDREN
- safety in the community
- safety of 4 way stops for pedestrians
- Safety of parks/homeless population
- safety of schools
- safety/gun violence
- Saving Prairie Nature Center
- school crossing zone safety
- school district
- school safety
- SCHOOL SAFETY
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- school zoning & access
- schools
- schools
- SCHOOLS
- Schools
- Schools providing quality education.
- sensitive to all political spectrums

- Shrinking School System
- sidewalk repair
- SIDEWALK REPAIR
- sidewalk repairs for handicap
- sidewalks
- sidewalks
- sidewalks
- sidewalks
- Sidewalks and walkability
- sidewalks, we fell due to cracks.
- sidewalks/streets
- SIDEWALKS-ENTRANCES AND EXITS-BUILT POORLY AND DANGEROUS
- Single family affordable housing
- Single family homes, affordability
- smart growth
- Smart planning
- smelly water
- social justice
- SOCIAL SERVICES
- SPEED AND NOISE ON MASS ST
- speeding motorists
- SPEEDING TRAFFIC
- Spending responsibly
- splash pad
- SPORTS FOR KIDS
- Spreading out construction throughout the year rather than just during the summer
- stop raising taxes, mill levies, etc.
- Stop sacrificing our children's education to pay your unjustified salaries.
- Stop shutting down east 6th street at downtown for stupid bike races or other events, parades. Keep street in front of City Hall open too. It is a great inconvenience for residents of North Lawrence.
- Stop supporting/encouraging the homeless population to grow and wasting tax dollars on friveloous services; campgrounds, laundry trailers, etc.
- STRATEGY TO INVEST IN MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION/PHYSICAL HEALTH/HOUSING FOR HOMELESS POPULATION
- Streamlining services
- street condition
- STREET CONDITION
- street conditons
- STREET FREE CLASSES, EXERCISE AND ART
- Street improvement
- street lights/sidewalks, unsafe at night
- Street mainenance
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- Street Maintenance
- street maintenance
- Street maintenance and related connectivity--how to navigate 19th st. OWL other mad hatter stunts
- street maintenance in all respects
- Street maintenance. It's in poor condition, especially on residential areas.
- Street Maintence
- Street maintenece
- street quality
- Street quality
- street repair
- street repair
- Street repair
- Street repair
- street repair, esap major arteries
- street repairs
- street repairs including lighting
- street resurface
- Street stop lights
- street upkeep
- street/sidewalk repair
- streets
- Streets and curb in the Indian Hills area
- streets and curbs
- Streets fixing

- streets need repair
- streets on east side of Lawrence
- Student housing project at the 2300 block of Crestline Drive!!! We are already very densely populated in this area. Crestline Drive cannot be widened and we will have a terrible traffic problem if the proposed multi housing units are allowed to build.
- Supporting downtown business and the overall appearance of downtown
- Sustainability
- sustainability
- sustainability
- Sustainability
- synch traffic lights, repair roadways
- TAX BASE-MORE BUSINESSES
- taxes
- taxes
- taxes
- taxes
- taxes are too high.
- taxes too high
- teachers pay
- The closing of schools
- the condition of the City's streets
- The condition of the streets especially in neighborhoods
- The condition of Wakarusa north of 6th street
- the homeless - downtown. We have been harassed.
- THE HOMELESS POPULATION-PEOPLE FEEL SCARED-CITY MESSY/FIFTY--VANDALISM AT HOTELS, ETC
- The local housing market
- THE NUMBER OF HOMELESS PEOPLE IN LAWRENCE IS BECOMING A PROBLEM
- The shootings
- Tightening the budget w/o raising taxes
- timeliness of street repairs
- timing of traffic lights
- Too many transients downtown and at parks
- too much interference in police matters
- town needs some manufacturing plants.
- Traffic
- traffic
- traffic at 27th and Wakarusa- driving infractions and never any police
- TRAFFIC CONGESTION
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- Traffic control improvement - some intersections are busier than controls are set for, and some areas should not have center left turn lanes but median instead.
- Traffic enforcement
- traffic flow
- traffic flow

- traffic flow , 6th st is rough to drive on
- traffic flow from 19th st/side streets.
- TRAFFIC FLOW-TECHNOLOGY USED DOESNT SEEM TO HELP
- traffic light timing
- TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT
- Traffic management
- TRANSIT
- Transit frequency
- Transportation, my dream is Cable train!
- trash
- trimming trees
- unnecessary use of city funds for special stuff
- upkeep of parks
- UPTICK ON CRIME DUE TO ECEONOMY
- urban sprawl
- USD 497
- USING TAX MONEY TO REAPIR STREETS
- utility bills are too expensive
- UTILITY EXPENSES ARE TOO HIGH
- Utility rates are far too high
- utility7 costs
- UTILIZE TAX DOLLARS MORE EFFICIENTLY
- vacancy tax.
- Value of high property taxes
- Vastly improve street lighting
- VERY HIGH REAL ESTATE TAXES
- Violence, crime
- Voting Access
- WASTE WATER/STORM WATER
- water and sewage prices - my sewage it twice the cost of my water
- Water bills are outrageous.
- We need another dog park please!
- Why does the police dept own 400 plus vehicle?
- WORSENED TRAFFIC ON 6TH/IAWA/23RD DURING CONSTRUCTION
- would like more recycling services
- Youth recreation services and parks
- Zoning for affordable single-family housing

**Q34. What are THREE issues you believe the City needs to be prepared to address in the coming 12 to 24 months? (2<sup>nd</sup> choice)**

- affordable housing
- 23RD STREET SIGNAL TIMING AT NIGHT-BEING ONLY CAR IN SIGHT AND ALL THE LIGHTS ARE RED
- A small dog fences dog park
- Access to affordable and available mental health
- access to complete medical care
- Access to health services
- access to mental health care
- Accessibility (especially with sidewalks- taking my wheelchair outside is horrid. I have to be on the street the majority of the time because the sidewalks are not ADA compliant.
- Accessibility/Transportation
- ADA ACCESSIBILITY
- Add new bike lanes and paths throughout the city where feasible. There are already some bike lanes on major city streets, such as on 9th street, but they are not well maintained (fading) and need upgrading for improved safety and nighttime visibility..
- address homeless issue
- Address sidewalk issues - Listen to the mayor!
- administration too top heavy
- Adult recreation services
- Affordability
- Affordability of city utilities
- AFFORDABILITY OF RENT DOWNTOWN-LOSING TOO MANY BUSINESSES
- Affordable child care
- affordable childcare
- affordable childcare
- affordable healthcare
- Affordable housing

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- Affordable housing
- Affordable housing for all
- Affordable housing for hourly workers.
- AFFORDABLE HOUSING NOT NEW HOUSING ON THE WEST SIDE
- AFFORDABLE HOUSING-ITS BEEN OUTRAGEOUS FOR YEARS
- affordable living
- affordable mental health care
- AFFORDABLE TRANSPORTATION
- Affordable utilities
- Affordable water services
- Align the traffic lights
- allow a store like Costco or Sams
- Allow for commercial zoning in neighborhoods to promote walkable and equitable access to food, services, entertainment, and home businesses.
- ALTERNATIVES TO INCARCERATION
- ANIMAL CONTROL-ANIMAL LICENCES NEED TO BE IMPROVED
- Annexation of land for new housing developments (end our Boulder-like policies that are causing housing-cost inflation; end our funneling tax dollars to non-profits)
- Approve or subsidize residential units above Downtown
- ASSISTANCE TO ELDERLY
- attract light manufacturers to area
- Availability of affordable food everywhere in town
- Availability of affordable housing
- AVAILABILITY OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING
- Availability of free parking downtown.
- availability of rec programs/facilities
- BALANCE-ONE TAX HOMEOWNERS
- BASIC SERVICES AND INFRASTRUCTURE VS THINGS THAT WOULD BE NICE TO HAVE
- beatification
- Beautification of the city specially downtown
- beautifying downtown eating areas
- Begin burying cables to get rid of overhead lines.
- Being welcoming to a diverse population

- Best practices in movement through and around construction areas by any means. Lots of "Detour" signs posting every direction (Naismith/27/23rd etc.) Take down or tell us from and to
- BETTER BEAUTIFICATION AT ENTRANCE TO CITY
- Better bicycle infrastructure
- better info in newspapers about important issues, finances
- Better maintenance of city roads (especially neighborhood streets)
- Better maintenance of city streets, especially near schools
- better plan for growth
- Better Roads
- Better support and funding for K-12 schools/teachers
- Better traffic routes in Lawrence from West to East or East to West
- Bringing more business, retail and recreation to downtown
- BRINGING OUTSIDE BUSINESS
- Budget management
- BUDGET-INFLATION-MAYBE A RECESSION
- build new trails
- Building inspection and compliance issues are awful
- business development
- business friendly city
- chilcare
- CHILDCARE
- CITY EXPANSION
- CITY EXPANSION/GROWTH PLANNING OUTSIDE CURRENT LIMITS
- City landscaping
- city maintenance
- City minimum wage if at all possible. If not, working with businesses to discuss wage increases for residents.
- City services
- city street deterioration
- CITY STREET REPAIRS-23RD ST IS TERRIBLE AND 31ST ST AS OF 5/2022
- city streets
- City Streets
- City Streets / Potholes
- Clean out street sewers and gutters
- CLEAN UP DOWNTOWN ( get rid of hideous orange traffic barriers around outdoor eating , and do not allow homeless people to panhandle and sleep on the streets.
- CLEAN UP HOMELESSNESS
- CLEANING SIDEWALKS MASS ST
- CLEANING UP THE TRASH LEFT BY THE HOMELESS
- cleanliness
- cleanliness of parks due to the homeless
- Climate Change
- CLIMATE CHANGE IMPACTS ON PEOPLE AND PLACE

- Climate change- increase electric vehicles owned and used by the city
- Close Downtown Mass to traffic
- Collaboration with USD 497, KU, DGCO
- COMMUNITY BASED PROJECTS AND INFORMATION OUTREACH
- COMMUNITY HEALTH
- Community relations
- complete the bicycle loop
- complete the loop
- Condition of city streets
- condition of streets/sidewalks.
- congestion/difficulty traveling east and west
- CONNECTING ALL OF LAWRENCE TO BIKE TRAILS AND LOOP
- continue parks and rec programs
- Continue to fully support LHS
- Continued emphasis on equity of services to all in our community
- COORDINATE TRAFFIC LIGHTS
- Coordinated and comprehensive plan for the look and quality of street lighting, particularly downtown, and replacement of old twisted wooden streetlight poles in OWL
- cost controls for city services
- cost effective city transportation - specifically Micro Transit app based city transit
- COST IS TOO HIGH FOR UTILITIES ESP WATER AND WASTE
- Cost of housing
- Cost of housing here is outrageous for how few jobs are available. My partner and I have great jobs and still can't afford to buy in Lawrence.
- cost of living
- cost of living
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- Cost of living
- Covid-related issues (masking, outdoor dining etc.)
- Creating more jobs that aren't food service/retail. Encourage businesses to provide internships for college students.
- CRIME CONTROL
- crime- less gun and domestic violence
- CRIMINAL JUSTICE REFORM
- Curb and Road Maintenance on residential streets
- curbs for bikes
- Cutting animal control budget
- Cutting the budget
- day care
- decent paying employment
- Declining public school enrollment
- democratic control of housing and utility costs
- DEVELOPING SOUTH LAWRENCE

- development of city core
- development of downtown
- discrepancy in property tax assessments
- dismantle the COVID barriers downtown
- distinct bicycle paths
- distracted drivers due to phone use
- DIVERSITY AND EQUITABLE AVAILABILITY OF SERVICES
- do away with parking fees
- Do not shut down the neighborhood schools.
- DOWNTOWN BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT
- Downtown design/clutter/temporary outdoor dining
- Downtown homeless population
- Downtown Master Plan - be bold
- downtown parking
- Downtown restaurants occupying sidewalks
- Drag queens at our public libraries
- Drippe Homes, block streets, trash, etc.
- Eagle Bend- needs fixed. frequently closed.
- EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION
- EASE OF BUSINESS-HELPING SMALL BUSINESS SURVIVE
- ease on on bldg regulations
- Easing travel for pedestrians and bicyclists, e.g., by maintaining crosswalk signaling mechanisms and cutting low-hanging branches over sidewalks
- east/west travel
- economic development
- Economic Growth
- economic recovery from pandemic
- economics of city with regard to inflation
- Economy/Jobs
- EDUCATE ON RECYCLING SO THINGS ACTUALLY GET REUSED
- EDUCATION BUDGET
- eduction
- efficient use of tax dollars
- EMPLOYMENT
- Empty retail buildings.
- empty spots downtown
- encourage downtown growth
- enforcement of fines, tickets, etc

- enforcement of speed on Clinton Pkwy
- enhanced transportatiion for seniors
- enlarge K 10 west of Iowa
- ENTICE MORE RETAIL VENDORS OTHER THAN RESTAURANTS
- equality, homelessness
- Equitable access to education for all parts of the city
- equitable snow removal
- equitable treatment of residents
- expand affordable transit to KC, esp to KUMC
- EXPAND PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION
- expand service of aquatic facilities
- expansion/gentrification in east/north town
- fewer apartments
- fill empty shops downtown
- Filling vacant city positions
- finish fixing all the purple lights that make it unsafe to be out at night
- finish new mass transit facility
- fix bumps on brick roads at intersections
- Fix curbs wrecked by snowplows
- Fix east 23rd street. It's like driving on the moon.
- FIX ROUNDABOUT BY HYVEE GAS STATION-TERRIBLE
- fix taste of water
- flood control
- Focus on building new homes toward the west of town.
- Food insecurity
- Food security
- FRICTION BETWEEN RESIDENTS AND RIGHT WING VISITORS
- Funding existing programs that are important to neighborhoods, like Prairie Park
- GENERAL SAFETY ISSUES
- GET A LOCAL TV STATION
- GET RID OF ROUNDABOUTS
- getting downtown businesses other than bars and restaurants
- GO AHEAD WITH THE DEVELOPMENT THAT INCLUDES COSTCO
- grow east side
- growing gap between middle and upper class
- growth
- Growth
- growth management
- growth management
- GROWTH, ECONOMIC AND DEVELOPMENT
- GUN CONTROL LAWS
- HALT THE MAJOR MASS BUILDING AND ELIMINATION OF GREEN SPACE
- Help schools

- High and increasing costs of city services
- high property taxes
- HIGHER COST OF LIVING FOR EMPLOYEES
- highly-skilled, technical jobs are almost non-existent in the community
- Holding down taxes
- homeless
- homeless
- HOMELESS
- HOMELESS
- homeless camps
- HOMELESS COMMUNITY HELP AND MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAMS
- HOMELESS INDIVIDUALS
- homeless people in public places
- Homeless Population
- homeless population
- Homeless population is an issue.
- homeless population- safety
- HOMELESS SERVICES
- homelessness
- HOMELESSNESS-MENTAL HELATH
- housing
- Housing
- Housing
- Housing
- Housing
- Housing affordability
- HOUSING AFFORDABILITY-DONT KEEP BUILDING MORE, MAKE WHAT WE HAVE AFFORDABLE
- housing- affordable
- Housing and growth planning - especially with the new battery plant announcement
- HOUSING AND JOBS
- Housing Stop allowing corporations to buy up all the homes, driving prices up and confining us to rent without real ownership
- housing too expensive
- HOW CAN WE BRING IN MORE JOBS
- HOW TO MAINTAIN LAWRENCE'S FLAVOR AND YET ALLOW GROWTH
- HOW TO PROTECT CLINTON LAKE WATER FROM WESTWARD DEVELOPMENT
- I do not think we treat all people fairly, esp people of color.
- illegal parking

- improve looks of downtown - less orange banners
- Improve maintenance of streets, curbs, gutters
- improve mental health resources
- Improve outdoor aquatics opportunities...a public pool in a couple of locations perhaps
- improve parks and rec
- improve public transit
- Improve the condition of the streets in different areas of the city, specially in the non rich areas.
- Improved bus service and safer bike lanes
- Improved neighborhood lighting
- Improved police services
- IMPROVING LAW ENFORCEMENT-ADDING MENTAL HEALTH WORKERS
- Improving recreations
- Improving sidewalks
- income disparity
- increase affordable housing
- Increase effort to welcome minorities, improve diversity, equity, inclusion and cultural sensitivity especially in training of Police & city officials
- increase police surveillance of speeding
- Increase public transit/alternatives to driving
- increase services for children
- Increased crime
- INCREASED TENSIONS BETWEEN PUBLIC AND POLICE
- industry, attract for jobs
- inequity of services to west side of town
- Inflation
- inflation
- infrastructure
- INFRASTRUCTURE AND ROAD QUALITY
- Infrastructure maintenance
- INFRASTRUCTURE-STREET AND ALLEY MAINTENANCE
- intersection of Wakarus and Clinton- turning right on to Wakarusa is like a roller coaster.
- Investing more in Downtown as a destination and making it into a more pedestrian-friendly zone. I strongly support making a couple of blocks of Mass Street pedestrian only.
- invite different types of business downtown
- ITS GREAT TO ATTRACT JOBS, BUT IF YOU DO IT THROUGH TAX ABATEMENTS, IT HURTS SCHOOLS
- JOB CREATION
- Job opportunities in town with a livable wage
- jobs
- Jobs in Lawrence
- Jobs should pay a living wage
- jobs that pay more than a living wage
- Jobs with a living wage.

- Jobs with living wage
- Jobs with living wages
- K-10 bypass very dangerous
- Keep all schools open
- Keep downtown Lawrence beautiful- love the outdoor dining but it needs cleaned up
- Keep utilities affordable
- Keeping and increasing access to activities for children across the city, not closing beloved nature parks
- Lack of adequate mental health resources
- lack of bike lanes and bike paths
- lack of building lots for housing
- lack of code enforcement
- Lack of retail, dining and entertainment growth
- Lack of supply of city lots for houses
- large gatherings
- LAWRENCE DOESNT NEED MORE AFFORDABLE HOUSING, POORER PEOPLE CAN LIVE IN EUDORA
- Lawrence has a superiority complex and been shooting itself in the foot because of it.
- Legalization of medical and/or recreational marijuana - i.e. retail/zoning and law enforcement
- Less buses. They are always empty
- less speed traps
- Let officers do their job enforcing the law
- Let the city grow to allow additional housing development.
- LIBRARY
- Lighting in neighborhoods
- LINES ON STREETS--AND ADD DOUBLE LEFT TURN LINES FOR US SENIORS
- Livable Wage
- living wage
- Living wage opportunities
- loop and connecting trails
- loss of state funding for schools
- Lower rent cost
- lower taxes
- Lower taxes and fees
- lowering food tax
- Lowering taxes
- MAILED CITY OF LAWRENCE BILLS SHOULD STAY IN LAWRENCE, KS TO CREATE JOBS FOR LAWRENCE RESIDENCE NOT ST LOUIS MO
- maintain ALL of the streets better and consistently
- maintain downtown
- maintain landscaping/sidewalks
- Maintain necessary equipment,utilities,street lights etc
- maintain streets
- maintain the streets better

- Maintaining and improving non-West side neighborhoods
- Maintaining quality of services
- MAINTENANCE OF INFRASTRUCTURE
- maintenance of residential sidewalks
- maintenance of streets
- maintenance of the neighborhood streets
- Major sewer drain in front of my house ,need a drain guard. New Jersey ST
- Majority of the homeless population steals from retail stores. They have a lot of mental illness and drug use.
- Make downtown even better (closed street? ped mall?)
- make downtown more attractive
- MAKING SIDEWALKS SAFE
- mental health
- MENTAL HEALTH
- mental health help for homeless
- mental health issues
- mental health- more available
- Mental Health Service Availability
- MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES
- mental illness access
- mfg growth
- minimum wage
- minimum wage/benefits are low
- MONKEYPOX
- more appealing neighborhoods.
- MORE COMPANIES OFFERING NEW JOBS
- More discipline for student actions
- More housing options across the spectrum of housing
- more housing options for transients
- More mental health training for first responders
- more parking downtown
- MORE POLICE OFFICERS-CURRENT NEED HELP
- MORE RADAR FOR SPEEDERS
- more street lights
- More timely road construction
- Much improvement is needed in marking the lanes and symbols on the streets. They are very faded and unsafe.
- need to spend money more wisely
- Need work on ditches in north
- Neighborhood police patrols
- new business
- NEW EPIDEMICS
- New voting and redistricting - how it affects Lawrencians

- NO BENEFIT DISTRICTS FOR NEW STREETS
- No cuts to Lawrence Humane Society
- No more round-a-bouts or speed bumps
- non-motorized transportation improvements
- not abundant senior independent living housing
- Not allowing streets to be blocked by protesters
- Not allowing the building of so mane expensive students apartments
- Not allowing the proposed multi unit student housing to build in the 2300 block of Crestline Drive!!!
- Not closing Prairie Park
- Not cutting the budget to Lawrence Humane Society
- number of destinations served by Transit
- Obeying Federal Laws
- Obstructions of vision at traffic circles
- ongoing awareness of pandemic returning
- ONLY SPEND TAX PAYER DOLLARS ON ESSENTIAL SERVICES
- OPEN THE CITY FOR MAJOR RETAILERS
- Pandhandlers
- PANHANDLERS DOWNTOWN
- PANHANDLING AT GROCERY STORES
- parking around Mass
- PARTNERSHIPS WITH SCHOOL DISTRICT TO ENSURE HIGH QUALITY EDUCATION
- Pay for fire & medical
- pay for KU staff is too low for cost of living
- Pay inequities between housing costs and local job availability and wages
- Pedestrian walk ability
- Pennsylvania needs repaved
- PROPERTY TAX IS TOO HIGH
- PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
- please finish fixing the roads soon
- police
- POLICE
- Police Accountability
- Police accountability
- police downtown
- police interactions with homeless/disableds, poor
- police training in more areas including mental health
- POLICE-NEED MORE EXPERIENCED AND HONEST OFFICERS
- policing
- Positive energy to police dept
- pot holes
- pot holes
- pothole repair

- potholes in streets
- potholes, street repair
- Prairie Park nature center
- preserve county side
- prioritize CIP
- Promote the establishment or reestablishment of Chnnel 6. The city of selling itself short withoutone.
- PROMOTING DIVERSITY
- Proper road maintenance for the major trafficways and correction of traffic light timing
- property taxes
- PROVIDE MORE ACCESS TO TURNPIKE WILL ENTICE MORE ECEONOMIC GROWTH
- Providing after hours animal control
- Providing routine maintenance of major city streets.
- public safety
- PUBLIC SAFETY
- PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION
- Public/Police relations
- Quality & sufficiency of water & power
- Quality of 9th Street between Mass and Iowa.
- Quality of a living, jobs, housing availability
- Quality of life in Lawrence does not match the cost
- Quality of roads in major and residential streets
- quality of water
- Quality Pre-school and Public School Education - teaching science, math, facts, analytical thinking, and not catering to the Republican anti-public school education platform
- Quality Schools
- Quit listening to the vast minority of loud people on Facebook who demand masks
- real living wage employment opportunities that aren't based on "average salary" which is misleading
- Reasonable housing for lower- and middle-income families
- Recreation facilities in east Lawrence
- RECREATION SERVICES
- recycle weekly
- recycling (bulky, appliances)
- reduce green house gas emissions
- reduce jail population
- reduce property tax
- reduce property taxes
- reduce trash and litter in streets
- Reducing climate change impacts
- Remove food tax
- REMOVE INVASIVE PLANTS-EXAMPLE: CALORIE PEAR, TREE OF HEAVEN, BURNING BUSH AND HONEYSUCKLE AND ENCOURAGE REMOVAL ON PRIVATE PROPERTY

- rental costs
- repaint street markings
- repair potholes!!
- Repair streets
- Repair streets and sidewalks
- repair streets in neighborhoods
- repairs to 31st between iowa n kasold
- Replacing curbing, flow line and resurfacing side streets.
- Republicans
- RESISTANCE TO CERTAIN BIG DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS-NONE IN PARTICULAR, JUST A TYPICAL TOPIC HERE
- response to changes in climate
- Restore the 1 cent sales tax for parks and rec.
- Restricting apartment growth
- Return the library to a usable facility for the citizens who paid for it, not a homeless daycare facility where you are afraid to go due to disease and bedbug infestations.
- Rising city utility services costs
- RISING COST OF HOUSING, LANDLORDS EXPLOITING TENANTS
- Rising right wing extremism
- ROAD CONDITIONS
- Road construction
- ROAD CONSTRUCTION AND REPAIR
- Road damage/conditions caused by awful bad snow removal practices
- Road maintenance -- the condition of our roads is an embarrassment
- road repair
- ROAD REPAIR THAT LASTS
- ROAD REPAIRING ON EAST-WEST ROUTES
- Road work for infrastructure problems
- roads
- roads
- roads/traffic
- roadway pot holes
- Roadwork on E23rdStreet
- Roundabout maintenance
- safe bike areas, safe pedestrian walking areas.
- Safe bike lanes
- safety
- safety
- safety
- safety
- Safety
- SAFETY AT SCHOOLS AND BUSINESSES
- safety for all

- safety of children
- Safety of citizens
- safety of downtown
- safety streets/sidewalks
- Safety walking at night
- safety/homeless population
- SALARY ADJUSTMENTS FOR CITY WORKERS
- Sales tax way too high
- Sanctuary city status. Homeless encampments
- School and/or childcare services & funding
- School finances
- SCHOOL FINANCING
- SCHOOL FUNDING
- School funding
- SCHOOL SAFETY
- SCHOOL SAFETY
- schools safety
- SCHOOLS-LEADERSHIP/STREAMLINE ADMINISTRATION
- See above
- senior programs at rec center
- senior services/care
- seniros
- SERVICE FOR ALL RESIDENTS-NOT JUST SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS
- Services to the underprivileged
- SEXUAL PREDATORS AT SCHOOLS
- Sharing plans for bike path around city
- SHELTERS/HOUSING FOR HOMELESS
- Shrinking Parks Dept
- sidewalk issues
- SIDEWALK ISSUES
- SIDEWALK MAINTENANCE
- sidewalk maintenance
- Sidewalk repair
- sidewalks
- sidewalks
- sidewalks in disrepair, tree roots.
- SIDEWALKS-WALKING
- smart growth
- SNOW REMOVAL IN NEIGHBORHOODS
- snow removal on neighborhood streets
- SOMETHING FOR KIDS 15 AND UNDER TO DO
- SPEEDING ON BOB BILLINGS PKWY-HORRIBLE ON WEEKENDS 55-70 MPH
- sticking with planned growth

- stop giving tax incentives to build crappy aptments and condos. Stop giving permits to new student residences when we already have a 15 percent vacancy rate and KU's enrollemt is dropping. Stop the sprawl. Give tax incentives to small businesses. What if Lawrence could become an incubator/supporter of small businesses instead of big developers who apparently cant keep themselves out of jail. Stop being friendly with Compton and Fritzel and let them build their garbage elsewhere.
- Stop hiring CONSULTANTS to do jobs that need to be in-house and done by people who live here!!!
- STOP LIGHT AT 6TH AND MISSISSIPPI
- STOPPING THE GLOBALISTS AGENDA-NO TO AGENDA 30
- STORM WATER DRAINAGE AND MANAGEMENT
- STORMWATER DRAIN PLAN AND ACTION
- STRATEGIC URBAN PLAN
- STREET AND SIDEWALKS
- Street condition improvement in neighborhoods, especially roundabouts that get potholes.
- STREET CONDITIONS
- street lighting
- street maintenance
- Street paving
- Street pot holes
- street repair
- street repairs
- street repairs,markings
- streets
- streets
- streets
- STREETS
- streets
- Streets
- Streets maintenance
- Streets, curbs and gutters.
- STREETS-BAD PLANNING OF ROUNDABOUTS
- stump removal system
- SUNDAY SERVICE TO DOWNTOWN FOR IMPORTANT EVENTS OR PARADES
- support law enforcement

- SUPPORT OF POLICE TO ENFORCE LAWS AND CODES, ETC
- Support schools
- Support what the community supports not what they want . ie new police station
- Supporting growth/services on the east side of town
- Support the police with mental health assistance
- sync traffic lights
- Take care of secondary roads. Mine is one big pot hole
- TAKING CARE OF HOMELESS POPULATION
- taxes
- Taxing Churches
- Tent campers are a problem
- The condition of the sidewalks all over town.
- THE ENVIRONMENT: ZERO CARBON, EFFORTS TO PROTECT AND REDUCE HARM-ENCOURAGE FLOWER LAWNS, PESTICIDE, ETC
- THE FLOW OF TRAFFIC NO MORE STOP LIGHTS
- The foul tasting water during the summer months.
- the quality of the City water
- THE SEWER NEEDS TO BE FIXED
- THE TIMING OF STREET LIGHTS ON 6TH STREET
- Theft of property
- Theft.
- too many homeless
- too much college trash
- Town needs to be more family friendly.
- Traffic
- traffic
- Traffic
- traffic congestion
- Traffic congestion and lengthy/poorly coordinated traffic signals
- TRAFFIC CONTROL
- traffic control
- Traffic flow
- traffic flow at 19th and Barker
- traffic flow going east/west
- traffic flow into/out of youth sport complex
- Traffic light timing
- traffic light timing
- Traffic patterns and signals
- traffic routing

- transient /homeless
- transient/homeless support and camping
- Transit east/west
- Transparency of law enforcement
- transportation
- Transportation Options
- trash cart monthly charges - \$20 a month for a trash cart rental plus the high sewage increase
- Treat unsheltered people with dignity and respect
- TREE PLANTING
- undrinkable tap water
- Upkeep of Mass Street.
- Upkeep of neighborhood streets
- upkeep of streets in Indian Hills area
- USD497 why a budget shortfall?
- utilities
- utilities affordability
- Utility costs and upkeep
- utility rates
- Vacant bldgs on Mass St
- vagrancy
- vagrancy downtown
- VERY HIGH HOUSING PRICES-INCREASE SUPPLY
- violence
- violence
- Wages
- WARD SYSTEM RESUMED
- Waste, it's hard to figure out how to discard battery, for example
- water
- Water bills (too high)
- WATER MANAGEMENT
- WATER RATES ARE OUT OF CONTROL-USEAGE RATES PENALIZE THE SMALL USERS
- WEED CONTROL-RAISE THE FINE-STOP THE USEAGE
- West Lawrence Development/Plannins.
- West side growth - traffic, sprawl, & aesthetics
- westward expansion
- Why does fire dept need 15 million for new trucks?
- wokeness- so left here that conservatives are discriminated against.
- Work on infill development
- Workforce development

**Q34. What are THREE issues you believe the City needs to be prepared to address in the coming 12 to 24 months? (3<sup>rd</sup> choice)**

- 6th st traffic lights, these are not syned at all.
- ability to pay bills
- ACCESS TO AFFORDABLE SERVICES
- ACCESS TO CITY SERVICES BY PEOPLE WHO ARE DIFFERENTLY ABLED
- Access to fair & equitable treatment for all in our community
- access to mental health svc
- Accessibility in city buildings, on public roads/sidewalks and in public transit, and enforcing ADA violations in businesses within the city.
- Add one new pedestrian/bike path bridge across Kansas River as local architects, artists and trail advocates have proposed.
- add sidewalks on north west side of town
- Address affordability and sustainability of downtown commercial rent. So many chains thrive while small business collapse under the financial burden, meaning so many buildings sit empty. Increase access to this area with TRULY affordable commercial and residential rent prices I'm this area.
- address your sidewalk policies
- affordability of housing
- affordability of services/housihng
- Affordable and accessible housing
- AFFORDABLE CHILDCARE
- affordable health service
- Affordable Health/Mental Health
- Affordable housing
- Affordable housing for middle class families that is not an apartment or townhouse
- Aid for inflationary pressures on low income communities
- ALCOHOL AND DRUG ADDICTION SERVICES IE DETOX
- ALLEY MAINTENANCE
- All-things affordability
- Aquatic Facilities
- Attending to much needed lane markings on city streets. Many are so faded they are extremely hard to see! Huge problem!
- attention to homeless
- attract workers
- ATTRACTING HIGHER PAYING EMPLOYERS
- availability of housing
- bad landlords that do not repair

- BALANCE-TREAT ALL EQUALLY-NO SPECIAL PEOPLE
- be open to partnering with Topeka/Manhattan
- Being forward looking & realize that Lawrence government needs to arrive in the 21st century
- benches downtown- no places for eldery or disabled to sit
- BETTER FUNDING FOR SCHOOLS
- Better planning with traffic roundabouts
- better preparation for services for the aging population
- Better relationship with KU
- Bike/Pedestrian safety.
- Biking and walkable
- bring in business
- Bringing business to Lawrence
- Build Houses, not Apartments
- Build more and big swimming pools
- Build more parks, protect more land for nature reserves, build more trails, build more bike lanes, beautify more city streets, do the 9th street east corridor project. replace all the purple lights, tax airbnbs heavily, tax second home owners who do not reside here 3/4 of the year heavily, tax plastic bags, add an additonal gas tax, add a cigarettte/vape tax, add a soda tax, add a fast food tax, make a special high tax district for all the big box stores in the south - just some of the ways to fund these projects.
- Building and planning needs to be easier.
- business friendly- not drive them away
- Businesses
- Canceling plan for extending Wakarusa Drive south and building a bridge over the Wakarusa River
- Change downtown mass street to be pedestrian only for few blocks, add landscaping, benches.
- changes to existing gun laws / protecting its citizens from gun nuts
- CHILD SAFETY-CLEANLINESS
- Childcare
- Citizen Engagement
- City council support for police
- City has chased away many businesses from coming to Lawrence
- CITY MAINTENANCE
- City Planning
- CITY SERVICES
- city street lighting
- CITY STREETS/SIDEWALK MAINTENANCE
- clean up downtown
- CLEAN UP DOWNTOWN : Keep sidewalks clean
- CLEANING UP DOWNTOWN WITH SOME OUTDOOR EATING AREAS-LOOKS BAD
- CLEANING UP THE LOCAL STREAMS AND RIVERS
- cleanliness
- cleanliness
- CLIMATE CHANGE IMPACTS
- code enforcement
- Code enforcement of illegal fireworks.

- combining with the county more.
- COMMUNICATIONS
- community outreach
- community safety
- Complete the bike trail around the city.
- Condition of city streets
- Condition of streets and curbs in East Lawrence
- CONGESTED ROADS
- Consolidate neighborhood schools and save money
- continue bike paths
- Continue effort to help the homelss
- continue to clean up and improve the looks of N. Lawrence. It needs to be more welcoming to new comers
- continue work on Lawrence loop
- CONTINUED COVID AWARENESS AND PLANNING
- Continued holistic approach to planning
- Continued replacement of crumbling curbs and pavement. 9th street east of Iowa needs resurfacing but doesn't appear on the maintenance plan. This is a highly used street and is a rough ride.
- CORRUPTION AND UNFAIRNESS OF HOME PROPERTY TAXATION-SOME PEOPLE ARE TAXED HIGHER DEPENDENT ON WHO THEY KNOW
- cost of living
- cost of living
- cost of living/taxes
- cost of water bill
- covid
- create more affordable housing
- crime
- CRIME
- crime rate
- CRIME-DRUG USE
- CRISIS AND COMMUNITY SUPPORT-SPECIFICALLY FOR HOUSELESS POPULATION
- Culture
- curbs and street repairs
- cutting reguations
- decrease police budget
- Decreasing the turnover of residential housing to make up homeless persons plight.
- democratic control of environmental stewardship
- Developing S Iowa for commerce
- DEVELOPING SOUTH AND WEST OF CITY
- development
- Development and building of affordable housing
- diversity
- diversity downtown businesses
- DIVERSITY-CERTAIN MINORITIES/GENDER CHOICES ARE GIVEN OVERCOMPENSATION VS OTHER DIVERSITIES

- DO NOT CONTINUE TO EXAPND THE CITY
- do not get rid of brick sidewalks.
- Do not predidice against people that have a different viewpoint other than liberal, like running business out of town for being republican, Jimmy Egg, forced out of town by citizens that wrongly assumed association with Kurt Kobach, politician. I was extremely embarrassed of being a citizen of such a prejudice community to the left only!!
- DONT ALLOW ANOTHER SOVIET STYLE APT COMPLEX LIKE THE ONE ON BIRDIE-UGLY
- DOWNTOWN RENTS, WALKABILITY, SAFETY, BEAUTIFICATION
- DOWNTOWN SAFETY-ESPECIALLY AFTER DARK
- driving is dangerous here.
- ease of traffic
- economic development
- economic deveopment
- Economics
- economics/inflation
- Education
- Education of those 0-18 years of age
- EFFORTS TO REDUCE POVERTY
- EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS SERVICES
- employers proving affordable wages
- employment opportunities
- Empty storefronts downtown.
- Encourage business growth
- Encourage citizens to insulate homes and assist low income people to do so
- END HOMELESSNESS
- end no growth policies on city commission
- energy bills have skyrocketed with Everyg
- ENFORCE RESIDENTIAL ORDINANCE AROUND BLIGHT AND LAWN CARE, ETC
- ENFORCEMENT OF CODES-JUST FENCING
- Enforcement of traffic laws, especially speeding on main streets
- enforcement of traffic laws.
- Engagement with business owners, especially long-term like Allen Press
- enviromentally sustained development true to Lawrence character
- Environmental degradation
- equal rights
- Equality
- Equality & affordability of healthcare
- EQUITABLE PROGRAMMING
- Equity in police enforcement
- equity of services

- Expand the city limits and allow new home developments. Stop trying to cram new homes in sub-standard spaces.
- Expansion / development issues
- Expansion of rental buildings.
- FACILITATING SERVICES ON THE EAST SIDE OF TOWN-GROCERY AND RECREATION
- fairness in valuations & sidewalk repairs
- Family services: parks, entertainment, etc
- Find ways to improve and make public schools safe for children.
- Finding an alternative plan for Water Tower Park that allows the park to remain.
- Fixing sidewalks in neighborhoods for elderly people pushing baby strollers.
- Fixing the streets
- Fixing the timing of traffics lights themselves and the timing in between the lights.
- Focus on needs rather than wants
- Food (grocery) Tax and other taxes and services rates
- Forget about bicycle route brouhahas. We all know bike riding is dangerous because of size difference and the weird way bike lanes are deisgnated (see Lawrence AVE 23-27 Sts. What does the pavement marking mean.
- FROM I-70 EXITS INTO LAWRENCE
- game days
- GENTRIFICATION OF THE EAST AND SOUTH SIDE OF LAWRENCE
- Get our kids some scoreboards.
- get rid of the beggers
- GIVE MORE INFO ON TRAILS AND HAVE OUTDOOR EVENTS
- green spaces
- growth and cost of living
- growth west of I 10
- GUN CRIMES
- gun safety
- Gun violence
- gun violence
- Handle the homeless issue. It makes me not want to walk around/spend money on Mass
- Having police pick up people who habitually speed and drive-through stop signs
- Health and wellness communication (people don't know what resources are out there sometimes, more outreach)
- HEALTH CARE IN LAWRENCE NEEDS TO BE IMPROVED
- health care services
- HELP HOMELESS PEOPLE GET ON THEIR FEET AND KEEP THEM OFF THE STREETS
- help local businesses
- help the homeless
- help young find affordable housing
- helpfulness of city employees
- HIGH COST OF RENT AND FOOD
- High property taxes.
- HIGHER LIVING WAGES TO MATCH INFLATION
- HITE EMPLOYEES BASED ON ABILITY ALONE
- Holding down utilities

- home owners should not have to maintain the sidewalks
- HOMELESSNESS-HOUSING
- homeless beggars, camping in parks and downtown
- homeless people
- HOMELESS PEOPLE IN MY BACKYARD
- homeless population
- HOMELESS POPULATION
- Homeless population and mental health
- HOMELESS POPULATION AND MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES
- homeless problem
- homeless problem
- Homeless problem and citizen safety
- homeless, beggars
- Homeless/addiction outreach
- homelessness
- homelessness
- HOMELESSNESS
- homelessness
- Homelessness
- homelessness
- Homelessness -- the city needs to help who it can while ensuring the public feels safe in our parks and downtown
- HOMELESSNESS/TRANSIENTS
- HOUSE AVAILABILITY
- Houses/yards that are not kept up to city ordinance
- HOUSING
- housing costs
- housing for homeless
- Housing the homeless
- HOW CAN WE BRING IN MORE YOURN FAMILIES
- I don't feel safe at my job, because I have to deal with violent homeless people.
- improve alley conditions -- awful potholes everywhere
- improve appearance of Mass St
- improve homeless situation downtown
- improve public works
- Improve recreational opportunities
- Improve streets
- Improvement of major city streets to avoid congestion as city grows
- Improving communications with and involvement of residents
- imrpove user experience on Park and Rec Website.
- Increase businesses in Lawrence to attract employees and higher paying jobs
- increase employment opportunity
- Increase of violent crimes
- increased police
- increasing community involvement
- Increasing frequency of city bus transport

- increasing investment in street maintenance/striping
- infrastructure
- infrastructure
- INFRASTRUCTURE
- Infrastructure
- INFRASTRUCTURE-ROADS-WATER SEWER
- Investing more in bike paths and riverfront recreation. This could really benefit Lawrence as a place people want to live.
- investment in downtown
- Job opportunities
- jobs
- jobs
- Jobs
- Jobs
- Jobs with living wage
- Keep homeless camps away from public eye
- keep Mass St attractive for all ages
- Keep schools safe
- keeping utility costs from sky rocketing
- lack of affordable housing
- Lack of affordable housing
- Lack of good jobs
- Lack of good paying jobs in the city
- lack of thru streets
- LAST YEAR A SKATEBOARDER CRASHED INTO ME ON A SIDEWALK. LAST WEEK I SAW ONE ROLLING ALONG 6TH ST BETWEEN LANES OF CARS. DO WE HAVE ANY RULES REGARDING SKATEBOARDS? ARE THEY ENFORCED?
- Lawrence Bypass Lane Expansion
- Lawrence has become an unaffordable place to live. If I didn't already own a house could never live here today.
- Lawrence jobs dont pay enough
- iesislative hostility
- less growth/ more improvement
- Lines on roads and intersections, Some are missing or barely there when dry, disappear completely when wet.
- Listen to those whom live here
- LIVABILITY-NOISE ORDINANCE-MOTORCYCLE RACING/NOISE
- livable wages
- living wage
- LIVING WAGE JOBS
- LIVING WAGE JOBS
- living wages
- living wages
- LMH most of the staff need education on treating patients with dignity.
- local gov't structure
- loop path

- LOW INCOME HOUSING
- lower speed limits
- LOWER THE COST OF PARKING TICKETS-INCREASE FREE PARKING
- lower the high property taxes
- lowering property taxes
- maintain quality of schools
- Maintain roads
- Maintain streets
- Maintaining downtown as a pedestrian friendly unique experience
- maintaining healthy water supply
- Maintaining humane society/ parks and rec
- Maintenance
- Maintenance of basic city services trash water police fire streets
- maintenance of city streets
- maintenance of pavement
- maintenance of playground equipment
- Maintenance of streets
- Make Mass Street more pedestrian friendly
- Making our city safer for everyone
- Making paths dedicated for bicycles (not just sharrows on the road, which are effectively useless)
- MAKING SURE MINORITIES HAVE A FAIR EXISTENCE-OR CHANCE THEREOF
- Making sure road are repainted/ marked for rain& night time driving
- Making sure side streets are driveable.
- MANHOLE IN MY DRIVEWAY NEEDS TO BE MOVED
- many advisory boards appear to be very dysfunctional
- many seniors still living on their own
- mental health
- mental health
- MENTAL HEALTH
- Mental Health - especially with regards to the houseless population
- Mental health and homelessness
- mental health and issues
- mental health service
- mental health services
- Mental health services
- mill levies
- Minimizing traffic disruptions due to construction
- Mitigation of small business
- Monkeypox
- More affordable Parks Rec Programs
- More childcare options that are affordable and good quality
- more city park
- More focus on single family housing.
- More fun options for the kids- keep them busy
- More in input from North Lawrence residents.

- More indoor aquatic opportunities
- more interactions from city
- MORE PARKS
- More police officers
- MORE QUALITY AND AFFORDABLE CHILDCARE OPTIONS-ALL DAY AND YEAR ROUND
- More support for the local school district
- More things for teens, young adults, and families to do that is low cost
- more trails
- More trees
- Moss St problems
- NE Corner of 11th & Mass - let someone build something there - right now it's ugly
- need more new homes built
- Need to address traffic flow problems. current traffic light settings contribute to road rage
- Needs of families (childcare, public schools, family-friendly businesses)
- Neighborhood quality of living and upkeep
- neighborhood road/curbs/sidewalks
- Neighborhood sidewalks
- new home availability
- NO MAYOR GOVERNMENT LEADER ELECTED
- NO MORE BIKE PATHS
- No more lockdowns or mandates
- no more school closings
- No more shady, profiteering development
- Noise pollution
- Not enough Franchise restaurants (steak places)
- Not enough mental health for kids. My 9 yr old grandson was suspended more than he went to school. Has been hospitalized 3 times and gets therapy but none of that has helped. Poor social system . He has been waiting 6 months for a case manager.
- NOT PARTICIPATING IN THE NEXT FORCED PANDEMIC
- opening indoor aquatic center rec side
- OPIOID ADDICTION
- overall flow of traffic
- Overinflated police budget
- panhandling
- panhandling and homeless around LMH
- PARK MAINTENANCE AND CLEAN UP
- parking fees and availability
- parking illegally
- PARKS
- parks and rec costs for city residents
- PARKS, GREEN SPACES, TREES IN PUBLIC AREAS
- PAVEMENT AMRKINGS-ESPECIALLY DURING CONSTRUCTION-IOWA STREET LANE SHIFT
- Pay attention to West Lawrence—we are people with needs, too
- Pedestrian Safety
- Peer delivered mental health services
- PEOPLE ISSUES-EQUITY AND INCLUSION

- plan more trees, exp east of Iowa
- Planned Growth
- planning and development for the future
- Planning for growth
- PLANNING TO HELP LAWRENCE TO BE TRULY WELCOMING AND INCLUSIVE
- plastic bag ban
- Plastic bag ban or collection
- PLEASE FILL POTHOLEs WHEN THEY ARE REPORTED-NOT SIX TO EIGHT MONTHS LATER
- PLEASE-NO NEW TAXE OR FEES
- POLICE ACCOUNTABILITY
- police are sub par
- Police corruption/misuse of authority
- POLICE DOWNTOWN
- POLICE ENFORCING LAWS
- POLICE POLICIES
- Police presence to insure safety downtown
- Police services
- Police-public relations.
- Political pressure from state and national
- Positive energy to fire dept
- pot holes
- pot holes
- pothold/road quality
- potholes
- POTHOLEs
- Potholes
- prepare for extreme weather
- Prepare for major weather events
- preserving city core and protecting bordering areas from unwiseapp development
- Prevention and cleaning up of trash in parks.
- price increase
- Prioritize planting native plants in city landscaping and parks
- Prioritizing budget items
- Promote renewable energy including home solar
- PROMOTING A VIBRANT, ATTRACTIVE AND SAFE DOWNTOWN
- PROMOTING CLIMATE FRIENDLY UTILITIES
- Proper expansion of city growth (hopefully relative to item 1)
- property tax increase
- property tax rates
- property taxes and utility bills will continue to make it unaffordable.
- Property taxes have risen too much too quickly.
- Provide USD 407 with any support available. Schools are the gateway to the future.
- PROVIDE HOUSING FOR HOMELESS RESIDENTS
- PUBLIC SAFETY
- PUBLIC SCHOOL FUNDING
- PUBLIC SCHOOLS ARE LOSING RESOURCES

- PUBLIC TRANSIT IMPROVEMENTS-ROUTE EFFICIENCY
- public transportation
- PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION
- purple streetlights!
- quality of living- affordable housing
- Quality of schools
- Quit neglecting lower income neighborhoods (East Lawrence, North Lawrence)
- QUIT WASTING MONEY ON HOMELESS, DRUNKS
- racial /social justice
- racial equity
- RACIAL EQUITY
- real estate taxes
- Reasonable rental options (both affordable and not miserable places to live)
- recreation programs
- Recreational offerings in the southern area of Lawrence, we pay also pay taxes
- Reduce police budget
- reduce taxes
- reduce the police dept
- reliance on consultants or status quo.
- remove tent community in Indian Hills area.
- Renewable energy
- rent prices, this is a big issue
- Rental/Apartment Prices
- REPAIR CURRENT SIDEWALKS-PEOPLE HAVE TO WALK
- REPAIR POTHOLEs
- REPAIRING ROADS QUICKLY AND NOT JUST THE CHEAPEST WAY-KEEP PARKING DOWNTOWN
- repaving / road repairs - only 1/4 of a road strip gets repaired and the rest remains untouched
- REPAVING STREETS
- replace old waterlines
- Rerouting streets near Lawrence high school
- RESOURCES FOR HOMELESS
- Response time to repair curb and gutter is terrible
- responsible growth
- Retaining quality employees
- rise of crime
- Road and sidewalk maintenance
- ROAD CONDITIONS-WAKARUSA, 6TH ST AND OTHERS
- road maintenance
- Road maintenance
- Road maintenance and traffic management
- Road rage/driver aggression
- ROADS
- Roads
- Roads
- roads/streets
- roadway condition

- Roadway Maintenance and Planning
- Roadwork on E 23rd St
- routine communications with the public
- RTANSPARENCY OF POLICE DEPARTMENT
- RUINING THE ACCESSIBILITY OF HISTORIC WEST LAWRENCE
- Safe and diverse downtown - not just restaurants and bars that cater to college age
- Safe shelter for unhoused
- safer pedestrian walkways
- safer routes for pedestrians
- Safety
- safety
- safety
- safety
- Safety
- SAFETY DOWNTOWN
- safety- enforce traffic laws
- safety for public
- Safety in the dark
- safety of downtown/library due to homeless
- SAFETY OF INTERSECTIONS-BLIND SPOTS-NEAR ALVAMAR DR AND STOP SIGN BY POOL/TEENNESSEE
- safety of residents
- Safety of walking paths
- safety on trails.
- satellite library locations
- school closings
- SCHOOL FUNDING/ABOLISHING THE POLICE DEPT/ completely changing how police interact with the city- how can the city help deal with problems that the police deal with, without involving the police force.
- SCHOOL SAFETY
- Security
- See above
- SEPERATED BIKE PATHS
- services for homeless
- Services for homeless
- Services for homeless population
- SEWAGE RATES & PROPERTY TAXES DRIVING SENIORS INTO THE POORHOUSE
- Share more info to Newspaper
- Shortage of doctors.
- Sidewalk maintenance
- Sidewalk repair
- Sidewalk repairs
- sidewalk repairs
- sidewalks
- sidewalks

- Sidewalks & more streetlights in Alvamar Public neighborhood
- sidewalks in E Lawrence
- Sidewalks.
- small children /family activity
- snow removal
- snow removal
- social justice issues
- SPEEDING IN CITY
- Spending our money wisely on projects that can bring a return to the city
- Stop being cheap and use the city money to buy sage, working more efficient trash trucks
- Stop hiring people not from here to “manage” the city!
- stop increasing costs for utilities
- Stop neglecting east lawrence
- Stop the student housing project in the 2300 block of Crestline Drive! We already have seven multifamily complex dwellings in the space of four square blocks right adjacent to 23rd and Iowa! Overload!!!
- Stop wasting money on destroying good park equipment
- STOP WASTING TAX DOLLARS ON TRENDY NON-ESSENTIAL SERVICES
- street
- street & sidewalk
- Street condition
- STREET FLOODING
- street improvement
- STREET MAINTENANCE
- Street Maintenance
- Street maintenance
- Street maintenance including painting
- Street maintenance, not excessive sidewalk repair
- street markings
- Street Repair
- Street repair
- street repairs, especially the by pass
- street/sewer maintenance
- STREET/UTILITY SERVICES
- Streets
- streets, curbs, sidewalks
- Streets, trails, transportation
- Support for L.J.W.
- support of police, emt, fire protection
- support police dept
- Supporting children and safe schools
- Supporting primary schools in the city
- Supporting the public schools
- sustainability
- SUSTAINABLE GROWTH
- taxes

- TAXES
- Taxes
- taxes
- TAXES ARE HIGH
- TAXES BEING PUT BACK MORE INTO COMMUNITY ACROSS DEMOGRAPHICS
- the number of walkways
- the tap water tastes gross
- There are so few job opportunities in town. I'm highly educated and experienced in the public service sector and I have to work in Topeka to have any opportunities to be paid well and excel in my work. I'd love to work in my own community but there aren't opportunities for me in my line of work.
- Timing of street repair...space out repair
- timing of traffic lights
- too many apartments
- traffic
- traffic flow
- TRAFFIC FLOW
- Traffic light coordination
- Traffic light synchronization and excessive stop signs.
- Traffic on 9th when Hillcrest elementary release students
- traffic safety
- Traffic, it is too congested.
- transortation for seniors
- TRASH
- Unhoused population
- Utility service for storm damage.
- Waste money on non esstials
- Waste of tax dollars on bureaucracy, with loss of trust by citizens
- WATER BILL VERY HIGH
- Water conservation, reducing waste (single-use plastics, etc), water reuse issues (water reuse, filtration for yard use, etc)
- Water Pollution
- WATER QUALITY
- water rates
- WATER SOMETIMES MAKES DISHES SMELL
- WE NEED THINGS TO DO. EVERYBODY GOES TO KC OR TOPEKA FOR ENTERTAINMENT
- weed control
- west side/east side favoritism
- work on 9th st arts area
- youth sports, update facilities

**Q35. Please use the space below to provide any additional comments or suggestions you would like to share with City leaders.**

- A good place.
- A number of my neighbors have needed to get their driveways re-done because the city has allowed the street to crumble to the point that there is nothing supporting the apron to their driveways. This, at the same time you were sending out proposed bills for sidewalks. Not a good look.
- A QUALITY OFFLEASH DOG PARK ON THE EAST SIDE OF TOWN IS NEEDED-EAST OF IOWA
- a while back you changed how the traffic lights work. specifically the left turn signals. depending on the time of day they work differently. this is reckless and dangerous. we need to know how the signs work to be safe drivers! and the left turn signal should always happen first - put it back the way it was!!! they now heavily favor traffic going from west to east during rush hour (with left turn signals triggering first for those folks and last for the East to west travelers.). this is specifically making life harder for people who live on the east side of town. it takes us longer to get to work in the morning. plus it makes traffic a million times more frustrating which is already made terrible by your ridiculous blocking off of 21st street and other former thoroughfares. the thought of driving in this town makes me want to vomit honestly. it is so massively frustrating and only made worse by you all.
- ACTUALLY ENFORCE CODE AND LAW VIOLATIONS AT PROBLEM HOUSES. THIS ISNT BEING DONE IN EAST LAWRENCE AND ITS A MAJOR HASSLE FOR HOMEOWNERS AND LAW ABIDING CITIZENS IN THE ARE
- Add additional hours at the indoor aquatic center
- Address the increase in violence and homeless people .
- Alleys are in terrible condition. I write the city every 6 mo to fix potholes. Maybe they should add dirt & gravel and not just scrape the surface.
- AMOUNT OF CITY MONEY SPENT TO ACCOMMODATE THE NUMBER OF BICYCLISTS IS EXCESSIVE/ SOME FREQUENTLY FAIL TO OBSERVE TRAFFIC LAWS!
- And when we have signs rerouting or identifying lanes etc please remove them when the mess is over--or when usage such as seemingly random "Detour" signs only confuses, then take them down or use the format at 23 and Naismith--telling what is closed from where to where.
- Animal control is a joke since it only deals with cats and dogs (when I reached out). The lack of sidewalk/adequate bike lane from 2nd to McDonald drive makes walking on foot difficult. The growing homeless population is concerning.
- appreciate Lawrence police involvement in the community- esp proud of how city cam together to celebrate (parade) for Nat'l Champions, without any crime
- Appreciate the removal of homeless from Burcham Park. A similar situation for downtown would make the area feel much more inviting.
- appreciation of public service to elected leaders and employees
- Approve new housing developments. Affordable housing needed
- AS A NEW FATHER, SERVICES PROVIDED FOR MY FAMILY ARE NEW TO ME, BUT SO FAR I THINK THE CITY PROVIDES A CLEAN AND SAFE ENVIRONMENT FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY
- As a single person living in Lawrence, it is very hard financially to live in this community. Lawrence is very expensive. Parking downtown requiring payment makes it to where I don't want to go down town. Also the cost my water bill should be less than what it is but I have to pay for averages of other house holds as well as an AirBnB. The taste and quality of the water has resorted me to use a high quality filter as well as purchase bottled water. The cost of rent is

beyond ridiculous. Many landlords advertise to the students and try to make money off them instead of advertising to locals. Locals are forced to either live in apartments with other students or buy an expensive house or live in low quality houses with slum lords. Working in Lawrence and living in Lawrence does not equal at all. Cost of living does not match what a person gets paid.

- As I've already voiced above, we don't need any more Multi unit complexes built in the 6 Square blocks in the south west corner adjacent to 23rd and Iowa. We have already seven large apartment complexes in these blocks!!! We do not need eight!!! Crestline Drive is already a bottleneck. It's a 2 Lane St. one block from the busiest corner in town 23rd and Iowa. It cannot be widened and it's going to be a nightmare with 250 more cars on it on a daily basis. Please, please, please spare us this fate!! Please, please, please spare us this fate!! Come and look at the situation for yourself, please. We are way too population dense already. If you really look At the situation you will understand why I'm asking, I'm begging, I'm imploring you, I'm imploring you, please do not allow this to go through!!! Thank you for hearing me out!!!
- As you know, this community is so very engaged with what's going on that it can be hard to even get the facts out there accurately. I think that communication is really a big opportunity - not that it's not being done well, just that so much of it is needed.
- Bart littlejohn is the best.
- BEAUTIFY CITY
- better enforcement of nuisance properties
- Better maintenance of park benches and equipment. Would like to see police around town. Power wash downtown sidewalks.
- BRING ENTERTAINMENT TO THE CITY. THINGS TO DO WITH KIDS
- Bring vitality to the river front. Make it viable and accessible. Water recreation and walking.
- CATER TO LIBERAL LEANING DIVERSITIES-NOT EQUALLY REGARDLESS OF DIVERSITY/PROCLIVITY
- check street repair material, they seem to deteriorate quickly. There are so many anti police people.
- Chief wants to control public access to how police interact with public
- City council needs to represent the concerns of all citizens
- City does not to waste money on art,music,landscaping,theater,etc. They need to keep up streets roads bring business in support everyday living have food shelters,etc.
- CITY GOVERNMENT IS DOING A GOOD JOB-KUDDOS
- City is too expensive, property taxes are too high for modest homes, you need to tax the above 300k homes much more, not give them a price break, homes worth 3 time as much as mine are barely paying more for property taxes. You need to redevelop north and east Lawrence and do something about all the homeless, it's making the city unsafe and most people won't even go downtown anymore
- City leaders are doing a good job. It is impossible to please everyone. Thank you for all you do to make this community work and prosper.
- city leaders should make decisions on their own, not paying some outside group
- City manager, commissioners are out of touch with real issues.
- City needs to improve diversity.
- CITY SCHOOLS SHOULDNT HAVE TO HAVE ANY BUDGET SHORT FALLS IF A STATE UNIVERSITY IS WITHIN THE SAME CITY LIMITS
- City shifted away from complaint based sidewalk maintenance and now sidewalks are getting much better. why are we still using complaint based processes for code enforcement? Need to enforce city codes!

- City should maintain sidewalks
- COMMEND CITY STAFF FOR RESPONSIVENESS AND PROBLEM SOLVING. HUMANS ARE IMPORTANT. DEVELOPERS NEED TO IMPROVE ON HOME DESIGNS FOR RETIRED INDEPENDENT LIVING HOUSING. WE ARE RETIRED AND MANY SERVICES ARE NO LONGER NEEDED FOR US BUT WE WANT TO LIVE IN A COMMUNITY THAT IS INCLUSIVE AND THRIVING FOR ALL AGES. LAWRENCE IS A GOOD PLACE TO LIVE IF ONE HAS ECONOMIC RESOURCES. PARK AND REC IS MY FAVORITE AND THE PROGRAMS ARE EXCELLENT. ESPECIALLY FS INDOOR POOL CLASSES. THANKS
- Comments about neighborhood streets, etc, are more for other neighborhoods that are in poor condition
- Concern regarding planning/zoning bureau. need to attract employers to bring more residents.
- Concerned about safety for public schools. metal detectors are needed, officers for the schools.
- Concerned about wait times to see doctors. Most market place insurance doesn't allow outside of Lawrence/Topeka area. Public tennis courts for schools and parks are not being maintained. Need more, need lights. Covid made a lot more tennis players.
- Concrete sidewalks needed.
- Cut back on wokeness- every decision should be color blind. DA should follow laws on the books. tighten up on bail
- Cut the police budget and repurpose to other social services to support prevention rather than protection for our most vulnerable populations. Stop focusing so much on development growth and refocus on affordable housing for current residents. Lawrence is being gentrified and residents can't afford to live and rent here.
- Decisions are seeming to be made before opening to input. Budget decisions need to honor existing Lawrence strengths. 9th street is a disaster and must be reworked.
- Develop West Lawrence (especially since our taxes are paying for the party), to make it just as fun as Mass. Adults with money don't always want to travel to Downtown to have an evening out amongst college kids.
- Discourage the developments of students apartments but to build with in the codes affordable single family houses
- Displeased with quality of police and lack of reform. One police officer is accused of rape, another accused of perjury, a third accidentally shot someone, and a fourth broke a skateboarder's arms. And that's just the publicly available information - other friends have tried to file use of force complaints and been harassed, the police tacitly endorsed and selectively enforced right wing political marches, there were unsolved or botched murder investigations and hate crime investigations. The citizen review board can't do anything and has done nothing and the police union does not publish their required reports. I have zero faith that the police do not actively lie and break laws. There is no visibility into police behavior let alone accountability, and I doubt the police that are not living in Lawrence even care.
- Do not understand why Queens Rd needs to be an improvement district when most other major streets including E 31st are not. I know developers avoided their obligation to home owners.
- DO SOMETHING WITH THE SCARY INTERSECTION ON K-10 BY SPORTS COMPLEX
- does anyone look at the "Lawrence Listens" comments? I have never received a response.
- DOES THE CITY REALLY NEED TO REAT MINOR SNOWFALLS LIKE A BLIZZARD? TE AMOUNT OF CHEMICALS DUMPED ON OUR STREETS HAS TO BE HARMING THE ENVIRONMENT
- Don't close Prairie Park Nature Center!! Seriously. That place is awesome.
- DONT LIKE OUTDOOR EATING TAKING AWAY CITY PARKING PLACES-LOOK TRASHY

- DOWNTOWN HAS SO MANY EMPTY BUILDING-USE ONE TO MAKE A PERMANENT DAY SHELTER FOR HOMELESS COMMUNITY
- DOWNTOWN IS DYING BECAUSE THE COST OF RENT AND LACK OF APPRECIATION FORE THE BUSINESSES AND EMPLOYEES THAT RUN DOWNTOWN. TICKETS ARE RIDICULOUS FOR A STREET OF RESTAURANTS AND EMPTY SHOPS
- Downtown is falling apart. Temporary dining areas are very unattractive, loss of retail, homeless aggressive. Safety on Hwy 10 by pass.
- Downtown is old, dirty and not family friendly.
- Driving across town is bad. Stop lights are poorly timed, Improper left turn signal timing.
- driving obstacles ! downtown parking penalties.
- During difficult financial times do not waste money on " art work". Tighten and live within the budget.
- Earlier this week, I was driving east on Clinton Parkway watching a young man on a motorcycle make obscene gestures at vehicles while driving at a high rate of speed (in excess of 60 mph) between cars. He did so within sight of two Lawrence police cars parked at Shenk Sports Complex. Neither police car moved, and the motorcycle rider continued in that manner as he crossed Iowa. These stories are increasingly common in Lawrence, and such behavior has led to road rage incidents (and even deaths). The general belief among the citizens of Lawrence is that the lack of enforcement of traffic laws is being driven by the city, not the police. Regardless of the source, it's a problem. And if the city doesn't take action, more incidents like the shooting at Hy-Vee are the likely end result.
- Eliminate parking meters downtown and ensure that a diverse number of business owners can thrive without just being a place for restaurants and bars that cater to college age population. Ensure that all quadrants of the city have access to grocery stores, affordable food, fresh food, and other services. Spend money on public schools to keep them open, safe, healthy, and pay teachers so they'll stay in the profession and stay in Lawrence. Avoid extreme right and left leaning ideologies from taking control. Continue to fight for cooperation, diplomacy, and compromise. Ensure children are educated with facts and separate church and state in public schools.
- Emphasize jobs, jobs, jobs
- enable construction of more affordable housing
- Find a solution for the homeless housing.
- First: The City seems to have forgotten the people who work, live, and pay taxes here. The pro-homeless policies need to focus on Lawrence citizens who are struggling and homeless rather than inviting in and caring for hundreds of people who prefer to remain addicts, pile up mountains of trash, scare people away from parks/dog parks, and are panhandling on lots of public corners. The City is providing free services to all these homeless while ignoring the fact that the cost of living for the working people who pay taxes to the city is reaching the point where it no longer makes sense to live here. The same is true of retirees on a fixed income. Second: The City no longer enforces the following codes: demolition by neglect; blight; noise (loud mufflers/no mufflers/straight pipes); traffic violations; littering; etc. Our neighborhood used to be a nice, safe, neat place to live. It no longer is. Third: The City is being overrun by non-profits that have an outsize influence on City policies. For example, rather than work with developers to create entire neighborhoods of affordable housing that young families want, the City is giving outrageous amounts of "affordable housing" money (tax dollars) to Tenants to Homeowners and other housing non-profits who house a tiny number of people the non-profits choose to help. Charity is not the way to solve a housing crisis. In-fill does not solve a housing

crisis. Building new neighborhoods solves a housing crisis. Without housing, a good cost-of-living to income ratio, good city maintenance, good law enforcement, and a focus on residents Lawrence will find itself falling into decline. Families are already not locating here. Lawrence should pay attention to that. Long-time residents see Lawrence as losing the things that made it a good place to live (safe neighborhoods and parks; neat and tidy; beautiful tree-lined streets; downtown with a good mix of "real" retail and restaurants, etc.).

- Fix the roads.
- Focus less on performative inclusion and gestures toward diversity and provide quality public housing with fewer means tests and no strings attached -- including for drug use and addiction -- for the unhoused population of the city. Invest monetarily in programs that provide both advocacy and material support to local BIPOC, LGBTQ+ and disabled individuals. Hire more marginalized individuals for city positions. Hire specifically disabled individuals with varying conditions to serve as consultants to city planners when considering upcoming projects or renovations. Make the student ghetto (19th-6th, Mass-Ohio) and old East Lawrence neighborhoods more accessible for disabled individuals. Advocate for and invest in updating existing rental housing to be accessible to people with disabilities. Defund and replace the LKPD with a mental health crisis management team, and use any remaining funds, if any, to better assist existing mental and physical health facilities to provide low-cost, low-income services. Provide free parking passes to all employees of all Downtown businesses. Raise the marginal income tax on citizens living in wealthier neighborhoods. Invest in updating city infrastructure in low-income neighborhoods -- specifically water piping, sidewalks, roads and streetlights.
- Focus on creating a sustainable life for all. West ward expansion of KC is about to take off. We need to prepare for that.
- Focus on Growth! Our tax base will dry up without building new houses.
- **FULLY SUPPORT OUR POLICE AND FIRE DEPTS BY AVOIDING THE HUGE CRIES ADVISING AMERICA OF DEFUNDING THE POLICE DEPTS. THE FAR RIGHT. THE FAR LEFT HAVE NO INTEREST IN THE WELFARE OF LAWRENCE RESIDENTS. YOU WHO ARE IN OUR COMMAND NEED TO REPRESENT THE CITIZENS WHICH FOLLOW A MODERATE LIFE BLENDED IN COMPROMISE**
- Garbage pickup workers are great. Snow removal is good. Street sweeping is good.
- Get more SRO's in the schools. Stop giving away our money. Stop charging different amounts for the same service.
- Get the Human Relation out of the prosecutor's office so it doesn't deter people from making complaints. Provide safe acceptable parking for employees downtown so it creates more parking space for customers.
- Good place to raise a family. only thing is I was not treated right by the manager of the "safe walk to school" program.
- Growth in Lawrence should be infill as the Commission decided, not in the south west of Lawrence.
- Happy to still live in a part of town without malls and chain stores. Wish there was a way to better support small business.
- Have a few blocks on Mass Street pedestrian only.
- **HAVE NOT LIVED HERE LONG-MOVED HERE TO BE CLOSE TO GRANDDAUGHTER AND INDEPENDENT. LAWRENCE IS A NICE CITY-GOOD DIVERSITY-PEOPLE ARE KIND, SHOPPING, RESTAURANTS AND GOOD ACTIVITIES FOR KIDS. GREAT EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES AND SENIOR SERVICES**
- Having police pick up people who habitually speed and drive-through stop signs

- HIGHER QUALITY EMPLOYERS WILL ATTRACT MORE TALENT AND RETAIN TO THE COMMUNITY. FOCUS ON MAKING LAWRENCE ATTRACTIVE TO PEOPLE WHO CAN BRING VALUE
- Homeless person establishing campsites and begging for money in prominent public space has a negative impact on business and tourism.
- HOMELESSNESS IN PARKS AND DOWNTOWN, PANDHANDLING AT GROCERY STORES-CHILD SAFETY
- Homelessness is encouraged by city policies. Patrol Mass St with police, enforce panhandling codes.
- Housing costs should be addressed.
- I am a bit bugged that recycling only comes every other week - it's hard to remember which pick-up day it is. When it was operated by a private company, it was picked up every week -- seems like the service level dropped when the city took it over.
- I am born and raised in Lawrence. I have moved and lived in many different places. Lawrence is a great place to raise children and really tries to be diversified. I think it lacks knowledge on how to be truly diversified, try as it might. Not enough diversity, our minority numbers are very small.
- I am in support of measures taken that help Lawrence be as welcoming, open, and protective of all minority groups as possible. I take pride in Lawrence being a "blue" oasis and an otherwise terribly "red" state.
- I am missing a portion of curb at 2502 Arkansas. Also a major potholes at intersection of 25th and Arkansas.
- I AM PROUD WE HAVE RESOURCES FOR UNHOUSED POPULATION-SHELTER, WINTER LIVING AT WOODY PARK, BUT IT DOES NOT FEEL SAFE AT TIMES WALKING DOWNTOWN AND IN PARKS WITH SO MANY MENTALLY UNSTABLE PEOPLE CAMPED OUT
- I can not believe that the city doesn't make things like cutting the budget to resources like prairie park, and the humane society an issue that is brought up and discussed before it is made an option. And that heavy street work is done on campus before any of the city streets are cared for. It seems the city cares more about the needs of campus before taking care of its other inhabitants. Which is ridiculous.
- I DONT WANT TO JUST FILL OUT THIS AND COMPLAIN I WANT TO BE PART OF THE SOLUTION--- WE MUST PROVIDE SROS AT ALL SCHOOLS
- I enjoy living in Lawrence, but that's my privilege POV. I worry about services for low socioeconomic residents. Very little affordable opportunities in East Lawrence for children's activities
- I FOUND IT DIFFICULT TO GET TO THE RIGHT PLACE ONLINE FOR SERVICES AND FINALLY GAVE UP
- I had a trash issue in my neighborhood. The waste department was very helpful and solved the issue timely.. The Homeless population is growing... the city needs more programs/facilities for them/especially in the winter months..
- I have no additional comments or suggestions.
- I have not received a wage increase since 2019 and work for a very well-known nfp. Lawrence has gotten more expensive in the past 5 years but wage growth has not kept up. I'm back events Lawrence has the financial backing to afford higher expenses without the ability for its citizens to pay for them. My overall suggestion is to focus on basic human need which is affordability and housing and jobs and not to expand financial liability within the city budget.
- I have seen intersections in European towns where all car traffic is stopped while the pedestrians have a green light to cross. Sometimes pedestrians are even allowed to cross diagonally. I think such a situation could be helpful for several intersections downtown. When

I'm a pedestrian I often feel somewhat unsafe even when the light is green because I'm not sure that turning vehicles will notice me. When I'm driving I sometimes feel annoyed when I've been waiting to turn left and then a pedestrian crosses at the last moment making it impossible for me to turn before the light changes. If there was a moment in the cycle where all the lights for vehicle traffic were red but all the lights for pedestrians were green, I think that could solve that problem.

- I hear from out-of-town friends how much the retail area has declined. I know that's not your specific area of concern, but anything the city could do to improve the variety and quality of businesses (especially Mass Street downtown) would certainly be a positive move. Streets are abominable!!! But we have a brand new trail by McDonald drive that has no doubt sucked a goodly amount of money and time from streets. (Wonder what high school kids are going to be doing in the trail tunnel?)
- I hope that the City is able to continue to fund the Lawrence Humane Shelter at the same level as in the past. LHS provides valuable service to this community.
- I live near Deerfield Elementary, speed limit is 30, yet most cars go over 40 mph. Need to enforce speed limit
- I LOVE DOWNTOWN LAWRENCE AND WOULD LIKE TO SPEND MORE TIME THERE WITH MY TWO CHILDREN BUT UNFORTUNATELY, I'M UNCOMFORTABLE TAKING THEM WITH ME-EVEN TO THE LIBRARY-DUE TO THE UNPREDICTABILITY OF THE PEOPLE WHO CAMP, USE DRUGS AND OR ALCOHOL AND PANHANDLE-PLEASE FIND SOLUTIONS
- I love Lawrence, and I think the city trash services, recycling and ease of use on the website are great! The streets have gone way downhill in the last ten years and residential streets are horrendous they are not maintained or properly installed. I think between 8th and Bob Billings was done properly, and also love the turn lanes at 9th and Iowa, and added center turn lanes on Iowa. The curbs and gutters in our neighborhood are atrocious, we have at our own expense put down gravel at end of driveway to avoid hitting the large potholes while backing out. We have also repaired our own curb by hand and it looks better then the rest of the blocks. My parents live on a road that is like going over boulders just to get to their house with all the road buckled and pot holes, they occasionally try and fill the holes but that only lasts temporarily, it has been that way for 10 years.
- I love Lawrence, but it is hard to get a good job here
- I LOVE LAWRENCE-I THINK ITS A GREAT PLACE TO LIVE AND RAISE MY KIDS. JUST NEEDS SOME FINE TUNING TO BE AN EVEN BETTER PLACE.
- I love that the city buys art, but I feel that other line items, like keeping the nature center open and maintaining streets and sidewalks, should come first. If the city puts art purchases on hold for a bit, we still have lots of art in town to enjoy - and nature provides art for us constantly!
- I love the library and the unique services it provides. Also love the nature center. I think the pools could be improved and I am glad to see that we have a splash pad now even though my kids are probably too old for it at this point
- I really wish it was easier to change zoning of homes around the downtown area to be used for businesses, restaurants, etc. I also wish downtown had at least 1 or 2 sections that would be walking streets, or make Mass Street a one-way street and expand the sidewalk and patio areas.
- I see city maintenance of our streets and sidewalks as our most pressing problem. Our streets are a mess of potholes, it is dangerous. Also, street lighting, there is too much light on residential streets. Move the lights lower on the poles and have the light directed downward.
- I SUSPECT MY ANSWERS WOULD BE DIFFERENT IF I HAD BEEN RETIRED LONGER AND OR LIVED IN A DIFFERENT PART OF TOWN-LESS AFFLUENT

- I think arts/cultural opportunities may deserve the attention of its own category. The Arts Center and the Lawrence Public Library are awesome.
- I think the city needs to be much more aggressive in bringing professional-level jobs to the community. Partnering with KU may be a good way to do this (and KU is finally pursuing a university/business arrangement that will hopefully bring in more jobs). KU was slow here as other universities (WSU is an example) are far ahead. But city also needs to lay groundwork beyond what KU is doing. K-10 needs to go to 4 lanes with a divider for safety and to support growth of the city to the west. And I think you need a new, modern park with family activities. Parks you have are ok, but adding a large new one with shelter(s), walking/biking paths, skateboard and bmx bike areas, cool playground, etc. would add a lot to the community IMO.
- I truly believe Lawrence Kansas should reimburse businesses for the Lost of damage to their property. Causing shrink in retail. Lawrence wants to invite all homeless people to the city. The homeless population it's costing businesses. It is scary to have to walk into a bathroom and see a homeless person passed out in the stole because they overdose. It is scary to walk into work before the doors opens cuz you have homeless people sleeping outside the building. I have to stop homeless people from stealing our product. We called the police nothing they can do. If you want to help the homeless population, have a larger homeless shelter. Offer mental health programs or mental health facility. It is unfair that we allow homeless people to camp and the Lawrence Parks. They use needles, they use the restroom outside, and they leave their trash all over the park. How's that safe for our children? I am over the homeless population. Douglas county should reimburse businesses for theft. We had to replace 60 shopping carts. One cart cost over \$500. Less than a month half of the shopping carts we're missing. Guess who took the shopping carts the homeless. Will Lawrence Kansas reimburse businesses for the loss?
- I understand peoples desires to "Protect" Downtown businesses, but we should not do so at the expense of other businesses. It seems Lawrence has missed out on or denied other retail opportunities just because they would take business away from downtown.
- I value the work of our City commissioners. They are devoted, faithful, and respectfully listen.
- I WANT A PLASTIC BAG BAN, BETTER RECYCLING INCLUDING FOOD WASTE, TAX BREAK FOR SENIRO CITIZENS, MORE PARKS, NATURAL AREAS FOR ANIMALS, BUGS, BUTTERFLIES AND THE FENCE TAKEN AWAY FROM TRAIN IN PARK
- I want affordable housing but I also want families to want to stay in Lawrence. Without jobs or resources keeping families in Lawrence we won't have the funding to pay for affordable housing. We need to make an investment into our kids and families and recreate recreation as fun. A partnership with the schools so that 6th graders stay involved would be a starting point. There should be ways for KU to bolster this too.
- I wish public notice was more clear on meetings that involved a neighborhood. I live in West Hills and the entire neighborhood is against the Water Tower Park plan, but it is being forced on us.
- I wish the indoor pool on the warm water side was open for seniors for a longer amount of time and even on weekends.
- I wish there were more healthy eating places.
- I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE A DOWNTOWN PROMENADE CLOSE 8TH--10TH TO TRAFFIC-UPDATE THE FLOWER BOXES-BIG UGLY CONCRETE CORNERS-BEAUTIFY EAST LAWRENCE
- I WOULD LIKE TO SUGGEST IMPROVEMENT IN THE MAINTENANCE OF THE STREETS, THERE ARE TOO MANY IN BAD SHAPE AND YOU ARE FIXING THE GOOD ONES INSTEAD

- I would love to see more encouragement of bicycle commuting, especially in light of the battery assist e-cycles so popular now. Also beef up the bus system. Fewer huge apartment complexes and more single family homes.
- I would really like to see traffic enforcement..
- I'm slated to be billed an astronomical amount of money for the re-construction of Queens Road. PLEASE, I am begging you, to either scale back this project immensely, or charge a much higher percentage to the surrounding developers and not the individual homeowners.
- IF I CALL AND ASK TO HAVE A CALLBACK, THEN PLEASE CALL ME BACK. ALL SIDEWALKS ARE GETTING ADAPTED FOR THE BLIND-WHAT ABOUT WHEELCHAIR USERS AND KIDS ON BIKES AND BUSY INTERSECTIONS? 23RD IS DANGEROUS TO RIDE BIKE ON SIDEWALKS
- If I could add a 4th it would be about police accountability and training for personnel in offices related to police services. Despite the oodles of taxpayer money going toward police funding (i.e., overtime) and frivolities (i.e., the police station the community vocally did not support or the pricey "art" installation in front of it) I feel the police service in our community leaves a lot to be desired. I was the victim of an assault months ago and the prosecutor still hasn't reviewed the file. It was a very traumatic experience and I felt like the officer that reported to the scene was rather callous toward me. I wasn't provided a card or case number. I've made dozens of calls to follow up on the case and it's gone nowhere and more often than not I'm told conflicting information between AND within offices. There isn't a lot of transparency or service happening in that area, from what I have experienced. It's very disappointing to see so much of my tax money going toward this.
- IF you belong to one political part, you are safe here. If not, your car and home will be damaged. Too much hate taught at IU schools.
- IF YOU REMOVE PARKING OFF OF VERMONT FOR MASS STORES AND RESTAURANTS, SENIORS WONT COME, NOR WILL BUSY PARENTS, STUDENTS, AND SO ON. LESS BARS AND MORE CLOTHING AND NON-FAST FOOD RESTAURANTS
- I'M TIRED OF PAYING EXTRA TAXES JUST FOR CITY LEADERS TO GIVE IT AWAY TO NON-PRODUCTIVE PEOPLE WHO DONT WANT TO WORK BUT FEEL THEY'RE SOMEHOW ENTITLED TO FREE MONEY OR SUBSIDIES
- IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE, TIME TRAFIC EAST AND WEST SO WE CAN GET ACROSS TOWN FASTER AND NOT HAVE IDLING CARS WOULD BE GREAT
- Information to home owners regarding city codes.
- introduce way to liberate the city legalization of cannabis. More street lighting downtown.
- Invest in sustainable infrastructure.
- It does seem like the small town feel is slowly dissipating.
- IT IS HARD TO FIND WEBSITE CONTACT INFORMATION FOR CITY EMPLOYEES-PLESE ADD A DIRECTORY TO THE WEBSITE AND THEY NEED TO RETURN TO WORKING AT THE OFFICES. IT IS VERY DIFFICULT TO GET IN CONTACT WITH STAFF. ALSO NEED A PLAN FOR HOMELESS AND NOT LIVING IN THE SCHOOLS OR PARKING GARAGES
- It took too long to get the street lights fixed/replaced.
- I've had a recent employee who uses public transit and there needs to be either more routes or more frequent buses as she had to spend much too much time on the bus to and from work that she left this job for one where she had fewer transfers. The library is amazing! It would be helpful if potholes and curbs would be fixed more quickly and better so the fix would hold up longer.
- I've never once had a complaint through the city parks complaint system addressed, even after making the same complaint for years. I've used the system provided, I've emailed, I've tweeted -

- the issues (broken and unsafe playgrounds) remain. We're hemorrhaging young families as a whole, and it's unsurprising why. The school district is shameful, and I say this as a parent and former district teacher. As time goes on, we get closer and closer to picking up and leaving Lawrence all together for the overall benefit of our children.

- I've very happy to live in Lawrence. I didn't add much comment regarding support of BIPOC because I cannot speak for that group but I think that the city should work more actively with BIPOC groups for social issues such a housing and health that I don't experience.
- Kasold Dr. especially near target. Wakarusa Dr especially near 23rd St. Crossgate Terrace. These roads are some of the worst to drive. There are no curbs on these roads. There's gaping potholes! For past few years, I said to myself, I don't know where my taxes are going, if not to the betterment and improvement of all the roads we drive on especially when KU students and Haskell students are on campus! I can't recall last when Wakarusa drive was completely fixed and w/o so many bumps. I'm just so dissatisfied with quality of roads year-around, sidewalks, and this is even before pandemic and when there were no excuses about lack of materials, cement, etc bc of pandemic.
- KEEP LAWRENCE SAFE, CLEAN AND BEAUTIFUL
- Keep neighborhood schools
- Keep Pairie Park nature center open. We need more family friendly places and activities. The people of Lawrence should feel safe in our town. The homelessness is a big concern downtown for looks and safety. We are not just a "college" town.
- Keep up the good work! Lawrence is a great place to live and work. Stay mindful of the need for affordable housing.
- KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK-GUN CONTROL-ABORTION AVAILABILITY
- KEEP WORKING ON PARKS, DOWNTOWN AND BEAUTY OF MAJOR BOULEVARDS
- Keep, improve, and promote Prairie Park Nature Center. Do not cut the funding for the humane society unless you really want to take over doing things yourselves. Spend money with more wisdom. We need services to improve people's lives far more than we need expensive art installations right now. Art is a want. Jobs, food, housing, healthcare ( physical and mental), transportation, childcare, education, family togetherness, etc. are needs. Meet all needs before addressing wants.
- Lawrence and most of city is fine. Homeless people need to not live on downtown streets. Building inspection. Permits. Getting approval for anything is awful.
- Lawrence has become increasingly unaffordable for younger citizens to live and work in Lawrence. This will hurt growth as only retirees remain and families are forced to relocate. The low availability of housing and high property taxes in Lawrence has added to this issue. It has become so expensive to live within the city that I know several people who are considering moving to county land or elsewhere.
- Lawrence is a good place to live, let's keep it safe and clean and friendly. Thank you.
- LAWRENCE IS A GREAT CITY FOR FAMILIES, OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES, AND THE ARTS. LETS CONTINUE TO EVOLVE IN AREAS OF DIVERSITY, ACCEPTANCE, AFFORDABILITY AND SUSTAINABILITY
- LAWRENCE IS A GREAT PLACE TO LIVE
- Lawrence is a great place to live if you're ok with living check to check and having to work two jobs to support very basic needs.
- Lawrence is a great place to live.
- Lawrence is an amazing, clean, (expensive) happy place to be. Thank You for the effort to support and serve the community

- LAWRENCE IS GREAT
- Lawrence loop cycling trail needs to be completed.
- Lawrence Loop- when will it be finished? More Bike Trails
- LAWRENCE NEEDS TO BE CLEAN AND SAFE. WE DONT NEED TO GROW AND WE NEED TO DISCOURAGE TRANSIENTS FROM EXHAUSTING RESOURCES. CITY BOUNDARIES SHOULD REMAIN AND NOT EXPAND/ANNEX
- Lawrence Transit is too infrequent to use, yet something must be done about traffic on 9th Street.
- Lawrence used to be special. The fight to prevent a "cornfield mall" was a noble one, but the current development along south Iowa and along 23rd street is much worse than the mall would have been. The city had the power to at least force the developers to plant a tree or two, and try to make it less ugly, but they let things get out of control. Now the city spends hours debating whether new development conforms to zoning and long-term plans, but doesn't seem to care if the development is actually pleasing to look at or if it helps make Lawrence special in any way. Visualize the major entryways into Lawrence (not counting the Turnpike). Do any of these tell the new visitor that they are entering someplace special? Mostly they are dreary. Letting downtown cafes keep their pandemic seating is a good start, but how about other creative ideas for downtown? Was putting in the sawtooth parking on Mass such a good idea? Should Mass be one-way between 6th & 15th? Etc.
- Leaders have turned Lawrence into an over priced, crime ridden bedroom community that centers more on KU and developers and less on citizens and families. I am planning on moving out of Lawrence to a safer and more affordable community.
- Let more empty lots grow native plants, do less mowing
- LETS START GIVING TICKETS FOR NOISE AND RACING ON MASS
- Library is central to our community and needs ongoing support.
- Listen to all residents. The bike boulevard, promotion of growth of NW and favoring facilities in that area, ban of plastic/paper bags without exceptions for use, are irresponsible decisions.
- LMH should collaborate actively with KU MEd Centter
- LONG TERM PLANNERS NECESSARY-I HAVE LIVED HERE MOST OF MY LIFE-SO DISAPPOINTED IN ADMINISTRATION-PLAN-PLAN-PLAN---LISTEN TO POPULATION-NO MORE SPECIAL INTEREST
- LOVE LAWRENCE SO MUCH WE MOVED BACK HERE TO RETIRE FROM ARIZONA, WHICH BTW, WAS TOO EXPENSIVE DUE TO CALIFORNIA MIGRATION
- LOVE LAWRENCE. ITS NEVER GOING TO BE PERFECT-HOWEVER, I THINK ITS THE BEST KANSAS HAS TO OFFER
- Lower rates for low income residents at the pool by the library
- MAKE NOISE ORDINANCE MORE CLEAR, VERY ANTI PEOPLE/ANYONE CAN COMPLAIN AT ANY PART OF DAY FOR NO REASON. MAKE IT MORE SPECIFIC-TOO VAGUE
- MAKE THE SPEED LIMIT ON THE K10 BYPASS BETWEEN IOWA AND I-70 45 MPH SO LESS KC PEOPLE USE IT AS A CUT THROUGH TO TOPEKA. WOULD ALSO DECREASE WRECKS AND TRAFFIC
- Making residents pay for sidewalks is completely unfair. Taxation !
- MAKING THE IMPACT OF KU AND ITS STUDENTSIS PROBABLY IMPOSSIBLE BUT NECESSARY. I APPRECIATE THE TRAFFIC CALMING EFFORTS BUT IN OLD WEST LAWRENCE ITS SAD
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- more frequent recycling is needed
- MORE SERVICES NEED TO BE OFFERED IN MORE THAN 1 LANGUAGE. PRINT SPANISH, ENGLISH, MULTILINGUAL MATERIALS ON WEBSITES AND HIRE STAFF THAT CAN DIRECTLY WORK WITH CUSTOMERS IN THEIR LANGUAGE OR USING AN INTERPRETER SERVICE

- more street Christmas lights, thank you for the beautiful shrubs & flowers, sidewalks should be on both sides of the streets
- MOST CONCERNED ABOUT AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN OUR CITY
- My biggest problem is allowing people to put junk/trash streetside all week long. Makes the neighborhood look like a dump/slum. There needs to be a law that is ENFORCED. I live in the townhomes off of Crestline. Trash is picked up Thursday and people put trash/junk out the Friday before. Yes, it is once that the trash pick up will pick up large items, but the law should be that it can ONLY be placed on the street/curb the night before. The city could make some extra cash if they had a law that was enforced. It really does make the city look bad.
- My mother could barely breathe well into March because you all let the mask mandate linger. The city council decides arbitrarily against all science to force mandates on the public just cause it makes them feel better about themselves
- Need a city-wide permaculture program
- Need a hardware store on west 6th st, also shoe store.
- need a park with walking trail in NW Lawrence near the highschool.
- Need better connection and communication with residents to receive honest and immediate feedback on your current efforts and direction.
- need for better police control. Youth downtown at night, protest marches, etc.
- Need good growth for the future.
- Need more recreational things for children 12 to 18 to do,
- Need to be forward thinking by reducing the tax burden on our residents.
- Need to be more cognitive of spending on extras. Be more aware of tax burden on homeowners.
- Need to deal with the homeless downtown, no longer a family destination. Homeless camps.
- Not enough entertainment for Junior High children.
- Not real happy with out of control development and city sprawl. Dislike the monstrosities that are starting to dominate the city such as the hideous Oread Hotel, and the lofts on New Hampshire. Concerned about the uncontrolled sprawl especially to the west. Would like to see a little more police monitoring of traffic. I live a little south of Harper St and 23rd St and I can hear cars and especially motorcycles that are obviously speeding on 23rd and on roads to the south, either 31st St or the Trafficway.
- Often times I have observed homeless people or vagrants in and around 19th St, from Haskell St. to Mass. St., when walking with my dog, or driving to and from work, or at home. Maybe there can be some insight as to the underemployees.
- On May 2nd, 2406 Alabama IB was declared uninhabitable by Dan Devin, Code officer. Since then, several homeless and drug dealers have moved in. They urinate in the driveway. Mr Devin asked us NOT to call the police on these intruders. ?????
- Online City meetings, need to check to see if available.
- our community needs to work with USD 497 to recruit & retain families. we're losing the ones now to other communities where there is less expensive housing, more amenities.
- Our leadership has proven soulless and heartless through its treatment of our children. There seems to be a preference for the kids in the wealthier areas. The kids in the poorer areas are collateral damage to pay your wasteful salaries. We pay you to take care of our services. Not eliminate them so you don't have to deal with it. Anyone could do that, so why would we pay your silly salaries so you can run from the problem and not resolve it. Our leadership are useless selfish cowards to do this to our children.
- Overall Lawrence is a great city. Possibly the best city in all of Kansas.

- Overall satisfaction with the city and its staff. We should improve the street lighting look in the downtown area. There's a hodgepodge of light standard styles present. Making them all uniform and of high quality would have a surprising transformative impact on the look of downtown, as well as having utility. Compared to other similar size cities, we look amateurish and unsophisticated in aesthetics of our public infrastructure. It needn't cost more. For example, intersections have black light poles and signals, others have silver, and in both cases were replaced within a few years of one another. (23rd and Iowa; 9th and Iowa; 19th and Iowa) Is there a style guide for city streetscapes? I would direct you to check out the look of downtown Marshalltown, IA for an example of what I'm talking about.
- Overall the service is amazing. Thank you!
- Overall, I've really enjoyed raising my kids in Lawrence.
- pay public facing staff better.
- Please consider expanding recycling to downtown businesses. Also recycling for all for composting
- Please continue and complete the loop
- Please continue to make strides in assisting those with debilitating mental health issues.
- Please finish the Loop
- Please finish up the roadwork on East 23rd Street. Also, Latinx is not a real word.
- Please keep Lawrence an increasingly affordable place to live. Many working folks are living on the edge.
- Please let Kaw Valley Soccer build turf fields.
- Please maintain the city streets now. 11th st, Harvard West, etc.
- Please pay attention to all residents of Lawrence, even those with means. Yes, their role is to help prop others up. They also should have a seat at the table and be provided the same services as to those with fewer means.
- Please stop re-engineering our streets - traffic flow is fine
- Please use less restrictive zoning to allow for more mixed use development to make our city less car dependent
- PLEASE UTILIZE OUR TAX DOLLARS FOR REPAIRING OUR CURBS IN OUR NEIGHBORHOODS AS WELL AS FIXING STREETS - NOT JUST PATCHING. MAYBE LESS MONEY SPENT ON ARTWORK AND FOCUS ON MAINTAINING INFRASTRUCTURE
- Please work on making the city more wheelchair accessible. I can't use the majority of sidewalks around my home, which means I have to take my wheelchair into the street. This is incredibly dangerous. I will not feel safe in Lawrence as long as there is a police force & no mask mandate. We need mental health services, housing, food, healthcare (including mask mandates) to make our community safe. The police significantly decrease my sense of safety in the city. Thank you for your consideration.
- Please! no more new sidewalks in my neighborhood. Just repair existing ones. We don't need sidewalks on both sides of a residential street. Few people are out there walking. Leave it green. It is awful what you have done to people's gardens on Harvard Rd. Crestline, yes. But none of the feeder streets (except 15 and 9th) need sidewalks on both sides. A waste of money. Invest it on the East side.
- Please, no more round-a-bouts on the city streets. I am not a fan of changes to 21st Street between Louisiana and Iowa
- POLICE AND PARKS AND REC BOTH SERVED US WELL PAST 2 YEARS WITH HOMELESS ISSUES IN PARK NEAR US-UNSAFE CONDITIONS AND CAMPS. EFFECTIVELY HANDLED WITH COMPASSION FOR HOMELESS

- POLICE POLICING MANUAL IS CONCERNING-POLICE CHIEF SHOULD ENGAGE WITH COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS AS CANTU IS WILLING TO DO. RACIST COMMENTS ABOUT SCHOOL OFFICIALS IN SOCIAL MEDIA FORUMS SEEMS TO BE PUSHING QUALIFIED INDIVIDUALS OUT OF THE DSTRICT
- police presence in Old West is infrequent compared to the need. There is theft at night with little effort to reduce crime.
- pothole repair needs improvement
- POTHOLE IN SHOPPING CENTER-EXAMPLE: WAKRUSA AND 6TH ST-ENTRANCE INTO PARKING LOT-HUGE HOLES IN PAVEMENT
- Prepare the city & citizens for extreme weather, drought, and power alternatives
- Proactive support for mental health in schools. Keep schools safe. Monitor social media posts
- Purple city lights need replaced in Prairie Park. We need to recruit a grocery store in easter part of town. Traffic light timing at 31st and Haskell , also 23rd and Haskell. On O'Connell Rd/25th Terr, there is a dangerous raised slab on sidewalk.
- Quality of downtown buildings could be improved and empty storefronts reduced in number. More landscaping downtown would also be an improvement. Compare the Manhattan. Kansas downtown with that of Lawrence.
- Quit building so many apartments. More available parking downtown. Fix wasted downtown space.
- Quit giving money to the homeless, do not allow camps in the city.
- Random complaint, this probably isn't the place to add this, but oh well. My fiance works in Topeka, so she uses the 6th street -> K-10 intersection often. The stop light on the West side of the 6th/K-10 bridge has issues for the SouthBound lane, refuses to allow a left turn lane sometimes for many minutes, even with no cars around at all. If the City does expand there, please get that stop light looked at and fixed, thank you! We love this amazing city! :)
- REAL ESTATE PRICES ARE TOO HIGH-LAWRENCE WILL END AS A CITY OF THE RICH; A CITY DEVELOPMENT BEYOND HWY 10; SOCCER IS THE GAME THAT GROWS THE FASTEST-MORE OR BETTER SOCCER FIELDS
- Recycle yard waste needs to be picked up on scheduled day.
- reduce police expenditures.
- Regulate the homeless, get them out of our parks and off the sidewalks downtown.
- Remove fluoride in drinking water...it is a carcinogen
- Remove people who are wanting handouts.
- Remove tall vegetation at roundabout on George Wms Way, very unsafe. This is a school crossing and vehicles cannot see due to thick and tall plants.
- REPAIRS TO IOWA STREET SEEM ALWAYS TO BE SCHEDULED FOR APRIL AND TO OCCUR IN MAY DURING KU AND HASKELL GRADUATIONS-SURELY THIS COULD BE AVOIDED
- replace with native plants in parks.
- REPRESENT ENTIRE POPULATION NOT JUST VOCAL ISSUE DRIVEN MINORITIES--HRE WORKERS NOT ADMINISTRATORS FOR A CHANGE
- Restore parking downtown to pre-Covid conditions.
- Rezoning Mi Ranchito and tear it down to accommodate Whataburger is a terrible ides. Traffic already backs up from Dunkin Donuts. there is plenty of available real estate on 23rd going westbound. Need more variety of shopping on Mass st and more patios.
- Ridiculous how downtown historical board rejects solar panels on rooftops. I think it was a bad decision to move visitor center.

- ROUNDABOUTS:EITHER GET RID OF THEM OR EDUCATE THE PUBLIC ABOUT HOW TO USE THEM AND POLICE THEM
- Sad the public library is discontinuing access to Hoopla. Do not feel safe in downtown.
- See above comments Q34.
- Seems like actions taken without enough forethought quickly moved to allow downtown pkg spaces to be used by businesses, then limited it to eating places only. Another example is the expansion . recently they decided to not extend boundaries and require filling in housing. Then, I read in the paper the decision to expand limits west , expansion south and east is turned down using the future plan as a reason.
- seriously think about doing away with parking on Market.
- Seriously, get rid of the hideous traffic barriers delineating outdoor eating areas downtown. Keep outdoor eating but make it look DECENT, not like the haphazard unplanned situation we now have. Give the downtown more of a feel of pedestrian mall, more like Boulder. The current downtown looks filthy. Homeless loitering can seem threatening, City should sweep / clean downtown sidewalks DAILY. Right now downtown is very Ugly, dirty, and unwelcoming with homeless people sleeping / camping on sidewalks. Parking garage by library has had human excrement on the floor by stairs and elevator. Make downtown CLEAN and INVITING. It's so sad now.
- Shutting down east 6th street for bike races or parades is stupid and inconvenient for North Lawrence residents. Need to get input from North Lawrence residents. East 23rd street is an embarassement. My yard waste pickup leaves a lot to be desired.
- Sidewalks belong to the city, not homeowners individually. Respect the voters, Don't ask for a vote and then ignore results. Bike belong on sidewalks. They should not share the road , they can be killed.
- Sierra Vista, AZ has a good program for homeless people.
- Significant investment is required in the city's roadways. Major streets are being reconstructed a year later than I would like. Wakarusa between Bob Billings and Clinton Parkway is a prime example. When replacing streets a thicker base needs to be used so that the surface lasts longer. A higher spec asphalt surface or concrete should be utilized as well so the surface holds together better. I would also like to see a true truck route built between Venture Park and North Lawrence to reduce the number of heavy trucks using neighborhood streets to cross the city. The city needs to decide if it wants affordable housing or greater density. The current plan isn't working. The city needs to expand west of K10 to create lot inventory and bring housing prices under control.
- single family homes should accommodate 4 people, not 3.
- Snow removal penalties. Downtown looks dirty. Roads are a disgrace. Police interaction with diverse populations
- So happy to have moved here!
- Some neighborhoods are spoiled by the lack of maintenance/junk/autos on some residences in that area
- SOME OF MASS ST COULD BE BLOCKED OFF AS PEDESTRIAN ONLY. THIS WOULD ENHANCE DOWNTOWN
- Some of the things our city commissioners do are completely beyond my understanding. Blue Street lights? Ridiculous. No explanation for this whatsoever is acceptable. Obviously the lie about them being faulty is not true or else you would've replaced them by now. Also, rerouting streets near Schwegler Elementary & LHS makes driving in those neighborhoods frustrating. Did you ask the public what they thought? as for Lawrence being an inclusive town, I would say it's

inclusive for everyone except for conservative Christians. We are obviously not welcome here, despite all of the talk of "inclusivity."

- Someone needs to take over the golf course. This whole driving range fiasco could be fixed by anyone with common sense.
- Spend city money on necessities.
- SPEND MORE TIME ON THE THINGS ABOVE AND LESS WORRYING ABOUT EQUITY AND DIVERSITY-PEOPLE OF COLOR WANT THE SAME THINGS-GOOD SAFE PLACES TO LIVE
- Stop building apartments! That is not how you grow a population. That is how you make a dysfunctional bedroom community. People move out of Lawrence because of the lack of jobs, greedy downtown landlords, inability to make a living as a creative, lack of support for small businesses, lack of mentor ship from business leaders, high sales tax rate, shoddy housing, lack of high quality cultural events geared toward adults and the tolerance of free riders. Also stop taxing food.
- Stop building in the beautiful wet lands. Stop forsaking the east/southeast side for the west side. Stop being dumb and defunding the things that make lawrence unmistakably lawrence like prairie park, nature areas, parks, the humane society. Give better parking access to owners, employees and such of downtown lawrence. Fund mental health first responders and stop building an army of police who do unethical things like show decedents to their dates on body cam footage and pick women up from bars. Have an equal number of activities for kids during the summer on the east side so more kids have access to the amazing camps. Create housing for low income, homeless, poor so they are not on the streets. Build up not out. Clean the water up. More solar and wind energy. Get involved in schools, invest in keeping the city nice everywhere, safe everywhere.
- stop planning ego driven art projects and invest in the community. Access to good education in lower income communities and quality affordable single family housing
- Stop spending unnecessary money on "specialists" that you hire from out of town. We are a city in crisis because city leaders can't figure out how to budget and spend money wisely.
- STOP WITH THE GENDER POLITICS AND ACTUALLY FIX THINGS THAT NEED FIXED
- Stop worrying about affordable housing and take care of our current infrastructure
- Street lighting is abysmal. Street markings need to be painted much more frequently.
- Support major cultural and historical initiatives.
- take care of the city streets better, pick up trash on the sides of the streets, help people with special needs
- Take care of the homeless people. One time there was a guy in the men's bathroom of the library who was having drugs. Fairness on the utility bills. Repair on time our streets. The car get damaged easily because of this.
- TAXES ARE WAY TOO HIGH; IMPROVE DOWNTOWN BY HAVING FREE PARKING. SHOULD NOT HAVE TO PAY FOR PARKING 3-4 BLOCKS FROM DOWNTOWN-USE MODELS FROM BOULDER, CO AND IOWA CITY. WALKING MALL--TRAFFIC CONTROL-IN CONSTRUCTION ZONES, SIGNS INDICATING CONSTRUCTION NEED TO BE POSTED EARLIER THAN 100 FEET FROM SITE/ WHEN IS THE CITY GOING TO ADDRESS THE HORRIBLE CONDITION OF ALL RAILROAD CROSSINGS IN NORTH LAWRENCE? THEY ARE DEPLORABLE. WILL THE CITY PAY FOR VEHICLE REALIGNMENT DUE TO THE ROUGH TRACKS-SHOULD BE PRIORITY #1
- Thank you
- Thank you all at all levels for your work!
- Thank you for keeping the outdoor dining on Mass St
- Thank you for your hard work and dedication.

- Thank you for your service to our community.
- Thanks for all of your hard work. We are exceptionally grateful to have a community government that attends to continuous improvement.
- Thanks for all your hard work!
- THANKS FOR ASKING
- Thanks for working hard to make Lawrence a wonderful place to live! Also I would love a small dog fenced dog park in east Lawrence like the ones they have in Topeka! Thank you!
- The above three concerns should speak for themselves.
- The aquatic facilities are run by idiots. Available times for citizens are short and totally dependent on use by school and private competitive swim teams first and foremost.
- the city garbage and trash service will not pick up trash carts that are too full. They will not empty carts where garbage is sticking out
- THE CITY HAS A SEVERE HONEYSUCKLE PROBLEM. THIS INCREDIBLY INVASIVE AND DESTRUCTIVE PLANT IS RAMPANT IN CITY PARKS AS WELL AS PRIVATE PROPERTY. REGARDING CONSTRUCTION, THERE IS A LACK OF CITY-LED OR 3RD PARTY OVERSIGHT AND MANAGEMENT OF PROJECTS/ NO ACCOUNTABILITY IS REQUIRED OF CONTRACTORS FOR QUALITY OF WORK. THERE IS ALSO A FERAL CAT PROBLEM IN LAWRENCE. I'D LOVE TO SEE CITY LANDSCAPING FOCUS ON NATIVE SPECIES VS ORNAMENTAL EXOTICS
- The city leaders need to stop worrying about social issues and focus on city maintenance and repairs.
- THE CITY LIBRARY IS SURROUNDED BY HOMLESS. THE TENT CITY BEHIND JOHNNY'S TAVERN CONTAINS A BICYCLE CHOP SHOP. PLEASE GIVE THE POLICE THE POWER TO REMOVE TRESPASSERS FROM CITY PROPERTY--LOOK ALONG ANY CITY BIKE PATH OR RIVER/STREAM. TRASH IS EVERYWHERE, USUALLY FLOATING DOWN THE RIVER. CAMPSITES ARE ABANDONED BY THE HOMELESS AND THEIR TRASH BLOWS AROUND THE CITY. LAWRENCE IS TOO GOOD OF A CITY TO NOT KEEP CLEAN
- The city needs to work harder to attract and retain high-quality, high-tech jobs for the community. There seems to be way too much focus on the glut of student and apartment housing and a chronic shortage of affordable, quality, single-family home inventory where too many homes are far too over-priced for the quality.
- The city of Lawrence is AWESOME!!! Overall great job!!!
- The city should consider purchasing the Journal World building at corner of 6th and Mass and making a parking garage. Then doing away with on street parking and offer jitney services up/down Mass at frequent intervals
- THE COMMISSION IS A GOOD MIX OF IDEAS AND THE DIVERSITY OF LAWRENCE
- The condition of our city roadways is quite poor for a city of our wealth, and especially considering the increase tax revenues that the city has received in the past few years. Improving should be a high priority for the coming 12-24 months. Following this, the city should improve already existing street bike paths, which are also poorly maintained. Our family's property taxes have significantly increased in the past few years with little to show for it.
- The cost of buying a house is becoming beyond the reach of the "average" Lawrence citizen. Nationwide, the statistical "mode" (number that appears most often in a set of numbers) of American household income, is only about \$64,000/year. If the advice I have been given were to remain true about home buying. One should spend no more than 3 times their yearly income on a home. That would mean that the "mode" home cost should only be around \$200,000. Renting is not much better. When I first moved to Lawrence, the cheapest apartment I could find was \$400/month. I doubt there is anywhere left in town to rent that cheap without

splitting the cost with roommates. I propose that the city look into implementing an ordinance where the property tax on a single-family home that IS NOT occupied by the owner. AKA an "investment" home. Is increased in an effort to discourage wealthier citizens (and non-citizens) from buying up the affordable housing, and renting it to lower income citizens at an inflated rate.

- The lack of manufacturing facilities and production companies that stabilize the balance of lower and middle class employment and generate commercial tax revenue has created an environment in Lawrence that is unaffordable and unsustainable for those lower and middle class citizens that are needed to maintain a service industry. This imbalance has affected the City of Lawrence's budget and has been corrected, by the city, with outrageous property taxation, which in turn has created an issue for affordable housing and living relationship for all of its citizens. This imbalance along with the city's reluctance to expand in a proper, space to residence ratio and sustainable building code practices has created issues with its budget. These issues of balance tax revenue generated from commercial, industrial and residential taxation is slowing the proper maintenance of the existing city infrastructure and potential opportunities for its future infrastructural expansion. More jobs, more money, better balance and comfort for all.
- The Lawrence police dept is the most helpful, respectful polite, timely , I have ever encountered.
- The neighborhood streets are a joke. The city will "patch" a pothole by just piling up asphalt in the hole and creating a bump instead of taking time to properly fix and maintain the road. The "patch" just makes the road worse and wears the rest of the street out even faster. Also, sidewalks are a joke here. Sometimes there are sidewalks, sometimes there aren't, and there's no rhyme or reason to it.
- THE OLD WEST LAWRENCE TRAFFIC PILOT PROGGRAM IS THE MOST INFURIATING THING TO HAPPEN TO THIS NEIGHBORHOOD AND IN MY OPINION IS A COMPLETE FAILURE AND HAS ONLY PUSHED THE SAME TRAFFIC TO DIFFERENT STREETS IN THE SAME NEIGHBORHOOD. WHO WAS THIS DESIGNED FOR?
- THE PARKS AND REC STAFF ARE GREAT. ALEX H DOES A GREAT JOB AND I HOPE HE STAYS
- the peacefulness of Lawrence makes it a great place to live. Nature trails and bike/pedestrian, friendly- much appreciated
- The snooty attitude towards industry means inadequate tax base to provide amenities.
- The streets and curbs in the Indian Hill Area need to be replaced but we do not receive the same attention as the West side of town.
- THE STRENGTH-APPEAL OF OUR DOWNTOWN SHOULD BE A CRITICAL ISSUE FOR ALL OF US TO ADDRESS. IT IS OUR STRONGEST ASSET AND WE ARE ALLOWING IT TO GO INTO DISREPAIR. RENTS TOO HIGH, PEOPLE NOT WANTING TO GO DOWNTOWN BECAUSE OF BEING CONFRONTED WITH HOMELESS AND A LACK OF PARKING. IT USED TO BE A DESTINATION FOR OUT-OF-TOWNSERS, NOW OUR OWN CITIZENS DONT EVEN WANT TO GO DOWNTOWN. THIS NEEDS TO BE ADDRESSED QUICKLY OR WE WILL BECOME JUST ANOTHER KANSAS TOWN AND GIVE UP OUR BEST ASSET AND THE MAIN QUALITY THAT MAKES US UNIQUE
- The trash left behind by the solid waste company is bad. They may should be an elected person.
- THE WATER IS HARD WATER WITH TOO MUCH MATERIALS IN IT. NOT HEALTHY FOR DRINKING AND SHOWERING. STOP SMOKING WEED, VAPING
- The worst streets are Wakarusa, Kasold by Sonic & Target, Crossgate Terrace, and numerous smaller streets plus crumbled and broken down sidewalks and road curbs.
- There are 8 stop lights between my home and the entrance to KTA 202. I often hit six red lights on my way north to 202. It's especially annoying at 5 AM when there is very little traffic. Of the

8 lights, two rarely have cross traffic. Light at Clinton by West campus KU park and ride gate, and Harvard at Iowa. The lights at 31 and Kasold are atrocious going west to east and east to west... one block; STOP, one block; STOP, repeat...

- THERE ARE AN EXCESSIVE NUMBER OF BUSES RUNNING IN LAWRENCE. I FEEL IT IS WASTEFUL AND UNNECESSARY-THE MANY BUSES FOR THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE USING THEM
- THERE ARE FAR TOO MANY QUESTIONS TO PRODUCE REALIABLE DATA
- there are may issues that need further action, including the homelessness and the mental health issues of many of these persons
- there are some 4 way stops in my neighborhood that are very dangerous for non-motor travelers, esp Wakorusa and Cleveland Dr
- THERE ARE TOO MANY COPS IN MY NEIGHBORHOOD. WHY ARENT WE INVESTING INSTEAD IN CRIME PREVENTION WITH EQUITABLE HOUSING, LESS BIG DEVELOPMENTS, TRANSIT, ETC
- THERE SHOULD BE MORE JOBS IN TECH FIELD FOR YOUNG COLLEGE GRADUATES
- There should be more vertical residential development above the commercial zones in downtown (Vermont-mass-new hamp. Parking requirements should be lowered or eliminated where ever possible. Lawrence is beautiful but it's hard to see it under all the cars.
- this is not the time to expand the city to NW. spend on maintaining current infrastructure. homeless situation on Mass St is abdominal
- This is the best city I have lived in.
- This town is very unfriendly to older adults. I feel out of touch. No way to know about current events and nothing tailored for the older crowd.
- TIME TO BRING BACK THE MEDICAL RESERVE CORP LOC HEALTH DEPARTMENT
- TOO EXPENSIVE
- Too many apartments here, promotes a transient lifestyle and not a feeling of community.
- Too many streets with construction
- Too much land allotted to big houses.
- Trash carts are a menace - ugly and are everywhere - we have no problem with sound ordinance we need a visual ordinance - my area of town is ugly - and it's lack of code enforcement- also city manager will not take phone calls -
- Try to get a Costco here.
- UNLESS OCCUPANCY RATES IN EXISTING APARTMENTS INCREASES DRAMATICALLY, NO ADDITIONAL APARTMENT CONSTRUCTION SHOULD BE APPROVED
- VEHICLES RUNNING RED LIGHTS
- Very disappointed with the past city manager. Redirect the 1 cent sales tax back to the parks and rec.
- VERY HAPPY WITH HOW INCLUSIVE LAWRENCE COMMUNITY IS
- VOTE NO on 8/2/22
- walkers let their dogs urinate on my flowers and poo in my yard and don't pick it up- very maddening. I dont want the sidewalk anyway, it beings people too close to my house
- WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT NEEDS FALL FUNDING. HOMELESS ENCAMPMENTS NEED TO BE REGULATED SO THEY DONT BECOME UNAUTHORIZED DUMPS
- Way too much emphasis on LBGT and Black lives Matter and less communication about seniors. Emphasis on voting.
- ways to economize and not raise taxes nd ways for businesses to create jobs
- We all know Lawrence is a great place to live, so maybe we should ask why it isn't growing more? (or maybe we don't want it to grow?) We should look at the future increasing issues of remote work, climate change, online-vs-real experiences, our 'blue dot in a red state', and how

we could plan for and take advantage of those opportunities to make Lawrence even better, and attract more like-minded people to move here.

- We have to keep striving to do better.
- WE HAVE TOO MANY HOMELESS PEOPLE LOITERING DOWNTOWN. THEY ALL ASK ME FOR MONEY. I AVOID GOING DOWNTOWN DUE TO THIS AND THE ISSUE WITH PARKING AND PARKING TICKETS. IT WOULD BE BETTER IF BEGGING WASNT ALLOWED. AND OPEN A SHELTER CLOSER TO TOWN WITH MORE BEDS-GIVE THEM A SAFE PLACE TO HANG OUT
- We love living here but are disappointed in how shabby the streets are, and when work is done its just patching things up - just a short-term solution. Like downtown but need to address the outdoor eating areas - need a more finished look from the street- the protective barriers are unattractive. City services are good as is Parks and Rec. Very glad to read about the new splash park and hope you put in more. Prairie Park could use one. Lots of kids, but not close to the pool. I'm sure there are some other areas in the same situation.
- We love living in Lawrence and raising a family here. We hope it will continue to be a place of outside the box thinking and problem solving. We want to be part of community that finds solutions and is welcoming.
- WE LOVE LIVING IN LAWRENCE. THANKS FOR ALL YOUR EFFORTS
- We love to see the old homes reclaimed for single family use.
- WE NEED A DETOX CENTER AND BETTER SERVICES FOR PEOPLE STRUGGLING WITH MENTAL HEALTH CHALLENGES
- We need more creative and community-engaged problem-solving to include entities that are not typically engaged. Where there are bad relations, we should identify those that can be amended in order to open up new opportunities. We should also address the lack of funding available to adequately address affordable housing, transit, and accessibility. We need to encourage economic development opportunities where infrastructure already exists or where it can be easily adapted or expanded so that we don't grow beyond our means of the ability to maintain. If that means changing codes and ordinances then those should be evaluated according to the Strategic Plan, in an effort to be proactive toward the good of the whole rather than specific populations and locations.
- We paid to have our sidewalks replaced as was required by the city. It cost nearly \$1000. I am disappointed to see that this requirement does not seem to correctly apply to other parts of the city. I was committed to taking care of our sidewalks to allow safe passage for walkers or those with disabilities. I work in a neighborhood on the east side with adults with disabilities. There are many places we can not safely walk or travel by wheelchair. All sidewalks should be repaired not just the ones on the west side which were not terrible to begin with.
- WE RECENTLY BOUGHT GROUND JUST SOUTH OF LAWRENCE AND LOOK FORWARD TO MANY FUN YEARS IN THE AREA/ SO MUCH TO DO
- WE RETIRED-SEMI-RETIRE HERE 2 YEARS AGO. WE ARE VERY HAPPY HERE
- We truly need progressive ideas and policies, especially at the city level. The resources we have could go so far to provide a just society. As leaders, take risks and be brave.
- When it was not applicable to me, I chose Neutral because Not Applicable was not a choice. Sometimes I didn't answer if I have never interacted with the questions. However, I care very much for the children of the community, affordable housing, mental treatment available to those who need it, affordable medical treatment, those just above the poverty line that do not get help, yet do not make a livable wage or income.
- WHEN PLANNING, REALIZE THE WHOLE TAX BASE AND NOT SPEND SO MUCH ON PET PROJECTS THAT DONT BENEFIT THE MAJORITY

- Who Inspects our streets? My streets is bad and has not been taken care of. Sunchase Dr. The curbs are breaking into chunks.
- WHO SHOULD MAINTAIN SIDEWALKS
- Why are you considering shutting down Prairie Park Nature Center, a very popular place for families? And yet, how much money was spent on the bike boulevard on 21st St, that wasn't actually asked for? Such a flawed project that shouldn't have happened.
- WHY IS LAWRENCE ALWAYS THE MOST EXPENSIVE IN THE STATE FOR A GALLON OF GAS? TOO MANY POTHOLESON/IN OUR ASHPHALT STREETS
- Why, when a 94 yr old, can put the garbage can just outside the garage and has to go to City Hall every 6 months to get approval to do this. Only 1 approval is needed as she is getting older, not younger.
- Wish the events were more publicized.
- Wish there was not so much street work at the same time.
- WITH NEW BUSINESSES COMING TO DESOTO, A NEW LOOK OF EAST LAWRENCE-KEEPING STREETS, SIDEWALKS WELL MAINTAINED AND NEW HOUSING ON THAT SIDE OF TOWN
- With the price of gas, I believe that more Bus stop covering should be added and perhaps better signs for the stops
- WITH THE RISING COST OF PRIVATE TRANSPORTATION, LAWRENCE SHOULD FOCUS ON PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION, BIKE AND WALKING PATHS
- Work with land lords, and business to reduce cost of housing and increase wages for young people.
- Work with Lyle Seger for more restorative justice programs. Work to protect public schools.
- WOULD LIKE SOME HELP ADDRESSING FLOODING/STORMWATER ISSUES IN OUR WHOLE NEIGHBORHOOD
- WOULD LIKE TO KNOW WHAT THE LEADERSHIP WANTS TO DO TO PROTECT OUR KIDS FROM GUN VIOLENCE IN SCHOOLS. ALSO INCREASE FINANCIAL SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS, PARTICULARLY STAFF COMPENSATION
- Would like to see a yellow flashing for left turn at SE Arrow & Clinton Parkway.
- Would like to see MORE funding to schools, mental health, and other social services that can overall prevent any need for police involvement. Would love to see the city embrace alternative policing. Increase of social services decreases crime rate and need of police. We need more homeless resources, more mental health resources. I'm extremely dissatisfied with the availability of resources for our most vulnerable community members like people with mental health struggles that lead to homelessness and incarceration. It is extremely hard to get help for someone with debilitating mental illness. We need more social workers. More affordable housing. Less being policed.
- Would like to see social services handled by the city, not always in the schools.
- Would like to see some maintenance codes implemented to have landlords fix their apartment complexes parking lots. Would like to see the same kind of maintenance codes implemented to have business and landlords to fix their parking lots also. Bottom line there's a lot of slum lords in Lawrence. Should be able to pull into a parking lot without losing a wheel!
- Yard waste collection is non-functional and their customer service and the app are completely useless.
- YOU LISTEN TO THE COMPLAINERS AND AGGRESSIVE PEOPLE WAY TOO MUCH