

**CITY OF ARKANSAS CITY**

City Clerk's Office

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Arkansas City, KS 67005
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Adoption # _____

Adoption Year _____

New Renewal **APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC LAND ADOPTION**

This application must be completed and returned to the City Clerk's Office at the above address on or before December 31st of each year, unless specifically exempted by order of the City Commission of Arkansas City.

Before completing this application, please refer to the [City of Arkansas City Beautification and Tree Advisory Board's Public Land Adoption Policy](#). A copy of the policy can be provided to you in the City Clerk's Office, if necessary.

Applicant Name: Kayleigh Lawson

Applicant Address: 820 North A Street Arkansas City KS 67005
City State Zip

Telephone Number(s): (620) 441-4065

Email Address: kayleigh@bluegeraniumbooks.com

Non-Profit Affiliation: N/A
Organization Name Address Contact Name Phone Number

For-Profit Affiliation: N/A
Organization Name Address Contact Name Phone Number

Public Land Desired to Adopt: The fountain (non-functional) in Docking Garden at Wilson Park.

Basic Outline of Activities Proposed as Part of Adoption (Note: Written proposal also required): I would like to turn the dirt-filled former fountain into a pollinator garden.

Name of Public Land/Park Committee (if any): N/A

Copies of the following items must accompany this application:

1. *A written proposal, attached to this application, which explains in detail the sorts of activities the applicant proposes to pursue in helping to beautify, maintain and improve the public land. The Parks and Facilities Division provides a variety of services in each of the City's parks that could be supplemented or replaced by "sweat equity" from volunteers and concerned citizens. While this is not an exhaustive list and each property's needs are somewhat unique, applicants should propose to take on some combination of the following activities: erecting equipment and/or structures; mowing grass and trimming trees; picking up and/or disposing of litter; painting benches, signs, etc.; picking up tree limbs and debris; planting flowers, shrubs and/or trees; purchasing and maintaining new equipment; and watching and/or patrolling to prevent vandalism.*
2. *The application and proposal also should specify what sort of monetary contributions the applicant proposes to provide toward upkeep, maintenance, and improvement of the property. See **Public Land Adoption Policy** for more details on this.*
3. *Please indicate in your proposal or on a separate sheet of paper which dates work best for you and/or your group to meet with the Beautification and Tree Advisory Board and the City Commission. The Board meets on the fourth Thursday of each month at 4 p.m., and the City Commission meets on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 5:30 p.m. in City Hall.*

I, Kayleigh D. Lawson, have read and understand the City of Arkansas City Beautification and Tree Advisory Board's Public Land Adoption Policy. I further agree to abide by all conditions of this policy and acknowledge it governs my adoption.

 Kayleigh D. Lawson 6/19/21
Signature of Applicant Date

To the Members of the Arkansas City Beautification Board,

The non-functional fountain that resides in Docking Garden is a centerpiece of Wilson Park. Unfortunately, it is now filled with dirt (and possibly sand) and has become something of an eyesore in this beautiful section of our city's most popular park.

I would like to turn it into a pollinator garden, which would make it more visually appealing while also helping these vital insects thrive.

If this is approved, I would plant pollinator-friendly plants — mostly perennials with a few annual highlight plants.

It would be wonderful if the City could provide some topsoil (potting soil, etc.) and be willing to water while they are already watering the plants on the other side of the brick wall.

Alternatively, if I could have access to a water source (such as a spigot) in the park, I could water this area myself.

I am willing to provide all of the labor to prepare and plant said pollinator plants, as well as purchase the plants myself.

Thank you very much for your consideration,



Kayleigh D. Lawson