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## APPLICATION FOR LANSING PLANNING COMMISSION

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Please attach a one to two page written statement expressing your interest in being appointed to the Lansing Planning Commission. Your written statement should address the following four topics:

- 1. Qualifications for the position. I have been a Lansing resident since 1996 when we purchased a home in the Hickory Ridge Subdivision. In 1996, I retired from the US Army. From 1996 to 2019, I worked in a civilian career on Fort Leavenworth. In 2019, I retired as a Department of the Army Civilian. I am currently retired. My wife Ellen and I raised our three children in Lansing. Many activities and changes have occurred in our Lansing Community since 1996. A few of the changes are the new elementary school, Town Center, new housing areas, Kenneth Bernard Park, the new High School, Angel Falls Trail and numerous new businesses. I have followed these events with keen interest and curiosity for the betterment of our community. I have served in numerous leadership and managerial positions while on active duty with the US Army. I am currently on the Lansing Board of Zoning Appeals and serving a second 4-year term on the LAN DEL Water Board. I have also been serving on the Lansing Planning Commission for the last two years. I grew up on a farm in Northern Missouri. During these formative years, I did not experience an atmosphere of volunteerism and organizational participation. This experience helped shape my genuine belief of giving-back and helping others. I also learned there are many ways to give-back without sacrificing other critical responsibilities such as raising a family and being a responsible American.
- 2. Personal philosophy of the Lansing Planning Commission and development in Lansing. The City of Lansing, with a population of around 12,000 people should have

representatives and volunteers that are actively responsive and open to the citizens of the city. As a Commissioner on the Planning Commission, I can represent the citizens of Lansing and be part of a team focusing on the planning and future development. It is important to bring a current, mid, and long-term dimension to the planning and development process.

- 3. Desired accomplishments as a Lansing Planning Commission member. As a member of the Planning Commission, I will be an active member working with over 60 years of experience in numerous locations. One of my strengths is in long term planning and implementation. I also intend to look at the big picture and long-term consequences versus short term gains. With all this being said, doing the right thing is paramount. This is important based on Lansing's location in Leavenworth County and the unique challenges being surrounded by larger municipalities.
- 4. Willingness to attend meetings. I will consistently attend the meetings. Additionally, I will spend additional time reading and preparing for the meetings as appropriate.

Also, attach the name, address, and telephone number of three personal references.

- Ralph Taylor, 622 Pine Ridge Ct., Lansing, KS 66043, 913-250-0386(Home)
- Frank Hannon, 2600 Valhalla Place, Leavenworth, KS 66048, 913-682-3677(Home)
- Charles (Mike) M. Black, 3217 Meadow Road, Leavenworth, KS 66048, 913-683-8173(Home)
- Tom Gray, 1823 Pine Ridge Drive, Leavenworth, KS 66048, 913-703-2290(Home)

This volunteer position is for the Lansing Planning Commission for a three (3) year term ending on April 30, 2026. Applicants must be at least 18 years of age and a U.S. Citizen. Applicants must also be a resident of the City of Lansing or live within the Urban Growth Management Area outside of city limits.

All applications should be returned to Lansing City Hall, 800 First Terrace, marked "Attention of the City Clerk".