

East Lawrence Neighborhood Association

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To the Lawrence City Commission:

Re: Seventh Annual Kansas Food Truck Festival benefiting Just Food

Dear Mayor Shipley and City Commissioners:

The East Lawrence Neighborhood Association is grateful for the good work that Just Food continues to provide in our community. It is our pleasure to write a letter of support for the special use permit for the Annual Kansas Food Truck Festival.

We recognize the benefit of the event that involves neighborhood, Lawrence and regional businesses and organizations. Most importantly, we appreciate that the money raised, over \$50,000 at the 2019 event, will help provide meals for the nearly 13,000 Douglas County residents served by Just Food every year.

As a neighborhood, we deeply appreciate the effort that Just Food takes to make this large event run smoothly, and that the plan is presented well ahead of time so that neighbors have an opportunity to help continue to make this a successful event.

At our February ELNA meeting, we voted to support the Kansas Food Truck Festival's special use permit as presented to us.

We encourage you to approve the Ordinance as well as the Special Event Permit, requested by the Kansas Food Truck Festival for this year's event. After a two year break for the pandemic, we are excited to have this important event return to the East Lawrence neighborhood.

Sincerely,

Barry M. Shalinsky
President, on behalf of the ELNA Board

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