# REQUEST FOR LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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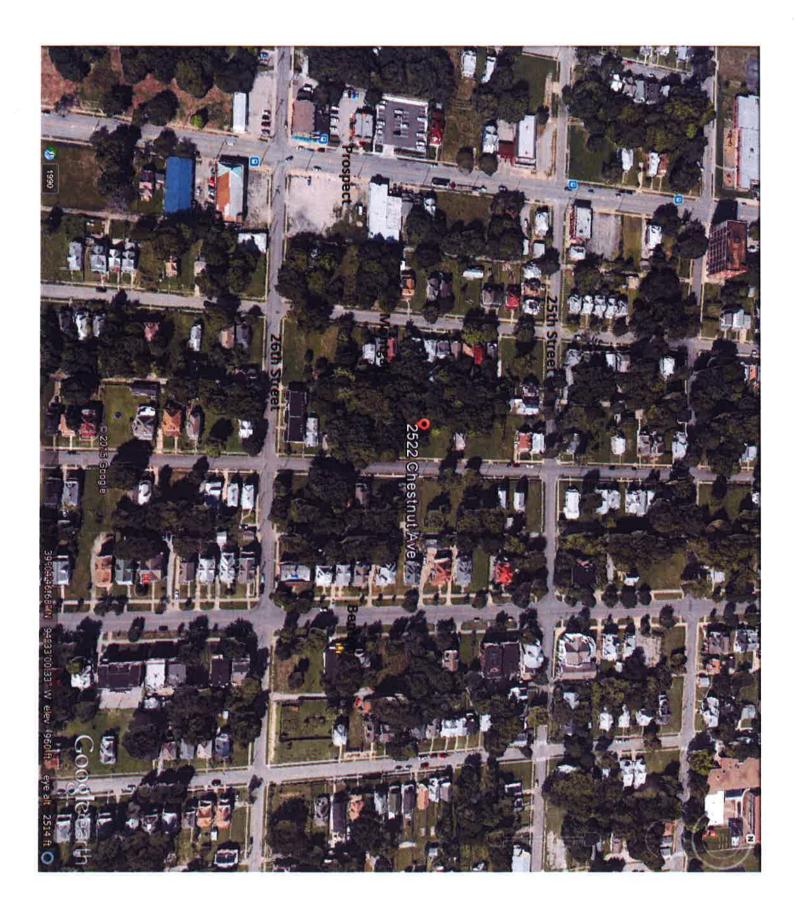
SUBJECT	Action Requested  ☐ Resolution ☐ Ordinance  Project/Title: Authorizing the County Executive to execute a deed in a form approved by the County Counselor to transfer park property at 2522 Chestnut Avenue in Kansas City, Missouri to the Land Bank of Kansas City, Missouri.					
BUDGET INFORMATION To be completed By Requesting Department and Finance	Amount authorized by this legislation this fiscal year: Amount previously authorized this fiscal year: Total amount authorized after this legislative action:	\$ \$ \$ \$				
	Amount budgeted for this item * (including transfers):  Source of funding (name of fund) and account code number; FROM / TO	FROM ACCT				
		TO ACCT				
	* If account includes additional funds for other expenses, total budgeted in the account is: \$					
	OTHER FINANCIAL INFORMATION:					
	No budget impact (no fiscal note required)  Term and Supply Contract (funds approved in the annual budget); estimated value and use of contract:  Department: Estimated Use: \$					
	Prior Year Budget (if applicable): Prior Year Actual Amount Spent (if applicable):					
PRIOR LEGISLATION	Prior ordinances and (date):					
	Prior resolutions and (date):					
CONTACT INFORMATION	RLA drafted by (name, title, & phone): Mark Trosen, Deputy Director of Parks, 503-4803					
REQUEST SUMMARY	We are requesting that the County Executive be authorized to execute a deed to transfer park property at 2522 Chestnut Avenue in Kansas City, Missouri to the Land Bank of Kansas City, Missouri. The property is 0.15 acres in size and is legally described as Lot 24 and the East ½ of vacated alley west of and adjoining, Block 4, PROSPECT PARK, a subdivision in Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri. This property transfer is authorized under Chapter 11 of the Jackson County Code.					
×	The county purchased the property in 1969 for the purpose of establishing a vest pocket park. Over the years because of declining population and housing units in the area, the park is not used and is essentially a vacant lot. The Land Bank of Kansas City was asked to take ownership of this property as a donation. The Land Bank has possession of the adjoining properties north and south of 2522 Chestnut. This property will enhance the ability of the Land Bank to promote redevelopment in this area. The Land Bank Board voted to accept the property with the condition that a Phase 1 Environmental Site Assessment be conducted on the property.					
"	The Parks Department retained the services of Kansas C	ty Testing & Engineering to perform the Assessment.				

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CLEAI	RANCE	Business License V	npleted (Purchasing & Depa 'erified (Purchasing & Depa nce - Affirmative Action/Pro	rtment)	unty Auditor's Office)		
ATTAC	CHMENTS	ENTS Legal Description, Site Map, Photographs, Executive Summary of Phase I Environmental Site Assessment, Letter from Theodore T. Anderson Executive Director – Land Bank of Kansas City, Missouri					
REVIE	W		Michele Newman		Date: 2-//-/5 Date:		
		Division Manager:			Date: 2 - 1 2 -	15	
		County Counselor's Off	fice:		Date:		
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	Funds suffic	fficient for this expenditure will be/were appropriated by Ordinance #					
	Funds sufficient for this appropriation are available from the source indicated below.						
	Account No	umber:	Account Title:	Amour	nt Not to Exceed:		
K-3	funds for spe	cific purchases will, of n	nd does not obligate Jackson ecessity, be determined as e	ach using agency		of	

## **Legal Description for 2522 Chestnut:**

Lot 24 and the East ½ of vacated alley west of and adjoining, and Lot 25 and the East ½ of vacated alley west of and adjoining, Block 4, PROSPECT PARK, a subdivision in Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri.

Subject to restrictions, reservations, easements and covenants, if any, of record.



### 2522 Chestnut – (0.16 acres)







#### PHASE I ENVIRONMENTAL SITE ASSESSMENT

2522 Chestnut Avenue Kansas City, MO 64127

Prepared For:

Jackson County Parks and Recreation 22807 Woods Chapel Road Blue Springs, Missouri 64015

Prepared By:

Kansas City Testing & Engineering, LLC 1308 Adams Street Kansas City, Kansas 66103 (913) 321-8100

December 15, 2014



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#### 1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

A Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (Phase I ESA) was performed for the subject property, which is described as one currently vacant property lot, adjoined by residential land in all cardinal directions, located at 2522 Chestnut Avenue in Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri. Generally, the property is located approximately 290 feet north of the intersection of East 26<sup>th</sup> Street and Chestnut Avenue in Kansas City, Missouri. The ESA was performed to identify recognized environmental conditions (REC) associated with the subject property, and consisted of a site reconnaissance, interviews and a review of available information in connection with the property and nearby properties. The term REC means the presence or likely presence of any hazardous substances or petroleum products in, on, or at a property: (1) due to any release to the environment; (2) under conditions indicative of a release to the environment; or (3) under conditions that pose a material threat of a future release to the environment.

Visual Reconnaissance – The subject property was visited by Mr. Andrew Michael of Kansas City Testing & Engineering, LLC (KCTE) on December 9, 2014. The purpose of the site reconnaissance was to note visual evidence of recognized environmental conditions, and consisted of walking and observation of the subject property and surrounding sites. During the reconnaissance, no evidence of hazardous materials or petroleum products thought to be considered a REC to the subject property was observed. No evidence of any REC was identified during the visual reconnaissance. More detailed information regarding the site reconnaissance portion of this report can be found in Section 6.0.

Historical Information – Based upon a review of appropriate documents and information provided by the current owner, the subject property has historically been developed since as early as 1909. Sometime between 1896 and 1909, the subject property transitioned from being undeveloped land to a developed residential property. The subject property remained residential in use from as early as 1909 through sometime between 1963 and 1969. In 1969, Jackson County, Missouri purchased the property for the purpose of establishing a vest-pocket park, which is a small park that is accessible to the general public, frequently created on a single vacant building lot, which provides greenery, a place to sit outdoors and sometimes a playground or another recreational use. In 1980, Jackson County Parks and Recreation received an Urban Parks and Recreation Recovery grant to rehabilitate this vest-pocket park. From that grant, park benches were added for the public to enjoy and a half-court basketball court with one hoop was installed. In the mid-1990s, with declining population and housing units in the area, the neighbors in that area asked that the park be closed because of the type of people it attracted and the activities taking place. While the benches and the concrete basketball slab remain, since the mid-1990s the subject property has been considered vacant land and no longer has the designation as a park. At the current time, the subject property remains vacant and serves no specific purpose to the current owner, Jackson County, Missouri.

Database Onsite and Off Site – A current review of regulatory databases found that the subject property was not listed in any of the databases examined for this report. In total, there were 19 identified database listings for facilities that could be mapped within the search radius, as well as 13 database listings for "non-geocoded" or "orphan" facilities that, because of poor or inadequate address information, could not be mapped. Upon review of the available resources acquired by KCTE in regards to these facilities, it has been determined that none of these sites poses a REC to the subject property. These sites are detailed further in Section 5.0 of this report.

**Evaluation** - KCTE has performed a Phase I ESA in accordance with the requirements of the All Appropriate Inquiries Rule, established by the USEPA and set forth in 40 C.F.R. Part 312, the ASTM Standard Practice for Environmental Site Assessments: Phase I for Environmental Site Assessments Process, Designation E 1527-13, for the subject property which is described as one vacant property lot located within a residential area at the address of 2522 Chestnut Avenue in Kansas City, Jackson County, Missouri. Any exceptions to, or deletions from, this practice are described in Sections 2.3 and 9.0 of this report.

This assessment has revealed no evidence of recognized environmental conditions in connection with the subject property.

The summary presented above is general in nature and should not be considered apart from the entire text of the report, with all the qualifications and considerations mentioned therein. Details of our evaluation and recommendations are discussed in the following sections and in the appendices of this report.



### LAND BANK OF KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

4900 Swope Parkway, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor Kansas City, Missouri 64130

December 18, 2014

Jackson County Parks and Recreation Mark A. Trosen, Deputy Director 22807 Woods Chapel Road Blue Springs, MO 64015

Re:

County park at 2522 Chestnut

Dear Mark:

Thanks to you and Ed Stoll for your continued work on this property. As I recall its been a couple of months since Ed called and asked if the land Bank of Kansas City, Missouri would take a donation of this piece of Jackson County land. Since then I have put that question to our Board. They voted for taking allowing me to take the donation, as long as there was a clean Phase One environmental study done on the property prior to the conveyance.

The Phase One has been completed by KC Testing. It recommends no further testing be done and is a "clean" report to my satisfaction. It is my understanding the County will soon consider a resolution to grant that property to the City. Please assure your legislature that we are ready, willing and able to accept the property.

I also want to thank you and Ed for your professionalism and diligence in seeing this through. Please call if I can be of further assistance.

Sincerely.

Theodore T. Anderson Executive Director

**Howard Townsend** 

STAFF