

Brook Creek Neighborhood Association
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The Brook Creek Breeze

The Newsletter of the
Brook Creek
Neighborhood Association

Spring 2019

Neighborhood Events

April

- 3 BCNA Meeting, 7:00 p.m., East Lawrence Rec. Center
Guest: Derek Rogers
- 27 Brook Creek Park Clean-up
10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

May

- 1 BCNA Meeting, 7:00 p.m., East Lawrence Rec. Center
Guest: Police Chief Burns

June

- 1 Prairie Block Structure ribbon cutting

Join your Neighbors for the Annual Clean-Up

Our annual park and trail clean-up is **April 27!** We will meet at Brook Creek Park at 10 a.m. Gloves, trash bags and snacks will be provided. The trail spans several neighborhoods, we welcome all help. If you want to work on an area of the trail that is farther away feel free to contact the coordinator at brookcreekna@gmail.com in advance to get trash bags. Trash bags can be left next to existing bins along the trail or in the park. Thanks for helping us keep our parks and trails beautiful!

Prairie Block at Burroughs Creek Park Update

On March 13, construction drawings for the playground shade structure were stamped and submitted to the Planning Dept. for permitting. Kudos to Planner Amy Miller who gave advice on expediting the permit, Mark Hecker at Parks and Rec who reviewed everything and made it official, and Westar's Green Team and Struct | Restruct for going above-and-beyond for Prairie Block. The design and drawing work represents several hundred hours of donated time by the KU architecture students and their professor Keith Van de Riet for Burroughs Creek Park.

The team is currently seeking old/recycled metal street signs such as stop signs, yield signs, green street signs, etc. for the shade structure. If you have any to donate or know where to (legally) get some, please email community liaison Suzan at suzanhampton@gmail.com. Thanks!

Save the Date

Come Celebrate June 1! Fifteen environmental and trails nonprofits will host art and nature activities, tours, and talks at Burroughs Creek Park to celebrate National Prairie/Trails Day and the ribbon-cutting for the new shade structure, just in time for summer. We're working on bands now, and Mayor Larsen will walk or bike with Brook Creek, East Lawrence, and Barker neighbors from Hobbs Park to Burroughs Creek Park for the ribbon-cutting. All are welcome to join in: more details to come.

If you have ideas for bands or food trucks or have general feedback, please like the Prairie Block Facebook page and tell us! The page is at: <https://www.facebook.com/Prairie-Block-328644767744798>.

Image of structure pictured inside

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13th Street Bicycle Boulevard Demonstration Intersection

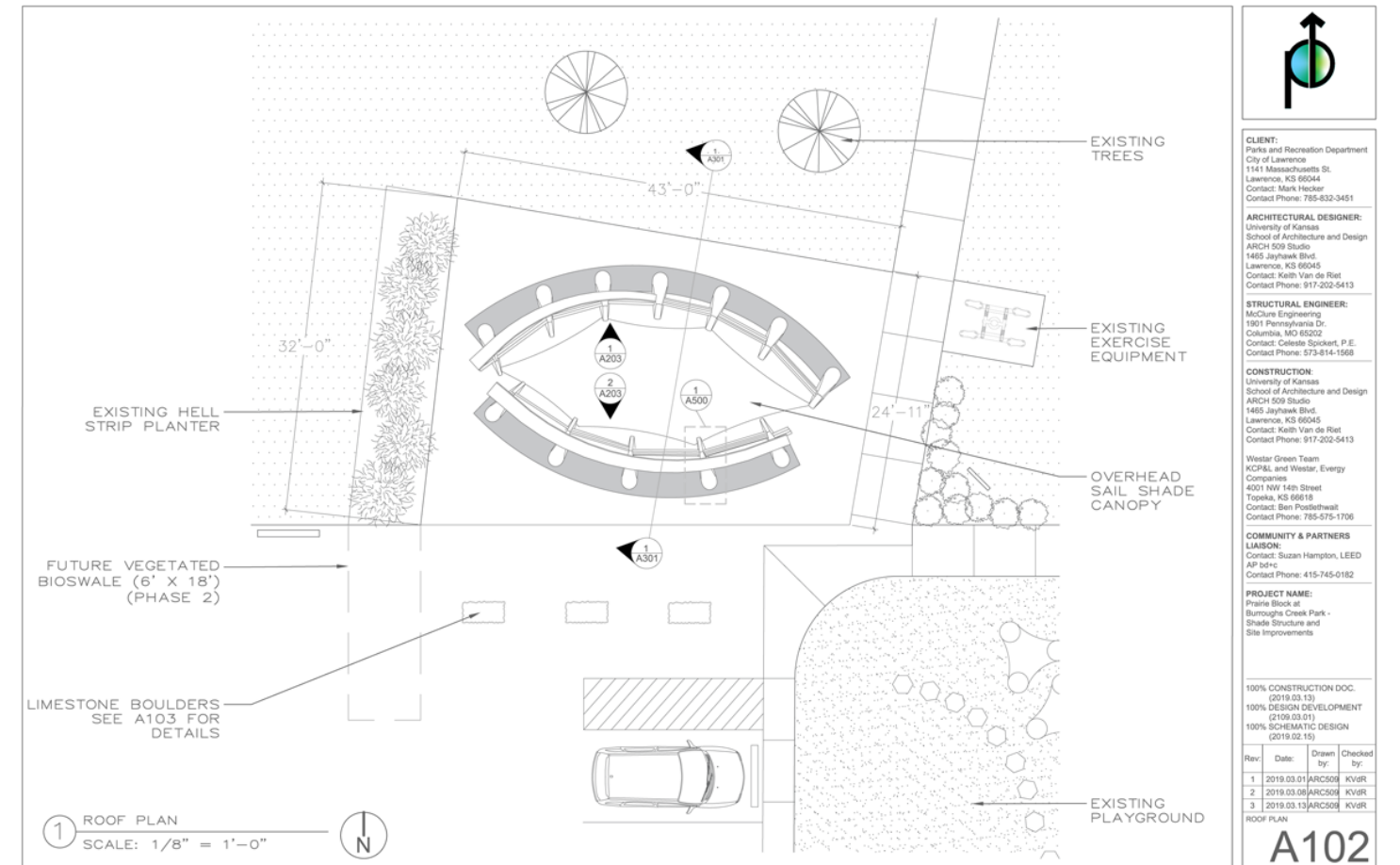
13th St. from Haskell to Massachusetts is one of four bicycle boulevards that were identified in the 2016 Pedestrian Bicycle Issues Task Force Report, as part of the priority bikeway network. The east part of 13th St. near Haskell Ave. is in Brook Creek Neighborhood. To allow residents an opportunity to provide feedback on possible project design, the City installed a temporary bicycle and traffic configuration at 13th and Connecticut St. This temporary "pop-up" was in place for two weeks to test potential long-term design.

There have been three open houses for community members to learn about the design concepts and share thoughts with project staff about the temporary "pop-up" demonstration. And there was a Lawrence Listens survey, with the results now available at <https://lawrenceks.org/lawrence-listens/>.

Bicycle boulevards are streets designed to provide a comfortable experience for cyclists of all ages and abilities, by creating a safe low-speed and low-volume roadway where cyclists share the street with motor vehicles.

The Transportation Commission approved the 13th and 21st St. bicycle boulevards at their meeting on April 2, 2018. The Lawrence City Commission approved the plan on May 15, 2018. "The Transportation Commission is committed to supporting the community's vision for safe and comfortable bikeways while building a culture around active transportation and healthy lifestyles," said Steve Evans, chair of the Transportation Commission.

For more info, contact Amanda Sahin, City Traffic Engineer at asahin@lawrenceks.org, or Jessica Mortinger, City Transportation Planner at jmortinger@lawrenceks.org.



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