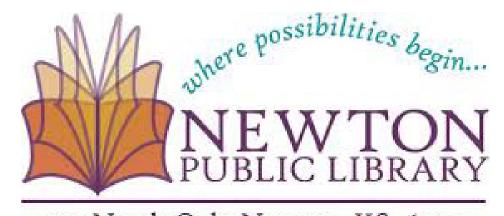
NEWTON PUBLIC LIBRARY SITE SELECTION

(TEST FITS)



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12. Ability to accommodate drive-up services

7. Surrounding use/what is next to the library

5. Close to new residential development

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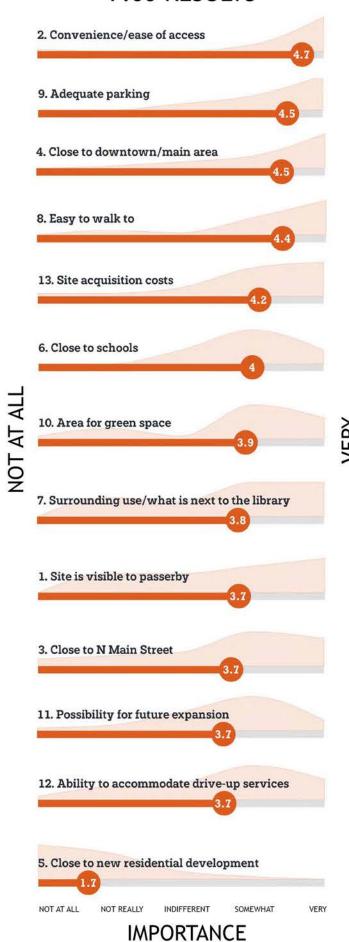
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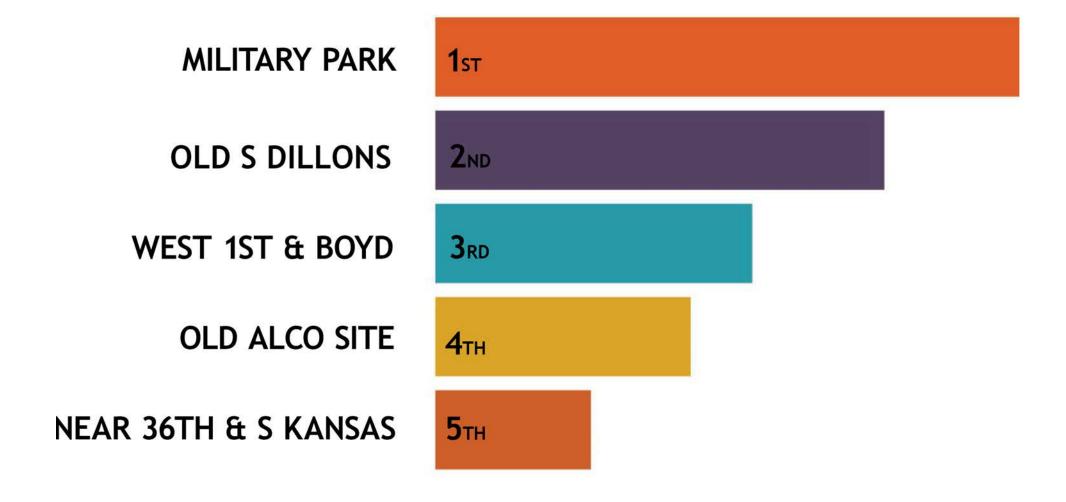


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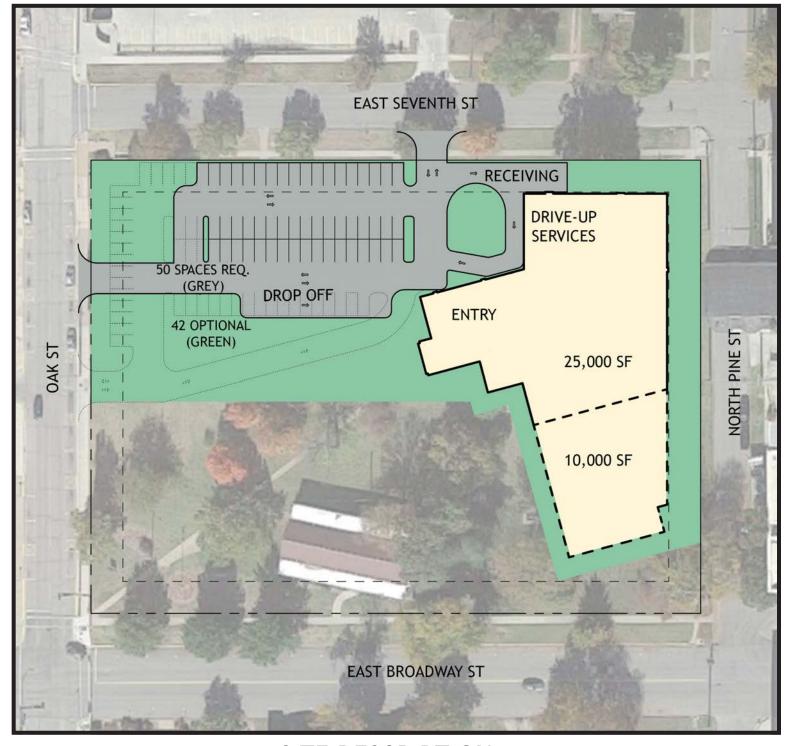


COMMUNITY INPUT MEETING RESULTS

SITE RANKINGS



MILITARY PARK (EXISTING LIBRARY)





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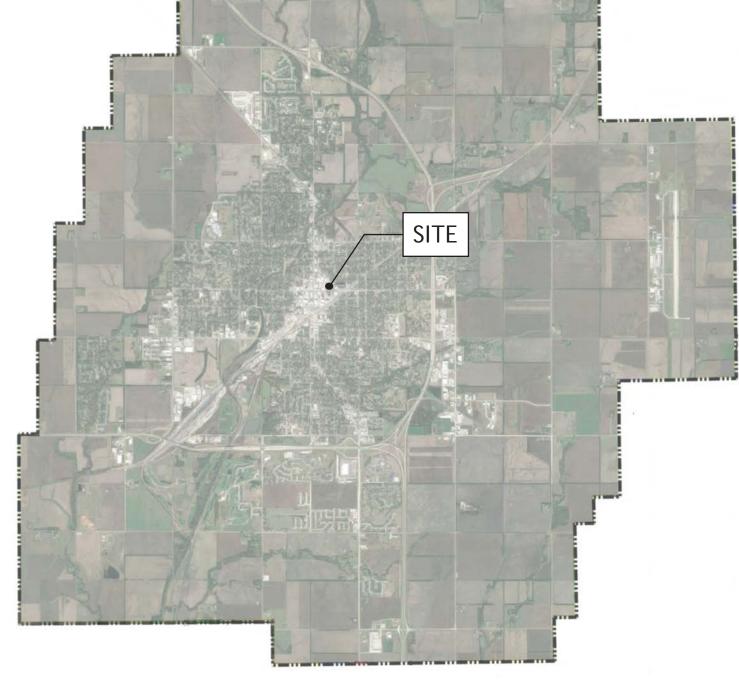
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BUILDING HEIGHT: 1 STORY

PARKING SPACES: 50 (50 REQ. FOR 25,000 SF, 70 REQ. FOR 35,000 SF)

LOCATION: CENTER OF NEWTON (NORTH OF TRAIN TRACKS)

SITE ASSESSED COST: \$0







NE PERSPECTIVE





MILITARY PARK (EXISTING LIBRARY)

PROS

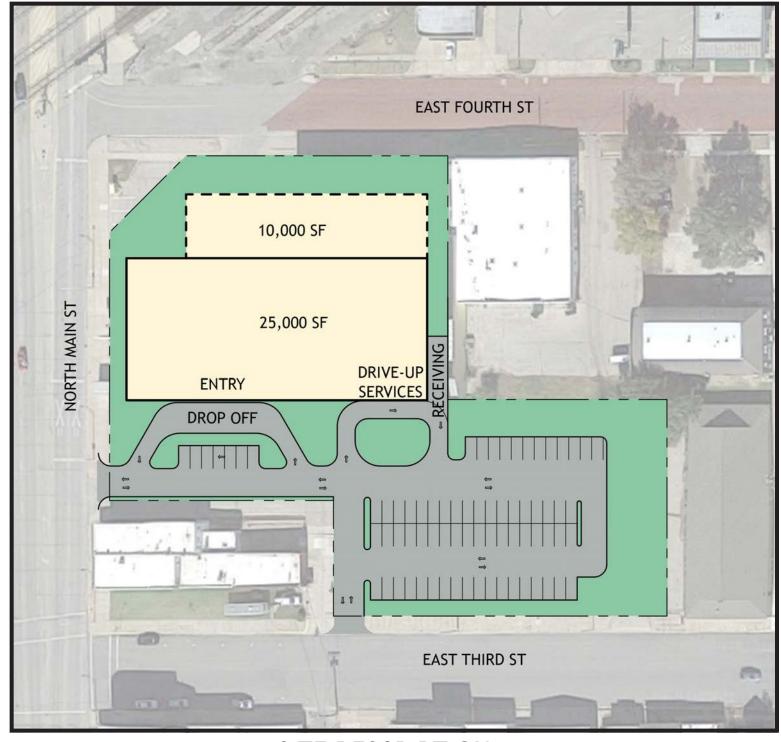
- CITY OWNS THE PROPERTY
- FAMILIAR LOCATION
- MULTIPLE POINTS OF SITE ENTRY / CONVENIENT DROP-OFF AND BOOK DROP
- PARKING CAN BE SHARED WITH OTHER PUBLIC AGENCIES, ADDITIONAL PARKING WILL BE A BIG AMENITY FOR THIS AREA
- ST. MARY'S, COOPER, AND SANTA FE KIDS WILL HAVE CLOSE ACCESS TO THE LIBRARY
- ALONG ENTRYWAY TO DOWNTOWN
- SURROUNDING SITES HAVE COMPLIMENTARY USES TO THE LIBRARY
- PARK IS A NICE AMENITY FOR OUTDOOR LIBRARY PROGRAMMING SPACE
- NEW LIBRARY WOULD ENHANCE PARK USE & VICE VERSA
- ADJACENT TO HUTCHINSON COMMUNITY COLLEGE
- ROOM FOR FUTURE LIBRARY EXPANSION
- TRAIN PAVILION STAYS WHERE IT IS CURRENTLY LOCATED
- SITE ALLOWS FOR EFFICIENT PARKING AND BUILDING LAYOUT
- EXISTING LIBRARY CAN REMAIN IN USE WHILE NEW BUILDING IS UNDER CONSTRUCTION
- WALKABLE TO CORE DOWNTOWN AREA

- DEMO OF EXISTING BUILDINGS
- WILL TAKE UP SOME GREEN SPACE IN PARK
- WILL LOSE SOME TREES
- NEAR BUT NOT ADJACENT TO TRAIN TRACKS

- 1. SITE IS VISIBLE TO PASSERBY
- 2. **CONVENIENCE / EASE OF ACCESS**
- 3. CLOSE TO N MAIN ST
- 4. CLOSE TO DOWNTOWN / CORE AREA
- 5. CLOSE TO NEW RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT
- 6. CLOSE TO SCHOOLS
- 7. SURROUNDING USE / WHAT IS NEXT TO THE LIBRARY
- 8. **EASY TO WALK TO**
- 9. **ADEQUATE PARKING**
- 10. AREA FOR GREEN SPACE
- 11. POSSIBILITY FOR FUTURE EXPANSION
- 12.

 ABILITY TO ACCOMMODATE DRIVE-UP SERVICES
- 13. NO SITE ACQUISITION COSTS

OLD S DILLONS (320 N MAIN)





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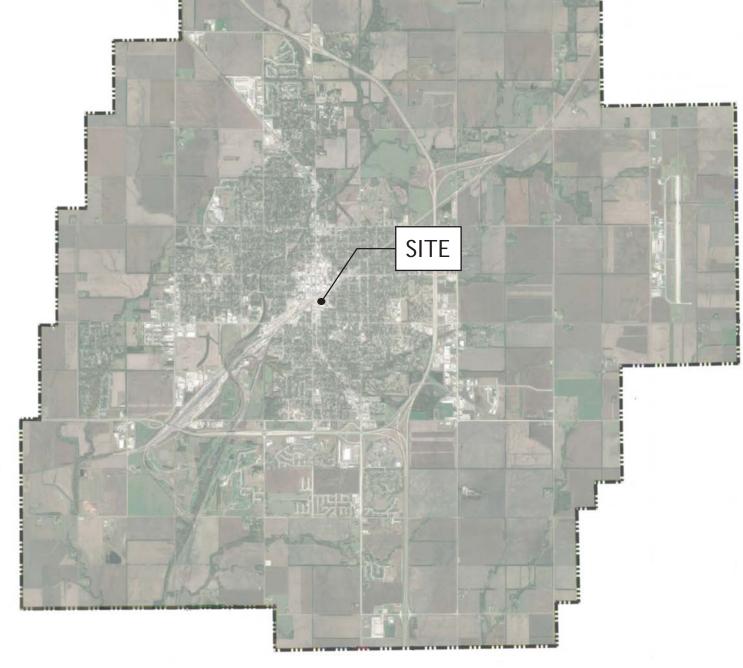
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BUILDING HEIGHT: 1 STORY

PARKING SPACES: 73 (50 REQ. FOR 25,000 SF, 70. REQ FOR 35,000 SF)

LOCATION: CENTER OF NEWTON (SOUTH OF TRAIN TRACKS)

SITE ASSESSED COST: \$0











OLD S DILLONS (320 N MAIN)

PROS

- CITY OWNS THE PROPERTY
- CITY ALREADY PLANS TO DEMO THE EXISTING BUILDING
- MULTIPLE POINTS OF SITE ENTRY / CONVENIENT DROP-OFF AND BOOK DROP
- GREAT CURB APPEAL OPPORTUNITY / FRONT DOOR TO DOWNTOWN
- WALKABLE TO THE CORE DOWNTOWN AREA
- ADDITIONAL PARKING FOR DOWNTOWN
- SOIL CONTAMINATION CLEAN-UP WILL OCCUR BY BNSF
- ROOM FOR FUTURE EXPANSION
- BRINGS SOME GREEN SPACE INTO THE DOWNTOWN AREA

- ADJACENT TO THE TRAIN TRACKS
- REDUCED ACCESS WHEN TRAFFIC BACKS UP DUE TO THE TRAIN
- HIGH VOLUME OF TRAFFIC ON N MAIN, ADDITIONAL ACCESS OFF OF E THIRD
- NOT LOCATED NEAR DOWNTOWN SCHOOLS
- MINIMAL GREENSPACE / MINIMAL OPPORTUNITY FOR OUTDOOR PROGRAMMING
- BUILDING ON THE NE CORNER OF MAIN & SW 3RD WILL REMAIN

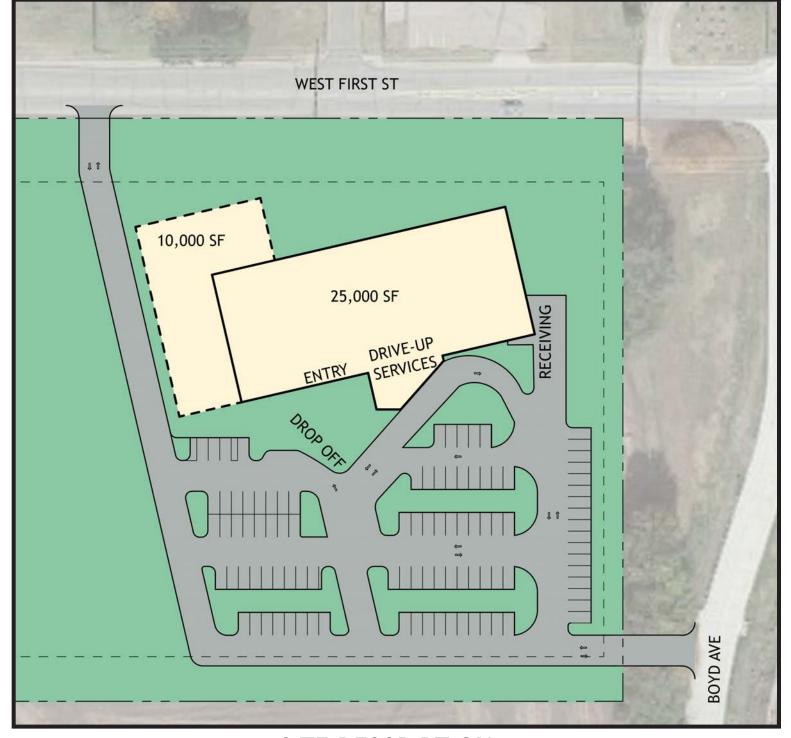
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- 5. CLOSE TO NEW RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT
- 6.

 CLOSE TO SCHOOLS
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- 9. **ADEQUATE PARKING**
- 10.

 AREA FOR GREEN SPACE
- 11. POSSIBILITY FOR FUTURE EXPANSION
- 12.

 ABILITY TO ACCOMMODATE DRIVE-UP SERVICES
- 13. NO SITE ACQUISITION COSTS

WEST 1ST & BOYD









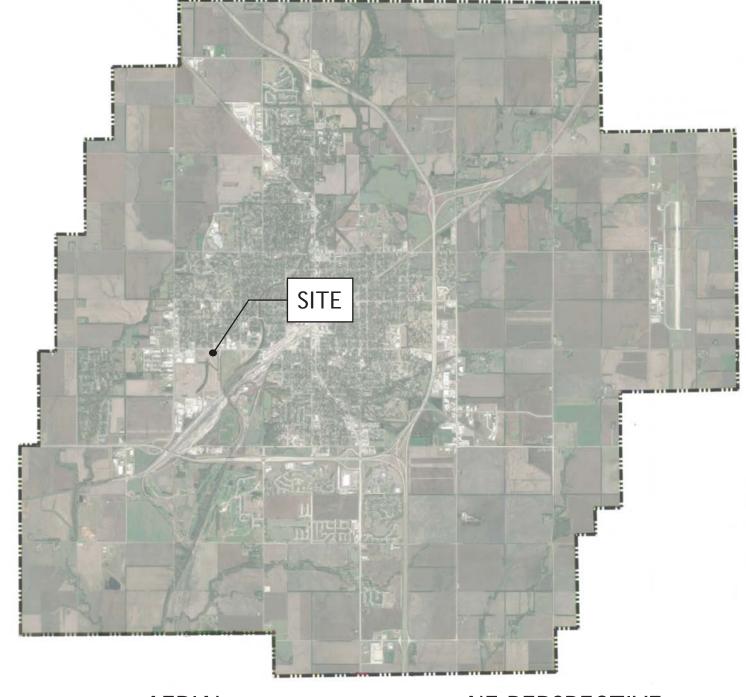
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BUILDING SIZE: 25,000 SF (10,000 SF EXPANSION)

BUILDING HEIGHT: 1 STORY

PARKING SPACES: 99 (50 REQ. FOR 25,000 SF,

70 REQ. FOR 35,000 SF)
LOCATION: WEST NEWTON
SITE ASSESSED COST: \$0









WEST 1ST & BOYD

PROS

- CITY OWNS THE PROPERTY
- MULTIPLE POINTS OF SITE ENTRY / CONVENIENT DROP-OFF AND BOOK DROP
- GOOD ACCESS FOR TRAFFIC
- SITE ALLOWS FOR EFFICIENT PARKING AND BUILDING LAYOUT
- LARGE SITE WITH ROOM FOR OUTDOOR SPACE AND FUTURE EXPANSION
- NEAR ATHLETIC PARK
- STRONG ANCHOR FOR DEVELOPMENT ON THE WEST SIDE

- WITHIN WALKING DISTANCE TO ONLY THE WEST SIDE OF TOWN
- NOT LOCATED NEAR ANY SCHOOLS
- CLOSE BUT NOT IMMEDIATELY NEAR THE DOWNTOWN AREA, SITE NOT VISIBLE FROM MAIN ST
- DEVELOPMENT SPACE IS LARGE ENOUGH TO REQUIRE STORM WATER QUANTITY & QUALITY BMP'S

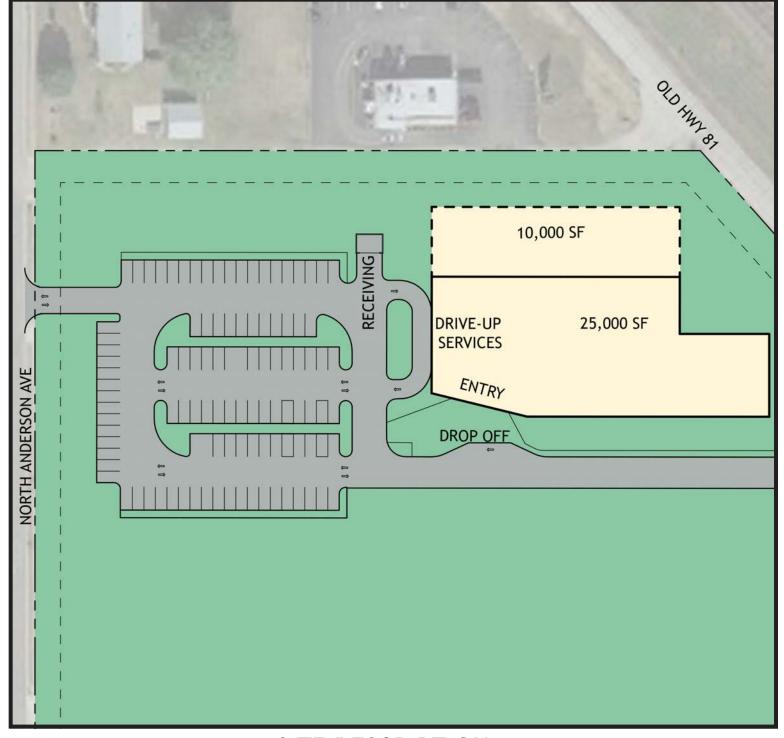
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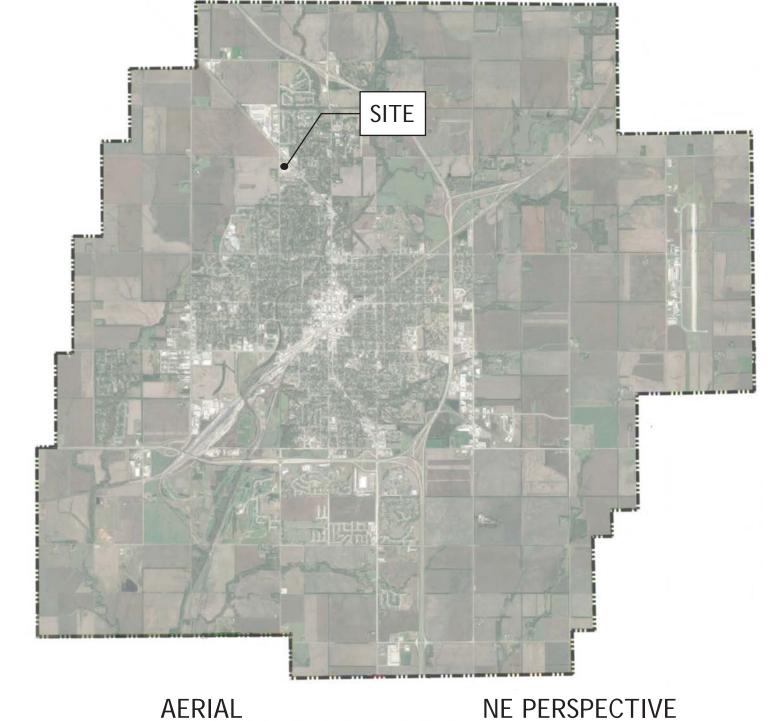
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 ABILITY TO ACCOMMODATE DRIVE-UP SERVICES
- 13. NO SITE ACQUISITION COSTS

OLD ALCO SITE (OLD HIGHWAY 81)





SITE DESCRIPTION





ZONING: C-2

BUILDING SIZE: 25,000 SF (10,000 SF EXPANSION)

BUILDING HEIGHT: 1 STORY

PARKING SPACES: 100 (50 REQ. FOR 25,000 SF,

70 REQ. FOR 35,000 SF)
LOCATION: NORTH NEWTON
SITE ASSESSED COST: \$90,400





OLD ALCO SITE (OLD HIGHWAY 81)

PROS

- LARGE SITE WITH ROOM FOR OUTDOOR SPACE AND FUTURE EXPANSION
- MULTIPLE POINTS OF SITE ENTRY / CONVENIENT DROP-OFF AND BOOK DROP
- GOOD TRAFFIC ACCESS
- STRONG CONNECTION BETWEEN NEWTON AND NORTH NEWTON
- CLOSE TO BETHEL COLLEGE AND NORTHRIDGE SCHOOL
- BUILDING HERE WOULD IMPROVE A BARREN SITE

- PRIVATELY OWNED
- WILL HAVE COSTS TO DEMO EXISTING SITE PAVEMENT & BUILDING FOOTINGS IF STILL INTACT
- WITHIN WALKING DISTANCE OF THE NORTH SIDE ONLY
- NOT NEAR ANY OTHER COMMUNITY DESTINATIONS
- DEVELOPMENT SPACE IS LARGE ENOUGH TO REQUIRE STORM WATER QUANTITY & QUALITY BMP'S
- REMOVED FROM THE DOWNTOWN AREA, SITE NOT VISIBLE FROM MAIN ST

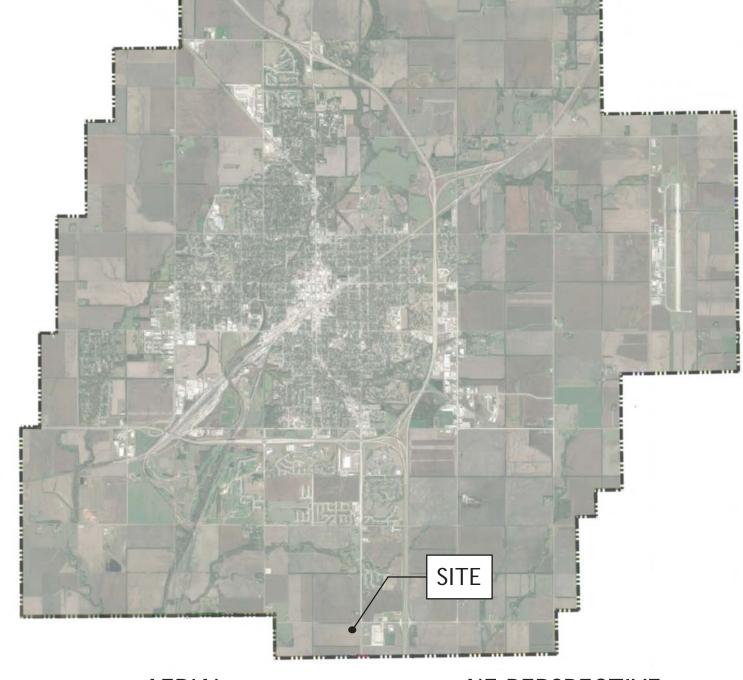
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 EASY TO WALK TO
- 9. **ADEQUATE PARKING**
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- 12.

 ABILITY TO ACCOMMODATE DRIVE-UP SERVICES
- 13. NO SITE ACQUISITION COSTS

NEAR 36TH & S KANSAS (SITE A)





AERIAL





SITE DESCRIPTION

ZONING: C-2

BUILDING SIZE: 25,000 SF (10,000 SF EXPANSION)

BUILDING HEIGHT: 1 STORY

PARKING SPACES: 99 (50 REQ. FOR 25,000 SF,

70 REQ. FOR 35,000 SF)
LOCATION: SOUTH NEWTON
SITE ASSESSED COST: \$49,040





NEAR 36TH & S KANSAS (SITE A)

PROS

- LARGE SITE WITH ROOM FOR OUTDOOR SPACE AND FUTURE EXPANSION
- IN THE GROWTH PATH OF NEWTON
- GOOD ACCESS OFF OF I-135
- COULD BE A TRAFFIC GENERATOR FOR THE SOUTH SIDE OF TOWN ENCOURAGING DEVELOPMENT
- SITE ALREADY OWNED BY THE COUNTY WHICH MIGHT FACILITATE PURCHASE

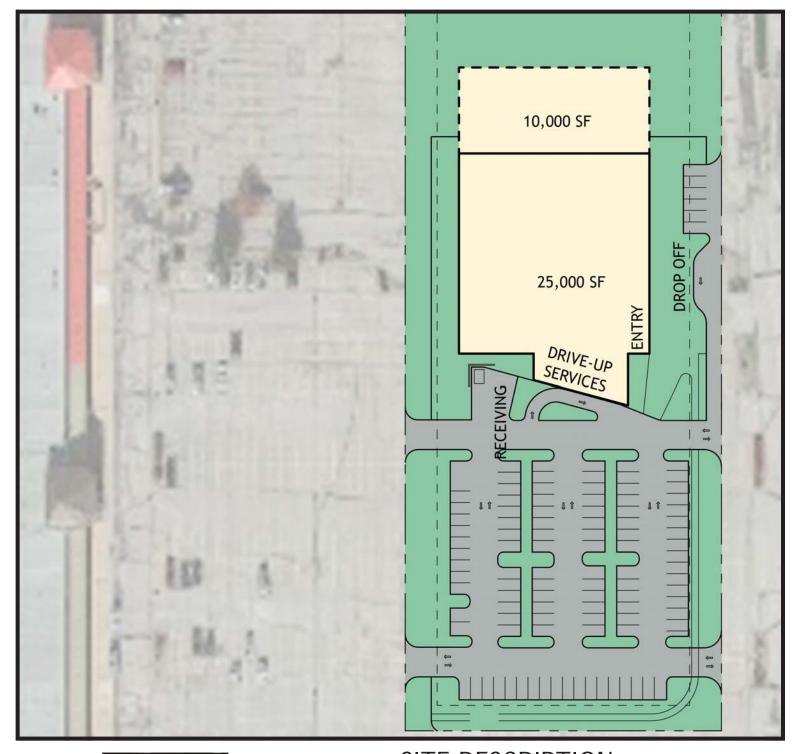
- NOT OWNED BY THE CITY REQUIRES PURCHASE
- ONLY WITHIN WALKING DISTANCE OF THEATERS
- NOT LOCATED NEAR ANY SCHOOLS
- FAR FROM THE CORE OF NEWTON
- REMOVED FROM THE DOWNTOWN AREA, SITE NOT VISIBLE FROM MAIN ST
- OUTDOOR SPACE WOULD BE LOUD DUE TO HIGH VOLUME OF TRAFFIC
- COUNTY HAS A LONG-TERM PLAN TO MOVE FAIR GROUNDS TO THE SITE
- SURROUNDING AREA IS NOT AESTHETICALLY PLEASING
- DEVELOPMENT SPACE IS LARGE ENOUGH TO REQUIRE STORM WATER QUANTITY & QUALITY BMP'S

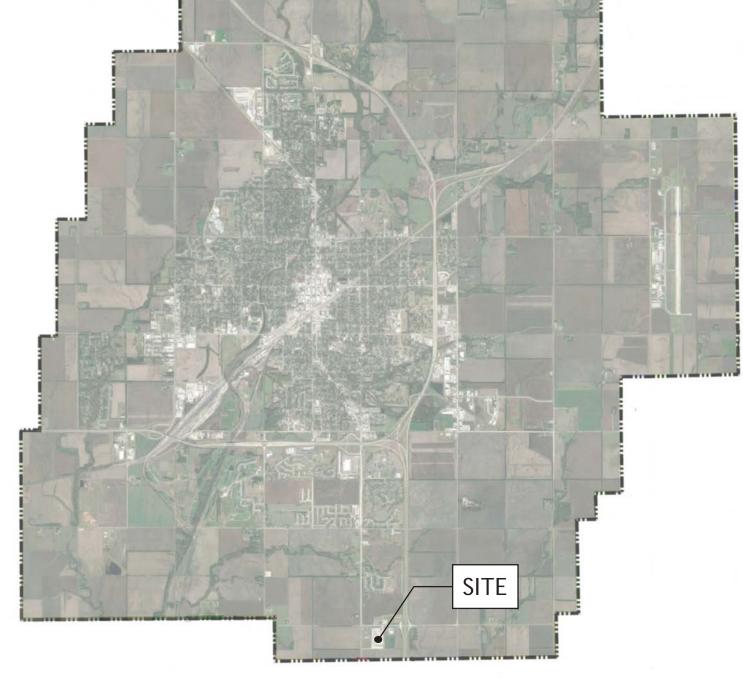
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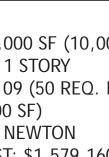
NEAR 36TH & S KANSAS (SITE B)





AERIAL

NE PERSPECTIVE



SITE DESCRIPTION



BUILDING SIZE: 25,000 SF (10,000 SF EXPANSION)

BUILDING HEIGHT: 1 STORY

PARKING SPACES: 109 (50 REQ. FOR 25,000 SF,

70 REQ. FOR 35,000 SF) LOCATION: SOUTH NEWTON

SITE ASSESSED COST: \$1,579,160 (ENTIRE MALL PROPERTY)





NEAR 36TH & S KANSAS (SITE B)

PROS

- LARGE SITE WITH ROOM FOR OUTDOOR SPACE AND FUTURE EXPANSION
- IN THE GROWTH PATH OF NEWTON
- GOOD ACCESS OFF OF I-135
- COULD BE A TRAFFIC GENERATOR FOR THE SOUTH SIDE OF TOWN ENCOURAGING DEVELOPMENT
- WOULD IMPROVE AREA AND AESTHETICS OF THE MALL

- PRIVATELY OWNED PROPERTY
- ONLY WITHIN WALKING DISTANCE OF THEATERS
- NOT LOCATED NEAR ANY SCHOOLS
- LOCATED FAR FROM THE CORE OF NEWTON
- REMOVED FROM THE DOWNTOWN AREA, SITE NOT VISIBLE FROM MAIN ST
- OUTDOOR SPACE WOULD BE LOUD DUE TO HIGH VOLUME OF TRAFFIC
- IN THE MIDDLE OF THE MALL PARKING LOT (LIBRARY DOES NOT HAVE ITS OWN IDENTITY)
- SURROUNDING AREA IS NOT AESTHETICALLY PLEASING

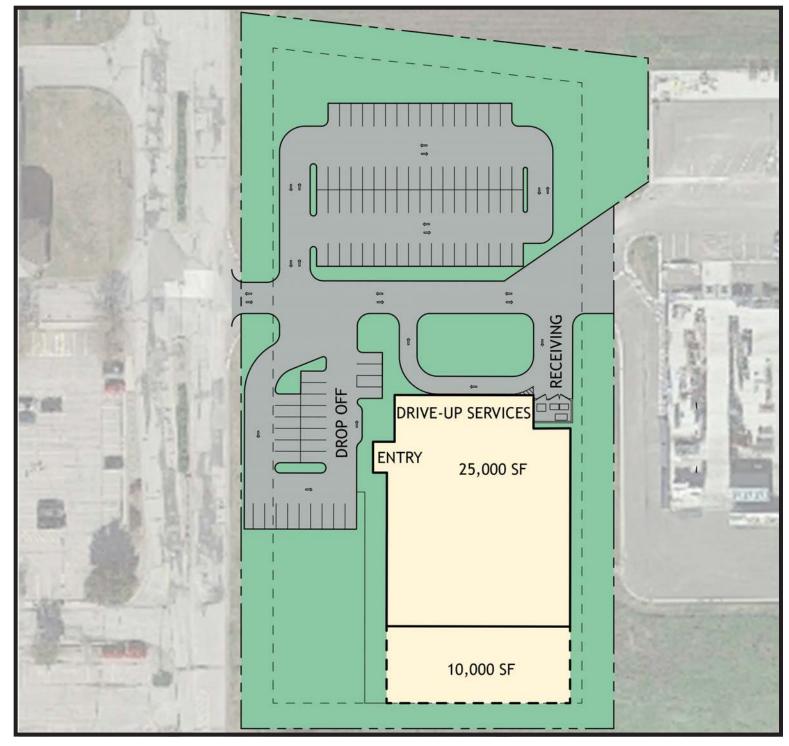
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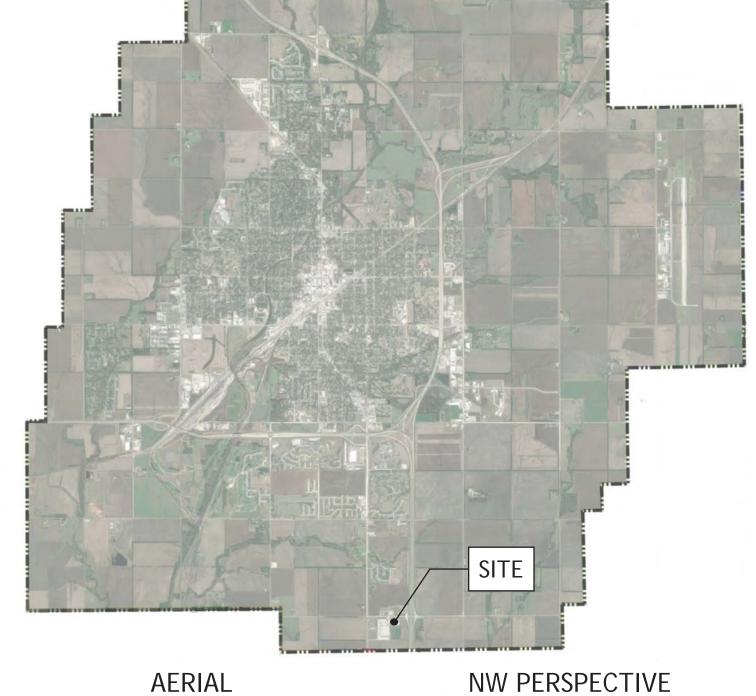
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 EASY TO WALK TO
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- 12.

 ABILITY TO ACCOMMODATE DRIVE-UP SERVICES
- 13. NO SITE ACQUISITION COSTS

NEAR 36TH & S KANSAS (SITE C)





SITE DESCRIPTION

BUILDING SIZE: 25,000 SF (10,000 SF EXPANSION)

BUILDING HEIGHT: 1 STORY

PARKING SPACES: 97 (50 REQ. FOR 25,000 SF, 70 REQ. FOR 35,000 SF)

LOCATION: SOUTH NEWTON SITE ASSESSED COST: \$36,260





ZONING: V

NEAR 36TH & S KANSAS (SITE C)

PROS

- LARGE SITE WITH ROOM FOR OUTDOOR SPACE AND FUTURE EXPANSION
- IN THE GROWTH PATH OF NEWTON
- GOOD ACCESS OFF OF I-135
- COULD BE A TRAFFIC GENERATOR FOR THE SOUTH SIDE OF TOWN ENCOURAGING DEVELOPMENT
- PRIVATELY OWNED PROPERTY
- ONLY WITHIN WALKING DISTANCE OF THEATERS
- NOT LOCATED NEAR ANY SCHOOLS
- LOCATED FAR FROM THE CORE OF NEWTON
- REMOVED FROM THE DOWNTOWN AREA, SITE NOT VISIBLE FROM MAIN ST
- OUTDOOR SPACE WOULD BE LOUD DUE TO HIGH VOLUME OF TRAFFIC
- DRIVE ACCESS FOR TRACTOR SUPPLY CO. IS THROUGH THE SITE
- COMBINING FOUR EXISTING SITES
- SURROUNDING USES ARE NOT IDEAL; FUNCTIONALLY AND AESTHETICALLY
- DEVELOPMENT SPACE IS LARGE ENOUGH TO REQUIRE STORM WATER QUANTITY & QUALITY BMP'S

- 1. SITE IS VISIBLE TO PASSERBY
- 2. **CONVENIENCE / EASE OF ACCESS**
- 3. CLOSE TO N MAIN ST
- 4. CLOSE TO DOWNTOWN / CORE AREA
- 5. CLOSE TO NEW RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT
- 6.

 CLOSE TO SCHOOLS
- 7. SURROUNDING USE / WHAT IS NEXT TO THE LIBRARY
- 8.

 EASY TO WALK TO
- 9. **ADEQUATE PARKING**
- 10. AREA FOR GREEN SPACE
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 ABILITY TO ACCOMMODATE DRIVE-UP SERVICES
- 13. NO SITE ACQUISITION COSTS

SOUTH OF ATHLETIC PARK





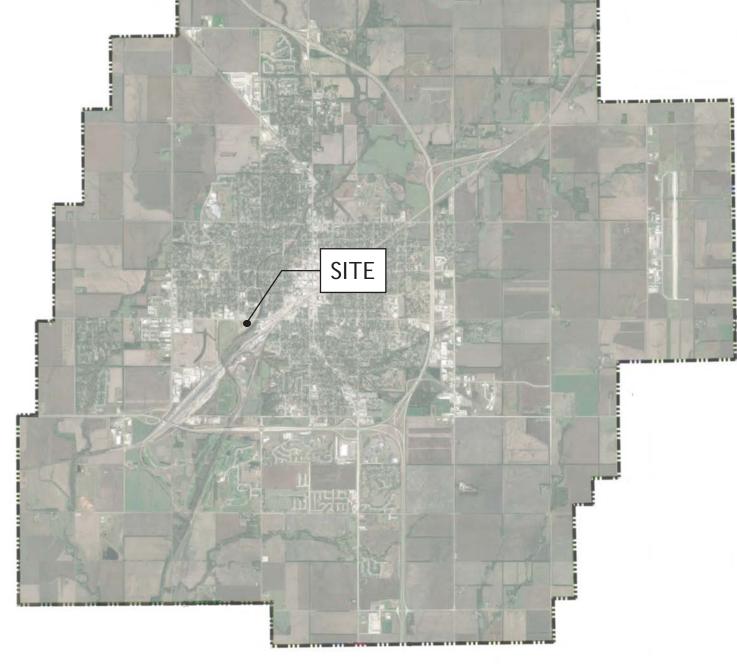
ZONING: R-S

BUILDING SIZE: 25,000 SF (10,000 SF EXPANSION)

BUILDING HEIGHT: 1 STORY

PARKING SPACES: 107 (50 REQ. FOR 25,000 SF, 70 REQ. FOR 35,000 SF)

LOCATION: WEST NEWTON SITE ASSESSED COST: \$0





NE PERSPECTIVE







SOUTH OF ATHLETIC PARK

PROS

- CITY OWNS THE PROPERTY
- LARGE SITE WITH ROOM FOR OUTDOOR SPACE AND FUTURE EXPANSION
- ALONG THE BIKE PATH
- ALONG SAND CREEK
- NICE TIE TO ATHLETIC PARK WHERE GOOD OUTDOOR SPACE EXISTS
- WOULD HELP PROVIDE ADDITIONAL PARKING TO ATHLETIC FIELDS ACROSS THE STREET
- SITE IS ELEVATED ABOVE THE FLOOD PLAIN

- DISPLACING CURRENT USE: CARNIVAL SPACE, OVERFLOW PARKING FOR EVENTS IN THE AREA INCLUDING TRUCK & TRAILER PARKING FOR THE RODEO, RV DUMPING AREA, PUBLIC RESTROOMS
- THERE IS A CURRENT LEASE WITH THE COUNTY WHO SUBLEASES TO THE FAIR BOARD FOR USE OF THE PROPERTY FOR RESTROOMS AND EVENTS LIKE THE CARNIVAL, PARK-ING, ETC.
- RELOCATE TORNADO SIREN
- ONLY ACCESS ON AND OFF WEST 1ST ST
- VIEW TO THE EAST NOT AESTHETICALLY PLEASING
- MAJOR UTILITY LINES RUN UNDER THE PROPERTY; WOULD BE EXPENSIVE TO REROUTE
- CLOSE BUT NOT IMMEDIATELY NEAR THE DOWNTOWN AREA, SITE NOT VISIBLE FROM MAIN ST
- DEVELOPMENT SPACE IS LARGE ENOUGH TO REQUIRE STORM WATER QUANTITY & QUALITY BMP'S

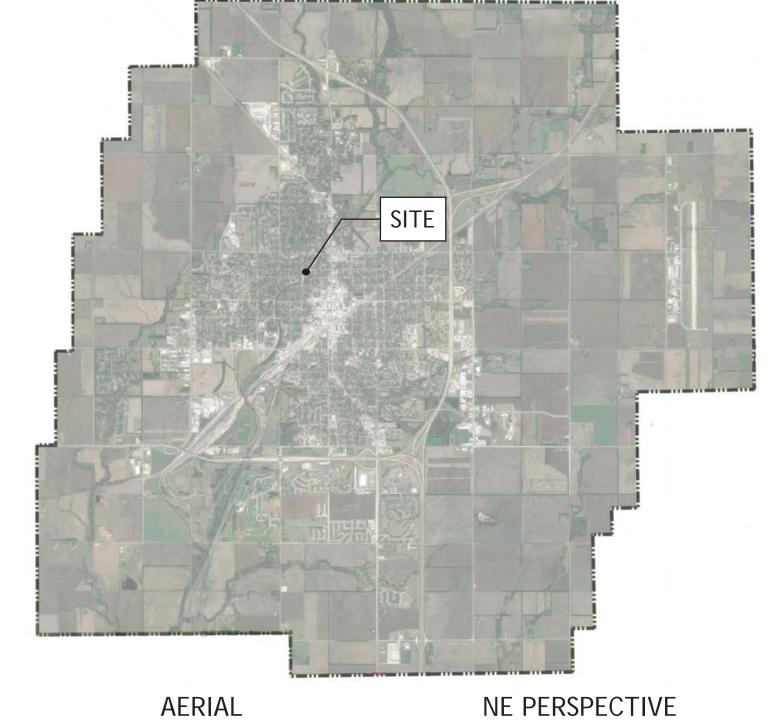
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 ABILITY TO ACCOMMODATE DRIVE-UP SERVICES
- 13. NO SITE ACQUISITION COSTS

ASH PARK





SITE DESCRIPTION

ZONING: R-1

BUILDING SIZE: 25,000 SF BUILDING HEIGHT: 1 STORY

PARKING SPACES: 50 (50 REQ. FOR 25,000 SF)

LOCATION: WEST NEWTON SITE ASSESSED COST: \$0







ASH PARK

PROS

- PARK IS A NICE AMENITY FOR OUTDOOR PROGRAMMING SPACE
- ALONG THE BIKE PATH
- MULTIPLE POINTS OF SITE ENTRY / CONVENIENT DROP-OFF AND BOOK DROP
- NEAR EXISTING PLAYGROUND
- ELEVATED ABOVE THE FLOOD PLAIN
- AESTHETICALLY PLEASING SURROUNDING AREA
- HAS GREAT TREES, SHOULD TRY TO SALVAGE

- LOSS OF PARK SPACE
- NO ROOM FOR FUTURE LIBRARY EXPANSION
- LARGE SCALE CONSTRUCTION IN A RESIDENTIAL AREA
- WOULD ELIMINATE A YOUTH BALL FIELD (CITY ALREADY HAS A NEED FOR MORE BALLFIELDS)
- LOSS OF PUBLIC RESTROOM
- CLOSE BUT NOT IMMEDIATELY NEAR THE DOWNTOWN AREA, SITE NOT VISIBLE FROM MAIN ST
- DEVELOPMENT SPACE IS LARGE ENOUGH TO REQUIRE STORM WATER QUANTITY & QUALITY BMP'S

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- 9. **ADEQUATE PARKING**
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ROOSEVELT PARK



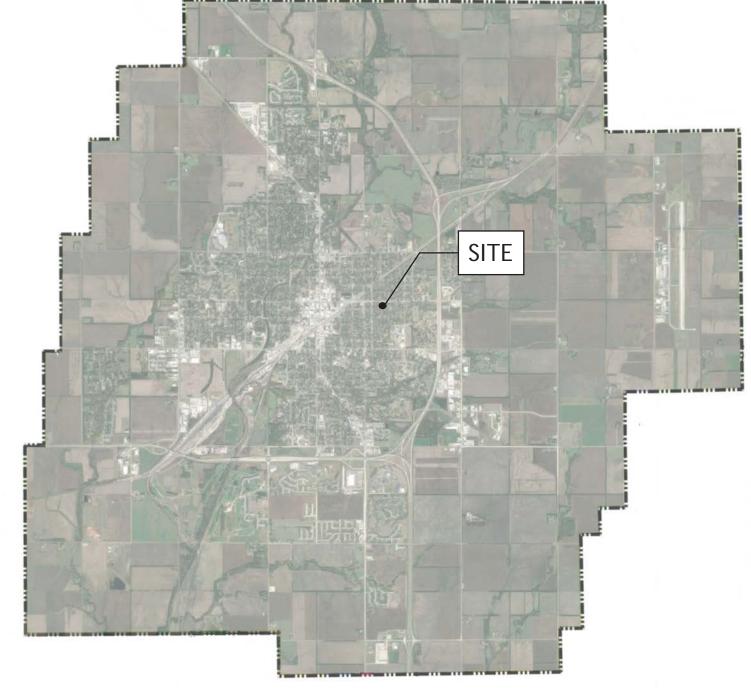


ZONING: N/A

BUILDING SIZE: 25,000 SF BUILDING HEIGHT: 1 STORY

PARKING SPACES: 50 (50 REQ. FOR 25,000 SF)

LOCATION: EAST NEWTON SITE ASSESSED COST: \$0



AERIAL

NW PERSPECTIVE







ROOSEVELT PARK

PROS

- PARK IS A NICE AMENITY FOR OUTDOOR LIBRARY PROGRAMMING SPACE
- NICE NEIGHBORHOOD SITE IF PLANNING MUCH SMALLER LIBRARY

- LOSS OF PARK SPACE
- ACCESS IS NOT GOOD FROM A TRAFFIC ENGINEERING STANDPOINT
- NO ROOM FOR FUTURE LIBRARY EXPANSION
- NEW LIBRARY WOULD BE OUT OF SCALE COMPARED TO SURROUNDING HOMES
- MINIMAL PARKING
- QUIET NEIGHBORHOOD, WHO HAVE BEEN OPPOSED TO DEVELOPMENT IN THE PAST
- DRIVE UP SERVICES ARE NOT IN AN IDEAL LAYOUT DUE TO SITE RESTRICTIONS
- USD GAVE THE SITE TO THE CITY FOR PARK USE
- SITE NOT VISIBLE FROM MAIN ST
- DEVELOPMENT SPACE IS LARGE ENOUGH TO REQUIRE STORM WATER QUANTITY & QUALITY BMP'S

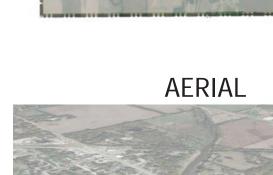
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- 11. POSSIBILITY FOR FUTURE EXPANSION
- 12.

 ABILITY TO ACCOMMODATE DRIVE-UP SERVICES
- 13. NO SITE ACQUISITION COSTS

OLD BLOCKBUSTER





SITE DESCRIPTION

ZONING: C

BUILDING SIZE: 25,000 SF BUILDING HEIGHT: 2 STORIES

PARKING SPACES: 51 (50 REQ. FOR 25,000 SF)

LOCATION: NORTH NEWTON SITE ASSESSED COST: \$887,820





SITE

OLD BLOCKBUSTER

PROS

- NEAR EXISTING GREEN SPACE AND SAND CREEK
- ALONG BIKE PATH
- HIGH VOLUME OF TRAFFIC ON N MAIN

- PRIVATELY OWNED PROPERTY
- DEMO OF EXISTING BUILDING
- MINIMAL PARKING
- SHARED SITE ACCESS WITH TACO BELL
- SMALL SITE REQUIRES A TWO STORY BUILDING, WITH NO ROOM FOR FUTURE EXPANSION
- COMMERCIAL AREA NOT IDEAL FOR CHILDREN
- HIGH VOLUME OF TRAFFIC ON N MAIN

- 1. SITE IS VISIBLE TO PASSERBY
- 2. CONVENIENCE / EASE OF ACCESS
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 CLOSE TO SCHOOLS
- 7. SURROUNDING USE / WHAT IS NEXT TO THE LIBRARY
- 8. **B** EASY TO WALK TO
- 9. **ADEQUATE PARKING**
- 10.

 AREA FOR GREEN SPACE
- 11. POSSIBILITY FOR FUTURE EXPANSION
- 12.

 ABILITY TO ACCOMMODATE DRIVE-UP SERVICES
- 13. NO SITE ACQUISITION COSTS

HBM ARCHITECTS RECOMMENDED SITE RANKINGS

HBM architects' findings are a result of discussions with the City/Library Committee, input from the community and our own professional review and considerations. Our recommendation to the City Council and the Library Board is that the Military Park site is the best suitable site for the new Newton Public Library.

The Library's connection with the community started with books and has expanded to be so much more. With the impact of technology and changing needs for how people interact and share, libraries are at an exciting crossroads. We know the library has gone from being book centric to people centric; from book storage centered to book use centered. Libraries are no longer places to only search and discover existing information but to generate information and create content in a variety of digital and physical forms. Libraries assist customers in pursuing and displaying their own ideas, concepts, and creative pursuits expressing themselves by creating films, animations, music, self-publishing, making 3-D objects, and provide hands-on learning for everything from cooking techniques and gardening to fitness and mindfulness. Libraries have continued to evolve and reinvent themselves to better serve, advance, and define their communities. Designing innovative and inspired spaces that can anticipate and adapt to changes in technology, community interests, service delivery methods, and needs will best position libraries for the future. A new Library situated near the Core Downtown area of Newton on a site with common civic importance will be of tremendous value to the citizens of Newton Kansas.

The Military Park site meets the 3 most important criteria (as ranked by community input) of convenience and ease of access, adequate parking and close to the downtown area. In fact, it meets all of the criteria established to the greatest degree with the exception of the criteria of being close to residential development. However, the criteria of being close to residential development was deemed of very little importance in the selection by community input. In addition, we believe building a new library on the Military Park site will enhance an already important core element in the City and in our opinion will improve access, use, and the beauty of Military Park. In the prior design a larger building was planned - planning at this time suggested a smaller initial building footprint which will allow more green space to remain as part of the park. This site is also right at the core of all current residential homesites which will allow the greatest of access to current and arguably future community members. Our decision was also based on the fact that many of the other sites lacked cohesion with the selection criteria in various ways and would produce a building and site layout that would be less than ideal.

SITE RANKINGS BY CRITERIA MET

1. MILITARY PARK	12/13
2. WEST 1ST & BOYD	9/13
3. OLD S DILLONS	9/13
4. SOUTH OF ATHLETIC PARK	9/13
5. ASH PARK	8/13
6. OLD ALCO SITE	7/13
7. ROOSEVELT PARK	7/13
8. NEAR 36TH & S KANSAS A	7/13
9. NEAR 36TH & S KANSAS B	5/13
10. NEAR 36TH & S KANSAS C	7/13
11. OLD BLOCKBUSTER	5/13

