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Parkville Economic Development Council

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Interview with the New City Administrator of Parkville:



Alexa Barton (AB) is the new City Administrator for the City of Parkville; she was selected by the Board of Alderman after an exhaustive executive search and started in February 2022. She agreed to be interviewed by Parkville EDC (PEDC) after her first 30 days in the role and to share her first impressions of the Status of the City and our future.

PEDC: Why Parkville? AB:, I grew up in the Kansas City region and have spent my entire life and career in the area...I previously lived in Clay County for over 20 years, and I know what a gem the Northland is. Looking across the county line, Parkville has always been a

charming, quaint, and neighborly community. Simply put, it doesn't disappoint. The city has great amenities and the community cares what happens here-it is home. Couple that with the growth, redevelopment, and natural surroundings, and when asked "why Parkville" my answer is: a city with great character and community outreach and participation? Yes, count me in!

PEDC: What was the first month like in Parkville?

AB: When first coming to a city, I've been learning the city projects, which ones are ours, how are we helping and what can we do to assist-whether that is as a constituent, builder, developer, or utility company. Blending those meetings with learning the area and getting to know the team members of Parkville has been a lot of fun. If there's one thing I want to share, and I think citizens already know, the employees in Parkville are all extremely capable, professional, talented, and committed. I am absolutely amazed at how a small team is accomplishing such a vast amount of work. The best part, they are as excited as the citizens with each project, improvement, and redevelopment area. Whether they've been here 30

days or 30 years, they all love what they do! With that approach there is a great deal of success and synergy to accomplish projects that lie ahead!"

PEDC: Overall goals for this first year?

AB: At this moment, completing Phase 2 of Highway 9 improvements and pursuing funding for Phase 3. Also, the importance of connecting with the community and familiarizing myself, networking, as well as understanding the inner workings, with city departments and in the community.

PEDC: What are your goals to support economic growth in Parkville?

AB: "I have discovered in my short time here that Parkville is extremely business friendly; however, we do not market ourselves accordingly. I think it is very important for the community; whether that is citizens, constituents, or business community, we let them know that Parkville is interested in quality redevelopment and continuation of superior amenities and services, and Parkville are here ready to help with these endeavors. Parkville sells itself because all it has to offer-from its historic roots to the continued efforts to retain the community's attractive, historic and natural charm, there is a great appreciation to embrace new opportunities to enhance commerce and economic activity. Let me just share, I am ready to roll up my sleeves and pitch in to make Parkville the best it can be. I am looking forward to meeting and working together to make it a reality."

I want to thank our new City Administrator for her time and all the great insights and for her candor of her new position and what she has shared gives me great hope for the future of economic development and our partnership into the future.

2022 Economic Development updates:

Highway 9 Improvements:

- Phase 1
 - Approximately \$3.5 Million Investment
 - Walking trail installed on East side of Highway 9
 - Sidewalk installed on West side of Highway 9
 - Completion Spring of 2022
- Phase 2
 - From where to where?
 - Start goal
 - Amenities in this phase



6th @ Park Development:

- 54,000 sq ft mixed use building
- 90% of apartments are leased
- \$10 million invested



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Creekside Development:

- Since 2019, \$250 Million Invested
- 470 Households built
- 40,000 sqft of retail
- New developments breaking ground: Wells Bank, Taco Bell, Liquor Store, Mixed Use, Capital Electric
- 2022 baseball season has begun
- Hotel to be complete by mid-April 2022

To learn more about this wonderful development please check out the website:

<https://creeksideparkville.com/>

Apex Development:

- Two retail locations
 - Fast Food location has completed their due diligence process and will be submitting plans to the city in April
 - 6,000-8,000 sq ft retail space still available for development on eastside of development

Redevelopment in Parkville:

Parkville Commons:

- New restaurant to open soon
- They have completed the demolition of the existing décor and will begin construction on the improvements soon.

Downtown Parkville Chapter 353:

- 8 buildings in Downtown have either completed their renovations or currently starting renovations.
- Estimated \$3 million invested in Downtown
- Preserved the character of Parkville while enhancing the experience of visitors and residents

Pipeline Properties:

45 Highway Properties:

Northland Auto Repair

- Dairy Queen has been approved for this location
- With a goal of completion before end of this year



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Village on the Green:

- Over 200 units of rental housing
- Rents estimated at \$1,400 to \$3,400 a month
- Will have an activity center for residents

KC Cattle Company:

- New Wagyu beef
- Retail and distribution site
- Phase 2 will be a restaurant

VFW Development:

- New location will meet The National building guidelines
- Built to provide better service to the community and with the opportunity to grow

2021-2022 Parkville Economic Development Board

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the entire Board of Directors for their support and guidance through my first year here in Parkville. This is a great community, and I am proud to work with community leaders and developers to enhance the quality of life here in Parkville, MO.

2022 Parkville Elections:

April 5, 2022 Elections

Please mark your calendars and vote on April 5th for the candidates of your choice.

General Municipal Election Candidate

Mayor <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Jason Sears• Dean Katerndahl• Andrew Barchers• Emily Boulllear	Ward 3 Alderman <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Stephen Melton
Ward 1 Alderman <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tina Welch• Nick Casale	Ward 4 Alderman <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Michael Lee
Ward 2 Alderman <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bob Bennett	Municipal Judge <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Kevin D. Humiston

Names of candidates listed in the order in which they filed.