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### What's Next for One North?

Following a recent City Council meeting, a comprehensive article was written about the future of North Kansas City’s “One North” (aka the Armour Road Redevelopment Area) by Thomas Friestad with the Kansas City Business Journal. Here is a link to that article. [NKC plans RFPs for mixed-use One North's remaining parcels - Kansas City Business Journal](#)



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North Kansas City is seeking new developers for the remaining 13.6 acres of developable land in the 64-acre One North project southeast of Interstates 29/35 and Armour Road. Four land parcels, between 1.1 and 6.8 acres, are left within what until recent years was envisioned as [a \\$217.5 million mixed-use development](#). You can see the areas marked 3, 4, 6 and 7 on the map above. Interested developers should respond to the City's RFP which will be issued soon. You will be able to find it on the City's website [www.nkc.org](http://www.nkc.org)

Although not part of the original master developer's scope, Meierotto Jewelers is the most conspicuous occupant of the One North area. Other businesses in One North include the Aloft and Element Hotels, the Diamond Conference Center, the Backyard Apartments, the Ora Apartments, Starbucks, Burger King and an office building housing Orthopedic Health of Kansas City and Kansas City Urology Care.

### **North Kansas City Hospital/Meritas Health is now “NKC Health”**

In a special announcement meeting Thursday morning, June 12th, CEO and President Dr Steven Reintjes proudly announced “NKC Health” as the new brand name for North Kansas City Hospital and Meritas Health. Here are Dr Reintjes' comments:

I am so excited to share that beginning today, North Kansas City Hospital and Meritas Health will be united as one brand, **NKC Health™**. Our new brand is more than a name or a logo — it's a promise. It signifies a renewed commitment to delivering an exceptional experience for every patient, family and community member we serve. We invite you to take a look at our new brand. Please see the attached document for our press release, FAQs, logo information and our brand anthem video. We appreciate your partnership as we move forward as a unified health system.



## **New Business Council member *Unlock KC***

A most unusual new business called “unlock KC,” which claims to be “Your premier destination for interactive group games,” has a special event on Friday, June 27. Click on the website link below to learn more about the creative new business that former NKC School District educators Jessica Thomas and Katie Pospisil have created. [Unlock KC | Customizable, Mobile Escape Room Games](#)

## **Updated information about the KC Royals choosing North Kansas City**

A decision by the KC Royals about a new stadium site is still unknown. But one of the obstacles for enabling a site in Missouri was removed when the Missouri legislature passed a bill during a special session to authorize major funding support for a professional athletic team to build a stadium in Missouri.

This was considered to be vital in order to compete with incentives that the State of Kansas can offer. Here is a comment from our state senator Maggie Nurrenbern: “The Senate ultimately voted 19-13 in favor of the stadium funding bill in the early morning hours of June 5. The House took up the bills on June 11 and voted 90-58 to pass the stadium bill.”

Previously, the Missouri legislature had approved a bill sponsored by Senator Nurrenbern enabling Clay County to create a sports authority to be able to handle the details of working with a professional sports team.

## **It’s “Ribbon-Cutting” season at new North Kansas City investments**

On May 29<sup>th</sup> the North Kansas City Business Council helped celebrate the opening of **The Commons at Cinder Block**, 110 E 18<sup>th</sup> Ave, [The Commons | Cinder Block Brewery](#) with a ribbon-cutting and on June 11<sup>th</sup> helped **Blume NKC** with a ribbon cutting. <https://www.blumenkc.com/>

On June 17<sup>th</sup> at 1 p.m. the North Kansas City Business Council will welcome the “official” opening of the **23<sup>rd</sup> & Swift Apartments**. [23rd & Swift Apartments in North Kansas City, Missouri](#) Please feel free to come join the celebration.

## **North Kansas City’s Mayor Jesse Smith featured at June 26<sup>th</sup> luncheon**

As part of a very deliberate attempt to make important North Kansas City news more transparent, new Mayor Jesse Smith [Jesse D. Smith | Facebook](#) will be the featured presenter at the North Kansas City Business Council’s June 26 luncheon at the North Kansas City Parks & Recreation Center. Attendees will also hear about recent progress for the Northland Workforce Development Center and how it is going to have a great positive impact on Northland career seekers and Northland employers.

You can register and pay at this link: [2025 June Membership Luncheon: Mayor Jesse Smith - Jun 26, 2025](#)

### **Friday in the Park, June 20<sup>th</sup>**

Hula Hali O' Kiakahi will bring music and dance from the Hawaiian Islands to Friday in the Park on June 20<sup>th</sup> at North Kansas City's Festival Pavilion in Macken Park from 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM. All concerts are free and open to the public, and every event features a drawing for prizes donated by local businesses. There is plenty of parking, playgrounds, restrooms and the park is completely handicap accessible. Sponsored by the City of North Kansas City.

For more information, visit our web site at [www.nkc.org](http://www.nkc.org) or contact City Hall at 274-6000

### **Commercial Space available at 10th and Swift**

The retail or office space next to Burlington Northtown Community Credit Union at 1000 Swift is available for lease. It features finished office space with ample parking and the convenience of being only 2 blocks away from Burlington and the Heart of America bridge. Contact BNCCU President Rich Galloway at [rgalloway@bnccu.org](mailto:rgalloway@bnccu.org) or (816) 474-5610 if you are interested.

### **North Kansas City Business Council Events**

· **Monthly Membership Luncheon, Thursday, June 26<sup>th</sup>** at North Kansas City Parks & Recreation Center, 1201 Clark Ferguson Drive featuring North Kansas City Mayor Jesse Smith. Beginning at 11:30 a.m. Register and pay at this link: [Purchase Tickets](#)

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**Note: *Only North Kansas City Business Council member businesses will be featured in these enewsletters, although the distribution goes to ALL businesses to get more attention for the featured businesses. Whenever any member business is mentioned, I will also include the website address of that business so readers can inquire further about your business if they are interested.***

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