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Unique dog park on its way to the riverfront



Dog lovers across the Kansas City area will soon have a unique hangout where their four-legged friends are welcomed guests. Port KC is partnering with local Kansas City developer Bear Bishop LLC to build a dog park, bar and coffeehouse called "[Bar K](#)" at Berkley Riverfront.

Bar K will feature a two-acre dog park with large and small dog play areas, as well as a bar, restaurant and coffeehouse. In keeping with the riverfront location, the bar and coffeehouse will be built in a modern/industrial style using repurposed shipping containers. The dog park will have all-weather seating areas, and it will be staffed at all times with trained Bar K employees so customers won't have to worry about their pets if they want to step inside for a drink or a healthy bite to eat.

Bar K hosted a "Pup-Up" party on July 10 on the proposed location to kick off its [crowdfunding](#) campaign. It was very successful with about 500 people and 300 dogs in attendance.

Berkley Courts grand opening



With the Missouri River to the north and the Kansas City skyline to the south, around 200 people enjoyed beautiful views while playing volleyball at the grand opening of Berkley Courts on Sunday, July 31st. There are six brand new sand volleyball courts on the eastern edge of Berkley Riverfront Park, with future plans to include kickball fields and space for leisure sports. The area also includes LED lights to allow for evening play and plenty of room for parking.

Port KC built the courts in partnership with [KC Crew](#), a thriving local recreational sports league operator. The goal for both organizations is to meet the growing demand and for more places to play near downtown. KC Crew's fall volleyball leagues will make frequent use of the courts. There is the potential for 48 teams playing per night, which significantly increases KC Crew's opportunity for play from the previous 8 to 14 teams per night.

A busy year on the Missouri River

It has been a busy year for commercial river traffic on the Missouri River, with this year's volume already surpassing last year's totals. At its peak this spring, The Port of Kansas City



its peak this spring, the Port of Kansas City-Woodswether Terminal loaded approximately 15 to 20 trucks of fertilizer per day. So far this year, there have been over 20 barges accounting for over 30,000 tons of fertilizer moving into the Kansas City region.

Local shippers are also taking advantage of competitive freight rates generated by the terminal. Recently, the Kansas City area loaded ten barges for destinations along the Mississippi River. Central Plains Cement/Eagle Materials shipped 9,000 tons of Portland cement dinker from their terminal in Blue Springs, and Arthur Daniels Midland (ADM) shipped 12,000 tons of grain from their KCK terminal. ADM is predicting

increased volumes for fertilizer for the Port of Kansas City over the next several months.



DCGF grants second loan

Improvements are coming to a Kansas City area school district! A second loan has been granted from the Diversified Contractors Growth Fund (DCGF). This loan will go to [Caedmon Construction and Electrical Co.](#) DCGF is a unique financing program that allows Port KC and its partner [AltCap](#) to provide financial, educational and training resources to certified minority and women owned contractors (MBE/WBE/DBE).

Funds loaned for this project will be utilized for school renovations in the Hickman Mills School District. Caedmon Construction and Electrical Co. will be installing new electrical systems into the Ruskin High and Freshman Center schools.

The goal of DCGF is to build the capacity of Kansas City minority and women owned contractors to maximize their participation in building the Kansas City region. For general information on the fund, please visit [this web page](#) or contact Zoraya Rowlands at 816-559-3722 or by [email](#).

PCI Auctions Midwest moves to Richards-Gebaur

Port KC would like to welcome PCI Auctions Midwest to its new facility at the Richards-Gebaur Commerce Park. PCI is occupying over 12,000 square feet of office and industrial space for the next three years.



[PCI Auctions](#) is an online auction company with 14 branches nationwide. Their online auctions feature restaurant equipment, commercial and industrial equipment servicing the entire U.S market. They serve as a licensee; operating the Midwest division. Their Midwest auction house was formed 6 years ago with 4 full-time and 4 part-time representatives.

Port KC welcomes James Mulick



James Mulick is Port KC's Asset and Leasing Specialist. James oversees the ongoing operations and maintenance of Port KC's real estate assets. Additionally, he works with the team to formulate and implement long-range real estate management strategies.

He brings experience in asset management, financial reporting, underwriting, and work-outs on a wide range of commercial real estate. James has worked with a variety of investors including: banks, CMBS pools, life insurance companies, REITs, GSEs, and portfolio lenders. Prior to relocating back to the Kansas City area, he was most recently with PNC Real Estate in Chicago working on an origination team financing senior housing developments nationwide.

James received a Bachelor's degree in Real Estate and Finance from the University of Northern Iowa.

Properties available for lease at Richards-Gebaur

At Richards-Gebaur Commerce Park, tenants enjoy easy access to major highways and interstates including I-49, 29, 35, 70, 435 and 635.





Additionally, these properties benefit from inclusion in a foreign trade zone and class I freight rail service from Kansas City Southern.

One such property, located at 3500 E 155th St., is available for lease and includes the following:

- 31,601 sf industrial property available
- Grade level hangar building
- Outside storage suitable for variety of uses
- Lease rate \$2.00/sf net of utilities
- Can be leased with adjacent 5,540 sf building

For more information and a list of all properties available for lease at Richards-Gebaur please [click here](#). For any inquiries, please contact Mark Long, SIOR, CCIM, LEED AP, at m.long@ngzimmer.com or call 816-512-1011.

Like the new Berkley Riverfront Park page on Facebook



Berkley Riverfront Park now has a new official Facebook page! We invite you like [our page](#) for all the latest news on park events, photos and information on our beautiful park.

This 17 acre park is located on the southern bank of the Missouri River between the Heart of America Bridge and the Kit Bond Bridge, just north of downtown. The park opened to the public in March 1999. Previously a landfill for construction debris, it is now home to more than 300 trees, sand volleyball courts, biking and walking paths, and is the future site of Bar K. The park is the site of many events throughout the year, including Riverfest, 5Ks, weddings and concerts.

About Port KC

Port KC's mission is to foster the economic vitality of Kansas City, Mo., through transportation, trade, commerce and development.

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