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Stinson Represents KC NWSL in Lease Negotiations to Build the First Stadium for a Women's Sports Team

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Stinson LLP served as legal counsel to Kansas City NWSL, the city's women's professional soccer team, in the negotiation of a lease for property where the team will construct a new stadium. The proposed project is the first sports stadium developed primarily for the use of a women's professional team.

The team signed a 30-year lease, with options that can extend the term to 50 years, for the 7-acres of land owned by Port KC. The 11,000-seat stadium will be located at east end of the Berkley Riverfront and is expected to open in time for the 2024 season.

"From the beginning, our vision has been to create a player-first experience, and facilities for our team that match not only the elite level of these incredible athletes, but also the passionate support of the Kansas City metro and our fans," KC NWSL Co-Founder and Co-Owner Chris Long said in a team announcement. "We believe this significant investment and commitment will shape a stronger future for our entire region and our athletes."

Stinson attorneys involved in both matters include Dave Frantze, Rich Cook, Karl Phares and Chris Frantze.

As one of the leading real estate practices in the Midwest, the firm's Real Estate attorneys are known for their work on some of the nation's most innovative and prominent real estate projects across the full range of commercial, mixed-use, residential and public finance projects. *Midwest Real Estate News* ranked Stinson 3rd on the list of the "2020 Best of the Best" in real estate law.

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