

Spotlight on ... Christina Boveri

Meet Christina Boveri, 37, owner and broker for Boveri Realty Group. Her organization focuses on helping clients find the ideal urban dwelling, whether it's a loft, condo or apartment. The busy entrepreneur recently took a breath long enough to answer some questions for *Urban Living*.

Tell us about your current involvement in the downtown area.

Our company is solely focused on bringing people downtown to live, work and play. We cipher through more than 37 projects for clients and find them the perfect space. We work with about 20 buyers a week, who come to the urban core looking for a place to live. Some of our current projects include 1820 Washington Lofts, Walnut Triad at 41st Street and a Tranquility townhouse west of the Country Club Plaza. My next goal is to have an urban space resource center to provide information on all spaces in the urban core and educate people on the different districts in our city.

What's your favorite part of downtown Kansas City?

I don't think I could pick just one — every district is unique in its own way, and provides me with something different.

If you had unlimited power and money, how would you improve the downtown area?

I would bring the ballpark downtown

and build a light rail system to accommodate future transportation needs.

St. Louis has the Arch; San Antonio has the River Walk. What is Kansas City's trademark?

Barbecue, jazz and art.

If you were Donald Trump, what would you build downtown?

I would build a huge mixed-use development along the river.

How do you see downtown changing in the next 10 to 15 years?

I see a viable city where people are on the streets day and night. I envision sidewalk cafes, entertainment on the street and people walking from their loft or condo to work and other

venues. There will be an extensive streetscape and incredible new architecture.

Also, you'll be able to flag down a cab and not have to wait forever.

Where would you go in downtown Kansas City to:

Propose marriage? Top of Liberty Memorial at night.

Entertain a potential client? 1924 Main.

Unwind after a long day? Joe D's.

Celebrate your birthday? La Bodega.

See the best art? First Fridays in the Crossroads Arts District.

Have a killer pinot grigio? 12th and Baltimore.



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