UCAP ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES Urbana City Building – 2nd Floor Conference Room August 18, 2005

In Attendance:

Hayward Patterson
Samuel Johnson
Frankie Johnson
Mary Brooks
James Hayes, Jr.
Leonard Christmon
Faye Christmon
Demis Miles
Chris Lenoir Leech
Jane Wiles
Todd Peck
Laurel Prussing
Robert Lewis
Mike Bily

Assistant Chief Mike Bily called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

Hayward Patterson presented a check to the UCAP Committee for \$100.00 donated by CASS Security Company. The check will be given to Chief Adair to forward to the finance department with a request for the money to be placed in the UCAP account.

Todd Peck from the Urbana Park District reported that the playground equipment for King Park has been ordered. The old equipment will be removed in the next few weeks to ready the site for the installation of the new equipment on October 15, 2005. Todd also stated that the Park District has hired a consulting firm to provide direction to them for their new Strategic Plan. The Strategic Plan will consist of four specific areas of concern: Crystal Lake Park master plan, programs and events, neighborhood parks, and land acquisition. He also reported on vandalism at King Park during the last few weeks.

Mayor Prussing announced that a meeting was held recently in east Urbana to discuss concerns residents have regarding crime in the area and plans for a Neighborhood Watch program.

Alderman Lewis asked for recommendations regarding placement of signs where the new bike paths have been installed.

James Hayes reported that Sunset Drive has been completed and is quite an improvement to the neighborhood.

Assistant Chief Bily addressed questions from committee members regarding the influx of new residents from Chicago, St. Louis, and other areas, organizing a Neighborhood Watch program in the UCAP area, and other neighborhood concerns. Discussion followed.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: Karen Lowery UPD Secretary