UCAP ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

King School Library September 15, 2005

In Attendance:

Hayward Patterson Park District Director Vicki Mayes

Virginia Patterson Mayor Laurel Prussing Samuel Johnson Alderman Robert Lewis Pauline Walker Chief Eddie Adair

Melvin Peoples

Chief Adair called the meeting to order at 5:40 p.m.

Mayor Prussing reported that neighborhood meetings have been held in southeast and east Urbana recently to discuss concerns residents have regarding crime in the area and plans for Neighborhood Watch programs.

Urbana Park District Director Vicki Mayes asked for volunteers for the installation of new playground equipment at King Park on October 15, 2005 and updated committee members on future park plans.

Alderman Lewis announced there will be a meeting October 4, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. at King School to discuss problems dealing with parking, noise, and traffic in the neighborhood. Representatives from various City departments will be on hand to answer questions and help put together a plan to address these problems. He also stated that a meeting will be held on October 17, 2005 at 4:00 p.m. at the City of Champaign Council Chambers to discuss Social Security with State Representative Naomi Jakobsson. Alderman Lewis distributed an informational flyer regarding plans for a neighborhood market at 907 West Fairview Avenue. He asked committee members to evaluate the proposal, talk to neighbors, and let him know their opinions concerning the market.

Chief Adair reported that UPD is experiencing a staff shortage due to retirements, military duty, officer injuries, and administrative issues. Staffing should improve in the next few months since three new officers have completed PTI training and have entered the Field Training phase of training, two more officers are attending PTI at the present time, and three more officers will be hired in the coming weeks. Chief Adair addressed questions/concerns from committee members. Discussion followed.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: Karen Lowery Recording Secretary