UCAP ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES Urbana City Building – 2nd Floor Conference Room November 15, 2007

In Attendance:

Melvin Peeples
Samuel Johnson
Frankie Johnson
Vicki Mayes
Virginia Patterson
Hayward Patterson
Dorothy Carter

Barbara Lewis
Faye Christmon
Vicki Mayes
Tim Bartlett
Robert Lewis
Patrick Connolly

The meeting was called to order by Assistant Chief Patrick Connolly at 5:34 p.m.

Urbana Park District Director Vicki Mayes reported that the Park District has made an offer to purchase the house located at 911 N. Lincoln next to King Park. The purchase should be finalized in approximately six months. She also distributed a short report with the results of a recent Park District survey sent to Urbana residents. The report, "Highest Unmet Needs of Our Citizens for Urbana Park District Services" was reviewed with committee members. Vicki Mayes also announced that the Park Board has asked that a question be put on the February 2008 ballot requesting an increase in taxes by 25 cents per \$100 of assessed valuation to provide additional funds for the Urbana Park District.

Samuel Johnson asked if signs could be posted at King Park to allow cars to park for short periods to unload/load. He also expressed the need for basketball courts at King Park.

Alderman Robert Lewis reiterated the need for a collaborative effort by community groups to obtain a federal grant to build a Community Center. He stated that although federal funding is not available at this time, it may be available in the future. Mr. Lewis also reported on several other issues including the Urbana City Council's Historic Preservation Plan, proposals to build a home on the corner of Dublin and Goodwin and the sewer line replacement in the Dr. Ellis Subdivision.

Assistant Chief Connolly reported that he had contacted committee members with answers to their questions asked at the October 18, 2007 UCAP meeting. He then addressed questions/concerns from committee members. Discussion followed.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: Karen Lowery, Recording Secretary