

UCAP Advisory Committee Minutes
King School Library
May 17, 2018
(Final Meeting)

In Attendance:

Sam Johnson

Frankie Johnson

Clara Bright

Bill Gray, Public Works

John Schneider, Community Development

Lt. Joel Sanders, Police Department

Mayor Diane Marlin

Lt. Sanders called the meeting to order at 5:37 p.m.

Bill Gray of public works started by providing an update on MCORE, Project 1 to be completed by mid-August. Tentatively scheduled for 2019 is the start of the next piece on Green Street from Lincoln to Race Street, which will be a total rebuild as well. Another big project is the patching, milling and resurfacing on Lincoln Avenue from University to Green Street, as well as new ADA compatible ramps, and curbs and sidewalks repaired/replaced where needed. Springfield Avenue from Coler to Gregory will also be fixed and resurfaced. Bill then fielded questions and discussion followed.

John Schneider of community development began by discussing the neighborhood cleanup, which was successful. He reported staff acquired another abandoned properties program grant from the State, in order to clear abandoned properties. The annual action plan is in the final stage and going to council. There is a new build on Beslin. The developer is proceeding towards closing on the water company property. Aspen Court is planning for rehab and will start soon. He then discussed the Think Urbana program. Discussion ensued about parking issues on Beslin. John said he would ask parking enforcement to check that area. Discussion continued.

Lt. Sanders reported the year-end report is being prepared. He further reported crime is down, and the police department is fully staffed. Comments were made.

Mayor Marlin began by discussing the proposed budget, which was reduced by approximately \$500,000 and being presented to council on Monday. She was asked about the new CAO and reported that Carol Mitten would begin on June 4, 2018. Mayor Marlin spoke about upcoming developments in the city. She continued by reporting that a facilities needs study would be performed to evaluate the space needs for the City. She also spoke about the launch of the "What's in your Square?" survey to find out what people want in the area in and around Lincoln Square. She answered questions and discussion followed. Mayor Marlin finished by suggesting that the **UCAP** group merge with the **Mayor's Neighborhood Safety Task Force**, which meets quarterly or as needed. This group includes representatives from all the different neighborhoods in the city. Discussion followed, and members agreed to join with the Task Force.

Lt. Sanders fielded concerns from the members. Meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.