

UCAP Advisory Committee Minutes
King School
May 18, 2017

In Attendance:

Sam Johnson	Bill Gray, Public Works	Kara Dudek, Park District
Frankie Johnson	Tim Bartlett, Park District	Dep. Chief Bryant Seraphin
Clara Bright	Derek Liebert, Park District	Lt. Joel Sanders
Chris Marx, Community Development		

The meeting was called to order by Deputy Chief Bryant Seraphin at 5:33 p.m. He spoke briefly about the upcoming changes to the police department. He then advised Lt. Joel Sanders would be chairing the meeting.

Tim Bartlett from the Urbana Park District began by speaking about changes at the school districts where the playgrounds are being locked. He introduced Derek Liebert and Kara Dudek to discuss the options for the tennis courts at King Park. Derek began by speaking of the court maintenance schedule, reporting that King Park tennis courts are up for an update. Kara did some research on options for the courts and presented those options: tennis courts, Bankshot basketball, basketball only or tennis and basketball court combined. The children at King School were very excited about the Bankshot basketball option. Derek provided further information about upcoming locations for feedback about the options. He and Kara then fielded questions about the options. Tim and Derek spoke about upcoming park activities/events and improvements. Discussion followed.

Bill Gray from Public Works began by discussing project updates: two-year Green Street project, reconstruction of Airport Road, extending Lincoln Avenue one mile north to Olympian Drive, resurfacing Lincoln Avenue, resurfacing the underpass on Vine Street and also resurfacing Beardsley between Goodwin and Mathews. He continued by reporting new ADA sidewalks to be installed in the UCAP area and the re-stripping of Bradley Avenue. He was asked about the multi-use paths, so Bill reported that next year Cunningham Avenue will be resurfaced from Five Points to I-74 and there is a stretch by Kenyon north to Napleton Way where a multi-use path will be created. Also, next year there will be more resurfacing of Lincoln Avenue. Bill then listened to recommendations and fielded questions.

Chris Marx of Community Development reported that Libby Tyler was retiring and there will be some restructuring in that department. He then reported the "Life is a Cycle" event will be rescheduled to July 1st and the walking tour of historical homes in the City is rescheduled to May 27th due to poor weather expected for the weekend. Chris then spoke about the First Friday events in downtown Urbana. He spoke of the progress of Highland Green and of the new Panda Express restaurant coming on University Avenue. Chris received suggestions about the kinds of restaurants the residents would like to see in the area, including a Golden Corral and a sit down restaurant that serves catfish dinners.

Lt. Sanders provided updates about the police department and then allowed for public input and fielded questions/concerns.

Meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.