

October 01, 2012

**District V Advisory Board
Meeting Minutes**
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6:30 p.m.**

**Wichita Fire Station #21
2110 N. 135th St. W.**

The **District V Advisory Board Meeting** was held at 6:30 p.m. at Fire Station #21, 2110 N. 135th West In attendance were five (5) District Advisory Board members, four (4) staff and six (6) citizens with five (5) who signed in.

Members Present

Council Member Jeff Longwell
Joey Ellzey
Mike Greene
Mike Hill
Paul Truitt

Staff Present

Scott Wadle, Planning
Officer B. Haught, WPD-West
WFD
Megan Buckmaster, Neighborhood Services

Members Absent

Mike Bell
Claire Cervantes
Bryan Frye
Matt Hamm
Troy Palmer
Kelly Watkins

Guests

Lee Engler	1557 N. Shefferd
Mike Weitemeir	7818 Meadow Pall Ct.
Jane Byrnes	9500 Delano
Lyn Koster	9827 W. Tee Lane

Order of Business**Welcome from Councilmember Jeff Longwell**

The meeting was called to order at 6:32 p.m.

Approval of Minutes for September 10, 2012 **Motion was made to approve the minutes**
Motion passed 4-0.

Approval of Agenda for October 01, 2012 **Motion was made to approve the agenda.**
Motion passed 4-0.

Public Agenda

1. Scheduled items: No scheduled items

2. Off Agenda items: *No off agenda items presented*

Action: Receive and file.

Staff Presentations**3. WPD/Community Police Report**

Officer B. Haught, WPD, reported on beats 16, 17, 19, and 199 and District V Neighborhoods.

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- 16 Beat- 69% larcenies. Residential burglaries are down from August 13% to 2%. Special assignment on west Kellogg, Dugan shopping area.
- 17 Beat- 80 Part 1 crimes compared to 117 in August.
- 18 Beat- 74% larcenies
- 19 Beat- 82% larcenies
- 199 Beat- no stats given

Celebrating Safe Communities events on 10/2. District V has 12 parties planned. These numbers are lower than years past as this date is new to the community and may need a couple of years to get back to the larger numbers of events.

Mike Greene asked for a police beat map to reference at the next meeting.

Action: Receive and file.

4. Wichita Fire Department Report

WFD reported on District V statistics and other WFD information.

September fire reports: -Citywide- 14 fires. District V- 1 fire

Medical service calls- not reported

Service alarms- not reported

Overall alarms- not reported

OTHER: 135 participants from all over the country attended HOT training; 15 new fire recruits graduated; daylight savings time change in November- check working condition of your fire/ smoke alarms.

Action: Receive and file.

New Business

5. City of Wichita Bicycle Master Plan

The District V Advisory Board (DAB) considered a presentation made by Scott Wadle, Senior Planner with MAPD on the Wichita Bicycle Master Plan.

Joey Ellzey asked about the projected cost for a shared use path of \$520,000. He referenced the cost difference of the multi use path being constructed on 135th. **Wadle** responded the difference in cost is associated to a planned street improvement with a path addition vs. construction of only a shared use path.

Mike Greene asked about the safety of a shared use path. Is it considered the safest? **Wadle** responded that it depends. Overall a shared use path offers the greatest separation from vehicles. There are other paths, bike lanes, in different situations such as a street with multiple driveways that are safer. **Greene** also asked about the education component of the plan. **Wadle** responded that there are three key components: 1. Get a good routine and good behavior established; 2. Instructor Certification Programs and; 3. Enforcement.

Paul Truitt asked about the Rails to Trails program (West Wichita) and where it fits into the plan? **Wadle** responded that the committee chose to focus on the momentum of downtown and prioritized routes leading in and out first. **Ellzey** commented that it seems that this route would have been fairly low cost to add to the priority list.

Jane Byrnes, 9500 Delano, commended the DAB member's for bringing up the rails to Trails route and its importance to West Side Wichitan's. She added that adding this route to the priority list would provide more opportunity for recreation and non- vehicle transportation alternatives.

Lyn Koster, 9827 W. Tee Lane, suggested the use of signage as used in Boulder, Co that was user friendly.

Lee Engler, 1557 N. Shefferd, asked about the difference in signage for bicycle boulevards vs. other types of paths. **Wadle** responded that bicycle boulevard signage is stamped into the concrete on the street itself vs. street or way finding signage. **Engler** also asked if the current design is geared more towards commuting than previous plans. **Wadle** responded that this plan addresses area of town to area of town whereas the older plans addresses getting from park to park- more of a recreation approach.

Jerry Jones, 2038 N. Gow, member of the Steering Committee, commented on how incredible he felt the Network map was especially with the limited resources the team had to work with. The committee focused the map on connectivity. It was community input that drove the Steering Committee on the maps and priorities.

Lee Engler, 1557 N. Shefferd, asked about bicycle boulevards and traditional bike lanes; cost and which serves more. **Wadle** responded that bicycle boulevards when compared to other types of paths are relatively cheap and they attract more people; families, moms, therefore they serve more people.

Joey Ellzey asked if the proposed mountain bike trail at Kellogg and Maize is part of this plan. **Wadle** responded it is not.

Action: The District V Advisory Board members made a motion to recommend to City Council **Approval (4-0)** with the request to re- consider the Rails to Trails route in west Wichita as a priority.

6. Neighborhood Clean-up Program Changes

The District V Advisory Board (DAB) considered a presentation made by Megan Buckmaster, Neighborhood Services, on proposed changes to the Neighborhood Clean-up Program.

Joey Ellzey agreed with the comment that Wichita independent neighborhoods made from their meeting: Change the income guidelines so that the neighborhoods would pay only 25% of cost and require those in the "High" median income category to pay 100% for their clean-up. He liked the thought of a stair step approach.

Paul Truitt agreed.

Action: Receive and file.

Board Agenda

6. Updates, Issues, and Reports

Councilmember Longwell: reported on a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the opening of the Maize and 21st St. intersection; Thursday, October 18 at 10:30 a.m.

DAB Members: Mike Hill asked about the start of construction for the 13th Street Flyover Bridge and possible traffic impact. **Longwell** responded that the next 'construction' project related is the re-alignment of the Sedgwick Co. park on 13th to match up with the entrance of Spinnaker Cove neighborhood. This will begin early next year. Actual bridge construction will start next year as well with minimal traffic impact.

Action: Provide comments/ take appropriate action

General Comments/ Announcements:

Next Meeting: The next meeting for District Advisory Board V will be held at **6:30 p.m., Monday, November 05, 2012** at Fire Station, #21, located at 135th St W. and 21st St. N.

With no further business to discuss the meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Megan Buckmaster, Neighborhood Assistant