

District IV Advisory Board
Meeting Minutes
November 1, 2006
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The **District IV Advisory Board Meeting** was held at the 7:00 p.m. at the Lionel Alford Branch Library. In attendance were seven (7) District Advisory Board members, seven (7) staff and approximately four (4) citizens with four (4) signing in.

Members Present

Peggy Bennett
Michael Gisick
Mary Cockburn
Tom Engelmann
Edwin Koon
Gerald Marsh
Jim Benton

Staff Present

Officer Floyd, Police
Kelli Glassman, City Manager's Office
Jean Hatfield, Library
Rachelle Moody, Intern
Elizabeth Goltry, Intern
Bill Longnecker, Planning
Officer Carlson, Police

Guests

Council Member Paul Gray

Leslie Blythe, Wichita State University
Russ Ewy, 315 Lewis
Albert Hubl, 6400 West 36 St S
Lee Webster, 337 N Exposition

Members Absent

Joshua Blick

Order of Business

Call To Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

Gisick (Blick) moved to approve the agenda for the November 1, 2006 meeting. The motion was passed 7-0.

Blick (Benton) moved to approve the minutes from the August 2, 2006 and September 6, 2006 meeting. Motion passed 6-0.

Public Agenda

The public agenda allows members of the public to present issues not on the agenda to the District Advisory Board. Each presentation is limited to five minutes unless extended by the Board.

1. Scheduled Items

No items were submitted.

2. Off-Agenda Items

Albert Hubl, 6400 West 36 St. S., requested assistance with starting a neighborhood association. **Kelli Glassman** stated that she would get in contact with Mr. Hubl and help him through this process.

Staff Presentations

3. Community Police Officers

Officer Floyd and Carlson, reported the following:

- There are talks being given to elderly regarding con games.
- A talk on workplace violence is being given for Royal Caribbean employees.
- If you know any family in need of assistance this holiday, please let a community police officer know.

The officers also gave statistics of crimes for this year and last year.

New Business

4. Engineering DAB Presentation Survey

Leslie Blythe, Wichita State University, presented a survey to all individuals present requesting feedback on District Advisory Board presentations given by the City of Wichita Public Works Engineering department.

Action Taken: Completed Survey.

5. Citizen Survey and Transforming Wichita Update

Elizabeth Goltry, and Rachelle Moody, City of Wichita interns, presented this item. When the City of Wichita launched Transforming Wichita last year, it was defined as a journey to fundamentally change the way this organization measures, reports and performs the every day work of delivering services to the citizens of Wichita. Through Transforming Wichita, the City's goal is to achieve outstanding results, and measure and report those results to show progress and recognize outstanding performance. It is also important to identify those areas that need to improve. In Spring 2006 the City of Wichita commissioned National Citizen Survey to conduct a survey of Wichitans in order to gain a better understanding of the public's opinion of government services and their vision for the community. The 2006 Citizen Survey questions were grouped by each of the City Council's Transforming Wichita goal areas: Safe & Secure Community, Economic Vitality/Affordable Living, Efficient Infrastructure, Quality of Live, Core Area & Neighborhoods; as well as, a sixth area, called Internal Perspective. The results demonstrate the public's opinions of services in each of the goal areas. Additionally, an analysis by City Council District shows

variations between districts regarding use of City services, support of new initiatives, and satisfaction with City services. This report is of impact to all five City Council Goals.

More information about Transforming Wichita (TW) can be accessed at <http://www.wichita.gov/TW>.

Cockburn asked how each group's responses were weighted. **Ms. Moody** and **Ms. Goltry** stated that these responses were weighted according to census data and responses received per district and that a full explanation of these weighted responses are found in the survey results.

Marsh and Cockburn asked how frequently these studies are done and should be done. **Ms. Moody** and **Ms. Goltry** explained that the last survey done in Wichita was about two years ago and another survey will be done in two to five years.

Action Taken: Received and filed.

6. **ZON2006-00041**

Bill Longnecker, Planning, presented the item. The applicant, Newman University c/o Mark Dresselhaus along with their agent, Buaghman CO, PA c/o Russ Ewy, requests "U" University zoning on Lot 1, Block 1, Newman University Second Addition, Generally located south of Kellogg Street & west of K-42/Southwest Boulevard, on the northwest corner of Sheridan & McCormick Avenues, to develop as student housing and for university purposes. The "GO" General Office zoned portion of the site is currently developed as two, two-story apartments (built 1981), a two-story duplex with attached single car garages, a two-story single-family residence with an attached single car garage and a stand alone four car garage. The "SF-5" Single-family Residential zoned portion has a stand alone two car garage on the southeast portion while the rest is not developed.

Mr. Longnecker, MAPD, and the agent, **Russ Ewy,** were present to responded to questions and comments.

Citizens and the Board members present were given the opportunity to provide comment and ask questions, but no comments or questions were received.

Action Taken: Benton (Marsh) recommended to approve the request. Motion passed 6-0, with 1 abstention (**Gisick.**)

OLD BUSINESS

7. No items submitted.

BOARD AGENDA

8. Board Updates and Issues

- **Koon** announced that the I-235/Kellogg/Central project public open house was Tuesday, October 24 from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. at the Sedgwick County Extension Building and went well.
- **Benton** informed the group that Southwest Village Neighborhood Association will not be having a Christmas program this year due to consistently low participation.
- **Cockburn** stated that her neighborhood's first neighborhood watch meeting went well.
- **Marsh** stated that Old Town and Delano are partnering to decorate this area for the holidays.
- **Council Member Gray** reminded everyone that there will be no November District IV breakfast and the next breakfast will be Saturday, December 2 at Dianne's Breakfast Brunch & Lunch @ 31st & Seneca.

Action Taken: Received and Filed.

9. Adjournment

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.