

District II Advisory Board Minutes

November 1, 2010

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The District II Advisory Board meeting was held at 7:00 p.m. at Fire Station #20 located at 2255 S. Greenwich Road. CM Schlapp was in attendance, (9) board members attended, (3) staff and approximately (4) citizens were in attendance. Only those individuals who signed in are listed as guests below.

Members Present

Max Weddle
Daryl Crotts
Sarah Devries
Tom Roth
Marty Weeks
Phil Ryan
April Leason
Brian Carduff
David Mollhagen

Members Absent

Paula Hancock
Aaron Mayes

Staff Present

Antione Sherfield- Neighborhood Assistant
Dave Barber – Planning Department
Officer Lowe - Wichita Police Department
Captain Nonken – Wichita Fire Department

ORDER OF BUSINESS

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. CM Schlapp welcomed everyone and explained how the DAB meeting is conducted. DAB members did introductions.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND AGENDA

- **November Agenda approved (9-0)**
- **Approval of October Minutes approved (9-0)**

PUBLIC AGENDA

1. ReliabiliTree Presentation

Don Sherman, Westar Energy provided presentation to District II Advisory Board. ReliabiliTree is a Four-year program that will focus on re-pruning trees which have potential to interfere with service provided by Westar. The program will begin in the most hazardous areas of the City. Westar will be bringing in Twenty Five (25) crews to assist with this project.

Westar will communicate with every homeowner via door hangers and trees will be marked for trimming or removal. Presentations will be made to community leaders coupled with Neighborhood and Home Owner Associations.

This program will improve safety across the City evidenced by fewer flickers, fewer tree-related outages, fewer animal/lightning related outages, and will reduce equipment stress and failure related outages.

CM Schlapp thanked Don Sherman and Westar Energy for their presentation and spoke highly about the importance of the project. She stated that this a wonderful and pro-active approach to supporting safety initiatives.

Recommended Action: Receive and file

STAFF REPORT

2. Community Police Report

Officer Lowe provided information pertaining to current crime trends in District II. Officer Lowe stated that WPD focused on a truancy assignment at a local High School in District II. These types of assignments assist with reducing burglaries in the area. During this particular assignment, they were able to write seven (7) tickets, arrest one (1) person on a outstanding warrant, and arrest one (1) person for obstruction of justice. He also stated that WPD are enforcing bike path lanes laws in the College Hill area. Apparently, there are a lot of motorist that are not following or complying with bike path laws.

Officer Lowe also spoke about the special assignment on 21st Street which was geared toward detouring aggressive drivers. He stated that (349) tickets were written for the day, (188) were written for speeding.

CM Schlapp thanked Officer Lowe and the Police Department for the fine work they provide District II and the community as a whole.

Recommended Action: Receive and file

3. Community Fire Report

Captain Nonken provided information pertaining to Fire Service calls in District II. He stated that there were three (3) fires in District II during the month of October. The most crucial one was at the Windemere Apartments on Rock Road. There was severe damage to the structure and several vehicles were damaged. The cause of the fire is still

undetermined at this time. Captain also stated that Fire Prevention week was approaching and WFD would be visible in the schools and community.

CM Schlapp applauded Captain Nonken and the Fire Department for the great services they provide our community.

Recommended Action: Receive and file

NEW BUSINESS

4. **Central and Bristol Community Facilities Master Plan – Scope of Work Briefing**
Dave Barber, Planning Department provided information pertaining to petition case.

Background/Briefing: The Planning Department has been requested by the City Manager's Office to initiate a community facilities master planning process to address the future establishment of new co-located community facilities and services (fire station, police sub-station, community meeting room, and outdoor park elements) utilizing a 'single building footprint concept' on 14.4 acres of city-owned property located immediately north of Central and east of Bristol Street. A concept plan was originally developed for this site by Parks & Recreation Department staff in November 2006 that depicted a possible outdoor public recreation park and Frisbee golf design, a community meeting room and a designated area for a future police substation (see Attachment A). Police Department funds were used to help acquire this site.

Recent staff discussions with representatives from the Police, Fire, and Parks & Recreation Departments indicate that the Police Department has an immediate interest in developing a new 10,000 sq. ft. Patrol East substation at this site – it would still retain a community policing presence at the current 350 S. Edgemoor facility. Funding for a new substation in the amount of \$2.2 million is programmed for Years 2012-2013 in the current 2009-2018 C.I.P.

The Fire Department has a near-term interest in this property for an additional fire station. This site is ideally located to service an underperforming service area, and would not duplicate current fire services delivered from the 1010 143rd Street East facility (owned by the County). Funding for a new fire station in this area was not programmed in the 2009-2018 C.I.P., but the Fire Department will be submitting a project funding request for this new fire station as part of the proposed 2011-2020 C.I.P. There is agreement between the Police and Fire Department representatives that a large community meeting room could be included as part of a future police substation and/or fire station facility.

Parks & Recreation Department staff feels that the site has the capacity to accommodate future police and fire facilities without compromising the outdoor public recreation park and Frisbee golf concept plan developed in 2006. The Parks & Recreation Department has submitted a project funding request to develop the outdoor recreation park and Frisbee golf elements for this site as part of the proposed 2011-2020 C.I.P.

A scope of work has been prepared for the development of the Central and Bristol Community Facilities Master Plan (see Attachment B). This plan is intended to address issues related to: site conditions analysis and neighborhood context; future facility space requirements; facility capital and maintenance cost estimates; co-location efficiencies and opportunities associated with a 'single building footprint concept'; and, a preferred conceptual / schematic site layout design and

phasing plan. Future funding sources will need to be identified and committed for the park and fire station improvements, and additional final design work will need to be done prior to the construction of any facilities or improvements.

A Plan Steering Committee (including several neighborhood/community representatives) along with a Staff Support Team will be formed to help develop this plan. Community feedback will also be solicited by means of an open house meeting and input from DAB II. It is proposed that work on this plan begin in November 2010 with plan completion anticipated in June of 2011.

Financial Considerations: City funding for a new Patrol East substation in the amount of \$2.2 million is programmed for Years 2012-2013 in the current 2009-2018 C.I.P. No City funding is currently programmed for the development of a fire station or outdoor recreation facilities at the Central and Bristol site. Project funding requests for these improvements have been submitted for consideration as part of the proposed 2011-2020 C.I.P. (there are no guarantees of program funding commitments for these improvements at this time).

Legal Considerations: None.

Recommendation/Actions: None.

Attachments:

A. Central and Bristol Concept Plan, November 2006

B. Central and Bristol Community Facilities Master Plan- Revised Scope of Work, October 16, 2010

DAB Members had the following concerns.

- **The District Advisory Board wasn't consulted prior to completing current plan.**
- **Is there going to be enough "green space".**
- **Is there a need for Fire services when we have fire services at 143rd Street?**
- **What was the delay in bringing the plan forward?**

Recommended Action: The DAB recommended Daryl Crofts serve on steering committee as DAB representative.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:04 p.m. The next DAB II Meeting will be December 6, 2010.

Respectfully Submitted,
Antione Sherfield, Neighborhood Assistant

