

**District VI Advisory Board Minutes**  
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**Wednesday**  
**September 16, 2015**  
**6:30 PM**

**Evergreen Park & Recreation Center**  
**2700 N. Woodland, Wichita, KS 67204**  
**Lounge Clubroom**

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The District VI Advisory Board meeting was held at 6:30 p.m. at the Evergreen Park & Recreation Center Lounge Clubroom 2700 N. Woodland, Wichita, KS 67204. There were seven District Advisory Board members and nine staff members in attendance.

**Members Present**

Council Member Janet Miller  
Scott Dunakey  
Steve Mason  
Gregory Boyajian  
Carmen Gard  
Josef Hamilton  
Denise O’Leary-Siemer  
Deborah Sanders

**Staff Present**

Officer Tejada , WPD  
Officer Charles Byers, WPD  
Michelle Stroot, Wichita Transit  
Karen Sublett, City Clerk  
Bill Longnecker, MAPD  
Ben Nelson, Public Works and Utilities  
Shawn Mellies, Public Works and Utilities  
Rebecca Greif, Public Works and Utilities  
Martha Sanchez, Community Representative

**Guests**

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**Members Absent**

Joel Weihe

**Call to Order**

- Council Member Miller called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and welcomed everyone.
- Swearing in of DAB Members by City Clerk, Karen Sublett.

**Approval of Agenda**

The agenda was approved as submitted. **Motion passed (7-0)**

**Approval of Minutes**

The minutes for August 3, 2015 were approved. **Motion passed (7-0)**

**PUBLIC AGENDA**

**Scheduled Items:** None

**Off-Agenda Items:** None

**Action:** Received and filed.

**STAFF PRESENTATIONS**

**Community Police Report**

**Officer Charles Byers, WPD** gave an update on the activities in Patrol North. The community and school parents have raised a concern with the ice cream vender selling around the school. The City of Wichita ordinance, Sec.3.97.120 addresses that concern. The ordinance states that sidewalk vendors

cannot sell merchandise or food, Monday through Friday, between the hours of seven a.m. and four thirty p.m. A shooting occurred at the 2400 North block of Park Place. The incident started in Old Town where the suspect fled the scene and was apprehended at Park Place. The suspect was taken to Wesley Medical Center and was confirmed that he was a gang member. Over the weekend, Patrol North had a special operation that arrested four individuals.

**Officer Tejada, WPD** gave a brief update on the activities in Patrol North and Patrol West. Over the last few weeks, there has been an increase of stolen bicycles. It has been difficult for the WPD to address the issue because victims don't have the serial numbers to prove identity. WPD reminds individuals to write down the serial numbers of new purchased items. In addition, numerous reports on stolen purses and wallets left in a vehicle have also been reported. WPD reminds the public to lock their vehicles and to take valuable items with them or put them in the trunk where they're out of site.

\*\*\*\*\***Action Taken:** Received and filed

### NEW BUSINESS

#### Wichita Transit

**Michelle Stroot, Wichita Transit**, reported on the proposed changes to Wichita Transit. A PowerPoint presentation was given and a Wichita Transit Guide was provided with detailed information to improve the Transit system. The changes include new bus routes and fare policy change. Ms. Stroot took questions from the DAB members and public. After reviewing the information, they provided feedback. The findings and information collected will be reported to the Wichita Transit Department.

**DAB?** What is paratransit service? **A:** This is for riders that have special needs and meet policy requirements.

**DAB?** Is the paratransit fee for one way? **A:** Yes

**DAB?** How is the additional fee calculated for the paratransit bus? **A:** If the distance is more the ¾ of a mile the new fare will be \$8.00 one way.

**Public?** Will the bus have a stop at 21<sup>st</sup> Street North and Amidon? **A:** Yes.

**Council?** What is the average ridership? **A:** It's just under two million a year and for paratransit it averages to 75,000 per year.

\*\*\*\*\***Action Taken:** DAB members provided feedback.

#### Water and Sewer Optimization RFP

**Ben Nelson, Public Works and Utility**, reported on the Water and Sewer Optimization project. This will address maintenance and infrastructure needs on the aging water and sewer system. The project will explore the use of a private / public partnership to assist in managing and supporting the water and sewer system. It will be implemented in two phases. Phase I will include allocating the funds, evaluating the infrastructure needs and reviewing the applicants. Phase II will be a ten year span where infrastructure will be updated and will have a continual review for long term viability. This project is not to privatize water and sewer systems or city jobs.

**DAB?** Before the contract is approved will the City Council review and have a vote? **A:** Yes.

**DAB?** How can we prevent contractors using wrongful practices to maximize profit? **A:** We will use the same process that is utilized now; that is to have standards and quality assurance that will need to be followed.

**\*\*\*\*\*Action Taken:** Received and filed.

**Paving Improvements for Meridian Avenue, North of 29<sup>th</sup>**

**Shawn Mellies, Public Works and Utilities**, presented the proposed project of paving Meridian Avenue from the existing pavement on 29<sup>th</sup> St. at the south end to the existing pavement at Valley Park on the north to residential standards. The project also accounts for bringing in the necessary underground drainage. The Improvement cost will be assessed to the property owners on a square foot basis.

The DAB members were presented with the staff report and a recommendation to recommend approval of the valid petition.

**DAB?** Even with a valid petition, will the City Council still take a vote? **A:** Yes.

**DAB?** Will there be sidewalks installed? **A:** No.

**DAB?** Will drainage be addressed? **A:** Yes

**DAB?** Have there been any formal protest? **A:** The Engineering Department has not received any.

**Public?** How many property signatures can be taken that have multiple ownerships or a trust setup?  
**A:** We will have to refer that to our legal department.

**Public?** Is the improvement going to be asphalt or concert? **A:** Asphalt with concert curving.

**Public?** Is there any deferment for the assessment cost? **A:** Yes, only for individual property owners, but not for business or non-profits.

**DAB?** How many residential property are in the area? **A:** 8

**DAB?** How many have signed the petition? **A:** 5 out of the 8

There were several members of the public along with the Pleasant Valley Lions Club that commented on the concerns of the validity of the petition including the hardship of the assessment cost.

There were also several members of the public that spoke in support of the valid petition to pave the street and how the improvement will benefit the neighborhood.

**\*\*\*\*\*Action Taken: (Dunakey/ Sanders) made a motion to recommend approval for the paving improvement petition.**

**Motion passed: (6/0) (1 Abstain/Carmen Gard)**

**ZON2015-0033**

**Bill Longnecker, MAPD**, presented a request from applicant KW Development, LLC for a zoning change to TF-3 Two-Family Residential. The current zoning of proposed site is SF-5 Single-Family Residents and is located at Southwest corner of Hoover Avenue and Newell Street.

The DAB Members were provided with the MAPD staff report with a recommendation to approve.

**DAB?** Any protest on the request? **A:** No

**Public?** Who is the applicant? **A:** KW Development, LLC

**\*\*\*\*\*Action Taken: (Dunakey/ Hamilton) made a motion to recommend approval for zoning request change.**

**Motion passed: (7-0)**

**BOARD AGENDA**

**Issues of Concern**

No issues of concern were presented.

**Neighborhood Reports**

No neighborhood reports were presented.

**UPDATES FROM COUNCIL MEMBER**

The next DAB VI meeting will be held on **October 5, 2015** at 6:30 p.m. at Evergreen Park & Recreation Center (2700 N. Woodland).

**ADJOURN**

**Council Member Miller** adjourned the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

**Guests**

Karen Lippoldt	Marlo McCrary
Cherie Rodriguez	Fred McCrary
Jim Mote	Jerry Bogle
Lola Mote	Bill Chambers
Kathleen Gidowesli	David Long
Gloria Dill	Jan Long
Robert Dunlavy	Marla Barngroner
Margaret Dunlavy	Joe Smith
Tom McCuerns	Mark Smith
Marilyn Wullschleger	Jennie Montyoman
Susan Sommers	Robert Dill
Liz Hicks	Lonny Wright