

Minutes
University Area Community Council (UACC)
March 6, 2013
University Baptist Church

Present: 28 people were recorded in the sign in sheets. Refer to appendix D (scanned sign in sheets for those present).

1. Opening: Susan Klein called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Susan next had people in the room introduce themselves. Some time was spent on getting several legislators on line from Juneau once the meeting was called to order.

2. Approval of minutes: The first order of business was to approve the minutes of the January 2 and February 6 (as amended from suggestions from Kevin Jackson) meeting minutes. The minutes, as presented, were approved unanimously.

3. Agenda: A motion was made to modify the Agenda to include a Community Patrol and Urban Design report into the agenda, under the 4. Community Council Board Reports sub section of the B. Informational Reports. The Agenda was approved with these modifications.

4. Informational Reports

A. Reports from Public Servants

a. Adam Trombley (Michael Brandon reporting) - Michael reported that Title 21 has passed. Adam Trombley plans to meet with Union leaders in Fire, Police and ML&P to discuss Ordinance XX. Adam is requesting that union members contact him by email. A discussion about whether more public hearing would be held ensued. It was indicated that the Assemble would decide on March 6th whether to hold more meetings.

b. Paul Honeman (Christine Brown reporting) - Christine related that there are concerns with alcohol related public safety concerns. Specifically mentioned were concerns with the VFW in south Anchorage, and Center Bowl in Spenard. If there are concerns from people of the area then documentation is important. These and other concerns are being discussed in the Public Safety Committee.

c. Bill Wielechowski- He said he is working on oil tax bill and the school voucher bill. He is also looking at a proposal for \$20 million for the potential extension the Bragaw south to the UMED District. Bill indicated that he and Berta Gardner were opposed to this proposal.

d. Andy Josephson- Working on the HB 77 reform to AK DNR water law. Other items are the Prudhoe Bay natural gas liquidation plant and Fairbanks trucking proposal. Other items are the upcoming years' operating budget.

e. Max Gruenberg- Max is working on finance committee hearing. He is trying to get increased educational funding, restoration of funding levels to the Therapeutic Courts dealing with substance abuse. Max also detailed many of upcoming bills the legislature is considering, and would like to hear from his constituents.

f. Berta Gardner and Dick Traini had called in previously to say they would be absent.

B. Community Council Reports

1. Community Council Safety Committee- Al Milspaugh gave a report on the MOA Assembly Public Safety meeting of February 13. The meeting notes are included in Attachment 1. He also went over some of the Police calls for Service in the University Area and comparison of 2012 and the first few months of 2013. These reports are also found in Attachment 2. Al noted that the APD SVC calls report section on rapes is skewed within the University Area, as these include all Providence Hospital calls, even though the actual rape may have occurred in another area. Al introduced Liz Patrick of the College Gate Community Patrol.

2. Community Patrol – Liz Patrick gave a presentation on the College Gate Community Patrol activities in the University Area. Currently the patrol has 14 members and has walking and driving patrols. They provide training courses on community patrol and thing like CPR. They also can provide email services for such matters as crime watches, Amber alerts and community watches. A related program is the Trail Watch Advisory Board. They report back to the College Gate Community Patrol. The Trail watch program has completed such projects as opening up the sight distance along the Chester Creek trail. Liz indicated there is \$5,000 grant money available through the FCC for community safety projects, such as potentially establishing a University Area Community Patrol. For more information on the Community Patrol program contact Liz Patrick at checkmate@yahoo.com. Al Milspaugh also stated he will discuss the College Gate Community Patrol under his Safety Committee report.

3. Urban Design- Paul Stang represented the UACC at the meeting with UAA on February 8th presenting the UACC concerns. He also attended the February 13th Urban Design Commission meeting presenting the UACC. See Attachment 4 for a transcript of his testimony and Attachment 5 for the February 6 UACC resolution concerning the garage. He indicated this was the only opportunity for public testimony and the procedure for approving the parking garage was moving forward pending appeal. Paul felt that the UACC should deal with the UACC master plan. The suggested that a representative from the UACC be appointed to act as the primary point of contact. He also suggested that UACC members with concern over UAA master plan priorities contact there State representatives, as they have control over how state grant influence these UAA priorities. Susan Klein said she has the list of emails for the representatives for those wishing them.

4. Report from the Board- Vice President Susan Klein indicated there is a UAA master plan meeting planned for March 13th at 2pm. She said received a notice of intent to construct a Birthing Center the northwest corner of Wesleyan and Northern Lights. She has the notice for anyone who would like to see it.

5. FCC report- FCC representative discussed the upcoming School District budget and the implications of the reduction of funding. She also discussed was the upcoming bond package that is the April 2nd ballot. Also mentioned was that the Federation is looking into buying a couple of Smart phones for providing telecommunications support for council meetings.

5. Business

A. East High School Field Turf/Stadium presentation- Stephanie Huseman gave a presentation on the proposal for requesting money to develop bleachers and scoreboard for the East High athletics football program. Currently there are funds to construct field turf on the football/soccer field. The presentation was to inform the council that there will be a public meeting on March 19th at the 7 PM at the East high library to gather public input for the proposal for requesting State appropriations for construction of bleachers and a scoreboard for East High. Stephanie indicated that the construction would be on currently cleared land, and no removal of existing vegetation would be needed. Maintenance would be from the ASD. Construction funding would be from a state grant. She indicated that this would provide East High opportunity to host "home" games on par with other area high schools.

B. Curling Club of Anchorage- The Curling Club was represented by several men, none of whom reside within the UACC area. Ty Schommer led the information presentation on the Anchorage Curling Clubs proposal to construct a new facility at the Goose Lake Park. He provided the UACC with a draft design concept document. Ty presented the conceptual proposal on developing a "six sheet" multi-use facility at the Municipality of Anchorage Goose Lake Park. The existing bath house would be torn down and a new two story building would be constructed to the west of this existing structure. The lower floor plan shows that in this very large proposed building only a very small fraction of space is provided for a lifeguard area. The proposal calls for the demolition of the current lifeguard building and changing areas and might only provide a small area that would be available to swimmers at the lake. Several acres of existing trees would be removed for the new structure. The curling club would lease the property from the city, but would own the building. They are looking a 3 to 5 year grant and fund raising period. They would be looking toward corporate sponsors, potential city grants with the promotion of winter tourism, and a potential UAA partnership. They indicated that their project was motivated by an increase of interest in the sport of curling. They claimed this zeal for curling came as a result of curling being an Olympic sport in 2002, but they presented no evidence at all of this supposed community interest in 2013.

The Curling Club presented a packet of materials showing their request for state funding this year in the amount of \$12,000. The Curling Club advised they previously received \$200,000 in state funding last year. In their prior funding request for this money, there were four potential sites (Russian Jack golf course, O'Malley golf course, C and 36th, C and O'Malley) for the new club listed, with no mention of the Goose Lake site at all. Upon questioning, the Curling Club rep indicated that the Russian Jack Community Council had rejected an earlier proposal to build the curling club building by the golf course. He was also vague as to whether the Club had pursued locating the club in any of the other three sites mentioned in the grant request.

The Parks and Recreation Department, through Mark McCaffery indicated that the proposal seemed to fit what he had heard about updating the 97 Goose Lake site development plan. The proposal seemed to generally fit the interest in conserving the natural environment while providing for community activities. It also might provide amenities such as bathrooms, but still retain the environmental activities. He also indicated the park is a low use park and the city would like to see better utilization of the park and facilities.

Discussion of the potential project ensued. Many council members were surprised disappointed on this being their first notice, particularly in proposal appears to be quite advanced. The majority of the council members felt that the proposal is not compatible with the outdoor values at Goose Lake Park. Concerns were expressed about the very limited appeal

of curling to many members of the Anchorage community, particularly compared to the outdoor amenities offered by the current Park. Many council members had concern over the height of the proposed two story building and the lighting needed for the building and parking area and how these would negatively affect the park environment and the adjacent neighborhoods. Concern also was expressed over the amount of existing parking and whether it would be sufficient to service the new building. Many council members were also opposed to the idea of construction of a new building, as it appears to be adjacent to a waterfowl nesting area, and would take out several acres of birch forest. There was also concern about whether the new lights and generator noise would maintain the “natural environment” intent of the park.

Council members were skeptical about whether the presence of the Curling Club building would reduce “problems” at the Park. Apparently, the club does have a liquor license and will serve alcohol, with many people concerned about the subsequent introduction of alcoholic beverages in to the park. The curling club also claimed that building the proposed building would deter vandalism in the area. However, this claim was disputed since there was no definitive evidence presented that the mere presence of a lighted building and parked car would stop vandalism. Questions on ownership and responsibilities for maintenance were also brought up.

The discussion ended with acknowledgement that this is a preliminary draft proposal, and just the start of the public process. The plans were supposed to be on the Anchorage Curling Club website, though they are currently not available, but comments can be posted through the email link at www.anchoragecurling.com.

C. Election of New Officers - The Council voted unanimously to elect the nominated slate of officers.

These are:

- Jacob Gondek – President
- Susan Klein - Vice President
- Steve Zemke – Secretary
- Karen Workman – Member at Large
- Russ Kell – Member at Large

New Business - Susan Klein asked for new business topics for the April meeting. The following suggestions were taken for the next meeting.

1. Traffic - \$250 K study proposed by Dick Trani
2. UAA master Plan ~ 2013 plan update
3. Providence Hospital development plans
4. APU development plans

There was some general discussion about the need for an integration of these various plans and how to get something like this started and the various parties talking together.

6. Adjournment - The meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent at approximately 9:05PM.

Attachment 1
Assembly Public Safety Committee Meeting
February 13, 2013 12:00 – 1:30 p.m.

HHS – Janet Vietmier:

Deferred any topics of concern until the end of the meeting. Chairman Honeman briefly asked about the status of the flu season and Vietmier indicated for the most part, the flu season was over.

APD – Mark Mew:

The 18th year of the APD Citizens Academy began last week.

OEM – Rob Fitch:

Brown bag lunches continue. AFD open house is upcoming. Dawn Brantley (Public Outreach person) will be moving to Virginia Beach at the end of the month, leaving them without that position for a while.

AFD – Chris Bushue

Chairman Honeman indicated that to his knowledge, the current fire marshal has been acting for a number of years

Tender 9 (water truck) was not funded, so Bushue decided to put that rig out of service and incur overtime. He has been told that he needs to put it back into service until funds run out and stop the increased overtime. The problem with that is that it is really tough to predict emergency situations that may come up that would require more funding. So, there will be times when Tender 9 will not be available for service, based upon funding.

Honeman indicated that he believed there would be a fund balance at the end of the year, so he would like to see Tender 9 continue full service.

Hall asked Bushue how the two new ambulances were operating, considering the problems they were experiencing with the vendor. Bushue indicated that the Law Dept. carried the weight on pursuing having the vendor follow through with their contract with the AFD on those two ambulances and that has been very successful.

In and Out Bush Liquor did not have a representative to speak to the complaints about the business. Hall indicated that there were some concerns about that business operating as a good neighbor.

The owner of Blaine's Art Supply testified about the problems she had experienced relating to In and Out Liquor. There were a lot of inebriates in the area, on her property, urinating in public, public drunkenness, thefts, etc. She indicated that the types of liquor sold in this liquor store are inebriate friendly (low grade, inexpensive) and there would not be any kind of liquor in that store that most people would want to buy because it is so low grade and terrible tasting, indicated that this business is targeting an inebriate clientele.

A community council representative (Margaret) indicated that she was representing at least two nearby business owners (Tom) has indicated that he has had continued problems with this business. She indicated that the owners of In and Out Liquor have never come before the community council to open up communications about concerns and just operating in a neighbor friendly and safe manner. She indicated that these problems are continual at both locations of this business.

Jason Bergerson – Vice Chair of Spenard CC:

He indicated he has heard several concerns about both locations of In and Out Liquor. The SCC requested that two liquor stores in the area were asked to not stock what are called "shooters" and are favorites of inebriates.

Allen Thornhill – Treasurer of the SCC:

Numerous complaints about these two locations of these liquor stores. Thornhill asked what more they can do to curb these activities from continuing. Honeman responded by saying that the Assembly does have the ability to protest the continuation of liquor licenses. Honeman indicated the Assembly has Mew asked the community members present if the problems had gotten worse since the Fall of 2011. Thornhill and another indicated he could not be sure whether problems had gotten worse or not. Mew indicated that it was during that time that APD made a concerted effort to target homeless camps and the inebriate community in that area. Community members indicated their frustration with APD to actually do something about the problems. Mew indicated that although laws restrict some police action, the responding officers would do their best to address the problems as they arise. Honeman asked Vietmeier if HHS responds to any kinds of safety concerns relating to inebriates in this area. She indicated that there are some

**** CHECK WITH AFD ABOUT MEDIC RESPONSES TO THIS AREA. ****

This CUP will be brought before the Assembly.

Fred Odsen – Atty for Minnesota Billiards and Jin Do So

Spoke before the Spendard CC last week, and hopes they will come together with an agreement as to how to move forward in a manner amenable to both parties. The president of the SCC Jim Bowers has been out of town, so the forward movement has stalled a bit. Assembly Chair Hall, Public Safety Committee Chair Honeman and others have toured the facility and have a good understanding of the business owners' intents regarding this recreational site license and the service of alcohol. Minnesota Billiards has been in business in the current location at 3020 Minnesota, Suite 3 for 14 years. The current management has been consistent and the security system has been significantly beefed up with indoor and outdoor cameras, there is payment required to enter the establishment, whereas before anyone could come in. a beer and wine license. Their intention is to sell beer to paying patrons only. They would be open to discussion relating to the type of product, amount of product sold to each customer, and other conditions that may be of issue to the interested parties. There are nearby businesses (some kind of School District office) that may be within the 200' setback required for the sale for liquor. As indicated by the ABC Board letter of 2011, there are some recreational site licenses that operate in a manner similar to Minnesota Billiards. Without the RSL, the owners are concerned about their ability to have a successful billiard business, as other billiard businesses and other similar businesses are able to operate with a recreational site license.

Traini asked what the alcohol service capacity of this business are. Odsen indicated there is no kitchen nor is there a bar. There are 15 billiard tables as well as foosball, ping pong and other game tables available for patrons. There are hot and cold foods available for purchase. Only paying patrons are eligible to enter the premises; if someone only wishes to watch, they are required to pay the \$7.50 door charge. They are currently open until 4:00 a.m., but would change those operating hours to close at 2:00 a.m. in order to allow 30 minutes to gauge down the service of alcohol to comply with State liquor law requirements.

Mew mentioned that, not to speak about things that don't currently apply, but just to let people of interest know, there have been discussions about rewriting the laws and regulations that apply to these kinds of alcoholic beverage service, which may affect current RSL and other liquor license regulations. Darrell indicated they are discussing the idea of having age appropriate wrist bands which would indicate that person's ID had been checked and they are at least 21 or older, that would only be given to those people that actually have a table.

Triani indicated they should probably also verify that any public notice requirements regarding weapons on the premises as it relates to places of business that serve alcohol.

Margaret spoke again about concerns with the general service of alcohol. She mentioned the properties near Minnesota Billiards that are both within and beyond the 200' boundary restriction placed on

locations where alcoholic beverages are served and school, church and daycare properties. There are several businesses within that restrictive boundary that need to be reviewed. She asked the group how a business continually serving alcoholic beverages could operate when the applicable law specifically indicates that the sale of alcohol is strictly restricted to one hour before and one hour after an “event” when they are treating their everyday operation as an “event.”

Erica McConnell, MOA Planning Dept:

Traini asked McConnell to request MOA Legal to address the issue of distance between business that serve alcoholic beverage and school, church and day care properties.

**** REQUEST LAW DEPT. TO LOOK INTO ISSUE OF DISTANCE BETWEEN LIQUOR SERVICE AND SCHOOL, CHURCH, AND DAYCARE PROPERTIES ****

VFW:

Honeman asked the group if there had been any new occurrences of violation or other problems since the last meeting. The president of the Oceanview CC indicated he had a resolution from the OCC (which he provided to the Chair) as well as a public information request filed with the MOA DHHS regarding noise and other disturbances; approx. 21 disturbances noted total.

Don Kessler indicated that he disagrees that there weren't any additional occurrences of violation. He started to list other incidents of violation, some of which were annotated by Janine Nesheim, HHS. Kessler indicated that the location of the noise testing equipment was not ideal. He indicated that when he brought this to Nesheim's attention, she supported her decision for the location of the noise testing equipment by stating it was within the MOA noise code. Kessler indicated that the location was 100' away down the driveway behind an earthen retaining wall that was at a lower grade (17' below) the grade of the VFW building, indicating that would not provide an accurate reading in relation to the area residences. Kessler indicated that the decibel levels were above that which is allowed by code and he had the noise meter readings to support that statement. Kessler indicated that VFW was asked to “be a good neighbor” and try to keep the noise down during the evening hours. VFW has been open later than the 2:00 a.m., which is in direct violation of their MOA conditional use permit. DHHS has the ability to set up the noise meter equipment and leave it unattended and still properly monitor the noise activities. APD Lt. Gilliam with the CAP Team asked that the equipment be set up for a longer period of time to get a better sense of the continued levels of noise from the VFW, but that never happened. After 2 years of waiting to get this continued noise monitoring to occur, it only happened just prior to the PSC meeting and only after a concerted effort to warn the VFW of the elevated noise levels.

Nancy Wainright, rep for the OCC:

She will defer to Kessler's testimony of fact; she doesn't bring incidents of facts on her own. Other bars in this neighborhood have had to change their business location with as little as too little provided parking and elements of noise disturbance, other disturbances.

Steve Hubbard – VFW:

Hubbard indicated they have worked endlessly to try to accommodate the area neighbors by erecting noise buffers, etc. He believed that at a OCC meeting, he was not aware the vote was coming before the body and the resolution passed in support of the neighbors.

Honeman reminded all parties of the time constraint of the PSC meeting today and that he wanted to focus on incidents since the last PSC meeting.

Hubbard believed he understood the allowable hours during which alcoholic beverages are served, but indicated that he takes full responsibility for misunderstanding those regulations and also indicated that as soon as they were made aware by the ABC Board of the discrepancy in their operating hours versus those allowed by law and immediately came into compliance with those allowable hours of service.

Wainright indicated sound waves have a focal point and with regard to bass level sound waves is about 26-30' beyond the origin, placing them inside neighboring properties. She is not aware of any efforts to monitor those noise levels.

Honeman indicated he needed to call the meeting to a close, due to time. Honeman stressed the need for true evidence, rather than hearsay.

Wainright indicated they have an entire community council supporting this effort. She indicated she would provide affidavits for any future incidents of violation to further support their position. Honeman indicated that the Public

Gray-Jackson indicated her disappointment that the two Assembly representatives for the area in question are not in attendance of this meeting and to her knowledge have not been in attendance at any of the relevant meetings. Kessler indicated his dismay with that fact. Honeman reminded everyone that it is the body as a whole that votes on these issues.

McConnell indicated that with relation to an earlier concern with the conditional use permit was a clerical error on the municipality's part and no fault of the VFW.

Meeting adjourned at 1:37 p.m.

Attachment 2

CALLS FOR SERVICE
University Area Community Council
01/01/2012-12/31/2012

Count of CALL NO CALL TYPE	Month												Grand Total
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	
Alarm	41	9	12	34	19	28	26	20	20	14	11	19	253
Animal Problem	2		5	5	4	9	1	1	1	2		1	31
Arson			1	2	1								4
Assault	19	6	24	23	17	20	19	29	31	22	24	23	257
Assault With Weapons	2		2	2	2	3	2	1	7	2		3	26
Burglary	2	1	2	4	5	4		5		1	1	2	27
Burglary In Progress	1		1	1		1	2				3		9
Child Abuse/Neglect	7	2	8	9	13	9	3	12	6	5	8	11	93
Civil Problem/Standby	6	2	4	2	10	3	3	10	4	4	6	1	55
Community Policing	4	4	14	7	8	1		7	4	5	2	2	58
Disorderly Conduct	3				1	5		1		1		1	12
Disturbance	45	13	39	48	54	50	51	66	49	65	50	40	570
Disturbance With A Weapon	1		1			1	2	3	3	2	3	2	18
Drugs	2	1	5	10	7	4	7	5	6	5	3	5	60
Drunk Problem	12	9	7	17	11	9	13	12	14	15	8	12	139
Drunk Transport	7	1	5	8	4	4	6	7	6	5	4	12	69
DUI	7	1	5	2	2	5	6	5	5	6	4	5	53
DV Information	1	1		4	2	3		1	5	5	2	2	26
DV Violation			3		1	1	1	2	1	5	4	5	23
DV Writ Service	8	1	5	3	5	6	3	4	3	9	9	4	60
Eluding				2			1						3
Escape											1		1
False Information						1					1		2
Field Interview	5	4	11	14	26	9	19	12	10	15	10	11	146
Follow Up	48	15	51	53	68	69	67	63	71	69	81	60	715
Found Person			2	3	1		1				1	1	9
Fraud	1	1	2	5	1	1	5	1	2		1	5	25
General Locate	39	17	45	50	52	56	46	44	43	53	42	44	531
Graffiti					1								1
Harassment	3	2	3	2	5	1	3	3	1	3		1	27
Hazard in Roadway	5	2	9	1	7	3	6	5	21	2	5	1	67
Hit and Run	16		5	4	9	5	2	6	8	14	4	9	82
Hit and Run with Injuries	2			2			2	1	2				9
Homicide					4	1	3	2	1	2	1		14
Illegal Camping			1	1			2	1	2	1	1	1	10
Indecent Exposure	1												1
Juvenile Problem	7	1	2	3	4	3	3	6		3	2	6	40
Kidnap										1			1
Liquor Law Violation	3		2	5	1	4	3	1		1	1		21
Loud Party	3	1	2	2	5	4	1	2			4	2	26
Medic	12	2	22	22	23	20	20	15	25	19	17	14	211
Mental Person	10	5	5	6	4	12	8	8	13	22	12	7	112
Misconduct Involving Weapons	2	1	4	1	5	2	3	6	4	4	6	4	42
Missing Person	4	1	5	2	7	6	7	5	6	7	2	2	54
Misuse of Plates					1								1
Noise Violation	6	2	8	6	4	4	5	6	5	13	1	5	65
Officer Halted	2			1	10	5	7	4	7	1		2	39
Parking Problem	31	19	29	18	24	28	10	30	30	22	29	20	290
Prowler		1			1		1	4	1	2	2		12
Public Assist	4	1	2	1	1	4	1	2	2	4	3	1	26
Rape	4	2	6	8	5	6	12	10	10	8	3	5	79
Reckless Driving	1								1				2
Resisting Arrest			1										1
Robbery								3	1	5			9
Runaway	4		1	5	4	2		1	2	4	6	4	33
Security Check	14	2	13	10	7	8	11	5	5	4	11	10	100
Sexual Abuse of a Minor	5	1	4	3	3	5	6	3	3	4	5	2	44
Shoplifting	1										1		2
Snow Problem	1		1										2
Stalking	1		1							1			3
Stolen Vehicle	1		1	1	1		2	5	3	1	2	1	18
Strong Arm Robbery		1	1			1		1	1				5
Suicide/Suicide Attempt	17	1	2	21	9	8	13	10	10	13	13	9	126
Suspicious Person/Veh/Circumstance	16	4	10	15	21	14	21	12	17	27	15	12	184
Theft	13	4	17	18	28	15	17	40	15	17	16	18	218
Threat	5		8	6	6	5	10	6	4	6	5	5	66
Trespass	11	2	7	11	14	3	7	17	9	12	11	12	116
Vandalism	4	1	3	3	10	5	8	4	4	4	3	3	52
Vehicle Tampering	1		3	2	2	1	2	4	3	3	2	1	24
Vice/Prostitution					1								1
Violation of City/State Regulations	5	2	1	10	8	9	12	12	10	8	14	10	101
Warrant Service	17	10	16	17	15	11	13	18	24	25	20	13	199
Welfare Check	28	7	30	31	23	39	26	41	37	40	25	53	380
Grand Total	523	163	479	545	588	536	531	610	578	612	522	505	6192

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Attachment 3

CALLS FOR SERVICE
 University Area Community Council
 01/01/2013 - 02/26/2013

Count of CALL NO CALL TYPE	MONTH		Grand Total
	Jan	Feb	
Alarm	15	23	38
Animal Problem	2		2
Assault	21	16	37
Assault With Weapons	3		3
Burglary	7	1	8
Child Abuse/Neglect	5	2	7
Civil Problem/Standby	7	1	8
Community Policing	5	12	17
Disorderly Conduct		2	2
Disturbance	51	35	86
Disturbance With A Weapon	1		1
Drugs	5	2	7
Drunk Problem	16	25	41
Drunk Transport	7	15	22
DUI	6	9	15
DV Information	1	2	3
DV Violation	1	2	3
DV Writ Service	13	7	20
Eluding		1	1
False Information	1		1
Field Interview	15	16	31
Follow Up	58	51	109
Found Person		1	1
Found Property	1		1
Fraud	1	2	3
General Locate	68	62	130
Harassment		4	4
Harrasment	1		1
Hazard in Roadway	6	4	10
Hit and Run	7	7	14
Hit and Run with Injuries	1	2	3
Illegal Camping	2	1	3
Juvenile Problem		6	6
Liquor Law Violation		3	3
Loud Party	3	3	6
Medic	21	19	40
Mental Person	5	8	13
Misconduct Involving Weapons	5	3	8
Missing Person	3	1	4
Misuse of Plates		1	1
Noise Violation	3	6	9
Officer Hailed		3	3
Parking Problem	26	24	50
Prowler		1	1
Public Assist	11	8	19
Rape	7	6	13
Runaway	1	4	5
Security Check	15	9	24
Sexual Abuse of a Minor		2	2
Stolen Vehicle	1	3	4
Strong Arm Robbery	2		2
Suicide/Suicide Attempt	8	8	16
Suspicious Person/Veh/Circumstances	26	18	44
Theft	21	16	37
Threat	5	3	8
Trespass	18	11	29
Vandalism	3	4	7
Vehicle Tampering	3	2	5
Violation of City/State Regulations	13	11	24
Warrant Service	33	17	50
Welfare Check	56	40	96
Grand Total	616	545	1161

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**UACC Presentation to the Urban Design Commission (UDC) Regarding
UAA's Proposal for a New 500-Vehicle Parking Garage on UAA Drive**

Hello. My name is Paul Stang. I'm speaking on behalf of the University Area Community Council. Last Wednesday our council passed a resolution opposing this garage. I think you have copies.

First, I want to emphasize that the Univ. Area CC strongly supports vibrant, environmentally sound development within campus. Unfortunately, that's not what we are getting.

Process

While the garage project was started at least a year ago, the public didn't learn about it until this past November after UAA had given copies of the detailed plans to the Muni.

That has caused our council substantial concern. It seems that UAA didn't come to the community this past fall to ask us for our views, concerns and suggestions, but simply to tell us what is going to happen.

That is not meaningful public participation in any way. And clearly, this is not the first UAA building project without the opportunity for early public involvement.

We are at the 11th hour, the step just before permits can be issued, and we have the first and only brief opportunity for public testimony for a project financed with public funds.

UAAs Master Plan

This garage project appears to have slipped in the side door of UAA's Master Plan. The plan identifies the site on which the proposed garage is located as for "Academic" buildings.

We understand that an internal Master Plan amendment, also being made without public input, is underway as we speak to change that designation to allow the garage to proceed.

So, the UDC gets to decide on another shovel-ready project conceived, located and designed without public input, even by the communities most affected. Furthermore, not a single change has been made in response to the concerns we expressed since learning about the garage.

The UAA Master Planning process, as well as its specific project planning process, is very seriously broken. UAA has policies and vision statements emphasizing sustainability, environment and health. Those values should be built into a thoughtful, reliable Master Plan before UAA constructs any more buildings.

Specific Concerns

Ours Feb 6th resolution details a number of specific substantive concerns.

A couple of us met with UAA last Friday and, based on UAA's explanations, now hope that two of our concerns may be met by UAAs design:

- 1) students walking straight across UAA Dr. from the garage, and
- 2) the visibility of the garage from most of Goose Lake Park.

But the most serious issues remain --

Instead of building the garage in one of the existing, paved parking lots that is closer to the new Engineering building, a large area with mature trees, adjacent to wetlands, will be destroyed to make room for the garage. A better location that was not considered by UAA is in the parking lot right across Providence Drive from the new Engineering Building, behind the Health Sciences building.

UAA Drive is bumper-to-bumper at critical times during the day. The garage will add about 300 cars to UAA Drive at the time of peak PM traffic. Furthermore, as you know, the State Dept. of Transportation is modifying the intersection of Northern Lights Blvd. and UAA Dr. to lower the high accident rate. The DOT plans to add an additional southbound traffic lane to the existing southbound lane of UAA Drive. These lanes will merge into a single lane further down UAA Dr. But UAA wants to convert the new lane into a right turn only lane to the garage, even though most of the cars are trying go to straight down UAA Dr. to Providence Drive. We think this will substantially complicate DOT's merge, making it a dangerous "bob and weave" fest.

The pedestrian crosswalk just north of Providence Drive causes numerous traffic back-ups on UAA Drive. This right of way is convenient for pedestrians, but cars must stop for every student or group of students while the nearby sky bridge goes largely unused. UAA has provided no solution to this serious problem that has been ongoing for many years. Yet, UAA wants to fast track the garage, adding more traffic.

Every UAA student can ride for free on Metro buses and campus shuttles. UAA and the community would be far better served, if instead of building this garage on UAA Drive, UAA took key steps to strongly encouraged use of public transit.

Thank you for the opportunity to express our views.

Attachment 5

Resolution of the University Area Community Council: UAA Drive Garage

Whereas, the University of Alaska Anchorage (UAA) plans a Parking Garage for 500 vehicles in the vicinity of Mallard Drive and UAA Drive (MOA Community Development Case No. 2013-012) that will have a direct adverse effect on UAA Drive traffic and the environmental amenities of the adjacent natural areas and neighborhood;

Whereas, the AK State Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (DOT&PF) Project No. 52119 / HHE-000S(694) is underway to help reduce the high vehicle accident rate at the intersection of UAA Drive and Northern Lights Boulevard. The project will add a second left turn lane on Northern Lights Boulevard for vehicles turning onto UAA Drive, plus a second southbound lane and a fourth northbound lane to move Northern Lights Boulevard traffic onto and off of UAA Drive more quickly and in the process add more concentrated southbound traffic onto UAA Drive. The plan specifies that vehicles in the two southbound lanes and buses from the adjacent bus stop lane will merge into a single lane in the vicinity of Mallard Lane. UAA Drive's single northbound lane will branch into the two left turn lanes and two right turn lanes within a few hundred feet of Northern Lights Boulevard;

Whereas, just recently, at the behest of UAA, the DOT&PF would allow the right southbound lane of UAA Drive to be designated as a right turn lane onto Mallard Lane so vehicles can gain access to UAA's newly proposed garage. This would complicate the ability of southbound vehicles to merge, further backing up UAA Drive traffic at critical times;

Whereas, the additional traffic brought to UAA Dr. by the garage will make it even more difficult for vehicles to turn onto Widgeon Lane and the driveways of the private residences on UAA Drive;

Whereas, UAA, in its latest Master Plan, designated the west side of UAA Dr. in the vicinity of Mallard Lane for "Academics" and without public notice, is amending its master plan, and is now in the final stages of preparations to build the 500-car parking garage at that location;

Whereas, a large area with mature trees adjacent to wetlands will be destroyed to make room for the garage;

Whereas, the 41-foot high garage building may be visible from Goose Lake Park;

Whereas, other existing campus parking lots would be more suitable for building a 4-story parking garage;

Whereas, the parking garage will draw hundreds more cars onto UAA Dr. which already carries bumper-to-bumper traffic at critical times;

Whereas UAA did not communicate with affected residents and the public throughout its planning process until the plans were essentially completed and provided to the Muni which essentially eviscerated any meaningful public participation in formulating the plans.

Whereas, UAA's 500-car parking garage is slated to be acted upon by the Urban Design Commission before the effects of the DOT&PF project on UAA Drive traffic are known;

Whereas, the pedestrian crosswalk just north of Providence Drive also causes numerous traffic back-ups on UAA Drive. This right of way is convenient for pedestrians, but cars must stop for every student or group of students while the nearby sky bridge goes largely unused. No solution has been provided to this chronic problem. Furthermore, many who park in the new garage will likely just walk straight across UAA Drive to get to an existing pedestrian path on the east side, further slowing traffic;

Therefore, be it resolved that the University Area Community Council opposes this project as conceived and requests UAA to put the project on hold until they can provide solid, thorough, supportable answers that resolve our community's concerns and UAA, with full public participation, completes its 2012/2013 Master Plan.

This resolution was voted on and passed: 20 for and 3 abstentions - 2/6/2013