



Office of the City Manager

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November 6, 2020

Community Report: 1120-12

Honorable Terry Crow,
Members of the City Council,
and University City Residents:

Mayor and Council Actions

The Mayor and Council are scheduled to meet on Monday, November 9, 2020 starting with a study session at 5:30 p.m. followed by the Council meeting at 6:30 p.m. To see the study session and Council meeting, please visit our website at www.ucitymo.org.

You may observe and/or listen to the meeting by one of the following:

1. **Audio Only Call** - Residents can call in and listen to the audio portion of the scheduled meeting
2. **Webinar** - Residents can view the Webinar using a PC, Mac, iPad, iPhone or Android Device
3. **YouTube** - Residents can view the live stream of the Webinar on the City's YouTube page https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCyN1EJ_-Q22918E9EZimWoQ

Additional details may be found on the City's website at: <https://www.ucitymo.org/879/Virtual-Meetings>

You may sign up to receive email and/or text notification for upcoming City Council meetings via the Notify Me bottom on the homepage of the City's website at: <https://www.ucitymo.org/>

Boards and Commissions

Below is a listing of the boards, committees and commissions for University City. If you are interested in serving, please contact City Clerk, LaRette Reese at LReese@ucitymo.org or visit the City's website at <https://www.ucitymo.org/29/Boards-and-Commissions>.

Board / Commission Name	Meeting Schedule <i>Subject to change</i>	Staff liaison	Council liaison
Arts & Letters	2 nd Tues. Monthly	Lynda Euell-Taylor	Councilmember Smotherson
Board of Adjustment	3 rd Mon. As Needed	Cliff Cross	Councilmember Smotherson
Board of Appeals	As Needed	Cliff Cross	Councilmember Clay
CALOP	4 th Thurs. As Needed	Lynda Euell-Taylor	Councilmember Smotherson
Civil Service Board	As Needed	Tiffany Paul	Councilmember Hales
Economic Development Retail Sales Tax Board	As Needed	Cliff Cross	Mayor Crow
Green Practices	2 nd Thurs. Monthly	Jenny Wendt	Councilmember Clay
Historic Preservation	3 rd Thurs. Monthly	Cliff Cross	Councilmember Klein
Industrial Development Authority	As Needed	Keith Cole	Mayor Crow
Infill Review Board	As Needed	Cliff Cross	Mayor Crow
Land Clearance Redevelopment	As Needed	Keith Cole	Mayor Crow
Library Board	2 nd Wed. Except July and Aug. and the 4 th Wed. in Sept.	Patrick Wall	Councilmember Clay
Park Commission	4 th Tues. Except Aug. and Dec.	Darren Dunkle	Councilmember McMahan
Pension Board	4 th Tues. - Quarterly Jan., April, July, Oct.	Tiffany Paul	Councilmember McMahan
Plan Commission	4 th Wed. Monthly	Cliff Cross	Councilmember Hales
Senior Commission	3 rd Mon. Monthly	Lynda Euell-Taylor	Councilmember Klein
Storm Water Issues	1 st Tues. Monthly	Sinan Alpaslan	Councilmember Cusick
Traffic Commission	2 nd Wed. Monthly Except Aug.	Errol Tate	Councilmember Cusick
Urban Forestry	2 nd Wed. Every other month	Jacob Kaiser	Councilmember Klein
Loop Special Business Board	2 nd Tues. Monthly	Cliff Cross	Mayor Crow
Youth Commission	1 st Mon. Monthly	Not Active	Not Active

Task Force:

Renaming Streets and Parks	Mon. Every Other Week	Errol Tate	Mayor Crow
Economic Development Strategic Plan	As Needed	Cliff Cross	Councilmember Smotherson

Parks, Recreation and Forestry

Parks

The Parks, Recreation and Forestry Department has received a Municipal Parks Grant in the amount of \$525,000 from the Municipal Parks Grant Commission of St. Louis County for the redevelopment of Ackert Park.

The Municipal Parks Grant program is a competitive program provided and administered by the Municipal Parks Grant Commission of St. Louis County. The purpose of the grant is to provide financial assistance for the development and/or improvement of our municipal parks.

The design development phase of the Ackert Park project will take place over the winter with construction beginning in the spring. It is anticipated that the project will be completed by the winter of 2021.

Forestry

Urban Forestry Commission is scheduled to meet at 6:00 pm on Wednesday, November 11, 2020. For more information please see the City's website at www.ucitymor.org

Public Works

- Fall Curbside Leaf Collection continues! The service is scheduled for the West area in the work week starting on Monday, November 9, 2020. We ask that our residents rake their leaves to the curb line between the Friday before collection begins in your area and Monday 7 AM of your collection week. The truck will make only one pass per household. Please do not mix other yard waste (gumballs, trash, small tree branches/limbs, brush, grass clippings, etc.) in with leaves and continue using the yard waste collection service for the disposal of other yard waste and contact the department office at (314) 505-8560 with any questions.
- A Streets and Parks Renaming Task Force meeting was held on Monday, November 2nd. The discussion included further examinations into existing street names such as Trinity Ave., Warren Ave., Kingsbury Ave., Pershing Ave., Westmoreland Ave., Portland Place, Enright Ave., and Amherst Ave. There were also updates on contacts with the subdivisions and block units in Ward 3 with respect to street renaming requests. No actions were taken.
- A Commission on Storm Water Issues regular monthly meeting was held on Tuesday, November 3. The Army Corps presented an update on the ongoing Flood Risk Management study and answered questions. Discussions were held on a Trash Traps project application for River Des Peres in Heman Park and draft Commission bylaws. No actions were taken.
- A Traffic Commission regular monthly meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 11 at 6:30 p.m. The meeting is scheduled to be conducted on Zoom.
- A Green Practices regular monthly meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 12 at 5:30 p.m. The meeting is scheduled to be conducted on Zoom.

Finance Department

New businesses that started in the City as of October 29 are as follows:

- Freedom Clean LLC – 7005 Raymond Avenue– Ward 3
- Henderson Amusements – 8020 Olive Blvd. – Ward 2
- Snacks West LLC – 6662 Delmar Blvd. – Ward 1

Police Department

The UCPD hosted a drive-thru Halloween Trick or Treat event. More than 20 cars attended, with multiple trick or treaters in each. Approximately 60 bags of candy were distributed that included a comic book and pencil.

The UCPD delivered 217 pounds in 8 boxes of collected drugs, which were turned over to the DEA for destruction. Again - THANK YOU to our University City Community!

Activities and Events

11/7/2020 at 9am – 1pm: Chefs Garage Sale at the U City Farmers Market It's a "Garage Sale" like no other. Shop for Cookbooks, Kitchen Wares, Linens & Textiles, Utensils & Dish Sets, Small Appliances and more. A variety of kitchen and food prep wares have been donated by Restaurants; People-Who-Love-to-Cook-and-Eat; and Folks-With-Just-Too-Much-Stuff! There's also a Gift Basket Raffle! Buy chances for amazing food and cooking related gift baskets. These make amazing holiday gifts for friends & family.

11/12 – 12/7/2020: Food Waste Audit Calling all University City Residents: would you like to keep track of your food waste for 1 week to receive a \$20 gift card to United Provisions, Kaldi's Coffee, or Blueberry Hill? Learn more and sign up at: www.helpsavethefood.com/

11/14/2020, 9am - noon: Yard/Campaign Sign Recycling Collection Event

Drop off your corrugated plastic yard signs to be recycled at the Community Center parking lot, 975 Pennsylvania, between 9am and noon on November 14, 2020.

What to do:

- Collect corrugated plastic signs from friends, neighbors, organizations, etc.
- Separate signs from stands
- Deliver signs to the Community Center, 975 Pennsylvania, November 14, 2020, between 9am & noon.

****Please do not remove signs from yards without the property owner's approval****

Respectfully submitted,



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City Manager