KCI Area Development Team

April 6, 2017 Minutes

In attendance: Darren Hennen, Dan Fowler, Lisa Minardi, John DeBauche, Ed Bradley, Leslie Johnson, Roger Lewis, Greg Dean, Matt Jarrett, Ruth Nelson, Kyle Elliott, Ryan Robertshaw, Alicia Stephens, Lynette Palmer

GO Bond Discussion

Councilman Fowler lead the discussion:

- Platte County had highest voter turnout at 20%, and all GO Bonds passed with over 60% approval, except Eastside sales tax at 52% approval
- Question #1 has most impact for the Northland. Map included in minutes show the Northland projects lists.
 - N. Brighton will be a first priority
 - o Woodland/Cookingham at Shoal Creek has a high accident rate.
 - o Greenhills Road will move forward as soon as right of way is completed,
 - o Pleasant Valley to 72nd is paid for from previous funds, just needs to start soon.
 - Ed Bradley asked if using funding from the bond for the I-29 overpass would be possible, then reallocate the TIF money elsewhere; Fowler noted the project is already slated for TIF funds so it is unlikely that bond money will be used there. Fowler met Menards GM and sales are 50% higher than planned, which is good news for the TIF.
 - O Hennen mentioned the Buck O'Neal Bridge topic; will bond money go for bridge work/replacement? Fowler commented the study shows the bridge is in much worse condition than thought, it cannot wait another two years. He's talking to the state to let them know we need money. Grant funding could move the project up in priorities. Preliminary plans go west and stay out of the flight path and preserve the Signature Building. Stephens' concern is utilization of bond money would view the project as a Northland project and deplete funding for Northland Go Bond projects.
 - Hennen asked what will the mechanism be to roll out the projects, and how will allocations be watched?
 Will excess be returned to normal funding or go into another project in the same area. The answer was not definitive but thought that funding would be returned to general projects, not area specific.

KCI Airport Update

- The issue must be on the November 2017 ballot to keep the airline support. In 2018 mayoral campaigns will begin and a vote on the capital sales tax renewal will be April 2018. It is not preferred to have KCI listed on the same ballot.
 - Northland Chamber and Platte County EDC have the consultant Brad Scott.
 - The KCI issue strategy must be to educate the voters. Ed Bradley offered to head the education portion of the issue; he will review KCI information and legislation.
 - The city council needs to have buy- in to lead the charge and have the unified voice for the issue to be on the ballot with support.
 - Gov. Brownback discussion with ATA is a real concern, though 20 years out, it would be huge economic impact to Northland, KCMO, Platte County if the airport went to Kansas.
 - KCADC & KC Chamber are bi-state organizations and don't want to be in a turf war with Kansas.
 - The Northland is taking a strong leadership role in the airport new terminal campaign.
 - Lisa Minardi asked if a design will accompany the ballot; visual voters; Bradley added there are designs out there, but none that are final.

MARC 152

- Study of Hwy 152 for increasing congestion from the development along the corridor. The planning will need to start now with the growth and congestion. The plan will start looking into the future to provide solutions that will be needed in the next 20 years because of growth.
- Shoal Creek plan may expand its study to incorporate the Hwy 152 study.

Development Updates

- Tiffany Springs work was to be completed over spring break.
- 190K left from Tiffany Springs interchange is for KCMO to reallocate. Ed Bradley asked if the money could go toward the Bridge over I-29.
- Costco has moved up its opening to May 18.
- Development to watch on Cookingham and 169, south of 435, no details, but includes a large footprint and gas pumps.

Twin Creeks

- Destination Subcommittee
 - Joint meeting of public and private groups is the next step. The private group has connected with Sporting KC. Youth sports will need both public and private support. An A & E group has done preliminary drawings; the next step is to determine cost.

Future Presentations

- Zona Rosa
- Pat Klein KCI Next Steps

Next meeting - 7:30am, Thursday, May 4, 2017