



The Greater Allisonville Community Council Newsletter

Your voice in Your community!

September 2010

President's Message

I would like to take this opportunity to share with GACC members and others within our community our quarterly newsletter and to highlight our new website! With the launch of our new website we hope to provide the Greater Allisonville Community with more timely and beneficial news.

While GACC has historically focused a good portion of its work and service to the community on issues related to land use and zoning/rezoning petitions, we are at a point in our journey where we will be determining if we are serving the community to the fullest extent possible (recognizing the limitations that accompany a volunteer organization), and if there are other areas where we might better serve the GACC members. To this end, I would be most appreciative to learn of community concerns, ideas, and issues and will commit to discussing these at a future executive board meeting. I would encourage input on any number of levels, ranging from short-term community service projects (e.g., road/neighborhood cleanups) to longer-term initiatives such as greenway space development, redevelopment, and crime watch initiatives, among others.

Finally, many of you have offered, when renewing your membership, to help in various capacities. That has been duly noted and we hope to act on these generous offerings when the opportunity presents. In the interim, however, we are always interested in talking to community members and residents who have an interest in serving on our executive board. The Board is also discussing ways that we can tap into the volunteerism attitude portrayed by our members by using them on ad hoc committees and task forces. If you have an interest in being considered for such, please send me a note of interest at djuberg@greaterallisonville.org.

I thank you again for your interest in and dedication to our community!

Sincerely,

Daland R. Juberg, GACC President

GACC Launches New Website !

The Greater Allisonville Community Council (GACC) has launched a new website (www.greaterallisonville.org). The user-friendly website offers:

- GACC Public Land Use Meeting Dates and minutes from previous Land Use meetings
- Online membership renewal and dues payment
- Links to neighborhood association websites and neighborhood news
- Links to resources (City zoning browser, IDEM, BRAG, Keep Indianapolis Beautiful, Public Library System, local schools, parks, shopping, etc.)
- GACC Position Papers

Good Neighbor Award — Councilor Christine Scales

At the August 2010 GACC Public Land Use Meeting, the GACC Board presented City Councilor Christine Scales with the GACC Good Neighbor Award. Councilor Scales is serving her first term as the Indianapolis District 4 City-County representative. Her geographic area of responsibility, from 38th Street on the south to 96th Street on the north, comprises many of the GACC neighborhoods.

Councilor Scales has devoted extensive time and effort to improving the quality of life for the residents in northeast Marion County. She has committed to keeping the Glendale Public Library Branch open, has helped accomplish the resurfacing of East 62nd Street between Keystone Avenue and Allisonville Road, has worked with the DPW regarding the installation of drainage pipes on North Ewing Street solving an ongoing drainage problem, and even served as the Grand Marshall for the Fairfields-Sylvan neighborhood July 4th parade. We thank Councilor Scales for her hard work!

See our website for photos and more information by clicking on “Good Neighbor Award”.

www.greaterallisonville.org

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Mayor's Action Center
REQUESTINDY
Gregory A. Ballard, Mayor

June 16, 2010

MAYOR LAUNCHES REQUESTINDY

Online portal provides new avenue for citizens to connect to City services

INDIANAPOLIS - Mayor Greg Ballard joined Director of Constituent Services, Sarah Taylor, today to launch RequestIndy, a new online portal that allows residents to report problems in their neighborhoods such as high weeds and grass, potholes and stray animals. The first-of-its-kind portal for the City of Indianapolis uses GIS mapping technology to provide a user friendly means of connecting with the City.

"We are dedicated to improving the level of service we provide to citizens and ways in which citizens are able to interact with local government. RequestIndy marks a significant step forward in that effort," said Mayor Ballard. "We are striving today to hit the fundamentals of good customer service. We hope residents will find RequestIndy to be a tool that allows us to work in partnership to improve the quality of life for all citizens."

RequestIndy allows citizens to request services, report issues, and open service requests online, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. Citizens can access an aerial street level view of an area to report locations of potholes, graffiti, high weeds and grass and any other problems. Citizens' requests will arrive within moments of being submitted to the correct agencies, regardless of day or time, and users will have the option to look up the status of submitted requests.

"The launch of this portal marks a leap forward in technology currently used by the Mayor's Action Center. Utilizing an advanced GIS mapping system creates an easier way for citizens to pinpoint problems in their neighborhoods," said Taylor. "This is an ongoing process of technology upgrades and enhancements, and we will continue to encourage citizen feedback as we move forward."

To access RequestIndy, visit the Mayor's Action Center Web site at www.indy.gov/mac. Citizens will continue to have the option to report similar issues to the Mayor's Action Center by calling 317-327-4MAC.

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Action Taken By GACC Board at Public Land Use Meetings in 2010

January 2010

2009-UV2-036

7530 Allisonville Road

AT & T Mobility requests a Variance of Use of the Wireless Communication Zoning Ordinance and the Dwelling Districts Zoning Ordinance to provide for a 137-foot tall wireless communications facility, with accessory equipment cabinets, located 24 feet from the south property line (minimum 30-foot setback required). The Board asked the petitioner to seek a continuance on the Zoning Board hearing date to allow for contact by the petitioner with affected property owners in Arrowhead subdivision.

2009-DV2-063

3202 East 76th Street

Bruce Sklare on behalf of Glick Development requests a Variance of Development Standards of the Sign Regulations to provide for two six-foot tall, 72-square foot pylon signs (maximum two four-foot tall, 40-square foot signs permitted). The Board voted to take a position of no opposition and to submit a letter to the appropriate Zoning Board stating such position.

March 2010

2009-UV2-036

7530 Allisonville Road

This was a continued case from the January Meeting. AT & T representatives and counsel reviewed their contacts with the surrounding neighbors and reviewed the need for the variances to allow for the erection of a mobile communication tower at the above noted address. The Board voted to oppose this petition and to submit a letter to the appropriate Zoning Board stating such position.

2010-DV3-005

8111 Graham Road

Jerry Pearson requests a Variance of Development Standards of the Dwelling District Zoning Ordinance to provide for a 576-square foot accessory structure in front of the established building line of the primary dwelling (accessory structures required to be located behind the established building line of the primary dwelling). The Board voted to support this petition and to submit a letter to the appropriate Zoning Board stating such position.

2010-DV3-006

7345 North Irvington Avenue

Donald Hughes requests a Variance of Development Standards of the Dwelling District Zoning Ordinance to provide for an accessory building that encroaches 2.5 feet into a ten foot rear drainage and utility easement (structures not permitted with easement). The petitioner did not appear to discuss this petition with the Board and a letter was generated to the petitioner requesting a continuance to allow time for his appearance before the GACC Board.

2010-DV3-007

6401 East 75th Street

Heritage Christian School requests a variance of Development Standards of the Sign Regulations to provide for: (a) a 10-foot tall, 102.75 square foot free-standing sign, with a 12-foot setback from the existing right-of-way of 75th Street (15-foot front setback required); (b) and a 10-foot tall, 42.75-square foot free-standing sign with a zero-foot front setback from the existing right-of-way of 75th Street (structures cannot be within the clear sight triangle) and (c) with a 23-foot sign separation (minimum of 300-foot separation required). The Board voted to support this petition and to submit a letter to the appropriate Zoning Board stating such position.

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6191 North Keystone Avenue

Walgreen's at Glendale seeks a liquor license to sell beer, wine, and liquor. Hearing before the Marion County Liquor Board is scheduled for March 15, 2010. The Board voted to oppose this petition and to submit to the Marion County Liquor Board stating such position.

April 2010

2010-DV3-006

7345 North Irvington Avenue

Petitioner's representative appeared before the Board to discuss this case which had been continued from the March Land Use meeting. The Board voted to have no opposition to this petition and to submit a letter to appropriate Zoning Board stating such position.

2010-MOD-003

4729 East 82nd Street

Key Bank requests Modification of Commitments related to 95-Z-53 (95-DP-3) to modify Commitment Four to permit a 24-hour ATM and deposit box (24 hour operations not permitted). The Board voted to support his petition and to submit a letter to the appropriate Zoning Board stating such position.

2010-PTN-099

5133 East 65th Street

Darren Conner presented information on a petition he was submitting to request a Variance of Use to allow for a microbrewery and tasting room with retail sales, along with commitments not to operate as a restaurant or bar. The Board advised Mr. Conner to file his petition and return to the GACC Board.

May 2010

2010-CZN-813 and 2010-CVR-813

4402 East 82nd Street

The Board voted to support the rezoning of approximately 2 acres from D-6II to C-4 and to allow the buffer zone in a C-4 to contain the existing pond.

2010-PTN-099

5133 East 65th Street

The Board voted to support the request for variance to allow retail sales at this location.

2010-ZON-037

5944 North Keystone Avenue

The Board voted to support the rezoning from D-3 to C1 at this location.

July 2010

2010-UV3-014

6840 Lake Plaza Drive

The Board voted to support the variance to allow for a veterinarian establishment in a C-3 district.

2010-DV2-020

6320 North Ewing Street

The Board voted to support the variance to reduce the side yard setback to 11' from 15'.

August 2010

2010-ZON-48

5210 East 64th Street

The board asked the petitioner to continue the request to September 2010 to change the zoning at this location to allow for a health club / exercise business which is currently not allowed.