

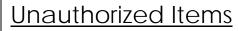




# **Work Session**

### 1. Kent State University, School of Architecture Building Overview

The staff from the Kent State University Architect's Office have offered to provide Council with an overview of the building design options that are being considered for the new School of Architecture Building along the Esplanade. The University is accepting public comment on those options and Kent State welcomes feedback from the City, either formally or informally, to help guide their final selection.



1. Parks and Recreation Donations (Draft 13-14)

John Idone has received a donation for Kent Parks and Recreation totaling \$100 from Dr. TN Bhargava for parks and recreational uses. (attachment)

Administrative Recommendation

I recommend Council accept the donation in full.

Council Action

Authorize the acceptance of the donation for Kent Parks and Recreation.

2. Adopt A Spot Donation (Draft 13-14)

The City has received a donation for the Adopt A Spot program from the Henry V. & Frances W. Christenson Foundation in the amount of \$1,500. (attachment)

Administrative Recommendation

I recommend Council accept the donation in full.

Council Action

Authorize the acceptance of the donation for Kent Adopt A Spot Program.

### Information Items

1. Fire Incident Report

Dave Manthey has provided a copy of the fire and emergency medical services report for December 2012. In 2012 calls for fire service were up 13% (114 calls); fire mutual aid assistance (received) was up 15 events; and EMS responses were down 1% (12 calls). (attachment)

2. Board of Zoning Appeals February 18th Meeting

Heather Phile from our Community Development has provided a copy of the agenda and staff report for the February Board of Zoning Appeals meeting. There is one item on the agenda: Graphic Expressions / Kent Karate, 122 W. College St., signage variances. (attachment)







## Information Items (continued)

### 3. Health Board Meeting Minutes and Department Statistics

Jeff Neistadt has provided copies of the Health Board agenda (for the February 12<sup>th</sup> meeting), the statistical report for January 2013. Health Department revenues are up 19% (\$2,447) and permits are up 35% (9 permits) in 2013 from 2012. (attachment)

### 4. Parks and Recreation Information Flyer on Redmond Bridge

John Idone asked me to share the attached flyer that Kent Parks and Recreation has prepared to help explain the status of the Harvey Redmond Bridge closure and replacement. With another baseball season right around the corner, John anticipates many questions about the timing of the bridge replacement so he's trying to get this information out into the community before the season starts. (attachment)

### 5. Strategic Initiatives Summary 2007-2012

I have provided a 6-year strategic trending report that illustrates the continued progress we've made towards achieving our strategic goals and priorities. In the report you will find a listing of what I considered the major actions or accomplishments that we performed in each of our strategic categories from 2007 through 2012. This format illustrates that although the downtown redevelopment has received a lot of positive attention, Council has been busy making progress in all of our strategic priority areas. In completing this summary, I felt a sense of pride for how much we've accomplished and I'm excited to see that progress continue in 2013. (attachment)