

ROARS

THE VOICE OF UNIVERSITY CITY

FALL 2021

University City Vision 2040

The City of University City has initiated a community visioning process to identify what our community could be like in 2040. The comprehensive planning process will determine guidelines for how we can get there.

In addition to identifying our strengths, weaknesses, values and priorities, the visioning process will give residents, business owners, local institutions, and other stakeholders the opportunity to express ideas about our future.

Through a series of meetings, workshops, surveys, and growth-scenario comparisons facilitated by local leaders, participants will create a vision, including written materials that reflect our goals and priorities and describe how our community should look and feel in the years to come.

U. City's visioning process will encompass the next two decades. While a visioning process can be a standalone project, our results will serve as a foundation upon which the City's comprehensive planning process, which is expected to commence in early 2022, will be built.

Public Engagement

The City has contracted with Future iQ, a company that specializes in helping communities conduct collaborative visioning projects.

A task force will be established in September 2021, which will be comprised of representatives from our boards and commissions. In addition, over the next few months, public engagement will occur digitally and in-person to capture input from the community as we continue to navigate a changing COVID-19 environment.

Stay Informed

We want to hear from you! The success and longevity of this community visioning process depends upon a high level of participation and input. To stay engaged in the U City Vision 2040 and receive information about the visioning process as it develops and reminders about meetings and events, please email UCLife@ucitymo.org. If you have questions or concerns, please call (314) 505-8533

See page 2 for ways to participate



FALL CITY COUNCIL DATES

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13 & 27

MONDAY, OCTOBER 11 & 25

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 8 & 22

MONDAY, DECEMBER 13

With the COVID-19 situation continuing to evolve, the method of holding meetings (virtual or in-person) is subject to change. Information for upcoming City Council meetings is available through the City's calendar located at www.ucitymo.org/Calendar.

All City Council meetings are streamed live through the City's YouTube channel at <https://www.youtube.com/c/UniversityCityGovernment>. To be notified when the City goes live, click the subscribe button.

Centennial Commons Hours (as of August 2021).

For current hours check www.ucitymo.org/RecreationFacilities or call (314) 505-8625



MONDAY-THURSDAY 7:00 A.M. - 7:00 P.M.

FRIDAY 7:00 A.M. - 4:30 P.M.

SATURDAY 8:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

SUNDAY CLOSED

COMMUNITY SURVEY: University City Vision 2040 will begin with a survey that asks about a wide range of issues that are shaping the future of our community. This survey will run concurrently with other phases of the visioning process, including in-person engagement. Although the survey will remain open through the end of the project, it's important that we receive high levels of participation before the October Think Tank. Links to this online survey are available at <https://lab2.future-iq.com/university-citys-community-visioning-project/>

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT SESSIONS: To ensure that we secure input from a wide range of stakeholders, the visioning process will also include approximately 10 community engagement sessions in the weeks following the Think Tank. Held throughout the community, these small group sessions will further explore some of the issues identified in the survey and Think Tank sessions, as well as explore additional trends, challenges, and strengths. Small groups may include faith leaders, business owners, educators, neighborhood associations and/or other similar groups. A schedule for these sessions will be available at <https://future-iq.com/project/university-city-missouri-usa-2021-2022/> and www.icitymo.org/Vision2040.

OCTOBER THINK TANK: In-person engagement will begin with the Think Tank, which will highlight some of the results from the survey and produce plausible scenarios through in-depth planning with numerous stakeholders. The entire community is invited to participate. The City will also invite representatives from community institutions to be involved to ensure well-rounded representation.

Two Think Tank sessions will be held and for continuity, it's important that as many attendees as possible participate in both sessions. Sessions will be held 6:00 – 9:00 p.m., Thursday, October 14 and 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., Saturday, October 16. At this time, both Think Tank sessions will be at the Heman Park Community Center. Masks and registration are required to attend. **Given the uncertainty of the COVID situation, these sessions are subject to change.** Maximum registration levels will be determined by the safety protocols in place at the time the sessions occur. Registration will be based on a first come-first serve basis and the link to register will be available at <https://lab2.future-iq.com/university-citys-community-visioning-project/> and www.icitymo.org/Vision2040. Please register no later than October 13.



Mark Your Calendars!

HOLIDAY TRASH/RECYCLING COLLECTION

LABOR DAY Monday, Sept. 6 – NO trash/recycling collection and City Hall is closed. All routes will resume one day later than usual, Tuesday through Saturday

THANKSGIVING Thursday, Nov. 25 – NO trash/recycling collection and City Hall will be closed Thursday and Friday. Beginning Friday, trash/recycling collection will resume one day delay, on Friday and Saturday

FALL BULK HOUSEHOLD ITEM COLLECTION

Residential households can place up to 3 large or 7 small items curbside for the annual fall bulk pick-up. Items must be placed at the front curb (not alley) by Sunday night before collection. Trucks will make only one pass on each street. Access cannot be blocked by parked vehicles.

EAST AREA - SEPTEMBER 13 - 17

CENTRAL AREA - SEPTEMBER 20 - 24

WEST AREA - SEPTEMBER 27 - OCTOBER 1

For questions or if you miss your bulk collection and need to schedule a special bulk item pick-up for a fee, contact the Public Works Department at 314-505-8560

Items Accepted: furniture, bedding, cabinets, doors/windows (glass must be wrapped in cardboard), rugs, carpet, mattresses, box springs, washer and dryers, refrigerators (doors removed) small air conditioners, sinks and toilets

Items Not Accepted: TV, computer monitors, microwave ovens, hazardous materials, commercial items, business equipment, yard waste, tree trunks, logs, building or construction debris, tires, auto batteries, motors, railroad ties, barrel drums,

concrete bricks, landscape stones, rocks, dirt, roofing materials, siding, fluorescent tubes or household trash

FALL CURBSIDE LEAF COLLECTION

Crews will begin collecting leaves from the front curb of participating residential properties in November. Leaves must be raked to the curb line by Sunday, the day before collection in your area. Trucks make only one pass on each street during the collection week. Leaves must be raked at curb before scheduled collection week begins. Area pick-up schedules:

EAST AREA - NOV. 1-5 AND NOV. 29-DEC. 3

CENTRAL AREA - NOV. 8-12 AND DEC. 6-10

WEST AREA - NOV. 15-19 AND DEC. 13-17

Parked vehicles must not block access to the leaves. Only leaves will be collected, not gumballs, limbs or other yard debris, which are considered yard waste and should be placed in yard waste bags to be picked up on your regular collection day. Yard waste bag stickers are NOT required on bags. For questions, please contact the Department of Public Works at (314) 505-8560 or visit www.icitymo.org

FALL RECYCLING AND SHREDDING

PAPER SHREDDING

Saturday September 18 at Heman Park Pool Parking Lot, 7210 Olive, 9am until noon (limited to 5 bankers boxes per car)

ELECTRONICS RECYCLING

Saturday October 23 at Heman Park Community Center, 975 Pennsylvania, 9:00 am until noon (rain or shine)

Reinvesting in the City We Love

What began in 2016 with a concept advanced by a couple of members of the City Council to enable University City to revitalize and reinvest in the Third Ward is becoming a reality as sitework begins on the first 16 acres of the eventual 50-acre development to be known as the Markets at Olive.

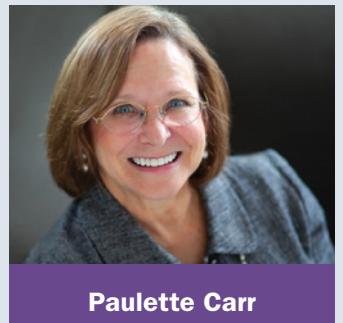
The road to reinvigorating the Third Ward was not easy, according to former Council Member Paulette Carr (Ward II), who along with Bwayne Smotherson (Ward III) and subsequently, Steve McMahon (Ward I), led the charge for change. The goal was to revitalize the Third Ward and Olive Boulevard corridor by redeveloping a commercial district along Olive to attract shoppers and increase local revenue to generate monies needed to fund the revitalization.

Following a Council study session in 2017, an RFP was issued for a developer who not only could assemble the land, but also would commit to using the funds generated to reinvest in the Third Ward. In addition, the developer needed to be able to ultimately attract the attention of a high profile anchor tenant such as Costco, which already had indicated interest in the location.

“Once the Innerbelt that opened in the 1960’s became an Interstate in the 1970’s, the intersection of I-170 at Olive became the City’s prime location for commercial real estate development,” said Carr, who served as Council Member from 2012 until 2020. “However, the decades old perception that University City had no interest in redevelopment and would never consider a national entity had deterred interest.”

As a result, the intersection was underutilized in terms of fueling University City’s economic engine for enhancing infrastructure and public safety, as well as for generating the necessary revenues and resources to substantially and sustainably improve the Third Ward.

“Reinvestment is necessary to rebuild neighborhoods and reverse declining property values in the Third Ward. It is also critical for the long-term success of people living in every ward throughout University City,” said Carr. “From the beginning, the focus has been to develop, grow and enhance the Olive Boulevard commercial district for the City’s health and sustainability. Everyone who has advocated for this development has been motivated by love for University City and everything good it represents.”



Paulette Carr

REVITALIZE AND REINVEST IN THE THIRD WARD

50-ACRE DEVELOPMENT TO BE KNOWN AS THE MARKETS AT OLIVE



Updated Policies for Centennial Commons

Centennial Commons, which reopened since last summer, is once again requiring paid admission. Admission is limited to individuals (age 3+) with a Centennial Commons membership and a resident or non-resident recreation ID card. Memberships and ID cards may be purchased at the Centennial Commons Control Desk and are available to both residents and non-residents. Visit www.icitymo.org/RecreationFacilities for more information about facility use rates.

To obtain a resident recreation ID card, residents must present their University City-issued occupancy permit as proof of residency and pay a \$5.00 fee, **NO EXCEPTIONS**. Occupancy permits are available at City Hall, 6801 Delmar, 4th floor, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. To be added to a Centennial Commons family membership, please ensure that your occupancy permit includes all immediate family members who reside in your home.

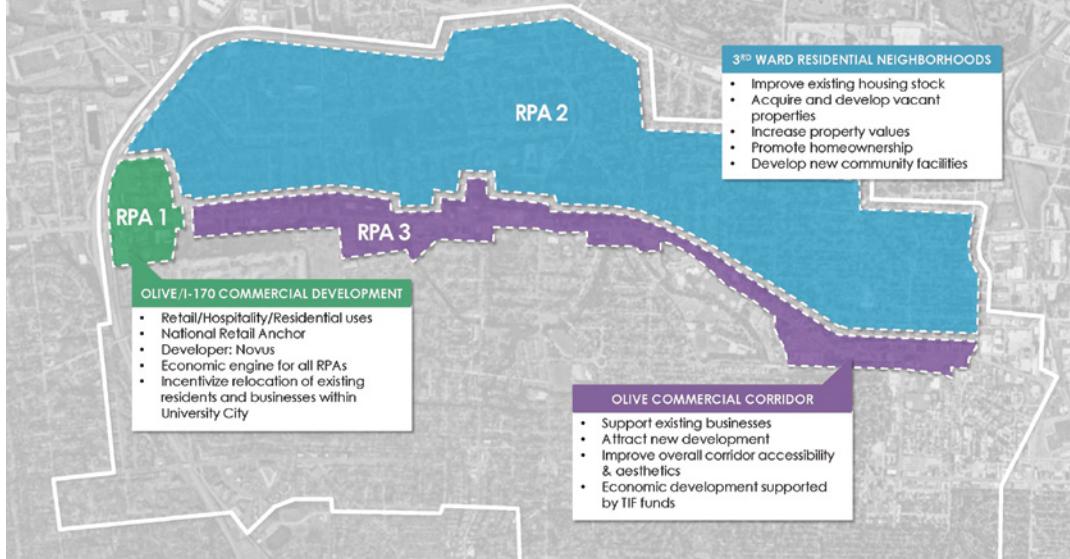
To access the facility, non-residents will be required to have a non-resident recreation ID card and pay the daily admission fee or hold a membership. Individuals who cannot provide proof of residency may purchase a non-resident recreation ID card for \$7.00.

Youth ages 10 and under **MUST** be accompanied by a parent, authorized guardian, or caregiver who is 18 years or older and remains with the youth throughout the entire facility visit.

MEMBERSHIPS



If you purchased a Centennial Commons membership, Hemant Park Pool season pass, or a resident or non-resident recreation ID card between May 28 and July 5, 2021, please stop by Centennial Commons during normal business hours to have your photo taken and receive your updated cards at no charge. For those who still qualify for free memberships through SilverSneakers and RenewACTIVE, memberships remain active as long as your insurance is accepted by SilverSneakers and RenewActive.



Markets at Olive Construction Begins with Costco Anchor for Mixed-Use Development

APPROXIMATELY 200,000 CUBIC YARDS OF DIRT (EQUIVALENT TO ABOUT 150,000 TONS) WILL BE EXCAVATED IN THE INITIAL PHASE AND MOVED FROM THE NORTH SIDE TO SOUTH SIDE OF OLIVE WHERE IT WILL BE REUSED AS NEEDED FOR FUTURE PHASES.



There's a lot going on behind the construction fence at the intersection of Olive Blvd. and I-170. As part of the eventual 50-acre mixed use development that will span both sides of Olive, construction has begun on the first 16-acre parcel on the north side of Olive for a 160,000 sq. ft. Costco Wholesale. The Costco membership warehouse club will be the largest commercial employer in University City.

The timeline is aggressive. Site work, including demolition, grading, temporary utilities and construction access roads will continue into early 2022, when construction of the Costco store will begin. The goal is for Costco to open in late 2022.

Good Jobs and Improved Infrastructure

The Markets at Olive signals an important step forward in diversifying our local economy and generating the necessary resources to improve University City's Third Ward, which has for many years been experiencing declining property values and increasing absentee landlords.

While change is difficult, it is necessary for University City to continue to thrive. Long-term benefits of the Markets at Olive will include improved housing infrastructure and public safety, as well as job opportunities with an employer known for embracing diversity, equity and inclusion.

In addition to more than 200 skilled and unskilled labor construction jobs, Costco expects to hire approximately 150 full- and part-time hourly workers at starting wages that surpass many of its well-known competitors. Currently, Costco's starting wage is \$16 an hour and employees receive increases in pay based upon hours worked.

As part of the City's strategic plan, the increased tax base from Costco will help support city services and public schools, as well as neighborhood and infrastructure improvements in areas beyond the Olive and I-170 redevelopment project area, known as RPA 1.

University City will receive an estimated total of at least \$15 million from the development over the 23 year lifespan of the Tax Increment Financing (TIF). This will include approximately \$10 million to improve the residential area north of Olive in the Third Ward and an additional estimated \$5 million for improvements for the 3.5 mile business corridor on Olive east of McKnight/Woodson Road.



Image courtesy of Costco Wholesale

Task Force on Home Ownership

Benefits of this bold development already are being realized. Following receipt on April 1, 2021, of the first \$3 million payment of the \$10 million to improve the Third Ward residential area north of Olive, City Manager Gregory Rose intends to recommend to the Mayor and Council the formation of a Task Force.

The Task Force will be asked to determine how monies could be used for a housing program that will serve as a stimulus for owner-occupied homes to be renovated and provide renters a path to home ownership.

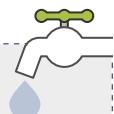
First Phase of Development

The Costco site is just one portion of the first phase of a \$189.4-million mixed-use development that was approved in June 2019 as part of the Redevelopment Plan Area 1 (RPA-1).

In March 2021, property for the first phase of the Markets at Olive Development, which includes the 16-acre Costco development site, was acquired by U. City, LLC, managed by Jonathan Browne, owner of Novus Development Company.

University City is committed to being a healthy, vibrant and stable community that is racially and economically diverse and inclusive. The Markets at Olive development signals the first step in fulfilling the promise of our Master Plan to revitalize and reinvest in the Third Ward to make our community stronger and improve opportunities for our citizens for decades to come.

For more information about the Markets at Olive development construction schedule and timeline, impacts to traffic and other information as it becomes available, visit www.icitymo.org/MarketsAtOlive.



NEARLY 4,000 FEET OF NEW PERMANENT SANITARY AND STORM WATER UTILITIES WILL BE INSTALLED UNDERGROUND ON THE NORTH SIDE OF OLIVE AS PART OF THE INITIAL PHASE.



Tributes to Hazel Erby and Betty L. Thompson

University City mourns the recent loss Hazel Erby and Betty L. Thompson, two outstanding leaders and long-time University City residents who exemplified commitment to community and served as role models, especially for African American women. Hazel Erby made history as the first Black woman elected to the St. Louis County Council, a post she held for 15 years. Betty Thompson began her political career as a Council Member for University City, a post she held for 18 years before being elected in 1997 to the Missouri House of Representatives and winning subsequent two-year terms in 1998, 2000 and 2002. Our thoughts and prayers are with their families, friends and others whose lives were touched by their relentless commitment to making the St. Louis region a better place.



Dear U City Neighbors



Mayor Terry Crow

As we begin a return to more robust City services, I want to again thank our first responders and medical professionals for their dedication and service in keeping us safe. I also want to thank all of you for your patience and understanding while our City faced many new and unprecedented challenges during the pandemic.

This is an exciting time for U City. Costco has closed on its property at the Markets at Olive

development and the City has received the first \$3-million of funds to be used to improve the Third Ward. Demolition, grading and site preparation were completed over the summer and construction will begin soon with preliminary projections for Costco to open in late 2022.

Other developments include a new assisted living facility at Kingsland and Vernon Avenues, the newly refurbished Lewis Collaborative building on Kingsland, and the beginning of the Tru Hotel at the former Delmar Harvard School. In addition to discussions about new developments along Olive Blvd. at North and South Rd. and at Midland Blvd., there are plans for nearly 400 apartments to be built on both the southeast and the southwest corners of the Delmar Blvd. and I-170 intersection.

Leading Pandemic Response Support

We are proud of the help U City was able to provide during the pandemic to our local businesses, especially restaurants, which bore a substantial burden. The City allocated over \$1-million of Economic Development Retail Sales Tax (EDRST) funds in forgivable loans to U. City businesses, guided by our citizen-led EDRST board. To the best of my knowledge, we are the only community in the area to provide that level of support to our local businesses.

In addition, we dedicated several parking spots in the Loop to expand outdoor dining spaces and attract more diners. The City is working with the Loop Special Business District (LSBD) to determine if this arrangement should be permanent. We also announced this past summer free street parking in the Loop through the end of the year to attract more shoppers.

Improving City Facilities

We are pleased to be moving forward with plans to gut and rehab the annex to City Hall to provide a state-of-the-art

police station for our dedicated force. We believe this is the most economical way to provide an excellent home for our police officers while keeping true to our desire to preserve the architectural history of our community and City Plaza. The City has set aside \$5-million to begin the design and construction of the facility and will work to determine the best way to finance the remainder of the project.

Working With Our Neighbors

We continue to have an ongoing dialogue with Washington University about their financial impact on our community. Despite our differences, we continue to work together to seek opportunities to collaborate on programs such as public safety and economic development.

Last but not least, we continue to have open conversations and dialog while searching for common ground as an engaged, diverse community about the possibility of renaming certain streets that are a source of pain and anguish for some residents. Please feel free to contact your councilmember to share your concerns and ideas.

Moving Forward

Our community has weathered the pandemic better than most. Our City Manager made some extremely tough choices at the beginning of the Covid crisis. We worked hard to be proactive in addressing and responding to many issues while trying to make the best of a difficult situation.

Quality service remains our number one priority. Our City has worked hard to improve our parks, code enforcement, public safety and retail opportunities over the past three years. As approved in the Fiscal Year 2022 Budget, the City will conduct a community survey and we hope that you will provide feedback on how we have performed.

As part of the City's new Vision 2040 project, we are also seeking input from people in the community to help define our future. Through public involvement and planned collaborative exercises, citizens will be asked to help identify our purpose, core values and vision for the next two decades. Please see the cover story in this issue of ROARS for details.

On a more somber note, my colleagues on the Council and I join our entire community in mourning the loss last July of Hazel Erby and Betty Thompson. Both women were champions of U City, selfless public servants, and much admired and loved friends and neighbors to all of us.

As always, our entire leadership team strives to meet the needs and expectations of our constituents.

Mayor Terry Crow

mayor@uCitymo.org, 314.505.8606



First Responders Training Using Vacant Structures

University City Fire Department and surrounding mutual departments are gaining valuable training opportunities using space vacated within the Costco redevelopment zone to simulate real-life emergency situations. Thanks to a signed agreement, Fire and Police departments are allowed to conduct hands-on training scenarios in buildings slated for demolition, including school, church, dormitory and residential settings.

The hands-on training allows firefighters to actually put into practice lessons learned in the classroom, using practical skills and real-time techniques before they are actually needed in a real-life emergency. Compared to using props that have been purchased or built for training, practicing skills in actual buildings helps first responders understand construction and be better prepared for safe, effective and efficient responses to emergencies.

In addition, to enhance our abilities to work together as a cohesive unit and increase efficiencies, training participants also include neighboring mutual aid departments that often work with our Fire Department, as well as training officers from the University City Police Department.



Solid Waste Payment Options

To help make it easier to pay solid waste fees and assessments on-time, University City offers various payment options that are free, convenient and include an online electronic record.

ONLINE PAYMENTS

- eUtilities is a free online service that allows residents to view their solid waste account activity, make payments and receive an email to view billing statements. The system allows payments using a debit or credit card with a Visa or MasterCard logo.
- To sign up, go to www.uCitymo.org and choose the Online Bill Pay icon on the left side, which will redirect you to the On-line Bill Pay (eUtilitiesR) screen. Follow the steps to setup a new or existing account.
- If you have difficulty logging into your account or have questions about how to navigate the system, please contact the Finance Department at (314) 505-8544.

ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER (BANK DRAFTING)

- The Electronic Funds Transfer program for solid waste billing allows payments to be automatically debited from your account five (5) business days before the due date and applied directly to your bill.
- To choose the Electronic Funds Transfer, please contact the Finance Department for further assistance at (314) 505-8544.

CASH, CHECK, AND CHARGE

- Solid waste bills can be paid by cash, check and debit or credit card.
- Cash must be paid in person at the Finance Department in City Hall, checks can be paid either in person or by regular mail, and credit card payments are accepted either in person or via phone by contacting the Finance Department at (314) 505-8544.
- The City accepts only Visa and MasterCard. There is no convenience fee charge for debit or credit card payment processing.

For general billing questions, please call the Finance Department at (314) 505-8544. For information on COMMERCIAL solid waste services, please call (314) 505-8560.





Body-Worn Cameras for University City Police

Recent events have demonstrated the increasing trend by citizens to make video and audio recordings of police activities using smartphone technology. These recordings are often used as the basis for citizen complaints about infractions such as courtesy or excessive force. While many of these recordings do not capture an entire event, they are easily uploaded to social media where they can create an inaccurate depiction of a police encounter that attracts immediate public attention.

In an effort to provide a more accurate record of police encounters, improve police-community relations, ensure transparency and improve the quality of evidence brought into criminal prosecutions, many law enforcement agencies across the country have begun to outfit their uniformed officers with body-worn cameras.

In accordance with this trend, the University City Police Department has undertaken a Body-Worn Camera project. The University City Council has committed to moving forward with a plan to equip all members of the Police Department with body-worn cameras.

Due to the social sensitivities of this project and the financial responsibility that the City will incur, this project can only be successful with extensive consideration of technology, policies, legal issues, and fiscal support.

THE PRIMARY OBJECTIVE OF THE BODY-WORN CAMERA PROJECT IS TO DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A SYSTEM THAT WILL PROVIDE AUDIO AND VIDEO TECHNOLOGIES WORN BY UNIFORMED ROAD PERSONNEL. AN ADDITIONAL OBJECTIVE IS THE DEVELOPMENT OF A DIGITAL DATA MANAGEMENT SYSTEM. BENEFITS INCLUDE MORE ACCURATE REPORTING OF POLICE AND PUBLIC INTERACTIVE INCIDENTS, TRANSPARENCY, AND CONTINUING EFFORTS TOWARD ADVANCING POSITIVE POLICE-COMMUNITY RELATIONSHIPS.

After numerous trials with highly recommended companies, WatchGuard Inc. has been selected by the University City Police Department for the purchase of eighty (80) V300 body-worn cameras. The Police Department currently has 22 in-car cameras with WatchGuard Inc. Due to the functionality, customer service, constant viewing feature and syncing feature to the current in-car system, WatchGuard Inc. fits the needs of our department.

The new program features a camera enabled with pre-event recording, WiFi and GPS. This ultra-rugged body-worn camera with simple controls allows officers to capture high-quality video evidence individually or as part of an integrated in-car system. To reduce the costs of annual cloud storage fees, the Department will provide secure in-house hosting on a secure on-site server.



Frequently Asked Questions:

1. What is a body-worn camera and where will officers mount it?

A body-worn camera is a small camera mounted on the uniform of a police officer that objectively records interactions between law enforcement officers and citizens. Cameras may be located on the center of the officer's chest or the helmet of traffic officers.

2. What is the brand of body-worn camera used by the University City Police Department?

The brand of camera is WatchGuard. Learn more at https://www.motorolasolutions.com/en_us/video-security-analytics/body-worn-cameras/v300-story.html

3. Will all police interactions be recorded? What if someone does not want to be recorded?

With few exceptions, officers are encouraged to record all law enforcement-related contacts with the public. Police officers will activate their body cameras whenever they respond to calls for service or have citizen contact where they anticipate taking law enforcement action. Exceptions may include crime victims, where obtaining the victim's statement outweighs the need to record the encounter.

4. Are officers required to tell citizens they are being video recorded?

Officers are not required to advise citizens they are being recorded. Citizens should assume interactions are recorded.

5. Do body cameras record both audio and video?

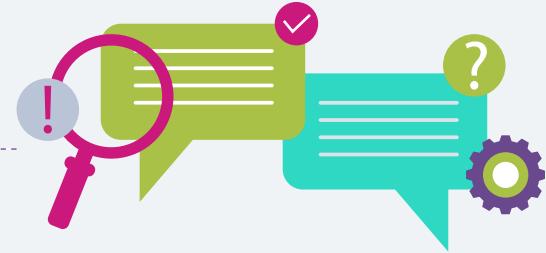
Cameras record audio and video.

6. Can anyone edit the video?

The original version of the video cannot be edited by anyone, including system administrators. Redacted copies of the videos to blur people/objects, remove audio and narrow the video to relevant sections can be created by authorized users. The original version of the video will remain unchanged.

7. Can anyone delete a video?

Videos can be deleted either through an automated retention system based upon the type of incident recorded or manually by a system administrator. Manual deletions will only be done after a criminal case is adjudicated in a court of law or if a recording was accidentally made in a location restricted by policy, such as a restroom. Manual deletions of accidental recordings will require command staff approval.



- 8. How long will the videos be retained?**

Non-evidential videos will be retained based upon the current Missouri Sunshine Law Schedule. Evidential videos will be retained until the criminal case is adjudicated in a court of law or the statute of limitations has passed.
- 9. Who can obtain a copy of the body-worn camera video?**

The release of recordings to any person shall be made in accordance with current department policy and procedures and pursuant to requirements of applicable law, including but not limited to the Missouri Sunshine Law.
- 10. Why shouldn't all videos recorded by police be made available to the public?**

One of the most critical issues for people interacting with police is privacy. People often need to seek police assistance when they are going through difficult personal challenges. Certain groups of citizens have strong specific privacy protections – particularly juveniles. Victims also have privacy protections by law to protect them from the offender. The Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) for law enforcement records was developed for paper documents and never contemplated the complexities of protecting privacy in video and audio recording.
- 11. How does the Body-Worn Camera program increase police accountability if the public cannot see the videos?**

Videos will increase accountability by recording interactions from start to finish and being available to those involved in the incident, partners in the criminal and civil justice system and any government agency that investigates the police.
- 12. Does the Department have plans to use facial recognition technology with the video from the body cameras?**

The Department has no current plans to use facial recognition technology in connection with body camera video.
- 13. How will the data be stored?**

Video will be stored on secure servers in compliance with federal Criminal Justice Information System (CJIS) standards.



Daniel "Danny" J. DuMaine

**RECEPTION IN HONOR
OF DUMAINE
AT 7:00 P.M., NOV. 10**

Danny DuMaine Honored as Returning Artist

Daniel "Danny" J. DuMaine, an award-winning composer, arranger, performer and educator, has been named as the 2021 Returning Artist by the University City Municipal Commission on Arts & Letters. DuMaine, who has been performing for 42 years, plans to share his expertise and work with music students in elementary, middle and high school classrooms in a series of sessions and master classes during American Education Week, November 8-12.

In addition, the Commission is planning a reception in honor of DuMaine at 7:00 p.m., Nov. 10, at University City High School Pruitt Library, 7401 Balson Ave. There is no charge but reservations are required and may be made at www.ucityschools.org/ReturningArtist2021.

DuMaine graduated from University City High School in 1981 after attending University Forrest and McKnight Elementary, as well as Brittany Woods Middle and Hanley Junior High schools. He received his Bachelor of Arts degree in music performance from Webster University in 1985 earned a second bachelor's degree in music education from the University of Missouri - St. Louis in 2001.

As a professional instructor, DuMaine has been with the University City School District since 2018, teaching music to students in kindergarten through fifth grade at Pershing Elementary School. Previously, he taught choir and glee club in the St. Louis Public Schools for 18 years and was choir director for St. Alphonsus Rock Church.

Since 1994, the Commission's Returning Artist program annually features artistically renowned graduates of University City High School who return to share their career expertise. The goals of the program are to encourage students to investigate careers in the arts and to enrich arts programs in schools. Returning artists have included visual artists, glassblowers, photographers, writers, filmmakers, graphic designers, videographers, animators, instrumental musicians, composers, actors, singers and dancers. Questions about the program may be sent to the Commission at ucityartsandletters@gmail.com.

Library Moves to Temporary Location this Fall

This fall brings a lot of changes to University City Public Library (UCPL), beginning with a move to a temporary location at 6900 Delmar Blvd., on the southwest corner alongside the lion gates, while contractors begin making interior improvements to the library. Exterior work, which began last July, includes new windows and doors, masonry and re-sealing the library building.

The temporary library location will be the place to pick up books on "hold", return books and use computers, as well as browse a small portion of the collection. The rest of the items in the collection will be moved into off-site storage and will continue to be accessible by making "hold" requests. More information is available at <http://www.ucitylibrary.org/PropL>.

In addition to physical facilities, the library also is making changes online. Visit www.ucitylibrary.org to explore the new website. Although it's a big change from the previous site, it still has all the information you need to enjoy the best library experience in an easier-to-navigate format.

Additionally, earlier this year U City worked with the other libraries in the Municipal Library Consortium (MLC) to introduce a new app for searching the catalog and managing your account. You can keep track of multiple accounts (perfect for families) and use the app in place of your card to check out items if you forget your card when visiting the Library. The MLC Libraries app is now available in Android and Apple app stores. Please call 314-727-3150 if you have any questions.





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New Faces in Our Schools

The School District of University City is pleased to announce several important changes to its leadership structure and staffing.

Kashina Bell, Ed.D., is the District's new deputy superintendent, a new role in which she will direct both the office of Human Resources and the Office of Curriculum and Instruction. Dr. Bell most recently served as the District's assistant superintendent for people and general administration and is replacing Ian Buchanan, Ed.D., the District's former assistant superintendent for curriculum and instruction, who stepped down from the position after five years to pursue other professional endeavors.

As part of Bell's transition, Candice A. Wayne, formerly an associate in the District's human resources office, has been named human resource manager to oversee daily office operations.

The decision to create a deputy superintendent role in the District was done to further align District resources and processes under the vision of Learning Reimagined.

"Learning Reimagined requires us to examine our resources and existing management systems so they best serve our students. The above staffing changes more precisely align our services and programs to increase student achievement," said Superintendent Sharonica Hardin-Bartley.

Dorlita Adams began her new role as principal of Barbara C. Jordan Elementary School on July 1, 2021. She replaces Dr. JaNaé Alfred who has moved on to do special projects within the District.

Artondria Bentley, Ed.D., UCHS Class of 1988, joined the District on July 1 as its new SSD director. Bentley replaces DeAndria Player who served U. City as area coordinator.

Samuel Martin, Ed.D., UCHS Class of 2001 and former dean of students at University City High School, is the new coordinator of student transition and strategic partnerships.

Lawndale Thomas has been hired as the new UCHS dean of students.

"We are delighted to welcome everyone into their new roles and are further excited to have Mr. Thomas join the U. City Schools team. He stood out in the hiring process, and we know that he will connect with and rally our high schoolers in profound ways," Hardin-Bartley said.



Kashina Bell



Candice A. Wayne



Dorlita Adams



Artondria Bentley



Samuel Martin



Lawndale Thomas

UCHS Selects 11 Alumni for Hall of Fame

Eleven outstanding alumni will be inducted October 1 into the University City High School Hall of Fame. They are:

- **Kathryn (Pierce) Banks**, '93, a lawyer dedicated to providing fair representation to children and families dealing with the family court system.
- **Jennifer (Roman) Boynkin**, '82, the first woman president of a \$4 billion-a-year shipyard that produces atomic aircraft carriers and submarines.
- **MSG Donavan "Donny" Nelson Butler, US Army, Retired**, '89, a 29-year veteran of the U.S. Army who led the fight for civil rights and equity for his fellow servicemen of color while in the military establishment.
- **Reena Goldthree**, '99, an assistant professor in the Department of African American Studies at Princeton University specializing in the history of Latin America and the Caribbean.
- **Linda "Cookie" (Dickson) Jones**, '83, a devoted local volunteer and champion of University City and University City Schools.
- **Daniel Kaufer**, '77, (deceased), a neurologist specializing in the humane treatment of patients and families dealing with Alzheimer's Disease and dementia.
- **Earl Kessler**, '59, An internationally renowned architect specializing in housing and sustaining communities in some of the most vulnerable places in the world.
- **David Levi**, '77, An internationally recognized glassmaker.
- **Helene (Wagman) Sherman**, '62, A professor of mathematics education who has authored dozens of textbooks and articles and helped generations of teachers improve their skills.
- **Richard Stack**, '70, Pioneering founder of a food bank and communications specialist who has used his skills to write books and produce a documentary advocating for the end of the death penalty.
- **Stephanie Williams-Nelson**, '77, a dancer, Hollywood actress and soap opera star who now advocates for children.

Ticket information for the Oct. 1 induction celebration at University City High School is available at www.ucityschools.org/HOF2021.

We're Moving!

In mid-August, the District's administrative offices will move to 7700 Olive Boulevard, the old A&P grocery building on the southeast corner of the intersection of North and South. Phone numbers will remain the same. The building will house the superintendent, human resources, finance, student services, communications, SSD and board of education offices. The Lieberman Learning Center and the Office of Curriculum and Instruction will relocate to a wing of University City High School. A public ribbon-cutting ceremony will be held in the fall.

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