

Draft Minutes of the January 15, 2019 Meeting of the  
Irvington Community Council

Meeting opened by President Chris Maroldo at 7:00PM

The following members of the Council were also present:

Ed Adams (Secretary)	Jim Obermeier
Bonnie Cate	Matt Pleasant
Chad Cerda (Treasurer)	Mike Spielberer (Vice President)
Andrea DeMink	Robert Uhlenhake
Lesli Gibson	Jake Walker
Charles Miller	

**IMPD Update** – Fred Carpenter, Community Relations Liason from IMPD East District, introduced himself and gave a brief presentation on his role with IMPD East District. He provided a survey for community members to give feedback on in terms of how IMPD East District could best serve Irvington. The link will be posted on Irvington neighborhood pages to gather feedback. He also provided some crime-prevention materials and an IMPD Contact sheet. The east District Community Day will be on July 10, 2019 from 10am-3pm. More information to come.

**City Councilor Update, Blake Johnson** - There is currently a shortage of 9-11 dispatchers city-wide. Blake provided an update on the recent approval of a proposal to increase the pay rate of dispatchers by 10%. The City County Council approved this proposal unanimously. If anyone is seeking employment and is interested in becoming an emergency dispatcher, please visit [my.indy.gov](http://my.indy.gov) to search career postings. The dispatcher jobs do include benefits.

The City-County Council also approved a proposal that will standardize meter enforcement hours from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. Meter enforcement currently ends at 9pm. Sundays will continue to remain free.

**Community East Hospital** - Representatives from Community East Hospital were present to give an update on the newly renovated campus. Community East Hospital is the largest employer on the East side of Indianapolis, and the new renovations are the result of a \$175 million investment. The hospital will be the newest, most modern hospital in the state of Indiana. The community is invited to the opening celebration on February 2, 2019 from 12-3pm. There will be tours of the new facility, refreshments and fellowship.

**Howe High School Update** - Debi Shank (Howe Alumni Association) was present to discuss the future of Howe High school and invited the public to participate in an upcoming community meeting that will determine the future of the school. (Close? IPS? Become a charter school?). The meeting will be January 29th, 6:30-8:00PM at Irvington United Methodist Church.

**Hannah Harper, Mayor's Neighborhood Advocate** - Summer daycamp registration is now open. To register and for more information, visit <https://www.indy.gov/activity/indy-parks-day-camps>. Christmas tree drop off is available at Ellenberger Park through 1/30/ The Great Indy Cleanup this year will be Saturday, April 27th. The former [www.indy.gov](http://www.indy.gov) website has been replaced with my.indy.gov.

**Old Business** – None.

**New Business** – 2019 Halloween Festival Update - Nancy Tindall Sponsel and Manny Aguilar have been named as Director and Co-Director of the festival again this year.

**Adjourn** - 8:00PM

The next meeting will be February 19, 2019