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Carter, Steve <steve.carter@ci.champaign.il.us>

Tue, Aug 28, 2012 at 12:22 PM

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From: "FOIOWCity, FOIOWCity" <foiowcity@ci.champaign.il.us>

To: Daphne Greaves <daphne.greaves@ci.champaign.il.us>, Steve Carter <steve.carter@ci.champaign.il.us>, Kevin Jackson <kevin.jackson@ci.champaign.il.us>, Greg Skaggs <greg.skaggs@ci.champaign.il.us>, Richard Schnuer <richard.schnuer@ci.champaign.il.us>, Kerri Spear <kerri.spear@ci.champaign.il.us>, FORLEGALONLY FORLEGALONLY <forlegalonly@ci.champaign.il.us>

Cc:

Date: Thu, 23 Aug 2012 15:40:13 -0500

Subject: #12-115 FOIA request re: Bristol Park correspondence

Below you will find a request received today from Brian Dolinar for information relating to Bristol Park. This request is due on Thursday, August 23, 2012.

Responses should be sent to FORLEGALONLY@ci.champaign.il.us for Legal review. Keep in mind they need to review the information before Thursday.

Glenda

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From: **Brian Dolinar** <briandolinar@gmail.com>

Date: Thu, Aug 23, 2012 at 11:38 AM

Subject: FOIA request @ Bristol Park

To: Office@hacc.net, "Hall, Laura" <Laura.Hall@ci.champaign.il.us>, FOIOWCity FOIOWCity <FOIOWCity@ci.champaign.il.us>

Hello,

I would like to file a FOIA request for all digital or written correspondence regarding Bristol Park/Bristol Place/Bristol Park Neighborhood Plan since Jan. 1, 2012 between the following individuals:

Ed Bland, Steve Carter, Kevin Jackson, Greg Skaggs, Richard Schnuer, Rev. Eugene Barnes, Kerri Spears, Patti Smith, and Cindy Herrera.

Thank you, BD

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Brian Dolinar, Ph.D.
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Fwd: Bristol Place Meeting

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Carter, Steve <steve.carter@ci.champaign.il.us>

Tue, Aug 28, 2012 at 9:09 AM

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From: **Steve Carter** <Steve.Carter@ci.champaign.il.us>

Date: Fri, May 11, 2012 at 9:33 AM

Subject: Fwd: Bristol Place Meeting

To: "Rost, Craig" <ROSTCR@ci.champaign.il.us>

FYI

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>>> Kevin Jackson 5/10/2012 11:15 AM >>>

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Kevin J. Jackson

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>>> Brian Holding <BrianH@hkusa.com> 5/9/2012 7:41 AM >>>

Mayor Gerard and Council Members Thomas Bruno, Marci Dodds, Paul Faraci, Deborah Frank Feinen, Karen Foster, Michael La Due, Kyle Harrison, Will Kyles:

I had been asked to say a few words during the public portion of last night's meeting on the development plans for Bristol Place as I have served on the steering committee. Given the length of the session and the fact that many of my points had been made, I decided not to speak. However, I would like to pass along a few comments. First, I'm a publisher and not an urban planner so getting involved with the steering committee was not something I had set out to do.

Human Kinetics, as we have done on many occasions in the past, agreed to host the public hearings on the neighborhood development plan. I attended the first organizational session and volunteered for the committee. I was a little slower in asking the same question asked by Marci Dodds last night. However, I still remember my surprise when I heard that the plan was to clear the entire neighborhood. Over the next several months, Human Kinetics hosted a number of public hearings aimed at residents and landlords in the

Bristol, Shadowwood, and Garwood neighborhoods. I attended all the sessions at HK but missed the neighborhood gathering at Stratton School and the session at Rev. Barnes' church. Some of the meetings were full. Others drew only a few people. At each session. The city staff did an excellent job of explaining the program and patiently answered questions. In fact, when more time for explanation was needed, they continued the discussion with residents individually after the meeting.

The same concern for the well-being of Bristol residents existed at the steering committee level. Nearly 90% of the sessions' time was devoted to how to ensure a successful transition for the residents to either a better place or a temporary place before returning to Bristol. Out of those sessions came the idea for holding the event at Stratton to attract more residents and the door-to-door survey mentioned during last night's session.

It's important to note, as Tom Bruno did after comments were made, that this process has been in the works for some time. It's hard to imagine any resident of the neighborhood not being fully aware of the development's plan and how it would directly affect them. The reference to Detroit during the session was completely inappropriate. My parents grew up in Detroit and our Canadian subsidiary is across the river in Windsor so I've spent plenty of time in that city. The City of Champaign has done an excellent job of moving quickly to tear down abandoned housing. That has occurred in Bristol and Garwood areas. However, at some point an investment has to be made to rebuild a neighborhood. I'm excited about what could possibly develop there.

HK will continue to be a good neighbor to all the neighborhoods in the area. As Kerri Spear indicated, we are close to finalizing an agreement with the Champaign Park District that will develop the open space to our south into a park with two soccer fields, a softball/baseball field, and possibly other play areas. We do not have any immediate plans for the land as we recently completed a \$1.1 million expansion of our technology center on the north side of HK.

I appreciate your support for the plan last night. It's definitely a step in the right direction to improving the Bristol area.

Sincerely,

Brian Holding

Brian Holding
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Human Kinetics
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Fwd: Bristol Park Neighborhood Plan-Housing Goal Implementation-SS 2012-024

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Date: Mon, Aug 20, 2012 at 8:07 AM
Subject: Re: Bristol Park Neighborhood Plan-Housing Goal Implementation-SS 2012-024
To: DLRHEN <dlrhen@comcast.net>
Cc: Don Gerard <don.gerard@ci.champaign.il.us>

Dr. Henry, thank you for your note. This topic has been raised several times and I am sure council members are aware that City staff and Housing Authority staff have been working together to develop a cooperative agreement which can be taken to both boards for consideration, and that nothing is final at this time. Redevelopment of the Bristol area is a high priority for the city council. The City and the Housing Authority have a long history of working together to improve Champaign.

On Sun, Aug 19, 2012 at 5:37 PM, DLRHEN <dlrhen@comcast.net> wrote:

Mr. Carter:

I am forwarding this email to you again because the one I sent earlier bounced back because your email address was wrong.

Dr. Grant G. Henry, Commissioner

3304 CountryBend Place
Champaign, IL 61822

"The soul that is within me no man can degrade"
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From: "DLRHEN" <dlrhen@comcast.net>
To: "steven carter" <steven.carter@ci.champaign.il.us>
Cc: "Alfred Anderson" <alanders_55@yahoo.com>, "HACC" <psiphi1701@hotmail.com>, "BISHOP GWINN" <bg@thechurchofthelivinggod.com>, "DLRHEN" <dlrhen@comcast.net>, "ebadair" <ebadair@att.net>, "janmitch02" <janmitch02@aol.com>, "Elmore Richardson" <Elmore.Richardson@hud.gov>, "Cynthia L Harvey" <Cynthia.L.Harvey@hud.gov>,

"ehanson" <ehanson@msclawfirm.com>, "Margaret Neil" <mneil136@gmail.com>, Don@DonGerard.com, MayorGerard@ci.champaign.il.us
Sent: Sunday, August 19, 2012 5:30:09 PM
Subject: Bristol Park Neighborhood Plan-Housing Goal Implementation-SS 2012-024

Mr. Carter:

I recently received a copy of a report that you made to the City Council, dated **May 4, 2012** regarding the **"Bristol Park Neighborhood Plan-Housing Goal Implementation -SS 2012-024"**. Throughout the 18 page document, you made statements about The Housing Authority of Champaign County's commitment to partner in this endeavor and erroneously stated that we would provide Section 8 vouchers for \$1,056,000. Please be advised that the Champaign County Housing Authority Commissioners did not know about your Bristol Park Neighborhood Plan and didnot vote to authorize Mr. Ed. Bland to enter into a discussion or commitment to form a partnership with the city. Mr. Bland has never shared your May 4, 2012 document with the Commissioners. I think it would be advisable for you to let the City Council know that this report is incorrect, as it relates to the Champaign County Housing Authority involvement.

Thank you,

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Date: Wed, 01 Feb 2012 14:58:06 -0500

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I am personally familiar with Ms. Ballard and have no questions at this time. Thank you.

DG

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