West 30th Street Corridor Plan
Summary of September 24, 2009 Meeting
Approximately 15 persons attended the meeting at Cardinal Ritter High School Media Center, 3360 West 30th Street.

Dennis Slaughter, Senior Planner, welcomed participants and introduced Alice Gatewood, Planner, also on the corridor planning team. He introduced Carlos May as the Mayor’s Neighborhood Liaison for Wayne and Decatur Townships. He asked the group if they could lend any photographs of the corridor’s history and activity so that staff could scan them for use in the plan document.

Mr. Slaughter started the meeting by taking participants through a handout about accessing planning, maps and property information on the City of Indianapolis website. Mr. Slaughter asked Phyllis Hackett to update participants on the Cold Spring Community Engagement Project. Ms. Hackett announced a town hall meeting on November 5 at the Coffin Golf Course, 2401 Cold Spring Road.

Mr. Slaughter resumed the presentation with an explanation of how the project area falls within several adopted comprehensive plan segments. He noted that the corridor plan will give more detailed attention within the subject area. Mr. Slaughter talked about the Crooked Creek Sewer improvement project and a new pathway that will traverse a portion of West 30th Street planning area.

The meeting continued as Mr. Slaughter explained the draft Sidewalks Recommendations Map (Revised map is at the bottom of this page). Participants were invited to study the draft recommendations more closely. The meeting moved to the group’s suggestions for revised priority rankings of sidewalk segments.

Participants noted that the corridor has more residents than college students as pedestrians. They suggested that a higher priority should be given to missing sidewalk segments that serve corridor residents. Another participant noted that Marian University was experiencing an increase in enrollment and this would eventually impact the corridor. Participants concluded that missing sidewalk segments on both the north and south sides of 30th Street from Coldspring Rd. west to Centennial belonged in the number one priority class.

Several participants stressed that repair of existing sidewalks was of equal importance to constructing additional segments. The discussion continued through second and third priority recommendations.

Mr. Slaughter explained that a first draft of the corridor plan document was available. He asked for comments on the following sections in the draft document.

- Introduction
- History
- Adopted Plans Summary
- Planning Process
- Environmental Considerations
- Connectivity and Infrastructure
- Mass Transit

Mr. Slaughter noted that the next meeting has been tentatively set for Thursday October 22 but a meeting site has not been confirmed. He reported on progress reports that will be given to the Lafayette Square Area Coalition and to the Eagledale Neighborhood Association.

The meeting concluded with a question and answer segment and adjourned at approximately 8:45 PM.

Draft Sidewalk Recommendations Map – Revised with public comments on September 24, 2009.