59th Mayor’s Night Out

Mayor Greg Ballard
February 26, 2015 – Washington Township

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Public Safety

Criminal Homicides by Year

1995 – 2015

With Partial Year 2015 (January 1 – February 5)

Data Source: Uniform Crime Reporting Statistic—UCR Data Online—www.ucrdatatool.gov;
2014 and 2015 data based on preliminary Homicide.
Public Safety

Taking a holistic approach to crime and quality of life

- Planning to grow IMPD force to its largest size over the next two years

- DPS focus area initiative is attracting resources to six of our city’s most-challenged areas, continuing our holistic approach to crime reduction and quality of life improvement
Public Safety

Zero-to-career: Wraparound approach

• Engage multiple community partners and provide community wide support network

  • 0-3 Health and family services for at-risk children and families

  • 3-5 Pre-K initiative

  • 5-13 Quality Programming and Mentoring

  • 14-24 “Your Life Matters”

• Re-entry, mental health, and food security
Indy Preschool Scholarship Program

• Every child deserves a solid start to their education
• The program will serve approx. 1,000 low-income 3- and 4-year-olds with quality preschool opportunities
  – Invest $43 M over 5 years through City and matching private funds
  – Launch in Fall 2015
  – United Way of Central Indiana will administer program
  – Passed committee unanimously on 2/11
  – Will go to the full Council for a vote on 3/2
City Fleet & Energy Security

Plan will save taxpayers **$8 million** over five years.

- Indy has pledged to buy only **electric or plug-in hybrid electric** fleet vehicles, which translates to a **$8,000 - $10,000 per car** savings over the vehicle life.

- Indy will transition snow plows, trash trucks and fire apparatus to **compressed natural gas (CNG)**.

- In November 2013, Indy received the **E-Visionary Award** at the Electric Vehicle Symposium for our work promoting electric vehicles.
Indianapolis is a nationally recognized "Bicycle Friendly Community"

Indy was voted Best City to see from a Bicycle Seat 4th in the world, 1st in the U.S. - from Away.com

Indy received the 2013 Bicycle Friendly America Leadership Award

Launched April 22nd, Pacers Bikeshare features 25 docking stations with 250 bikes and has wildly exceeded expectations! More than 75,000 rides in first six months of operation.
Bringing Jobs and Capital to Marion County
(January 1, 2014 – December 31, 2014)

- 5,021 New Job Commitments
- $390,659,146 in Capital Investments

Companies announcing 1,000+ job commitments in 2014 include:

Angie's List
Interactions
Lowe's
Interested in learning more about schools in Indianapolis?

GreatSchools.org/Indianapolis

Guides are available at libraries, Indy Parks Family Centers, and Kroger stores
Pothole Complaints Resolved

Washington Township vs. Marion County

Turn-around time is currently 3.05 days
2015 Projects in Washington Township

Street Resurfacing
• Kessler Blvd. from Cooper Road to Michigan Road
• Kessler Blvd. from 38th Street to 56th Street
• 70th Street from College Ave. to Central Ave.

New Sidewalks
• Hoover Road from 64th Street to 79th Street
• 38th Street from Forest Manor Ave. to Riley Ave.

Indy Parks Improvements
• Tarkington Park enhancements
• Marrott Park trail renovations

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Illegal Dumping & Trash Abatement Program

- Citizens can report Illegal dumping and trash to the Mayor’s Action Center at 327-4MAC (4622)
  - On average, citizens report nearly 18,000 cases per year.
- Every reported location will be investigated in an attempt to uncover who dumped the trash.
- City will cleanup property if a form is signed
  - Following the second signed form, the City will work with the property owner to install preventive measures.
Indianapolis negotiated $800 million in savings with the EPA

- Indianapolis is one of 700+ cities required to make very costly updates to water/wastewater systems per EPA
  - Deep Rock Tunnel Connector
- Allows rates to go up less than previously thought
- Cleaner water-faster and cheaper!
General Obligation Debt

Year End Outstanding Principal Balances
(Adjusted to reflect CEG takeover of Wastewater debt service effective August 2011 – updated summer 2014)

Fitch re-affirmed AAA Credit Rating – January 29, 2015
The Mayor’s Action Center (MAC) is Ready to Assist with Your Requests for City Services

• Download the FREE RequestIndy Mobile App now to make requests of the City at your convenience!
  – Available for iPhone, iPad, iPod Touch, and Android devices
  – RequestIndy mobile has processed over 25,400 requests since it launched in June 2011
  – Spanish language versions are available too!

• Visit www.indy.gov/mac
  – RequestIndy online has processed over 156,500 requests since it launched in June 2010

• Call 327-4MAC from 7:30-5:30 Monday - Friday
  – In 2014, the MAC’s speed to answer was under thirty seconds.
  – In 2014, the MAC’s average abandoned rate was only four percent.
  – Pretty impressive when you consider they handled 185,869 calls!
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QUESTIONS & ANSWERS