

Comments on the Draft Knightville Survey

Phil Notis 6-5-18

I have some concern with Question #4 below as too general of an option that provides no guidance.

I propose eliminating the question.

The area might be nostalgically historic, but there is no continuity as similarity of properties, similar to the

Old Port, or the French Quarter in New Orleans or the countless other historic districts around the US and the world where one would look at Knightville and state that is a historic district.

Question #4 would require subparts to determine why one believes the area to be a historic zone.

Thank you,

Phil

Barry Lucier 6-5-18

I just got a chance to look at the first draft Luke put together a few weeks ago. I like it. I also like the idea of doing two surveys, but I would like to get the subcommittee's input as to whether or not they think there will be any impact on the response rate if we split the survey into two-parts. Perhaps something you can discuss at your meeting this Friday. I'd also like to hear, as I mentioned at our last CPIC meeting, recommendations a distribution strategy.

Eva Goetz 6-13-18

Hi everyone

Presently out of the country. Luke and committee, the format of the survey looks great!

Couldn't view all questions from server here. Could a list of the fifteen questions unattached to survey be sent?

Hope all are well. Sorry to miss this month's meeting!

Eva

Dan Hogan 6-13-18

I'm not sure the general is very informative and could lead to wide interpretation for planning that would lead to conflict. I would prefer to get into the details sooner.

- Building density, height, etc.
- Parking
- Use of existing open space (like skate parks)
- Walkability/pathways
- Vehicular traffic patterns

Susanne Conley-Higgins 6-13-18

Excellent Job!!

Thank you to all on the Sub Committee:)

Susanne

Mike Hale 6-13-18

I just went thru the survey and tried to go back thru it again and was locked out so maybe I missed something. Unless I missed it I must point out I didn't see any questions specifically for the business owners in Knightville. This is only geared to residents. The first question states do you LIVE in Knightville. Where is the question, do you own a business in Knightville? It asks what the residents want to see for businesses but doesn't ask what do the businesses want to see. I must say in speaking with other business owners there is a concern that our opinions take a back seat to the residents. The sound bite is " we must work together " but that is not what is felt by many businesses here. Just FYI to what Fawn and I are hearing. If the businesses are excluded it creates an "us versus them" mentality that doesn't help anyone. I hope the final survey will give the businesses some confidence that they, and their opinions, are welcome in Knightville.

Thanks,

Mike

Councilor Henderson 6-13-18

I like this. Sue

Barry Lucier

I think you've done a great job developing this initial survey! Here is my overall feedback:

- I like the dual survey approach, but I would like to hear your rationale for this approach at our next meeting.
- I like the inclusion of the map of the study area up front.
- I do think it would be helpful to know a little bit about the respondents. At the end of the survey you ask for contact information, but I would also like to know, if a respondent is a resident, if they are a homeowner, renter, business owner, other.... Although I wonder if a business owner would select "Resident" or "Non-resident?"
- The mode of transportation question for non-residents is a good one. Would it also be helpful to know the primary mode of transportation for Knightville residents?

I'm looking forward to our discussion next week!

Eva Goetz 6-13-18

I realize this is an initial survey.
Great job
Curious how residents view development.
What are their visions for neighborhood?
Green spaces, flood plains, etc.

Sending greetings
From Ireland.

Melanie Wiker 6-13-18

I think this is a good start and appreciate all the hard work that has went into this thus far.

I am not sure about #6 flooding conditions. I would ask to rephrase and ask what "issues" are a concern/troublesome (i.e. flooding, bad sidewalks, etc)- obviously needs to be rephrased.

Having lived on 2 different streets, I can vouch that every street has different issues and concerns. It would be interesting to see the big issues on each street.

I would think we should focus the survey on Knightville folks only. I say this as this committee is well represented by both residents and businesses on the Knightville peninsula.

I am not sure why visitors/folks from x, y, z neighborhoods should have a say in what we do as a neighborhood. I personally would not be telling another neighborhood what they should do with their community.

Just my thoughts...

I too, am looking forward to our discussions.

Kind Regards,

Melanie

Luke Thomas 6-13-18

A couple quick notes from the earlier discussion:

1. We can "weight" non-resident feedback less than resident feedback in the discussions and planning process, however, having these two data sets (resident + non-resident) will help us understand the perception and dynamic that exists between the two. *How* we want to use these two data sets is up to the committee.

2. This survey is intentionally open-ended to generate the richest feedback possible. I believe it's important to start from a source of "ground truth" as it will be easier to achieve some level of consensus as a group on what the major problems are vs. making assumptions. For example, if a major pain point is parking, I'm sure that will become clear quickly (even in an open-ended survey).

Mike Hale 6-13-18

Businesses are completely omitted from the survey. None of the questions are directed to them. Are we seeking their input as well or just residents? Will there be a separate survey for them?

Thanks,
Mike

Luke Thomas 6-13-18

Mike,

That's a good point and was unintentional.

Here's what we could do to make sure to include their feedback in this survey:

- In question #1, instead of asking "Do you live in Knightville?", we could ask for someone's "relationship" with the Knightville area -> three options: 1.) resident 2.) non-resident 3.) business-owner

- *If someone selects that they are a business owner, they are sent to a page that asks a few business-specific questions like:*

A. Why did you choose Knightville as a place to do business?

B. What is the best part about doing business in the Knightville area?

C. What is the most challenging part about running a business in the Knightville area?

This could be a quick addition.

Stephanie Collins 6-13-18

Thanks for this inclusion Luke and Mike.

It is worth noting some of us are both residents and business owners. Can they be option 4?

Stephanie Collins

Dana Bettez 6-13-18

I never talk but...

I just want to say that I was/am personally excited to share the survey with my family as non-residents. We live on the outskirts of Knightville, on Churchill Road between Broadway, Highland, and Ocean. I pretend we are part of your neighborhood because I feel that my own neighborhood is somewhat forgotten and Knightville is so vibrant. I regularly visit the businesses, my children play in the park, and I even have a booth at the Farmers Market every Sunday. If it weren't for crossing Broadway, I'm sure a lot more people in my neighborhood would walk to Knightville (and Mill Creek).

I think it's important to remember that people from all over the city visit the neighborhood for various things, just like people from all over visit Willard for the beach or Meetinghouse Hill for coffee and restaurants. There are neighboring neighborhoods that love Knightville too, and while maybe they shouldn't weigh in on everything their input could be helpful.

PS- Check out the Farmers Market, Sundays 10-2!