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Chatham Road is an issue due to improper/lack of repair.	PW		10	The city has made repairs and have more repairs planned for the Chatham road that is in the city limits. The poorest segment of Chatham road is the responsibility of Leland Grove and the city has approached them about making those repairs. Leland Grove indicated they do not have the funding to make those repairs. Jerome, Leland Grove and City officials will have to come up with a viable solution.
Sidewalks needed on Isle Avenue, west of Archer Elevator	PW		10	Sidewalks will be added with the Archer Elevator and Isles Avenue intersection improvement this construction season.
Lenhart Road is a busy and needs better roads if we are looking at more apartments and traffic.	PW		10	Lenhart Road needs to be upgraded and would be part of a Capital Improvement Plan should funding become available.
Gridlock – improve around White Oaks Mall. Pedestrian traffic to areas and understanding what happens around Ward 10 around the holidays.	PW		10	The city follows the Sangamon County Regional Planning Commissions Bike and Pedestrian plan which takes into account usage and demand in all areas. Engineering will review the area and assess potential improvements that are necessary to improve pedestrian access based on the plan.
General Traffic flow is an issue out West.	PW		10	There are several roads that need upgrading which is contingent upon a Capital Improvement Plan and funding.
Research how traffic flows work in other communities around malls and mimic because they don't have the gridlock how we have it and they are bigger malls (like St. Louis).	PW		10	Will have the Traffic Engineer assess traffic flow around White Oaks Mall during holiday and peak times.
Traffic by Sam's Clubs and West White Oaks around County Market and Isles needs to be addressed.	PW		10	Will have Traffic Engineer review and assess.
Lights are not timed or synchronized	PW		10	Cannot fully synchronize until the traffic signals are upgraded. A plan to do so is in the process that will allow city to better time signals and coordinate with state signals.
Safety and security in general. Help other ways for people to feel safe like Neighborhood Watch programs.	CR		10	Office of Community Relations will help coordinate Neighborhood Watch Programs upon request.

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Cockrell Lane to Savannah Pointe – a planning scenario needs to be looked at/created because of the high traffic count. Also Mathers Road to Wabash; out to Parkway Point; and Old Jacksonville Road to Bradfordton Road.	PW		10	Contingent on Capital Improvement plan and funding. The City has contracted with Regional Planning to update the 2003 Comprehensive Land Use Plan.
Fire House location concern - Fire Department response to the Southwest part of the City.	Fire		10	City administration is aware of the need for another west side fire station. The administration is trying to streamline operations so funds can be generated for Capital Improvement Projects.
Look at the Police/Fire with the timing of the lights so they don't have to stop at every intersection.	PW/Fire /Police		10	Public Works has a Modernization Light Plan that overtime, with resources, will address light synchronization.
Look how we can move people from all points around Springfield in the best and most efficient manner possible.	PW		10	There is a Long Range Transportation Plan that does exactly that. The Springfield Area Regional Transportation Study (SATS) is a coordinated planning body that addresses the areas short and long term needs and makes recommendations when additional federal funding becomes available.
Improve the streets around the Medical District.	PW		10	Several streets have been upgraded as the area develops and more will be as development continues.
Look at St. Louis in their loop area and see what they have done with traffic and economic development.			10	There is a Long Range Transportation Plan that does exactly that. The Springfield Area Regional Transportation Study (SATS) is a coordinated planning body that addresses the areas short and long term needs and makes recommendations regarding traffic flow. Projects are dependent upon additional federal funding becomes available.
Bike Trail out to Hedley and Lenhart – repaint to help define where the bike trail starts and ends to help give perspective to bikers.	PW		10	Traffic Engineer to work with the Park District.
What is the jurisdiction of all of these commissions and we lose some of the focus with changes in administrations and gets disjointed. How can we ensure continuity with the changes.	Comm		10	The Langfelder Administration is looking at ways to implement cultural and procedural processes that will instill a cohesive approach to planning and through administrative transitions. The Ward Plans is one process that will help in that regards so issues are addressed on a regular and ongoing basis.

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Better communications with what the planning process is for the City.	Comm		10	Working on a new Website to assist in this area, to share the news and updates about Economic Development.
Have the City look at fundraisers to get some of this work done.			10	Grant writer will help identify and secure other revenue opportunities.
Neighborhood Associations need to have open communications from the City about what is going on in their Wards.	Comm		10	Communications has created a database for Neighborhood Associations. This is information the City can update and maintain and Communication uses this to share info about City-wide updates, news and events.
Small baseball diamonds like Chamberlain Park and Southeast High School. We fail in comparison of other cities that can bring in people for tournaments and it affects economy and out of town visitors. Bigger fields are needed. Consider using the open fields as potential spaces for such a thing.	Econ Dev		10	Baseball fields and parks are under the Springfield Park District jurisdiction but have shared this concern with them. We are working with UIS on a long-term goal of a Sports Stadium.
Need an easier way for Meter Parking – take credit card or other payments	Council		10	The City is currently looking into alternative payment options for our current meter system.
Better communication about other forums occurring in the wards. For example, a candidate forum during the election time.	Comm		10	The City does its best at promoting events, forums and panel discussions that are important to our residents. Unfortunately, do to the non-partisan position the City takes, we would be unable to promote candidate forums and debates. We will work to create better links with groups that host forums like the NAACP; Citizens Club, etc.
Parking garages in LA have been innovative on layering cars vs. letting them be on the street or in car desserts. If City has a parking issue, look at what LA has done.			10	Taken under advisement
Parking around the Library and Sixth Street is difficult. It makes it hard to get to those places including City facilities. Parking capacity needs to improve.			10	The Library has underground parking in addition to short-term and long-term parking on the north side of the building. The new Website will work to highlight some of the parking availability.

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Location for Ward news and info – better Facebook, Website and how to put the info out to the residents about Ward happenings.	Comm		10	Communications created a new Website for the City that includes sections for each Ward. Information is also shared with Neighborhood Associations and Alderman.
Needs to be easier access to Public Information. There are too many layers to the FOIA process and it's a matter of understanding what is public info and what is not.	Comm		10	The City Clerk and Corporation Counsel are looking into the process. The Administration is doing their best at releasing information that is public without going through the process. However, the current guidelines are under review to modify.
Fewer stoplights	PW		10	Have already removed several, four more pending, and will be assessing traffic sigma; needs and upgrades likely resulting in the removal of more.
Complaint residents have against city offices/workers/officials. Add to the Website a form or contact agency they should call. Add to it to the Community Relations tab. Can also be used for kudos.	Comm		10	Following up on Inspector General and working on a more cost effective and efficient process. New Website was created in assisting residents easier access to the requested information.
Get more local artists into town	Econ Dev		10	Through the Springfield Area Art Council, the City is participating in a webinar about Arts and Economic Development. In addition, expanding the downtown murals and creative crosswalks via TIF funds.
Think of ways to entice new businesses to come to town or to Westside because currently it is too expensive out West. Tax incentives or improvements should come with locating to Springfield.	Econ Dev		10	Currently the focus is on the City's urban core. Focus will be on the under
Affordable Housing on the West end.	Econ Dev		10	Economic Development works with Developers to provide market rate and affordable housing alternatives.
Mass Transit hasn't changed and it needs to look at Springfield with a new lens.			10	Shared with SMTD.
Employment		Pos	10	
Family		Pos	10	
Medical		Pos	10	

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Community - hometown feel/close knit feeling/people		Pos	10	
Lincoln Heritage		Pos	10	
Bike Trails		Pos	10	