

**WARD 8 RESIDENT PRIORITIES  
2019**

GROUP 1	GROUP 2	GROUP 3
Good - Gold Star: Yard Waste Bi-weekly Pickup. Keep the program in 2020.	Better Traffic Enforcement: Traffic and speeding along the thorough-fairs. Texting and driving as well.	Outside groups coming in and making a mess. For example AT&T and I3 Broadband. Ameren had neighborhood meetings about changes coming and heard from residents first.
Safety: Reduce crimes like car thefts and break-ins	Communications: Not being informed about what is going on when outside contractors coming in.	Outside groups coming in and making a mess. For example AT&T and I3 Broadband. Ameren had neighborhood meetings about changes coming and heard from residents first.
Addressing Homelessness - top to bottom (medical assistance, supportive housing, sleeping, meals, etc.)	University or school presence on Y-block and develop it. Try and get money back through taxes.	Jobs - job creation initiative.
True community solar that is affordable	More access - reducing food deserts on East Side and additions of Community Gardens	Businesses doing more sustainable practices
Safety - reduce crimes	Overall look of the city - people who don't take care of yards. Vacant properties. How do you attract people to Springfield?	Promote something other than Lincoln to bring people to city. South Bend is doing well. We need to figure out how to bring money to city and help with those who don't have means
Rose Hill and Edwards - need sidewalks on Edwards	Paving Rose Hill to Lawrence - more consistent paving	Sweet Gum Tree replacement program like the city used to have. What we can do to rid the city of the tree.
More incentives for businesses	Yard Waste is great but add more limb pickups. Also City-wide cleanups	Cost of living is exceeding income

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Need a sports facilities that can accommodate tournaments. Too much money leaving and being spent at tournaments outside the area instead of staying here.		
Ridding the drugs in the neighborhoods Mental Health Issue	More yellow flashing traffic lights at night	Creating more sidewalk accessibility and curb cuts so pedestrians can get around easier and promotes walkability.
Koke Mill going North between Old Jacksonvill and Washington. Needs to be finished	Sidewalks needed around Koke Mill	Sidewalks: More walkability around the city

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<b>CONCERNS AND COMPLIMENTS</b>	
Lawrence is a main route however the speed limit is 30. There is speeding daily and it is well over 30 miles an hour. More traffic enforcement.	
Residents need to be informed about outside contracts coming into the neighborhood. We come home to flags in the yard and we don't know the extent of the work. We have to do the investigating and the contractor should contact us first.	
Koke Mill and Turning Mill - traffic is horrfic at that stop sign. Drivers race through stops and roll through them daily. More traffic enforcement.	
Koke Mill East. Greenbriar between Veterans & Koke Mill - issue with lack of green space. An are not intended to serve all residents is becoming a dog park for other parts of the area. Need to complete the urban parks/green space that is planned for all new developments.	
New housing development is going up on Greenbriar and it is going to increase traffic. Need to figure out road infrastructure and traffic because it is going to be awful.	
Communication by I3 Broadband was non-existent. Not knowing they are doing this work and they were destroying properties in the area.	
Police presence is appreciated in the neighborhoods.	
Compliments of how Public Works cuts the city's right-of-way and properties on the right-of-way look very nice and appreciated.	
Darrell Jackson in Public Works is very helpful.	
Public Works is a great crew! From everything they do, from snow plowing to sidewalks, they have all be amazing in our neighborhood.	
The perception is that police give a pass on speeding to commercial vehicles like waste haulers, lawn care businesses or SMTD buses. But they can do more damage if involved in a wreck so they shouldn't be treated treated. They are less likely to be subject to enforcement when traveling down streets like Chatham Road or Lawrence.	
Compliment to Jim Price in Fire Safety. He spoke to a group of 100 women and highlighted the Springfield Fire Department free smoke detector and installation program. We learned a lot and that is a great program, so much so it is going state-wide.	

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Annexations are good but the city needs to do more. It will help a great deal to have properties annexed, especially help the police and fire departments on calls.	
Ward 8 Halloween party - appreciate the city departments that were involved	
Resident on Parkview. They have a 14 year old freshman who goes to Springfield High. But she needs to ride SMTD public bus to get there. Why?	
Trees getting in way of street lights. It is making the neighborhood dark, especially in the winter. Can we do something? This is in Country Club Estates neighborhood.	
Why do they have to cut the trees around the Power Lines so horribly?	
Why don't they take the trees down around power lines vs. hacking them apart?	
The city spent so much time on a Comprehensive Plan. Now we see all these proposed variances that aren't in agreement with this plan. Why does the council go against what the Zoning Commission recommends and what is in the plan itself? How can the Council better abide by the plan?	City can look into a way of more effectively notifying residents of upcoming Zoning cases, especially those that change variances/different from the recommended Comprehensive Plan.