

Courthouse Neighborhood Report

November 23, 1993

Dear Neighbors and Friends:

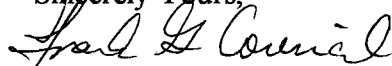
Thanks to your support and energy, we have begun to make headway against the threat of surface parking overtaking our neighborhood. On Tuesday, November 16, over 70 people attended a neighborhood opposition meeting, representing close to 50 residences in the area. The overwhelming response has caused initiatives to be taken at both city and county levels. Aldermen Kalata's and Whitman's resolution stands before the Appleton Common Council, Mayor Richard De Broux and County Executive Ron Van De Hey have called for a study by the East Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission, and the Property Committee of the Outagamie County Board has passed a resolution reaffirming the current policy of non-encroachment. It is a start. **But given the fickleness of government and hidden pitfalls and agendas, our neighborhood future is not yet assured.**

Recognizing that both short and long term solutions must be sought, and that the vitality of the neighborhood must be encouraged, a steering committee of interested neighbors convened on Monday night, November 22, to initiate the formation of a neighborhood organization. The "Courthouse Area Neighborhood Association" will address issues as they affect the residential area bounded by Memorial Drive, Prospect Avenue, Oneida Street and Lawrence Street. Your ideas and help in formalizing this organization are not only welcome, they are strongly encouraged.

Steering committee officers elected are: Chairman - Frank Council, 733-5766; Vice Chairman - John Barkett, 731-9219; Secretary - Meg Casey, 734-8814. Please direct your communication to these individuals. Other committee members include: Bill and Joyce Anderson, Margo Chadwick, Jackie Dungar, Dan and Barbara Hulbert, Sally Johnson, Bruce Ladewig, Mary Laux, Tom Oudenhoven and Linda Muldoon. These officers and committee members are already scrutinizing governmental activities affecting the area.

A List of potential association members is also being developed. Those who signed the attendance sheet and/or petition at the Nov. 16th meeting will be considered potential members. Please call Frank Council if you would like your name added or removed. After formal organization, a general meeting of potential members will be held.

We must take control of the fate of our neighborhood. The tremendous turnout Nov. 16th proved that we can make a difference!

Sincerely Yours,

Frank G. Council
Chairman