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### **Council to review final concept for College Street Corridor**

Principal City Planner Vern Morgan will present the final concept plan for the future of the College Street Corridor (pdf ) to City Council at noon tomorrow in the 4th floor conference room in the Busch Municipal Building.

The College Street Corridor is defined as College, Olive, and Walnut Streets between Grant Avenue and Kansas Expressway.

The area has a rich and varied history. Springfield founding father William Fulbright established one of the first homesteads there, near the recently rediscovered Fulbright Spring at Fort and College. It was also home to a Civil War fort, the first Springfield Brewery and eventually, Route 66.

The emphasis for the plan is along College and Olive Streets and includes a plaza, streetscapes, gateways and a roadside park celebrating Route 66. A recent Hy-Vee fundraiser raised approximately \$1,000 to build a replica of the Red's Giant Hamburg sign in the park.

Planning for the project has relied heavily on public engagement, with residents, property owners, business owners, and community members interacting with one another and the City in a series of public meetings held last year.

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