FERGUSON COMMISSION MEETING
April 27, 2015
Discussion Findings
ELECTRONIC POLLING RESULTS

Nine of Ten Attendees Reside in Either St. Louis County or St. Louis City

- St. Louis City, MO: 53%
- St. Louis County, MO: 43%
- St. Charles County, MO: 0%
- St. Clair County, IL: 2%
- Madison County, IL: 2%
- Other: 0%

Nine of Ten Attendees Reside in Either St. Louis County or St. Louis City
Eight of Ten Attendees Work or Attend School in Either St. Louis County or St. Louis City
Slightly over 50% of Attendees were Male
Nearly Two-thirds of Attendees were over 55 years old

- 22 to 34 years: 4%
- 35 to 44 years: 6%
- 45 to 54 years: 21%
- 55 to 64 years: 36%
- 65 and over: 27%
ELECTRONIC POLLING RESULTS

Nearly Two-thirds of Attendees were White

- White: 65%
- Black, African American: 25%
- Asian: 0%
- Other: 0%
ELECTRONIC POLLING RESULTS

Three of Ten Attendees Have Participated in At Least One Other Commission Meeting

- None: 56%
- One to Two: 6%
- Three to Four: 15%
- Five to Six: 13%
- Seven to Eight: 10%

Diagram showing the distribution of attendance.
POLLING RESULTS
DISPARITY AREA: HEALTH

RECAP FROM MEETING #10
APRIL 27, 2015
What three issues have the greatest impact on our community’s health and well-being?

Health care access and neighborhood safety were among the top issues.

Top Responses
- Ability to Pay for Health Services
- Neighborhood Safety
- Stress

- Ability to pay for health: 64%
- Neighborhood safety: 60%
- Stress: 49%
- Insurance coverage: 44%
- Health care that is sensitive: 20%
- Ability to understand and use: 18%
- Access to fresh fruits and vegetables: 18%
- Distance to the health care provider: 16%
- Environmental hazards, like noise and pollution: 13%
What three issues have the greatest impact on our community’s ability to access health care services?

Acquiring and paying for health care insurance

### Top Responses
- Cost of health care (78%)
- Having health insurance (51%)
- Maneuvering the health care system (45%)
- Finding a provider/doctor that accepts your insurance (31%)
- Being able to get time off from work (29%)
- Length of time (days or weeks) (24%)
- Physician/health center hours of operation (24%)
- Managing the cost of medication (22%)
What three issues have the greatest impact on our community’s health and well-being?

A Comparison - Issues Impacting Community Well-Being

Overall – Top Responses to Well-Being

- Ability to Pay for Health Services
- Neighborhood Safety
- Stress
- Insurance Coverage

- Health care that is sensitive to cultural differences
- Ability to understand and use health information
- Access to fresh fruits and vegetables
- Distance to the health care provider
- Environmental hazards, like air pollution
PUBLIC DISCUSSIONS

- Public Open Mic Session
Police Accountability as Essential to Public Safety

- Unfair policing tactics need accountability
- Bring back the “Protect & Serve” mantra
- Officers should first function in community service roles

Municipal Reform Needed Now

- Questionable satisfaction among residents with their municipality
- Municipal League not reporting misconduct from judges – they cannot be trusted to reform their own house
- Arch City Defenders working on this for years
- The need for reform affects citizen-law enforcement interactions especially in North County
Evolving Demands
Need a New St. Louis

- St. Louis is a part of a declining economy
- We cannot attract business if schools are poor and municipalities are running inefficiently
- Louisville, KY, Indianapolis, IN, and other once comparable cities have beat us
- Stay competitive

Bold Actions needed to Achieve Education Equity

- Funding should go towards scholarships for kids of people who are incarcerated
- Redefine success in education reform to include civic engagement; students need active role even with the Ferguson Commission
- Place-based strategies are key to real reform
- 1st step: merging school districts