

QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER



New Lighting on Pershing

Have you noticed our neighborhood seems to be glowing lately? That's because crews have finally flipped the switch on the long-awaited Pershing lighting project, and the results are nothing short of brilliant!

Installation work began in the spring of 2021 and was wrapped up in July. There are 30 pedestrian-scale granitoid fixtures now along Pershing Ave. between the Union entrance and Belt Ave., with dusk-to-dawn LED lights augmenting the 5 taller city-installed Cobra light standards. They provide not only a sense of safety, but an aura of beauty.

As one neighborhood resident noted, "The lights provide a pleasant ambience." Added another, "I feel safer walking down to Mack's."

Final cost of the project came in well under budget at \$278,940. The city picked up \$10,000 of that tab thanks to Alderwoman Heather Navarro and the 28th Ward Capital Funding program, while the DeBaliviere Place Special Business District paid the balance. Why not take an evening stroll down Pershing and take in the beauty yourself? It's sure to be an illuminating experience!



Have Ideas to Make our Community Better? Join us at our next meeting!



Green Way Project

Hugging the western half-mile boundary of our district, the southern tip of the St. Vincent Greenway offers a welcoming vista with its spacious bike and pedestrian paths. The saplings on the grassy berm hold promise of a tree-lined DeBaliviere Avenue.

Amenities include benches, litter cans, flower boxes and helpful signage. Evenly-spaced lampposts provide ample illumination at night. When completed, the greenway will connect Forest Park with NorthPark and the University of Missouri-St. Louis campus.

Great Rivers Greenway, funded by area sales tax and private donations, operates and maintains the greenway in partnership with the City of St. Louis. It contributed \$1.8 million to the construction of the greenway as part of the Loop Trolley construction. Emma Klues, VP of Communication and Outreach, added "Combining the projects together saved costs, but GRG funds went only for the greenway."





Betty's Alterations & Tuxedo

Betty Wheeler has been sewing for over 40 years. As a seamstress, she continues to thrive in a dying art. Her aunt was her inspiration and guide in her youth. Over the years, she has perfected her craft to the satisfaction of her many regular customers. More than once, her skills have come to the aid of a frantic bride on her wedding day. The business specializes in formal wear and tailoring.



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About the Special Business District

The DeBaliviere Place Special Business District is a special taxation district within the DeBaliviere Place Neighborhood (47), and a sliver of the Skinker DeBaliviere Neighborhood (46).

Major services within the SBD include providing police patrols, monitoring security cameras, landscaping Lasater Plaza and maintaining Pet Waste Stations.

The meetings are open to the public. Residents and property owners are encouraged to express their concerns during Public Comments.

Meetings are every 3rd Saturday at 9am