

# Southgate Neighborhood Council

http://www.southgatespokane.org

## **Meeting Minutes**

Date: February 12, 2014 Time: 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

Location: ESD 101 Meeting Room, 4201 S. Regal

#### 7:00 PRESENTATION

- Mark Kinney Mission Community Outreach Center
  - o www.4mission.org
  - o www.facebook.com/mcoc.spokane
  - Serve low income people who live in our neighborhood
  - Fire victims are referred from Red Cross
  - Domestic violence victims referred by various agencies
  - Also partner with World Relief, Spokane; Our Sister's Closet and others
  - One paid employee all other workers are volunteers
  - Provide clothing, diapers, infant care items, household goods and hygiene items.
  - Distributed 800 pairs of shoes and socks at beginning of school year in late August, 2013
  - Christmas event in December with new clothing, underwear, outer garments and books to 1200 kids in December
  - o 20,384 clients in 2013
  - o 35,000 diapers and wipes
  - April 14-30 Diaper Drive
  - FUNDING: local churches, civic organizations, businesses, individual donors, NO government funding
  - Accept new and used (in good shape only) clothing, blankets, pots and pans, cribs, car seats, diapers, infant care items
  - o 1906 E Mission M-W-Th 1:30-4 pm
  - Please stop by and visit
  - Short on men's and kids clothes

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- 2014 Traffic Calming Ted Teske
  - Applications are due on March 10
  - Update on SNC 2013 application for corner of Myrtle and Sumac but it didn't meet the criteria (not enough accidents)
  - Look around your neighborhood, we can submit one residential and one arterial project each year

If anyone has an project to submit, contact Ted

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- 2014 Spokane Public Schools CTE Student Projects Ted Teske
  - Spokane Public Schools contacted Ted to
  - Have broadened the project scopes, ideas:
    - Research various businesses in SNC to list on our website
    - Partners with Ferris HS for a photography project and extend to an art show to
    - Promote neighborhood events on Facebook page (ex: Ham on Regal or Rubber Chicken basketball
    - Research for traffic calming project applications
    - Develop logo for SNC

### 7:30 NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESS

- Approval of Minutes please refer to website above for posted minutes.
  - Both December and January minutes
  - o (December minutes say "agenda" and remove "start on time" box
  - Approved with changes
- Treasurer's Report Approval Ray Tansy
  - Approved
- Spokane Police Resource Officer Capt. Dave Richards
  - o Prowler check in Lincoln Heights, put emphasis patrol on
  - o 29<sup>th</sup> & SE construction stole \$600 lights
  - 5010 Regal Apts, Adirondack Lodge, vehicle prowling, people wandering around so area now designated as a hot spot for this week.
  - Things looking good in south Spokane for crime activity
  - www.SpokanePolice.org for crime reports

## • Community Assembly Report – Shelly O'Rourke

- Feb 26, 5:30-7:00 at West Central Joint CA and City Council meeting, can propose topics to Jackie Caro or Shelly
- o Feb 27, 5:30-7:30
- Feb 20 SEPA Workshop, 5-6:30 pm in Council Briefing Room
- March 14, Coffee with the Mayor, 3 to 4 pm in the mayor's office, all neighborhood leaders are welcome
- o CA Retreat April 19 (Easter weekend
- Fall CA Retreat 2013 developed "Community Assembly to be Accepted as an Equal Partner in Government"
- ONS Survey on attendance of ONS representative attending meetings. Survey is on website if interested in now.
- Saturday, April 12: Cleaning from the Core (volunteers clean River Front Park)
- o Comprehensive Plan Resolution regarding how neighborhoods

would be involved in the process of updating Comprehensive Plan. Response letter from Mayor and City Council President which states nothing. Mayor and Scott Chesney attended CA meeting to give update on process, assured that there would be opportunities for neighborhood participation but nothing specific.

- Protest letter by Peaceful Valley about voting process on the Police Oversight vote in December. CA discussion on neighborhood councils give CA Rep direction on how to vote if NC hasn't been able to get input, then SNC CA Rep should abstain. Perhaps CA needs to adopt a policy that major items have a first introduction and then a vote the next month.
- New city website (not 100% active yet still working on updates)
  - Let Jackie know if SNC has an event to post
  - New blogs, can ask questions and receive answers
  - Current projects in various neighborhoods that list documents
  - More interactive, everyone should take a look
- Waste Management Andy Hoye
  - County will buy transfer stations from city for \$9.9 million over next seven years. Approved by City County
  - Should not affect rates or services
  - Solid Waste Advisory Committee is being reformed
  - City considering taking over operation of Wheelbrator
  - 55% of city waste is now in recyclable bins, higher than state average
- Pedestrian & Trails (PeTT Committee) Paul Kropp

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- ONS Clean Up Orientation Report Teresa Kafentzis
- Neighborhood Planning Update Land Use Committee
  - Link Spokane Open Houses
    - Part of Comp Plan update for transportation
    - Ted attended, meeting run by Nelson Nygard, was able to discuss transportation issues in our neighborhood.
    - If there are more meetings, we will send out a notice. Please try to attend.
  - Report on PCED (economic projects overview weekly with city council members and city staff, developers) Meeting (Ben Burr Trail, District Center Roads)
    - Question about trip generation on Target site
    - District center roads (traffic calming, on-street parking, etc.).
       Was brought up that on-street parking is required in district centers. Scott Chesney said he would look into it.

- Meeting with Mike Allen to review street character, developers agreement. Scott Chesney also attended and agreed to have meetings with neighborhood representatives, engineering staff, and planning staff. Mike Allen agreed to follow up with monthly meetings with neighborhood. Ted followed up with emails outlining what was agreed on. To date, no meetings have been scheduled.
- Today, Ted went to City Hall to look at the permit file and was told that he could not see it. Needed to get permission from Scott Chesney.
- Concern is that permit will be approved without any meetings.
   Permit staff said that the permit would probably be approved in next week or two.
- Jackie Caro requested being copied on emails regarding issues.
- Neighborhood Resolution About District Center
  - Drafted resolution to request City live up to city requirements and developer's agreement and conform with integrated site plan on district center sites and remainder of district center properties.
  - Comments:
    - Frustrated that city ignores our attempt to work within the process.
    - City has cast SNC as "anti-development" in spite of SNC saying that we welcome the development in the spirit of the comprehensive plan
    - Ironic that the city isn't enforcing the developers agreements as agreed if SNC would drop the appeal
    - Goal is to enforce the developers agreements as signed by the city council and SNC
  - 13 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstention of qualified voters. (Straw poll vote 16 in favor and 1 abstention)
  - Next steps, everyone is encouraged to email each city council member, mayor, Office of Neighborhood that they support the resolution passed by SNC. Put on social media.

#### 8:30 ADJOURN

#### 2014 Officers:

Ted Teske, Chair tteske@comcast.net
Teresa Kafentzis, Vice Chair and Secretary teresa@kafentzis.com
Ray Tansy, Treasurer rtansy@aimcomm.com
Shelley O'Rourke, Community Assembly Representative

#### Eligible Voters must meet by-law criteria of:

- Residing in, owning property in, or owning a business within the SNC boundaries
- Have attended two consecutive meetings prior to this one
- Voting membership lapses on the sixth successive unexcused absence