

Meeting Minutes

Date: September 9, 2015 Time: 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Location: ESD 101 Meeting Room, 4202 S. Regal

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PRESENTATION

Palouse Trails Apartments – Todd Prescott and Helen Stevenson, Whitewater Creek Whitewater Creek is planning to develop a 114-unit apartment complex on Palouse Hwy. across from Sun Rentals. Mr. Prescott and Ms. Stevenson will be on hand to present the details of the project and answer questions from the neighborhood.

- Continue 12-foot wide path from Target along frontage of property
- Support crosswalk location on Palouse Hwy
- Under 30% Average Median Income (AMI) is 20 to 25% of apartments; Remainder of apartments are 50% of AMI
- Market studies have shown that there is a great need for lower-rent apartments (affordable housing). Will send the market study to Ted to distribute.

Comments & Questions

- Comment: SNC should look at the impact of all of the "under-market" units added to the neighborhood.
- Q: Who manages the property? Answer: Contract with White Water Creek for management; partner with non-profits. No problems with our properties, if there are problems, they are addressed.
- Q: Design of complexes and how will they connect with the neighborhood, will your properties be barriers to connecting with other properties and retail and rest of neighborhood. How will they get to bus stops? Why don't you connect with existing pedestrian network? A: We have a grant for a van for handicapped.
- Q: What about when the van is not available? No answer.
- Q: Did you do a traffic study? A: Yes, but don't remember the numbers. Will pay the mitigation fees.
- Q: Have you talked with STA now that you have several hundred apartment units to increase bus service? A: We usually do when we are close to rent-up."

Comment period is open; please send any comments to the city by September 23.

NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESS

Approval of Minutes

- Approved.
- See website for August minutes (http://southgatespokane.org/meeting-agendas-minutes/neighborhood-council-meeting-minutes/)

Treasurer's Report – Ray Tansy

Checking: \$981.36Escrow: \$3,000.00

Spokane Police Resource Officer – Capt. Dave Richards

- Southside precinct will be moving to the InterModel center from 1st Avenue
- Very quiet in SNC; more activity in Lincoln Heights but still not much action
- Reminder to be aware of your surroundings, remove valuables from cars, keep cars locked, garage doors closed
- Dave S comments: Too many 911 calls; wasting officers time; some residents are disruptive. Capt Dave Richards requested that information be sent to him, can't assess from just number of calls.
- How do neighbors elevate concerns to get help with problem neighbors? Call Capt Richards for assistance.
- Suggestion from neighbors that SNC look at 911 statistics for other apartments in our area

Community Assembly Report – Shelley O'Rourke, Community Assembly Rep (Andy Hoye alternate reporting) for August meeting

- Funding of Mission Street bridge: CA supported in straw poll
- Steel bridge to replace the Post Street Bridge
- Voted to continue to meet once a month, date and time may change
- Greening Grants were awarded
- Free trees program will be in October
- Subcommittee formed to get funding for the CA (Andy is on the committee)

Waste Management – Andy Hoye – No report

Community Development Block Grants – Teresa Kafentzis

- Lincoln Heights application for road safety improvements at Altamont and 9th Ave
- Have not heard from Cliff-Canyon
- SNC funds of \$1,692

Moved and seconded and approved to give our funds to Lincoln Heights. 14 in favor, 1 abstention.

Candidate Forum - Teresa Kafentzis

- Working with South Hill Coalition
- At our regular meeting time and place (ESD 101 on Oct 14 at 6:30 pm)
- Looking for volunteers to help with set up at 6:00 p.m.

501c3 Application Update – Teresa Kafentzis

- GU law student finished semester, new student not yet assigned
- Draft of mission statement and activities
 - Reviewed at meeting, ready to submit draft to GU
- Develop a Profit and Loss Statement
 - Teresa and Ray Tansy will develop

Neighborhood Clean Up

- October 27
- Postcard will be sent out with guidelines

Pedestrian, Trails, and Transportation – Paul Kropp

- Would like to get time on the SNC agenda to get input on the SRTC Active Programs at the November SNC meeting.
- Pedestrian Plan is going to the Plan Commission this month. Shortcomings: Shared-use pathways not mentioned; collaborating or coordinating with other jurisdictions
- Plan Commission that all of the neighborhood profiles that were to be included in the comprehensive plan have been completed.
- District Center open house for Lincoln Heights on Sept 30.
- Annexation hearing for Plan Commission will be October 14
- Post Street rebuild project open house planned for this fall

Land Use Committee Update – Kerry Brooks/Ted Teske

- 37th Avenue Rehabilitation Open House
 - The city will be holding an Open House on Thursday, September 10th from 6:30-8:30 at Chase Middle School about the upcoming repaying of 37th from Regal St. to Custer St.
- Twisted Willows Subdivision Hearing before City Hearing Examiner
 - Glenrose Neighborhood Association filed an appeal that the process wasn't followed for notification and that no work had been done in a year so the project shouldn't be vested.
 - Hearing Examiner stated that the mitigations will be changed from "like to do" to "will do"
 - Developers will complete Custer instead vacating
 - o Continuing until October 9, 2015
- Land Annexation at 53rd and Regal
 - Ted and Kerry Brook meeting with Joanne Wright at city plan department to discuss zoning

- 44th Avenue Trail/Havana Water Main Update
 - Work continues on the water main and street
 - Trail has been paved to Miami
 - o Greening grant to plant trees on north side (HOA from Greystone is irrigating)
 - Needs signage, trail access points
 - Reminder that there is a meeting every Wednesday at 9:00 a.m. at the Ben Burr Park picnic shelter to discuss concerns
- Palouse Hwy. Crosswalk Update
 - o Put out to bid and hope to complete this construction season
- Ben Burr Road Re-alignment
 - o 57th is open, still moving dirt from holding site
- Radio Tower Work on Regal
 - Shortening by 175 feet at KREM

Cell Phone Tower Moratorium

- Cliff Canyon, the city and attorneys have been working updated regulations
- Have asked all neighborhoods in the city to donate funds to pay attorneys
- SNC offered to help with legwork but not funds

Directors and Officers Insurance

- Priority of SNC
- Discuss at CA bundling insurance for all neighborhood councils to find lower cost group insurance. Andy will discuss in the CA funding subcommittee.

Submitted by

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Teresa Kafentzis, Secretary