## **Meeting Minutes**



Date: October 2, 2019, Time: 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. Location: ESD 101 Meeting Room, 4202 S. Regal

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**Members Present: 13** 

#### **PRESENTATIONS**

# Spokane Police Department Report - Jake Willard, NRO

- Still working homeless camps. Fewer camps.
- Three full-time officers on camping pod start of year. That will free up officers for other things.
- Res burg. 8 down to 4
- Garage burg 14-3
- Vehicle thefts 6-6

### City Council Representative Presentation – (10 minutes if needed)

No report

### **NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESS**

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

approved

Treasurer's Report - Andy Hoye

no change from last month

Community Assembly Report - Andy Hoye

notes attached at end of minutes

Waste Management Report – Andy Hoye

no report

Pedestrian, Transportation, and Traffic Committee – Paul Kropp

no report

Other Committee Updates as Needed (CDBG, CA Grant, By-laws, LUC, etc.)

- City LUC, North Bank Zoning Overlay Teresa Kafentzis
  - o Consolidating zoning overlay to General Commercial
  - Considering "pathways" through large lots (example big parking lots by the arena) to connect residential communities to the north to the activity areas.

### Land Use Committee Update – Ted Teske

- Proposed Car Wash
  - Concerns from SNC regarding developer's agreement (expires on Oct 20,

2019) and will fall under more strict guidelines, no design review

- Pavement moratorium until 2021 on Regal
  - Side comment, when dug up for utilities, why doesn't the city require the utilities to return the street to it's previous smoothness to prevent dips, potholes, etc.?
- Developers waiting
- General Commercial Zoning
  - Goes against Comp Plan that supports District Centers
  - Will allow expansion of General Commercial Zoning if adjacent to currently zoned GC.
  - Through Plan Commission
  - Going to City Council
  - Should SNC comment to city council; Ted will look into
- STA Park and Ride
  - New sign says "Coming in March 2020"
  - Observation that pipe was laid, dirt replaced and then dug up again
- KXLY Property
  - Binding site plan working through the system
  - Permit pulled by developer for gas station
  - SNC submitted comments regarding developer's agreement and design review.
- Regal Street Fair on September 7

  Rita Conner
  - Sponsored by Numerica in parking lot by Target
  - 10 am to 2 pm
  - 15 vendors (puppy adoptions, baked goods, flour, YMCA, Fringe, crafters, fitness vendors)
  - had a good crowd
  - sold 250 hotdogs
  - Want to do in the spring
    - Can check out a table from CA
    - Design a vinyl sign
  - SNC to be involved
  - Numerica willing to feature SNC in their lobby
    - Ted can make a poster
    - Rita will set up a display

### Open Forum

- Southside Soccer Center
  - o Is there a grand opening scheduled?
  - Splash pad will not be built, space set aside
    - SNC could use the escrow \$3,000 to help with building
    - Consider fundraising to complete

### Next meeting - November 6, 2019

### Summary of CA meeting on October 3 and CA Retreat on October 14, 2019

**CA Meeting:** 22 Neighborhoods present. Councilman Beggs spoke about leadership development for Neighborhood Councils, CA, etc. to be offered by Gonzaga in some form. No

plan for homelessness yet, but there will be some warming centers somewhere, including Jewels Helping Hands – no address? Real estate agents are also working on this to locate a short-term rental facility. Teams of social service workers are co-deployed with police to redirect minor offenders...some success with this (72% redirected from jail or mental hospital.) Sportsplex on north river bank is moving ahead slowly. CC is trying to leverage traffic calming \$ and Radarred \$ into larger projects...matching grants would be neighborhood-driven.

Nathan Gwinn – Downtown Plan – Downtown Spokane Partnership is in charge – have hired a Seattle Consultant (whoopee!!) Public meetings planned for Oct 22 (@the Pavilion from 6-8PM) and December sometime.

Kathy Lang will probably stay on as DRB liaison to CA. Mary Winkes will likely be approved as CA liaison to Planning Commission – she has LEED certification.

The PeTT Committee is interested in Greenways (Streets that emphasize ped and bike) Dr. Barbara Brock spoke briefly and introduced 5 homeless people to speak – very moving stories, minimal drug use among these people – two had four-year degrees. Disaffiliation = devastation. ½ of all Americans are one paycheck away from homelessness. Some people with housing vouchers cannot find a place to live. 24/7 restrooms needed. (CDBG money could fund construction but not maintenance) – Google "Portland loo."

The Shadle Area Plan is coming together – link: <a href="https://my.spokanecity.org/projecdts/northwest-and-audubon-downriver-neighborhood-planning/">https://my.spokanecity.org/projecdts/northwest-and-audubon-downriver-neighborhood-planning/</a> or Google "Shadle Area Draft Plan." Policies include Intensity Increase, Housing variety, Identify Enhancement, Shard Spaces, Transportation Network Improvements, Design Enhancement and Neighborhood Connections. Planning Commission hearing is October 9.

The CACC meeting will be October 30 at Southside Community Center. Walkability audit – contact Colin Quinn-Hurst: <a href="mailto:cquinnhurst@spokanecity.org">cquinnhurst@spokanecity.org</a> or 625-6804 – also for school-related issues.

#### **CA Retreat:**

This was led by the delegates we sent to NUSA.

4imprint has grants for neighborhood branding, also Home Depot. Food access was a major topic, turning front lawns into edibles – suburbanpermaculture.org also oldmapsonline.org. Asset-based community development = the power of hashtag. North Adams, MA had good success with a parklet land small greenspace. Partnering with churches is an important consideration. Two presenters from Spokane went to Palm Springs and presented on ARC and inclusivity in community organizations – they gave a short version at this retreat and it was excellent.

There was some discussion that we might not send reps to next year's NUSA (the general consensus is that it was a bit weak) – alternative use of CA Engagement Grant \$ might be for leadership training for NCs, CA, etc. The Palm Springs video was very neat, very professional...did not mention that average high temperature is in the 90s for most of the year.