



## **Meeting Minutes**

Date: November 6, 2019, Time: 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Location: ESD 101 Meeting Room, 4202 S. Regal

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Members Present: 15

### **PRESENTATIONS**

Spokane Police Department Report – Seth Berrow, NRO from East Central

- Southgate Statistics: Garage burglaries – 2; mail thefts – 2; items taken from vehicles –2 for past week period.
- Porch pirates will start up again and start following delivery trucks and stealing packages. Deal with every season.
- Discussion regarding old junked RVs people park on street; ran out of funds to have them towed. Big problem in EC.
- Homeless camp clean up continues

City Council Representative Presentation – none

Nomination of Neighborhood Council Officers

Time to consider nominees for next year's Council Officers. We will elect officers at the December meeting. Current officers are:

- Chair – Rita Conner
- Vice chair – Summer Beers
- Secretary – Teresa Kafentzis
- Treasurer – Andy Hoyer
- Community Assembly Representative – Andy Hoyer

Current officers welcome others to step up and take a turn.

Jerry moved to continue with the same slate of officers. Alan seconded.

Nominations will be open until the election at December meeting.

## NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESS

### Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

#### Treasurer's Report - Andy Hoye

- \$426.36 in checking
- \$3,000 in escrow account.
- Consider putting escrow account into interest-bearing account.
  - One year investment ranges from \$1.26 -- \$16.50
  - Defer until next month after report on changing to credit union.
- Discussion on moving money to Numerica Credit Union since it's actually in Southgate Neighborhood. Rita will check into it. Numerica has offered to post signage in their branch.

#### Community Assembly Report - Andy Hoye

- Next meeting on Thursday, November 7. Notes will be included at the end of these minutes.

#### CDBG District 2 Meeting – Andy Hoye

- George Dahl will develop a “menu” of choices for neighbors to vote. Points will be assigned to each vote. Each member voting will be required to sign a form.

#### Waste Management Report – Andy Hoye

- Will be a revision done at the county level for comprehensive plan regarding waste management

#### Pedestrian, Transportation, and Traffic Committee – Paul Kropp

- Transportation Subcommittee of Community Assembly
- Convergence of project identification for bicycles, pedestrians, and traffic
- Discussion on increasing ease of bicycle transportation and consideration of changing name to include bicycles.
- Transportation District in Spokane imposes a \$20 car tab fee for residential street maintenance (\$2 million per year). If Initiative 926 passes, the car tab fee will be discontinued.
- District 2 city council members were very interested in getting unpaved streets paved and prioritizing paving using car tab fees. These projects won't be done.

- City Council controls the funds from red light traffic cameras and school zone traffic cameras. Stop light funds focus on traffic calming. Focus is on spending on safe routes to schools from school funds, can propose projects around schools.

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

#### Land Use Committee Update – Ted Teske

- Comp Plan Amendment (City of Spokane)
  - Amendment to change the focus on centers and corridors back to commercial (was removed in 2012)
  - Hasn't been to city council yet for 2019
- Predevelopment application submitted for carwash next to Maverick property
- Robinson Short Term Rental Other – 2020 year
  - Currently zoned single-family residential
  - Submitted amendment for high-density residential
- Southeast Sports Complex Ribbon Cutting
  - Considering for April 2020

#### Open Forum Topics

- Invite county commissioner, Mary Kuney, and county transportation staff to meeting to discuss road infrastructure from county into city.
- Note: Spokane Regional Transportation Commission to speak on their plans for area. SRTC focus is on major traffic corridors only, most members are elected officials in Spokane area. Doesn't have to do with local streets like in Southgate.

#### Next meeting – December 4, 2019

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#### November 7, 2019 Community Assembly Notes – Andy Hoyer

25 Neighborhoods present

Please let Colleen Gardner (Chief Garry Park) know how the NROs can help more.

There are several copies of the “Strong Towns” book (Charles Marohn) available from Greg Francis

City Councilperson Stratton: AGC is installing two sidewalks for elderly people as part of their apprenticeship program. The shelter at 527 S Cannon will open later this month. – there are several other shelters around town, including VOA Hope House, Women’s Hearth, Truth Ministries, Family Promise. 150 homeless camps were cleaned out, 40 tons of garbage hauled. Response time dropped to 5 days from 13. Several part-time employees have been added to Code Enforcement.

2020 Census will be online...we will get a “code” to enter. Kathy Lang gave a fine overview of her work on the DRB and will continue for another three-year term. Annie Deasy is a new employee in ONS.

Heather Trautman is resigning! Louis Miller will be acting head. The CA will move back to WCCC in February due to construction on the Post Street Bridge.

Mary Winkes will be the CA Liaison to the Planning Commission – LEED Certified – Manito NC.

Comp Plan Amendments for 2019 are moving forward: Primary changes will be to support transit routes and clarify where General Commercial zones can be placed. CPAs for 2020 include two near us: Z19-503COMP at 3277 E 53<sup>rd</sup> and Z19-502COMP at 3207 E 29<sup>th</sup>. These are not posted online as of November 10, 2019.