Southgate Neighborhood Council Meeting Minutes

Date: September 2, 2020

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Zoom Meeting www.southgatespokane.org

Neighbors Present: 8 via Zoom

PRESENTATIONS:

Spokane Police Department – Jake Willard reported the greatest number of complaints reported are in the area around 44th and Regal. Fifty percent of these are reports of suspicious activity. Others involve burglary and theft. Please call 911 for emergencies only. Call Crime Check for all other issues 456-2233.

City Council Representative – Giacobbe Byrd reported for Lori Kinnear. Parks Department pilot program using goats to control plant growth will begin at Hangman Park. If successful, three parks will be added next year. The speed limit on High Drive has been reduced to 20 MPH. The City Council is considering a re-evaluation of this change. There is a program to renew and restore Spokane riverbanks. This involves cleaning and planting.

NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESS

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes – Motion made, seconded and moved to approve the August minutes.

Treasurer's Report-Rita Conner for Andy Hoye \$245.55 in checking account

Community Assembly Report – Rita Conner for Andy Hoye: Applications for CARES funding are being accepted. (rental assistance, small business and child care). Criminal Justice reform talks are starting.

Waste Management Report – Rita Conner for Andy Hoye: Deborah Geiger, Solid Waste Manager for Spokane County says they are not ready to accept City Dump Passes as part of the Neighborhood Clean-up Program

Land Use Committee Update – Drawings for the Roundabout at Freya and Palouse needa revision to include left turns from 51st Ave.

Other – Summer Beers: SNC will host a Candidate Forum for County Commissioner candidates Mary Kuney and David Green

Next meeting – October 14 via Zoom.

CA Meeting notes – Zoom – 8-6-2020

Lori Kinnear: Applications for CARES funding are being accepted – rental assistance, small business, child care, Arts and entertainment are being considered also. Criminal Justice reform talks are starting – no discussion of defunding police. Trying to get neighborhoods involved in keeping parks green – starting "good neighbor" meetings with Emerson-Garfield neighborhood re 55 W Mission homeless shelter. Re-organization of ONS is grinding away, two director-level positions; one will include Code Enforcement. 12% drop in city revenues due to Covid.

ONS brochure has been developed, but will need revision.

LeadershipTraining for CA and neighborhoods; \$4,000 has been allocated from Engagement Grant money. BSN will put out RFPs.

Dump passes will be distributed online, with no neighborhood income requirements. I will research County acceptance of dump passes at Transfer Stations.