



Neighborhood Council Updates | October 2026

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Fun and Free:

WSECU Fall Fest:

- Experience the sights, sounds, and flavors of fall at WSECU Fall Fest, taking place on Saturday, October 3, from 11am-5pm at River Park Square and Riverfront Park. Activities include magic shows, food trucks/vendors, pumpkin decorating, carriage rides and more. Information can be found online at: tinyurl.com/SpokaneFallFest26

Fall Activity Guide:

- The Fall 2026 Activity Guide is here! This is your one-stop shop for recreational opportunities for all ages and abilities in the Spokane area. The Activity Guide can be found at local grocery stores, City Hall, and online at: my.spokanecity.org/parksrec/guides

Need to Know:

Call 311 for Crime Check Calls:

- Do you need to report something that is not an emergency? Call 311. Crime Check is changing at the end of October. Soon, people in Spokane city limits will call 311 for all city services and non-emergency reports.
- Whether it's suspicious activity, and abandoned vehicle, a pothole, or another city concern, Spokane 311 will connect you to the help you need. Remember, 311 is for non-emergency help. If there is an emergency or a crime in progress, always call 911. Visit my.spokanecity.org to learn more.
- Date of anticipated transition: October 27, 2026

Register for Spokane Neighborhood Summit:

- Register for the fourth-annual Spokane Neighborhood Summit on Saturday, Nov. 7 from 9 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. at the Hemmingson Center (Gonzaga Campus)!
- The Summit is a FREE one-day community engagement conference for Spokane neighborhood council members or aspiring members. Join in to learn what other councils are doing and grow your own leadership and best practices.
- Tickets have “sold out” every year, so if you are interested, register today at: <https://tinyurl.com/SpokaneSummit26>

District 1 Town Hall:

- Join City Staff and Council Members Sarah Dixit and Michael Cathcart to discuss parks, tree canopies and all things District 1. Community Tabling from 5:00-6:00pm and Town Hall Q&A from 6:00-7:00pm. Neighbors will gather on Tuesday, October 13 at the Northeast Community Center (4001 N Cook St). District 1 Neighborhood Councils are invited to table from 5 - 6 p.m. (setup can begin at 4:45 pm). Those interested in a table should email Amber Groe (agroe@spokanecity.org) by Friday, Oct. 9.
- Neighborhood Councils in district 1 include: Bemiss, Chief Garry Park, Hillyard, Logan, Minnehaha, Nevada Heights, Riverside, Shiloh Hills, and Whitman.

Construction Zones:

- Construction season is underway! Motorists are urged to plan ahead, allow for extra time, and be alert for frequent traffic changes. Please slow down for everyone's safety and make the extra effort to support businesses impacted by the necessary projects. [Visit our website](#) for construction information.



October Rain and Cooler Temps Call for Limited Watering:

- Did you know that October is one of the worst months for over-watering? Recent rain, shorter days, and cooler temperatures is enough to sustain grass and landscaping for the remainder of the season. Go ahead and shut that sprinkler system off and save some extra money for holiday shopping. Learn more at WaterWiseSpokane.org.

Burn Restrictions Are in Place:

- Spokane-area Fire Marshals have enacted countywide Fire Danger Burn Restrictions. Although we've had cooler temperatures and some rain, the risk of wildfires remains high. With hot weather on the horizon, our community must act now to prevent human-caused fires. [Click here](#) for more information. What's Restricted? Unauthorized recreational fires and unauthorized open burning.

A New Approach to Safer Streets: Emergency Streets Pilot Program:

- When a fatal traffic crash occurs, the impact on families, neighbors, and our community is immediate and long-lasting. The [City of Spokane is launching its new Emergency Streets pilot program](#), which provides a rapid-response approach to traffic safety by installing temporary traffic-calming measures within 48–72 hours of a fatal crash. The goal is simple: increase awareness, reduce speeds, and make streets safer right away. To learn more, [visit our website](#).



Fall Disposal Passes:

- Fall disposal passes are available from active Spokane Neighborhood Councils (NC) beginning Tuesday, August 4 through Saturday, October 31. Each NC has received a set number of passes. They are available on a first come first served basis. Contact your neighborhood council to ask about how they will be distributed.