

Meeting Minutes

DATE: September 12, 2012
TIME: 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.
LOCATION: ESD 101 Meeting Room, 4201 S. Regal

7:00 PRESENTATION

Land Use Committee Update

- 44th Avenue
 - Supposed to begin work by end of September
 - Neighbors want to know when the project will wrap up
 - They also want to know who the contractor is
- Developers Agreements on Regal & Palouse Highway
 - Teresa suggested we cancel our SNC meeting when the next presentation is made to the Design Review Board so neighbors can provide public comment.
 - Members agreed they would prefer to attend the DRB meeting
 - Will keep members informed when DRB meets next to review developers agreements

7:30 NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESS

- Approval of Minutes – please refer to website for posted minutes.
 - Approval recommended, seconded and approved as posted
- Treasurer’s Report Approval
 - No change, \$1351.36.
 - Center for Justice donation was sent and thank you note received.
- Community Assembly Report – Shelly O’Rourke
 - Hogan Court had a robbery when an owner left a garage door open, thieves took four trips. Witness saw the activity and didn’t want to disturb the neighbor. Police rep said call 911 instead of alerting your neighbor.
 - CA City Council Quarterly Meeting is Nov. 28th
 - CA Retreat coming up
 - Hearing about Multi-family tax exemption at Council Meeting on Sept. 24th. They have made changes that restrict the tax exemption to downtown and major corridors.
 - Traffic calming projects will be announced Sept. 14th. If your project is not chosen you will get feedback now.
 - COPS Shops will now fall under Office of Neighborhood Services and not the Police.
 - National Trust for Historic Preservation will meet here in Spokane Oct. 31st to Nov. 3rd. Some public events will be held.
www.preservationnation.org/conference for more info.

- Planning Department spoke about changing the parking standards to increase infill development opportunities. Considering on-street parking to count for parking spaces in development. Extend provisions for CC and Downtown Core to take into account access. Pilot no off-street parking zone in Browne's Addition. Public hearing will be September 26th at 4pm in Council Chambers. CA was concerned about this going through without chance for public comment. CA passed resolution to slow down proposal till public has a chance to comment. Paul Kropp added that this is about infill in the city center, not really to be applied out here on the perimeter. Should increase ability to accommodate change of use for buildings in smaller neighborhoods. Logan neighborhood was concerned about burden of added cars for multi-family housing and student rentals. Meant to encourage commercial development, not be a burden in residential areas. City hearing is now October 15th.
- Project Review Type 2/Type 3 Changes are still being discussed. This is the review for different types of projects. Extencicare on Freya at 44th, that was a Type 3 review that went to hearing examiner and allowed for public comment. Type 2 is administrative review handled by planning staff with no public input. Some testimony that came in to Planning Commission related to infill housing said they wanted to see infill as a type 3 for public review. Development planning is a Type 2 review right now.
- Comp Plan Update from Scott Chesney at CA. Changing to form-based code desired. Planning and coding running in parallel. Have more robust neighborhood chapter in the plan. Integrate neighborhood plans more fully into Comp Plan instead of using them as addendums or non-binding guides. We should invite Scott Chesney to present on the Comp Plan changes at our next SNC meeting. Kerry added, under Growth Management Act it is the planning director who runs things. Moving to form based coding will get the Centers and Corridors built more easily. \$500K in the budget to update transportation section of comp plan. Right now it is only staff working on changes. If planning Commission represents pubic process we are in danger of losing that if the changes go through.
 - Meet and Eat Sept 35th at Cassano's. Spokane County Sheriff is speaking
 - Sept 22nd 3-6, Cliff Cannon Block party by Huckleberries
- Pedestrian & Trails (PeTT Committee) – Paul Kropp/Pat Hickey
 - www.developingspokane.org has info for multi-family tax exemption
 - Street trees on 42nd have been planted, though they are not along the street. They will take about 30 years to grow big enough to shade anything or restrict sight.
 - Traffic calming projects are being vetted by city engineers with public comment. There is a pile of projects now existing that cannot be ignored. ONS is going to develop training for putting together project plans for this. Next proposals will be due in early 2013. Pat Hickey has list of all projects submitted.

- Call for Volunteers for Citizen Code Enforcement. Lots of commitment and responsibility. Paul is really encouraging someone to stand up and do this. No mention when applications are due, but probably by the end of the month. Will email info to members.
- County Parks Department is doing an update to their plan. An open house is scheduled at the Moran Prairie Library on September 20th from 4:30-7:00pm. Paul suggests the Stakeholders Committee bring the SNC Parks and Open Space plan to them to present.
- Molly Meyers from Spokane Transit is working on a 5 Mile to Moran Prairie bus route. Designed to hit the Centers at Lincoln Heights and Manito more than before. Looking for a volunteer to attend some on-going, sporadic meetings. Jerry Boyd took the flyer, may represent us.
- Spokane Police Resource Officer
 - Gave update on incident at 34th and Thor from 4:20 this afternoon. Two gang members fought, one was reported armed and fled on a scooter.
 - Graffiti reporting webpage, goes straight to Crime Check. www.stopspokanegraffiti.org is the web address. The email to use is graffiti@spokanesherrif.org. Take a picture and make a report, city will follow up.
 - Usually takes three times of painting over to get the vandals to stop.
 - 35% discount on paint from some area paint suppliers to cover graffiti.
 - Highlighted to Remove It or Lose It Campaign to reduce vehicle prowling. Remove valuables; put shopping items in the trunk. These are crimes of opportunity, remove the temptation. Call 911 instead of confronting vehicle prowlers, call it in as a crime in progress.
 - He reminded attendees that mailboxes are a prime target for identity theft. Purchase a locking mailbox.
- Announcements
 - STA Volunteer position for Corridor Advisory Panel (5-Mile to Moran Prairie)
 - FREE Dump Passes

8:30 Adjourn

2012 Officers:

- Teresa Kafentzis, Chair
- Ted Teske, Vice Chair and Secretary
- Ray Tansy, Treasurer
- Shelley O'Rourke, Community Assembly Representative

Eligible Voters must meet by-law criteria of:

- Residing in, owning property in, or owning a business within the SNC boundaries
- Have attended two consecutive meetings prior to this one
- Voting membership lapses on the sixth successive unexcused absence