



Meeting Minutes

Date: June 10, 2015 Time: 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Location: ESD 101 Meeting Room, 4202 S. Regal

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PRESENTATION

Southside Sports Complex Re-Design – Julia Culp, MT-LA and Carl Strong, Spokane Parks and Recreation Department

Julia, a landscape architect and Karl from the Parks Department presented an update on the South Complex Athletic fields planning. The Parks Department conducted several public planning meetings during the spring

In previous planning meetings, the highest priority expressed by attendees was parking followed by a skate park, Parks Department representatives said.

Comments in workshops were that there is not enough diversity in activities, facility devoted to two sports, soccer and softball. Besides insufficient parking, participants at workshops said playground is too small, restrooms are insufficient and lighting is poor.

Parks department came up with several visions for the park based on workshops. They are:

Vision 1

Formal street parking

Perimeter walking path

Two softball fields

3-4 large soccer fields plus 2-3 small soccer fields in softball outfields

Small skateboard park along Regal

Approx. .75-acre neighborhood park area with upgraded playground

Small public plaza at corner of Regal and 46th

Vision 2

Formal street parking

Perimeter walking path

No softball fields

3-4 large soccer fields 2-3 small soccer fields

Small skate park

Larger neighborhood park 1.5-2 acres with secondary restroom and shelter

Landscape buffer between neighborhood park and soccer area

Vision 3

More street parking and expanded parking lot

Perimeter walking path

No softball fields

3-4 soccer fields and 2-3 small soccer fields

More active street space room for food trucks or farmers market

Landscape buffer between street and soccer

1-2 acre neighborhood park upgrade playground

A workshop is set for June 22, Moran Prairie Library

Attendees can vote on options for park development

Then will refine vision down to one

Pass it on to parks board

Restrooms open around soccer use and have restricted hours because of vandalism

Someone asked about crime and skate parks. Skate area near Regal makes it more public, Parks Department representatives said. For now bulk of park will be soccer fields.

Asked about larger fields and smaller fields, said smaller fields can fit into larger fields

NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESS

Approval of Minutes

- May minutes were approved (<http://southgatespokane.org/meeting-agendas-minutes/neighborhood-council-meeting-minutes/>)

Treasurer's Report – Ray Tansy

- No change from May: \$981.36 in bank account, \$3,000 in escrow account

Spokane Police Resource Officer – Capt. Dave Richards

- Capt. Dave Richards said garage and residential burglaries up, garage door openers in unlocked cars a problem. Close garage doors.
- East Sprague got approval for 130 LED lights over next 3 years. Got funding from city lighting budget lights in railroad overpasses

Community Assembly Report – Shelley O'Rourke, Community Assembly Rep

- Shelly can't attend July, August or September meetings
- Andy Hoyer volunteered to cover one of the meetings
- Teresa Kafentzis will attend July 10 meeting

- Cell tower ordinance to be considered at Planning Commission workshop June 24, Planning Commission hearing and vote set for July 8

- Open house on cell tower rules set for July 15. City Council first reading is Aug. 3. Final vote Aug. 10
- Summer parkways is June 18 from Manito to Comstock Park
- Short term rental city passed resolution and code 17c.316 Rely state and national building codes includes sprinkler system in homes. Could change July 1 of 2016 if revised.
- Enforcement driven by complaints
- Supposed to notify neighbors if making short-term rentals

Red light cam revenue:

Two thirds is reserved for neighborhood allocation for traffic calming. One third unrestricted

Council member Jon Snyder has asked if neighborhoods would support using funds for bigger projects such as pedestrian bridge on Centennial Trail near Avista.

Who can propose projects and how will they be chosen?

Some suggested flexibility with various size projects

501c3 Application Process:

Teresa reported she is working with Gonzaga law student on applying for 501c3 status for neighborhood council. They will meet next week on that issue and employer identification number.

Road and Crosswalk Updates

Palouse crosswalk near Target to be completed this construction season

44th and Freya trail project will start on 6-22-15

Kerry Brooks reported Dan Buller agreed city will help with restoration on trail. Greystone neighborhood has 1,400 feet along trail. Applying for greening grant to do restoration including planting trees. Greystone Neighborhood had to commit to irrigation for three seasons.

Motion to support Greystone Neighborhood greening grant application. Passed by acclamation.

20 neighbors attended meeting.

Minutes submitted by John Kafentzis