



Meeting Minutes

Date: February 7, 2018 Time: 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.
Location: ESD 101 Meeting Room, 4202 S. Regal
www.southgatespokane.org

PRESENTATION

City Council Representative Presentation (10 minutes if needed)

City Council Member Lori Kinnear

- **S.O.A.R.** funding for a position to assist homeless to complete paperwork to achieve housing. \$110,000 budget. Passed on Feb 5.
- **Public Development Authority** transferring surplus property to build and increase the PDA footprint. Passed Feb 5.
- **Historic Preservation Update.** To provide protection to historic properties, held open houses, engaged developers, etc. Vote on Feb 12.
- **Fire Dept Presentation.** 50% of homes in Spokane city are at risk of wild fires. Numbers for medical emergencies are up 30% over last year due to aging population.

New South Hill Library Location - Andrew Chanse, Executive Director, Spokane Public Library

- The Spokane Public Library is looking to add a new branch on the South Hill to replace the location at Perry and 32nd. Currently they are considering putting the new branch on Park Department land near Thornton Murphy Park at 27th and Ray. 30,000 square feet since libraries are offering more services.
- Have heard from people saying, you aren't moving this library.
- Goals: increase size, offering more services, not adding to traffic.
- Consider relocating Eastside branch at East Central Center. Brainstorming looking at East Sprague.
- 2015 futures facilities study completed to develop a plan. 2016 plan was shared with the public.
- Perry branch is very busy facility, land-locked, can't expand on current property, inadequate parking. Multiple floors require more employees. Working with the city (Parks Dept.) to identify city-owned properties could be available. Better transit line than the current location, farther east and north than current location. Shopping nearby attracts more visits without creating more traffic. Looked at the Albertsons at 37th & Grand, current owners will only lease property. Same with the Hastings location on 29th.
- Contacting contractors to develop plans for all facilities, including south hill.
- Would sell the current property, in discussions with the city, that may use it for an operations site.
- How have you looked to the general growth in this area?
- The Park Board adopted a strategic plan, how does this appeal to locate using this park? Andrew: This section of Thornton Murphy is under used.
- How would children on the east side of Ray get across Ray? Would look at traffic calming measures.
- Interested in hearing from citizens with more ideas and suggestions.

- What is the school district's plan for Jefferson Elementary? A: Looking at using it for temporary location for schools being remodeled. It is not useful as a facility for a library.
- With all of the digital access, is the foot traffic decreasing at the libraries? No, people want to experience the physical library.
- Have looked at use data and found that virtually every house in the area accesses the Perry library.
- Time plan is to go out for a vote this year and start building next year. Will be setting up a community advisory committee. Contact Andrew Chanse at achanse@spokanelibrary.org

2018 Traffic Calming Applications

SNC can submit an application for a traffic-calming project for a residential and arterial street. Applications are due March 1st. This month we will discuss possible project ideas and vote in February for which ones to submit.

Find out more about the Traffic Calming Program on the City's website: <https://my.spokanecity.org/neighborhoods/programs/traffic-calming/>

Last month people suggested the following projects for consideration, this month we will vote on one to pursue by the March 1st deadline. Can submit two applications.

- Make the right lane at 44th and Regal heading south-bound right turn only to make the through traffic merge earlier and not back up into the intersection.
Note: City is proposing a change northbound at 44th & Regal to two lanes to prevent traffic from stacking up.
- **Motion made to move application forward. 10-0.**

School photo-red monies:

- SNC would have to make a separate application. NOTE: *These applications can be submitted throughout the year.* Looking for school routes and partnerships.)
- Infill sidewalks on Thurston Street between Cook and Regal (or further if we can) toward Hamblen School.
- Clearly marking the pedestrian crossing at 39th & Regal to improve visibility
- City-requested flashing lights at schools zones near Ferris HS on 37th members suggested that the city use their funds from red lights at schools –

NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESS

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes -- approved for November 2017 and January 2018.

Treasurer's Report - Andy Hoye, absent

D&O Insurance Update - Ted Teske

- \$860 paid through February 2019
- Council person Breann Beggs is working with city legal department to determine if community engagement grant funds use is feasible.

Spokane Police Department Report - Officer Mason

- Crime Stats for January 2018 – no commercial burglaries, 2 residential burglaries, no garage burglaries, vehicle thefts up to 6, vehicle prowlings to 10.
- Remind, keep exteriors well-lighted. Lock your vehicle, in the street or your

garage. Keep your garage doors closed. Don't leave valuables in sight in vehicles. Don't keep a garage door opener in a car parked outside the garage. Lock door between garage and house.

- Coffee with a Cop. February 21 between 1—3 at 27th Heaven Bake Shop on Grand Avenue.
- Gang Task Force will present at SHC meeting on March 7, 2018.

Community Assembly Report - Andy Hoye

- See notes at the end of minutes.

Waste Management Report – Andy Hoye

No report

Neighborhood Cleanup Orientation – Teresa Kafentzis

- 5:30 to 7pm on Monday, February 19th. The meeting is in the City Council Briefing Center, City Hall. Rod Minarik is in the process of updating the Cleanup Application and Guidelines and they should soon be uploaded to the website. Hard copies will be available at the orientation. Good news, the annual neighborhood allocation has been increased to \$7,500 for 2018.
- Need coordinator to attend training.

CA Land Use Committee

- New height limits in city core. Check out website to look at visualization. Intent is to get to Plan Commission by March and then on to City Council. Big change in public policy since 2009. Can send in written comments.
- Lisa Key will be talking about infill housing at February 19 meeting, 5:30—7pm at West Central Community Center. Public is welcome

CA -- Community Development Committee

- Andy voted for distributing monies in a new system based on district-wide decision based on percentage of low to moderate-income population. Most votes at CA and will be explored for use in 2019.
- Next meeting is March 6 at West Central Community Center
- Teresa Kafentzis has been attending meetings but doesn't have enough time, needs someone to take over.
- SpokaneNeighborhoods.org
 - Community Assembly part of website and look for CA-CD committee for more information

Pedestrian, Transportation, and Traffic Committee – Paul Kropp

- Traffic calming policy produced by this group and adopted into city code and has never been followed. The point system has never been used. Committee is updating.
- 20 MPH speed limits in residential areas particularly around parks. Hosting a forum on March 27 PeTT regular meeting at West Central Community Center at 6 to 7:30 pm with city departments and health department.
- Requesting a second representative from SNC to PeTT

CA-Liasion Representative Openings – Paul Kropp

- Plan Commission in connection between community assembly and plan commission. Attends all plan commission meetings and has a full voice to ask questions. Non-voting member of PC. Report back to CA.
- Community Housing and Human Services in October. Involves board meetings

every other month and a seat on two committees, Community Vitality. Participate in conversation about how funds from HUD are used in Spokane.

Land Use Committee Update – Ted Teske

- Southgate/Moran Prairie Traffic Management Study
 - Intersections covered wasn't as comprehensive as SNC requested
 - Traffic counts are done, analysis is on going. Project page is on city website with raw data. Myspokane.org/projects (Ray-Freya Alternative Traffic Analysis)
 - Initial meeting in March to gather community input
 - Second meeting in summer
 - Third meeting to discuss final plans
- Regal Commons at 53rd and Regal (Vaughn project)
 - No action since August
 - City notice says now considering more apartments or a mini storage.
 - Road mitigation in county proposed has stalled
 - Can't build the stoplight until the entire development is done, traffic from fast food restaurants not enough to trigger need for stop light.
- KXLY Project Update
 - Grading has started
 - Passed budget at state and part for funding for improvements at southside soccer park.
- Southside Service Area Projects for Transportation Impact Fees (not final designs). Monies collected for traffic impacts in the south part of Spokane.
 - Projects that are funded by developers impact mitigation funds
 - Turn lane adjustments by GrapeTree
 - SE Blvd and 29th – connector to Crestline
 - 44th Avenue connection paved to Crestline
 - Round about at Palouse/Freya (doesn't include 51st Avenue on Freya).
- Forest Management/Fuel Reduction at Hamblen Park
 - Trees were thinned by Department of Ecology

Next meeting on March 7, 2018

Community Assembly Meeting Summary – February 1, 2018

West Central Community Center

Submitted by Andy Hoye

23 Neighborhoods Present – some new neighborhoods!!

Lori Kinnear said the Infill Ordinance passed and the Historic Preservation Ordinance will be discussed on February 12. CA/CC meetings are to be the fifth Thursdays, rotating venues – next is March 29.

United Way has some mini-grants for non-profits available – in the range of \$500 – check out volunteerspokane.org

Doug Prendergast mentioned that Neighborhoods could have a volunteer clean-up program to relieve Parks of some of that job. Paul Kropp spoke about the Liaison to

the CHHS Board and we voted to ask the City Council and Board to appoint a permanent CA representative with full voting powers. He also mentioned that PeTT is working on establishing more 20MPH speed limits.

There will be Facebook Advertising training on Monday 3/26 at 5:30PM at the Shadle Library.

CA representatives will meet with Parks to attempt to expand the fee waivers, insurance waivers and vendor fee waivers for Neighborhood Council events.

There is only one application to attend the fully funded NUSA conference in May. Deadline is February 23. Two delegates are funded – they will have to lead the retreat in the Fall.

ONS – Cleaning from the Corridor is a success, they are planning new selection criteria for the next location – Logan Neighborhood had more than 1,000 volunteers. Peaceful Valley and West Hills are next likely locations.

The Housing Standards Quality Initiative is moving forward with a one-year time frame. This is directed towards all single-family residences, not just rentals and mainly looks at safety, habitability, but also energy efficiency. Warnings about “the government invading my home” were expressed.

Model #2 prevailed in the CA/CD proposal which is distribution based on Districts.

Goals for five CA Committees were reviewed and approved with some minor changes.

Meeting adjourned at 7:20PM