



Meeting Minutes

Date: November 7, 2018 Time: 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Location: ESD 101 Meeting Room, 4202 S. Regal

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PRESENTATION

City Council Representative Presentation - none

Office of Neighborhood Services Update - Melissa Owens

2018 Snow Removal

- Snow season starts on November 15
- SNC will send out the electronic presentation
- Received 1600 responses to survey in April 2017. Made improvements based on input. Plows will be more available when snow is expected instead of waiting until inches of snow are on the ground, new equipment, city will watch the weather reports more closely, plan to reduce full-city plow to 3 days from 6 days, 16 snow gates to keep driveways open, snow on some arterials will be plowed to the middle,
- Call 311 for snow questions, info or questions (no snow hot line this year)
- Need everyone to participate and do their part
 - Property owners must clear their sidewalks (36-inch wide path)
 - Residents must park on odd side of the street for faster plowing and berm only on one side of the street
 - RVs, boats, campers must be off the street by November 14. They will be towed starting November 15
 - City will maintain their own sidewalks, call if find that they are not taken care of

City Projects

- Notice of application for the Garden District; public comment ends on November 16.
- 29th Avenue safety and access project from Grand to Ray
 - can respond electronically
- Infill housing comprehensive plan commission hearing on November 14

Nomination of Neighborhood Council Officers

It's that time of year! Time to nominate next year's officers. We will take nominations of qualified members this month and vote at our December meeting. I've included some links and relevant topics to consider below:

Southgate Neighborhood Council Bylaws: <https://static.spokanecity.org/documents/neighborhoods/councils/bylaws/bylaws-southgate-12-11-2014.pdf>

Overview of Positions, current officers

- Co-chair – Rita Conner; Ted Teske
- Vice chair – Summer Beers
- Secretary – Teresa Kafentzis
- Treasurer – Andy Hoye
- Community Assembly Representative – Andy Hoye

Nominations – additional nominations can be added in December

- Chair – Rita Conner (would like
- Vice chair – Summer Beers
- Secretary – Teresa Kafentzis
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Voting at December Meeting

Voting Qualifications

- Attendance at three consecutive meetings

NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESS

- Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes – approved as submitted
- Treasurer's Report - Andy Hoye
 - \$224.36 in checking
 - \$3,000 in escrow account
 - Premium insurance due in February 2019 (\$900 annually)
 - Councilperson Breann Beggs is moving an ordinance forward that neighborhood outreach funds to pay for insurance
 - Our bank was sold to First Interstate bank; account has been rolled over. Effective November 13.
- Spokane Police Department Report - Officer Mason

- Crime stats – little change over October 2017, except an slight increase in vehicle prowling from 6 to 9.
- Community Assembly Report - Andy Hoye
 - See attached notes at the end of these minutes
- Waste Management Report – Andy Hoye
 - October 7 Spokesman-Review stories regarding recycling charges since recyclables market has dropped off significantly. Paper is no longer profitable and in Spokane paper can be burned at the waste to energy plant.
 - Andy has requested contract with SMART Center for \$60,000 to Waste Manage company.
- Pedestrian, Transportation, and Traffic Committee – Paul Kropp
 - SRTC funding approvals:
 - Ben Burr Trail – SRTC funding of \$750,000 to improve trail crossing at 2nd & 3rd Avenue. Crossing enhancements, hawk beacon at 2nd Avenue, flashing pedestrian sign at 3rd Avenue
 - County roundabout at 57th and Freya, \$250,000
 - Workshop on Traffic Calming Program on Tuesday, November 27 at West Central Community Center from 6 to 7:30 pm. Presented by Breann Beggs.
- Other Committee Updates as Needed (CDBG, CA Grant, By-laws, etc.)
- Additional comments:
 - Traffic revision at Thurston and Crestline with addition of a new 4-way stop. The corner is very dark because trees block the streetlight. Concern that an accident may happen.

We have yard signs! Talk to Andy Hoye to pick one up to put in your yard the week before each meeting!

Land Use Committee Update

Southeast Sports Complex

- Extension of trail around corner of Altamont and 46th per Southgate Neighborhood Connectivity Plan
- SE Sports Complex going in front of Design Review Board for final time later this month. They will be presenting the changes shared with SNC at last meeting. Send comments to Dean Gunderson (dgunderson@spokanecity.org).

Garden District (Sonneland)

- Comment period open until 5:00pm Friday, November 16th. Send comments to Tami Palmquist (tpalmquist@spokanecity.org). This is the only time that comments can be made on the environmental impact statement.
- The County Hearing Examiner hearing scheduled for Wednesday, December 12th at 1:30pm at the County Public Works Building (the County HE is hearing this issue since the City HE has a conflict of interest).
- A new trip generation letter has been posted to the City website to compare the site plan with the Connection vs. Without the Connection. You can find all those documents here:
<https://my.spokanecity.org/projects/garden-district-pud/>
- SNC will be submitting comments based on the proposal, you must submit comments (written ahead of time or verbal at the hearing) in order to have standing to appeal the Hearing Examiner's decision.

Next Southgate Neighborhood Council meeting on December 5, 2018

Minutes submitted by Teresa Kafentzis, Secretary

Notes on the Community Assembly Meeting of November 2, 2018

Submitted by Andy Hoye

- 26 neighborhoods were present!
- We approved \$300 for awards. Long discussion of changing the CA/CD Committee to “ad-Hoc” – no decision. I will join that Committee. We will ask George Dahl to give a report to the CA on current and historical status. Need to consider how CDBG funds will be distributed in the new district model, so far District 2 hasn't convened a group for fund distribution.
- There was a long discussion of the infill changes – generally more density in older neighborhoods with multi-family housing zones.
- There was a retreat on October 8 that highlighted community resources and potential partnerships – well-attended and well-received.
- The Building Stronger Neighborhoods “Toolkit” is coming soon.
- No decision yet on spending of neighborhood “traffic calming dollars”, but many neighborhood proposals have been submitted. (SNC submitted an application for intersection at 44th and Freya for improved visibility.)
- Neighborhoods had 26 park events last year, and all fees were waived.
- New members were elected to the Administrative committee.
- The PeTT committee is having a Traffic Calming Policy Workshop on Tuesday, November 27 from 6:00 – 7:30PM at the West Central Community Center.

Meeting Notes – Community Assembly Meeting on October 4, 2018

Submitted by Andy Hoye

- Candace Mumm said 94% of the citizenry is concerned about Property crimes. There is funding for ten new police officers who will assist with property crimes. Budget is close but the Retired Firefighters fund will defer paybacks. 94 police cars are needed. The city is working on challenging intersections, including those on 29th Avenue.
- Facebook ads are possible for next year from Budget Committee.
- The excess Cleanup Program costs \$217,500 or \$7,500 per neighborhood. Dump passes are still popular.
- 55,000 pounds were collected at the latest Cleaning from the Corridor – Audubon-Downriver
- The Building Stronger Neighborhoods Facebook page is now live.
- There is still a struggle with City Parks regarding “Basic” vs. “Special” events.

- We need a liaison person to represent the CA on the CHHS committee – it is a voting position. Application/Nominations are still open.