Notice of Plan Commission Public Hearing and SEPA Determination

Amending the City of Spokane SMC Title 17E, Chapter 17E.070 Wetlands Protection

Notice is hereby given that there will be a public hearing before the City of Spokane Plan Commission at their regularly scheduled meeting on March 8, 2017, beginning at 4:00 PM in the City Council Chambers, Lower Level of City Hall at 808 West Spokane Falls Boulevard, Spokane, Washington. The specific action proposed is a recommendation to City Council to amend SMC Title 17E, Chapter 17E.070 Wetlands Protection. This hearing or portions thereof may be continued at the discretion of the Plan Commission. Public testimony for the Wetlands Ordinance Update will be taken at the hearing.

Any person may submit written comments on the proposed action or call for additional information at:

City of Spokane Planning & Development, Attn: Jo Anne Wright, 808 West Spokane Falls Blvd, Spokane, WA 99201 509-625-6017 jwright@spokanecity.org.

Documents relating to the Wetlands Update and SEPA DNS are available for viewing at: https://my.spokanecity.org/shapingspokane/wetlandsprotection

<u>Location</u>: The City of Spokane is located in Spokane County, Washington State. The Wetlands Update applies to all wetlands within the City's corporate boundary.

<u>Description of Proposal</u>: The proposal is to update the Critical Areas regulations for Wetland Protection Areas and associated buffers within the City of Spokane. Revisions were made to ensure consistency with State Department of Ecology regulations and standards, per WAC 173-22-035.

<u>SEPA</u>: This proposal has been reviewed under the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) under Spokane Municipal Code Chapter 17E.050. A Determination of Non-Significance (DNS) was issued on February 21, 2017. The DNS is issued under 197-11-340(2). The SEPA checklist and DNS are available for review at the website listed above. The lead agency will not act on this proposal for at least 14 days from the date of issuance. Comments regarding this DNS must be submitted no later than 5:00 p.m., March 7, 2017.

Only the applicant, persons submitting written comments, and persons testifying at a hearing may appeal the decision of the Plan Commission and City Council.

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA) INFORMATION: The City of Spokane is committed to providing equal access to its facilities, programs and services for persons with disabilities. Individuals requesting reasonable accommodations or further information may contact Gita George-Hatcher 48 hours before the meeting date at (509) 625-7083, 808 W. Spokane Falls Blvd., Spokane WA, 99201, or sgeorge-hatcher@spokanecity.org. Persons who are deaf or hard of hearing may contact Ms. George-Hatcher at (509) 625-7083 through the Washington Relay Service at 7-1-1.