



**East Sprague Parking and Business Improvement Area (PBIA)  
Ratepayer Advisory Board Meeting**

**Date: February 19, 2025, Time: 12:00 to 1:30 PM**

**Ratepayer Annual Meeting Minutes**

**Quorum met**

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Officers: Chris Venne - President (Chair), Amy Vega (Vice Chair), Dana Reinke – (Secretary), Broad Member: Darryl Reber, Jim Hanley, Ratepayers; Shayla Scott, Bob Mauk, Sherri Britton, Amanda Beck – City of Spokane Representative, Executive Director - LaVerne Biel

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- President Chris Venne opened the meeting at 12:04p
- January 15, 2025, minutes (Jim/Darryl) were approved as written.
- Financial Reports – LaVerne Biel
  - 2025 – Positive financial position for January.
    - 67% of Ratepayer invoices were paid in January.
    - No snow events for January.
    - LaVerne will invoice the City the first part of March.
- Administrative – LaVerne
  - Avista Foundation has been contacted about:
    - Kristine was returning from sick leave, and LV will reconnect with her. Avista cannot fund itself and is looking for additional solutions.
- City of Spokane – Amanda
  - Update Board information on the City's website
  - Working with Dana and Mark Pond on Ai information and cell phone tracking
  - CSO Project – Funding for construction projects draft will be coming from the Parks Department.
- **BID Programs:**
- Clean and Green –
  - The Garbage Can order has been processed.
    - New square liners – 16
    - Locks repaired
    - Door mechanism
  - Add the garbage cans to the East and West sides of the district
  - Delivery to Doug's warehouse
- Beautification –
  - Tree Program – is up in the air right now due to funding constraints.
- Safety and Security –
  - Snow removal program
    - Tom has done a very good job plowing the sidewalks. We still have a lot of ice melt. The plowing was done early in the morning.
  - Campers remain behind the Flame Restaurant.

- Camper and Erie viaduct – 1 camper under Madella. Altamont and Perry have some activities. New funding will be provided.
- New neighborhood resource officer.
- District Branding & Marketing
  - Dana gave a website update per tab (emailed and printed report)
    - April 26<sup>th</sup> – is Spring on the Ave
    - Recommended consolidating events (turning on and off inactive events)
    - Formerly called Parking and Business Improvement Area (PBIA) vs Business Improvement District – simplify to one
    - 3-layer leadership map
    - Great progress
- Flag Design – revise colors to green and lilac – Dana will email out the design.

The meeting adjourned at 1:33p