



JOINT PLAN COMMISSION CITY COUNCIL MEETING

City of Spokane | 808 W. Spokane Falls Blvd. | Spokane, WA 99201

Special Meeting Notice

Thursday, October 21, 2021, 11:00 am – 12:30pm
Streamed Online

The Plan Commission will be holding a special joint meeting with City Council Thursday, October 21, 2021 from 11:00 am to 12:30 pm. The meeting will be streamed live at www.facebook.com/spokanecitycouncil and my.spokanecity.org/citycable5/live. The public can also tune in by calling 408-418-9388 and using access code 146 949 7507.

The next regular Plan Commission meeting will be at 2:00 pm on Wednesday, October 27, 2021 and will be held online via Webex.

October 21, 2021 Meeting Agenda:

A regular meeting of the Spokane City Council will be held at 11:00 A.M. on Thursday, October 21, 2021. Council Members will be attending virtually.

Plan Commission Resolution on 2022 Comprehensive Plan Amendments - Todd Beyreuther (1 hour)
ARP/Budget Updates (30 min)

Executive Session

At any time during or after the regular Study Session Agenda, the City Council may choose to adjourn into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing privileged legal matters. This portion of the meeting would be closed to the public pursuant to RCW 42.30.110.

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA) INFORMATION:

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DECLARING THE INTENT OF THE SPOKANE PLAN COMMISSION TO PROPOSE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENTS TO LU 1.3 AND LU 1.4 TO INCREASE HOUSING OPTIONS THAT ACCOMMODATE ALL LEVELS OF AFFORDABILITY, IDENTIFY HISTORICAL ZONING PRACTICES THAT MAY HAVE HAD A DISCRIMINATORY EFFECT AND IMPLEMENT POLICIES TO UNDO THE EFFECTS OF SUCH POLICIES, AND ESTABLISH ANTI-DISPLACEMENT STRATEGIES THROUGHOUT THE CITY OF SPOKANE

WHEREAS, the City's land use and zoning codes impact the range of new housing options available in the City;

WHEREAS, under the Growth Management Act, Chapter 36.70A RCW ("GMA"), the City's land use and zoning codes must be consistent with the Spokane Comprehensive Plan;

WHEREAS, in the Spokane Comprehensive Plan, the land use element (Chapter 3) and the housing element (Chapter 6) are closely linked and offer the greatest relevance to housing options;

WHEREAS, in 2021 the Washington State Legislature passed E2SHB 1220 (Codified in RCW 36.70a.070 (2)) requiring counties and cities planning counties under GMA to update the housing element of the comprehensive plan to increase housing options that accommodate all levels of affordability, identify local zoning policies that may have had an exclusionary and/or discriminatory effect and identify and implement policies that will undo the effects of such policies, and establish anti-displacement strategies;

WHEREAS, LU 1.3 'Single-family Zones' and LU 1.4 'Centers and Corridors' of the land use element define the organizing land use and zoning principles adopted in initial comprehensive plan process in 2001, and should be considered before or in concert with consideration of the housing element;

WHEREAS, pursuant to RCW 36.70A.600, the City created a Housing Action Plan (HAP) with input from a broad range of stakeholders;

WHEREAS, on July 26, 2021, the Spokane City Council adopted Resolution 2021-0062 by unanimous vote, thereby adopting the HAP;

WHEREAS, contained within Council Resolution 2021-0062 is an implementation plan, heretofore known as "Appendix A;"

WHEREAS, Strategy III of Appendix A outlines steps the City should undertake using the Plan Commission process required in Title 17 SMC in an effort to encourage the production of additional dwelling units within the City of Spokane;

WHEREAS, Strategy III.11 calls for the review of Comprehensive Plan policies LU 1.3 and LU 1.4 for consistency with E2SHB 1220;

WHEREAS, pursuant to RCW 36.70A.130(5)(c), the deadline for the City of Spokane "shall take action to review and, if needed, revise their comprehensive plans and development regulations...on or before June 30, 2026";

WHEREAS, pursuant to RCW 36.70A.130(6)(a), "nothing in this section [Comprehensive plans—Review procedures and schedules—Amendments] precludes a county or city from conducting the review and

evaluation required by this section before the deadlines established in subsections (4) and (5) of this section. Counties and cities may begin this process early and may be eligible for grants from the department, subject to available funding, if they elect to do so.”;

WHEREAS, the Annual Comprehensive Plan Amendment process defined by RCW and codified by SMC Title 17 requires Comprehensive Plan amendment proposals to undergo an extensive public notice and participation process and examination by the Plan Commission;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ESTABLISHED that the City of Spokane Plan Commission registers its intent to **propose amendments** in the 2022 annual comprehensive plan amendment period regarding the consistency of policies LU 1.3 and LU 1.4 with E2SHB 1220 and to increase housing options that accommodate all levels of affordability, identify local zoning policies that may have had an exclusionary and/or discriminatory effect and to identify and implement policies that will undo the effects of such policies, and to establish anti-displacement strategies throughout the City of Spokane.