



# Spokane Plan Commission Agenda

Wednesday, May 25, 2022

2:00 PM

Hybrid

**Council Briefing Center**

808 W Spokane Falls Blvd, Spokane, WA 99201

**Virtual Meeting Link - See Below For Information**

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## Public Comment Period:

3 minutes each

Citizens are invited to address the Plan Commission on any topic not on the agenda.

## Commission Briefing Session:

2:00 – 2:30

1. Approve [5/11/2022](#) meeting minutes
2. City Council Report
3. Community Assembly Liaison Report
4. President Report
5. Transportation Sub-Committee Report
6. Secretary Report
7. Approval of current agenda
8. Tentative upcoming agenda items

All  
 CM Lori Kinnear  
 Mary Winkes  
 Todd Beyreuther  
 Clifford Winger  
 Spencer Gardner

## Workshops:

2:30 – 3:00

1. [Bike Map Amendments – File Z22-097COMP](#)

Colin Quinn-Hurst

3:00 – 3:30

2. [Arterial Street Map Amendments – File Z21-098COMP](#)

Inga Note

3:30 – 3:40

3. [Resolution to create Housing Work Group Subcommittee](#)

Plan Commission

3:40 – 3:50

4. Joint Special Meeting of Plan Commission – Design Review Board discussion

Spencer Gardner

**Adjournment: The next PC meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 08, 2022**

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# Plan Commission Meeting Information

Wednesday, May 25, 2022

Plan Commission will be held in a hybrid in-person / virtual format. Members of the public are welcome to attend in person at City Hall or online using the following information.

<b>Meeting Password:</b> PlanCommission	<b>Join Webex Meeting Online:</b> <a href="#">JOIN MEETING</a>
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Please note that public comments will be taken during the meeting, but the public is encouraged to continue to submit their comments or questions in writing to:

[plancommission@spokanecity.org](mailto:plancommission@spokanecity.org)

The audio proceedings of the Plan Commission meetings will be recorded, with digital copies made available upon request.

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# Spokane Plan Commission - Draft Minutes

May 11, 2022

Webex Teleconference

Meeting Minutes: Meeting called to order at 2:00 PM by Todd Beyreuther

## Attendance:

- Board Members Present: Todd Beyreuther (President), Greg Francis (Vice President), Jesse Bank, Kris Neely, Ryan Patterson, Tim Williams, Clifford Winger
- Board Members Not Present: Carole Shook, Michael Baker
- Non-Voting Members Present/Not Present: Mary Winkes (Community Assembly Liaison), Council Member, Zack Zappone
- *Quorum Present: yes*
- Staff Members Present: Spencer Gardner, Tirrell Black, Jackie Churchill, Kevin Picanco, Maren Murphy, Kevin Freibott, Tyler Kimbrell, Nate Gwinn, Amanda Beck, James Richman, Kirstin Davis

**Public Comment:** Citizens are invited to address the Plan Commission on any topic not on the agenda. 3 Minutes each. NONE

## Minutes:

### Briefing Session:

#### 1. City Council Liaison Report -Zack Zappone

- Council Member Zappone reported that the proposed shelter is an ongoing discussion. Community Crosswalks is putting together a resolution to allow the creation of unique crosswalks outside of schools.

#### 2. Community Assembly Liaison Report - Mary Winkes

- Ms. Winkes reported that the Community Assembly supports the proposed Plan Commission Housing Subcommittee.
- The Neighborhood Councils are concerned that proposed changes to the notification rules for short plats will cause increased burdens on the neighborhood councils.

#### 3. Commission President Report - Todd Beyreuther

- Mr. Beyreuther mentioned that due to the complexity of the hearing items in scheduled Plan Commission hearing, Plan Commissioners are encouraged to make motions that amend the main motion and to also make specific recommendations to be included in the findings and conclusions.

#### 4. Transportation Subcommittee Report - Clifford Winger

- Mr. Winger reported that the Plan Commission Transportation Subcommittee (PCTS) met last Tuesday.
- The City has received a grant for \$300,000 to put in beacon crosswalks. The grant amount will cover the cost of 2 or 3 beacons and the Integrated Capital Management created a matrix to determine where to install them.
- Planner Colin Quinn-Hurst presented on shared pathways and discussed high traffic areas on Centennial Trail.
- Mr. Winger would like to propose allowing PCTS members to join as subject matter experts rather than just organization representatives.
- Shauna Harshman, City Council Manager of Neighborhood Connectivity, joined the PCTS as a non-voting member to give reports on connectivity and traffic.
- Todd Beyreuther would like to be removed from PCTS membership. This will allow another Plan Commission (PC) member to join the PCTS as a PC representative.

## 5. Secretary Report - Spencer Gardner

- Mr. Gardner mentioned that a cheat sheet for Robert's Rules of Order was sent to PC members to help facilitate the upcoming hearings and workshops.
- There is new guidance from the State on the Open Public Meetings Act (OPMA) meetings.
- The Cityline Transit Oriented Development (TOD) Study Resolution and the Design Review Amendments were adopted by City Council.
- The Comprehensive Plan Amendment process is beginning, and the Planning Department is looking at opportunities to streamline the process. Plan Commissioners are encouraged to give input about the process.

Plan Commissioner Tim Williams gave a report about the Homelessness Conference that recently took place. About 250 people, including elected officials and nonprofit organizations, attended the conference. Speakers included the former Mayor of San Diego and the former housing commissioner from San Diego, and they discussed ways in which San Diego combated homelessness including tent shelters, designated parking lots for camping with police patrols, facilities, and wrap around services, and storage lockers.

### Workshop(s):

#### 1. 2021/2022 Comprehensive Plan Amendment

- Presentation provided by Kevin Freibott
- Questions asked and answered
- Discussion ensued

#### 2. South Logan Transit Oriented Development

- Presentation provided by Maren Murphy
- Questions asked and answered
- Discussion ensued

#### 3. Housing Subcommittee Draft Resolution

- Presentation provided by Spencer Gardner
- Questions asked and answered
- Discussion ensued

### Hearings:

#### 1. Six-Year Comprehensive Street Program

- Presentation provided by Kevin Picanco
- Questions asked and answered
- Discussion ensued
- Public Testimony: none

**Greg Francis motioned to recommend to City Council to adopt the 2023-2028 Six-Year Comprehensive Street Program as written and presented. Motion seconded by Clifford Winger. Motion Carries Unanimously (6,0)**

#### 2. Phase I - Residential Development Code

- Presentation provided by Nate Gwinn & Amanda Beck

- Questions asked and answered
- Discussion ensued
- Public Testimony
  - Gene Brake, Emerson Garfield Neighborhood Council, he also previously served on Lands Use Council and served on the Housing Action Subcommittee and is a realtor, spoke in opposition to some of the proposed Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) code amendments, he is specifically concerned about removing owner occupancy and allowing ADUs to be up to 75% of the primary residence.
  - Darin Watkins, Spokane Realtors, spoke in favor of the proposed Phase I - Development Code Changes and commented that Spokane is underbuilt, and this has led to a shortage of houses
  - Michelle Pappas, Futurewise, spoke in favor of the proposed Phase I - Development Code Changes, but commented that there was a lack of a clear timeline that made it difficult for the public to participate.
  - Laura Dierks wants to build detached ADU and spoke in favor of the proposed ADU code changes.

**Greg Francis motioned to recommend that City Council to adopt the amended Accessory Dwelling Unit code in SMC chapters 17C.110 and 17C.300 and associated tables as written and presented. Motion seconded by Clifford Winger. Motion Carries Unanimously. (7,0)**

**Kris Neely motioned to amend the text of ADU-1 to remove the 864 square feet and replace it with 1,200 square feet. Seconded by Jesse Bank. Motion fails (3,3,1)**

**Greg Francis motioned to amend the original motion to strike Section 17C.300.120 section B to remove the language about covenants. Amendment to the motion carries (6, 0, 1)**

**Greg Francis motioned to recommend that City Council adopt the changes to the Lot Size Transitions code in SMC section 17C.110.200 as written and presented. Motion seconded by Jesse Bank. Motion Carries Unanimously. (6,0)**

**Greg Francis motioned to recommend that City Council adopt the changes to the Short Plat Notification process in SMC chapters 17G.060 and 17G.080 as written and presented. Motion seconded by Jesse Banks. Motion Carries (6,1)**

**Greg Francis motioned to recommend that Plan Commission incorporate the May 4<sup>th</sup> staff report regarding ADUs, lot size transitions, and short plats into its facts and findings in recognition of the staff report's role in the Plan Commission's recommendation. Kris Neely Seconded. Motion Carries Unanimously. (7,0)**

**Meeting Adjourned at 6:50 PM**

Next Plan Commission Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, May 25, 2022

May 18, 2022

President Beyreuther and Plan Commissioners  
City of Spokane

**Re: May 25, 2022 Comprehensive Plan Amendments Workshops**

Dear President Beyreuther and Plan Commissioners,

At the May 25<sup>th</sup> Plan Commission workshop, we will be presenting two of the seven Comprehensive Plan Amendments proposed for consideration this year. The 60-day public comment period for these applications begins on **May 25<sup>th</sup>** and runs through **July 25<sup>th</sup>**, during which time we will be presenting each of the proposals to you for your consideration and to answer any questions you may have. For detailed information on the Comprehensive Plan Amendment procedures, please see [Spokane Municipal Code \(SMC\) 17G.020](#).

Prior to the workshop I recommend you visit the project website at the following web address:

<https://my.spokanecity.org/projects/2021-2022-proposed-comprehensive-plan-amendments/>

On that site you will find details on all of the proposals, including maps and aerial photographs that will help familiarize you with the materials we will be covering at the workshops. The two applications we will be presenting to you on May 25<sup>th</sup> are as follows:

**222-097COMP** – Amendments to Map TR-5, Proposed Bike Network Map ([Click Here for Project Website](#))

**222-098COMP** – Amendments to Map TR-12, Arterial Network Map ([Click Here for Project Website](#))

Please review the project websites linked above for all the currently available information about these two city-sponsored proposals. During the workshop, staff will present the particulars of the proposals and give you some background information on the various proposed changes. Before the workshop, you also might like to review [Chapter 4, Transportation, of the Comprehensive Plan](#).

Thanks for all your hard work on behalf of the City of Spokane. We look forward to seeing you all during the meeting.

Sincerely,

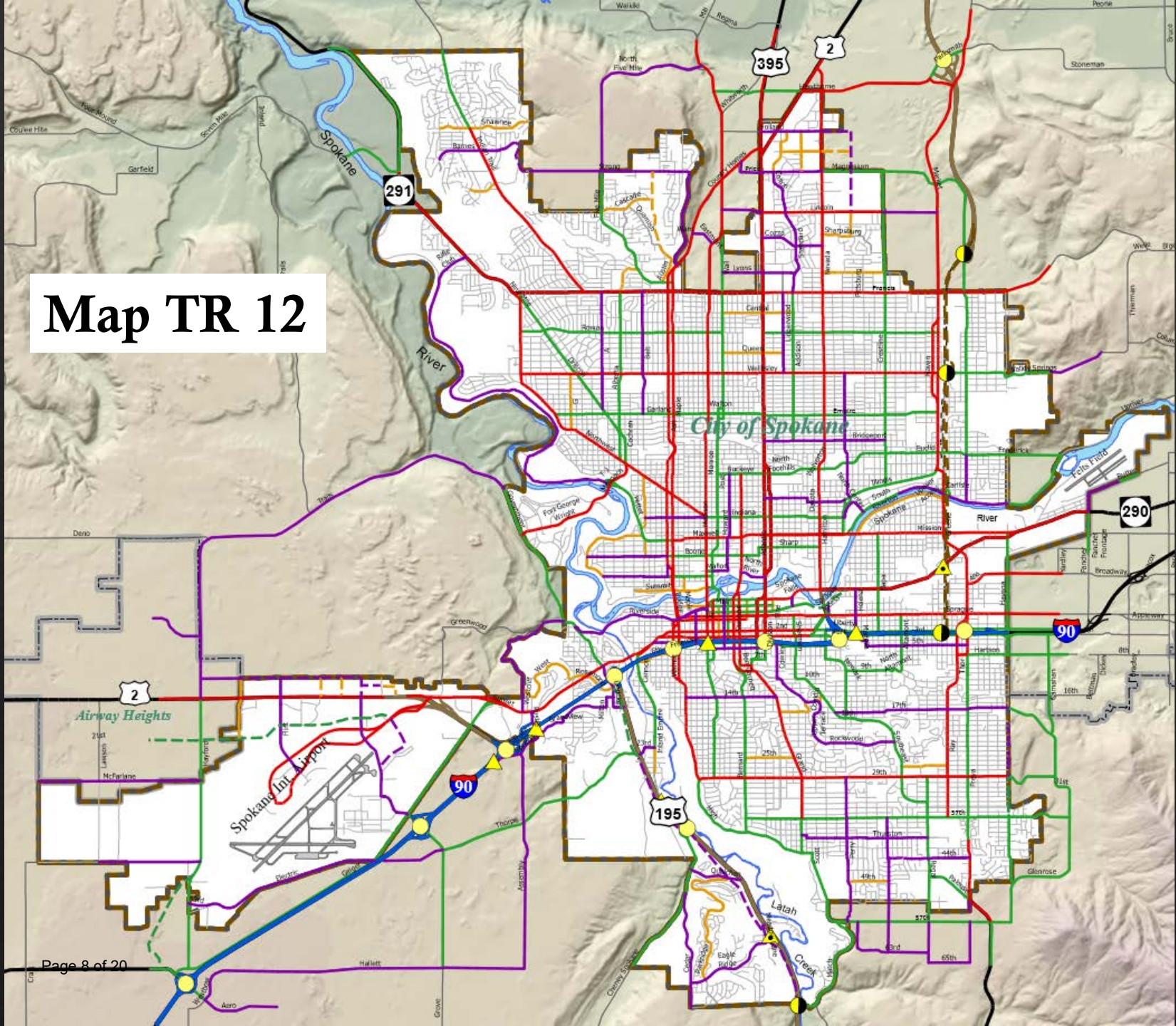


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# Arterial Street Map Amendments

Plan Commission  
May 25th, 2022

# Map TR 12





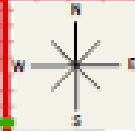
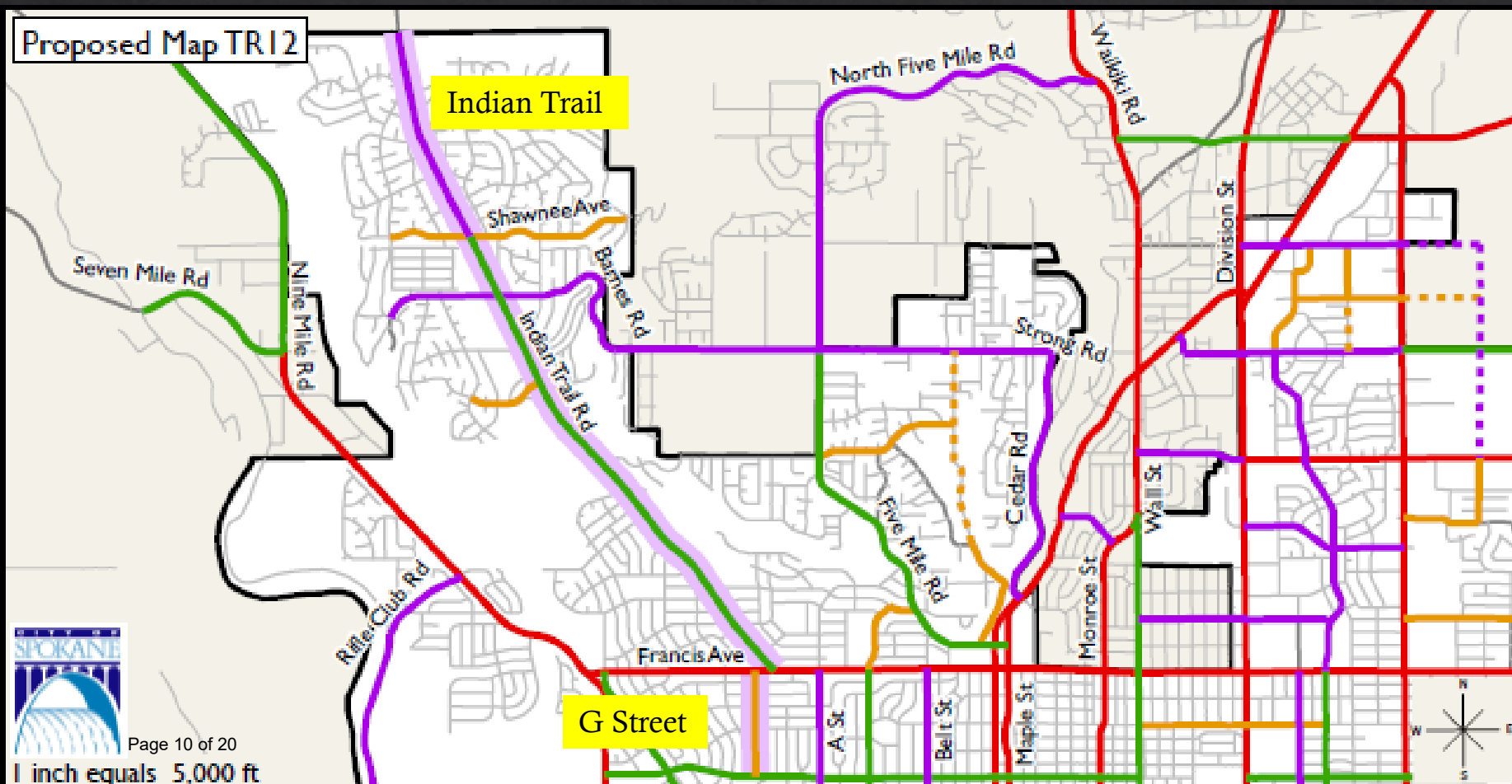
# Reasons for TR 12 update

- Error correction
- Consistency with SMC Arterial map
- Constructed streets  
(44<sup>th</sup> Ave, 18<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> Ave)
- Requested changes from STA  
(G Street, Pacific and Cincinnati)

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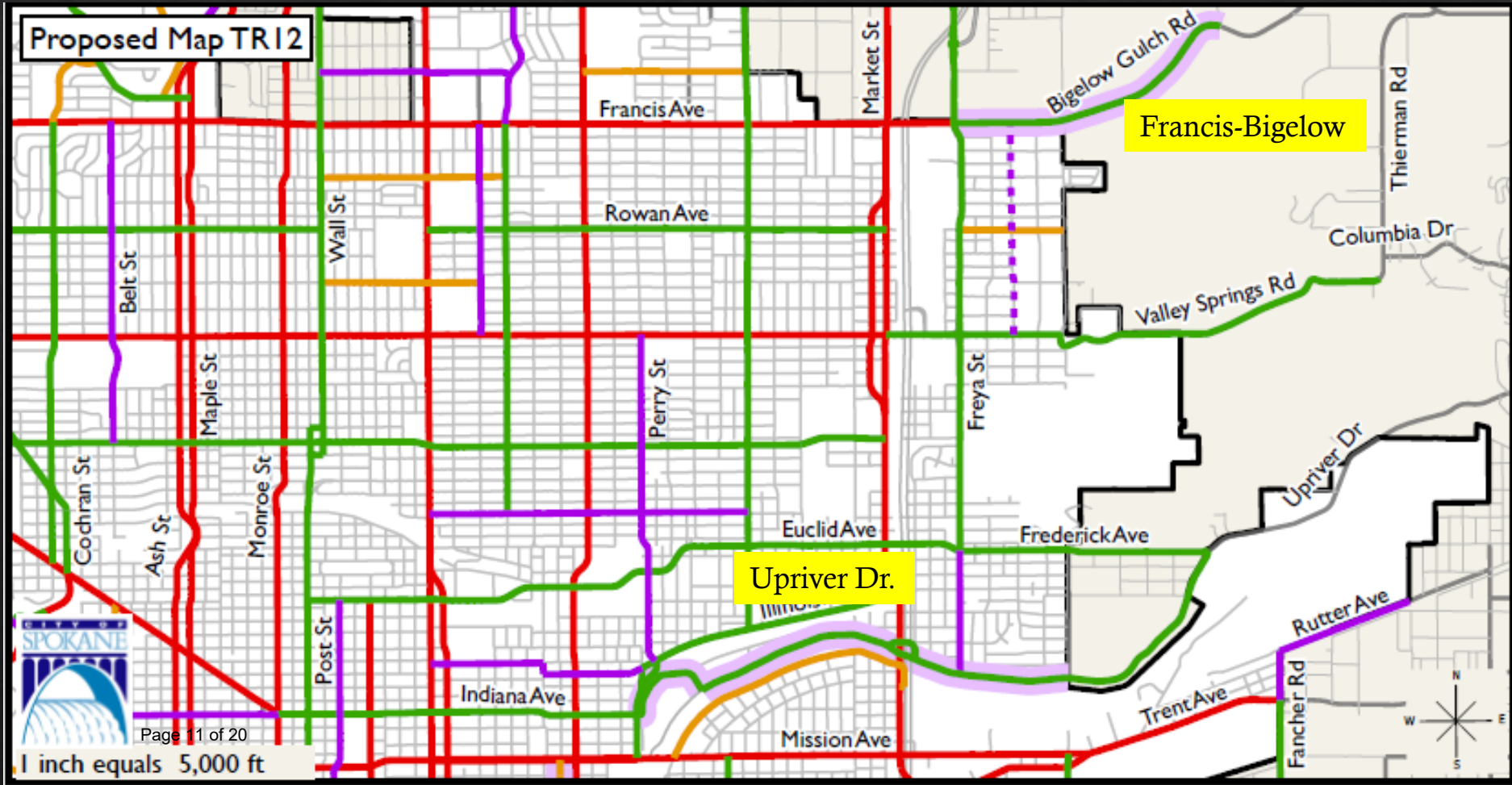
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Proposed Map TR12



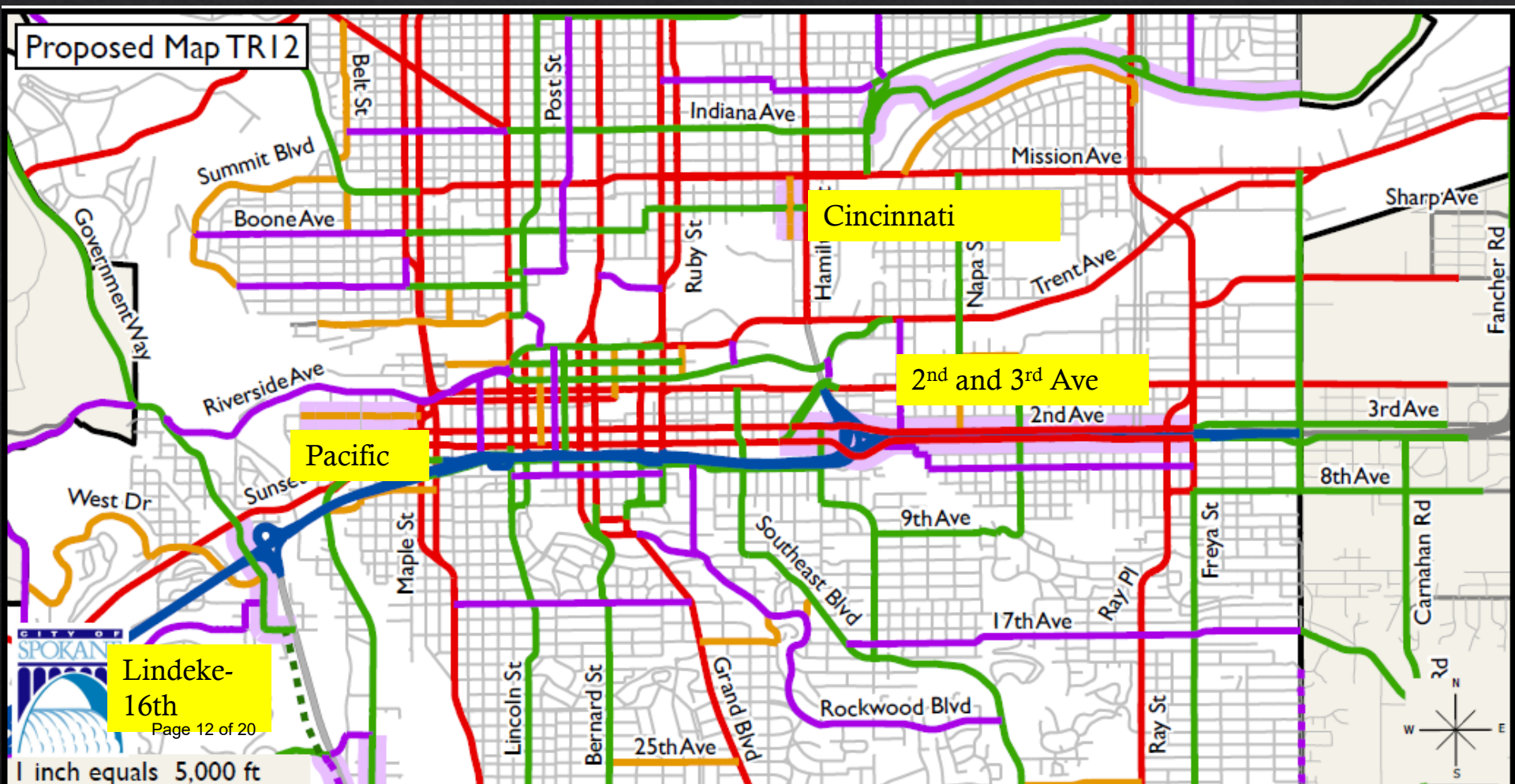
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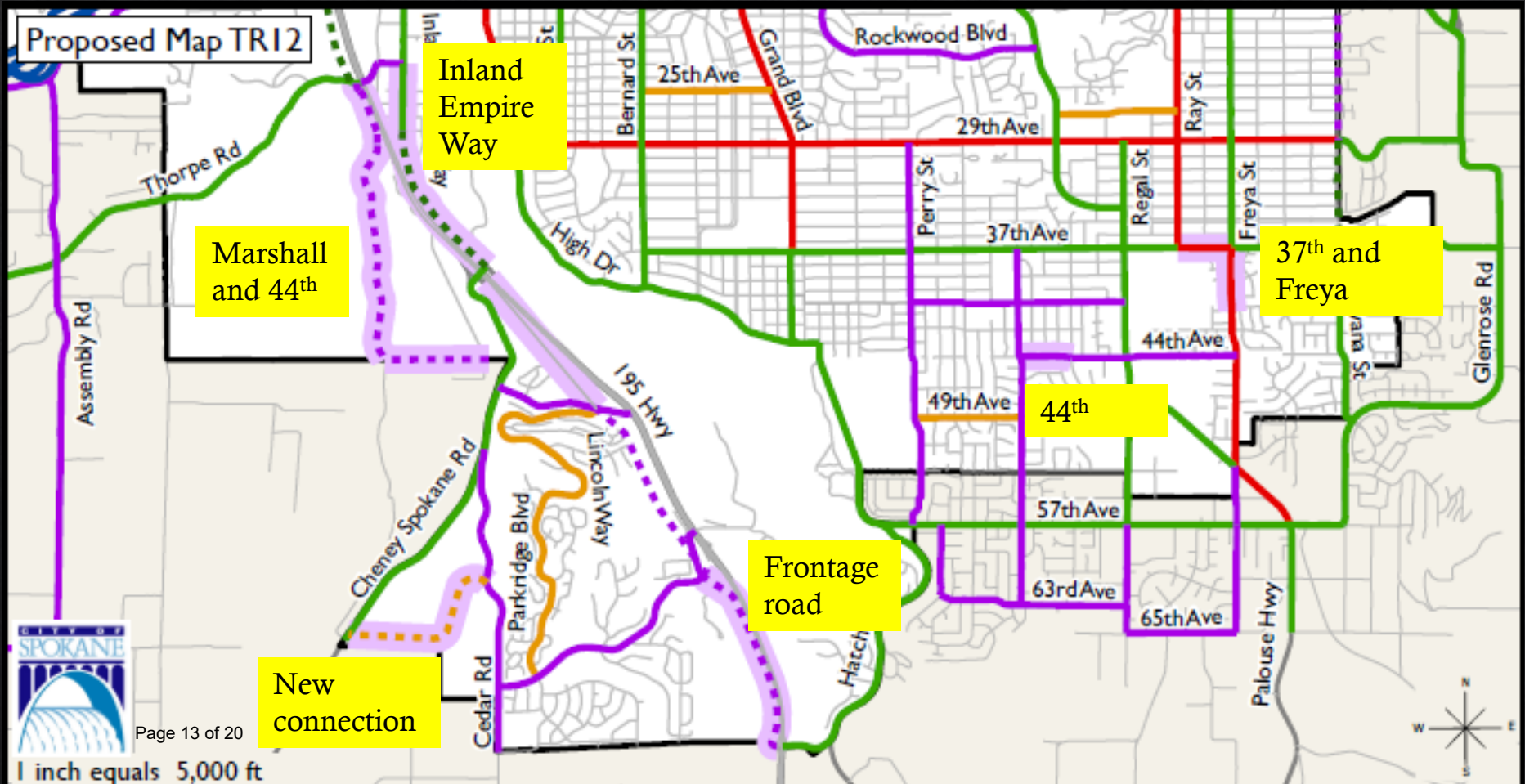
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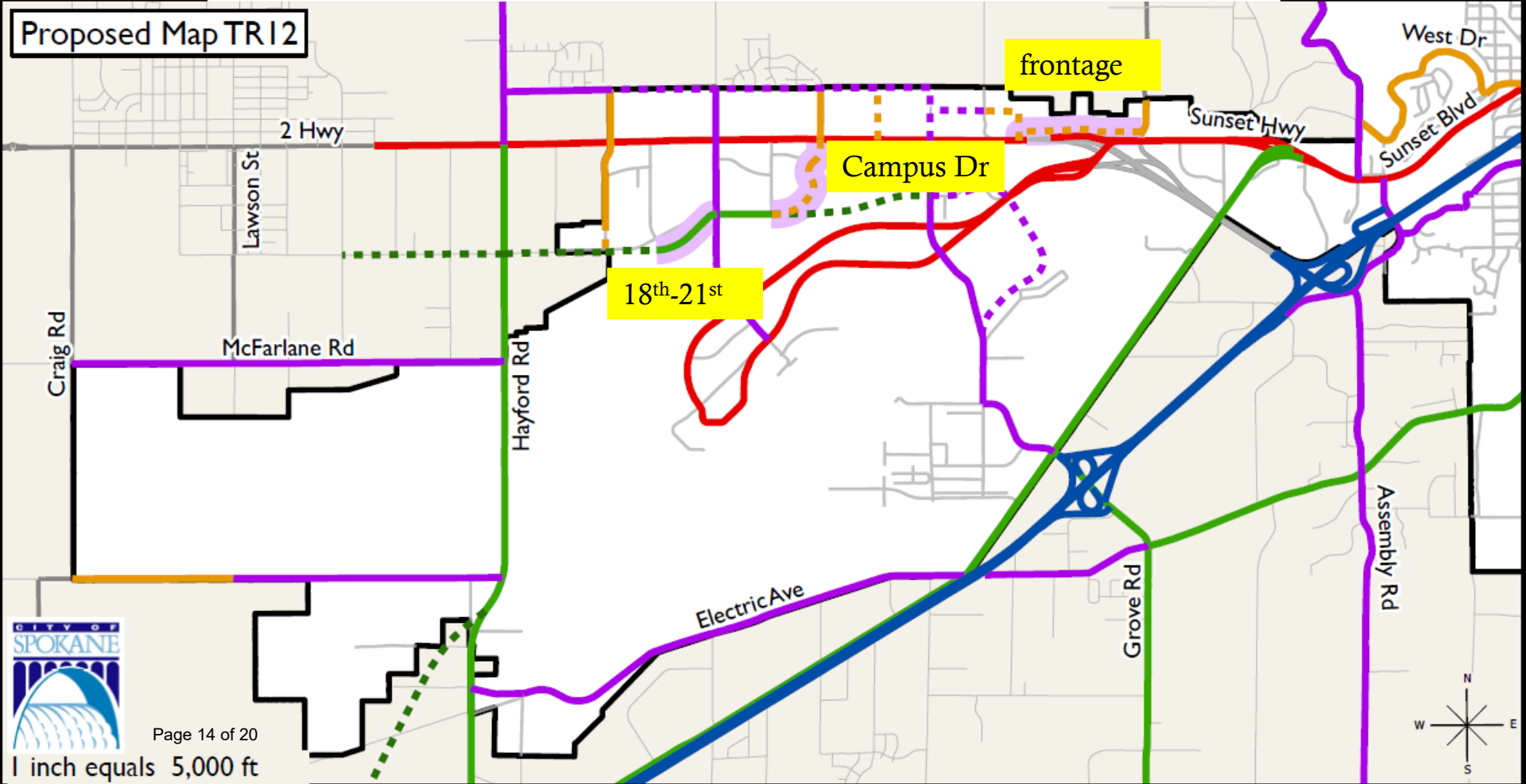
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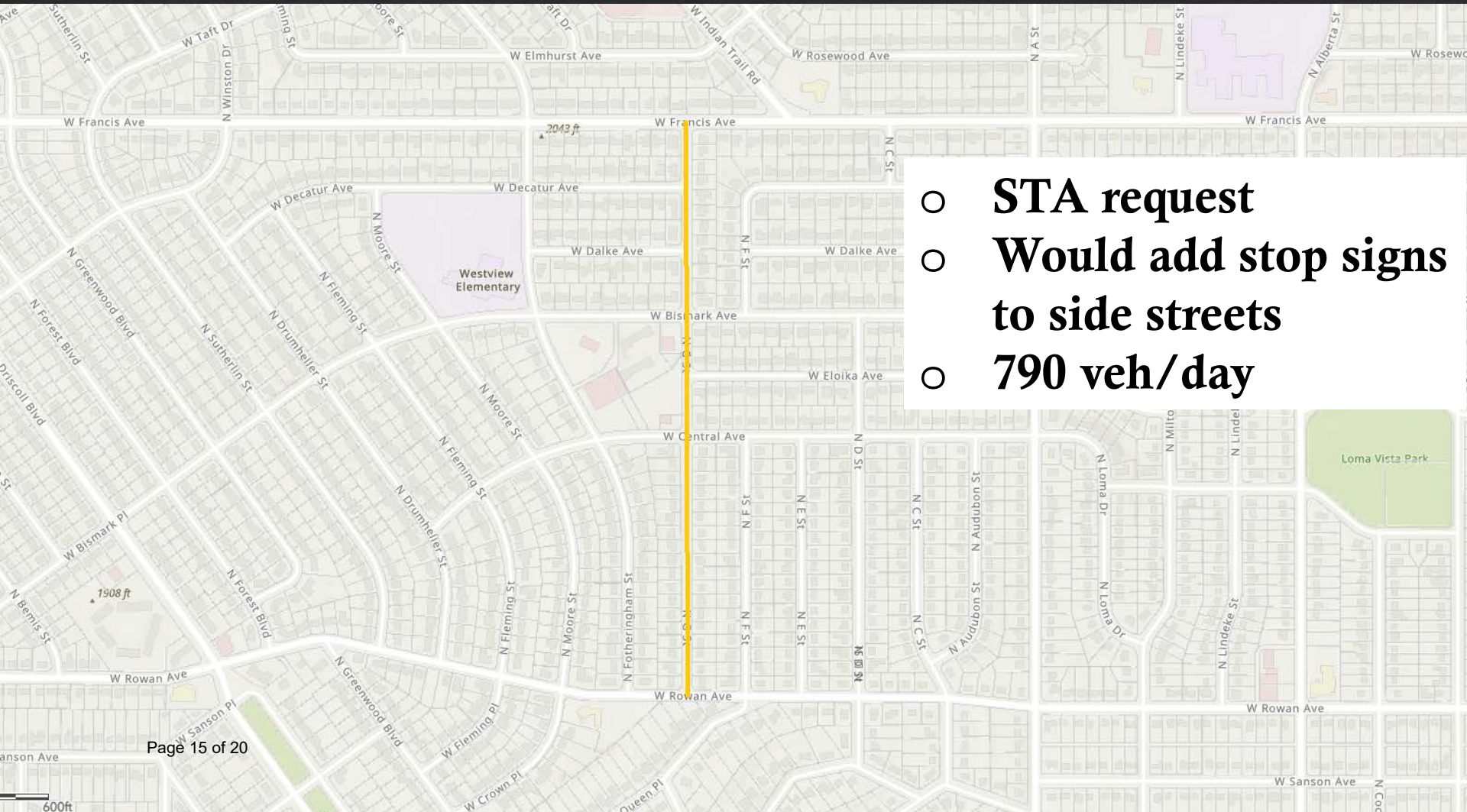
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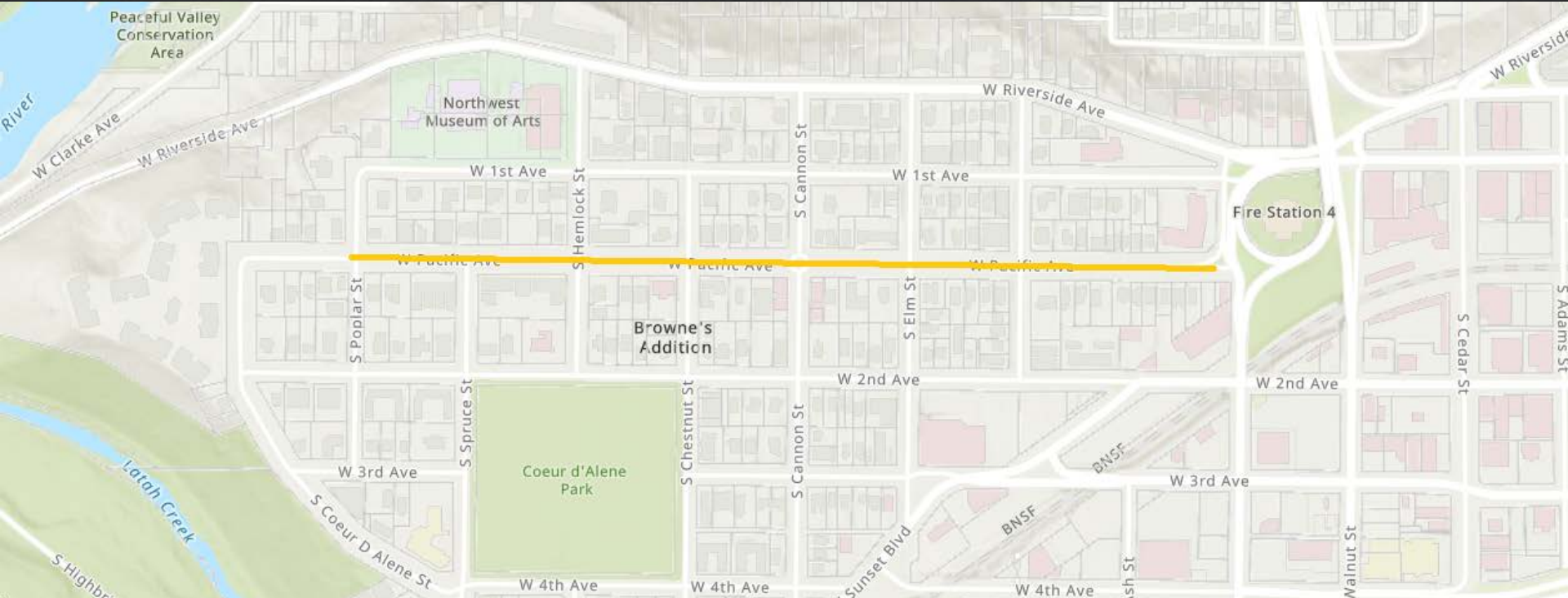


# G Street - Francis to Rowan Northwest Neighborhood



- **STA request**
- **Would add stop signs to side streets**
- **790 veh/day**

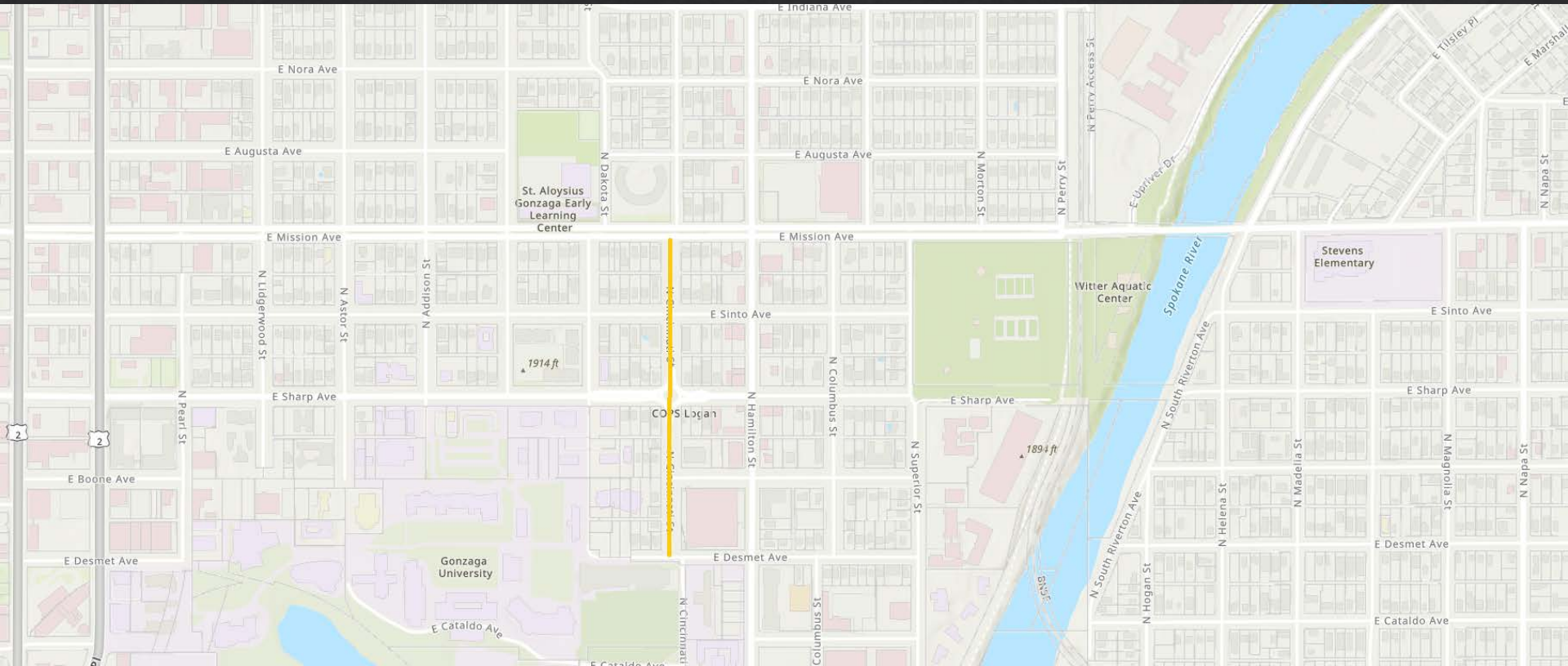
# Pacific Ave- Poplar to Maple Browne's Addition



- **STA request**
- **Reduce conflicts with Cityline busses**
- **Replace yield signs with stop signs**
- **1090 veh/day**



# Cincinnati St – Desmet to Mission Logan Neighborhood



- **STA request - reduce conflicts with Cityline busses**
- **Add stop signs at Sinto Ave.**
- **1710 veh/day**

# US 195 Text Amendments

Council Study Session  
March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022

*US 195 corridor*

A part of the National Highway System, US 195 supports an array of transportation demands including international, interstate, and interregional commerce. This highway is the regional transportation link of people and goods between Lewiston, Idaho and Spokane, Washington. Throughout the corridor there are numerous locations where growth is anticipated, primarily in the form of residential developments. The increased traffic associated with this growth will continue to intensify congestion and traffic safety concerns. The City of Spokane, WSDOT, and SRTC joined together to complete the US 195/I-90 Transportation Study in 2021. The study identified practical solutions that all agencies could agree on, with a focus on reducing the volume using the substandard NB 195 to EB I-90 ramp. The projects include: J-turns at US 195/Meadowlane and US 195/Hatch Roads, turn restrictions at US 195/16<sup>th</sup>, reconnection of Inland Empire Way to US 195, construction of Lindeke from Thorpe to 16<sup>th</sup>, improvement of Marshall Road from Thorpe to 44th, restriping the commercial part of Cheney-Spokane Road, shared-use pathway on Cheney-Spokane from Qualchan Drive to the interchange, additional frontage roads between Qualchan and Hatch and establishment of transit service in the area.

~~has identified several projects along the entire I-195 corridor within the city that will require future study. The study will be a collaborative effort between the city and WSDOT and will utilize a least-cost planning approach in identifying practical solutions for future corridor needs and improvements~~

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-\_\_\_\_

A RESOLUTION of the Plan Commission establishing a Housing Work Group as a temporary subcommittee of the Plan Commission to meet at regular intervals to discuss and refine proposals for modifications to Title 17 SMC focused especially on the creation and rehabilitation of housing in the City of Spokane.

WHEREAS, the Plan Commission has the authority to establish committees or subcommittees pursuant to SMC 04.12.050(B);

WHEREAS, the President has authority to create temporary committees of one or more members and to appoint members to such committees and appoint committee chairs pursuant to Rule 8.5.1 of the Plan Commission Rules of Procedure;

WHEREAS, the Mayor issued a declaration of a housing emergency on July 26, 2021;

WHEREAS, City Council adopted a Housing Action Plan on July 26, 2021 with an appendix of action items to be undertaken in response to the housing crisis;

WHEREAS, Plan Commission is charged with providing advice and making recommendations pursuant to SMC 04.12.010(A);

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE PLAN COMMISSION that a Housing Work Group subcommittee of the Plan Commission shall be created for the study and advancement of proposals to modify SMC 17 focused especially on the creation and rehabilitation of housing in the City of Spokane. Such group shall meet pursuant to the requirements for open and public meetings established in 42.30 RCW on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at 1:00 pm in the Council Briefing Center at City Hall.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the subcommittee will consist of five or more members of the Plan Commission.

ADOPTED by the Plan Commission this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

\_\_\_\_\_  
City Clerk

Approved as to form:

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Assistant City Attorney