

# Spokane South Hill Coalition

## Connectivity and Livability Strategic Plan

### *Vision, Goals and Strategies*

#### GOALS WITH STRATEGIES

**Active Downtown Linkages.** Connect to and from downtown Spokane via bikeways and pedestrian pathways.

*Strategies:*

- ADL-1** Develop greenways.
- ADL-2** Create additional bike routes to close network gaps.
- ADL-3** Extend biking and walking trips with safe and convenient access to transit.
- ADL-4** Support the creation of a frequent N. Monroe/S. Regal transit line and South Commuter Express service to connect South Hill neighborhoods with Downtown Spokane.

**Complete Neighborhoods.** Ensure access to and between South Hill destinations including residential areas, schools, shopping, restaurants, parks and recreation facilities.

*Strategies:*

- CN-1** Improve east-west access.
- CN-2** Where business centers are being developed, encourage multi-modal access from all directions by planning for street and path connectivity.
- CN-3** Explore opportunities to enhance arterials. Examples include addition of bike lanes, bump-outs, raised crossings, planted medians, bus shelters, street furnishings, trash cans, bike racks, etc.

**Urban Forest.** Preserve and enhance the tree canopy throughout the South Hill.

*Strategies:*

- UF-1** Educate neighbors on street tree ordinance.
- UF-2** Work with non-profits and agencies to increase tree canopy and promote understory where appropriate.

**Smooth Travel.** Advocate for paving and maintenance of streets and sidewalks.

*Strategies:*

- ST-1** Attend City meetings regarding public right-of-way capital improvement and maintenance plans.
- ST-2** Work with City staff to identify funding sources for paving and maintenance.
- ST-3** Stay involved with local and regional transportation issues and planning efforts.

**Crime Prevention.** Identify ways to make our neighborhoods safer.

*Strategies:*

- CP-1** Encourage Block Watches.
- CP-2** Design for crime prevention. [e.g. Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED)]
- CP-3** Install appropriate lighting.
- CP-4** Aid neighbors in quick removal of graffiti with education, paint and volunteers.
- CP-5** Encourage foot traffic in public places. Add paths, landscaping, community gardens, and activity spaces.

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**Traffic Safety.** Work with the City to explore ways to make the streets and rights-of-ways safer and with Spokane Public Schools to identify Safe Routes to Schools.

*Examples may be and are not limited to the following:*

Curb Extensions	Enhanced Crosswalks	Bike Lanes
Trees	Right Sized Streets	Striping/Marks
Bump Outs	Roundabouts	Signage and Lighting

*Strategies:*

- TS-1** Work with the City to address level of service and traffic flow on the South Hill in order to review speed limits on arterials to improve pedestrian and bicycle safety and reduce noise.
- TS-2** Improve safety for pedestrians at crossings of high-volume and/or high speed streets.
- TS-3** Identify and develop safer routes to school for walking and biking.

**Unique Neighborhoods, Unified District.** Develop and maintain individual neighborhood identities with wayfinding and interpretive features that also communicate how the South Hill is a unified and special place within Spokane.

*Strategies:*

- UD-1** Identify a multi-modal loop for neighbors and visitors that connects, promotes and showcases the South Hill parks.
- UD-2** Develop and implement a signage and wayfinding program for the South Hill.

**Centralized Information.** Establish and maintain a communications hub.

*Strategies:*

- CI-1** Further develop and update website with current information.
- CI-2** Continue and expand use of social media to make and maintain contact with community members.
- CI-3** Utilize coalition framework to distribute information to neighborhood associations in a timely manner.

**Continued Learning.** Develop an ongoing education mechanism to inform neighbors and neighborhoods on various City processes.

*Examples may be and are not limited to the following:*

Street Trees	Noise	Graffiti	Tax Parcel Splits
Zoning and Land Use	Code Enforcement	Garbage Cans	Lot Line Adjustments
Urban Farming	Trash	Vehicles (Storage/ Abandoned)	LID Process for Alleys
Animals	Etiquette		

*Strategies:*

- CL-1** Hold neighborhood educational workshops on key City processes.
- CL-2** Organize and host presentations by City staff and other relevant speakers.