

# Spokane Plan Commission

August 12, 2015

Meeting Minutes: Meeting called to order at 2:00

## Attendance

- Board Members Present: Dennis Dellwo, John Dietzman, Evan Verduin, Mark Aden, Asher Ernst, Gail Prosser, FJ Dullanty, Tom Reese, Greg Francis; Community Liaison,
- Board Members Not Present: Candace Mumm; Council Liaison
- Staff Present: Louis Meuler; Secretary, Amanda Winchell; Planning and Development, James Richman; Legal Department

## Public Comment Period:

- none

## Briefing Session:

Minutes from the July 22, 2015 meeting approved unanimously.

1. Council Liaison Report-Candace Mumm
  - None
2. Community Assembly Liaison Report- Greg Francis
  - The last Community Assembly meeting was focused on the Neighborhood Notification Ordinance. The Community Assembly would prefer a geographic boundary border of 1500 feet.
  - The other topic discussed at the meeting was the technical comments by a licensed profession which has since been removed.
3. Transportation Subcommittee Report-John Dietzman
  - Transportation Subcommittee met on August 4<sup>th</sup> and had a presentation on the YARD, an industrial area east of Market.
  - Ken Pelton presented the Pedestrian Master Plan. Members voted to bring the plan to forward to Plan Commission for a hearing.
4. Commission President Report-Dennis Dellwo
  - Closed written testimony for the Neighborhood Notification Ordinance Hearing.
  - Would like to get a presentation on the aquifer added to the agenda soon.
5. Secretary Report-Louis Meuler
  - The American League of Bicycles did a bicycle tour and provided an informational training for several staff and members of the bicycle advisory board. This opened up dialogue about what the City can do to move from a bronze to a silver bicycle friendly community.

## Informational:

1. Transportation Sub-committee membership update-John Dietzman
  - Updates on current funding choices
  - Discussion ensued

## Workshops:

1. Amendments to Abandoned Property Registry-Melissa Wittstruck
  - Presentation and overview given
  - Questions asked and answered

## Hearing:

1. Neighborhood Notification Ordinance-Written Testimony Only
  - Presentation and overview given on modifications made to the ordinance based on received written testimony.
  - Questions asked and answered

**Evan Verduin moves to recommend the Neighborhood Notification Ordinance changes to City Council, Motion seconded by Tom Reese.**

- Discussion regarding motion held between Commission members and staff - amend motion with the following:
  - Change SMC 17g.06.090 section B to read "department" in lieu of administrative official to remain consistent.
  - President Dellwo suggested removing the word "component" from the statement in section C.
  - Change the wording in section C to receive written notice on behalf of the neighborhood council which the project is located or any neighborhood council whose geographic borders are located within 600 feet.
  - Modify the wording in section 4 changed to "If the neighborhood council submits comments on an application the department should provide written response to the chair person with copy to the applicant no later than the date."
  - Remove the written definition of standing referring the reader to the definition section of the code.

**The vote to forward a recommendation of approval to the City Council and forward the finding and conclusions was unanimous (8 to 0).**

**Meeting Adjourned at 3:49**

Next Plan Commission Meeting is scheduled for **August 26, 2015**



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**Louis Meuler, Secretary**