

Spokane Plan Commission

October 25, 2017

Meeting Minutes: Meeting called to order at 2:00 pm

Workshop Attendance:

- Commission Members Present: Michael Baker, Christopher Batten, John Dietzman, Carole Shook, Sylvia St.Clair, Todd Beyreuther, Dennis Dellwo, Christy Jeffers, Patricia Kienholz, Community Assembly Liaison Greg Francis
- Commission Members Absent: Jacob Brooks, City Council Liaison Lori Kinnear
- Staff Members Present: Lisa Key, Darcie Jernberg, Kelly Doty

Public Comment:

- None

Briefing Session:

1. A motion was made by Christy Jeffers to accept the October 11, 2017 meeting minutes. Christopher Batten seconded the motion. The October 11, 2017 meeting minutes approved unanimously.
2. City Council Report- Lori Kinnear-
 - Lori Kinnear was absent; no report.
3. Community Assembly Liaison Report - Greg Francis
 - No meeting to report on
4. President Report-
 - Dennis Dellwo took a vote to ratify the Findings of Facts, Conclusions and Recommendation for the Proposed Amendments to the Spokane Municipal Code, Chapter 17C.240 Signs; as recommended for approval by the Commission at the October 11, 2017 Sign Code Hearing. The vote to ratify the Findings of Facts was unanimous.
5. Transportation Sub-committee Report -John Dietzman
 - The Transportation Subcommittee met on October 3rd. Pedestrian street standards was the main focus.
 - A presentation was given on the Snow Plan for 2017-2018.
 - New and more equipment will be used for snow removal, along with use of a drop gate to help to eliminate berms on driveways.
 - Code Enforcement will be doing active enforcement related to parking and sidewalk clearing, instead of just complaint driven enforcement
 - A possible Public Works abatement order will allow the City to clear the sidewalks for a charge to the residents or property owner, possibly along safe-routes-to-school.
 - Dump Trucks will be used to haul snow away instead of creating berms and piling snow.
 - The Citizens Transportation Advisory Board (CTAB) discussed a plan to shift money from Arterial Maintenance to Road Maintenance and use the Levy for Arterial Maintenance.
 - The Transportation Benefit District (TBD) dollars may also be used to fund Arterial Maintenance. This will be decided upon by City Council.
 - The Next meeting will be November 1, 2017.
6. Secretary Report- Lisa Key
 - Passed out the Agenda Management Tool
 - No meeting on November 22nd or December 27th.
 - December 13th there are three tentative hearings scheduled. DTC-100 Building Heights, Code clean-up of Sign Code, and the second set of Infill revisions.
 - Upcoming events:

- Infill Open house - November 2nd at the West Central Community Center from 4:00-6:00pm focusing on the first round of infill code amendments.
- The Plan Commission Transportation Subcommittee Meeting is on November 7th at 9am. The agenda items will be focusing on Street Standard Updates and Impact Fees

Workshops:

Rick Romero with the Mayor's Office presented on the One Voice Joint Strategic Plan

- A hand out was distributed showing the alignment of the Strategic Plan with the Comprehensive Plan
- Presentation and overview given
- Questions asked and answered
- Discussion ensued

Amy Muelerlie with the City of Spokane Planning Services Department presented proposed additional amendments to the SMC as a result of proposed changes to the Sign Code. The proposed changes will be applied citywide and have a corresponding impact. Staff is requesting Plan Commission's comments and feedback on the proposed changes. A public hearing with the Plan Commission is scheduled for December 13, 2017.

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Nathan Gwinn with the City of Spokane Planning Services Department presented proposed Infill Code Revisions on Cottage Housing and Pocket Residential Code Amendments.

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Meeting Adjourned at 4:12 P.M.