

# Spokane Plan Commission -Minutes

**February 27, 2019**

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

## Attendance:

- Board Members Present: Todd Beyreuther, Greg Francis, Christopher Batten, Michael Baker, Carole Shook, Kate Burke (City Council Liaison)
- Board Members Not Present: Patricia Hansen (Community Assembly Liaison), Sylvia St. Clair, Diana Painter, John Dietzman
- Staff Members Present: James Richman, Amanda Winchell, Heather Trautman, Kevin Freibott, Melissa Wittstruck, Tami Palmquist,

## Public Comment:

None

## Briefing Session:

Minutes from the February 13, 2019 meeting will be reviewed at the March 13<sup>th</sup> meeting due to lack of quorum.

### 1. City Council Liaison Report - Kate Burke

- 2019 legislative agenda packet that lists out the bills and policies that are moving forward to the state was handed out to the commissioners.
- Kate Burke's office has been tracking several affordable housing bills that could affect the City of Spokane.
- There is funding that the City of Spokane can receive if the community has 16 bed facilities available to house those suffering from mental health crisis, or need time sobering up. The 16 bed cap has been a barrier for our community because we could take on more people if we receive funding from the federal government to support more beds.
- The envision center is currently in a pilot program. We have reached out to the City's federal lobbyist to see if HUD can support a more long term program for our community.
- Council received an update from the Continuum of Care Board.
- How to Kill a City, author Peter Moskowitz has agreed to come speak to the City of Spokane administration. Kate Burke is trying to coordinate the funds to support the speaker's fee.
- Discussed providing an update on the bills that have moved forward to the state
- The Committee of Elected Officials has been working together to discuss the Spokane Urban Growth Boundary and joint planning areas to look into opportunities to coordinate transportation, land use and capital facilities.

### 2. Community Assembly Liaison Report - Greg Francis

- Kevin Freibott with the City of Spokane presented to the land use committee on the North Bank Plan and the shared mobility plan.
- The next CA meeting will be held next week

### 3. Commission President Report - Todd Beyreuther

- Commission will be interviewing two of the three Plan Commission applicants.

### 4. Transportation Subcommittee Report - John Dietzman

- The next Transportation Subcommittee meeting will be held on March 5, 2019.

### 5. Secretary Report- Heather Trautman

- Provided an update on upcoming projects that will be moving forward to Plan Commission. One of these projects is the Transportation Map 12 emergency amendment that was forwarded to the Plan Commission by City Council. This is scheduled for a public hearing on March 27<sup>th</sup>.
- Priest Lake Conference and other training opportunities for the Commissioners is coming up. More information coming soon on these opportunities.

## **Workshops:**

### 1. Interview Eric Cultum and Jason Link

- Interviewed two of three applicants for the Plan Commission Vacancies.
- Questions asked and answered

### 2. Downtown Parking Study Final Plan

- Provided the data retrieved from the Downtown Parking Study and offered suggestions to improve current parking.
- Questions asked and answered

## **Meeting Adjourned at 3:53 PM**

Next Plan Commission Meeting is scheduled for March 13, 2019