Spokane Plan Commission - Meeting Minutes

July 10, 2019
Meeting Minutes: Meeting called to order at 2:00 PM

Attendance:
- Board Members Present: John Dietzman, Michael Baker, Sylvia St. Clair, Greg Francis, Todd Beyreuther, Diana Painter, Carole Shook, Christopher Batten, Patricia Hansen (Community Assembly Liaison)
- Board Members Not Present: Kate Burke (City Council Liaison),
- Staff Members Present: Amanda Winchell, Heather Trautman, Tirrell Black, Nathan Gwinn, Tyler Kimbrell, James Richman, Christopher Green, Danielle Olson, Melissa Wittstruck, Alicia Strieby, Teri Stripes

Public Comment:
None

Briefing Session:
Approval of the June 12th & June 26th, 2019 meeting minutes approved unanimously.

1. City Council Liaison - Kate Burke
   - None

2. Commission President Report - Todd Beyreuther
   - None

3. Transportation Subcommittee Report - John Dietzman
   - At the July PCTS meeting Inga Note presented the Arterial Maps update and Brandon Blankenagel provided an update on street design standards for urban, inter-urban and industrial zones.
   - During the PCTS meeting a community member spoke to the committee about concerns with Lime Scooter Operator’s riding on downtown sidewalks. Electric scooters riding on the sidewalks is causing a hazard for him and his guide dog. He would like to see more enforcement of the laws, and more information shared about the laws surrounding motorized scooters on sidewalks.
   - CTAB will be meeting next Monday and they will be looking at adding additional residential street projects.

4. Secretary Report - Heather Trautman
   - Introduced Danielle Olson and Tyler Kimbrell, the new temp/seasonal employees to the City of Spokane’s Planning Department.
   - Board discussed the current Plan Commissions schedule.
   - Due to schedule congestion, the Plan Commission meetings will be held at 1pm to accommodate the various projects that are moving forward and to allow staff to meet the project deadlines. Hearings will also be doubled up on agendas.
   - A poll will be going out to confirm that we have a quorum for all the hearing dates that are coming up.
   - City Council had deferred the consideration of the Plan Commission Applicants for a month. That month is almost up and we will be getting input on the applicants soon.

5. Community Assembly Liaison Report - Patricia Hansen
   - None

Workshops:
1. South University District Subarea Plan
   - Presentation and overview provided by Christopher Green
   - Questions asked and answered
   - Discussion ensued
2. **Overview of 2019 Legislation**
   - Presentation provided by Tirrell Black
   - Questions asked and answered
   - Discussion ensued
   - Commission recommended the following options in pursuing grant funding to increase residential building capacity according to recently passed legislation E2S HB 1923.
     - Authorize at least one duplex, triplex, or courtyard apartment on each parcel in one or more zoning districts that permit single-family residences.
     - Authorize attached accessory dwelling units (ADU) on all parcels containing single family homes where the lot is at least 3,200 sq. ft. in size and permit both attached and detached ADUs on all parcels containing single family homes.
     - Authorize a duplex on each corner lot within all zoning districts that permit single-family residences.
     - Authorize a minimum net density of six dwelling units per acre in all residential zones, where the residential development capacity will increase within the City.

3. **Comprehensive Plan Amendment (701 & 707 S. Sherman, Z18-883COMP)**
   - Presentation and overview provided by Nathan Gwinn
   - Applicant, Dwight Hume, addressed the Commission about the project
   - Questions asked and answered
   - Discussion ensued

4. **Comprehensive Plan Amendment Text Amendment (LU 1.8, Z19-002)**
   - Presentation and overview provided by Tirrell Black
   - Questions asked and answered
   - Discussion ensued

Greg Francis makes a motion to send the staff version of the draft Comprehensive Amendment to LU 1.8, forward for a Plan Commission hearing. Christopher Batten seconds the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

**Meeting Adjourned at 4:36 PM**
Next Plan Commission Meeting is scheduled for July 24, 2019