Spokane Plan Commission - Meeting Minutes

July 24, 2019
Meeting Minutes: Meeting called to order at 1:03 PM

Attendance:
- Board Members Present: Michael Baker, Sylvia St. Clair, Greg Francis, Todd Beyreuther, Diana Painter, Carole Shook, John Dietzman
- Board Members Not Present: Christopher Batten, Kate Burke (City Council Liaison),
- Staff Members Present: Tirrell Black, Nathan Gwinn, Christopher Green, Kevin Freibott, James Richman, Melissa Wittstruck, Inga Note, Stephanie Bishop

Public Comment:
None

Briefing Session:
1. City Council Liaison- Kate Burke (Absent)
   • None
2. Community Assembly Liaison Report - Greg Francis
   • Patricia Hansen has resigned as the Community Assembly Liaison. The Community Assembly is working on finding a new liaison.
   • The Police Department provided an update on their new use of force policy.
   • CM Beggs briefed the assembly on the new homeless shelter at Havana and Sprague
   • Updated on the new Multi-Family Tax Exemption (MFTE) boundaries that are being proposed.
   • Land Use committee-South University District and the two text based changes to the Comprehensive Plan Amendments.
   • At the next CA meeting Inga will be briefing on the updates to the arterial maps.
3. Commission President Report - Todd Beyreuther
   • Attending WSU/NSF sponsored global community and urbanization workshop in Seattle next week.
4. Transportation Subcommittee Report – John Dietzman
   • None
5. Secretary Report- Tirrell Black
   • Amanda Winchell has taken a new position at the Spokane Fire Department, so Planning Services will be getting a new Clerk III.
   • Working on finalizing the North Bank Plan with the neighborhoods. Melissa Wittstruck will be presenting to the Plan Commission at the August 14th Plan Commission meeting.
   • Christopher Green shared the community outreach update on the South University District.
   • Heather Trautman is out this week.
   • No decision has been made by City Council regarding the position vacancies. Todd suggests that the Commission discuss future recruitment.

Diana Painter made a motion to approve the July 10, 2019 meeting minutes with amendments to the Plan Commissions recommendation to the Overview of 2019 Legislation. Commission approved the minutes with amendments unanimously.

Workshops:
1. Comprehensive Plan Amendment Text Amendment (LU 4.6, Z18-958)
   • Presentation and overview provided by Kevin Freibott; City of Spokane Planning Services and Kathleen Weinand; Spokane Transit Authority
   • Questions asked and answered
   • Discussion ensued

   Greg Francis moved that staff bring forth to Hearing the policy language as amended by staff for LU 4.6, Z18-958; Michael Baker seconded. Motion carried.
2. **Renaming of the East Central Community Center**
   - Presentation provided by Karin Janssen, Community Engagement Programs Manager, City of Spokane
   - Questions asked and answered
   - Discussion ensued

   Greg Francis moved that the name choices brought forward to the August 14th hearing be narrowed to the two that received the most votes in the poll (Martin Luther King Jr and East Central Community Center), John Dietzman seconded. Motion carried.

   **President Beyreuther called for a break at 2:25 PM.**
   **Meeting resumed at 2:27 PM.**

3. **Impact Fees**
   - Presentation and overview provided by Inga Note
   - Questions asked and answered
   - Discussion ensued

4. **Continuing E2SHB 1923 Urban Capacity Funding Opportunity**
   - Presentation and overview provided by Tirrell Black
   - Questions asked and answered
   - Discussion ensued

   Greg Francis moved that Plan Commission recommends to City Council to apply for the $100,000 grant for the Housing Action Plan, while also strongly considering internal options for the menu items in option one and rescinding the Commission’s previous motion at the July 10th meeting; Michael Baker seconded. Motion carried.

   **Meeting Adjourned at 5:02 PM**
   Next Plan Commission Meeting is scheduled for August 14, 2019