

Spokane Plan Commission - Draft Minutes

November 13, 2019

City Council Briefing Center/Chambers

Meeting Minutes: Meeting called to order at 1:02 PM by Greg Francis

Attendance:

- Board Members Present: Todd Beyreuther, Michael Baker, Christopher Batten, Carole Shook, Sylvia St. Clair, Greg Francis, John Dietzman, Diana Painter
- Board Members Not Present: Kate Burke (City Council Liaison)
- *Quorum Present: Yes*
- Staff Members Present: Heather Trautman, Chris Green, Nate Gwinn, Tirrell Black, Danielle, Louis Moeller, Chris Green, Brandon Blankenagle

Public Comment:

Paul Kropp - Spoke in favor of Mary Winkes as the Community Assembly Liaison to Plan Commission. She has been approved by Community Assembly and is still in the process of being put into the position of CA Liaison to Plan Commission.

Briefing Session:

Minutes from the October 23, 2019 meeting approved unanimously.

1. **City Council Liaison Report - Kate Burke was absent.**
 - NONE
2. **Community Assembly Liaison Report - Greg Francis**
 - Mary Winkes has been approved as CA Liaison and is in process of being elected to the position of CA Liaison for Plan Commission.
3. **Commission President Report - Todd Beyreuther was absent.**
 - NONE
4. **Transportation Subcommittee Report - John Dietzman**
 - NONE
5. **Secretary Report - Heather Trautman**
 - 2020 Comp Plan applications -Will be reviewed by a 3 members PC plus 3 members of City Council Subcommittee (Ad HOC Committee) in January
 - Heather told commissioners she will be leaving the City.
 - The Commission decided to have a working meeting at the December 11th meeting. Commissioners will bring snacks to share.

Workshops:

1. **2020-2021 Draft Work Plan**
 - Presentation provided by Heather Trautman
 - **John Dietzman arrived at 1:25 PM
 - Questions asked and answered
 - ** Todd Beyreuther arrived at 1:38 PM
 - Discussion ensued
2. **South University District Subarea Plan Continued**
 - Presentation provided by Chris Green
 - Questions asked and answered

- Discussion ensued
3. **Update on Spokane Downtown Plan Update Process/Consultation**
 - Presentation provided by Nate Gwinn and Andrew Rowles (Downtown Spokane Partnership)
 - Questions asked and answered
 - Discussion ensued
 4. **Walkability Presentation**
 - Presentation provided by Brandon Blankenagel and Amber Lindhart (Spokane Regional Health District)
 - Questions asked and answered
 - Discussion ensued
 5. **North Bank Subarea Plan**
 - Presentation provided by Chris Green
 - Questions asked and answered
 - Discussion ensued

Hearing:

1. **Arterial Street Mapping**
 - Presentation provided by Inga Note
 - Questions asked and answered
 - Discussion ensued

Greg Francis moved to recommend to City Council to adopt Arterial Street Map in SMC 12.08.040 as presented. John Dietzman seconded; motion carried. (8/0)

2. **PLANT Ordinance**
 - Presentation provided by Giacobbe Byrd and Melissa Owen and Angel Spell
 - Questions asked and answered
 - Public Testimony provided by:
 - Alan Nolan (Spokane Home Builders Association)
 - Charles Hansen
 - Toni Sharkey
 - Carrie Anderson
 - Mike Peterson (Director of Alliance Counsel/Representing Spokane Ponderosa)
 - Chelsea Updegrove (Urban Canopy Coordinator at the Alliance Counsel)
 - Discussion ensued

Greg Francis moved to recommend adoption by City Council of the Protecting Leaves & Adding New Trees Ordinance, also known as PLANT. Chris Batten seconded; motion carried.

Greg Francis moved to amend the original motion to work with urban forestry to develop language in section 17C.200 and 100, irrigation requirement to include alternative methods of watering beyond auto-irrigation systems prior to the City Council Hearing. Chris Batten seconded.

Todd Beyreuther made a friendly amendment to the amended motion to include in the alternative methods to consider the watering methods but the species, that specifically preference native species and maybe specifically Ponderosa Pine.

Greg Francis made a friendly amendment to add a sentence to the “in lieu” section that collected fees shall be used for growth and maintenance of the existing tree canopy. Chris Batten seconded.

Greg Francis moved to recommend to City Council to adopt the protecting leaves and new trees ordinance, also known as plant, as amended. Motion carried. (8/0)

Meeting Adjourned at 5:45 PM

Next Plan Commission Meeting scheduled for **Wednesday, December 11, 2019**

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