

# Spokane Plan Commission Minutes

July 8, 2020

City Council Chambers and Virtual by Webex

Meeting Minutes: Meeting called to order at 2:06 PM by Todd Beyreuther

## Attendance:

- Board Members Present: Todd Beyreuther, Michael Baker, Jo Anne Wright, Thomas Sanderson, Carole Shook, Sylvia St. Clair, Greg Francis, John Dietzman, Cliff Winger, Mary Winkes
- Board Members Not Present: Diana Painter, Candace Mumm (City Council Liaison)
- *Quorum Present: Yes*
- Staff Members Present: Louis Meuler, Stephanie Bishop, Kevin Freibott, Melissa Wittstruck, Inga Note, Chris Green, Tirrell Black

## Public Comment:

None

## Briefing Session:

Minutes from the June 24, 2020 meeting approved unanimously.

1. **City Council Liaison Report - Candace Mumm**
  - None - CM Mumm was absent.
2. **Community Assembly Liaison Report - Mary Winkes**
  - Mary gave an update on the recent virtual Community Assembly meeting. The next meeting will be Thursday, August 6, 2020.
3. **Commission President Report - Todd Beyreuther**
  - Todd gave an overview of a meeting he was invited to that included a group of Planners who were discussing equity and how it relates to planning.
4. **Transportation Subcommittee Report - John Dietzman**
  - The PCTS will be meeting on Tuesday, July 14th, and they'll be working on the Engineering Design Street Standards and will also consider amendments to the Comp Plan Transportation chapter for the arterial map and bicycle plan.
  - The PCTS meeting was delayed from July 7th, so members could participate in a meeting with the WA State Transportation Commission. They had a distinguished group of panelists who covered a wide range of topics, including the future of transportation post-COVID-19. They went over statistics on traffic reduction in auto, ferry, and public transit and also made projections on different scenarios dealing with the recovery. They said things could go back to normal if a vaccine comes out by the end of the year, but adjustments would have to be made if it's going to take a significant amount of time to get a vaccine. These could include telecommuting, more walking and biking, and an increase in suburban living with more people able to work from home and enjoy the advantages of suburban living. John will resend the link to the PowerPoint presentations from the meeting to Plan Commissioners.
5. **Secretary Report - Louis Meuler**
  - There are several items coming to Plan Commission in the next couple months, so some meetings may have to run later to allow all items to be presented.
  - The August 26<sup>th</sup> meeting was planned to be cancelled, but there's a possibility of having an in-person, socially distanced walking meeting/tour out in the community prior to winter.
  - Louis will be working with City Council to find a date they can meet with Plan Commission for a joint meeting in the next quarter.

### Workshops:

1. **Comp Plan Amendment Z19-503COMP**
  - Presentation provided by Kevin Freibott
  - Questions asked and answered
  - Discussion ensued
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### Hearing:

1. **Grand Boulevard Transportation & Land Use Study**
  - Presentation provided by Melissa Wittstruck and Inga Note
  - Questions asked and answered
  - Discussion ensued

Greg Francis moved to recommend the Grand Boulevard Transportation & Land Use Study to City Council as written; Sylvia St. Clair seconded. Motion carried. (9-0)

2. **South University District Subarea Plan**
  - Presentation provided by Chris Green
  - Questions asked and answered
  - Discussion ensued

**\*\*Greg Francis moved to continue the hearing, keeping public comment open, until the July 22<sup>nd</sup> Plan Commission meeting; Michael Baker seconded. Motion carried. (9-0)\*\***

**Meeting Adjourned at 5:28 PM**

Next Plan Commission Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, July 22, 2020