

Spokane Plan Commission Minutes

February 9, 2022

Webex Teleconference

Meeting Minutes: Meeting called to order at 2:00 PM by Todd Beyreuther

Attendance:

- Board Members Present: Todd Beyreuther (President), Greg Francis (Vice President), Michael Baker, Jesse Bank, Ryan Patterson, Clifford Winger
- Board Members Not Present: Kris Neely, Carole Shook, Tim Williams,
- Non-Voting Members Present: Mary Winkes (Community Assembly Liaison), Council Member Zack Zappone
- *Quorum Present: yes*
- Staff Members Present: Spencer Gardner, Tirrell Black, Jackie Churchill, James Richman, Jeff Gunn, KayCee Downey, Brian McClatchey, Maren Murphy, Kevin Picanco, Scotty Nicol, Colin Quinn-Hurst, Kevin Freibott, Erik Poulsen, Jeff Gunn

Public Comment: Citizens are invited to address the Plan Commission on any topic not on the agenda. 3 Minutes each. **None**

Minutes: Minutes from January 26, 2022 meeting approve unanimously.

Briefing Session:

1. City Council Liaison Report -Zack Zappone

- Council Member Zappone introduced himself. He grew up in Spokane and has a master's degree from Princeton. CM Zappone will act as Council Member Liaison to the Plan Commission whenever Council Member Kinnear is unable to attend. CM Kinnear has a time conflict with her position on the executive group of the STA Board.
- CM Zappone reported that Spokane will be receiving funds from Olympia for transportation. Infrastructure projects including the Division Bus Rapid Transit line, a pedestrian bridge by Liberty Park, and the North-South Freeway will receive funds.
- City Council Staff Erik Poulsen spoke about House Bill 17, also known as the Missing Middle Housing Legislation. There was a lot of discussion and controversy, but the bill passed through the appropriations committee and has moved to the House.
- Erik Poulsen also reported that House Bill 1099 passed through the House. This bill proposes to incorporate climate provisions into the Growth Management Act.

2. Community Assembly Liaison Report - Mary Winkes

- None.

3. Commission President Report - Todd Beyreuther

- President Beyreuther reported that the docketing process for the private applications for Comprehensive Plan amendments is moving forward. Plan Commissioners Bank, Baker, and Francis, along with Council Members Cathcart, Kinnear, and Zappone made up the docketing subcommittee. They reviewed five private applications, all of which were supported to move forward to City Council to be put onto the final docket. The subcommittee also expanded the scope of some of the applications to include additional land.

4. Transportation Subcommittee Report - Mary Winkes reported for Clifford Winger

- Mary Winkes reported that the PCTS met in February. Workshops and discussion items included the Six-Year Street update, Roadways of Significance, and the language of Plan Commission Transportation Subcommittee (PCTS) Rule 2.1.e. Rule 2.1.e addresses which Council Member serves as liaison to the PCTS, and the language was amended to remove the stipulation that the Council Member must be the same person who serves as liaison to the Plan Commission.

5. Secretary Report - Tirrell Black

- Tirrell Black reported that the PCTS Rule 2.1.e has been updated on the website.
- Ms. Black reported that the tentative date for the Comprehensive Plan amendments study session is slated for March 3rd.
- Spencer Gardner introduced himself as the new Planning Director. He has a background in the private sector and is excited get to work.
- Kris Neely and Ryan Patterson have been approved as Plan Commissioners. Ryan Patterson introduced herself. She previously served on Bicycle Advisory Board and Citizen Transportation Advisory Board.

Workshop(s):

1. 2021 Plan Commission Year in Review

- Presentation provided by Jackie Churchill
- Questions asked and answered
- Discussion ensued

2. 2023-2028 Six-Year Comprehensive Street Program

- Presentation provided by Kevin Picanco
- Questions asked and answered
- Discussion ensued

3. City Line Transit-Oriented Development Policy Recommendation

- Presentation provided by Colin Quinn-Hurst
- Questions asked and answered
- Discussion ensued

4. Residential Development Code Changes - Status update

- Presentation provided by Nate Gwinn and Amanda Beck
- Questions asked and answered
- Discussion ensued

Meeting Adjourned at 4:02 PM

Next Plan Commission Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, February 23, 2022